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SCENES FROM HIGH SCHOOL BANQUET



Above are shown some of the sponsors of the big Athletic Dinner held at the American Dining Hall on last Monday night. The group shown above are left to right, Kelly Summey, O. E. Massey, Hugh Paschal, Charlie Taylor, C. S. Clegg, Ed Batchelor, Paul Derr and Coley Pryor.



Among the other sponsors, shown left to right, are A. W. Bell, Dr. A. U. Stroupe, J. M. Craig, Dr. E. W. Connell, Herman Cross and W. O. Barrett. Bill Alligood, another sponsor of the big feed, was busy acting as Master of Ceremonies when this picture was taken.



Seated at the coaches tables of the banquet are, left to right, S. H. Helton, principal of the local schools, Ken Alexander, sports editor of the Gastonia Gazette, Miss Katherine Knox, girls director of physical education and Coach Max Beam, coach of boys athletics. On the other side of the table are Miss Gloria Stroupe, Johnny York, news editor of The News, Herbert Hipps, on the coaching staff and a teacher and John Ellis, who has the same title as Mr. Hipps.



Above are shown a portion of the enthusiastic group of young boys and girls athletes at the banquet given in their honor. Aside from the athletes invited guests were sponsors and cheerleaders of the teams.

Superior Yarn Is Getting Ready For Baseball Here

Superior Yarn Mills is readying a powerful nine for the Piedmont Textile League this season with a number of players already under contract in preparation for the coming season. Manager Doyl Morris announced this week. Since the Textile League was definitely settled at a 6 team league including Superior, the Belmont Combbers, Cramerton, Highland Park, Maiden, and Granite Falls, manager Morris has been working on the personnel for the coming season and will soon be ready to release a complete roster.

The only name released by Morris this week was that of Ray Martin, a last year American Yarn and Processing Company infielder who will play for Superior this season. Morris said the popular Martin has signed for Superior and that other outstanding players are being contacted daily.

For some time during the early organization of the Textile League this season rumors were thick concerning several South Carolina teams which were considering entry into the Textile League. These teams, however, decided against such a move at a meeting of the member teams held in Charlotte two weeks ago and the league will definitely be a six-team affair this year.

The two new members of the league are the Carolina Mills ball team from Maiden and the Siford Manufacturing Co. team from Granite Falls. Superior Yarn Mills was the

pennant winner last season in the league and under Manager Morris' guidance, is again setting their sights on the pennant with intentions of being one of the rare two-time winners.

Several changes in the Textile League set-up have been made this season and among these is the election of a Board of Directors to replace the Commissioner who served last year. This move will save money for the league as well as giving each team equal representation on league matters, it was pointed out. Serving on the board of Commissioners are H. M. Troutman of Superior; W. M. Hall, Belmont; Boley Todd, Highland Park; Frank Sigmon, Maiden; and Toad Young, Granite Falls. G. M. Matlack of Cramerton is President of the Textile League.

The baseball season in the Textile League will open officially on April 27 it was announced.

A new feature of the league this year will be the awarding of trophies by several individuals for excellence in several fields of baseball. A trophy for the League's Leading hitter will be donated by C. K. Torrence of the Superior Yarn Mills; a trophy for the best pitcher will be given by W. M. Hall of Belmont; a trophy for the Best Sport will be given by M. L. Brackett of Highland Park; and a trophy for the Most Valuable Player will be donated by W. A. Julian of Cramerton.

The schedule for the games this (Continued on Back Page)

MOUNT HOLLY BAND ENTERS STATE CONTEST AT SALISBURY ON 23-24

Faculty Plays Hawks In Big Game Here Monday

Mount Holly High School faculty members will form a basketball team which will meet the Little Eight Conference champs at the local high school Monday night in what is expected to be one of the best games of the century. Game time is 7:30 p. m. and admission will be 25 and 40 cents. Rumors are rife concerning the players who will form the faculty team and varsity squad spies have been seen frequenting the gym to see what faculty members might be working on the old hoop.

