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Local News Bulletins

MAGAZINES GIVEN
 Joe Dixon, business manager of the Kings Mountain hospital, wishes to express his appreciation to Mrs. L. L. Benson, and Mrs. Charlie Cash for the collection of magazines presented Saturday, September 1, to the hospital.

BUILDING PERMIT
 A building permit approved by Building Inspector Kelly Dixon, was issued at City Hall on Thursday to J. E. Hord to construct a one story residence on Carpenter street at an estimated cost of \$1500.

PARKING MONEY
 A total of \$136.80 was collected from the city's parking meters Wednesday afternoon, according to a report of acting City Clerk, Joe McDaniel.

MAUNEY ELECTED
 Dr. W. L. Mauney, Kings Mountain and Shelby chiropractor, was elected secretary-treasurer of the North Carolina Chiroprody association at the annual convention of the organization in Asheville this week.

PATRICK TO REPORT
 Rev. P. D. Patrick, home mission secretary for Kings Mountain Presbyterian, will make a report on "Progress of the Kingdom", at the 14th annual Home Missions conference of the Synod of North Carolina at Red Springs on next Monday and Tuesday.

INJURED IN FALL
 Bobby Herndon, employee of Marlowe's Center Service, suffered a wrenched hip Tuesday afternoon after he slipped on a greasy surface and fell. He is a patient at Kings Mountain hospital. He was reported improved Thursday.

LIONS PROGRAM
 Dr. Richard Weaver, of Raleigh, executive director of the North Carolina Resource Youth Education commission, will address members of the Kings Mountain Lions club at their regular meeting Tuesday night at 7 o'clock at Masonic Dining Hall, it was announced by Olive Harris, program chairman.

BARRETT SAILS
 Corp. James R. (Dick) Barrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Barrett, has left the United States according to a change of address received here this week. Barrett, who volunteered for service on January 15th, trained at Fort Bragg and Camp Stoneman, Calif. His new address: AF 14391238, Provisional Squadron 476, APO 959, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, Calif.

Water Billings Increase \$917

Kings Mountain citizens' water bills, reflecting rate increases effective with August accounts, jumped considerably over July billings, last month under the former rate schedules.

Total billings for August received by customers September 1, totaled \$5,534.42 as compared to total July billings of \$4,616.65. Acting City Clerk Joe McDaniel said the August total is not final, as mechanical and flaring errors always crop up in few of the approximately 2,000 water accounts.

The water rate increases and resulting increased billings brought fewer complaints from customers than did the August light and power billings, Mr. McDaniel said.

Re-checks on complaints, however, showed that vast majority of the readings and billings on electrical accounts were correct. Mr. McDaniel credited the increase in power usage to the extreme hot weather, with concurrent heavy use by customers of fans plus increased power required to keep refrigerator temperatures to their customary low levels.

Compulsory School Ages 7 Through 15

M. C. (Bud) Poston, city schools attendance officer, this week reminded parents that state law requires children ages seven through 15 to attend school regularly.

He also announced that he was available for duty to city school teachers for any attendance problem. Violators of the law will be prosecuted, Mr. Poston said.

200 Boy Scouts To Participate In Camping Event

Some 200 Kings Mountain Boy Scouts and Cub Scouters are expected to participate this weekend in a two-day camporee at Davidson Memorial Scout Camp, according to announcement by H. C. Wilson, district camping chairman.

The two-day event, being sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, begins Friday afternoon at 5:00 o'clock.

Remainder of the Friday program calls for retreat at 7 o'clock and a camp fire program at 7:30, at which each troop will present a five-minute skit. Call to quarters will be sounded at 10 o'clock with taps to be bugled at 10:15.

The Scouts will be out-of-bunk at 6:45 Saturday morning for a busy day, which will include the competitive camporee events.

Inspections at breakfast and of the camps will count ten points each on the camporee score card.

