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Local News Bulletins

FIRE ALARM
City firemen extinguished a grass fire near Kings Mountain Machine Works Monday afternoon.

RETURNS HOME
I. G. Patterson, who recently underwent a serious operation at Memorial Hospital, Charlotte, was expected to return to his home Wednesday afternoon.

ATTENDS CONVENTION
Dr. N. H. Reed attended the annual convention of the North Carolina State Optometric Society Sunday, Monday and Tuesday at Winston-Salem.

ROUNDTABLE
A Scout Leaders Roundtable, featuring a camp movie, will be held at City Hall Thursday night at 7:30, according to announcement from Piedmont Council Headquarters.

FRACTURES HIP
S. A. Mauney was admitted to Charlotte Memorial hospital Wednesday with a fractured hip. Mr. Mauney fell about 10 days ago and X-Rays Tuesday disclosed the break.

ATTEND CONVENTION
Ollie Harris and Neal Grissom have been attending sessions of the North Carolina Funeral Directors association convention, which began Tuesday in Charlotte.

IN WASHINGTON
City Attorney J. R. Davis is in Washington, D. C., this week, where he is again testifying before the Federal Power Commission in behalf of the city's application for a natural gas allocation from the Transcontinental Pipeline.

TO ATTEND DENTAL MEET
Kings Mountain Dentists planning to attend the 96th annual sessions of the North Carolina Dental Society in Finehurst this weekend are Dr. D. F. Hord, Dr. L. P. Baker and Dr. R. N. Baker.

POSTAL RECEIPTS
Postal receipts for the month of April dropped slightly under 1951 receipts for the same month, according to report of George Hord, assistant postmaster.

LIONS MEETING
Rev. Shelton Hutchinson, of Charlotte, retired army chaplain, will address members of the Kings Mountain Lions club at their regular meeting Tuesday night at 7 o'clock at Masonic Dining Hall.

Commissioners To Meet Monday

The city board of commissioners will hold their regular May meeting Monday night at 7:30. Among items expected to be on the agenda are a report from City Attorney J. R. Davis on his recent re-appearance before the Federal Power Commission in behalf of the city's natural gas allotment application, and a possible report on a bond issue election from New York bond attorneys.

Janelle Bedsole, Kenneth Roberts Win Contests

Janelle Bedsole, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Bedsole, an eighth grade student at East school, won the Baker Reading medal, and Kenneth Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Roberts, an eighth grade student at Central school, won the Neisler Declamation, in contests held at Central school Wednesday afternoon.

Janelle Bedsole, a student in Jack Sink's homeroom, read "The Littlest Rebel" and Kenneth Roberts, a student in Mrs. Dan Finger's homeroom, declaimed "Here's To Peace".

Other contestants, winners of contests to represent their respective schools, were: In the reading contest, Jeanne Plonk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wray Plonk, a student in Mrs. Harold Coggins's seventh grade at Central school, who also read "The Littlest Rebel"; and Kathryn Hoyle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoyle, a student in Mrs. C. Q. Rhyne's fifth grade at West school, who read "Mama and the Graduation Present".

In the declamation contest, Vick Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smith, a student in Mrs. John Gamble's sixth grade at West school, who declaimed "Builders of Men"; and Leonard Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Wright, a student in Jack Sink's eighth grade at East school, who declaimed "Americanism".

The Central school eighth grade glee club, directed by Howard Coble, gave a program of music. Judges were Mrs. E. W. Griffin, Mrs. Sam Stallings, and Faison Barnes.

The Neisler Declamation medal is given annually by Mrs. C. E. Neisler, and the Baker Reading medal is given annually by Dr. L. P. Baker.

Webb Dinner Tickets Allotted

Tickets have been allotted the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club, Kings Mountain Lions club, and Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce for the Judge Webb testimonial dinner to be held at Gardner-Webb college on May 23, it was announced today by Charles A. Burris, ticket chairman.

The local clubs have joined with the other civic groups of the county and trustees of the college in staging the dinner to honor the distinguished jurist.

Tickets may be secured from the respective secretaries of the clubs, although demand has been as to necessitate allotment of limited numbers to each of the participating groups.