However, a News reporter, braving fire, fury, and the wrath of the coaches for the faculty team, has uncovered at least a partial list of the teachers who will face the first string Hawks on the court next Monday night. Included among the goal artists on the tentative team are "Hook" Hipps, "Flatfoot" Shue, "Father" Helton, "Splinters" Ellis, "Beanball" Beam, and "Muscles" Miller. These men are all former stars on the hardwood for their respective alma maters and great offensive and defensive action is expected from them in the faculty-student game.

On the roster for the women's team, faculty members who will side with blonde Katherine Knox in the bitter battle with the Hawk girls are "Two-goal" Holley, "Sure-shot" Vaughn, "Konnectin'" Kendrick, "Wobble-shot" Ware, "Lead 'em a point" Lewis, "Loophole" Loftin, and of course, "K. O." Knox.

Coach Max Beam has been quoted as saying that he plans to use the Hawk third string team against the faculty to give the oldsters a fighting chance and it is a definite assumption that the students will be out to snout the instructors a point or two about the game of basketball Monday night.

Make plans now to attend this game which will probably be the only one of its kind to be seen in Mount Holly. Be there early to be sure of a seat.

Baseball Is On Way At School

Baseball season entered the sports picture at Mount Holly High School Wednesday afternoon as Coach Max Beam put his team on the diamond for the first practice session this season. Already planning a tentative practice game with Thomasboro to be played here on Monday, March 27 unless cancelled, the Hawks are hoping that baseball will be as kind to the high school as basketball was this year. Coach Beam did not anticipate being able to tell much about his nine until next week when the boys have had an opportunity to shake the kinks out, but a large number of prospective players were expected out for the practice sessions this week.

A schedule will be the first problem to face the Hawk mentor in the opening days of the diamond season here and as soon as the schedule is completed The News will publish a complete list of the teams the Hawks will face.

Men's Class To Install Officers

At the meeting of the Men's Club of the Presbyterian church to be held Monday evening the newly elected officers will be installed. Mr. Ted C. Johnson, retiring president, will preside and conduct the installation service. Mr. Ennis Jackson, president of the men's organization of Kings Mountain Presbytery, will be the guest speaker. Mr. Jackson, who is a resident of Gastonia, has spent a great deal of time and provided much of the leadership in the men's work in this Presbytery.

Mr. E. D. Robinson is to be installed as President, Mr. Alonzo P. Reep as vice-president, Mr. Ersen Loftin as Secretary, and Mr. Bert Spittle as treasurer. Retiring officers are Mr. Ted C. Johnson, president; Mr. E. D. Robinson, vice-president; Mr. W. A. Bynum, secretary; and Mr. Lewis Calvert, treasurer.

Lions Calendar Sale Is Good

The Lions Club committee working on the sale of the novel birthday calendars which they will have printed soon reports a great number of sales thus far and a continuing effort until the deadline March 31. The novel calendars, which will contain the months from June of this year through June of next year, will have birthdays of local citizens listed in the proper space as well as the dates of club and organization meetings, holidays, and other important events.

A committee headed by Frank Dameron is canvassing Mount Holly to obtain the names and birthdays of everyone who wishes to be listed on the calendar. Listing a birthday and the name of the individual on the calendar costs 25 cents and the calendars when completed will sell for 50 cents additional, Mr. Dameron said. Any group which wishes meeting dates listed on the calendar may have this service for a minimum charge of \$3.00, Mr. Dameron said.

The attractive calendars will have a color picture of some Mount Holly landmark and will have ample room for listing additional meeting dates and other important data in the proper spaces, it was pointed out.

The calendars will be filled with names and birthdays the Lions here and anyone wishing their name listed should get in touch with Mr. Dameron at the Duke Power Company office on East Central Ave., or may contact any member of the Lions Club.

