

Local News Bulletins

BAND-PARENT MEETING

Parents of school band members and other interested citizens will meet at the high school auditorium Thursday night at 7:30 to reorganize the Band-Parent association, it was announced this week by Joe C. Hedden, band director. All interested citizens are being urged to attend. The band will present a short concert prior to the organizational meeting.

WOMEN MEETING

Kings Mountain Chapter No. 1700 of the World will hold an important meeting at the WOW hall over Dellinger's Jewel Shop next Tuesday night at 7:30. Members interested in serving on the degree team are especially urged to attend. Those selected for the team will get a one-week encampment at Teocah, Ga., with all expenses paid, it was announced.

KIWANIS MEETING

Rev. W. A. Kale, pastor Central Methodist church, Shelby, will be the guest speaker at the regular weekly meeting of the Kiwanis club to be held at the Woman's Club Thursday night at 6:30.

IN NEW MEXICO

Pvt. John Lewis Head, son of Mrs. Lila W. Head of Cranston, formerly of Kings Mountain, has recently completed basic training at Fort Jackson, S. C., and is now stationed at White Sands Proving Grounds, Las Cruces, N. M., providing station for the V-2 rocket.

JAYCEES MET

Members of the Junior Chamber of Commerce held their regular semi-monthly meeting at the Woman's Club Tuesday night. Business transacted included appointment of a ladies night committee, with John Cheshire named as chairman.

WESLEYAN SERVICE

The male quartet from Wesleyan Methodist college, Central S. C., will sing at the Wesleyan Methodist church on Wed. morning, Sunday morning. The quartet, with Professor A. Dixon Wood as speaker, will be in charge of the 11 o'clock service. Visitors will be welcome.

FULTON READING

The annual competition for the Fulton Reading medal, given annually by Mrs. H. T. Fulton and H. Tom Fulton in memory of their sister, Miss Pearl Fulton, will be held at Central school auditorium Friday morning at 10:30. The winner will represent the high school in the county Schoolmaster's contest and in the Western Conference contest. Participating in the contest will be Jean Lynch, Jo Lynn, Eleanor Myers and Bernice Harrison.

Sparrow Funeral To Be Held Friday

Funeral rites for Thomas Calvin Sparrow, 38, native and lifelong resident of the Patterson Grove section, will be held Friday afternoon at Patterson Grove church, of which he was a member.

The pastor, Rev. A. M. Roberts, will officiate and burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Mr. Sparrow, a farmer, succumbed Wednesday morning in Shelby hospital following a week's illness.

Surviving are his wife Mrs. Flora K. Sparrow, two sons, Billy and Douglas, four sisters, Mrs. Verne Ware, Charlotte, Mrs. Lita Finley, Red Level, Ala., Mrs. Mary Lee White and Miss Pearl Sparrow, both of Kings Mountain, and a brother, E. H. Sparrow, of Charlotte.

Final Rites Held For L. H. Stark

Lenora Nelson Stark, 60, Kings Mountain textile worker, died Monday at the Shelby hospital after 3 days' illness, following a stroke of paralysis. Funeral services were held from the Wesleyan Methodist church in Kings Mountain at 4 p. m. Wednesday with Rev. J. W. Phillips conducting the rites.

Assisting were Rev. C. F. Tedder of the Church of God, Rev. John Gregory of the Park Grove Nazarene church and Rev. Earl Armstrong of Gastonia's Gospel tabernacle. The body lay in state from 3 p. m. until the funeral hour.

Surviving are his wife, May; two sons, John and George; one daughter, Mrs. J. W. Phillips.

Scout Fund Quota Almost \$400 Short

Contributions to the Kings Mountain district Boy Scout fund are approximately \$400 short of the \$2,500 quota, it was announced this week by B. S. Neill, finance committee chairman.

Mr. Neill reported total contributions of \$2,107.02, but indicated confidence that the quota will be met.

Farmers And Lions Laugh With Sauer

Some 200 farmers, club members and their hosts, members of Kings Mountain Lions club, got together at the high school cafeteria last Thursday night for a fun-filled evening at the annual Lions club Farmer's Night banquet.

Humorist Mack Sauer, diminutive author, publisher and speaker from Leesburg, Ohio, was the speaker of the evening and kept his audience in high good humor for 45 minutes as he rattled off a steady sequence of humorous stories, built around the theme of "Brotherhood."

The meeting opened with group singing of "America," led by Charles Warlick, Carl F. Mauney led the pledge to the flag, and C. F. Barry gave the invocation. Following the dinner, served by Grace Methodist church, Earl Barkley was welcomed as a new member of the club by W. L. Plonk, and H. P. Dixon welcomed the farmers. Special guests, including officials of various farm organizations, were recognized by H. O. (Toby) Williams.

