

Local News Bulletins

AT RALEIGH SESSION
P. D. Herndon was among the 300-odd members of the North Carolina Wildlife Federation who attended the Tuesday hearing on the bill before the General Assembly to divorce the division of game and inland fisheries from the Department of Conservation and Development. Mr. Herndon expressed optimism that the federation bill would be acted on favorably, in spite of opposition from some members.

LIONS MEETING
Rev. W. L. Fressly, ARP pastor, will address members of the Kings Mountain Lions club at their regular meeting Thursday night at 7 o'clock. Members are being reminded that the meeting will be held at Central Methodist church, rather than at the high school cafeteria. Also to be arranged at the meeting are final plans for the Farmer's Night Banquet, scheduled for February 27.

BOYS FAIRVIEW GRILL
Fred (Slim) Wray announced this week purchase of Fairview Grill from John George (The Greek) Demetriades. Mr. Wray said he purchased the business on Saturday and immediately took over its operation. He was formerly at Mountain Grill.

KIWANIS MEETING
The regular Thursday night program of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club will feature a program on boys and girls work. It was announced this week. Name of the speaker was not announced but Harold Hunnicutt is in charge of the program. Members of the high school glee club, under direction of Miss Mary Ann James, will render music during the dinner. The meeting will be at the Woman's club at 8:30.

RECRUITING CHANGE
Kings Mountain men who wish to join the army will in the future find their nearest county recruiting station at the Shelby City Hall. It was announced this week by T-S Donald L. Benoit, in charge. Sgt. Benoit said Tuesday recruiting detail here is being suspended.

COURT OF HONOR
The regular February meeting of the Boy Scout Court of Honor will be held Thursday night at 7:45 at the City Hall, according to an announcement from Piedmont Council headquarters.

P-TA Holds Regular Meeting Wednesday

By Mrs. E. N. Barnes
Members of the Central Parent-Teacher Association met in the high school library Wednesday afternoon for their regular monthly meeting. The devotionals were given by Mrs. Frank Sisk.
The Founders' Day program which was planned for this meeting was called off on account of sickness of several participants. Instead of this program there were several discussions heard from the floor.
Miss Margaret Goforth's 5th grade had the greatest number of parents present. Her class will go on this trip to Charlotte.

Appreciation For Sympathy Is Given

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Mauney and children this week issued a statement of appreciation "to friends and relatives in Kings Mountain and community for their generous interest and sympathy in the calamity of last Wednesday."
The Mauney home suffered severe damages on February 5, when the heating plant exploded. The double floor was blown up, doors were demolished, window glasses blown out and the walls ruined.
"We did not realize until this happening that we had so many interested friends," the statement read. "We feel that, except for the overruling hand of our King Heavenly Father, that there would have been loss of life."
Mr. Mauney said he had called a servant from the second floor for some work on the outside shortly before the blast.
He also advised home owners to get extended insurance coverage on their properties, to include heating plant explosions, pointing out that the policies on his home which he had carried for more than 20 years did not cover such catastrophes.

Possibilities Are Outlined For Local Freezer-Locker

Possibilities of building a 500-600 box freezer-locker plant — with a complete service including processing, freezing, storing and curing — were discussed at the meeting of the Kiwanis club last week by F. E. Summers, president of the First National bank, and by Paul Mauney, business man and textile official.
Pointing to the need for a freezer-locker plant of this size to serve Kings Mountain and the surrounding area, Mr. Summers discussed the various types of financing which might be used on such a project, and

equipment of this size plant.
Mr. Summers pointed out that the plant could be privately owned, a corporation with broad base of stockholders, or a cooperative, and discussed advantages and disadvantages of each. From a community standpoint, he indicated favor for the corporation with large number of stockholders, pointing out that services rendered by the plant and box rentals could be held at lower levels. If a corporation, it was the belief that stockholders should have preference on rentals.
Mr. Mauney reported visiting several freezer-locker plants throughout North and South Carolina, and outlined physical plants and services which would be suitable for Kings Mountain.

Following the discussion, members of the club were asked to indicate by signature whether they would be willing to purchase as much as one share of stock in such an organization, with 49 persons indicating that they would. The signature was merely an indication and not binding on any signer, it was pointed out, but merely an effort to see what degree of interest would be evidenced in the project.
Mr. Summers and Mr. Mauney are to present the matter to members of the Lions club at their meeting tonight, and, if sufficient interest is evidenced, an organizational meeting for the purpose of furthering the project will be scheduled.

Voss Addresses Sportsmen Here

Stating to a group of interested sportsmen gathered in Central auditorium last Thursday night that "after we've won the 'divorce' we've done nothing but fight like the devil to get the worst headache we've ever had," E. A. Voss, Charlotte sportsman and one of the founders of the North Carolina Wildlife Federation, Inc., said "we've got to go to work" and "make a friend of the farmer" to restore game in the fields of North Carolina.

