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Immediate Trading Area 15,000
(1945 Ration Board Figures)

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Kings Mountain, N. C., Friday, June 16, 1950

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Local News Bulletins

RECORD SHOP MANAGER
Harold England will manage Billie Logan's Record Shop for the summer. It was announced this week by Mrs. W. B. Logan, proprietor of the establishment.

LEGION MEETING
Regular meeting of Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, will be held at 8 o'clock Friday night at the Legion building, according to announcement by Commander Paul Mauney.

LICENSE TESTS
W. W. Wright, state driver's license examiner, reminded motorists that all drivers whose last names begin with N, O, P, Q, are required to have new license by June 30.

ON GODFREY SHOW
Ernest and Miles Mauney, twin-duo pianists, will play on the Arthur Godfrey Talent Show Monday night at 8:30, it was learned here this week. The show is broadcast over WBT Charlotte and other CBS stations. The twins are sons of Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Mauney.

Five Directors Elected To Board

Five new directors were elected at the annual meeting of The Mountaineer Club, Inc., held at Lake Montona last Friday night.

Directors were elected for a two-year term and included W. S. Fulton, Jr., Charles A. Neilsen, David M. Nelli, Carl F. Mauney and J. Ollie Harris.

Hold-over directors of the organization include Dan Huffstetler, C. C. Edens, Grady Howard, Charles English, W. J. Fulkerson and C. T. Carpenter, Jr.

Members of the club were treated to a free barbecue supper prior to the general meeting. Mr. Edens and Mr. Howard had charge of the arrangements.

It was voted to decrease the public address rental fee from \$12.50 to \$7.50 and to have copies of the club's constitution and by-laws made for distribution to each member.

The club has been listed by the Internal Revenue Department as a charitable and educational organization and a non-profit corporation. It was announced that all donations and bequests to the organization are exempt from gift, estate and inheritance taxes. Dues, however, are not deductible from income tax it was noted.

Falson Barnes, retiring secretary and treasurer, gave the financial report and read the directors annual report. The report follows:

"The Mountaineer Club, incorporated was organized early in 1949 and was incorporated under the laws of North Carolina in April, 1949.

"During the first year of its existence The Mountaineer Club has engaged in a varied program, some of its activities have been the following:

"1. Sponsored an exhibition baseball game between Shelby and Lincolnton.

"2. Sponsored a square dance featuring the famous Cramerton dance team.

"3. Sent the high school football team to summer camp at Brevard College for one week.

"4. Sponsored the grammar school football program.

"5. Paid for health and liability insurance on all football players for the year.

"6. Sponsored the Western Conference Junior College Basketball Tournament.

"7. Purchased a public address system for use in the City Stadium.

"8. Appropriated \$400 for the purchase of new uniforms and equipment for the high school football team next fall."

Moss Station Robbed Early Thursday

Moss Service Station, located on the Grover Road and operated by Charlie Moss, Jr., was robbed sometime Thursday morning of goods estimated in value at about \$300.

Sheriff Hugh A. Logan was investigating the case and trying to find the person or persons who removed from the Moss establishment a quantity of women's and children's clothing, a portable radio, a quantity of candy, gum, cigars and cigarettes.

\$39,000 Offer For Tape Plant Not Confirmed

Top bid for the properties of Kings Mountain Narrow Fabrics, Inc., bankrupt, at trustee's sale in Charlotte Monday was \$39,000.

The bid was not confirmed, and the sale was held open for two weeks, when another effort to sell the plant at a more favorable figure will be made on Monday afternoon, June 26, at 4 o'clock in Charlotte.

The bid of \$39,000, offered by J. P. Benton, Mt. Holly wholesale grocer, was only \$1,000 in excess of the mortgage on the properties held by Reconstruction Finance Agency in bankruptcy. Finance the referee in bankruptcy to turn the properties over to it for sale, in order to protect the RFC holdings.

Harold Hunnicutt, trustee in bankruptcy, said that Referee R. Marlon Ross would probably honor this petition, should no acceptable bids be received at the June 26 hearing.

It was understood that Mr. Benton entered his bid in behalf of a Mr. Clegg, Mt. Holly textile manufacturer associated with Globe Spinning Company.

On Thursday morning, a sale was being conducted at the plant covering a Quonset hut, five looms and one slasher. This property was not covered by the RFC mortgage and was mortgaged otherwise.

The bankrupt firm filed petition in bankruptcy last Sept. 24. At the time the company claimed assets of \$237,000 against liabilities of \$161,000, giving as a reason for its financial difficulties a lack of operating capital.

The property includes some 9.11 acres of land, buildings, machinery, office fixtures, equipment and supplies.

