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Trading Area ..... 15,000  
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## Rites Conducted For Mrs. Mauney

### Local News Bulletins

**KIWANIS MEETING**  
Alan Newcombe, WB-TV performer and former Greenville, S. C. radio man, will be guest speaker at Thursday evening's meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club at 6:45. The club meets at Masonic Dining Hall.

**POULTRY MEETING**  
Kings Mountain area poultry farmers are being invited by Ted Ledford, local feed dealer, to attend a meeting at Behwara high school Thursday at 7:30 p. m. Feature of the program will be a 20-minute strip film, with sound and in color, on "cage layers," a new method of poultry farming.

**THREE FIRES**  
Three fires were reported by the fire department this past week. Firemen reported two grass fires, one on Grover road, the other at 708 West Gold street. An oil stove blaze was extinguished June 19, at the residence of Mrs. Ella Hope on Clinton drive. No damages were reported.

**ATTENDS MEETING**  
Neal Grissom, president of the Kings Mountain Optimist Club, and the Pantomime Sunshine Boys, Eddie Goforth, George Harris, Bud Mayes, Palmer Huffstetler, and Charles Yelton attended a meeting of the Greenville, S. C. Optimist club Monday night, going especially to present a program for ladies night and the installation of officers.

**LITTLE EFFECT HERE**  
The threatened strike of Western Electric Company employees is expected to have little effect in the Kings Mountain Southern Bell Telephone exchange where no Western Electric Company employees are currently at work. A Western Electric crew completed installation work on two switchboard positions here two weeks ago, Floyd Farris, exchange manager, said.

**DIRECTORS MEET**  
Directors of the Kings Mountain Merchants association, in regular meeting Tuesday, discussed the forthcoming July 21 employee - employee barbecue, a Christmas opening promotion, and forthcoming trade promotions, and heard a report from President John H. Lewis on work with the city on tightening the city privilege license governing peddling.

**RECORD HEAT**  
Sunday was a record-shattering day for high temperatures, weather observers reported here and elsewhere. No official reports on Kings Mountain highs were received, but Selby listed a high of 105 degrees, and Gastonia listed a high of 107 degrees. A wind shift alleviated the heat wave slightly on Monday but mercury in the thermometers was still pressing top levels this week.

### George Moore Wins Cotton Bloom Derby

George Moore, 49-year-old Negro farmer, reported the first cotton bloom in the Kings Mountain area on Monday. He brought a bloom by the Herald office Tuesday morning and inquired if Ed Evans had been in yet. Evans had reported first bloom for several seasons in the past. Moore planted his crop on April 13 on the D. B. Hamrick farm on the old Battleground road in the Dixon community. He has been raising cotton for 30 years, he reported. Last year he got 21 bales off 18 acres. "That was pretty good with only two people working the crop," he added. Moore would make no prediction on this year's crop prospects. "It's too dry, he said. He has been with Mr. Hamrick for 11 years and "I really appreciate the man I farm with," he added.

## Heart Ailment Fatal Monday To Nonagenarian

Funeral services for Mrs. Candace Miller Mauney, 94, widow of W. Andrew Mauney, one of the city's founders, were conducted from St. Matthew's Lutheran church Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, interment following at Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mrs. Mauney succumbed at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Frank R. Summers, at 10:15 Monday morning, following a heart attack suffered Saturday.

Though in declining health for the past several months, Mrs. Mauney had continued well past her ninetieth year an active and interest in the affairs of the community with which she was identified for almost 60 years.

She was a native of Catawba County and daughter of the late Rev. Adam Miller, pioneer Lutheran minister, and Susan Carpenter Miller. She was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran church and the United Daughters of the Confederacy. She was an active worker in church and civic affairs and, in 1946, was honored as "Good Neighbor of the Day" on the Tom Breneman radio show, "Breakfast in Hollywood," a recognition for her long years of civic service, including 6,088 hours spent in knitting more than 600 garments for the American Red Cross during World War II.

She was married on December 26, 1894, to her late husband, W. A. Mauney, long a leading manufacturer, banker, merchant and political leader in Kings Mountain, which he helped to establish with his brother, J. S. Mauney. W. A. Mauney served the district several terms as North Carolina State Senator.

