

Pictured Here: Five Entries In Tonight's Beauty Event



MISS VIRGINIA MOSS



MISS CAROLYN DOVER



MISS FRANCES HUFFSTETLER



MISS FRANCES LINDSAY



MISS COLLEEN MARTIN

POPULATION

In City Corporate Limits 6,574
Immediate Trading Area 15,000

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Breakdown On City Budget Expense Given

Published herewith is a departmental breakdown of expense of the municipal government of the City of Kings Mountain, according to the 1947-48 fiscal year budget recently adopted.

The budget, more than a quarter-million dollars, is published today in ordinance form on page 1 of Section 2.

Administrative department—Total \$13,695. Salary, mayor and commissioners, \$1,200; salary of city manager, \$4,200; salary, city attorney, \$100; salary, city clerk and treasurer, \$2,355; salary, assistant city clerk and treasurer, \$1,890; salaries, extra help \$300; stationery and printing, \$500; office supplies, \$200; postage and box rent, \$400; telephone and telegraph, \$300; auditing, \$350; traveling, \$200; miscellaneous, \$100; janitorial, \$100.

Recorder's Court—Total \$10,000. Salary, recorder, \$1,200; salary, clerk \$800; printing and stationery, \$300.

Fire Department—Total \$6,330. Salary, driver \$1,980; salaries, firemen, \$2,500; uniforms and equipment, \$150; supplies, \$1,000; truck, expense, \$300; gas and oil, \$150; traveling, \$150; miscellaneous, \$100.

General Expense—Total \$10,349.47. Auto licenses, \$153; legal expense, \$750; vital statistics, \$150; tax listing and books, \$350; tax advertising, \$100; insurance and bonds, \$2,000; public library, \$600; public welfare, \$600; auto expense, \$720; municipal dues and subscriptions, \$126.47; maintenance of building, \$800; miscellaneous, \$1,500; engineering services, \$1,000; discounts allowed, \$1,000; fuel, \$500.

Water and Sewer Department—Total, \$24,384. Salary, superintendent, \$1,350; salary, filter plant operator, \$2,400; labor, \$7,470; power, \$2,400; pipe and fittings, \$2,500; meters, and boxes, \$2,000; chemicals, \$900; hydrants and repairs, \$400; truck expense, \$600; gas and oil trucks, \$450; water tax, \$64; miscellaneous, \$750; telephone, \$50; fuel, \$100; laboratory supplies, \$100; gas and oil, engines, \$300; supplies, \$700; maintenance, \$100.

Laundry's New Home Completed

The Kings Mountain Laundry expects to occupy its new quarters on Childress street by the middle of August, it was announced this week by Paul Mauney, co-owner of the firm.

The new building, which is being completed this week, will give the firm four times the floor space of its present quarters on Cleveland avenue. The new building, of brick construction, is 100 by 112 feet, and, in addition, will separate a building 24 by 32 feet which serve as a boiler room for a new, larger boiler.

New presses have been bought, and further new equipment will be added as needed, Mr. Mauney said.

He also announced that the laundry will inaugurate a pick-up and delivery service as quickly as trucks now on order are received.

Mr. Mauney and E. A. Harrill purchased the Kings Mountain Laundry in October 1944. Personnel of the firm has been virtually doubled since that time.

"When we purchased the laundry, we felt there was a definite need for satisfactory laundry service in Kings Mountain," Mr. Mauney said, "and we saw no reason for having our laundry to nearby towns."

"The new building and facilities and the plans to inaugurate pick-up service in the near future fit into our long-range plans of giving constantly improved service to the citizens of Kings Mountain and surrounding area," he continued.



NEISLER GIFT TO SCHOOL—Shown above is the new Dodge bus which the C. E. Neisler Family recently donated to the high school for use in extra-curricular activities. The bus will comfortably seat more than 30 persons. It is painted in the school colors.

Jimmie Harris Is Named Chairman Of Annual Labor Day Horse Show

James (Jimmie) Harris, well-known Kings Mountain man, will serve as general chairman of the fourth annual Lions Club Labor Day Horse Show.

Announcement of Mr. Harris' appointment as chairman of the annual event, which has become one of the most popular fall shows in this area, was made at the meeting of the club last week by W. K. Mauney, jr., president.

H. Tom Fulton will serve as co-chairman with Mr. Harris.

Committee chairmen named for the show are: George Houser, tickets; Charles Thomasson and J. G. Darracott, grounds; J. W. Milam and Howard Jackson, program and advertising; Ned McGill and Richard Barnett, entries; Hubert Davidson and H. Tom Fulton, ribbons; W. L. Plonk, judges; Sam Weir and Ben Ballard, concessions; Jacob Cooper and Hal Ward, entertainment; and Martin Harmon, publicity.

