

Local News Bulletins

MRS. MAUNEY ELECTED

Mrs. Aubrey Mauney of Kings Mountain was elected recording secretary of the North Carolina Council of Churches at its eleventh annual meeting held in Winston-Salem this week.

JAYCEE NOTICE

Kings Mountain Jaycees are aiding Shelby Jaycees this week in serving as ticket-takers for the Cleveland County Fair. Members able to serve today and Saturday are requested to call Secretary Ned McGill.

AT SECOND WESLEYAN

The Heavenly Gate quartet will sing at Second Wesleyan Methodist church Sunday morning at 9:45, it was announced this week by the pastor, Rev. Jessie Henson. The public is invited.

FIRST WESLEYAN RALLY

The Callicut Trio of Gastonia will render special music at church rally day services to be held at First Wesleyan Methodist church on Sunday, according to an announcement by Rev. J. W. Phillips, pastor.

NEW PERSONNEL

Charlie Ballard, Mrs. A. L. Allran, Sr., and Mrs. Buck Allran, are new members of the sales personnel of Keeter's Department Store, it was announced this week by the management.

DAR TO SHOW FILM

A motion picture in full technicolor, "America The Beautiful" will be shown to the students of the city schools Friday morning at 10:30 in the auditorium at Central school. The film is being shown under the sponsorship of the Daughters of the American Revolution who are inviting the public to attend the showing.

GRID SEASON TICKETS

Season tickets for the Kings Mountain high school football season went on sale Tuesday, with a big sales force of high school students, and members of the Kiwanis and Lions clubs. Price was \$3.50 for adults, \$1.50 for students, for the five home games. J. E. Huneycutt, high school principal, said yesterday that there would be a proportionate reduction for the remaining four games for persons who did not obtain season tickets prior to Thursday night's home opener with Bessemer City. Gate admission price will be 75 cents for adults, 40 cents for students.

Final Rites Held For Mrs. Robinson

Funeral services for Mrs. George H. Robinson, 71, were held Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock at Pleasant Plains Baptist church near Matthews. Interment was in the church cemetery.

The Rev. Mr. Hobart of Charlotte and Rev. L. C. Pinnix conducted the rites.

Mrs. Robinson's death occurred Monday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Cash, with whom she had made her home for the past eight years. She had been in failing health for five weeks, having returned recently from a Charlotte hospital where she received treatment.

A brief service was held at 8:30 Wednesday morning at the Cash home before the body was taken to Pleasant Plains.

A native of Union county, Mrs. Robinson was the former Miss Minnie Iola Aycock, daughter of the late A. and Melissa Aycock. Her husband preceded her in death nine years ago. She was a member of Pleasant Plains Baptist church.

In addition to her daughter, survivors are a sister, Mrs. W. C. Bridges of Washington, a granddaughter, Mrs. Kenneth Davis and a great-grandson.

pallbearers were J. E. Keeter, G. A. Bridges, Joe Lee Woodward, E. C. McClain, Bryan Ford, C. D. Ware, and Wray Williams.

Harris Funeral Days Ambulance

Harris Funeral Home has recently purchased a straight ambulance replacing the converted auto type formerly used by the establishment. It was announced this week by O. H. Harris, manager of the firm. The new ambulance will be used only for such purposes, Mr. Harris said.

Local Veterans Invited To Hear Senator Umstead

Members of Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, and Johnny W. Blackwell Post 2268, Veterans of Foreign Wars are being invited to attend a barbecue in Shelby on October 7, a which Senator W. B. Umstead will be the feature speaker.

The gathering is under sponsorship of the Shelby veterans organizations, and all veterans of the county, whether or not affiliated with veterans organizations, are being urged to attend.

Veterans planning to attend should notify Buck Coble, Shelby Legion commander, Earl Meacham, Shelby VFW commander, or Gerald Goforth, commander of the National Guard unit at Shelby, or local post commanders not later than Saturday, October 4.

Col. Peyton McSwain is aiding in making arrangements for Senator Umstead's visit.