Surviving in addition to Mrs. Summers are another daughter, Mrs. J. E. Herndon, with whom she lived at 108 North Battle ground avenue, a step-daughter, Mrs. C. E. Neisler, five grandchildren and one great grandchild.

The funeral service was conducted by Dr. H. B. Schaeffer, a former pastor of her church, and now pastor of Wittenburg Lutheran church, Leesville, S. C. The body lay in state at the church for a half-hour prior to the service.

Active pallbearers were Ray Cline, Glee E. Bridges, A. S. Kiser, Dr. J. P. Mauney, Dan Finger and George Houser.

## Kiwanis Student Loan Fund Helping Many Local Students Attend College

By Martin Harmon  
From a small beginning about eight years ago, the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club now has a growing Student Education Loan fund now numbering eight present and former recipients of aid for obtaining post high-school training.

Of the total of eight Kings Mountain area students accorded "loans on face," two have already repaid their notes in full, and the club's committee on Student Education funds is in process of further applications for the coming school year.

In 1946, an individual Kiwanian personally made a \$500 loan to a student but made the note repayable to the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club. Other individuals joined in and the Kiwanis Club Student Education Fund was in operation. For several years it operated as merely another activity of the organization, without set policies, but several months ago a permanent committee was formed to handle the work in more consistent fashion. The committee numbers three permanent members, B. S. Neill, chairman, L. E. Abbott, and Charles A. Neisler, and three rotating ex-officio members, the club president, secretary, and treasurer. These three members, currently, are Dr. W. P. Gensberg, president, Harold Coggin, secretary, and John L. McGill, treasurer.

Current policy of the committee requires that the loans be limited to \$200 for any one year, and \$400 maximum. The notes bear interest at four percent per annum, and are payable one year after completion and/or termination of schooling. The loans have enabled the



TO MACEDONIA — Rev. T. A. Lineberger, of Durham, has accepted the pastorate of Macedonia Baptist church, filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Rev. Robert Herdin.

## Durham Pastor Accepts Call

Rev. T. A. Lineberger, of Durham, has accepted the pastorate of Macedonia Baptist church and will assume his duties July 11.

Rev. Mr. Lineberger comes to Kings Mountain from Parkview Baptist church, Durham. He has also served Sunset Forest Baptist church, Belmont.

He attended Gardner-Webb college and Wake Forest Seminary. Mr. and Mrs. Lineberger have three children. They expect to occupy the parsonage July 6.

## Mauney Presides At Convention

Dr. W. L. Mauney, Kings Mountain chiropractor and president of the North Carolina Chiropractic association, presided at the session of the association's 36th annual convention held at Washington Duke Hotel, Durham, Monday and Tuesday.

Dr. Mauney was accompanied by Mrs. Mauney. Highlights of the convention included talks by Dr. J. B. Rhine, of Duke University, on the subject of parapsychology, and by Dr. Charles Turchin of Washington, D. C., on the modern concept of foot balance.

Dr. M. B. Gaines of Hickory, and Dr. C. F. Holt of Asheville, conducted a symposium on current trends in chiropractic, and presented methods for North Carolina participation in this program.

**METER RECEIPTS**  
Parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday at noon totaled \$143.37, according to report of Grace Carpenter, of the city clerk's office.

## Most Retailers To Close Monday

Majority of the city's retail merchants will be closed Monday, July 5th, in delayed observance of the annual Independence Day holiday. They will be open for the full day on Wednesday, July 7, a policy departure following recent vote of members of the Merchants association.

Industry holidays which began Monday will end this weekend, while other industrial employees will get a holiday starting Monday. Park Yarns Mills ended operations Wednesday for a ten-day cessation.

Eight students to enroll at these schools: the University of North Carolina, Duke University, Lehigh University, and at a Charlotte business school.

The original loan and a loan to another student, now a school teacher, have been repaid in full.

At December 31, Treasurer McGill reported to the Kiwanis club student notes receivable at \$1,870, plus cash available of \$735.00. One loan has been made since that time, and one has been repaid in full. To date, the eight loans made have included six to white students and two to Negro students.

To obtain a loan from the Kiwanis club, a student must have demonstrated good work in high school, though it is not required that he be at the top of his class. The club suspends any further aid should a student fail to pass his college work. The committee requires periodic photographs of college grades on all the student loan fund group.

