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Local News Bulletins

AT PRESBYTERIAN
 Rev. Frank A. Brown, D. D., of Gas. Ia., will deliver the sermon at 11 o'clock Sunday morning at First Presbyterian church, according to announcement this week.

COURT OF HONOR
 Boy Scout Court of Honor will be held Thursday, tonight, at 7:45 p. m. in City Hall. Scouter round-table will be held during the court, according to announcement from Piedmont district headquarters.

TO ASHEVILLE
 Miss Margie Lou Dickey, daughter of Mrs. Paul Beam and recent graduate of Catawba College, has assumed the position of assistant dietitian at Mission Memorial hospital, Asheville. Miss Dickey began her duties on Monday.

SCHOOL BOARD
 Regular monthly meeting of the Kings Mountain district board of school trustees is scheduled at the office of Superintendent B. N. Barnes at Central school Monday at 7:30 p. m.

TO SING SUNDAY
 Miss Clara Plunk, of New York and Kings Mountain, will be featured soloist at St. Matthew's Lutheran church services Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Children of the church will give a short program at this service.

HOSPITALIZED
 City police officer Martin Ware is in Kings Mountain hospital where he underwent a major operation Tuesday morning. His condition was reported satisfactory Wednesday morning.

TO ASHEBORO
 Rev. Glenn Essom and his family moved Tuesday to Asheboro, where Mr. Essom has accepted a call to serve the Church of God in Asheboro. Rev. Dock Wilbanks, of Lincolnton, is in charge of the Kings Mountain church, it was announced.

HONOR GRADUATE
 Miss Peggy Anne Mauney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Mauney, was graduated cum laude with the degree of B. S. in home economics at Women's College, University of North Carolina, on June 1. The with honors notation was not included on the WCUNC news bureau report on its 1953 graduates, as used in last week's Herald news story.

MORGAN RESIGNS
 Earl Morgan, for the past several months an employee at the city clerk's office, has resigned to accept a position with Trans-World Airlines, Kansas City, Mo. He left for Kansas City Wednesday. He has been replaced at City Hall by Tommy Owens, a former member of the city office staff.

DAR Citizenship Winners Listed

Winners of D. A. R. Good Citizenship medals, presented annually by Col. Frederick Hambricht Chapter, were announced by Mrs. J. E. Herndon, chapter regent, this week.

The medals are presented to a fifth grade student in each of the elementary schools of the city.

The winners:
 Central — Mason Hughes, Jr.
 East — James Rikard, Jr.
 West — Melba Andrews,
 Park-Grace — Joyce Ann Childers.
 Davidson — Margaret Frances Hunn, Jr.

Attention Called To Annual Flag Day

Kings Mountain's Colonel Frederick Hambricht Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, is reminding Kings Mountain citizens that Sunday is annual Flag Day and that flags should be publicly displayed on Monday.

Mrs. E. W. Griffin, in charge of a special DAR program on Flag Day to be broadcast over Station WERT Friday morning at 10:30, called attention to the fact that citizens can call for the display of flags on the day following when the observance falls on Sunday.



INSTALLATION NIGHT SCENE AT LEGION HALL Pictured above at the installation night meeting of Otis D. Green Post 155, the American Legion, held at the Legion Hall last Friday night, are most of the new officers of the organization and State Commander C. Leroy Shuping, Jr., in white, cap near center, of Greensboro, who conducted the installation. C. E. Warrick, on Mr. Shuping's left, assumed the duties of commander of the local post, of which he was an organizer in 1924. Pictured, left to right, are Millard Prince, James Bennett, Clyde Wheatstine, C. T. Carpenter, Jr., Sam D. Collins, Commander Shuping, Commander Warrick, John W. Gladwin, Fred Heathcox and Hubert Aderholdt. Ross Alexander and Bill Jones, the remaining officers, were not present. (Herald photo by Hubert Carlisle).



BAPTIST SPEAKER—Rev. James B. McClure, pastor of West Franklin Baptist church of Gastonia, will be guest minister at First Baptist church here for special services during the week beginning on Sunday. Services will continue through June 21.

Vacationers Should Notify Policemen

Leaving town for a vacation? Then there are a few precautions you should take to foil any would-be burglars, Chief of Police Hugh A. Logan, Jr., reminded this week.

Included are: 1) Call the police department and report your planned absence. The police will concentrate their patrols on homes of absent owners. 2) Call the milkman and paper-boy and stop deliveries while you're gone. This eliminates a sure sign to thieves that the residents are away.

