

POPULATION

City Limits (1940 Census) 6,574
Immediate Trading Area 15,000
(1945 Ration Board Figures)

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Local News Bulletins

EASTER PLAY

The Youth Fellowship of the First Presbyterian church will present an Easter Play, "The Testimony of The Twelve" Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock in the Fellowship Hall.

LODGE MEETING

An emergency communication of Fairview Lodge 339, A. F. & A. M., will be held Friday evening at 7:30 for work in the third degree, according to announcement by Paul Walker, secretary.

BUILDING PERMITS

Building permit was issued at City Hall March 31 to Dr. O. P. Lewis for construction of a new seven-room dwelling at 509 West Mountain street, estimated cost \$6,000.

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the 48th week of operations, which ended at noon Wednesday, totaled \$151.69 according to a report from the office of S. A. Crouse, City clerk.

LEGION MEETING

Regular monthly meeting of Otis D. Green Post 155, the American Legion, will be held at City Hall courtroom Monday night at 7:30 according to an announcement by officials of the organization.

LIONS MEETING

Faison Barnes, secretary of the Mountaineer Club, will speak to the Lions club Tuesday night at its regular meeting at the Woman's Club at 7 o'clock.

WINS HONOR

SARASOTA, Fla. — Miss Kathleen Dettmar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Dettmar, 607 W. King street, Kings Mountain, N. C., won first place for second year students in the costume design competition of annual exhibitions at Ringling School of Art.

FETING FARMERS

The Kings Mountain Kiwanis club was to hold its annual Farmer's Night banquet at the Woman's Club Thursday evening. Some 100 farmers of the area had been invited to attend, and Wade Saunders, Gastonia lawyer, and humorist was to make the address of the evening.

Civic Group Leaders Discuss Band Aid

Arnold W. Kincaid was host at dinner at his home on Tuesday at noon to heads of Kings Mountain civic organizations.

Purpose of the meeting was to discuss financial support for the Kings Mountain school band.

No formal action was taken, but committees were named to investigate methods of financing bands in other cities throughout the state, with reports to be made at a future meeting.

Mr. Kincaid told the group it was estimated that approximately \$1,500 is needed annually to support the band, taking care of uniform purchases, instrument re-building and purchasing and other necessary functions for which funds are not provided.

Duke Publication Honors McKelvie

Durham. — Milton McKelvie of Kings Mountain, was honored by Duke University, the student engineers magazine at Duke University, at the semi-annual Engineers' Ball held recently.

McKelvie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry McKelvie of East King street, Kings Mountain.



NEW BUSINESSMAN—Shown above, standing in front of his Mountain street drink stand is Walter England, who is totally blind. On his own initiative, Mr. England made arrangements for, and set up, his little business, when it came to the attention of the Lions club, which has as its major civic project aid to the blind.

Election Books Open Saturday

Published in today's edition of the Herald for the first time are official notices calling for three city bond issue elections totaling \$350,000 and for the regular biennial election to fill city offices.

They are published on page 7, section 2. According to the notices, registration books for the regular biennial election will open Saturday, while they will not be formally opened for the bond election until Saturday, April 16.

The three bond issues to be voted on are: (1) \$250,000 for sewer system installations and sewer line extensions; (2) \$50,000 for water line extensions; (3) \$50,000 in city stadium bonds.

The five polling places are: Ward 1 and Ward 2, City Hall courtroom, Ward 3, Phenix Store, Ward 4, Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company club and Ward 5, Victory Chevrolet Company.

The notice for the regular biennial election calls for election of the mayor, city commissioners in all five wards, and school trustees in Wards 2 and 3.

Holy Week Rites Are Scheduled

Holy Week services will be held in the St. Matthew's Lutheran church, beginning Monday evening and continuing through Friday. The thought for the week is "Ah! Holy Jesus."