## Tax Pre-Payments Reach \$40,603.03

### One-Fourth Levy Paid; Discount Deadline Today

Kings Mountain citizens and business firms were rushing to pre-pay 1954 city tax bills this week, to beat the Thursday 5 p. m. deadline and to obtain the full two percent discount.

By noon Wednesday, Tax Supervisor Clarence Carpenter had written exactly 100 receipts for 1954 tax bills totaling \$40,603.03, and including checks from several of the city's largest taxpayers. The total represents about one-fourth the 1954 levy for both ad valorem and poll taxes, at \$166,404.

Included in Wednesday morning receipts was a check for \$12,661.60 from the city's No. 1 taxpayer, Burlington Mills Corporation. Burlington's undiscounted bill for 1954 was \$12,941.03.

Other firms among the city's top-five taxpayers and their gross 1954 tax bills are: Craftsman Yarns, Inc., \$7,507.51; Mauney Mills, Inc., \$5,780.54; Sadie Cotton Mills, \$4,810.07; and Bonnie Cotton Mills, \$4,209.97.

Mr. Carpenter further reported that payments on 1953 tax accounts had edged over the 90 percent mark, with \$114,251.03 received against the \$126,126.54 levy.

## Bethware Starts Classes July 22

Bethware school will resume July 22, with their regular summer split-school term, it was announced this week by J. H. Rudisill, principal.

Mr. Rudisill said the school will convene approximately two months and then will recess for cotton harvesting season.

The school will have 17 faculty members, a gain of one teacher over last year.

The faculty members and their assignments follow:  
Mrs. Hal Morris, Kings Mountain, first grade.  
Mrs. Kathryn Moss, Shelby, first grade.

Mrs. Harriett A. Carlson, Shelby, second grade.

Mrs. Hugh Ormand, Kings Mountain, second grade.

Mrs. Hal Dedmond, Shelby, third grade.

Mrs. Bryan Hord, Kings Mountain, fourth grade.

Mrs. Wray Greene, Shelby, fifth grade.

Mrs. Margaret Tiddy, Shelby, sixth grade.

Mrs. J. K. Willis, Kings Mountain, seventh grade.

Amos Best, Bessemer City, eighth grade.

Mrs. Mattie B. Lowery, Shelby, eighth grade.

Charles Jeff Wells, Kings Mountain, English, typing, and coach.

Miss Nancy McGinnis, Ellenboro, home economics and typing.

Myers Hambrick, Kings Mountain, agriculture.

Mrs. E. E. Hamrick, Shelby, social studies and science.

Mrs. W. R. Craig, Kings Mountain, English and French.

John Rudisill, Kings Mountain, math and principal.

Resignations were accepted from Mrs. Betty Gamble and Mrs. J. H. Lee, Jr., of Shelby.

## City Offering Free Spraying Service

The city is offering free insect spraying service beginning next Monday, E. C. Nicholson, superintendent of public works, announced Wednesday.

Mr. Nicholson said that, for the time being, the machine will be used only at night and by appointment. Plans are being formulated to spray outlying districts of the city at a later date.



WINNER — C. A. (Gus) Huffstetler won Saturday's runoff race for the Democratic nomination for Number 4 Township constable, defeating Ervin Ellison by 105 votes.

## Huffstetler Wins Constable Race

Number 4 Township Democrats went to the polls in surprising numbers on Saturday to give C. A. (Gus) Huffstetler the Democratic nomination for constable in a second primary over Ervin Ellison, who had trailed Huffstetler in the first primary. The total was 378 to 273, a margin of 105 votes.

At Waco, the challenger, Eugene Bridges, overtook the first race leader, J. Clyde Carpenter, for Number 5 Township constable, Bridges winning by 176 to 135.

These were Cleveland County's only second primary contests.

Mr. Huffstetler will probably take office as township constable, a position vacant since Paul Byers resigned several weeks ago, next Tuesday. The board of county commissioners has indicated it would appoint the nominee. The board meets in regular July session on July 6.

Voters surprised the veteran observers here by their interest in the constable's run-off, though the total of 651 was far short of the first primary voting.

Both candidates claimed two of the four boxes, however, the preponderance for Huffstetler in the West Kings Mountain precinct determined the outcome. In the West Kings Mountain precinct, Huffstetler led 184 to 91. He also captured the Grover box, while Ellison was squeezing a two-vote margin, 148-146, in East Kings Mountain, and also winning the Bethware precinct.

