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## A SPRINKLER CLOSING WEEK

Has Been Ordered

At the regular monthly meeting of the City Council Monday night it was ordered that a street sprinkler be bought. A "Studebaker" was decided upon and it is to be here within thirty days.

E. L. Campbell was elected city attorney to succeed O. Max Gardner of Shelby.

The municipal survey was not completed so the petition for a bond election for sewerage was not acted upon.

### Not Dead But Liveth

Platt Smith, son of D. S. Smith, of Bessemer City who was reported shot through the breast and seriously wounded in Mexico a few days ago, and who we all expected was dead, is very much alive. A telegram from Hon. E. Y. Webb to Mr. D. S. Smith at Bessemer City states that Platt Smith is well and in fine condition. There was much anxiety throughout this section for the young man whom we were afraid had fallen victim to the Greasers and the news of his safety will bring forth a sigh of relief to his many friends.

### Pastor Installed.

Rev. G. L. Bragaw was formally installed pastor of the Presbyterian churches at Bessemer City, Long Creek and Kings Mountain Sunday. The commission performing the installation ceremonies was formed of: Rev. W. S. Lacy, pastor of Belmont and moderator of Kings Mountain Presbytery, Rev. G. A. Sparrow, pastor at Union and Olney churches in Gaston county, and Ruling Elder A. C. Jones of Gastonia.

The exercises were held at Bessemer City at eleven o'clock, at Long Creek at three and at Kings Mountain at 8 o'clock.

The services here were marked throughout with the profoundest seriousness. Rev. Mr. Lacy preached the sermon from 2nd Timothy 1:7 "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." The sermon was one of striking appropriateness and marked out clearly the way for a successful ministry.

Rev. Mr. Sparrow propounded the questions to the pastor and the congregation which forms the contract between them, after which he delivered the charge to the pastor. He stressed the fact that this contract was the most solemn compact in which they could enter and in his charge he left a word for friction on the part of the pastor. This charge was followed by the charge to the congregation which was delivered by Elder Jones. His charge left no room for knocking or kicking on the part of the congregation, but co-operation and prayer. If the questions answered there Sunday night in word and act are lived up to and these charges are heeded in the everyday life of those concerned the Presbyterians of Kings Mountain will make unprecedented strides in the Master's work; and we have no reason to believe that it will not be done.

Keep your eye on the column of political candidates: Geo. W. Wilson, J. B. Smith, D. D. Wilkins, Frank L. Hoyle, W. N. Davis, W. D. Lackey, R. B. Miller, O. Max Gardner, Rush Stroup, G. H. Marvin, O. E. Ford, W. A. Mauney. Look them over and see what each one is asking for.

Kings Mountain Graded School

The commencement exercises of the Kings Mountain graded school began Friday night with the declaimers contest, for the medal given by Dr. J. G. Hord. The following young men spoke on the subjects indicated: "Centralization in America," Mr. Cleatus Lohor; "A man's a Man For A' That," Mr. Burgon Falls; "The District School," Mr. Lloyd Phifer; "Defeat and Triumph," Mr. Horace Rudisill; "The Night Brings out the Stars," Mr. Carl Plonk; "Christian Young Men of America," Mr. Roy Keller; "Patriotism," Mr. James Hambright.

All the speeches were good and well delivered. The judges rendered a ballot of two for Roy Keller and one for Carl Plonk. Attorneys, A. E. Woltz and A. C. Jones, of Gastonia, and O. M. Mull of Shelby were the judges. Mr. Mull rendered the decision of the Judges and delivered the medal to Mr. Keller. A number of musical selections added to the attractiveness of the program, and a reading entitled "Pigs is Pigs" given by Miss Cathyn Moss was pronounced by all as a splendid feature.

### Saturday Night.

"The Valley Farm" was the title of a play given Saturday night before a packed and appreciative audience. This was the only part of the commencement program for which admission was charged and a neat sum of more than \$80 was realized.

### Sunday Morning, Annual Sermon.

At eleven thirty Sunday morning the annual sermon was preached by Dr. D. L. Caldwell president of Queens College, Charlotte. The opening prayer was led by Rev. E. C. Cooper, Lutheran pastor of Lynchburg, Va. Dr. Caldwell read the first chapter of Daniel which relates the story of the besiege of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar followed by the Babylonish Captivity and the part taken by Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. He took as his subject "Four school boys that made good," the text being 2:48 "Then the King made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise men of Babylon." The sermon was easily one of the very best we ever heard upon a like occasion.

The speaker showed conclusively that if a person doesn't "make good" while in school there is little hope of his doing so when he gets out into the world. These four boys, Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were Jewish boys who were raised to honor the God of Abraham. After they were taken to Babylon they were placed in the King's University. There they refused to be defiled by the Kings meat. They made fine physical specimens. Their development along all lines was remarkable and as soon as they were out of school they were given the highest positions in the gift of the King.