The police department telephone number is 254.

Cotton Oil Company Operating Newly-Installed Feed-Grinder

Kings Mountain Cotton Oil Company has installed a hammer mill — a new installation to provide farmers of the Kings Mountain area with a modern custom-grinding, feed mixing plant, first and largest of its kind in the section of the state, according to announcement by H. Lawrence Patrick, general manager.

Seeing the need of this service for this area, Mr. Patrick said he has had this installation planned for several years. The building of it was delayed for approximately two years, due to his recall to active duty as Captain in the Marine Corps.

The new plant, designed to make all farm feeds, consists of a 3,000-pound feed mixer, an 86-hammer feed mill, or crusher, and a molasses mixer.

The large hammer-mill is equipped with magnets, and is powered by a 125-horsepower motor. It has a capacity of one and one-half to 20 tons per hour, depending on the product to be conveyed and on the grade of feed desired. The mill is designed with a four and one-quarter inch shaft, wide throat and adjustable feed table — ideal for grinding baled

Cash Brothers Lease Theatres

H. H. Everett, of Charlotte, head of Stewart and Everett Theatres, Inc., which operates more than 80 motion picture houses in the two Carolinas, said Wednesday his firm has leased the five theatres operated by Kings Mountain's Cash Brothers, including the Joy and Dixie Theatres here. Term of the lease is ten years.

Stewart and Everett Theatres, Inc., will assume management of the five Cash Brothers theatres — which include two in Mt. Holly and one in Crumerton — after the close of business on June 27.

Mr. Everett told the Herald Wednesday that the policy of the new operators would be to show the most modern pictures available and to do its best to furnish topnotch entertainment.

He said further announcement concerning policy would be made nearer the date Stewart and Everett takes over the Cash Brothers operation.

Charlie and David Cash have been prominent in the motion picture business here for more than two decades.

In 1931, David Cash came here to manage the Imperial Theatre. *Continued On Page Eight*

Charlotte Firm To Take Over Chain June 27

Stewart and Everett Theatres, Inc., will assume management of the five Cash Brothers theatres — which include two in Mt. Holly and one in Crumerton — after the close of business on June 27.

Merchants Plan July 4 Holiday

J. C. Bridges, president of the Kings Mountain Merchants association, reminded both association members and citizens this week that July 4 is an annual holiday of the association, when majority of retail stores close for the day.

July 4 falls on Saturday this year, which will give retail stores a long weekend holiday.

Independence Day is one of the association's seven annual holidays.

Harmon Property Re-Sale Saturday

Commissioner's re-sale of a portion of the properties of the Thomas N. Harmon Estate will be conducted Saturday morning beginning at 10 o'clock.

Bidding will start at \$6,615 on the corner lot at Battleground street, Falls and Cherokee street, which is occupied by a two-apartment frame dwelling, Miss Ruth Randall is the present high bidder for the property.

Bidding will start at \$51.25 on a half-interest in a tract of ten and one-fourth acres adjoining the property of Crescent Hill Development Company, George W. Mauney and others. Fred J. Wright, Sr., is the present high bidder for the tract.

After Saturday's sales the bidding will remain open for ten days.

Full information about the properties can be obtained from Martin L. Harmon, Jr., commissioner.

A third tract, on Waco Road, was previously sold to Hal S. Plunk.

Postoffice Box Rent Scale Hiked

Postoffice box rent advances at Kings Mountain postoffice, and at all postoffices throughout the nation on July 1, according to the May 26 Postal Bulletin, on orders of the assistant postmaster general.

The new schedule of rental charges is based on postal receipts and is the first adjustment in postoffice box rental fees since 1947, the bulletin stated.

Here is the quarterly rate schedule as it will apply at Kings Mountain postoffice:

No.	1 lock box	75c	New Rate
No. 2	lock box	\$1.00	\$1.50
No. 3	lock box	\$1.50	\$2.25
No. 4	lock box	\$2.00	\$3.00

Postmaster W. E. Blakely said the new scale will be used when collecting July quarter box rent.

Play Schedule Gets Underway Monday Morning

James (Red) Layton said yesterday that the city's summer recreation program will officially open Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

A planned program is scheduled for the high school gymnasium, with John Charles, member of the high school coaching staff recently added to the recreation commission organization, in charge.

Activities will include ping-pong, shuffleboard, card games, basketball, dancing, softball, paddle tennis, horseshoe pitching, and volleyball.