The Senator, a citizen of Durham, succeeded the late Senator J. W. Bailey. Mr. Umstead was the appointee of Governor Cherry and his term expires next year. While formal announcements have not been made, it is conceded in political circles that Senator Umstead will seek re-election and that former-Governor J. Melville Broughton will be his opponent.

However, the Senator is not expected to make a "political" address.

A member of both the American Legion and VFW, Senator Umstead was a member of the famed 81st Infantry (Wildcat) division in World War I.

Price of the barbecue feed will be \$1.00, it was announced.

Legion's Lot Brings \$2,035

Harold Hunnicutt, with a bid of \$2,035, was high bidder on the Mountain street lot sold at auction by Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, on Saturday.

The sale started promptly at 2 o'clock, with George Allen in the auctioneer's role, and it required only about 15 minutes bidding to sell the lot.

Mr. Allen prefaced his actual sale-crying with remarks on the worth of the property, saying "Kings Mountain is out of the knee-pants stage, and I want you folks to bid right on this property." Mr. Allen told the group the property was worth \$50 per frontfoot, but it brought only a little more than \$40.

Other principal bidder on the lot was David L. Saunders, Kings Mountain business man, though several others were entering the bidding at its early stages. After J. E. Herndon bid \$1,725, however, the bidding was virtually left with these two.

One exception was a high bid in the upper strata.

Mr. Saunders, who slowed his bidding pace after the figure reached \$1,900, started to leave, drove by in his car, and offered \$2,025. At that moment, Dr. W. L. Mauney, who had been taking the role of spectator, bid \$2,030. Mr. Hunnicutt then bid \$2,035. It was the last bid and Mr. Allen knocked it down to him. Though Legion officials had hoped the bidding would run the lot to \$2,500, the lot sale committee expressed itself as pleased with the amount it brought.

The Legion had announced that the sale of the lot was first step in a campaign to build a War Memorial to veterans of World Wars I and II. The organization expects to find a larger, more suitable lot, and then conduct a campaign for funds for a building program.

Details concerning this program have not yet been announced though Byron Keeter is chairman of the committee to secure a lot, and J. E. Herndon is finance committee chairman, while Dr. J. P. Mauney is building committee chairman.

School Children Are Fair-Bound

It is estimated that at least 99 percent of Kings Mountain's 1,800 school children awakened happily Thursday morning as the sun shined clearly and prospects for good weather for the remainder of the week was good.

Friday is Kings Mountain school day when all school children will be admitted free, and the prospect of cold and rain had been diminishing.

Today and tomorrow end the annual event.

Home races feature this afternoon's program, while dirt-track auto races top Saturday's program. Words of birth shows jam the carnival area, and exhibits are reported to be at pre-war excellence.

Shelby Hospital Rates Advanced

It's going to cost more to be sick after Sunday, if the patient uses the Shelby hospital.

The hospital board executive committee announced this week a \$1.00 per day hike in all patient rates effective September 29.

The hospital will also require henceforth a cash deposit or suitable guarantee upon entry equal to one week's room charges, and will bill on a weekly basis.

The two moves, Board Chairman Earle Hamrick said, were designed to overcome losses in operation of the hospital which shows a \$21,000 deficit for the first eight months of 1947.

The new rates: colored wards, \$4.50 per day; white wards, \$5.50 per day; semi-private rooms, \$6.50 per day; private rooms without bath, \$8.00 per day; private rooms with bath, \$9.50 per day.

King Winter In Premature Entry

If the past two indications are in criterion, Tuesdays are going to be on the harsh order during the coming cold season, for King Winter has been trying—and trying hard—to make his entry the past two weeks.

Kings Mountain joined the area in shivering this week, as temperatures dropped to wintertime depths and people who had been trying to keep cool a few days before were making fires in rapid order.

The common question in furniture, hardware and appliance stores was, "Have you an oil heater?" The answer was usually "no," though there seemed to be some coal-using models on hand. And coal dealers had made a sudden switch from ice to coal handling.

It was hardly fair weather for the Cleveland County Fair, which opened Tuesday, but the county had been needing rain and got it Wednesday in quite sufficient amount for most folk, many or whom discovered new leaks in roofs.