The other events begin at 9:15. Each event will give the winning group ten points. They include knot-tying, water boiling, fire building with flint and steel, fire-by-friction, running of a compass course, first aid, and tent-pitching. In addition, ten points will go to the troop with largest percentage of attendance at the camporee.

At 12:30 Saturday afternoon, a hunter's stew dinner will be served the Scouts and an anticipated 100 guests.

In event of rain, the camporee will be held the weekend of September 14-15.

Drama Rehearsal Saturday Night

The entire cast and production staff of *Then Conquer We Must* is to meet at the Kings Mountain National Military Park amphitheatre Saturday at 7:30 p. m. for rehearsal of the drama scheduled to open a six-performance stand September 21st.

Officials of the drama pointed out that the Saturday rehearsal is a change from a previously announced Friday night drill and urged full attendance.

Persons wishing transportation to the park Saturday night are requested to be at the Little Theatre business office at 506 East King street (Phone No. 485-LW) before 7 o'clock.

Ticket sales for the production have been brisk according to Little Theatre officials, with orders having already been filled from many sections of the country.

Kings Mountain citizens planning to attend the opening performances are urged to place orders now for tickets. The amphitheatre seats only around 750 people, it was noted.

The amphitheatre is located about one mile east of the museum on the Kings Mountain National Military Park road.

Performances of the drama are scheduled for September 21, 22, 23 and 29 and October 5 and 6. An announced October 7th performance has been cancelled.

Mrs. Mauney And Miss Gillespie Compose Music For Battle Drama

Not only was "Then Conquer We Must", the historical drama commemorating the Battle of Kings Mountain authored by a Kings Mountain citizen.

The considerable and varied music required as accompaniment for the drama also was composed by Kings Mountain citizens.

The two composers are Mrs. Katherine S. Mauney, wife of Aubrey Mauney, and Miss Evelyn Gillespie, by profession a social service worker.

Mrs. Mauney composed the music for the colonial dance scene, showing a Tory party, a ballad entitled "My Father's a Tory", and the finale "Then Conquer We Must", which bears same name as the title of the drama. Words for the finale were written by Robert Osborne, author of the drama.

Miss Gillespie wrote and arranged the overture, the battle music, the love theme, and wrote a special arrangement of "America", the latter being used as accompaniment in a scene featuring as characters George Washington and a senator of the Continental Congress.

The Kings Mountain Choral Society will furnish the choral background for the drama, and will sing the hymn of thanksgiving "We Gather Together" and the finale, B. S. Peeler, Jr., Kings Mountain baritone, will

Dr. John C. McGill Will Practice Here

South Carolina Doctor To Open Offices Soon

Dr. John C. McGill, of Williamston, S. C., has announced that he will come to Kings Mountain about mid-October to open offices for the general practice of medicine.

Dr. McGill was in Kings Mountain twice last weekend to complete arrangements for coming to Kings Mountain.

He told the Herald it would require from four to six weeks for him to close his practice in Williamston, where he has been a practicing physician for the past year.

Dr. McGill is the son of Dr. W. K. McGill, for the past 30 years a practicing physician at Clover, S. C.

He was graduated from Erskine College at Due West, S. C., in 1943 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in science. He later obtained the degree of Doctor of Medicine degree from Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., and served for more than two years in the army medical corps, including 21 months in the Pacific Theatre. He was a captain when returned to inactive duty status.

After the war he took post-graduate work at Charlotte Memorial hospital and at the Medical College of Virginia at Richmond.

Mrs. McGill is the former Miss Mabel Hamilton, of Statesville. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. B. L. Hamilton, Associate Reformed Presbyterian missionaries to India. Mrs. McGill was born in India.

Presbyterians To Hear Foushee

Rev. Clyde C. Foushee, D. D., pastor of Second Presbyterian church, of Spartanburg, S. C., will deliver the sermon Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at First Presbyterian church here.

Dr. Foushee and Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor of First Presbyterian church are exchanging pulpits for the Sunday morning services.