The gymnasium will also be opened two nights weekly on Wednesday, from 7:30 to 9:30, and Fridays, from 7:30 to 10 o'clock. Children of all ages are invited to take part in the program, Mr. Layton added.

All Little League games, henceforth, will be played at the new field in front of the Woman's Club, he said.

He invited families having games they could donate to the program to call him or Mr. Charles, Croquet, badminton, tennis and golf equipment, books, and other items are needed, he said.

Mr. Layton also announced completion of a Pony League field at the corner of East Gold street and York road. He said that a playground had been cleared off on Second street near Craftsman Yarns, Inc., and that plans are progressing for a junior girls softball league.

Plans are also underway for construction of tennis courts and an outdoor basketball court on the Baker lot. Mr. Layton said that he had also recommended purchase of swings and sliding boards for the Craftsman playground.

South Carolina state park officials have been contacted relative to the use of Lake Crawford for organized swimming parties, he added.

Dog Vaccination Clinic Saturday

Dr. J. P. Mauney, veterinarian, will conduct final rabies clinics in Kings Mountain areas Saturday, June 13.

Announcement of the clinic was made by county health officer, Dr. Z. P. Mitchell who said that the deadline for animal vaccinations, without penalty, is July 1.

Dog owners will be charged \$2 for this service beginning July 1 and will also be faced with court action and a fine of \$10 if they fail to comply with vaccination notices within three days.

Dr. Z. P. Mitchell, county health officer, said clinic hours have been set at the following places:

- Waco school, 9 to 9:30 a. m.
- Bethware school, 9:30 to 10 a. m.
- Grover school, 10:30 to 11:00 a. m.
- Park Grace school, 11 to 11:30 a. m.
- East Elementary school, 11:30 to 12 noon.

A number of amendments were made to the rabies law by the last legislature, Dr. Mitchell emphasized. One had to do with the penalty law for vaccinations after July 1. Heretofore, the law permitted an increase of 25 cents after July 1, charging the dog owner \$1.25. Under the new ruling \$2 will be charged for the services, he said.

Board Pares Poll Tax Rate To \$2 At Busy June Meeting



AUTO DEALER — E. E. Marlowe, veteran Kings Mountain tire and appliance dealer, heads an expanded firm, Marlowe's, Inc., which has acquired the Kings Mountain Dodge-Plymouth dealership from Warren E. Reynolds. Completion of the transaction is formally announced today.

Marlowe's, Inc. Dodge Dealer

Official announcement of the sale of Reynolds Motors, Kings Mountain Dodge - Plymouth dealer, to Marlowe's, Inc. a new corporation headed by E. E. Marlowe, is being made this week.

Under terms of the transaction Marlowe's, Inc. acquires the Kings Mountain dealership for Dodge and Plymouth passenger cars and Dodge trucks, as well as the inventory of parts and equipment of the former dealer. Sale of the brick garage building is not involved, being retained by Mr. Reynolds and rented by the new dealer.

E. E. Marlowe, president and general manager of the new corporation, said that Marlowe's, Inc. is an expansion of his former tire and appliance business, which will continue to be operated at the same location as a division of Marlowe's, Inc. Martin Frederick is manager of the tire and appliance division, located at 222 W. Mountain street, while Miss Marilyn Lewis is office manager and Bobby Etters is in charge of the firm's tire recapping plant.

At the Dodge - Plymouth division, 507 E. King street, Jack Arnette, long associated with Mr. Marlowe, is parts manager, Fred Dixon is sales manager, Mrs. F. E. Powers is office manager, and Jim Dover is service manager.

Mr. Marlowe said the Dodge-Plymouth division will feature a complete service department, including body work.

Incorporators of Marlowe's, Inc. are Mr. Marlowe, Mrs. Marlowe and their son, Earl Marlowe.

In the joint announcement of completion of the transaction, Warren E. Reynolds, retiring dealer, said, "I wish to commend the new dealer to all my friends and patrons. I have enjoyed serving the Kings Mountain people for many years and I appreciate very much their kindness to me."

BIBLE SCHOOL

Closing exercises for the St. Matthew's Lutheran church Vacation Bible school will be held Saturday morning at 10:15. Parents of children and the public are invited to attend.

Former Chief S. R. Davidson Back On Force

The city board of commissioners, in regular June meeting last Thursday night, whacked 70 cents off the city poll tax and returned to the police force a former chief.