The wildlife rally was sponsored by the Kings Mountain Sportsmen's club.
Bob Gidday, of Shelby, spoke briefly about allowing local sportsmen to take up part of an order Shelby sportsmen had in for trapped quail to be released in the county, stating that he was not opposing the order on the release subject. Mr. Gidday said that success depends on location of the release. Several hunters present offered to make purchases and Joe Lee Woodward, club president, said he would take orders at \$5 a pair until Feb. 20, the deadline. Purchase of the birds is not restricted to members it was added.
Wildlife club in the interest of restocking game in this area for the benefit of farmers and hunters.
Mr. Voss stated that 39 of the 49 states have separate game and fish divisions and the "the Department of Conservation and Development can keep every man despite rumor that the Foundation was organized to get their jobs—we want the nine-man committee of interested persons the hunters and fishermen" to run the Game and Fish division.
Closely connected with the Federation's current "divorce" fight in the 1947 legislature, Mr. Voss said that a total of 31 and 52 representatives

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R. L. Patton To Address Merchants At Annual Banquet On February 24

R. L. Patton, Burke county superintendent of schools and well-known humorist speaker, will give the featured address at the annual employer-employees banquet of the Kings Mountain Merchants association to be held at the high school cafeteria Monday night, Feb. 24.
Announcement that Mr. Patton would feature the program was made this week by Joe Lee Woodward, chairman of the program committee. Other members include J. W. Milam, F. D. Keeler, and F. C. McLean.
J. G. Darracott, chairman of the

Parking Violations Were Heavy Tuesday

The little bright-colored signs in the business section which read "Thirty Minute Parking" didn't mean much to several motorists Tuesday, with the result that quite some several found red marks on their tires and red parking tickets under their windshield wipers.
The city police department had started enforcing the parking law. However, the city was very nice when a motorist carried his ticket and open wallet to the city hall he was told the ticket was a warning — for the first time.
The inference is that motorists, in the future, should avoid restricted parking areas if they're going to be too long in getting back to the driver's seat.

Drunken Driver Wrecks Hydrant

John W. Gardner, Shelby route three negro requested jury trial on charges of driving drunk and without a driver's license, according to N. M. Farr, chief of police here, the charges resulting from an accident around midnight Sunday night in which he reportedly knocked a fire hydrant off the water main in the 300 block on East King street causing \$200 worth of damage to the city water system and forcing police to warn families in the neighborhood (eight blocks) that the water supply had been cut off with the result that many families had to put out their boiler fires and spend around a 11-hour period with out heat and water during one of the coldest spells of the winter.
Police warned residents of the area in order to prevent boiler explosions, the warning prompted as a result of the recent explosion in the S. A. Mauney home here, supposedly because of insufficient water.
Chief Farr said that at the time of the accident Gardner was driving west (toward the railroad) and that he ploughed into a hydrant on the south side of King (that is on the left side of the road as he was driving.)

James W. Walker Rites Conducted

Funeral services for James Wesley Walker, 84, who died at his home here last Friday after a four weeks illness, were held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Central Methodist church with the pastor, Rev. J. G. Winkler in charge. In failing health for some time, he was a native of Cleveland county and was a member of Central Methodist church here.
He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Annie Kiser Walker; three sons, John W. Walker of Hickory, Robert Walker of Kings Mountain, and Stonewall Walker of Concord; two daughters, Mrs. J. H. Helms of Kings Mountain and Mrs. Ida Koss of the Crowders Mountain section; one sister, Mrs. Venie Ford of Lincolnton two brothers, Joe Walker of Kings Mountain and Sam Walker of Gastonia, and 11 grandchildren.
Interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

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Charter Change Petition Signing Is Continuing

E. A. Harrill, contacted by the Herald Wednesday night regarding progress of the petition for change in the city charter, said the petition was "going fine" and said persons handling the petition hoped to wind up their work by the first of next week.
He declined to list total number of signers, reported at 1,093 last week, stating that several canvassers had not reported.
The petition, addressed to Senator Lee B. Weathers and Representative O. M. Mull, printed in full in last week's Herald, provides for election

that all registered voters may vote for one aldermanic candidate in each ward. Candidate in each ward receiving majority vote would be declared elected.
Under the present city charter, a voter casts a ballot only for the candidate from his respective ward. Following election and qualification of the five aldermen, the board organizes, choosing one of its members as mayor and ex officio chairman of the board.
Mr. Harrill said he understood that many citizens have not yet been presented the opportunity of signing the petition but added that every effort will be made to contact every bona fide citizen.

