

# BLAST FROM THE PAST

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### Boys To Hear 'Ch oo-Choo Justice On Tuesday Night

"Choo-Choo" Justice, South's all-time football star, will be guest speaker at the annual Lions club football banquet to be held at the Kershaw school lunchroom Tuesday night, Feb. 21, at 7:30. The year's event will be strictly according to announcement.

### Kernel Kershaw Sez: Name Of Honest Abe Known In The World's Remotest Corners Today

Sunday people the world passed to pay tribute to a man—Abraham Lincoln. The phrase "the world over" was heard that even in the remote corners of the world, the name of Lincoln has come to be known. In Afghanistan, in Java, in Jakarta, and even behind the Iron Curtain, the children of Lincoln by their fathers and teachers.

### Police Investigate Series Of Small Local Robberies

Another wave of vandalism recently broke over Kershaw with two stores on upper Matson street bearing the brunt of the damage. Truman Faulkenberry's Food store on upper Matson street, opposite Junior High, was attacked last night and a wrist watch, \$18.00 in bills and \$2.00 in silver taken by the culprits.

### Local Scouts Serve As City And County Officials



Boy Scouts who took over the operation of the city and county government last Wednesday morning for a three-hour period are shown in the top photograph above, in observance of National Boy Scout Week. In the bottom photo at the left is Scout Kandy Floyd in conference with Lancaster's Mayor Ledell Steele. At right Clerk of Court Lee O. Montgomery is shown with Scout Clerk of Court Janson Lasley and the two discuss the affairs of the office.—(Photo by Lavoy's)

### Expansion Of Operations Announced For Mineralite

Further expansion of operations and facilities of Mineral Mining corporation, the world's largest producer of powdered mica, is announced this week by Frederick C. Bingham Jr., president of the company. Mr. Bingham said that construction would begin immediately on a large warehouse and loading platform to be erected on the present cotton platform.

### Former County Jailer Faces Charges By Woman Prisoner

David Lee Catoo, 65-year-old former Kershaw county jailer, was arrested last Friday on a warrant sworn out by a woman prisoner in the jail, charging that he had criminally assaulted her. The woman who is still a prisoner in the jail awaiting trial at the next term of the Court of General Sessions, claims that she was assaulted on Sept. 4, 1955. A writ of habeas corpus was issued by Magistrate Charles Blyther Feb. 10, and was served by county police officers.

### Midway Rites Monday For Charles Hinson

Funeral services for Charles W. Hinson, 74, were conducted at 4:00 p. m. Monday afternoon, from Midway Baptist church by his pastor, A. J. Wolfe, assisted by Rev. Grover J. Robinson, and Rev. J. B. Caston. Interment was in White Bluff cemetery. Serving as active pallbearers were Furman Estridge, Andrew Robinson, Junior Estridge, Woodrow Deese, Charlie Byrd, and Kermit Faile.

### Hunting Season To Close On Feb. 15th

The hunting season on all game in Zone Five closes Feb. 15, it has been pointed out by Director A. A. Richardson of the Wildlife Resources Department. Counties in the zone are Chesterfield, Clarendon, Darlington, Florence, Kershaw, Lancaster, Lee, Marlboro and Sumter.

### Busy Scout Week Features Awards, Parade, Services

Kershaw Boy Scouts came in for full share of honors at the Court of Honor held last Thursday evening in Lancaster. Several hundred Scouts participated in the court which climaxed a mammoth candlelight parade. Both events were part of the Lancaster county observance of Boy Scout week. The parade began on South Main street in Lancaster, proceeded through the business district, and disbanded at the court house for a rededication ceremony, followed by the Court of Honor. Members of Kershaw Troop 50 Bob Parker, Scoutmaster, who achieved merit badges were Jeff Taylor, Bob Fletcher, Rhet Perry, Alex Horton and Randy Floyd. Advancing to second class rating were Scouts Jimmy Bingham, Bing Bingham, Jimmy Hegler and Roger Williams. Advancing to first class rating were Scouts Arthur Magill, Jimmy Williams, Berry Taylor and Steve Clyburn. Achieving Star rating was Jeff Taylor.

### Brother Ralph and Cousin Phud



Kershaw's Own

### Mr. Cupid Reigns At Special Program Held At High School

To honor the world-famous author, Mr. Cupid, the author of Kershaw high school sponsored a special program in the high school auditorium, Valentine Day, Tuesday, Feb. 14. Miss Leslie Brewer presided over the festivities and welcomed the visitors. After group singing of "America," the devotional portion of the program was presided by Marian Gaskins. The school sang two numbers, "Atmosphere of Love" and "One Alone." Speeches then centered on the celebration for Valentine royalty, and candidates from each grade being announced by Miss Brewer. The couples from the high school were dressed as famous lovers, and winners in this category were Jimmy Twitty and Ruby Jack Brewer, representing Ruby Crockett and her famous husband, Davy.

### Crackerjacks To Appear Here On Saturday-18th

Maybe you haven't heard, but a new cafe is coming to town. At least that's the rumor making the rounds and it seems the proprietor is a well known personality. His name: Brother Ralph. That would be Brother Ralph Smith of Arthur Smith and the original Crackerjacks fame. Full details about the eatery will be better known when Brother Ralph comes here Saturday, Feb. 18, at 8:15 p.m. for an appearance at Kershaw high school auditorium, sponsored by the senior class of the school. He'll be part of the famous Arthur Smith troupe which features the Crackerjacks in a brand new show and an hour-long Original TV Talent Hunt which will bring the finest local performers in the area here. Cousin Phud, better known maybe, as Tommy Faile, will be Brother Ralph's assistant in the cafe business. Potentially results are expected. Clyde McLean, the friendly, clever TV personality known by thousands in the Carolinas, will conduct the TV Talent Hunt. The TV Talent Hunt will bring the 10 best acts in the whole area to the town and two winners will be selected. A competent judge will pick the individual or act best suited to start in television work now and to appear with the Crackerjacks on the TV show. And there'll be a popularity winner the audience will select. Both winners will get fine prizes for their performance both here and with the Smiths. The winner selected to appear with Arthur Smith's gang will compete against another weekly winner for the \$500 quarter final grand prize. Also appearing with the show in addition to Arthur, Ralph, Tommy and Clyde, will be Jim (Continued To Page 6)

### Kershaw Jaycees See Dr. Ben Emanuel Jr. Get Service Award

Buddy Copeland, Elliott J. and Bubby Cook were in Greenville over the weekend to present the Kershaw Junior Chamber of Commerce at the annual meeting of the South Carolina Jay Board of Directors. The meeting was held at the Pointsett Hotel. A highlight of the meeting was the presentation of the States Distinguished Service Award to Dr. Benjamin F. Emanuel, year-old Lancaster optician. The award climaxed the luncheon on Sunday, at which Lt. Gen. Fritz Hollings was key speaker. The awards, a key, a plan and a certificate were presented by State Jaycee Edna Charnick.



SCOUT BILLY HILL is shown above with Lancaster's D. Carnes as they joined in the operation of the cafe business. Potentially results are expected.

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