The unanimous action on the poll tax pares the 1953 poll tax rate from \$2.70 to \$2 for all males between the ages of 21 and 50 years of age.

The board, also unanimously, accepted the recommendation of Police Chief Hugh A. Logan, Jr., and voted to employ as a policeman Former Chief S. R. (Pop) Davidson. Officer Davidson has been assigned to duty handling the parking meter beat and returned to the force Monday at the top pay scale of \$235 per month.

The board handled a considerable amount of business in a brisk two-hour session, including an increase in the monetary grant from parking meter receipts to the city recreation commission. The commission chairman, Dr. P. G. Padgett, and W. K. Mauney, Jr., a member of the commission, appeared before the board. They said commission plans for a summer recreation program were working out fine, except that they needed funds to employ an additional supervisor and to buy a small amount of supplies and equipment. The board approved unanimously the motion of Commissioner T. J. Ellison to provide the recreation commission with an additional \$65 weekly from the parking meter receipts.

Otherwise the board:

- 1) Voted to change a lot on East Gold street from residential zone to commercial zone, on condition that the owner, Hal D. Ward, not erect a seed cleaning establishment on the lot. Roy Connor, a nearby property owner, appeared before the board and requested the restriction.
- 2) Approved payment of a statement for expenses from Joe F. Mull, county elections board chairman, for conducting the city's recent city manager system election.
- 3) Authorized employment of an additional helper, J. Hugh McLean, for the superintendent of public works department, at the minimum pay scale.
- 4) Tabled a petition from a number of York Road power customers who asked a decrease of the 20 percent differential charged them as out-of-city customers. The petition stated that the several residents had furnished right-of-way for the city's water line, and contended that a 20 percent differential is excessive.
- 5) Heard Fireman C. D. (Red) Ware, who said he was appearing in behalf of Fire Chief Grady King, ask for an upward revision in the pay scale of firemen. Mr. Ware said the original basis was to be comparable with the pay of policemen, and that raises had not been granted the policemen, but not the firemen. He said the pay scale is \$210 per month, plus a *Continued on Page Eight*



Harvey L. Bumgardner



Martha Blankenship Wright



Carl Herman Mauney



Charles Donald Blanton, Jr.



William Alfred Farrington

Rites Conducted For Mrs. Cash

Funeral services for Mrs. Amy McKinney Cash, 77, who died at 1 a. m. Tuesday morning, at the home of a son, David Cash on York Road, were conducted Wednesday at 3 p. m. from Harris Funeral home.

Rev. H. Gordon Weekley, pastor of First Baptist church, and Rev. W. L. Pressly, pastor of Boyce Memorial Associate Reformed Presbyterian church, officiated, and burial was in the Hollywood cemetery in Gastonia.

Mrs. Cash, widow of Wesley B. Cash, had been in declining health for several years. She was a former resident of Gastonia and Carolina Beach.

Surviving are three sons, Charles and David Cash, both of Kings Mountain, and Edgar Cash of Mount Holly and one daughter, Mrs. Edgar Brown of Jacksonville, Florida.

Also surviving are one brother, William McKinney of Spartanburg, S. C., eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Five Received College Degrees

Five Kings Mountain students have received college degrees in the past week.

Harvey L. Bumgardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hazel Bumgardner. *Continued on Page Eight*

City Water Plant Pumped Record Gallonage During Hot Month Of May

The city's water plant ran under forced draft during May, as it racked up a new record for pumpage.

George Moss, chief water plant operator, made the report at last Thursday's city board meeting, saying that the 28,350,000 gallons of water pumped through the city's Deal street plant set a record by about a million gallons.

Reasons for the hiked consumption, which kept the water plant operating for an average of 20.3 hours per day were: 1) consumption of 8,000,000 gallons by Focote Mineral Company, the city's biggest customer during the month; and 2) the hot weather and resulting higher domestic consumption.

Mr. Moss used the report as a springboard to request consideration of a few needed improve-

ments for the system during the coming fiscal year. He said outmoded pumps installed years ago were never designed for the particular job and that money saved on power would pay quickly for more efficient replacements.

With the record consumption for May, Mr. Moss said that the total cost of finished water, delivered into the mains, was \$4.36 per million gallons. Mr. Moss described this figure as a gross operating cost, exclusive of cost of plant, depreciation and debt service. He said the gross operating cost in April, when less water was consumed, was \$63.35 per million gallons.

During May, the filtering process required 4,400 pounds of alum, 1,700 pounds of lime and 294 pounds of chlorine.