The club last year presented an afternoon and evening show at the City Stadium which was well-attended and featured some of the best professional and amateur horsemen through the Piedmont Carolinas, in addition to a large array of fine horses.

"We are looking forward to another fine show," Mr. Harris said, stating that full information regarding classes for the event will be announced in the near future.

Program of the meeting last week featured an address by H. W. Sanders, of Black Mountain, Lions governor of District 31-A. Mr. Sanders cited the good work of the organization throughout the world, pointing out that its work in sight conservation and aid to the blind alone was justification for participation in the Lions program.

Club To Inaugurate Weekly Family Night

Directors of the Kings Mountain Country Club have declared each Tuesday night during the coming month "Family Night" at the club.

The inaugural "Family Night" will be Tuesday July 22 at which time a popular priced (\$1.00) dinner will be served at 7 o'clock.

These family dinners will be very informal and all members are being urged to come and join in a hearty get-together.

Those planning to attend are asked to notify Mrs. W. I. Fulkerson, club hostess, by Monday afternoon.

Gifts From Japan, ARP Class Boost Camp Fund

Grand total of contributions to the Davidson Memorial Camp fund yesterday totaled \$238.35—the fund added materially during the past week by a contribution of \$56 by members of Garrison Bible Class, of the Boyce Memorial ARP church, and a \$10 gift from a soldier in Japan.

The gift from Japan came from Pic. Jack Prince, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Prince, now on duty with service company of the 188th Parachute Infantry regiment at Camp Schimmelpenninck, Sendai, Honshu.

Pic. Prince is a former member of the scout troop of which the late Carl Davidson, for whom the camp is a memorial, was scoutmaster.

Farm-To-Market Road Aid Asked

G. A. Bridges, chairman of the county board of commissioners, F. R. Summers, president of the First National Bank, Ned McGill, secretary of the Kings Mountain Merchants association, and a number of citizens of the Patterson Grove and Oak Grove communities were present in Shelby Monday morning at a hearing before Highway Commissioner Watson to support a request for a hard-surfaced road to link these communities with Kings Mountain.

In supporting the request, Mr. Summers pointed out that these communities are among the oldest in the vicinity of Kings Mountain, that their population is heavy with established rural mail routes, business, schools, churches, and cotton gins, and that these facts indicate the necessity for a hard-surfaced road to allow this section of Cleveland county and its inhabitants to further progress in the future.

Commissioner Watson promised full consideration of the request.

AAF DAY

Kings Mountain merchants are being asked to display flags on August 1 according to proclamation of President Truman in declaring the date Army Air Force Day, in observance of the AAF's 40th anniversary. Announcement of the request was made by Ned McGill, secretary of the Merchants Association.

Golf Memberships Available At Club

The Kings Mountain Country Club is offering 20 monthly memberships at \$3.00 monthly for golfing privileges only, it was announced yesterday by W. J. Fulkerson, of the greens committee.

The monthly golfing membership Mr. Fulkerson said, entitles use of the golf course any day in the week, but will not include clubhouse, locker and shower room privileges.

Other non-members of the club may play golf on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays for green fees of 50 cents per round of nine holes, it was announced, with loss of privilege to persons failing to register and pay for each nine holes played.

"We ask the cooperation of all playing golf to at all times leave the greens in good condition for the persons following," Mr. Fulkerson said. "A burlap bag has been placed at each green to smooth the green before leaving."

"Caddie fees have been temporarily set at 50 cents per nine holes played, and efforts are being made to have more and better trained caddies available," he continued.

He also announced that arrangements can be made by club members both ladies and gentlemen, for golf instruction by a professional. "He said that instruction given in a group of as many as six would be at \$2.50 per hour, while fees for individual instruction would be \$5.00 per hour."

Mr. Fulkerson urged persons wishing to take one of the limited number of monthly golfing memberships to contact him at once, and also suggested that persons desiring the services of a professional contact him to make arrangements.

Plonk Brothers Is Remodeling

Remodeling of Plonk Brothers & Company got underway last weekend, with immediate work underway in the dry goods department.

The work is under the general supervision of W. W. Tolleson, of Lee Construction Company, Charlotte.

Present plans call for completion of the work within the next few weeks.

"We expect to have a practically new store when the work is completed," the manager stated. "The remodeling program is including a remodeling of the store this week, third store-wide sale in its history. It was established in 1925."

Jaycees To Present Second Beauty Contest And Dance

Kings Mountain beauties will vie for the honor of being named "Miss Kings Mountain of 1947" Friday night at 8 o'clock at the high school auditorium in the second annual beauty pageant of the Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce.

A large crowd is expected to witness the annual spectacle, which will be followed by the annual beauty ball at the high school gymnasium.

