

Local News Bulletins

VETS HERE TUESDAY

The Vets play Stanley here Tuesday making up for a game that was rained out last Friday. Stanley is in the Gaston textile league, a sister league to the Tri-County league.

VETS HERE WEDNESDAY

The Vets play Cramerton here Wednesday, July 3, at city stadium, in a baseball game that brings the two teams together for the first time this year.

LEAVE FOR OKLAHOMA

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cecil Crook left Wednesday for Tulsa, Okla., where Mr. Crook will enroll in the Spartan School of Aeronautics.

BETHLEHEM CONTRIBUTION

Bethlehem Baptist church contributed \$11.67 to the emergency food fund, according to an announcement this week by W. L. Plonk. The contribution was received after the announcement of contributions made by Chairman Plonk last week.

LAUGHTER IS NOTARY

William F. Laughter, secretary of the Kings Mountain Merchants association, has been commissioned a notary public by Secretary of State Thad Eure, it was announced this week. Mr. Laughter reminded Merchants association members that free notary service is one of the services of the association and he invites the members to take advantage of the service.

LIONS DIRECTORS

Officers and directors of the Kings Mountain Lions club will meet at the home of President Don Blanton Friday night at 8 o'clock, it was announced this week. All members are being urged to attend, as considerable organizational work is on the agenda.

FISH SUPPER

The Men's Class of Grace Methodist church is sponsoring a fish supper at the Phenix recreation grounds Saturday afternoon from 5 o'clock to 7:30. Proceeds from the supper go to the Grace church furnace fund.

VFW FISH SUPPER

Johnny W. Blackwell Post No. 2268, VFW will sponsor a fish supper on Saturday, July 13. The supper will be a stag affair. Price will be \$1.00 and place is to be announced later.

WEBB TO SPEAK

Federal Judge E. Y. Webb, of Shelby, will address members of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club at the regular meeting of the organization to be held Thursday night at the Woman's club at 8:30.

LEGION TO MEET

A call meeting of Otis D. Green, Post 155, American Legion will be held at the city court room Friday, June 28, at 7:30 p. m. Officers for the coming year will be installed at this meeting and a full attendance is urged. There will not be a meeting on the 2nd of July because of the holidays to be observed the Fourth.

JUNIORS RAINED OUT

The Legion Juniors game with Forest City here Wednesday was rained out, the two games scheduled to play three times and all three being rained out. A double header will be played in Forest City Saturday, one at 3 p. m. and the other at 8 p. m.

Special Service Set At Patterson Grove

The Patterson Grove Baptist church, near Kings Mountain, will observe special services on Sunday, June 30. The church will combine three services in one, namely: Homecoming, Memorial, and a service for the returned Veterans. The Pastor Rev. W. A. Roberts, will be in charge of the service, and special speakers will be Rev. Philip Elliott of Gardner-Webb college, and Rev. W. B. Battle of Shelby. Special music will be rendered in the afternoon. Services will begin at 10:30 a. m.

Opinion Sampling Indicates Opposition To Bond Issues

In a minor-proportion Gallup-type poll conducted by the Herald this week, majority of 25 business men interviewed indicated they vote against the proposals to issue \$200,000 in bonds for public improvements in the special election set for July 27. Of the 25, only four indicated they were unqualifiedly in favor of voting the bonds, while some of the others were completely in the "anti" column and others said they supported the bond vote with reservations.

Reason for opposing the bond issue varied considerably, including criticism of previous street construction, opposition to the present city administration, need for property revaluation, the high tax rate at present. On the other hand, majority of those interviewed admitted need for the outlined improvements in municipal facilities. The issues include: \$40,000 for the purpose of extending the water works system, including the installation of additional water mains; \$75,000 for the purpose of extending the sanitary sewer system, including the reconstruction and enlargement of a septic tank and the installation of additional sewer lines; \$45,000 for the purpose of constructing or reconstructing the surface of streets, including the contemporaneous construction or reconstruction of sidewalks, curbs, gutters or drains, and including grading, at least one-fourth of the cost of which improvements, exclusive of the cost of paving at street intersections, is to be specially assessed; and \$40,000 for the purpose of improving land owned by the city for recreation and athletic purposes, including the erection and equipment of a stadium thereon.

Voting on the bond issues will be against the books of a new registration. A person who registers and fails to vote will automatically vote against the proposals. Comment of those favoring the issuance of the bonds was that the need for improvements greatly outweighed all arguments against a favorable vote.

Most comment centered around street construction bonds, with majority favoring construction of permanent streets, rather than simple surface-treatment.

