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proficient in your work of protecting the taxpayers you would not have had to list any discrepancies, there would have been only one, the first, to list after that the work should have been closed down, and I should have been notified, you knowing my phone number, your inexperience in such work is the only excuse you could possibly have in the neglect of informing me before the completion of the contract.

"As for the patching you asked me to do (which would have not been necessary if I had been informed as stated in the above paragraph) this I refused to do because an 8" x 3" patch could not stay very long. I told you that I would take the 10 ft. section out in each place and replace it. You still insisted on the patch work which any one who is capable of being a Superintendent of Public Works will tell you that new concrete will not bond to old.

"Now for the grade, you showed me the level reading from your grade hubs and there were several places three hundredths of a foot low or high, this being perfect on the grade. Mr. Hord had to work from. You should know that with a 10 ft. section of steel form you cannot bend a parabola curve for the grade looks like the roller-coaster at Coney Island, this grade being set by you.

"In connection with the alignment Mr. Hord was instructed by you to follow the side-walk line this he did until he found the curve in the side-walk, this gave you the opportunity to proceed to "burn him up" as you stated you would do. This being an ulterior motive from the beginning. To make a long story short you took any provocation to create friction on the job.

"Mr. Hord has lived in Kings Mountain all his life and since I have never heard anyone, white or colored, say anything against him I cannot comprehend how it is that a newcomer to town can make it appear that an old established person is no good and knows nothing at all about construction work. I imagine Mr. Hord has poured more concrete than you have ridden over. As for myself, having been in construction work for the past forty years, I have never had any complaint about my work until this job, and I have worked for the best Consulting Engineers in the two Carolinas and numerous other states as well as for United States Engineers. As for the patch work you wanted done, which has previously been referred to in this letter I tried to get a foreman to do this and they all refused if you had anything to do with it. Then I asked you if you would do the work, I paying for it. You agreed to, I having a bill for extra work for grading and breaking out old driveways.

that was supposed to have been done by the city, to the amount of several dollars also the amount of \$90.50 which you agreed to do the work for. All this being deducted from the amount of the contract. If there are any discrepancies in the work from now on it is your responsibility. "I regret having found it necessary to write this letter."

MORE ABOUT Korean War

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young men gave their lives in the struggle, and a number of others were wounded on Korean battlefields. In addition, Pvt. Billy Owen, S/Sgt. Henry R. Franklin, and Pfc. Elmer Allen were listed as missing in action. Killed in action in the Korean War were Pvt. Rufus G. Huffstickler, Pvt. Stacy A. Mullinax, Pvt. Dan Lail, Pfc. Herman Lawson, and Pfc. Pinkney Roberts.

Among those appearing on service casualty lists as wounded were Pfc. Charles E. Rowe, Pfc. Jack E. Reynolds, Pfc. Floyd K. Clark, Sgt. Billie B. Blanton, Pfc. Evans Carroll, Pfc. Robert (Whitey) Whitesides, James Brackett, and Cpl. James E. Lary.

Outwardly, of course, the Korean War did not restrict Kings Mountain, nor did it invade as many homes as did World War II. Except for a brief period in the early months of the struggle, commodities were completely obtainable. Automobiles were plentiful in ever-increasing number, there was no rationing of gasoline, or other commodities, and, except for a brief "run," there was always plenty of sugar, soap, black pepper, and other commodities in short supply during World War II.

County Tax Rate Set At 86 Cents

The county board of commissioners adopted a \$955,369.40 budget Monday and set the general county tax rate at 86 cents per \$100 valuation.

The figures had been tentatively adopted the previous week.

In addition, Kings Mountain school district citizens will pay a tax of 20 cents per \$100 valuation for schools, making the total tax \$1.06.

All other citizens in Number 4 township will pay only the 86-cent levy.

Of the total tax rate, 45 cents will go to support the schools, with 21 cents for current expenses, 11 cents for capital outlay, and 13 cents for debt service, the latter a fixed expense. The return from this portion of the levy is divided among the county, Shelby and Kings Mountain district schools on a school population basis.

The budget was based on an estimated valuation of \$81,000,000.

MORE ABOUT British Girl

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4 on the S. S. United States. Miss Chisholm lives in Hastings, England, a city of 60,000 some 65 miles from London. Her father, Dr. Ian Chisholm, is a dentist, her mother, a former teacher in the schools of England, and Diana, 21, and Mary Joan, 11, make up the family.

Among her favorite American foods she listed peaches, which are not common in England, melons and cantaloupes, iced tea, and chicken which can be eaten with the fingers. Her favorite American sport is baseball. "There is a lot to it," she commented, after attending the eleven inning Cherryville-Concord game at Cherryville last week.

She also enjoys swimming and going to a "quite unbelievable drugstore, where, not only medicines, but ice cream is sold. In England drug stores are known as "Chemist Shops" where only medicines are sold.

Camping in England is very different from the American, Miss Chisholm, noted. Tents are used instead of cabins, but she continued, "There are more bugs in your country."

English homes are two-story bungalow type, the weather is much cooler, American men dress more informally than do the English, there are no drive-in theatres, few cars, and "no curb service", and self service groceries," she related.

Miss Chisholm completed her schooling at St. Mary's Baldslow school this year and next summer will enter a school of nursing. She is a Cadet Scout and has been a member of a Girl Scout team for four years.