ENTERS RACE



LUTHER S. ABERNATHY Of Stanley, informed The News this week that he had entered the race for Constable of Riverbend Township. Mr. Abernathy is a former member of the Mount Holly police force serving under Chief Andrew Carter.

The new candidate was born and raised in this township and is well known. He is a deacon of the Presbyterian church at Stanley and secretary of the Men's Bible Class and active in church work.

"I am running for this office on the basis of my reputation and the desire to do my duty in a clean, unassuming manner. I will appreciate your careful consideration of my candidacy and your vote," Mr. Abernathy stated.

Mr. Abernathy has many relatives in Mount Holly and is working for a good vote here. No other candidate has announced so far as The News knows because Mr. Abernathy is the only one who has made intentions known to this paper. It is expected, according to rumors, that at least three others will be in the race.

P.T.A. To Meet Next Thursday

The Mount Holly P.T.A. will hold its next meeting at 7:30 p. m., Thursday, March 23, at the high school gymnasium. The president, Mrs. Charles R. Holtzclaw will preside during the business session, and continuing the theme of "Know Your School," the program will be presented by the home economics department of the high school.

Mrs. Evelyn L. Lewis, the home economics teacher, will stage a spring fashion show, with girls in her classes modeling clothing they have made. A very clever presentation of the fashion show is being developed, and the program promises to be most entertaining, as well as affording the public an opportunity to see the work being done in the home economics department.

A most important feature of this meeting will be the appearance of Mr. J. Milton Craig, representative from this township on the Gaston County School Board. Mr. Craig has been invited to speak about plans now under consideration for enlarging and improving the physical plant of the school. This information will be of prime interest to parents and patrons of the school, and a large audience is expected to hear Mr. Craig's remarks.

Since the February meeting had to be cancelled because of the high incidence of illness, Founder's Day will also be observed Thursday night, with chances being sold on a huge birthday cake.

ANDY CARTER IMPROVED Mr. Andrew Carter is showing some improvement this week after being seriously ill with pneumonia this past week. He is in a Charlotte hospital.

ANNOUNCE BIRTH Mr. and Mrs. Ray Martin announce the birth of a daughter, Rhonda Ann on March 2nd at the Mercy hospital in Charlotte.

LEFT OFF ROLL The name of Ray Hager, tenth grade student in Miss Lipscomb's homeroom, was inadvertently left off the honor roll appearing in this edition of The News.

Will Go Bedecked In New Uniforms Which Are Here

Henkle To Open Here Saturday

Ivey Henkle, Jeweler, will open his new jewelry store in the River Valley Gas and Appliance Store Saturday with the formal opening slated for next week, it was announced this week. Henkle is a native of Mount Holly, and following his resignation from a Charlotte jewelry company, has been making plans for opening his own business. For several months he has been repairing watches and jewelry at his home on East Catawba Ave.

Henkle is a graduate of the Winston-Salem Watchmaker's school and is an expert watch and jewelry repairman. He plans to stock a complete line of jewelry and watches which will be announced next week in The News. Plan now to visit Ivey Henkle, Jeweler, and examine the nationally known merchandise the store will stock.

Upholstery Co. Is Now Open

Randall Lockridge, a resident of Mount Holly for 15 years, has opened the Lockridge Upholstery Company in the brick building on East Central Ave., which was formerly occupied by the Servall Laundry. Mr. Lockridge, who has had more than 15 years of experience in upholstery work of all kinds, is equipped to do practically any type of upholstery and guarantees all of his work fully. Specializing in furniture upholstery and refinishing as well as in the upholstery of automobile seats and re-upholstering, Mr. Lockridge states that he will give prompt service and continue the same fine work that he has been doing in his former location. The new building, already occupied by the upholstery company, will offer a more convenient location than his former place of business.

Samples of materials available are at the upholstery shop and Mr. Lockridge urges automobile and furniture owners who need upholstery work done to drop by for an estimate. A phone will be installed as soon as possible and orders will be picked up and delivered, Mr. Lockridge said.