Subjects for the services, which begin at 7:30 p. m., are: Monday: "His Enemies." Tuesday: "His Friends." Wednesday: "His Love." Thursday: "His Table," with the celebration of the Lord's Supper.

On Good Friday, April 15, at noon, the church will hold its annual special three-hour service commemorating the death of Jesus on the Cross. This service is divided into seven shorter devotional periods of about twenty minutes each, with a few minutes between each as an intermission. Each of the shorter devotional periods will have appropriate hymns and scriptures, and a short meditation on one of the words of Christ spoken from the Cross during the Crucifixion.

The pastor will be assisted by the following: Hoyle Whiteside and Wm. Medlin, of the Lutheran Seminary, Columbia, S. C., Rev. W. L. Pressly, Rev. J. H. Brendall, and Rev. P. D. Patrick, of Kings Mountain, and Rev. J. D. Sheppard of Shelby.

Holy Week is that portion of Christ's life having to do with his last days. It begins with Palm Sunday and His triumphant entry into Jerusalem and includes those important details which have to do with His institution of the Lord's Supper, the prayer in Gethsemane, the arrest and betrayal, the trials, the sentence and the Crucifixion, His death and burial, and finally His resurrection.

Recommend Saunders For Draft Board

D. D. Saunders, Kings Mountain World War II veteran, has been recommended for appointment to the Cleveland County Selective Service Board. It was announced this week.

Mr. Saunders was recommended to fill the vacancy created by the departure of Gordon Riley, who has moved to Greenville, S. C.

Mr. Saunders, manager of Saunders Men's Shop, served in the navy during the recent war, spending much time in Pacific areas.

Nancy Plonk Has Lead In Play

The Plonk School of Creative Arts, of Asheville, will present "Lady Precious Stream," a Chinese play by S. I. Hsiung, at the Plonk School Theatre Friday and Saturday evenings at 8:15.

Miss Nancy Plonk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Plonk, of Kings Mountain, will play the lead role of "Precious Stream."

The play is an ancient Chinese translation in four acts done in English according to its traditional style. It was first produced at the Booth Theatre in New York in 1935 by its author, and proved a popular success.

The Plonk School production of "Lady Precious Stream" is being directed by Josephine E. Holmes, former faculty member and now producer of the Three Theatres, Newnan, Ga.

A number of Kings Mountain citizens are expecting to attend the production.

Film To Be Shown At Lutheran Church

"Christ The King," a religious sound film will be shown at St. Matthew's Lutheran church, Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The film is 90 minutes long, and is a drama of the life of Christ, especially the last part of His life having to do with His Passion, Sufferings and Death.

"Christ The King, is said to be the best religious film ever to be made. It is not to be confused with the picture made some time ago, "The King of Kings." This picture, "Christ The King," has a full dialogue and sound effects. The picture is especially appropriate at this season of the year when we approach Holy Week, Good Friday and Easter," said the pastor, Rev. W. H. Stender. There is no admission charge.

Red Cross Drive, \$2,000 Short, Extended; "Clean-Up" Launched

George H. Mauney, chairman of the 1949 Red Cross fund campaign, announced yesterday that the drive, which customarily ends March 31, had been extended and that a clean-up campaign will be conducted in effort to reach the \$6,202 quota. The fund gained only slightly during the past week, he reported, with \$4,059.71 now credited to the campaign for this year.

Some of week's gain of about \$100 was turned in by the colored division at their meeting March 31st. Chairman Mauney reported that Zion Grove church had turned in 160 percent of its quota. "I am confident that the Number

Ellison, Guyton, Ward Running For City Commissioner Positions

Jaycees Heard State President Billy Harrison

Billy Harrison, of Rocky Mount, president of the North Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce, addressed members of the Kings Mountain organization at the regular meeting Tuesday night.

Mr. Harrison outlined the statewide program of the organization and commended the Kings Mountain chapter for its excellent record of activity and civic service.

