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Local News Bulletins

JENKINS DISCHARGED
Kenneth E. Jenkins, son of J. T. Jenkins, of Kings Mountain was discharged from the Navy on July 30, according to information received from the Charleston Naval Separation Center. He held a Store Keeper 3-C rating and entered the Navy May 1, 1945.

LIBRARIAN RETURNS
Mrs. Charles Campbell, regular librarian at Kings Mountain Public Library will return to her job today, replacing Mrs. Nell Biser who has been filling her vacancy during her long vacation in Florida.

CEMETERY CLEANING
Announcement has been made that all interested parties are requested to be at El Bethel cemetery early Saturday morning, August 3rd, to help in slinging weeds and cleaning up generally.

VFW AUXILIARY
The Auxiliary to the Johnnie William Blackwell, Post 2268, VFW, will meet Monday night, August 5, at 8 p. m. in the public library reading room, in the basement of city hall. Mrs. E. B. Olive president, announced today. Mrs. Olive stated that anyone joining at this meeting will be a charter member as the charter is still open. Any person eligible to join is requested to be at the meeting.

JAYCEE MEETING
Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular monthly business meeting Friday night at 7:30 at city hall. A full attendance is urged. President "Snooks" McDaniel as a new Vice-President will be elected to fill E. W. Neal's unexpired term.

KIWANIS MEETING
D. Z. Newton, prominent Shelby attorney, will address members of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club at their regular meeting at the Woman's Club Thursday night at 7 o'clock. Mr. Newton is a former member of the state senate and a past president of the Shelby Kiwanis club.

Hard-Earned Chicken Dinner Enjoyed By All

In a situation that has all the earmarks of chicken in the rough, Mrs. Claud Hambricht was the victim of a friendly visitor who gave her a bad scare last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Hambricht and a party of friends had planned a picnic supper to be held at Lake Montonia and she went to her husband's ice plant to get the chicken she had stored there. On arrival at the plant she asked iceman John Setzer to get her chicken and she waited in the car. While John was gone the friendly visitor, we might call him the "stewed pooster" for fun, came along and sat down in the car with her. Of course, Mrs. Hambricht was scared stiff, but when the visitor wanted to know why she was trying to steal his chicken, she almost laughed. Along about this time, close to 5 o'clock, two city policemen, G. L. Curry and J. Z. Petty, came along in answer to a call by citizens living near the plant, in regards to a drunken man getting into their hair. The cops spied the couple and, not knowing Mrs. Hambricht, took both of them to the police station for questioning. There Mrs. Hambricht was identified and allowed to proceed with her mission with due apologies from the officers. The "stewed pooster" was lodged behind the bars and Monday was tried in Recorder's court for public drunkenness and sentenced to thirty days suspended on payment of costs. He had a good record. Mrs. Hambricht arrived at the plant with the chicken, and though she was rather late, the party en-

Majority Vote In To Decide Bond Election

A special registration for the \$1,850,000 Cleveland County special bond election September 14 will not be necessary and the election itself will be under the jurisdiction of the regular county Board of Elections with registration books opening for the first time on August 17, it was learned this week from County Attorney Henry B. Edwards. All four measures at stake in the forthcoming election are considered as "necessary governmental expenditures" and therefore will not necessitate a special registration as has been generally believed, it was pointed out. The election itself is required due to the fact that the proposed total bond issue exceeds two-thirds of the amount paid by the county on its bonded indebtedness during the last fiscal year.

Virgil Weathers, chairman of the Elections Board, is expected to call in the same registrars and judges named to serve during the Democratic Primary last spring and to carry out the balloting in the manner of a regular election.

Books will be open for three consecutive Saturdays prior to the election in order to allow new persons, persons who have moved, and persons not registered, to get on the books.

The schedule:
August 17—Books open.
August 24—2nd Saturday.
August 31—3rd Saturday.
September 7—Challenge Day.
September 14—Balloting.

Outcome of the election is to be determined by the majority of the total votes cast. At that time the entire county will vote upon the issuance of bonds for four projects:

1. \$350,000 for improving the county courthouse.
2. \$335,000 for improving the Shelby school system.
3. \$185,000 for improving the Kings Mountain school system.
4. \$1,000,000 for improving the county school system.

Settlemyre Completes Gardner Portrait

J. L. Settlemyre, well-known Kings Mountain artist, has recently completed a portrait of the late James Webb (Decker) Gardner, son of Under Secretary of the Treasury O. Max Gardner and Mrs. Gardner. Mr. Settlemyre painted the portrait from a photograph. He has recently opened a studio in the Professional Building here.

Jaycees To Resume Collection Of Waste Paper On Wednesday

Members of the Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce will resume their regular collections of waste paper next Wednesday, Aug. 7 with all persons being urged to cooperate to make the collection the biggest yet handled.

No collections was made in July, due to the press of the Jaycee-sponsored beauty contest.

The collections are being resumed, it was announced, due to the great need for waste paper, which is reprocessed and used in the manufacture of new types of paper stock.

Paper suppliers report little improvement in the paper situation generally, with many kinds still unavailable. Though there are many contributing causes to this situation, including strikes in Canada, labor shortages, and the principal reason is increased demand for paper products.

"We are looking forward to a record collection next Wednesday," Hoyle (Snooks) McDaniel, president of the organization said yesterday, "particularly since no collection was made in July."

Mr. McDaniel said he hoped for complete cooperation from the citizens of the city, who, as in the past, will share 50-50 in receipts from the pickups.