Dr. David Walker To Open Office

Dr. David S. Walker, a Charlotte Optometrist, has announced plans for establishing a practice in Mount Holly. Dr. Walker told a News reporter Wednesday that he has already rented offices above the Hollands Drug Store and that he plans to begin a part-time practice here as soon as remodeling is complete. He will be in Mount Holly on Friday of each week according to his announcement Wednesday and will begin his practice within the next two weeks. Office hours here on Friday will be 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Dr. Walker also stated that he is having necessary equipment shipped from his Charlotte offices, located in the Dilworth Post Office building, to Mount Holly and that the equipment was now being installed. Dr. Walker has been practicing in Charlotte for a period of more than a year. He is a native of Charlotte and a graduate of the Northern Illinois College of Optometry at Chicago. Dr. Walker graduated Cum Laude and was a member of the Tomb and Key honorary fraternity and a member of the social fraternity Phi Theta Upsilon.

He is now serving as Secretary and Treasurer of the Piedmont District Optometric Society which includes the area between Shelby and Hamlet.

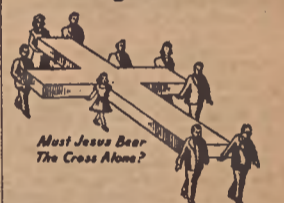
Further announcements concerning the opening date of Dr. Walker's offices here will appear in The News.

The Mount Holly High School Band and the Boy's and Girl's Chorus are preparing to attend the State District Contest to be held at Catawba College at Salisbury on March 22 and 23, according to Dwight Price, Band Director at the local school. State contest music is a highlight on the practice schedule of both the band and the two choruses, Mr. Price said. Approximately 35 girls from the Girl's Chorus, 20 boys from the Boy's Chorus, and 36 members of the high school band will make the trip to Salisbury.

The chorus contest will be held on March 22 and the band contest will be held March 23. Mr. Price said. The new uniforms obtained for the band through the drive recently held in Mount Holly will be worn by the members of the band and fittings were being given this week Mr. Price told a News reporter. This will be the first appearance of the band away from Mount Holly in the new uniforms.

Meanwhile, tentative plans are being made for a parade through Mount Holly next Friday to display the new uniforms which the members of the band wear through the generosity of residents here.

Youth Revival Drawing Crowds



The Youth Revival in the First Baptist Church is continuing and will come to an end Sunday evening with the 7:30 service.

Audiences have been large, interest high and results have been good in the first days of this meeting. Rev. J. I. Bishop, evangelist, and Southwide R. A. Secretary for the Southern Baptist Convention, has been bringing stirring messages. This young minister, with his winning Christian personality is unique in his way of reaching and winning boys and girls as well as older people for Christ. Many decisions for Christ have already been made this week. The local church considers itself fortunate in securing the services of Rev. Bishop. Also the song service each evening, led by Rev. J. O. Stroud, are proving popular and helps to prepare the people for the message.

The morning watch services conducted at 7:30 a. m. are proving very popular. Attendance has increased every morning. In this morning service the Rev. Mr. Bishop is outlining the plan of salvation step by step. The evening services are strictly evangelistic and are followed by an open forum conducted in answer to questions that have been turned in.

The above picture: "Must Jesus bear the cross alone" is a truth that is being stressed in all of these services. It should cause all people to face their duties in the church and the community. Individual responsibility must be stressed at all times. There is a moral task for everyone. Parents must assume the responsibility for the moral lives of their own children, or expect punishment to be meted out to them for their disobedience. These special services will close Sunday night. Services will be conducted Saturday night. Bible School at 9:45 a. m. Training Union for all ages at 6:30 p. m.

Tuesday—Junior choir practice at 3:30 p. m.

Wednesday—Intermediate choir practice at 6:30 p. m. Prayer service at 7:30 p. m. Senior Practice at 8:15 p. m.

ATTEND CHURCH