Admission for the beauty contest is 60 cents per person, while combination tickets for both the contest and dance are available for \$1.50 each. Individual tickets for the dance only may be purchased at the door for \$1.00 each, it was announced yesterday by the committee. No advance sale is being conducted on dance tickets alone. All prices include federal tax.

Mayor H. Tom Fulton and Miss Avis Warlick, winner of the contest last year, will collaborate in presenting the awards to the winner after the out-of-town judges complete the task of naming the 1947 Miss Kings Mountain.

Among the valuable awards awaiting the winner will be a complete wardrobe of Donnelle gloves, and an all-expense paid trip to Wilmington for the state contest. Second place selection of the judges will receive a partial wardrobe of gloves and will receive an all-expense paid trip to Morehead City to represent the city in the Coastal Festival.

George Flowers, radio announcer of Station WOHS Shelby, will serve as master of ceremonies at the event, with music to be furnished by the Teen-Town Cats, who will also play for the beauty ball.

The contestants will appear twice, first in evening gowns, then in bathing suits, and they will be judged on a point system. They will appear by number and not by name.

Entries in the event are: Miss Colleen Martin, Miss Frances Lindsay, Miss Virginia Moss, Miss Carolyn Dover, Miss Frances Huffstetler, Miss Jacqueline Falls, Miss Nancy Dickey, Miss Margaret Cashlon, Miss Edith Goins, Miss Jenelle Smith, and Miss Dollene Montleth.

Jaycees meantime have been working (Cont'd on page six)

1946 City Taxes 93.8 Percent Paid

A total of 93.8 percent of the 1946 tax levy was paid by Kings Mountain citizens through June 30, and 40-plus percent of the 1947 levy had been prepaid through that date, according to figures announced by Karl S. Sawyer, city clerk and treasurer this week.

The high payment record on 1946 taxes showed taxes paid of \$66,828.89 against the total of \$71,280.68, leaving only \$4,451.79 unpaid at the end of the fiscal year.

Of the 1947 levy of \$81,000 (estimated), payments already made by citizens taking the prepayment discounts total \$32,574.41, a 27.6 percent increase over prepayments for the same period last year.

Taxes are due on August 1. Last year a total of \$45,375.75 in taxes had been paid by the due date.

Mr. Sawyer reminded delinquent taxpayers that advertising of property for sale for taxes begins in August and urged immediate payment to avoid added costs.

Legion To Sponsor Rangers July 31st

American Legion baseball officials announced this week that they are planning to sponsor the Rangers Quartette along with the Harmoners here in the high school auditorium on July 31 in support of the Junior baseball program in Kings Mountain.

Listed as the world's greatest pianist, Hovey Lister, "the man with a thousand fingers," is the main attraction on the three-hour program that also includes the famous radio performers from Tennessee, the Harmoners.

Famous throughout the south as one of the best radio quartettes, the Rangers claim to have the world's lowest bass singer.

Earnest S. "Buck" Huffstetler is chairman of the committee sponsoring the show with advance sale of tickets expected to go on sale next week.

Goforth-Richardson Play Draws High Praise From Drama Critics

According to reports reaching Kings Mountain, "Catch on the Wing" a play co-authored by Miss Frances Goforth of this city, was enthusiastically received by theatergoers and critics alike at its initial performances at the Theatre-in-the-Dale, a summer stock theatre in New Milford Conn. The play, a comedy in three acts, opened on July 2 and played to capacity audiences for four days, the maximum time allowed for the rigid schedule of the New Milford theatre.

"Catch on the Wing" is the result of the combined talents of Miss Goforth and Mr. Howard Richardson, who collaborated with her in writing the play. Mr. Richardson is also co-author of the successful play "Dark of the Moon," in which Miss Goforth played a major role during its showings in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Washington, Boston, and other cities.

After viewing the "proving ground" performances at New Milford, critics were unusually warm in their praise and were generally agreed that the play has an excellent chance for outstanding success when it reaches big city audiences. Typical of

reviews given the play was one in the Litchfield (Conn.) Enquirer which said, in part, "The Theatre-in-the-Dale, down in New Milford, can claim a measure of fame for itself by having provided the means of bringing to life an absorbing new play by Howard Richardson and Frances Goforth bearing the intriguing title of 'Catch on the Wing.' For here is an adroitly written work of obvious authenticity, lovingly and brilliantly directed and most uniformly well-acted, which is sure to ring the bell on Broadway."

Other reviews were equally enthusiastic. The New Milford Times predicted a long Broadway run for the play and Robert Coleman, critic for the New York Daily Mirror, commented: "It is evident that Richardson and Miss Goforth are playwrights of integrity and imagination. They know how to fashion characters and dialogue that are not dull." Highly significant was the fact that the play received a "favorable" review from Variety, most influential publication in the theatrical field. The Variety critic praised the authors and was optimistic concerning the play's (Cont'd on page six)