Beside the place on the petition for name of the signer is a blank space in which the signer may indicate whether he favors or opposes the changes.

City Board Holds Routine Session

Official business at the regular monthly meeting of the city board of aldermen Tuesday night was limited to hearing of routine reports and handling so-called routine business, according to City Manager H. L. Burdette.
The board accepted deeds from the S. A. Mauney home here, supposedly because of insufficient water, and from Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Keeler on Parker street for street extensions.
It heard a delegation including Arthur Biltcliffe, Grier Sipes and W. L. Waterson asking for sewer extensions on Goforth street, and put this application on the waiting list along with prior applicants.
The board authorized payment of \$225 to B. D. Ratterree for his work in handling the city tax listing.
Mr. Burdette said presentation of regular monthly reports from city departments completed the regular work of the board.

Recorder Judge Tried 27 Cases

Two out-of-town men were hauled into Recorder's court here Monday on charge of driving drunk as D. D. Davis, of Charlotte, and Luther Gonnell, of South Carolina, both were sentenced to six months each, the sentences suspended on payment of \$35 and costs, the suspension resulting in loss of his driver's license for Davis, as required by North Carolina law, and Gonnell's offense being referred to South Carolina authorities for action on loss of his operator's license.
Clyde Roseboro, on charges of drunk and disorderly and destroying private property, was sentenced six months, suspended on payment of \$25 and costs and payment of damages to property of Will Seawright, owner of Harlem Grill, local Negro cafe.
Haskell J. Bell received a stiff 90-day sentence for reckless driving, the verdict suspended on payment of \$25 and costs.

Other cases tried were: Lewis England, public drunkenness and possession of liquor, \$10 and costs; John D. Burroughs, no drivers license, \$10 and costs; Marshall G. Stone, speeding, \$10 and costs; Howard Lee Blanton, speeding and no drivers license, \$20 and costs; Frank Ledford, public drunkenness and possession of non-tax paid liquor, \$10 and costs, to jail for non-payment of fine; B. C. Hamrick, Shelby speeding and running red light, \$15 and cost.

Ralph Ware, on two counts of public drunkenness, paid costs on the first, and \$5 and costs on the second; Frank Cook, paid costs and was put on good behavior for 12 months; Will Brown paid \$5 and costs; and Sam Worthen and Martin Leigh each paid \$5 and costs. The following paid costs on public drunkenness charges: E. M. McCall, E. A. Beatty, Marion White, C. O. Gardner, J. G. Bell, T. Grayson Russell, Rufus Wood, H. D. Wilson, H. P. Howard, Jack Gesty, E. M. Jayner and E. C. Probst.

Capacity Crowd Of Scouts, Scouters Hear Thornburg

Superior Gift Starts Scout Finance Drive

Off to a fast start with a gift of 200 tons of crushed stone for the road into Davidson Memorial Camp, contribution of Superior Stone Company, Kings Mountain Boy Scout district leaders expressed confidence this week that they would be able to raise the \$2500 quota in the annual fund-raising campaign now underway.
Announcement of the gift was made at the annual banquet Monday night at the high school cafeteria. Chairman, who pointed out that the increase over the 1946-47 quota of \$1600 was due to anticipated need of funds in the development of the Carl Davidson Camp.
Mr. Neill said Wednesday that no reports had yet been received from campaign solicitors. He said he expected initial reports early next week.

Symphony Concert Date Is Changed

The North Carolina Symphony will present its 1947 Kings Mountain concerts on March 31, rather than March 5 as previously announced, Mrs. Aubrey Mauney said this week.
Mrs. Mauney said that membership will be open for a longer period probably until March 8, and said approximately \$100 is required to complete the quota.
The Symphony which appeared here last year, will again present two concerts, a matinee especially for school children in the afternoon and a full-dress performance in the evening.

Musicians Will Play In Saturday Broadcast

Ernest and Miles Mauney, well-known Kings Mountain musicians, will play the bassoon and oboe Saturday afternoon with the Oberlin Conservatory Symphony when it plays a world-wide premiere performance of Herbert Elwell's symphony, the Lincoln "Requiem" over the NBC network.
The broadcast is scheduled from 2 p. m. to 2:30, over coast-to-coast hookup.
According to information received here, Mr. Elwell is a renowned composer and music critic and a member of the composition staff of the Oberlin Conservatory.

The Kings Mountain men are studying at the Ohio conservatory. Ernest Mauney will play the bassoon and Miles Mauney will play the oboe in Saturday's performance.

Final Rites Held For Mrs. Hutchins

Funeral services for Mrs. Minnie Hutchins, 74, Rutherford county native who died Tuesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Annie Epley, here were conducted at 3 p. m. today at the Pisgah Methodist church near Rutherfordton.
The Rev. Vassie Jones of Ellenboro and the Rev. Paul Bright of Forest City conducted the rites. Interment followed in the church cemetery.
Mrs. Hutchins, who had been in ill health for more than a year, had lived in Kings Mountain for the past four years.

