

Miss Grace Neisler In National Skeet Shoot

Mr. C. E. Neisler, Jr., and Miss Grace Neisler spent last week end in Washington, D. C. Miss Neisler entered the North-South shoot of the National Capital Skeet Shooting Club near Bethesda, Md.

AN OUTSTANDING FACULTY

Have you heard about the important offices our teachers hold in the many different associations? Here are a few I've been able to "pick" from those modest teachers:

Mrs. Weir, our senior class sponsor, is a member of the State Advisory Board on text book revision. She helps decide when and why the text books are to be revised or changed completely.

Miss Virginia Parsons, our public school music director, is vice-president of the District Music Teachers Association, Vice president, mind you! Nice going, Miss Virginia!

Miss Adair, one of our grammar grade teachers, is secretary and treasurer of local N. C. E. A. That's not all; she is also chairman of the local Public Relations committee.

Our bandmaster, Mr. Hendricks, is a very important member of the State Band Association. We're very proud of the band he has produced with the aid of the boys and girls who have cooperated with him.

We are very proud of Mr. Barnes. Let me tell you of his many offices. First, he is chairman of the Boy Scouts of Kings Mountain. He is program chairman for Boy Scouts of Piedmont district (covers eleven counties.) Mr. Barnes is a member of the Executive Board for Western North Carolina activity association.

Yes, he was busy and do you know what he was doing? Some of you will be surprised, I was surprised and hurt to a certain extent. Mr. Barnes was delivering reports to those students who are failing. There was a large number of them and they came into the office in groups.

We also appreciate the work done in our school by the special teachers. EAST SCHOOL East school has just completed the most satisfactory year in her history. Though weather conditions during the winter were highly unfavorable, the attendance at East School was at all times excellent and the result is a high percentage of promotions from all grades.

Special attention has been given to training for Good Citizenship Clubs. Better Citizenship Clubs have been organized through the grades and have functioned remarkably well. The Glee Club has done good work and has added much to the pleasure of all by their participation in various programs.

MISS VIRGINIA DARE DREYER PASSES

Miss Virginia Dare Dreyer, age 29, only daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Dreyer, died Saturday May 23rd, at 9:05 o'clock after a critical illness of ten days. She had been in ill health for several years. Rev. J. H. Hendrick, pastor of First Presbyterian church, Gastonia, officiated. Deceased was the only daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Dreyer, and a niece of Mrs. Ruth Tompkins, two cousins, George C. Cooke and Hugh Tompkins, and grandmother, Mrs. P. E. McTheny, all of East Kings Mountain.

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THE COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT

(Margaret Plifer)

The Commercial Department of the Kings Mountain High School is one of the strongest departments of the school. In fact, our department is rated one of the best in North Carolina. At the present time, we have twenty school owned Underwood typewriters and special required typing tables. We have a splendid typing room with cloak-rooms and two large storage rooms.

The Kings Mountain Commercial Department was started in this school in 1926. Since that time, the department has seen a steady growth. The school had a collection of some eight or ten typewriter of at least three different makes, almost all of them having seen their best days. There were two long tables, but they looked like counters in a grocery store. As time went on, under the direction of the commercial teacher, Mrs. Lila Head, and the school officials the old typewriters were replaced by new ones of astan dard make.

The typing department has not only been of great value to the school, but it has been of inestimable value to the city of Kings Mountain. A large per cent of the office work of Kings Mountain has been done by persons who have finished the Commercial Course at our high school.

High School Closes A Successful Year

OUR SCHOOL BOARD

(George Plonk)

We, the members of Kings Mountain School, feel honored that we have such a distinguished group of men on the school board. We deeply appreciate their cooperation with the school. They are present at almost all of the various school activities. We especially appreciate the backing the members of this board gave us when we were working so hard for the three extra weeks of school.

Following is a list of the members of our school board with their terms of office: Dr. L. P. Baker, Chairman (1931-1937); Mr. J. L. Mauney (1933-1939); Mr. P. M. Neisler (1933-1939); Mr. A. H. Patterson (1935-1941); Mr. C. F. Thomason (1935-1941).

WELL KNOWN CITIZEN DIES IN GASTONIA

Mr. Boyce Wilson, age 54, who lived in Kings Mountain for some time during his early manhood, passed away at his home in Gastonia early Wednesday morning.

Death came suddenly but Mr. Wilson had been confined to his home for the past eight months and for sometime his condition has been considered critical.

Funeral services were held this morning at the First Associate Reformed Presbyterian church and interment made in Hollywood cemetery.

ICE CREAM SUPPER

There will be an ice cream supper at Oak Grove school house, May 30th, sponsored by the B. Y. P. U. String music will be furnished by Oak Grove Acorns. Everyone has a cordia, invitation.