Judge Wilson Warlick of Newton will be speaker for the occasion which will be attended by many Federal court officials, friends and associates of Judge Webb through his more than 50 years as a public servant. The occasion will mark his 80th birthday and the program will include brief addresses by Senator Clyde R. Hoey, Mrs. O. Max Gardner and O. M. Mull, who is general chairman and who will serve as toastmaster.

KIWANIS MEETING
The high school mixed chorus, under the direction of W. Howard Coble, will present a musical program at the regular Thursday night meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club. The meeting convenes at Masonic Dining Hall at 6:45.

Primary Registration Reported Brisk On Opening Day Saturday

Registration was reported brisk at Kings Mountain area precincts last Saturday, as the books opened for the upcoming May 31 primaries. Total number of persons registered was not obtainable, but, in view of a new registration two years ago, most registrars indicated their "business" was greater than might have been expected.

Retailers Offering Big Bargain Lists

Murray Wins Trophy At Golf Tourney

Reggie Murray, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyer Murray of Kings Mountain, won a trophy last weekend at the annual Carolinas Intercollegiate Golf Tourney held at the Greenville, S. C., Country Club.

Murray, who shot a three-round 226, won the North Carolina award as the low individual, not on a winning team or associated with a team, in the 54-hole medal affair.

Also participating in the tournament from Kings Mountain were Jay Patterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Patterson, and Ranny Arnette, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Arnette. Patterson scored 282, Arnette 269.

Cancer Drive Receipts \$385

Total receipts to date in the Kings Mountain Cancer fund campaign are \$385.45, Mrs. George W. Allen, chairman, reported Wednesday.

Quota for the campaign is \$750. Mrs. Allen said that majority of the soliciting has been concluded, though a number of pledges from several industries are still to be received.

She said that the committee was most appreciative of the cooperation it had received on the fund-raising effort and added that she expected the quota to be met.

Other committee members on the Woman's Club project are Mrs. W. W. Tolleson and Mrs. J. H. Arthur.

No Shortage Of Gas Here

"No need for immediate concern," was the word Kings Mountain oil dealers had for motorists and users of fuel oil Wednesday.

They reporting on the local situation, following the strike of CIO, AFL and independent oil workers unions, which has caused restrictions of gasoline usage for private pleasure flying, non-essential armed services flying and other air travel.

Principal restrictions on local use affects dealers and service station operators, limiting their inventories to a 10-day supply. However, Fred W. Plonk, Shell distributor, and John Cheshire, of Patterson Oil Company, Esso distributor, said their customers did not have sufficient storage for more than 10 days supply, with the lone exception of one Esso station.

Mr. Plonk said that a two-week continuance of the oil industry strike might cause "us to feel it," due to the fact of normal increase of gasoline consumption in May.

Mid-western areas around Chicago and Detroit have already been hit by the strike, with some service stations posting "out-of-gas" signs.

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"Dollar Days" Promotion Starts Friday

Kings Mountain retail merchants are observing "Dollar Days" on Friday, Saturday and Monday.

Majority of retail members of the Kings Mountain Merchants association are participating, including apparel stores, furniture stores, jewelry, food stores, variety stores, appliance dealers, and drug stores.

For the past two months, Kings Mountain Merchants have been preparing for this weekend's special promotion, a resumption of the "Dollar Days" theme for the first time in many years.

The promotion was first mapped by the Merchants Association trade promotion committee several weeks ago and merchants have been busy since, shopping the large manufacturers and wholesalers for both bargains and specialties.

Today's issue of the Herald carries a large volume of advertising in which merchants are announcing the successful results of their efforts.

Members of the Merchants Association trade promotion committee are Haywood E. Lynch, chairman, Hilton Ruth and Harold Coggins.

Commenting on the advance work, Mr. Lynch said, "I believe this community-wide sale campaign, if it does not surpass any ever held in Kings Mountain. More merchants are participating, and they have worked harder than ever to bring consumers quality merchandise at very low prices."

Dan Huffstetler, association president, commented, "The 'Dollar Days' promotion is the perfect peak for our recent Trade-at-Home campaign. Kings Mountain Merchants have both the goods and the right prices. If that's what the buying public is looking for, they need look no further."

Two days of the three-day promotion dovetail with the Mother's Day weekend selling peak, and many merchants are suggesting that shoppers take advantage of the special "Dollar Days" offerings to complete their Mother's Day gift shopping.