She is survived by her husband Isaac Hutchins, four daughters, Mrs. Epley and Mrs. Della Harrison of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Pearl Hutchins and Mrs. Minnie Hutchins of Rutherfordton and five sons, Paul and Fred Hutchins of Kings Mountain and Thomas, Albert and Gus Hutchins of Rutherfordton.

Enabling Act Will Be Introduced Allowing Property Revaluation

A bill to allow the board of county commissioners, in its discretion, to revalue and readjust all real estate and personal property valuations during the year 1947 is one of four local bills drafted by County Attorney J. E. Davis for passage by the General Assembly.
Mr. Davis, who prepared the bills on instructions from the county board of commissioners, released a draft of the acts Monday.
The other three bills are:
An act authorizing the commissioners to place up to eight full-time sheriffs on a salary and to equip their automobiles with receiving and transmitting radio sets. (Local deputies at present are not on a standard full-time basis and are paid by the fee system.)
An act relieving the Clerk of Superior Court from duties which now require him to serve as clerk to county Recorder's Court, and completely separating the two offices at the courthouse.
An act authorizing the commissioners to levy a tax not to exceed eight cents upon the hundred dollar valuation for the special purpose of paying the salaries of the Home Demonstration agent and all assistants and expenses connected with the operating of said office, and for paying the salary of the county accountant and clerical assistance, supplies and expense of operating said office.

A capacity crowd of some 200 Cubs, Scouts, Scouters and interested citizens attended the annual banquet meeting of the Kings Mountain Boy Scout district at the Woman's Club Monday night, heard an inspirational address on the broad aspects of Scouting by Rev. J. Lewis Thornburg, of China Grove witnessed both Cubbing and Scouting demonstrations, and ate delicious dinners.
The meeting was one of the highlights of the annual Kings Mountain observance of Boy Scout week. W. L. Plonk, who succeeded to the district chairmanship two weeks ago on the departure of Ladd W. Hamrick, will continue as chairman for the current year, and other officers include O. W. Myers, vice chairman, Paul Mauney, treasurer, and Aubrey Mauney and Dr. P. G. Padgett, commissioners.

Chairman Plonk served as toast master at the Monday night banquet, Aubrey Mauney recognized Honor Scouts and Scouters, and Rev. W. H. Stender presented Mr. Thornburg, for 20 years active in Scouting and holder of the Silver Beaver award.
As a part of the program, Rev. P. D. Patrick presented a deed for the Carl Davidson Memorial Camp property to C. C. Edens, Aubrey Mauney and Harold Hunnicutt, trustees for the Kings Mountain district. "To the donors we are indeed grateful," Mr. Patrick said in presenting the deed, "and we are so happy that their gift is a memorial to a man who loved youth and gave his life to youth. The Piedmont council recognized him by giving him the Silver Beaver. Under your leadership, we look forward to a greater tomorrow and greater days in Scouting." Donors were J. O. Plonk, R. G. Plonk, and Miss Jette Plonk, Kings Mountain, Mrs. George Patterson, Gastonia, Mrs. F. R. Shull Tampa, Fla.

Five Cub Scouts set forth the Cubbing program, and a group of Scouts, blindfolded, gave a first aid demonstration on carrying a man with a broken leg. Eagle Scouts Garland Still and Bill Moss gave a demonstration of making fire by friction.
A moment of silent prayer was observed by the group in memory of Lt. Jimmy Nickels, a former Eagle Scout. Lt. Nickels lost his life in a plane crash last summer. The group was led by Ladd W. Hamrick, Cleveland county district official, and Henry McKelvie, of Kings Mountain and Gastonia, council president, who brought greetings from the council.
Speaking on the subject "Growing Boys to Match Our Day," Mr. Thornburg pointed to the responsibility of parents in guiding their children and scored parents for their disinterest.
Comparing the life of Public Enemy John Dillinger to President Coolidge, he said, "One father neglected his son."
"The one way a father can relive his life," he said, "is in reliving it in your son. Your second chance is a child."
"Through the years I have found a most-alluring way to put spirituality into boys, and that is through Scouting."

Mr. Thornburg charged that "the boy of your community, state, and nation is on the auction block, and the highest bidder will get him. There are many places of evil bidding for the youth of the nation. Don't allow these places to outbid you. Implement their leisure time so that they will grow in grace, wisdom and stature in the light of God," he concluded.
Following are 1947-48 committees of the local organization (first-named to serve as chairman):
Organization and Extension—W. K. Mauney, W. H. Stender, Henry (Cont'd on page four)