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But adults can't expect real results from the same sweet syrupy concoctions that you'd give to a child. When you want to throw off a bothersome cough you've just got to have a real cough medicine; then you should ask your druggist for a bottle of good old Bron-chu-line Emulsion.

Bron-chu-line isn't a cheap cough syrup mind you, for first-raters are never cheap. But if you want the best and are willing to pay a little more for real results, get a bottle today and notice how the first dose takes hold right away and gives you real relief from the coughing and soreness. Don't ignore a cough—get relief as quick as you can. Ask any progressive druggist for a 45-cent bottle of Bron-chu-line Emulsion and keep this in mind: It's the only cough medicine—*really*—that's...

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Junior Classes Give Much To Schools

During the last two years the junior classes of Kings Mountain High school under the direction of Miss Janet Scoggins, have donated to the school 50 yards of table linen which may be used for school activities, at so 350 salad plates, 121 cocktail glasses, and five flower vases.

They have financed the junior-banquet for the last two years without collecting dues from the pupils. The money was made selling refreshments at ball games, selling Christmas cards, and sponsoring entertainments throughout the year.

Ask the county chairman of the Victory Loan Campaign or the county agent about the new 16 mm motion pictures for war bond rallies.

The average farm in North Carolina is 65 acres, or 3.8 per cent smaller than five years ago, says the 1945 Census of Agriculture.

High School Library Contains 3,178 Books Circulation High

The students of the Kings Mountain High School have an attractive, newly decorated library which contains 3,178 books and 39 monthly and weekly magazines. Since January 1945 through October, 428 books have been added to the library. The number of books per pupil enrolled required by the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges is five. The number of books per pupil in Kings Mountain High School is 12.6.

The circulation of books from January through October of this year is 5,953.

Four newspapers, The Charlotte Observer, New York Times, Shelby Star, and The Kings Mountain Herald are available to the students.

Books can be checked out at any time during the day. When needed, the library is open to the students after school.

A book can be taken out for 14 days and can be renewed for 14 days. A fine of a cent a day is assessed for books overdue if the fine is brought with the book. If it is charged, the price is two cents a day.

Central school library, along with many other libraries in America, celebrated the week of November 11-17 as National Book Week. Posters were placed on the library doors and the bulletin boards were arranged to present the celebration to the students.

LOOKING AHEAD
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Oil and Mold

Apostles of government ownership of business agree sometimes that private management can do better with little things. When it comes to filling prescriptions, mending shoes or making clothespins, they admit, private operators may be more efficient. Not so with the big stuff, they argue; coal, iron, oil, railroads are different. These just beg for bureaucratic bossing.

Of course big industries are more interesting to politicians because they employ large numbers of people and affect the daily lives of millions more. The fact remains however, that government can and does make mistakes in the operation of big industries. Moreover, appropriate encouragement from government in relatively small enterprises has been known to result in much good.

Significant Decisions

Since government enterprises tend ultimately to become monopolistic, mistakes in them can be far more fateful than private blunders. Our government made two important decisions in 1942 which illustrate the case perfectly. One, to take a speculative flyer in Arctic oil, has cost American taxpayers 300 million "good-bye" dollars already. The other decision had to do with penicillin.

Penicillin is a drug, a mold extract that most people know less about than they do about gasoline. Some perfectly astounding cures are being worked with it, including cure of meningitis. It was discovered by an English scientist, Sir Alexander Fleming, in 1929 but production was tedious, slow and costly and consequently few sufferers were helped by it for 13 years.

In Mass Production

By 1942, our first war year, some American capitalists had taken a hand with marked success. The product was costing \$20 a bottle then, and the average patient required three bottles. Government authorities realized that war would create a need for it so they guaranteed a large market and provided capital for mass production. History will record the splendid results.

With the government's big purchase of this successful item, volume production started. Now there are 20 factories. The largest cost more than 3½ million dollars but penicillin is costing less than \$1 a bottle, \$3 per treatment. Many lives have been saved and more will be. Mankind will be healthier and happier. Government encouragement of this business proved wise and beneficial.

Smell of the Yukon

How different was the Canol oil venture. The Army drilled wells on the Mackenzie river, built a 27-million-dollar refinery at White Horse and tied into Fairbanks, Alaska, with 1,000 miles of pipeline. Nothing was gained. Gasoline from the white elephant plant at White Horse costs 26¢ a gallon. Oil companies can ship a better product there from the states for 18¢. The venture has been abandoned.

The Canol experiment failed. Very apparent obstacles made the operation too costly. Known sources of supply are better and 300 million dollars of taxpayers' money is gone. Government's support of one beneficial drug can't justify its management of big business. What official, spending public money, is cautious and thorough like a private investor with his own money? Never has government management achieved the efficiency of American private management.

Hord's Ship Never Failed To Do Job

Pearl Harbor, T. H.—Jerry E. Hord, machinist's mate, third class, USNR, 117 Fulton street, Kings Mountain, N. C., and other crewmen of the Fleet oiler USS COSSATOT, whose operations have taken her from North Africa to Okinawa, never failed to complete an assignment successfully. Navy records here have disclosed.

Commissioned in April, 1943, the COSSATOT was assigned to the North Africa run, fueling destroyers, escorts in merchant convoys, stopping at Oran, Bizerte and Casablanca.

She was transferred to the Pacific in December, 1944, and assigned to a task group. Since that time she has poured as much as 51,000 barrels of fuel oil a day into units of the force.

boosting the morale of servicemen through sending them letters, packages, and newspapers. These men include all who have attended Kings Mountain high school since 1933.

The members, under the sponsorship of Miss Janet Scoggins, faculty advisor, have sent 190 packages, 5,500 letters, and 53 newspapers during the last school session and up to the present time.

In addition, she serviced the Fleet with large quantities of dry and fresh provisions, lubricating oil, paint and other items essential to a ship's operation.

The COSSATOT came closest to destruction while fueling ships for the Okinawa operations. A suicide plane, taking advantage of a heavy smoke screen, got to within 1,000 yards of the ship before being discovered. The anti-aircraft batteries opened up, and the Kamikaze exploded close to the ship, plunging down in flames 200 yards from the oiler.

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