981 Enrolled At Bible School

Almost 1,000 Kings Mountain children have been enrolled in daily vacation Bible schools of ten Kings Mountain churches, during the past two weeks.

Five more churches have scheduled Bible schools beginning next week and continuing into July.

Top enrollment was listed by Second Baptist church, with 187 students, followed closely by First Baptist church, with 163 students.

Other enrollment figures include: Boyce Memorial ARP, 60; First Presbyterian, 74; St. Matthew's Lutheran, 111; Grace Methodist, 70; First Wesleyan Methodist, 133; Central Methodist, 70; Macedonia Baptist, 65; and Church of God, 48.

Bible school at First Church of the Nazarene begins next week, and Temple Baptist church and second Wesleyan church plan schools for July. Also planning Bible schools are Missionary Methodist church and Park Grace Church of the Nazarene.

TO ATTEND MEETING

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lawrence Patrick will leave this weekend for Myrtle Beach, S. C., where they will attend a joint convention of the North Carolina and South Carolina Cottonseed Crushers association. The sessions will be held at the Ocean Forest hotel on Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Patrick is a member of the association.

Kincaid Elected To High Office At State Eastern Star Session

Arnold W. Kincaid, prominent Kings Mountain citizen and Bessemer City manufacturer, was elected associate grand patron of the Eastern Star of North Carolina at the 45th Grand Chapter session held this week in Greensboro.

Mr. Kincaid, a member of the Bessemer City Eastern Star chapter, is a past deputy district grand patron of the 17th district.

During the past year, he has been active in reorganization of an Eastern Star chapter here.

At the session in Greensboro, Edith Jane Kincaid, daughter of Mr. Kincaid, had the honor of leading the opening march of the Eastern session as Little Queen. Father, the honor having been bestowed by Mrs. Edna C. Moag, worthy grand matron.

Among Kings Mountain people attending the session were Mrs. Kincaid, Miss Annie Roberts and Miss Mary McMill.



WAYNE LAFAYETTE WARE, Jr.



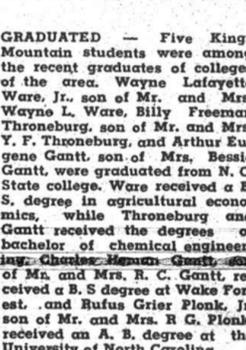
BILLY FREEMAN THRONEBURG



ARTHUR ENGUNE GANTT



CHARLES HEMAN GANTT



RUFUS GRIER PLONK, Jr.

GRADUATED — Five Kings Mountain students were among the recent graduates of colleges of the area. Wayne Lafayette Ware, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne L. Ware, Billy Freeman Throneburg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. F. Throneburg, and Arthur Eugene Gantt, son of Mrs. Bessie Gantt, were graduated from N. C. State college. Ware received a B. S. degree in agricultural economics, while Throneburg and Gantt received the degrees of bachelor of chemical engineering. Charles Heman Gantt, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Gantt, received a B. S. degree at Wake Forest, and Rufus Grier Plonk, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Plonk, received an A. B. degree at the University of North Carolina.

June 24th Primary Nears; Workers Busy

Four Contests To Be Settled; Eight Days Left

Though the state's second primary, ordered to determine Democratic nominees in races not settled by the first voting on May 27th, is only eight days away, surface excitement did not appear too great in Kings Mountain as the voting day approached.

This did not mean that work for the various candidates was not under way.

Kings Mountain, along with its neighboring county citizens, will help determine on June 24th results of the race between Senator Frank P. Graham and Challenger Willis Smith for the United States Senate, between Woodrow W. Jones and Charles E. Hamilton for the 11th district Congressional nomination, between J. Haywood Allen and J. Raymond Cline for sheriff of Cleveland County, and between incumbent L. T. Hamrick, Jr., and Ruben Elam for judge of recorder's court.

Though most observers were predicting that Cleveland would fall somewhat short of the more than 12,000 votes cast in the May 27th primary, it was anticipated that Cleveland, percentage-wise, would poll more votes than some other counties, where local nominations have already been settled.

The Senate race was getting much attention here from the standpoint of organizational work. Hal D. Ward, Smith campaign manager in Kings Mountain, was beaming with confidence. (Cont'd on page eight)

Crooks Nabbed After Accident

E. C. McClain, manager of Sterch's, started out on a routine service call last Friday afternoon. Before he had returned, he had collected a smashed fender on the Sterch truck, and two thieves were lodged in the Gaston county jail.

Mr. McClain was turning off the Gastonia highway at Alex's Golf Range, when a Chevrolet car driven by the two culprits smashed him from the rear. Mr. McClain got out to investigate the damage and noticed that one of the occupants of the Chevrolet had already high-tailed it to the woods.