Legion To Elect Officers Friday

Officers for the coming year will be elected and installed at the regular May meeting of Otis D. Green Post 156, the American Legion, scheduled for Friday night at 8 o'clock at the Legion Building.

Nominations will be opened from the floor at the meeting. The nominating committee has reported as follows:

Sam Collins, for commander. James Bennett, for first vice-commander. Ned A. McGill, of Gastonia, for second vice-commander. C. T. Carpenter, Jr., for adjutant. Fred Halthcox, for re-election as finance officer. W. F. Laughter, for chaplain. John Gladden, for service officer. Commander Warren Reynolds, Paul Mauney, John Floyd, Paul Byers and Mr. Gladden as additional members of the executive committee.

High School Chorus Sings At Festival

Kings Mountain high school was among six Cleveland county schools participating Tuesday evening at Shelby in the annual Cleveland County Music Festival. The high school mixed chorus, accompanied by Miss Barbara Gault, pianist, sang "Lamb of God," by Christiansen, "Certain Lord," a Negro spiritual, and "Country Style" by Fred Waring. The chorus is directed by W. Howard Coble, who also served as a member of the festival committee. The festival was non-competitive.

New Law Restricts Prescription Refills

A new federal law restricts tightly both refilling of prescriptions by druggists, as well as dispensing certain drugs.

Under provisions of the Durham Humphrey law, which became effective on April 28, druggists may not refill a prescription from a drug labeled "Caution: Federal Law prohibits dispensing without prescription," unless the prescribing physician has clearly marked the prescription for refilling. Nor may they sell it over the counter without prescription.

Local druggists are calling attention of both physicians and the public to the new law. Details concerning the new law were covered in the April 28 issue of "American Druggist."

Board To Hear State Official

The city board of commissioners will hold a public meeting Wednesday night at 7:30 at City Hall courtroom, with the meeting to be devoted to a discussion of the city's sewage disposal system needs.

W. S. McKimmon, head of the sanitary division for the North Carolina Board of Health, and J. S. Ameen, head of the western division, will attend the meeting and will comment on the engineering report of the Olsen Engineering Company, of Raleigh.

The Olsen Company has recommended a sewage disposal system requiring an outlay of \$600,000, and the city commissioners, at their April meeting, passed a resolution to initiate a city bond election to provide funds for the project. The construction would take care of the city's needs for at least 20 years, Olsen estimates.

M. K. Fuller, city administrator, urged all citizens to attend the meeting.

"Sewage disposal is a very pressing problem, and the citizens should be conversant with all phases of it," Mr. Fuller said.

Kiwanians Honor Ladies

The Kings Mountain Kiwanis club held its annual Ladies night banquet last Thursday evening, enjoying a fun-filled evening of entertainment attended by more than 200 Kiwanians, their wives and guests.

Feature of the program was a humorous address by Lex L. Ray, of Raleigh, who delighted his audience with a rapid-fire series of humorous comments and anecdotes.

Completing his address in serious vein, Mr. Ray praised the institution of civic clubs for their contribution in making life more worthwhile. He said their part in easing the tension of life was imperative for the average citizen "who keeps driving, without realizing that the world could go on without him very well."

He described the Kiwanis Club, and other similar civic organizations, as an institution of cooperation, vision, leadership, determination, freedom of expression and ideas, of brotherly love, morality and democracy. He credited much of the nation's progress to the work of the Kiwanis International.

Harold Hunnicutt, club president, presided, and W. Fasion Barnes, chairman of the ladies night committee, served as toastmaster. Rev. P. D. Patrick gave the invocation, and group singing was led by B. S. Peeler, Jr. Arnold W. Kincaid welcomed the ladies, and Mrs. Burt Chandler responded.

Special music was rendered by the high school girls' trio, Misses Evelyn Cline Delores Davidson and Melba Tindall, accompanied by Miss Barbara Gault at the piano.

Lewis Hovis presented Mr. Ray. Special guests included Mrs. O. C. O'Farrell, Mrs. P. D. Herndon, Mrs. Arthur Hay, Mrs. Carl Davidson, Mrs. J. B. Thomasson, and Mrs. W. W. Souther, widow of former Kiwanians, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stallings, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Mauney, Jr., Dan Kincaid, representing the Key Club, Leonard Edge, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Huneycutt, of Rockingham, and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Harmon. Ladies were presented with cream-and-sugar and salt-and-pepper sets as favors, and all proved lucky in a drawing for special gifts.

