

Union Service On Sunday To Launch Relief Drive

Local News Bulletins

VFW

Kings Mountain VFW completed plans for sponsoring a rides and shows organization at regular monthly meeting at City Hall Tuesday night. The rides are scheduled for May 6-10 and are to be held on the city bus route just outside the city limits in the vicinity of Superior Stone Co.

LIONS MEETING

Members of the Kings Mountain Lions Club will hold their regular meeting at the high school cafeteria Thursday night at 7 o'clock. No formal program has been arranged, but several important matters of business are to be handled.

FIRE ALARM

City fire department answered a call last night around 9 p. m. to 312 S. Candler street where a short in the wiring burned insulation off several wires, causing damage estimated as very slight.

JAYCEE MEETING

The Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular semi-monthly meeting at the Woman's Club Tuesday night at 7 o'clock. Business at the meeting will include election of officers for 1946-47.

WEEK'S PREACHING

Rev. L. C. Pinnix, pastor of First Baptist church here, will conduct a week's meetings at the First Baptist church of Rocky Mount, beginning Sunday night and continuing through next week.

COURT OF HONOR

Regular monthly meeting of the Kings Mountain Boy Scout Court will be held at the headquarters of the organization.

NEW SERVICE OFFICER

Chalmus Miller, of Fallston, World War II veteran, was appointed county service officer by the board of county commissioners Monday. Miller succeeds John P. Mull, Jr., resigned.

BENNETT IS HOME

Pfc. Doris L. Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Bennett, arrived home Monday from Fitzsimons General Hospital where he has been on duty with the army. He is now on terminal leave and will receive his honorable discharge at the end of his leave.

ALLEN CHIEF DEPUTY

Raywood Allen, for the past several months a member of the city police department, was last week named chief deputy sheriff of Cleveland county by Sheriff Hugh A. Logan, who took the oath of office Monday. Mr. Allen is the son of I. M. Allen, a former sheriff of the county.

HAVANA ROUND

H. F. Everhart, of Kings Mountain, and Tommy A. Carter, of Cherryville, will attend the annual convention of the Virginia Life Insurance company in Havana, Cuba. Both represent the company in this territory. They will leave over the weekend, accompanied by Robert F. Coble and Bayne Klier, of Bessemer City who have been awarded all-expense paid trips to the convention for attaining certain sales qualifications during the past year.

P-TA Sets Meeting For Wednesday Night

The Central Parent-Teacher Association will hold its final evening meeting of the year next Wednesday night at 7 o'clock at the high school auditorium.

The meeting was postponed from last night due to a conflict with the Jaycees "Cornzapoppin" rehearsal. Two meetings yearly are held in order to enable all fathers to attend.

Mrs. Raymond Lynch, president of the P-TA, said that the meeting will be a very interesting one and that the program will be enjoyed by the various students who will be present at the school in connection with the P-TA convention.

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Kings Mountain will launch its part of a state-wide drive to obtain gifts for relief in stricken foreign areas Sunday night with a union service at high school auditorium Sunday evening at 7:30.

Feature of the service, which is a union service for majority of the city's churches, will be showing of the film "Seeds of Destiny," which shows the scenes of devastation resulting from the war, and results upon the children, in contrast with the American postwar period.

Another feature of the program will be a short address by Rev. Ernest J. Arnold, of Durham, executive secretary of the North Carolina Council of Churches, which is co-sponsoring the state-wide campaign along with Church World Service.

Object of the campaign is to obtain a minimum of one pound of clothing and/or food from each resident of North Carolina for relief.

It was pointed out that, with the closing down of UNRRA, a bad situation in foreign countries will worsen, if that is possible.

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Myers Thinks Hotel Here Should Pay

Members of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club, after hearing a short outline of the business hazards connected with building and operating a hotel by S. L. Myers, prominent Concord hotelman, last Thursday night accepted a recommendation of the club board of directors that it join with other civic groups in promoting the building of a hotel here.

Mr. Myers himself, after frankly reporting that 80 percent of the hotels built after 1919 had to be liquidated, credited a considerable amount of the liquidations to (1) extravagant and inexperienced "local building committees," and (2) too much financing.

As an example of extravagance, he cited the case of the Hotel Concord. It cost \$600,000, he said, and was planned for \$300,000. In addition, he added, an \$8,000 sign was placed on the top of the hotel. The sign, however, couldn't be seen from the highway.