Sample comments of the "against" group follow: One citizen remarked on the street bonds, "Street improvements are O. K. is a good contractor, one who knows how to put a street down, gets the job, but if the improvements are to be like the two demonstrations in the last eight years I wouldn't give you a nickel a yard for it."

Others were of more the same opinion on the street subject stating that the poor grade of construction used on some streets has cost three times as much as good initial construction would have cost.

Another remark was: "It's apparent to me that the council wants the issues defeated by the way they drafted them—I'd like to see them make further commitments as to how they're going to spend the money."

"I'm for waiting until we get a new council before I vote for anything involving the spending of more money," another remarked.

Another stated, "I'm for the improvements but only after revaluation of property is made so that the burden may be shared equally."

Irvin Allen, who does not live in the city, wants to include Cleveland county in the revaluation business, stating "the average citizen in Cleveland county pay 40 percent more taxes than he should—we need a re-valuation of property in the county."

Father Of Webb Claimed By Death

Funeral services for Albert Shipp Webb, 73, father of R. H. Webb of Kings Mountain, were held Friday morning at Central Methodist church in Concord, with interment following in Oakwood cemetery there. Mr. Webb, for 33 years superintendent of Concord city school until retired at his own request, died Thursday morning at 11 o'clock following an illness of four months. At the time of his retirement in 1943, Mr. Webb was made superintendent emeritus, and a Concord primary school was recently named for him.

The Charlotte Observer, in an editorial tribute, called Mr. Webb "one of the finest and ablest school superintendents in the South."

Registration Books Open For Bond Election

Registration books for the forthcoming special bond election have been open since last Saturday but officials could not be contacted to learn the number of early registrants.

Citizens may register anytime between the opening date and July 13, excepted for holidays. Registrars will be at the polling places on each Saturday during the period.

Registrars for each ward are as follows: Ward 1, C. L. Black; Ward 2, Mrs. C. F. Thomason; Ward 3, Boyd Futner; Ward 4, Miss Gwendolyn Hufstetter; and Ward 5, I. Ben Goforth.

Whirlwind Leads Storm

Kings Mountain, usually free from violent storms and other hurricane-type weather changes, was in the path of a whirlwind Wednesday afternoon which did considerable damage.

Sam R. Suher, working at the cemetery when the storm blew up, saw the whirlwind approach from the South along the York road. It picked up several pieces of roofing off Powell's Gin, and carried it a long through the air, then added a pile of papers to its collection and continued along its way. The roofing was dropped on Ridge street in front of the home of Boyce Gaulf and was well-twisted.

A number of trees well-twisted lay on the ground in various yards, and several power interruptions were reported. The heavy rain and hail storm followed in the wake of the whirlwind.

Docket Heavy In Recorders Court

Henry Martin was committed to jail for ninety days for failure to pay \$25 and the costs of court on a charge of being drunk and disorderly in action taken at city recorder's court held at City Hall here Monday.

Martin did not go to jail however, paying the fine for the offense the next day after being sentenced.

In one of the relatively few juvenile cases to come up here in the last three months, the case of Oakley Schenk, jr., held on a charge of driving without a driver's license, was transferred to the Juvenile court in Shelby.

Florence Wade was charged with carrying a concealed weapon and with violation of the prohibition law, but the case was transferred to the county recorder's court by request of B. T. Falls, Jr., attorney for the defense.

Three men — Alex McDaniel, James Mason, and Andrew Lee Mize — were found guilty of speeding and each was given sixty days, suspended on payment of \$10 and costs. Troy S. Hanna was given sixty (Cont'd on page four)

Joyce Installs Lions Officers For 1946-47

Officers and directors of the Kings Mountain Lions club for 1946-47 were installed by Dr. W. M. Boyce, of Charlotte, in a special program at the Woman's club Tuesday night.

In his address prior to the installation, Dr. Boyce, a member of the Charlotte Lions club, and a former Kings Mountain pastor, listed the qualities of leadership necessary for a successful club year and described them as four "s's."

He said a leader must be able to smile, to sweat, be sincere, and be submissive. He said that without all four, full leadership would be lacking.

He brought forcefully a reiteration of the club's code of ethics and urged both officers and members to follow this code completely.

Officers installed are: Don Blanton, president; Otto Williams, J. W. Milam and W. B. Logan, vice presidents; Martin Harmon, secretary; Hubert Davidson, treasurer; George Mauney, tail-twister; Bill Osborne, assistant tail-twister; H. C. Wilson, Lion tamer; Carl Mauney, J. W. Gamble and Otis Falls, one-year directors; and Charlie Blalock, John Caveny and Charles Thomason, two-year directors. Holland Dixon, outgoing president, will serve as ex officio member of the board.