Gary Blanton had won his first heat in Class A, but had lost in the second heat, and Ed Barry was defeated in a first heat run-off with Butch Johnson, Shelby.

## T. M. Ellison Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Thomas M. Ellison, 88, who died at his home at 910 Church street Monday at 6:45 p. m. after a several months illness, were conducted from Grace Methodist church Wednesday at 4 p. m.

Rev. C. L. Grant, pastor of the church, and Rev. C. E. Oxford officiated, and interment was made in Mountain Rest cemetery. The body was in state at the church one-half hour prior to the rites.

A native of Polk County, Mr. Ellison was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ellison and was a member of Grace Methodist church. Twice married, his first wife, Mrs. Belle Lyles Ellison died in 1901, and Mrs. Mary Loyal Coyle Ellison, died in 1940.

Surviving are three sons, Ervin Ellison, T. J. Ellison, and Warren Ellison, all of Kings Mountain, and six daughters, Mrs. W. M. Yelton, Bolling Springs, Mrs. C. M. Ewing, Charlotte, Mrs. C. M. Leatherwood and Mrs. Johnny Lingerfelt, both of Sanford, Florida, and Mrs. J. W. Riddle and Mrs. C. O. White, both of Kings Mountain.

Also surviving are 54 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren. Serving as active pallbearers were Frank Green, Frank Roland, Emmett Ross, Ivey Roper, Luce Jenkins and R. S. Lynn.

## JAYCEES

Regular Jaycee meeting will be held Tuesday at 7 p. m. at Masonic Hall. President Wilson Griffin reminded citizens that names are still being taken for the birthday calendar.

## Funeral Rites Are Conducted For Miss Hicks

Funeral services for Miss Pearl Hicks, 68, were conducted last Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Boyce Memorial ARP church, with burial following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Miss Hicks succumbed at her home, 203 E. King street, early last Thursday morning, following a long illness.

Aggravate of Gaston county, daughter of the late Crawford and Martha Jane McGill Hicks, she had lived in Kings Mountain almost all her life. She was a well-known Kings Mountain saleslady, having retired in October 1933 after 30 years of service at Eagle Stores here.

She was an active member of Boyce Memorial ARP church and for many years taught in the children's department.

The final rites were conducted by Dr. W. L. Pressley, Boyce Memorial pastor, assisted by Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor of First Presbyterian church. The body lay in state at the church for an hour prior to the services.

Surviving are her sister, Mrs. C. W. Richardson, with whom she lived and a niece, Mrs. R. B. Keeter, of Grover.

Active pallbearers were George Morrow, John L. McGill, Franklin Ware, Paul Hamm, John Cheshire, and Menzell Philter.

## Hospital Visiting Hours Same Here

As of Wednesday, there had been no change in the visiting hour schedule at Kings Mountain hospital, Business Manager Grady Howard said, following announcement that Shelby hospital was relaxing visiting restrictions.

Mr. Howard said Kings Mountain hospital, a one-floor plant, has a greater congestion problem than the Shelby unit, and that, barring a change in plan by the board of hospital trustees, visiting hours at Kings Mountain hospital will continue to be: 10 to 11 a. m., 3 to 4 p. m. and 7 to 8 p. m.

## Lone Local Racer Left In Running

Ronald Ivey was the last remaining Kings Mountain contestant in the annual Soap Box Derby at Charlotte at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Charles Dixon telephoned the Herald from Charlotte.

In Class B competition, Ivey, sponsored by Alexander's Jewelry, had won his first heat in a run of 30.4 seconds, and was awaiting summons for his semi-finals run.

Gary Blanton had won his first heat in Class A, but had lost in the second heat, and Ed Barry was defeated in a first heat run-off with Butch Johnson, Shelby.

## DAR Calls Attention To Sunday's Independence Day Anniversary

By Mrs. T. M. Shuford  
The Colonel Frederick Hambricht chapter of the DAR seeks to encourage the patriotic observance of Independence Day on Sunday, July 4. The local chapter voted to undertake the project and a special committee worked out the details. A broadcast will be sponsored over Station WKMT on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and ministers of all city churches have been asked to offer special prayers for peace at their morning services. Merchants and individuals are requested to display the United States flag on this national holiday.