Mr. Caldwell cited incidents to show that the same principle holds today. The chief element in the success of these boys was the loyalty to the God of their fathers amid the fiercest criticisms.

## Hon. W. A. Mauney For The State Senate.

First Resident—First Postmaster—First Mayor—Industrial Pioneer—A Good Substantial Citizen would do Service at the Capital.

You will see among the political announcements in the Herald the name of W. A. Mauney of Kings Mountain who is in the race for the State Senate. Every man, woman and child in a broad radius of territory is familiar with the name. The present generation was raised to associate the name with practically every phase of the industrial and educational progress of Cleveland Gaston and Lincoln counties.

Mr. Mauney was born on the farm in Muddy Fork section, near Cherryville about 73 years ago. Before the war between the states he was actively engaged in farming and teaching school. He served throughout the war as a valiant soldier. Returning from the war with the country laid waste and times extremely hard on every hand he resumed his work of teaching and farming.

### Before The Town Was

Mr. Mauney saved his earnings and with a small capital moved to what is now the flourishing town of Kings Mountain in the year 1873 being 41 years ago. At that time there was no such town as "Kings Mountain." The railroad track was just being laid through this section. Mr. Mauney built him a small house which he used for a store for a year or so which he afterward used for a residence. The same house now stands and is occupied by Mr. John Chaney near the overhead bridge. This was the first house built in Kings Mountain.

### White Plains

There was no postoffice here. The nearest one being at the home of Dr. Tracy where Mr. Ray Williams now lives and was called "White Plains." A little while later a post office was established here and called "Kings Mountain" and Mr. Mauney was the first postmaster and served 17 years. About that time a depot was built. And to this nucleus of post office and depot the town has been built. People began to move in and it was soon evident that a school was in demand. Young Mr. Adderholdt was secured as teacher and a good school for that age was opened up in a house which stood where Dr. Hord's residence now stands. Mr. Mauney was a leading factor in promoting the school and was a trustee in the same. Along with these things the neighborhood was incorporated into the town of "Kings Mountain" and Mr. Mauney was elected mayor which office he has held many times since.

### Industrial Pioneer

Mr. Mauney was the industrial pioneer of this section. He was instrumental with the assistance of his brother, Capt. F. Dilling Carpenter Brothers, and, in fact the chief promoter of the cotton mill industry in this section.

Following is a list of the mills in which he is interested, the dates of their organization and the position which he has held in each: Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company—1898—President; Cherryville Manufacturing Company—1892—President. Long Shoals Cotton Mill—1893—Secy-Treas; Bonnie Mill—1900—Secy-Treas; Melville Mill, Cherryville,

1902—President. The Enterprise mill in Kings Mountain was established in 1892 and failed in 1907. At this time Mr. Mauney took over part of the stock and became Secy-Treas, and general manager, and changed the name of the mill to "Klotho." In 1895 when the Gaston mill was organized at Cherryville Mr. Mauney became a stockholder. The Lula mill organized in 1900 failed in 1907 and Mr. Mauney helped to put it on its feet again and became a director and changed the name of the mill to "Phoenix." These mill's all told represent a capital stock of \$785,000.

### Other Business Interests.

Mr. Mauney is president of the First National Bank of Kings Mountain, and Vice-president of the First National Bank of Cherryville. When the Kings Mountain Lumber Company failed in 1912 Mr. Mauney rallied to the rescue, took stock, became treasurer, and changed the firm style to Kiser Lumber Company. He was first among the promoters of Kings Mountain Cotton oil Company and was its first Secretary-Treasurer. He is a partner in the general stores of W. A. Mauney & Brother, Mauney Drug Company and the D. M. Baker & Company Hardware Company.

### As A Farmer

Mr. Mauney being raised a farmer never departed the faith as a tiller of the soil. He now owns and operates the old home farm, near Cherryville; the Col. Abe Mauney place, between Dallas and Cherryville; and three farms in and around Kings Mountain. These farms aggregate a total acreage of 1096 acres. Mr. Mauney prides himself on the good success of several of his tenants who went to his farms with practically nothing and now are in good financial condition and are living well.

### As A Politician

Mr. Mauney has been a life long Democrat. He served in the State Senate during the sessions of 1907 and 1908 has served as mayor of the town which he helped so much to make a number of terms, has served on the city council and was once a justice of the peace.

Mr. Mauney is a man of strong convictions and doesn't always agree with his fellow citizens on vital issues but he always submits to defeat with due grace and is ever willing for a majority to rule.

### On The Issues

If elected to the Senate he will endeavor to ascertain the will of the people and be governed accordingly. He is heartily in favor of the Webb bill, and is not an advocate of a superfluity of laws being passed just to have something to do.