Mr. Myers said a hotel should have about 60 percent occupancy "to break even."

In response to a question concerning location, he recommended a place as quiet as possible and with plenty of parking space. "A hotel is selling sleep, and I believe it would be better to have it in a location where they can sleep."

Mr. Myers was introduced by Aubrey Mauney, chairman of the club public affairs committee, which arranged the program.

Reciting the hotel history of the city, Mr. Mauney said, "It was decided 75 years ago that the town should have a hotel. It was built. We still have it. Kings Mountain does not even have today an excuse for a hotel. It has been said that we are paying for a modern hotel whether we have it or not, in loss of business and prestige."

He reported that a contractor had estimated for another city that a 40-room hotel with a two-story structure would cost \$140,000.

President L. L. Benson presided over the meeting and Rev. F. D. Patrick welcomed Trent England as a new member.

Stockholders of the Kings Mountain Freezer-Locker, Inc. will meet at the City Hall Tuesday night at 7:30 for the purpose of setting up a permanent organization.

The public is invited to attend but will not be allowed to vote unless stock has been purchased. (The Board inadvertently scheduled the meeting for last Tuesday night in its addition of last week and offers its regrets to any who might have been inconvenienced by the error.)

Royster Lands 9-lb. Bass Easter Monday

A. M. Royster, local fisherman, hit the jackpot at City Lake on Easter Monday, landing a 9 and two-thirds pounds of fighting large mouth black bass, the largest one tipping the scales at NINE pounds—and this is no fish tale!

"AM" is reported to have had five strikes, landing four bass, between 8 a. m. and 11 a. m.

Using a Heddon-Pal rod with a broken-back, pike-colored plug, Mr. Royster landed the nine-pounder, in the boat without a net, in only ten minutes, a neat piece of work according to local anglers.

The three "little" bass were: one and one-half pounds, two and one-half pounds, and three and three-quarters pounds.

"Bubber" Godfrey was with the lucky angler, pulling the boat for him, at the time of the catches.

Richard Horse, 18, killed in accident

Two Elections Called, For School Trustee May 6, City Fathers May 13

Food Handlers School Scheduled Here May 5-8

W. C. Stallings, county health officer, announced this week that a food handlers training school will be conducted at the high school cafeteria May 5-8 for the purpose of instructing both commercial and private food handlers in sanitary methods.

The school will not be compulsory, and two class periods will be held from 8:30 a. m. to 11:30 a. m. and from 4:30 p. m. to 7:30 p. m. in order that hours will be convenient to all possible participants.

Merchants of the city are cooperating in promoting the course.

Mr. Stallings said there are approximately 75 persons employed as food handlers in Kings Mountain area retail establishments. Original plan, he said, was to hold only a county school at Shelby, but enrollment was too large and it was thought advisable to hold a school here.

The instruction is available to both white and colored employees and all restaurant owners are urged to arrange for their employees to attend.

Instructors in the course, in addition to Mr. Stallings, will include E. H. Hinton, district typhus control officer and W. A. Broadway, district supervisor.

Large Crowd At Sunrise Service

Some 800 to 1,000 Kings Mountain citizens were present at Union Easter Sunrise services at Memorial Park in Mountain Rest cemetery Sunday morning at 6:45 a. m. as churchmen of the community united in presenting the annual event.

Services were held in the park near the eastern entrance to the city for the burial of veterans of World War II—was in front of a large white cross, emblematic of the Cross on which Jesus died. Large basket of white gladioli, donated by Walters Florist, graced the front of grass-covered speakers platform.

The message was given by Rev. W. L. Pressley, pastor of Boyce Memorial A.B.P. church, with the subject, "Come See—Go Tell." Rev. W. H. Stender presided.

Central high school band under the direction of Joe Heddon, began playing in the streets of the city at 5 a. m. and played a 15 minute concert of appropriate music just prior to the 7 o'clock service. Mrs. Aubrey Mauney played a piano and choir members of several churches led the singing of selected hymns.

A public address system was installed for the service and Boy Scouts directed traffic.

The event was sponsored by the Ministerial association.

Maney Rites Held On Tuesday Morning

Funeral services for Mrs. Maude Maney Watkins, 67, who died on Sunday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. M. Moorhead, were held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock at the First Baptist church, of which she was a member.

Rev. L. C. Pinnix, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor of the Presbyterian church, conducted the service.