He also pointed out many of the currently successful projects and programs of other organizations throughout the state and urged attendance at the state convention to be held in Asheville next month.

Guests at the meeting included Rush Hamrick, of Shelby, national director, who presented Mr. Harrison, and Tom Jones, incoming president of the Shelby club.

Faison Barnes, chairman of the Ladies Night committee, announced that the ladies night banquet would be held on May 3, and Joe Hedden, chairman of the X-Ray drive conducted last fall, read a letter in which the club was informed that the X-Ray equipment purchased by the Jaycees for donation to the county will be shipped about May 1.

Jean Lynch Wins Fulton Contest

Jean Lynch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Haywood E. Lynch, was first place winner of the annual Fulton Reading contest held at Central school auditorium Tuesday morning.

Miss Lynch gave as her reading "Afrail of the Dark" by William E. Callahan.

As Kings Mountain winner, Miss Lynch will represent the school in the preliminaries of the Cleveland County Scholmaster's Reading contest to be held in Shelby tomorrow. Second place went to Jean Cash, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David E. Cash, who read "Eyes" by Leota Hulise Black.

Other contestants and their readings were: Myrtle Hoyle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hoyle, "Honey" by Leota Hulise Black; Annie Ruth Bishop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bishop, "Lawd, Be Merciful," by C. M. Schindler; and Connie Bennett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Bennett, "The Dog Wolf," by Rose Wilder Lane. The medal is given by H. Tom Fulton in memory of his sister, for many years a teacher in the city schools.

Legion Post Didn't Sponsor Carnival

Otis D. Green Post 155 of the American Legion did not sponsor the appearance here last week of Harrison Greater Shows, a spokesman for the organization said yesterday.

"Several reports were received indicating that the public was under the impression the Legion post was sponsoring the carnival," the spokesman said, "but it did not."

CANTATA

The Central Methodist church choir will present "The Holy City," a sacred cantata, by Alfred R. Gaul, Sunday afternoon at five o'clock.



CANDIDATE — Among the candidates announcing for city offices this week was Hal D. Ward, who is seeking election at Ward 5 commissioner.

Nominate Howard For Jaycee Post

Grady Howard, well-known Kings Mountain insurance salesman, has been nominated to serve as president of the Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce for 1949-50.

Report of the nominating committee, made by Chairman Jacob Cooper at the meeting of the organization Tuesday night, also included: first vice-president, Faison Barnes; second vice-president, Marriott D. Phifer; secretary, Furman Wilson; treasurer, Dean Payne; sergeant-at-arms, Ben Ballard; and two-year directors, Wilson Griffin, Charles Alexander, and Dr. D. F. Hord.

The election of officers will be conducted at the next meeting of the organization.

Myers Awarded Emory Fellowship

ATLANTA. — Winifred Earle Myers, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Myers, 112 Piedmont Ave., Kings Mountain, N. C., has been awarded a graduate fellowship in physics for the academic year 1949-50 at Emory University, according to announcement by Dr. Leroy E. Loecker, dean of the Emory graduate school.

The awards, numbering 41, include 12 tuition scholarships in religious education and 24 fellowships and scholarships from \$450 to \$900, in the following fields: biochemistry, biology, chemistry, economics, English, geology, history, librarianship, physics, political science, and psychology.

The entire graduate fellowship and scholarship program is established to give opportunity for intensive study and research and is part of the expanding program of graduate study at Emory University.

It was necessary to make selections from several hundred applications, and awards are made on a basis of promise shown by the student in scholarship and leadership.

Mr. Myers attends Davidson College. He is a member of Sigma Pi Sigma, physics honorary society.

Guard Unit Passes 3rd Army Inspection

Kings Mountain's National Guard unit received a satisfactory rating from Third Army at an inspection held here on Tuesday.

Lt. Col. La Flamme, of the area headquarters of Third Army, 120th Infantry, local company, covering administration during the afternoon and training Tuesday night.