Merchants generally didn't mind the rough weather. They figured it as sure proof to the public that winter is coming again and expected a spurt in buying of fall and winter apparel and home furnishings.

Temperatures dropped below the 50-mark Wednesday, but Thursday was all sweetness and light again as King Winter passed on.

Merchants To Plan Christmas Opening

All members of the board of directors of the Kings Mountain Merchants association are being urged to attend the regular September meeting to be held at the association offices Monday evening at 7:15.

Ned McGill, association secretary, said that appointment of committees and other arrangements for the annual opening of the Christmas shopping season would have top place on the agenda.

PRIVILEGE LICENSES

Additional five percent monthly penalty on persons who have failed to purchase city privilege licenses will apply Tuesday and persons and firms which have not purchased the licenses are being urged to obtain them at the city hall.

Congressman Bulwinkle Sees Tax Reduction Enactment Next Session

Congressman A. L. Bulwinkle, in Kings Mountain briefly Thursday, said he is returning to Washington over the weekend for meetings of the Congressional Air Policy board, of which he is a member, and expects to be in the Capitol for a month or longer.

Major Bulwinkle, commenting informally on current "situations," said he anticipated that the Republican majority in Congress would again offer the same income reduction tax bill which was defeated in the past Congress, plus the inclusion of a community property provision (which will permit husbands and wives to split incomes for tax purposes), and that he anticipated passage of the bill. He added, however, that he personally favored an increase in the personal exemptions as the best and most equitable means of income tax reduction.

Discussing the approaching 1948 mid-elections, the Gastonia Congressman said he felt President Truman would be the Democratic standard-bearer and that the vice-presidential candidate would be "Truman's choice," probably from New York or some other pivotal state in the Northeast. He also opin-

Legion Auxiliary Launches Annual Membership Drive

Fifty per cent increase over the year's record membership will be the goal of Otis D. Greene Post 155 Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary in a campaign for enrollment of 1948 members, to start October 10th, and continue through November 11th, Armistice Day, Mrs. W. B. Logan, unit president, announced this week.

The campaign will be directed by Mrs. Glee Bridges, membership chairman. All present Auxiliary members will be asked to renew their membership during this time and an invitation to come into the organization will be extended to a eligible women in the city.

"Rapid expansion of American Legion Auxiliary activities since the war calls for a continued increase of our membership," said Mrs. Logan. "There is so much to be done for the disabled veterans, their families and for the needy children of veterans that we must have more members to do it. Our influence is an important factor in the American Legion's legislative activities, its Americanism work and its efforts for national security. The bigger we are the more we can help."

"More than 900,000 women are enrolled in the national organization this year and we confidently expect this figure to pass 1,000,000 in 1948. Such an organization, teamed with The American Legion's 3,000,000 members, can accomplish really important things for the veterans and their families, and for the progress and security of the nation. Every additional member adds to the Auxiliary's power to serve with the Legion of America."

Eligible women include wives, mothers, sisters and daughters of American Legion members and of men who died during the world wars. Women who themselves were enrolled in the armed forces in either war are eligible to both the Legion and Auxiliary.

Business Building Tops Permit List

Issuance of a \$40,000 building permit to Dr. D. M. Morrison for the South Battleground avenue business building already under construction topped the list of building permits issued by S. A. Crouse, city clerk, during the past week.

Contracted by C. T. Bennett Construction company, local building firm, the building is being constructed of brick and was started several weeks ago.

The building will house a number of business firms on the ground floor and will have office space on the second floor.

Permit for the building was issued at City Hall on Sept. 18.

Other permits issued during the past week included:

Sept. 19—B. W. Bartholomew, \$700 for construction of a small room for heating plant for Keeter's Department store.

Sept. 22—W. C. Dellinger, \$900 for new three room dwelling in Kings Park.

Sept. 23—Rufus Davis, \$2,800 for new four-room dwelling near Davidson school.

Dog Owners Urged To Get Licenses

Dog owners of Kings Mountain who do not purchase dog license by October 1, which is only five days away, are in danger of losing their pets.