Prior to the address of Mr. Sauer, Paul Mauney outlined plans for construction here of a freezer-locker plant, complete with all types of processing equipment and storage facilities, and pointed out that such a plant would offer farmers an expanded market for their products. A total of 50 farmers indicated interest in the project.

President Don Blanton, who acted as toastmaster, appointed Hilton Ruth, Jacob Cooper, Tolly Shufford, W. B. Thomson and Fred Wright, Jr. as members of the club's ladies night committee.

Mr. Sauer began his address in a low, rasping voice which had his audience quite non-plussed. When he changed pitch to normal, it was the beginning of a seige of laughter which continued throughout the address, as Mr. Sauer recounted anecdotes, poetry, and witticisms from a seemingly inexhaustible supply. Martin Harmon presented Mr. Sauer.

Mrs. Scism's Rites To Be Held Friday

Funeral services for Mrs. Lizzie Lackey Scism, 47, wife of Earl Scism of the Patterson Grove community, will be held Friday morning at 11:00 o'clock at Patterson Grove Baptist church, with interment to follow in the church cemetery.

The rites will be conducted by Rev. A. M. Roberts, the pastor, assisted by Rev. John W. Suttle.

Mrs. Scism succumbed following a long illness about 9 o'clock Wednesday morning at Shelby hospital.

Surviving are her husband and son, Purvis Scism, and four brothers, Will, Lee and Sid Lackey, all of Alton, Ohio, and Frank Lackey of Shelby.

Mrs. Scism was a member of Central Methodist church here, but had attended the Patterson Grove church 15 many years.

Gofer's Car Smashed By Freight Tuesday

Most motorists who argue with a freight train don't come off as lucky as did Don Gofer shortly after noon on Tuesday.

According to an eye-witness, Mr. Gofer's car extended slightly on the railway track at the Gold Street crossing, and a fast-moving freight moved it off—with some damage to the Gofer vehicle, but none to Mr. Gofer himself.

Citizen-of-Year Award Committee Lined; Jackson Will Head Group

Howard B. Jackson, Lions club representative and ex-officio chairman, announced yesterday completion of the seven-person committee, which will choose the recipient of the Lions club Citizen-of-the-Year award.

The committee, representing six other civic organizations, includes in addition to Mr. Jackson, W. K. Mauney, Kiwanis club; Floyd Payne, Veterans of Foreign Wars; Mrs. M. A. Ware, Woman's Club; Mrs. Leonard Farmer, Junior Women's; and Red McGill, pastor of Central Methodist church.

Two Persons Injured In Wreck Monday

Two persons were "not seriously injured" in the collision of a 1941 Plymouth coupe and a 1946 International pick-up truck at the corner of King and Dilling streets here Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock, according to local police, with the driver of the Plymouth, Harold A. Lee, of Mooresboro, charged with driving drunk and released under a \$100 bond.

The driver of the truck, listed as a Mr. Cunningham, was rushed to the hospital in Gastonia and a Mrs. Powell, one of the four occupants of the coupe, was also rushed to Gastonia. Both were reported yesterday as in a "fair" condition.

Occupants of the coupe were listed as Mrs. Powell, her son, and his wife and the driver, Mr. Lee, all of Mooresboro.

Officer Lebon Thornburg, who investigated the wreck, reported that the Plymouth was traveling west on King street and the truck going east at the time of the accident, the couple apparently driving on the wrong side of the road. The truck driver cut across the road evidently trying to miss the oncoming vehicle, he said, with the front of the coupe striking the truck near the right door, causing considerable damage to both vehicles.

Officer Thornburg stated that the coupe skid marks measured 33 feet and the truck, 34 feet.

Legionnaires Urged To Enroll Quickly

Announcing that 373 members had signed for 1947, membership chairman John W. Gladden, stated that Otis D. Green Post 155, The American Legion, would have to sign at least 27 1947 members to keep the post afloat. It secured through the Lions club membership list, year after year, members present at the regular monthly meeting held at City Hall Tuesday night were urged to contact assigned members and get them on the organization rolls within the next two weeks.

Commander W. J. Fulkerson presided at the meeting and announced that letters in support of the South Piedmont teacher-pay boost plan sent as a result of last month's meeting had been answered. Return letters were received from Governor Gregg Cherry, Senator Lee Weathers and Representative Odus Mull, he said.

The organization voted to present a medal in memory of local dead of both wars to the winner of the oratorical contest and voted to accept the quota of four boys for Boys State this year to be held at Chapel Hill in June. The post agreed to sponsor one boy, with one to be sponsored by Bethware school, and the other two by local civic clubs. W. K. Smith was named Boys State officer to complete the unexpired term of Ladd W. Hamrick, now a resident of Boiling Springs.