Ratings given by army inspectors are satisfactory or unsatisfactory.

Captain Humes Houston commands the local company and Lieutenant Frank Wall is the other officer. The company has 31 men and has around 48 vacancies. Other battalion officers present were Lt. Col. M. L. Parham, battalion commander and Captain Frank Jenkins, both of Gastonia. Unit instructors present included Major Carrier and Captain R. A. Prucnal.

BOARD TO MEET

The city board of commissioners will hold its regular April meeting Tuesday night at 8 o'clock at City Hall. City Clerk S. A. Crouse said only routine business is thus far listed on the agenda.

Contest Assured In Ward 3; Four Have Now Filed

City politics took on a warmer hue this week, as three more candidates, filed for city office, subject to the May 10th election.

Two of the three, Incumbent T. J. (Tommy) Ellison, and Otto Guyton, filed their candidacies, thereby setting up the first contest for offices.

Other candidate to file was Hal D. Ward, for Ward 5 commissioner.

Total number of candidates now formally in the field are four, Paul Ledford having filed for Ward 4 commissioner several weeks ago.

Other developments were limited to rumors, with the exception of a statement by Mayor H. Tom Fulton. In last week's political situation report by the Herald, the Herald political writer inadvertently left the impression that Mayor Fulton would not seek re-election. While not formally announcing his candidacy, Mayor Fulton asked the Herald to clarify his position, saying "I'm sure running."

Considerable speculation was caused by the action of Mr. Ellison, East Kings Mountain grocer, in filing prior to other members of the board. Some thought Mr. Ellison's early filing might break up the so-called "ticket" candidacy of present members of the board. Others opined that Mr. Ellison had merely desired to get his name in the pot ahead of his competitors. He did by a few hours. Mr. Ellison filed Monday morning, Mr. Guyton late Monday afternoon.

Mr. Guyton, a native of Kings Mountain, has lived here all his life. He is an employee of Neisler Mills, Inc., and has never before sought political office, though he has been active in politics for many years. He is a member of Grace Methodist church, as is his opponent.

Mr. Ward, who ran second in a five-man race for sheriff three years ago, is a former state highway patrolman and is proprietor of Ward's Seed and Feed Store. He served in the navy in World War II and is a Presbyterian.

Meantime, there was more talk about the possibility of mayoral candidacies than any other, with most observers still anticipating a race between Mayor Fulton and Former Mayor J. E. Herndon. Mr. Herndon was saying "no," but many felt he would change his mind by the filing deadline which falls five days before the election. George W. Allen, previously reported as interested in running for mayor, was now reported more cool to the idea. Mentioned as a prospective candidate for Ward 4 commissioner is C. P. Barry, well-known insurance salesman.

There was yet little activity in Wards 1 or 2, as well as for the Ward 2 and 3 school trusteeships. Arnold Kincaid, Ward 3 school trustee, was non-committal when asked whether he would seek re-election, but the general opinion was that he would offer.

Speculation on candidates for the Ward 2 trusteeship included several names, none of whom were sure to offer. They are John Caveny, Joe Lee Woodward, Carl Mayes, and J. H. Patterson. C. C. (Shorty) Edens, the incumbent, has indicated that he will not see re-election.

Throng Is Expected For Sunrise Service

The Kings Mountain Ministerial association is anticipating an attendance of 1,000 for the annual Easter Sunrise service to be held at Memorial Park of Mountain Rest cemetery April 17. It was announced this week by Rev. W. L. Pressly, chairman of the committee on arrangements.

The service has become one of the most popular community-wide services, and is being held at the cemetery for the fifth consecutive year.

Rev. W. H. Stender, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, will deliver the Easter message this year, and special music will be rendered by a special choir under the direction of Mrs. N. F. McGill.

The service will begin at 6:30 a. m., and will be preceded by a 15-minute concert by the Kings Mountain school band under the direction of Joe Hedden.