### As A Man

Mr. Mauney is of German extraction coming from the Pennsylvania Dutch. He is a devout member of the Lutheran church and lives on a high moral standard. He is plain and leads the simple life. He works every day. His entire time is devoted to personally superintending his work. He doesn't believe in taking big salaries for the official position.

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## CONVENTION LOSE NO TIME

Of Baracas and Philatheas

In The Great Piano Contest

The largest array of Sunday School workers ever assembled in North Carolina in a state convention was that of the Annual Baraca Philathea Convention in Durham last Saturday continuing through Tuesday and closing with a great mass meeting Tuesday night. It is conservatively estimated that fully two thousand Sunday School workers from every part of the state assembled in that splendid city. The entire assemblage was a brilliant one and Durham was well equal to the task of making every member comfortable and happy.

### Durham

Durham is a Baraca Philathea city. The mayor is teacher of one of the largest Baraca classes. The chief of police is an active Baraca. Part of the Aldermen are good Baracas. The judge of the municipal court is an active Baraca and the prosecuting attorney prosecutes the devil every Sunday as a Baraca teacher. The ladies are equally as enthusiastic in the Philathea work. Isn't that a great city? Is it not worth while to have the leaders of a city lined up in active Christian work?

### The Sessions

Neither words nor space would do the sessions of the great convention justice. It was fraught with enthusiasm throughout. A better knowledge of the Scripture and a passion for souls were paramount features. The goal of "a million men for Christ" has already been reached in the Baraca work and the new standard set is for another million. "A million women for Christ" is the watchword with Philatheas. There were many good speeches which we would be glad to report but space will not permit. Suffice it to say that a great army of the State's very best talent from the pulpit to the pew is arrayed in this onward sweep.

### Some History

Mr. Marshall A. Hudson of Syracuse, New York, who is the founder of the Baraca-Philathea movement, was present and made a number of thrilling speeches all of which were filled to the brim with good things. In one of his addresses he gave a brief outline of the history of the movement which may be summed up as follows:

The movement started in Syracuse, N. Y. The need of a class of this kind was shown by the fact that scarcely any men were attending Sunday School in the church which he attended. The first class had a membership of only eighteen men; the same class now numbers 300. The speaker then told of his progressive work and some innovations which horrified the older members of the church by way of showing that sympathy is a powerful factor in bringing young men to Christ.

Mr. Hudson gave a few interesting statistics regarding the Baraca-Philathea movement. He said that he was once a successful business man and ambitious to become a millionaire; now he said his ambition was for "a million young men for Christ." He said that from the one Baraca class in Syracuse the movement has grown into 12,000 classes and in nearly every county in the world. He said that they were now contemplating a class

Contestants can not afford to lose any time now during the remaining few weeks of the contest.

### "Time Is Speeding"

The time for proving to the public—the most popular and energetic young lady in the community is fast drawing near. If you will only stop and think of the great honor it means to the winner in this prize voting contest, you would not hesitate to put forth every possible effort from now until the closing hour to see every person in the near country, and tell them you are in the race and give them a chance to help and vote for their favorite.

### 300,000 Free Votes.

Do not forget this big offer which closes Saturday May the 9th. If you will win these free votes it may mean the piano to you, now is the time to work, take advantage of this great opportunity, do not let some one else get all these perfectly free votes for it will mean harder work to you to secure this large number of votes at any other time.

### Opportunity Time.

Opportunity time closes May the 16th. Then another fall in the scale of votes, you know what you can get now for each subscription, but you do not know how many a single year subscription will give you then, work and work hard for what is in sight, do your level best and then you will have nothing to feel sorry for afterwards. Do not let your friends put you off until the last day this is a big mistake, you need help now, explain this to them and they will no doubt help you now when it means so much to you.

### Friends Will Help.

You have just as many friends as any other, you need not think their chances are better than yours, you can get several of your friends to work for you if you will just ask their assistance. Get several to get right out and work for you, their friends will help and soon, you will have a large number of friends interested and at work for you.

Mrs. J. L. Chaney leads in the fifth count.

### LIST OF CONTESTANTS.

Kings Mountain, N. C.  
Miss Vernua Lindsay.....361,500  
Mrs. J. L. Chaney.....380,850  
Kings Mtn. R. F. D. No. 2.  
Miss Mattie Ware.....205,000  
Miss Edilda Barber.....354,900  
Gastonia, N. C.  
Miss Maggie Dalton.....10,000  
Mrs. Edith Massagoe.....260,600  
Shelby, N. C.  
Miss Marie Harrelson.....10,000  
Clover, S. C.  
Miss Bierrie Stacy.....10,000

Say, have you found out yet where your man stands on the Webb bill? Better sound him. It doesn't differ which side of the fence you are on. Better spot your man.

It seems mighty good to see work going on across the way. Would it not be nice to have a big fine building of some kind on the corner too?

In China. If the movement continues at the present rate in another year there will be 20,000

were now contemplating a class classes.