In special awards made at the meeting, armed service buttons were presented club members who were in the club prior to the war and are now returned. Receiving the buttons from Retiring Secretary J. G. Darracott were Karl Sawyer, Otto Williams, Fred Wright, Jr., W. J. Fulker, son, J. W. Milam, W. B. Thomson, Hubert Aderholt, Martin Harmon, W. B. Logan, Robert Miller, Howard Jackson, and T. M. Shuford.

Audience Chairman George Mauney presented 10 percent attendance pins to 65 of the 85 club members.

Guest at the meeting was Guy Bagwell, of Charlotte, former Lions district governor.

Clem Sisk Rites In Greensboro

Final rites for Clem L. Sisk, 57, brother of Frank Sisk of Kings Mountain, will be held Thursday afternoon at Hanes Funeral Home in Greensboro, with interment to take place in Greensboro cemetery.

Mr. Sisk died in a Fayetteville hospital early Wednesday following an illness of several months.

Prominent in the textile business, he was formerly superintendent of Stafford Loom company, of Greensboro.

Surviving are his wife and a son, Howard Sisk, both of Greensboro, two other brothers, E. C. and F. W. Sisk, both of Bessemer City, a sister, Mrs. G. M. Sanders, Spartanburg, S. C., and his mother, Mrs. J. W. Sisk, Bessemer City.

JAYCEES INDUCT SEVEN

Kings Mountain's Junior Chamber of Commerce held its monthly dinner meeting at the Woman's club last Friday night. Seven new members were inducted. They are: Ned McGill, Bill Page, Menzel Phifer, Bill and Harvey Laughter, J. C. Bridges, and Earl (Dickie) Tate.

July 4th Means Vacation Of Week For Many Citizens

Truck Wreck Destroys Meat; Shortage Worse

A truck, containing a load of ham scheduled for delivery at several stores here and in Shelby, was destroyed by fire about 7 o'clock Tuesday morning on the Gastonia highway near Black's place.

The truck, property of the Hormel Meat Packing Company overturned down an embankment when a tire blew out. The gas tank exploded during the wreck, the blaze consuming both the ham and the truck.

The driver, whose name could not be learned today, was uninjured.

Hotel To Be Sold At Auction Friday

The Mountain View Hotel will go on the block tomorrow, June 28, and interest in the auction is running high.

P. D. Herndon, Kings Mountain real estate agent, announced two weeks ago that he would sell the property at auction, with the stipulation that the building be removed by January 1, 1947, or earlier.

The property will be divided into nine lots, four facing Railroad avenue and five facing West Mountain

The latest dope on the date the Mountain View Hotel was built shapes up to be around 1876-77 according to information received from several sources.

Calvin Plonk brought in a 1939 edition of the HERALD that states the present building started as two stores.

Mrs. W. A. Eidenhour confirmed Mr. Plonk's information and added that the two stores were built in 1875. She also says that the hotel was completed, using the stores as the front, within the next year or so, making the date in 1876 or 1877.

street, and the lots will be sold exclusive of the building and its fixtures.

The "four lots on Railroad avenue will be 25 feet by 100 feet, with the five lots on Mountain street to be 20 feet by 100 feet. A 10-foot alley will be provided for between the Mountain street and Railroad avenue lots.

The Mountain street lots are now unimproved.

Mr. Herndon said the building would be torn away and its fixtures and lumber sold after the sale of the lots.

He said he had recently purchased the property from David L. Saunders, who bought the hotel from W. K. Mauney and Arnold Kiser in January 1945 for an announced price of \$17,000.

It will be the second time the hotel property has been sold at auction. Penny Brother's auctioneer's knocking down the property to Mr. Mauney and Mr. Kiser for \$13,820 in August, 1936.

For thirty-six years prior to that time, the Misses Norris operated the hotel and became widely known throughout this area.

Competition Will Be Keen In Jaycee Parade Of Pulchritude; Orchestra Booked For Dance

Interest — and competition — in the approaching contest to determine "Miss Kings Mountain for 1946" increased considerably this week, as Bill Davis, entries' chairman, reported a total of 15 Kings Mountain beauties now officially entered in the Junior Chamber of Commerce beauty pageant to be held on July 18. It was also announced by E. W. Neal, that the Teen-Town Cats, Gastonia dance orchestra, would play for the Beauty Ball to be held in conjunction with the pageant.