The other occupant, Mr. McClain noted, was trying to get the glove compartment opened, and he remarked, "My friend is just scared." But the remaining man hit the ground running and made for the woods too.

When Patrolman R. B. Harrill arrived, Mr. McClain told him the occupants had fled and that they had acted suspiciously. Patrolman Harrill notified patrol headquarters by radio.

A short time later, Patrolman F. C. Simmons, of Cherryville, apprehended the pair as they emerged from the woods, and picked them up. In the confines of the jail, the pair, who gave their names as Albert Millard, 27 of Lawrence, Mass., and Stanton Howard Goulette, 35, of Attleboro, Mass., admitted that they had stolen the '49 Chevrolet in Statesboro, Ga. They said they are paroled prisoners, having served time for armed robbery.

Officers found a pistol in the glove compartment, and they found a quantity of goods in the trunk of the car, including clothing, knives, candy bars, flashlights, dress goods, etc.—which officers believe to be stolen property also.

District Masons To Meet Here

Masons of Gaston, Lincoln, and Cleveland counties, comprising the 28th and 37th Masonic Districts of North Carolina, will gather on Wednesday, June 21, for a detailed study of the entire ritualistic work of Masonic lodges in the new hall of Fairview Lodge No. 339, Kings Mountain, starting at 2:30 p. m. and continuing until 9:30.

Supper will be served at six o'clock by the ladies of the Kings Mountain Chapter of Eastern Star.

One of the sections of work to be studied will be the second section of the Third Degree, which will be done at the night session, with the degree team of Cleveland Lodge No. 202, Shelby, participating in full regalia. Other lodges of the 28th and 37th Districts will present the other sections of all three degrees, omitting charges, prayers, examinations, and most of the lectures.

D. C. Wright, district deputy grand lecturer, of Mooresboro, will be in charge. Many certified lecturers, including Fred C. Kincaid, grand lecturer, will be on duty to observe carefully and offer constructive criticism.

Court Session Crowd Pleaser

Several sparks set off explosions for spectators who jammed the courtroom at the regular session of City Recorder's court held at City Hall Monday afternoon with Judge W. Falson Barnes presiding.

William Butler, who was found guilty of failing to pay a taxi fare, was taxed with costs of court. Warrants have been served against Butjes and his plaintiff in the case, Coley Freeman, for affray. Both reportedly "swung a few" blows at each other in the hall off the courtroom wing just after the verdict was handed down in the case. The new charges are to be heard in court Monday afternoon.

Another case that was a crowd-pleaser was the one against Clayton R. Hope, who was originally charged with "attempted assault with intent to rape." The charge was changed to assault and Hope paid a fine of \$10 and costs.

In a case heard at the June 5th session, Phillip A. Myers was found guilty of reckless driving, carrying concealed weapons and injury to personal property and drew fines totaling \$210 and costs. Myers damaged plumbing at the city jail to the extent of some \$78 after his arrest on June 4th on the reckless driving charge.

Other Monday cases and their outcomes included: Case against Joshua Gist, charged with public drunkenness and disorderly conduct, fined \$5 and costs. Grady Gilmore, assault with a deadly weapon, fined \$50 and costs. Jake M. Reynolds, assault on a woman, fined \$50 and costs. (Cont'd on page eight)

Commissioners Hold Regular June Session

The city board of commissioners conducted principally routine business at their regular monthly session Wednesday.

The board passed a privilege license ordinance for 1950, accepted low bids of Reynolds Motors on a police car and dump truck, and decided not to purchase immediately a ditch-digger.

The privilege license ordinance, which requires almost all types of business operated in the city to pay a privilege license tax, was enacted on the same schedule as for 1949 with one exception. The board lowered the tax required of loan agencies from \$100 to \$25.

The board accepted low bid for a four-door Plymouth sedan to be used as a policecar, at \$1,400, and low bid on a two-ton dump truck-cab and chassis, at \$1,630.

Other bids included: from Victory Chevrolet Company, for a four-door sedan, \$1,600, and for the truck, \$1,700. From Plonk Motor Company, for a four-door sedan, \$1,450, and for the specified truck, \$1,630.

The board did not act on bids for a tar spreader, delaying action for further investigation.

Peggy Hammond Education Director

Miss Peggy Hammond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lambert J. Hammond of Spartanburg, S. C. is serving as director of Christian education for the summer at Central Methodist church. Miss Hammond, a student at Greensboro college, is majoring in religious education, minoring in voice, and serving as a member of the YWCA and the Glee Club.