This is the deadline which has been set by the city on purchase of dog licenses, and an advertisement published in this issue quotes the city ordinance which requires purchase of such a license.

It is also stated that city police will dispose of dogs unlicensed after that date and that owners of unlicensed dogs are subject to indictment.

A total of 45 licenses has been issued at the city hall through Thursday, which hardly covers the city dog population and leaves plenty in danger of extermination.

Certificates showing vaccination against rabies must be presented before securing a license. License fee is \$1.00, including dog tag. E. W. Griffin is the local dog vaccinator.

"We don't want to kill good dogs," Chief of Police N. M. Farr said, "but we are required to kill strays to eliminate a public menace."

Funeral Rites Held Wednesday For War Hero

Funeral services for Capt. Clyde Huffstickler, U. S. Army (retired), were held Wednesday afternoon at Boyce Memorial ARP church, with interment following at Mountain Rest cemetery.

Capt. Huffstickler, 52 years of age died Sunday at Fort Myers, Fla., where he had resided for the past few months. Cause of death was a throat ailment which he contracted while a war prisoner in the Philippines.

Until moving to Fort Myers, Capt. Huffstickler resided here with his family from April 1945, when he arrived home after his celebration.

The Kings Mountain army veteran died only a week after the death of his father Albert Huffstickler.

Capt. Huffstickler served for 31 years on active duty in the army. He took part in the Mexican campaign in 1916-17, and participated in the St. Mihiel and Argonne offensive during World War I. He was stationed in the Philippines at the outbreak of World War II, and was taken prisoner on the fall of Bataan, April 7, 1942.

Surviving are his mother, his wife, Mrs. Pearl Huffstickler, and three children, Mrs. Harold Earp, Ft. Myers, Fla., Jack Huffstickler of the army, and Albert Huffstickler, a student at the University of North Carolina.

Also surviving are four sisters and a brother, Mrs. Bertie Murphy, Mrs. Nell Smith, and Mrs. Minnie Bridges all of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. I. V. Barrett, of Gastonia, and R. B. Huffstickler of Gastonia.

Pallbearers, members of the Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion were Hal D. Ward, John Henry Moss, William D. Byers, C. E. Warwick, W. K. Smith, and Commander John W. Gladden.

Freezer-Locker Stock Pushed

Citizens of Kings Mountain are being urged this week to purchase stock in Kings Mountain Freezer-Locker, Inc., as the October 1 deadline for minimum stock sale total of \$30,000 nears.

Meantime, Paul Mauney, secretary of the company, said he had no direct reports on total amount sold since the drive was launched last week, but said several salesmen had reported "subscriptions and promises of subscriptions." He said he couldn't estimate amounts sold.

Goal of the group was to sell \$20,400 in stock in the freezer-locker month. It was agreed at the September 16 stockholders meeting corporation prior to the first of the that money for stock previously sold which totaled \$9,600, would be returned if the minimum amount—estimated as the total needed to start actual construction of a plant—were not reached.

If the sales effort is successful, the corporation proposes to build a 500-box plant to serve Kings Mountain and the surrounding area with deep-freeze cold storage for fruits, meats, vegetables and other products, together with complete processing plant.

Par value of the stock is \$100 per share.

In a statement last week, President A. S. Kiser, prominent Kings Mountain farmer, urged purchase of the stock to enable fruition of a project "which will benefit both the farmers in the area and the citizens generally."

Members of the stock sales committee were being urged this week to complete their work and report their results.

Symphony Drive Being Pushed

Kings Mountain citizens were being urged this week to purchase annual memberships in the North Carolina Symphony society.

Mrs. Paul Mauney, chairman, said she could not give a complete report on total amount of memberships sold to date, since reports from committee workers had not been received, but she added that the local society is a long way from its \$750 goal.

A number of citizens and business firms have responded to statements by mailing in checks for memberships, she said, and others are being asked to mail in membership checks, if possible.

Members of the solicitation committee are Mrs. Byron Keeter, Mrs. Aubrey Mauney, Mrs. Joe Heddon, Mrs. Jacob Cooper, Mrs. I. G. Patterson and Mrs. Hubert Davidson.