Members of the post also agreed to the selling of reserved tickets for the Legion sponsored basketball tournament here March 12 through 15.

LIONS TO CHERRYVILLE

A large number of Kings Mountain Lions are expected to join others throughout District 31-A at Cherryville Thursday night for a banquet meeting honoring Clifford D. Pierce, president of Lions International. The meeting will be held at Carlton Clubhouse at 7:30.

CHARTER ASKED

Papers have been filed with Thad Eure, secretary of state, requesting of a charter for the Kings Mountain Freezer-Locker plant, it was announced this week by Paul Mauney. Incorporators are the temporary directors named two weeks ago.

Announcement That The Lions Club Was Renewing Its Annual Citizenship Award Was Made Several Months Ago

Policy governing the award is left to the committee, with the exception of period covered. The club also recommended to the committee that an award not be made in event the committee felt sufficient civic service had not been rendered by nominee.

Mr. Jackson said a meeting of the committee will be called in the near future to formulate policy and to work out details of the selection.



Drive For \$6,205 Red Cross Quota Launched Monday; Liberality Urged

Calling for a quick initial push toward the local \$6,205 quota, Dr. A. J. Eastwood, Limestone college professor and prominent citizen of Gaffney, S. C., keynoted the 1947 Red Cross fund campaign in Kings Mountain in an address before some 125 of the assembled canvassers Monday night at the Womens club in the local kickoff banquet preceding the drive which began here Tuesday morning by the some 160-odd workers.

Fund campaign chairman J. W. Milam announced yesterday that the drive is proceeding rapidly but that initial reports have not been turned in and no definite report of progress so far can be made. Unofficial reports in from different canvassers are gratifying, he said, and with continued vigor by the workers in contacting citizens the drive will result in complete success.

C. F. Harry is chairman of the campaign in Grover and Paul Mauney is co-chairman of the local drive.

Telling the workers assembled at the kickoff banquet to "sell yourself on the job first — and the rest is easy; Americans are 100 percent behind the Red Cross," Dr. Eastwood stated the key word in American minds is "preparedness, and the Red Cross must be prepared to meet any emergency, both here at home and abroad, and must serve immediately in disaster to relieve suffering. The Red Cross must continue to aid the war veterans in hospitals, must be prepared to give cheer as well as physical help to wounded fighting men in hospitals all over the country, even though Red Cross services are not as real as they seemed to be during the war."

Stating that 75 percent of the local quota will remain in the Kings Mountain chapter, Dr. Eastwood said the local unit must be prepared to function in any emergency at home.

In conclusion Dr. Eastwood said "there is something which the Red Cross stands for—the spirit of helping, of relieving suffering, of service—that has a spiritual value that is good for our social order."

John L. McGill, chapter chairman, presided over the banquet meeting and Mr. Milam called the roll of canvassers. Dr. Eastwood was introduced by Rev. W. L. Presley, pastor of Boyce Memorial A.B.P. church.

Baptists Arrange Special Meetings

Pastors and deacons of Kings Mountain area Baptist churches will hold a three-session conference at Bethlehem Baptist church next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at 7:30. It was announced this week.

Rev. T. L. Caswell, pastor of East Gastonia Baptist church, will be the conference leader at Bethlehem. The Bethlehem series in one of four being conducted simultaneously throughout the Kings Mountain Baptist association, and the group meetings will culminate with a mass meeting at Shelby First Baptist church on Thursday evening at 7:30.

M. A. Higgins, general secretary of the Baptist State convention will be the speaker at this meeting, to which church congregations are invited.

Other group meetings will be held at Bethlehem Baptist church, Pleasant Ridge Baptist church and First Baptist church, Shelby.

E. C. McClain of Kings Mountain is a member of the committee which arranged the conference.

Southern Bell To Add Third Shelby Circuit

Another telephone line between Kings Mountain and Shelby has been engineered and approved for construction, F. A. Finley, assistant manager of the Charlotte district of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company, told the Herald this week.

Mr. Finley said he could make no definite statement regarding construction of the additional line, but that he knew the project was approved for earliest possible construction, depending on availability of materials and manpower. He said it was his opinion that work would be started within the next few months.

Mr. Finley said the project would mean a 50 percent increase in these facilities, since two lines are now available.

Mr. Finley, accompanied here by W. C. Adams, official at the Gastonia office, said that 158 persons are now on the waiting list for telephone service here, as of February 22. Principal difficulty at present in installing new telephones is outside cable facilities. He said he hoped the situation would be alleviated in the near future.