"Miss Hammond brings to our work many lovely gifts: an earnest, devout Christian character; a gracious, charming personality and keen intellect. Her activities are not confined to the Daily Vacation Bible School and Youth Work, but in rendering beautiful solos at the preaching services. An energetic, tireless worker Miss Hammond has endeared herself to all groups of the church. It is through the interest of Mrs. E. W. Griffin, President of the W. S. C. S. and her co-workers that it has been possible for the church to take this forward step in Christian education," said Rev. J. H. Brendall, the pastor, in announcing Miss Hammond's appointment.

Chosen to attend but unable to make the trip were Clifton Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Morgan, and Gene Mauney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Mauney. The representatives were chosen from the rising senior class of Kings Mountain high school, on the basis of scholarship and citizenship. The group will return home Sunday.

Building Permits Issued At City Hall

Building permits have been issued at City Hall to the following:

Warren Reynolds, on June 15, for construction of a woodwork shop, \$1,000.

W. B. Barber, on June 14, for new four-room dwelling on Sims street, \$1,800.

Clyde Combs, on June 12, new five-room house on Linwood road, \$3,800.

Ray A. Kirby, on May 29th, construction of a garage, \$600.

First National Bank, May 31st, alterations, \$700.

M. C. Amos, May 30th, alterations, \$200.

Emmit Ross, May 31st, garage Linwood road, \$100.

E. S. Medlin, May 20, new five-room house Candler street, \$1,500.

Jaycee Beauty Show To Be Held Friday



TO SING BENEFIT — Miss Frances Summers, soprano, will sing a benefit concert on the evening of July 6 at the high school auditorium under sponsorship of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club. It was announced this week. Proceeds from the concert will go to the Kiwanis club's underprivileged children fund. Miss Summers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank R. Summers, recently completed a year of graduate work in voice at the University of Texas. She is a graduate of Salem College.

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The contest will begin at eight o'clock.

The contests in both divisions will be conducted under rules of the national Miss America contests, with the winners in the senior division (ages 18-28) to represent the city in the state beauty contest at Wrightsville Beach.

Winner in the junior division (ages 14-17) will represent the city at the Tobacco Festival in Reidsville.

Out-of-town judges will name the winners on the basis of beauty and talent.

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Contestants in the senior division are: Misses Betty Stone, Aileen Barnett, Betty Falls, Wanda Dancy, Jo Ann Wright, Mary Helen Wright, Bonnie McIntosh, Joan Wilson, Betty Sue Pendleton, Thelma Goforth, and Jean Cash.

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James Allran, of Cherryville, will serve as master of ceremonies.

Ralph Spearman served as chairman. Grady Howard, co-chairman and I. Ben Goforth, Jr., entrées chairman for the two-evening affair.

Admission to the show is \$1.00 per person.

Employers Urged To Grant Leaves

All employers of members of Reserve components of the Armed Forces and of the National Guard were urged this week by Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson to be liberal in granting special leaves of absence for participation in this annual period of military training.

The Kings Mountain National Guard unit is scheduled to leave July 2nd for a 15-day training period at Fort Jackson, S. C.

Secretary Johnson notes that it is especially important, in view of the current position of world affairs, that every possible man undergo this summer's training program.

Captain Humes Houston, of Headquarters & Hq. Co., 3rd battalion, 120th Infantry, N. C. N. G., announced this week authorization for an additional increase in personnel. Ten openings are now listed in the company and interested men are urged to check at the army motor shed on Phifer road or contact Capt. Houston.

City Accepting 1950 Tax Payments

Now is the time to pay 1950 city taxes to qualify for a two percent discount.

Under the law, the advance payment discount declines to one and one-half percent after June 30.

The city is accepting payments on the basis of \$1.50 per \$100 valuation, though the tax rate and budget for the forthcoming year has not been set officially. Taxpayers are urged to call for the same tax rate for the 1950-51 fiscal year.

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RECEIVED — R. Lawrence Mauney received a certificate of membership this week in the Fifty Year Club of the North Carolina Bankers association.

R. Lawrence Mauney Is Member Of Bankers' Fifty Year Club

R. Lawrence Mauney, prominent Kings Mountain citizen and vice-president of the First National Bank, has received a certificate of membership in the "Fifty Year Club," of the North Carolina Bankers association.

Mr. Mauney thus joins an exclusive group in North Carolina banking circles.

The certificate, signed by J. H. Waldrop, president, and Fred W. Greene, executive secretary, of the association, reads: "In recognition of 50 years of distinguished service to banking in North Carolina, this certificate of membership in the Fifty Year Club has been presented to R. Lawrence Mauney, by action of the executive committee of the North Carolina Bankers association."

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week which ended on Wednesday totaled \$180.65 according to report by City Clerk S. A. Crouse.