Barnes Again School Activity Group President

B. N. Barnes, superintendent of Kings Mountain city schools, was re-elected president of the Western North Carolina High School activities association at the annual meeting of the association held at the high school here on Monday.

Elected to membership on the executive board were: Watt Deal, principal, Statesville high school, Frank Austin, coach of Concord high school, and Harold Bowen, coach of Statesville high school. Holdover members of the board are: R. N. Gurley, superintendent of Newjon, Conover city schools, Lloyd Little, Shelby high school coach, F. D. Kiser, Lincolnton principal, R. R. Morgan, Mooresville city schools superintendent, and vice-president.

Retiring board members are: Darr Shealy, Thomasville coach, Lee Stone, Asheboro coach, and Erskine W. Carson, Cherryville principal.

Actions of the association included: 1) Setting of the date for a football game between champions of the Western and South Piedmont conferences for November 21, 1952.

2) Authorization of a joint basketball tournament for the two conferences, with time and place to be set by a tournament committee including R. R. Morgan, chairman, R. N. Gurley, F. D. Kiser and Watt Deal.

3) Authorization of a baseball championship series between the two conference champions, with time and place to be determined by the teams concerned.

4) Authorization of a boys' tennis tournament at Hickory May 22 between representatives of Newton, Marion, Hickory, Morganton, Statesville, and Belmont, with each school to be allowed one singles and two doubles players.

5) Ordered that football games postponed due to inclement weather must be played, with the following Saturday or Monday recommended as the date.

President Barnes appointed a four-man committee to study the possibility of dividing the Western conference into two playing areas. The committee includes F. D. Kiser, chairman, Hugh Beam, R. W. Morris, Shelby coach, and J. D. Mills, Lenoir coach.

The executive board met in the afternoon, and 27 of the 29 schools were represented at the general dinner meeting at 6:30. Only Spencer and Mills Home were unrepresented.

At the dinner meeting, dinner music was furnished by the Swing Band, including Gilbert McKelvie, Gene Ellis, Tim Gladden, Gene Austin, Joe Davis and Bill Sanders. Special music was rendered by Howard Coble, supervisor of vocal music, and Mrs. Virginia Leopard, Central piano teacher.

Dr. Reed Reports On Eye Bank Work

Dr. Nathan H. Reed, Kings Mountain optometrist, attended the annual convention of the North Carolina State Optometric Society at Winston-Salem this week.

Commenting on the convention, Dr. Reed called particular attention to the endorsement by the optometrists of the State Eye Bank program, urging that local citizens give the program their attention and cooperation.

Dr. Reed said that many people can regain eyesight by transplanting of corneas. The big hold-up he added, is lack of corneas. Recently, a number of citizens have willed their corneas to the State Eye Bank. He added that local people interested in the program could obtain full information about the program at his office.

Kings Mountain Jaycees Will Hold Annual Ladies Night Event Friday

An entertainment program will feature the annual Ladies Night banquet of the Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce, to be held at the Country Club Friday evening, beginning at seven o'clock.

A group of Little Theatre members, under the direction of Mrs. Aubrey Mauney, will present a humorous play as the entertainment feature, with a dance to follow the program. Music will be furnished by the Dixie Vets, of Gastonia. Another feature of the program will be installation of officers for the year 1952-53, by

Bloodmobile Visit To Be Wednesday

City Has No Wire For 220 Service

Citizens planning to purchase electrical appliances that will require new 220-volt city installation service were warned this week to check with city officials beforehand as the city's supply of wire is momentarily exhausted.

Assistant City Clerk Joe McDaniel, Jr., said yesterday that purchase of the wire required in the 220-volt installation is restricted and that the city has been on a small quota for some time.

Mr. McDaniel said the city is buying all the wire allotted by the defense mobilizer but it is not enough to meet the current demand for installations.

Hardin Child Cancer Victim

Funeral rites for Paula Ray Hardin, 17-month-old daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Robert L. Hardin, were held Sunday afternoon at Macedonia Baptist church.

Rev. Stephen Morrisett and Rev. P. D. Patrick conducted the rites, and burial was made at Mountain Rest cemetery.