Girl Scouting Moving Forward

One of the most forward steps recently in Girl Scouting for this section was the organization of the "Pioneer Girl Scout Area Council, Inc.," which includes Cleveland County, Gaston County and Lincoln County. This is the first area organization of its kind in the southeast and is proving very successful. With the executive leadership and help which the area council is able to provide, Girl Scouting should take rapid strides in this section.

To those who contributed so generously to assure Kings Mountain being included in this Area Council, the grateful thanks of the Scouts, leaders and council workers.

Neilsen Mills, \$150; Mauney Mills, \$50; W. E. Mauney, Jr., \$50; Park Yarn Mills, \$50; Geo. Houser, \$10; Dr. W. L. Mauney, \$5; O. W. Myers, \$10; J. E. Herndon Co., \$25; Sadie Mill, \$50; First National Bank, \$10; Plonk Brothers, \$12.50; Belk's Store \$10; Kings Mountain Manufacturing Co., \$50; Bonnie Mill, \$50; Keeter's Store, \$25; and Mrs. Arthur Hay, \$5.

Anyone desiring to make a contribution to this work may do so through Mrs. Wm. H. Stender and anyone desiring to help with the Scout work in Kings Mountain, to train girls and create better citizens and urgently asked to contact Mrs. Stender.

Local Bill Passed By Senate March 1

The following report as to progress of Senate Bill No. 195, a local bill introduced relating to the title of the city clerk, was made this week by the Institute of Government:

SB 195 — Introduced by Weathers February 26.

"To amend the charter of the city of Kings Mountain so as to designate the Clerk to the Board of Commissioners City Clerk." (Would provide that the Clerk to the Kings Mountain Board of Commissioners be known as "City Clerk" and would substitute the title "City Clerk" in the city charter and in any other Public-Local or Private Acts for the title "Clerk to the Board of Commissioners" or "the Secretary to the Board.") To Counties, Cities and Towns.

February 28, reported favorably by Senate committee.

March 1, passed second and third readings in the Senate.

Nimrods Happy On Separation Action

Kings Mountain Wildlife club leaders were jubilant Tuesday as their "divorce" bill was passed by the State Senate and sent back to the House for agreement on minor amendments.

The bill, in effect, will separate the activities of the game and inland fisheries division from the Department of Conservation and Development.

The affiliated wildlife clubs of the state had contended that money from the sale of hunting and fishing licenses was not being used to increase wildlife in the state.

Want Ad Department: Top Soil Is Wanted

As a public service the Herald is moving the following classified advertisement to the front page:

WANTED: One acre of top soil, badly needed to shape up school playground. Highest prices paid. Contact C. C. Evans, chairman, city school board park and playground committee.

Band Sponsoring Box Supper Friday

A box supper, sponsored by the school band, will be held at the high school gymnasium Friday night at 6:30. It was announced this week by band officials.

A full program of entertainment is being planned, including various contests for prizes.

Following the supper, a dance will be held.

All students of the school and their parents are being urged to attend and join in the fun.

Admission will be one box lunch for girls, and 25 cents for boys, with the proceeds going to the band.

Two Fined For Driving Drunk; 3 For Gambling

Lewis Huffstetler, of Kings Mountain, and Henry Bertalot, of Valdese, were found guilty of driving drunk in Recorder's Court here Monday afternoon and each was given a six month sentence, suspended on payment of \$50 and costs and loss of his drivers license.

Paskell Slayton, Willie Mixon, and Zeb Woods were fined \$5 and costs by Judge O. C. O'Farrel on charges of gambling. The three men were picked up by police officers last Friday night near the Cora Mill and were charged with gambling with cards.

Gaither P. Hayes, of Bessemer City, for speeding and no drivers license, was fined \$10 and costs; Walker J. Kenley, of Gastonia, for speeding was fined \$10 and costs; Ed Huffstetler, for possession of liquor not on his own property, costs; Carrie Mace, for simple assault, case dismissed; Joe Wallace, of Clover, S. C. no drivers license, forfeited bond; and Herbert Blanton of Shelby, for possession of whiskey not on his own premises, costs.

Lewis Fite, plaintiff in a case in which his brother Lee Fite was charged with assault on a female, was allowed to withdraw charges on payment of costs of court.

Already under a thirty day suspended sentence with a year's good behavior for public drunkenness, Woodrow Kimbrell was sentenced to thirty days in jail plus thirty for breaking good behavior on a public drunkenness charge.

Jim Stagg, of Kings Mountain, and Ruby A. Morris, of Gastonia, both forfeited bond on public drunk charges and the following were fined on similar charges: Dick Wilson, of Shelby; China Davis, Geo. Melton, R. W. Hollis, of Bessemer City, Ben Seagle, Hiwatha Parker, and William Early.

GRASS FIRE
City firemen extinguished a grass fire on Cherokee Street Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. "No damage" was the report given by Chief Grady King.