BAPTIST SPEAKER — Rev. Yosep Benjamin, a native of Persia and a missionary for ten years in Persia and Russia, will speak at the Macedonia Baptist church at morning services Sunday and at the First Baptist church Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. He has been highly commended for his messages in other Baptist churches in the South, according to Rev. L. C. Pinnix.

Charles Blanton Wins Hoey Medal

Charles Blanton, winner of the Davis Declaration medal here, was adjudged winner of the county-wide declamation contest and the Hoey medal in annual contests held last Friday night at Shelby junior high school.

The medal for the best declaimer in Cleveland county high schools is given by United States Senator Clyde E. Hoey of Shelby.

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Telephone Traffic Mere Dribble As Local Workers Join Walkout

Traffic on the Southern Bell telephone exchange here had dwindled down to almost nothing Wednesday, as local telephone operators remain off-the-job during the nationwide strike.

In Kings Mountain, company supervisor employees, including Mrs. Robert McDaniel, local manager, M. W. Ottway, of the division commercial office at Charlotte, and W. P. Slayton, construction foreman of the Gastonia office, were on duty to handle emergency calls. Otherwise, all callers got the customary answer that, due to the strike, emergency calls only could be handled.

Mr. Ottway estimated Wednesday that the number of calls put through average 12 per hour.

Classified as emergency were calls concerning sickness, death, accident, fire, wrecks, police, the public safety and movements of perishable food commodities.

The Herald's calls on Tuesday and Wednesday were classified as emergency, though they were held to a minimum, resulting in more exercise for the front-office staff than is customary. It also resulted in shock to several persons called one day with a hospitalized husband feeling that something untoward happened, and several other think- ing-until told otherwise—that the strike was over.

One particularly humorous incident was reported from the local exchange. A lady was trying to call the Kings Mountain Laundry. When told of the strike, she ordered, "You put that call through. My man is sitting over here without any clothes on!" The Herald doesn't learn whether the call was put through.

Mr. Ottway, standing the board last Wednesday afternoon said, he had been verbally excoriated a couple of times, but that, all in all, the public was showing best possible cooperation. He expressed the hope the strike will soon be settled and normal service restored.

School Board Can Appoint To Fill Ward 3 Vacancy

The city board, in regular April session Tuesday night at the city hall, called two elections, one for Ward 1 school trustee to be held May 6, and one for election of a mayor and five commissioners to be held May 13.

Necessity for the two elections was found, in the opinion of City Attorney J. R. Davis and George Franklin, of the North League of Municipalities, because no provision in the recently enacted amendments to the city charter related to school trustee elections.

Mr. Davis told the Herald that it was his opinion that two elections were now required and H. L. Burdette, city manager, said Mr. Franklin had given the same opinion.

Another change from previously announced procedure came, when it was discovered that the city school board has the power to appoint trustees to fill unexpired terms.

Mr. Burdette, using a copy of the 1939 charter amendments as introduced to the legislature, had found no provision for appointment for an expired term. Actual copy of the bill passed, obtained from the North Carolina League of Municipalities, included the following provision relating to school trustees: ".... In case of a vacancy occurring in the board of trustees, the unexpired term shall be filled by the other members of the board and shall be selected from the Ward wherein the vacancy occurred."

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B. N. Barnes, city schools superintendent, said that Dr. L. P. Baker, chairman of the school board, had been informed and that he thought it possible the board might fill the vacancy.

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City On National Safety Honor Roll

Kings Mountain was one of two towns in the 5,000-10,000 population classification in North Carolina which did not have a fatal accident within the city limits during 1946, and one of only 153 towns of this size throughout the nation which compiled such a record.

This information was received this week by Police Chief N. M. Parr and accompanied a certificate of honor presented by the National Safety Council, Inc.

Tombax was the other North Carolina city in the same population division coming through with a perfect record.

The certificate reads: "National Safety Council Honor Roll 1946. Kings Mountain, N. C. in recognition of its accomplishment in completing the year without a fatal motor accident within the municipal limits."

Hamrick Now Sole Owner of Waffle House

James Hamrick, well-known cafe operator, has purchased the interest of W. D. Morrison in the Waffle House, located on E. King street.

The business, recently opened, had been operated as a partnership between Mr. Hamrick and Mr. Morrison until Wednesday, effective date of the sale. Mr. Hamrick, who also operates the Waffle Shop, said that Wilson Ledford will manage the King street establishment, and that the same firm name would be retained.