Recent additions to the growing entry list — which already assures a difficult job for the judges are: Miss Jeanne Griffin, sponsored by Plonk Brothers and Co.; Miss Ann Ruth Hawkins, sponsored by Kings Mountain Cotton Oil company; Miss Jacqueline Falls, sponsored by Thomas Builders' Supply; Miss Betty Hayes, sponsored by Crawford's Market; Miss Christine Gallant, sponsored by Margrace Mill; Miss Dorothy Costner, sponsored by Blalock's Grocery; Miss Stella McQuire, sponsored by Woodward and Son Men's Shop; Miss Carolyn Eaves, sponsored by Herald Publishing House; Miss Dorothy Smith, sponsored by Kings Mountain Drug Store; and Miss Boots Walker, sponsored by D. D. Green Post 155, A. M. E. Church.

Entries announced last week were Misses Avis Warlick, Mary Ann Crouse, Peggy Smith and Margaret Cashion.

Winner of the contest will receive an all-expense paid week's trip for herself and chaperone to the beach and will represent the city in the North Carolina finals at Wilson early in August. "Miss North Carolina" will compete in the national finals at Atlantic City, N. J., for the title of "Miss America of 1946," plus a \$5,000 scholarship to the school of her choice.

Mr. Davis said that all girls interested in taking part in the contest, test rules require that contestants be at least 18 years of age and no more than 28 years of age on September 2, 1946. In addition, the contest is not open to any girl who is married, or has ever been married.

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The Beauty Pageant steering committee, headed by Frank Cranford, was to meet Wednesday night to further plans for the event.

Kings Mountain readied itself this week for celebration of its first penitentiary July 4th holiday in recent years, with majority of Kings Mountain textile employees looking forward to a week's vacation.

Neisler Mills, Inc., Mauney Mills, Inc., Bonnie Mills company, Mauney Hosiery Company, Cora plant of Textiles, Inc., Sadie Cotton Mills, Kings Mountain Manufacturing company, and Park Yarn Mills will suspend operations all week.

Both plants of Phenix Mills, Inc., will operate full schedules, due to the fact that change of ownership of Phenix No. 1 takes place on July 1, according to a statement by Earl A. Hamrick.

Velma-Craft will also operate, but Superintendent Vernon Crosby said the employees are receiving vacations—half during the current week, and more next week.

Betty Yarn Mill will operate through July 3, but will be closed the remainder of the week.

Members of the Kings Mountain Merchants association will observe the July 4th holiday as usual, and will also be closed according to present policy on Wednesday afternoon, which allows a longer-than-usual holiday for sales personnel.

The postoffice and other federal agencies will be closed, and readers of the Herald who receive their papers by rural or city carrier will not receive them until Friday morning.

Meantime, merchants are anticipating a rush for rather scarce summer beach wear and other holiday needs.

Many Kings Mountain citizens are planning trips to the beach or to the mountains, while others will be content to remain at home for a week of rest.

Choir To Sing "The Holy City"

The Senior Choir of Central Methodist church will present "The Holy City," a sacred cantata by Alfred R. Gaul Sunday evening at 8 o'clock for the union worship service.

"The Holy City" was composed for the Birmingham Musical Festival in 1882. The treatment of the subject of the cantata is almost entirely reflective. The first part of the cantata was suggested by the passages of scriptures "Here we have no continuing city," and "Thy Kingdom Come" and sets forth the desire for a higher life as expressed in the words, "My soul is a thirst for God."

The second part is based on the words "I saw a new heaven and a new earth" realizing the desire of the soul and the promises of the everlasting Kingdom of God.

The choir is under the direction of Mrs. Aubrey Mauney, organist and director. The members of the choir are as follows: Mrs. Troy Carpenter, Finnis Fulton, Mrs. Charles Williams, Mary E. Goforth, Margaret Williams, Nancy Suher, Faye Moss, Jean Davis, Carolyn Prince, Mrs. Y. F. Thronburg, Mrs. M. H. Biser, B. S. Peeler, Jr., James Thronburg, Hal Olive, Jack Prince, Ben Goforth and Otto Hehn, Mrs. E. A. Shenk will be at the piano. The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

Funeral Conducted For Mrs. Sara Tignor

Funeral services for Mrs. Sara E. Tignor, 58, who died at her home here early Monday morning, were held Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home of her son, Pat Tignor, with interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

The rites were conducted by Rev. Paul Allred, pastor of First Wesleyan Methodist church.

Mrs. Tignor had been in ill health for the past several years.

Surviving are seven sons and one daughter. They are J. Pat, Eugene, Audley, Everett and Denver Tignor, all of Kings Mountain, W. E. Tignor, of Elliott, Md., and Grady Tignor, of Sykesville, Md., and Mrs. T. P. Anderson, Rockwood, Tenn.

Also surviving is a brother and 23 grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Jonas Wright, Horace Wright, Dewey Kattbom, Ed Riley, Arthur Goffman, and Charles Frank Stone.