The pickups will get underway at 7 p. m. and all citizens are requested to place their paper on their porches or on the sidewalks in front of their homes. Business houses should stack waste paper at the rear of their as-



RECREATION COMMISSION SWIMMING PARTY AT LAKE MONTONIA. — Pictured above is a large group of swimmers enjoying a swim party sponsored by the Recreation Commission of Kings Mountain as a part of its summer program. Through the cooperation of Lake Montonia Club, swimming is free, with only a ten-cent transportation charge. Two life guards are on duty and the swimmers use the "Buddie" system as an extra precaution. Transportation leaves Central school every Monday and Wednesday morning at 9:20 and returns at 11:45.

Board Rules Bond Election Failed; Stadium Issue Given Most Support

Quarters Needed For Teachers

With opening of city schools only about a month away, B. N. Barnes, superintendent, reported yesterday the shortage of accommodations is not only hampering the employment of new teachers but is also causing resignations of veteran teachers here. In making the statement, Mr. Barnes asked that citizens with accommodations give thought to the possibility of keeping teachers and contact him immediately.

"At the present time accommodations are needed for 10 to 12 teachers," Mr. Barnes said, "and we have already lost several excellent prospects due to this situation."

"Many applicants are asking that school boards guarantee them a good place to stay, and, so far, that is an impossibility here. On the other hand one can hardly blame the applicants. "The situation is very serious, and unless it is remedied soon, it is easily possible that school will open in September with a much abbreviated teaching staff."

Kiser Named County Agent

Ray R. Kiser, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Kiser, route 3, Kings Mountain has been named assistant county farm agent for Mecklenburg county. Mr. Kiser, a veteran of World War II who saw long service in the Pacific theatre, succeeds Jarvis A. Warren in the assistant agent's post. Graduating from N. C. State college in 1943, Kiser went directly into the army from which he recently was discharged. He was highly recommended for the Mecklenburg post, having achieved an outstanding record in school and while in service. He will begin his work with the Mecklenburg county farm agent's department the last two weeks in August in order to familiarize himself with his duties before succeeding to the assistant agent's job Sept. 1.

Lions Members Hear District Governor

Lions throughout North Carolina aided some 3,900 of the state's 10,000 blind. Dave Mauney, of Cherryville, Lions district governor, told members of the local club at the regular meeting at the high school cafeteria last Thursday night. Mr. Mauney said that efforts of Lions in the State had put many blind persons in gainful employment and described activities of the organization in this direction. He said that there are now a total of 148 clubs in the state with 7,500 members. The district governor also reported on the national convention held recently at Philadelphia, Pa. New members welcomed into the club by Past President Holland Dixon were R. G. Lindsay, Grady Howard and Carl Mayes. The club will meet at Bethany ARP church on August 8 and will be the guests of citizens of the Bethany community on August 23, the latter meeting a joint session with the Kiwanis club.

Unpaid City Taxes To Be Advertised

Advertising of unpaid 1945 city taxes will begin next week, it was announced yesterday by Karl Sawyer, city tax collector. He urged all citizens who have not yet paid their taxes to attend to this matter at once, in order to avoid embarrassment and needless added expense.

Do You Have Waste Paper? Call 371

Citizens who will have waste paper available for the forthcoming collection by the Junior Chamber of Commerce on next Wednesday August 7 should call Bill Davis, at Saunders and Davis, telephone 371.

Miss Clara Plonk To Read Sunday

Miss Clara Plonk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Plonk, and a student at Plonk School of Creative Arts in Asheville, will be presented in recital at the school in Asheville Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

Miss Plonk will read a novel in three acts.

Hostesses will be Miss Laura Plonk, director, and Miss Lillian Plonk, assistant director, of the school, Mrs. C. S. Plonk and Mrs. Jay Patterson, of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Carysle Isley, of Burlington, and Mrs. J. C. Plonk, of Hickory. A large number of Kings Mountain people are expected to attend the

State Beauty Contest Near

Miss Avis Maie Warlick, accompanied by her sister, left Monday morning for Carolina Beach for a week's vacation prior to going to Wilson on Friday for the North Carolina beauty contest where she will represent Kings Mountain. Miss Warlick will compete against 25 other local contest winners in this event. The winner at Wilson will be declared Miss North Carolina of 1946 and will compete at Atlantic City, N. J. in September for the title "Miss America", plus valuable scholarship awards.

Epidemic Of Fires Hit Margrace Mill

Two fires at the Margrace plant of Neishers, Incorporated, last week caused considerable damage to yarn supplies but only slight damage to machinery. The first fire occurred on Friday night about 8 p. m. in the quilting department over the warping room and it was estimated that several thousand dollars worth of damage was caused, mostly by water. The yarn supply in the quilting room and the wards in the room below being badly damaged. Cause of this fire was still unknown yesterday but was believed to have started in a switch box. Monday's fire started in a drying machine in the finishing plant at about 4:30 a. m. and about a thousand pounds of yarn was damaged with little damage to the machines. Paul Mauney, official of the Margrace plant, stated yesterday that the damage caused by the fires was not expected to affect operations appreciably.

NEAL IN NEW BERR

E. W. Neal, well-known Kings Mountain man, left last week for New Bern, where he will serve as state driver's license examiner in that territory. Since returning from overseas service several months ago, Mr. Neal had been employed by the

UNION SERVICE

Union services will be held Sunday in the St. Matthews Lutheran church at 8 p. m. with the ABE supply pastor, W. W. Boyce, conducting the service.