She also described a typical English coronation night when she and her family camped on the streets waiting in the rain all night for the procession to pass by to glimpse the Queen.

Only one of the British guides was a visitor in Kings Mountain. The other seven visited homes in adjoining communities.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my many friends for their cheering letters and other messages while I have been a patient in the army hospital, Japan. I am sorry it is not possible to reply personally to all of them.

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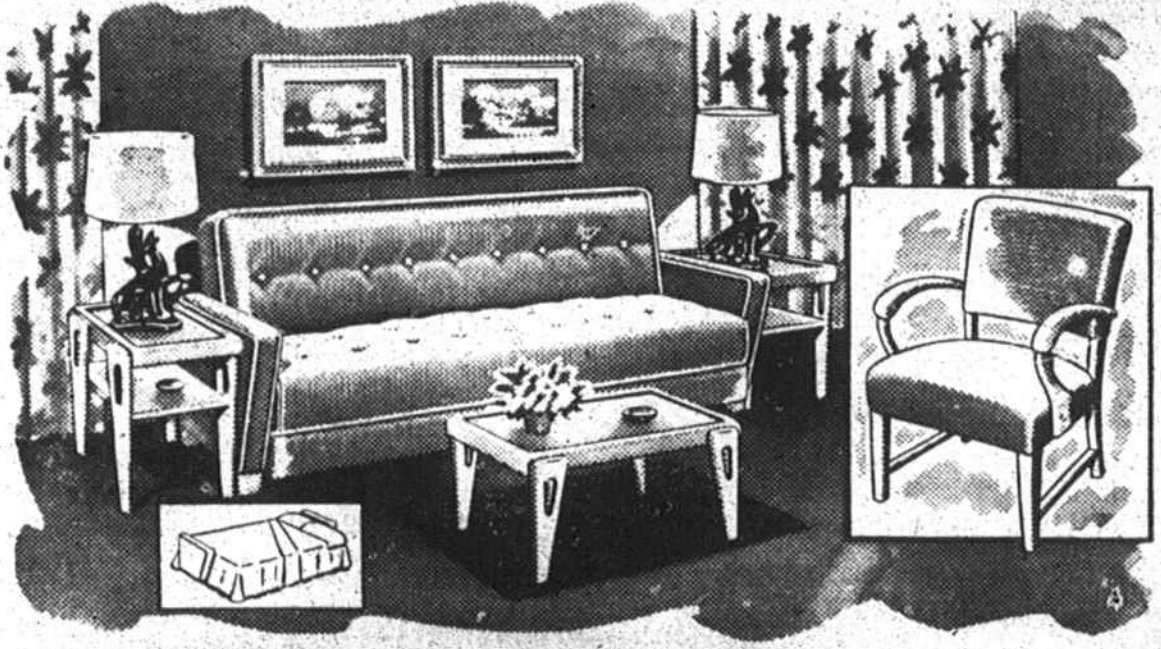
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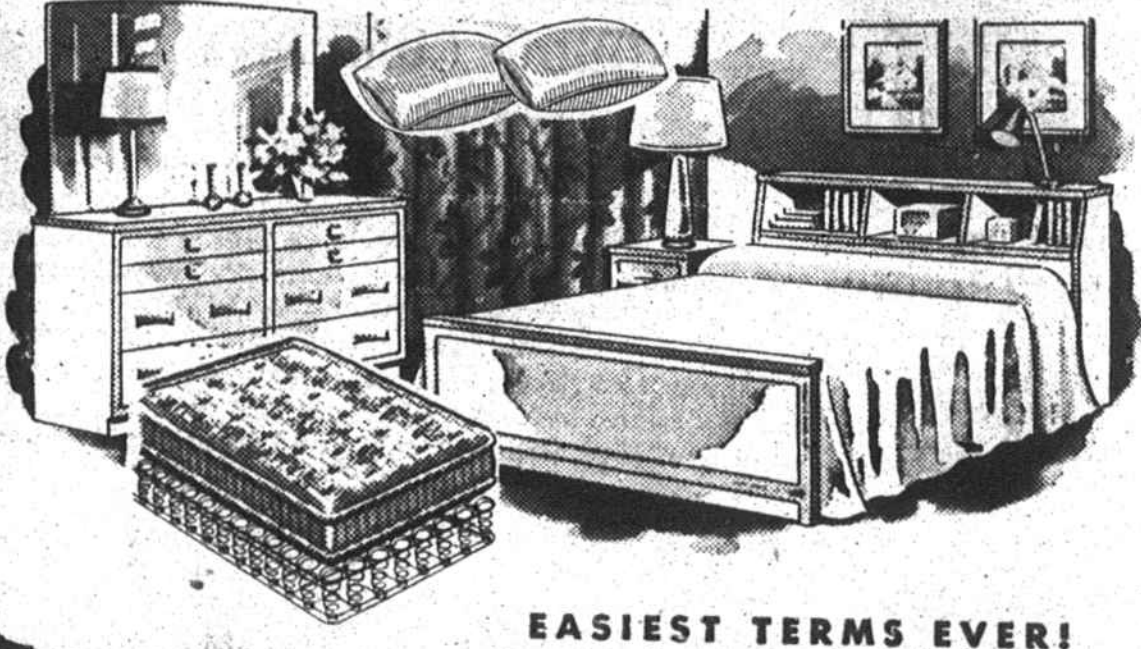
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