The young child, daughter of the Macedonia church pastor, had been ill for the past four months, suffering a disease diagnosed as cancer of the blood.

Surviving, in addition to her parents, are two brothers, Robert L. Hardin, Jr., and James Hardin, and three sisters, Nancy Cordella, and Martha Hardin.

A large crowd which overflowed the church attended the funeral rites.

Fred Kirby Here Saturday Night

Fred Kirby and Cecil Campbell and his Tennessee Ramblers will appear here in person on the stage at Central school on Saturday night at 8 o'clock.

The Charlotte radio and television stars are being presented under sponsorship of the Kings Mountain American Legion post.

Some dozen Kings Mountain children went to Charlotte Wednesday afternoon to appear on Mr. Kirby's television program, "TINYTOT USA" in a salute to Kings Mountain. Commander Warren Reynolds arranged for the trip.

A sellout crowd is expected at the Saturday performance. Admission will be 60 cents for adults, 30 cents for children Mr. Reynolds said.

Margie Lou Dickey Is Club Treasurer

SALESBURY. — Miss Margie Lou Dickey, daughter of Mrs. James R. Dickey, of 311 E. King Street, has been elected treasurer of the Home Economics Club at Catawba College, where she is a member of the rising senior class. Other officers elected were: president, Jane Moore, Cleveland; vice-president, Carolyn Sutphin, Yadkinville; secretary, Martha Jane Leonard, Lexington.

In addition to being an active member of the Home Economics Club, Miss Dickey is a member of the Pep Club.

Daniel Reports 300-Pint Need To Meet Quota

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will return to Kings Mountain next Wednesday, with a 300-pint goal for the one-day visit.

The Bloodmobile will be ready for operation at the Woman's Club at 11 a. m. and will operate all day until 5 p. m.

Announcement of the visit and goal was made by Rev. Vance Daniel, chairman of the Kings Mountain Red Cross chapter's blood program.

Mr. Daniel said that Kings Mountain has met thus far only 51 percent of its quota for the year ending June 30.

"It means we're only meeting our own needs, without providing any blood for the needs of the men fighting in Korea," Mr. Daniel said. "I have insisted that the Red Cross send adequate staff to handle 300 donors on next Wednesday."

Kings Mountain's last blood collection was its most successful, when 144 pints were collected.

Mr. Daniel said that civic organizations, the high school Key Club, and other groups were being asked to cooperate in raising the local blood collection total.

Davidson Grads To Meet Tuesday

The Kings Mountain Alumni Chapter of Davidson, College will hold its annual meeting Tuesday evening, Charles A. Neisler and Dave M. Neill, co-chairmen, announced yesterday.

A dinner meeting, the session will get underway at 7 o'clock at the Kings Mountain Country Club.

All Davidson alumni and fathers of students now at the Presbyterian college are being invited to attend.

Mr. Neisler and Mr. Neill said that chapter members include residents of Kings Mountain, Grover and Bessemer City.

One of the highlights of the program will be the showing of a new Davidson motion picture, "Let Learning Be Cherished." Produced in color on the campus last summer, the film depicts the activities and accomplishments of the typical, small liberal arts college. It is now being shown over television stations in the South.

Reservations should be made immediately by calling Mr. Neisler.

Legion Juniors To Drill Saturday

Junior baseball practice will be held at City Stadium on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock, Coach Jack Sink has announced.

"It is very important that all candidates for the team be present Saturday as we are behind in our drill schedule and need to get down to work," Coach Sink said. Practice schedule for next week will be released Saturday, he said.

Wanted: One Boys Baseball Sponsor

One additional team sponsor is needed to field a four-team baseball league of boys ages 12 to 15.

The league is to be operated on the same basis as it was last summer, with the teams not uniformed and cost of fielding an entry is the minimum.

Sponsors reportedly ready to field teams again this summer are Reynolds Motors, Mauney Mills and Craftsman Yarns, Inc.

The Boy's Recreational Baseball League operated last summer with six teams—Burlington, McCurdy, and Park-Grace in addition to the three 1952 sponsors.

Anyone interested in fielding a team in the loop, which will give boys of all ages a chance to play this summer, is urged to contact A. B. Chandler, chairman of the recreation commission.