Sunday marks the 178th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. To most Americans, the Fourth of July has come to mean vacation time. They sometimes seem indifferent to its patriotic significance—the birthday of a free nation. The patriots of 1776 proclaimed this freedom, not an easy task. First came the desire for freedom—the will to be free. Then came ideas of what freedom is. To make these ideals understood, it was necessary to express them in words. The Declaration of Independence is the spirit of America made manifest—the spirit of freedom set to words. America's forefathers fought to defend and protect this freedom. It then became the duty of Americans to day to preserve this freedom.

The story of the Declaration reveals that the Second Continental Congress in session in Philadelphia first heard a resolution by

Richard Henry Lee "respecting independence." At the same time, a committee was appointed to draft a Declaration of Independence should the resolution pass. The five men chosen were John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, Roger Sherman, and Robert Livingston. Actually, it fell Jefferson's lot to phrase the important document. On July 2, 1776, Lee's resolution was passed unanimously. It then took three days of argument, discussion, and re-wording before the Declaration was accepted on July 4. The real celebration came on July 8 in the State House yard. "The big bell will ring at noon" was announced far and wide. And the Liberty Bell rang out its message: "Proclaim Liberty Throughout All the Land Unto All the Inhabitants Thereof." Then the Declaration was read by a Colonel Nixon to a cheering and happy throng. Thus ended the first Fourth of July.

John Adams wrote: "I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illumination from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward, forevermore."

On the first anniversary, a celebration was held in the streets of Philadelphia, and the American people first heard a resolution by

## Peddler Licenses Will Cost More



TO OAK GROVE — Rev. H. B. Alexander, pastor of Oak Grove Baptist church, Greenwood, S. C., has accepted the call of Oak Grove Baptist church to become its pastor. He will also serve Mull's Chapel Baptist church.

## Oak Grove Calls Rev. Alexander

Rev. H. B. Alexander, a native of Cleveland county, has accepted the pastorate of Oak Grove and Mull's Chapel Baptist churches.

Mr. Alexander will begin his duties September 1, preaching first and third Sunday mornings and second and fourth Sunday nights at Oak Grove church.

Rev. Mr. Alexander comes to the Kings Mountain church from Harris Baptist church, Greenwood, S. C., where he served 35 months. He attended Gardner-Webb college.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander have five children, three of whom are at home. They expect to move into the Mull's Chapel parsonage the first week of September.

## Former Resident Killed In Crash

Lt. (j. g.) J. H. Pressley, former resident of Kings Mountain, was killed in a plane crash near Pensacola, Fla., Tuesday.

An instructor, Lt. Pressley was in an SNJ Texan Trainer with a French cadet, who was also killed, when the plane spun out of control and crashed.

He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. (Buck) Pressley, Sr., former managers of Kings Mountain Country club, now of Clarksville, Tenn. His wife, Mrs. Margaret N. Pressley, lived in Pensacola.

## Museum Given Horn Used In Battle

A human horn, reportedly "carried by one of the Goforth boys and blown at the Battle of Kings Mountain," has been presented to the Kings Mountain National Military Park museum by Mrs. Laura Price Watterson, of Grover.

Ben F. Moomaw, Jr., park superintendent, made the announcement Sunday. He and George Mackenzie, park historian, have forwarded a letter of acknowledgement to National Park Service officials.

Mrs. Watterson, 87, is the daughter of the late Dr. Raynor Price of Grover. She reported the horn was purchased by her father from "Uncle Billie" Goforth for five dollars for use as a dinner horn on her father's farm, "Uncle Billie" had received the historical object from the owners after the battle, she said.

Dr. Price gave the horn to his son, Robert S. Price, who passed it on to his sister, Watterson. A scene of a horn, pictured by the late Grover, was painted by Mrs. Watterson's sister, Miss Elizabeth Price, she reported.

Mr. Moomaw said that battle records listed Preston Goforth on the American side and three brothers as participants on the British (Tory) side. All were reported slain in the battle, with Preston and William "Killing" each other, according to Lyman C. Draper, the late historian. "We are always interested in obtaining battle relics. While we may not be in a position to properly display every item, we can preserve them for future generations," Mr. Moomaw said.

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