Commencement Exercises Sunday And Monday

MEET CLUB MEETS TONIGHT

The regular second monthly meeting of the Men's Club will be held this evening at 7 o'clock at the Woman's club building. Rev. W. M. Boyce and Mr. George Lattimore will have charge of the program.



F. M. BIGGERSTAFF Principal Central School



B. N. BARNES Supt. Kings Mountain City Schools

The commencement program for the High School will begin Sunday evening, May 31. Mr. Hoyt Blackwell, director of the enlargement and endowment program of Mars Hill College will preach the baccalaureate sermon on that evening. The girl's glee club under the direction of Miss Emma Rice will furnish the music for the program.

On Monday night, June 1, the graduating exercises will be given in the high school auditorium. Mr. Frank Orr of Charlotte, who was a former superintendent of the Kings Mountain public schools, will make the literary address. Mr. Orr left Kings Mountain to enter the war. Instead of resuming his previous position in the schools, he went to Charlotte where he is now an attorney-at-law. The glee club will again furnish the music. There are thirty nine candidates for graduation, and we hope none will be disappointed.

Minor parts of the program for the two evenings have not been definitely arranged, but we are looking forward to a very interesting and inspirational program for each night.

THE GLEE CLUB

(Dorothy Plonk)

An organization of our school which deserves a great deal of credit for its persistent practice and its audible accomplishments is our Glee Club.

On April 3rd in the District Music contest at Lincolnton, it was adjudged the best in the district. Later, in the State contest Greensboro, it was rated as one of the best.

The Glee Club has made, and is preparing to make in the near future, several local appearances.

Miss Emma Rice is to be congratulated for her capable management and direction of this group of twenty two girls. The Glee Club and others of her music pupils have been a great help in our school programs this year.

NO EVENING SERVICE AT METHODIST

There will not be any evening services at the Central Methodist Church Sunday on account of the graduating exercises at the High School.

Rating. The high school this year, in spite of limited funds, has been able to maintain its accredited rating with the state department, and is still a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

Faculty. Supt. B. N. Barnes and Principal F. M. Biggerstaff in cooperation with the school board, were able to secure for our high school a most efficient group of teachers for the year. Several of these teachers have done outstanding work in their respective fields.

Enrollment. The high school department enrolled 319 students this year, easily making the average of attendance required for the teaching force they have. The percent of attendance for the year was 95.4, a most commendable figure considering the unusually severe winter, accompanied by considerable sickness.

Scholarship. An unusually large number of high school pupils have made the honor roll each month, the senior class taking the lead in this respect. Competition was kept throughout the year in the contest over the William Plonk scholarship medal given annually, and the history medal given by the local chapter of D. A. R.

Citizenship. Many opportunities were afforded the high school pupils for training in character and citizenship through the program of classroom assignments, athletics, and numerous extra school activities. A system of monitorial supervision was inaugurated and well carried out.

Library. Mrs. W. T. Weir Librarian, reports that 57 new books were added to the high school library, including a set of the Americana encyclopedia. The total circulation of books during the year was 3,401.

Band. A remarkable record for first year band was set up by Mr. Paul E. Hendricks, director. Some 35 pupils are now playing in the band, and many more have enrolled for summer instruction. The band furnished music for many gatherings, gave a splendid concert, and has made several trips away from home during the year.

Orchestra. Miss Virginia Parsons, public school music teacher, has been an able assistant to Mr. Hendrix in training the school Orchestra. Miss Parsons has also led the assembly singing and helped in many school programs.

Glee Club. Under the direction of Miss Emma Rice, assisted by Miss Mary Mitchell, the girls' glee club has had a splendid year. The girls won out in the district music contest, and later represented our school in the state contest at Greensboro.

Debating. Kings Mountain again entered the annual contest conducted by the N. C. High School Debating Union. Much interest was shown in these events. The local participants both won and lost in their tri-angles.

Dramatics. The pupils of Miss Sarah Hambricht, expression teacher, have done excellent work this year, participating in many interesting contests and entertainments locally. In addition, her pupils went out in the county reading and declamation contests (all county honors given in her department), and two of them won first places in the district forensic contests of the Western N. C. Activity Association (half of all the honors given in the entire group of schools).

Essays. The high school pupils have had many opportunities to display their abilities in composition and journalism. The local chapter of D. A. R. helped to stimulate interest in essay writing by offering a medal for best essay on a formal subject. Many students submitted essays, a senior girl won the medal for best informal essay in the county contest.

Athletics. Though losing slightly more games than winning during the season in the three major sports the teams made a good showing, and will be in fine shape for another year. Mr. Paul E. Moss, athletic director, and Miss Bertie Pasour, girls' basketball coach deserve much commendation for the excellent way in which they have handled these sports. Interest is now rapidly growing in tennis.

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LEGION BASEBALL STARTED

Legion Baseball got underway here last week with Rev. W. M. Boyce taking charge of the boys until the first of next week when P. E. Moss, High School coach takes control. About 25 boys have reported and have been working out daily.