"Dr. Foushee is a most able and gifted preacher," Mr. Patrick said, "and Kings Mountain citizens will benefit by hearing him."

Grammar Football

The grammar grade football committee was scheduled to meet last night (Thursday) at Baird Furniture Co. to discuss plans for the program this season. Eighth graders will not be allowed to play high school football and the grammar group hopes to include that group in it's plans.

Bethware Officials Readying For Fair

It's fair time again. Citizens of the Bethware community will present the fourth annual Bethware Community Fair next weekend in what fair officials are terming in advance the "biggest and best ever."

Important addition to this year's fair program will be a fireworks display each evening.

John Rudisill, secretary, also reports increased interest in the several displays and exhibits.

He also announced that eight prizes will be given away each night, all on a strictly free basis, with no purchases of anything required.

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Friday will be Children's Day with lower prices for children prevailing on the five rides of the Pee Dee Amusement Company up until 6 p. m. In addition, special contests for children will be held in the afternoon.

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Mrs. Harmon's Rites Conducted

Funeral services for Mrs. North Harmon, 70, who died at her home on route two Saturday morning after suffering a heart attack, were held Sunday at 4 o'clock at Bethlehem Baptist church.

Rev. T. W. Fogleman, pastor of the church of which she had been a member for 58 years, and Rev. W. G. Camp officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

She was the former Miss Miley Medlin, daughter of the late Aaron and Cynthia Gladden Medlin and was the wife of North Harmon, well-known farmer of the Bethlehem Community.

She is survived by her husband a son, Willis Harmon, of Kings Mountain; a daughter, Mrs. Hunter Jackson, of Shelby; a sister, Mrs. Ida Medlin, of Kings Mountain; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A son Pfc. Roy Harmon was killed in action in France in 1941.

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Miss Queen Sings For Junior Chamber

The Junior Chamber of Commerce met at the Masonic dining hall Tuesday night in a semi-monthly regular meeting.

Lengthy Agenda On City Board Docket Monday

The city board of commissioners will have a full evening's business to attend to at the regular September meeting Monday night.

Among the items already listed on the agenda are:

1) Receiving of bids on a truck and truck body for the sanitary department, two police cars, and ten police uniforms.

2) Hearings on three requested changes in the zoning ordinance.

3) Establishment of a policy on construction of sidewalks and curbs and gutters.

4) Consideration of several street petitions.

Also expected to be in the agenda, continued from previous sessions, is employment of a city clerk.

Another item will be consideration of the civil suit recently filed by a group of citizens seeking to restrain the pay of City Administrator M. K. Fuller. City Attorney J. R. Davis said this week he was awaiting instructions from the members of the board on filing of an answer to the complaint.

Mayor Still said that one commissioner had asked for inclusion on the agenda consideration of asking bids on an annual basis for the city's automotive repair work.

In addition, the board will consider reports on August operations.

The board convenes Monday night at 7:30.

City Installing Water, Sewer Lines

The city's water and sewer department is proceeding on the installation of additional sewer and water lines.

The department has completed installation of sewer lines on Childers street, and on Tracy street (serving the area from Parker to Childers), and on Thursday was making an installation on Gantt street to serve the block between Waco road and Morris street.

M. K. Fuller, city administrator, said the department would begin work Monday installing a six-inch water main and hydrant on South Gaston street from Gold street.

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President W. K. Mauney, Jr., presided and welcomed several members back to the club who had been away this summer.

Jack White, program chairman, presented a musical program by Miss Aileen Queen, talented Fallston soloist.

Miss Adele Justice accompanied Miss Queen at the piano. They were introduced by W. F. Gary, Fallston school superintendent.

Shelby Center Wants Local Team Entries

The Shelby Recreation Center is completing its fall activities program and desires team entries from Kings Mountain, James (Red) Layton said this week.

He said the Shelby Center seeks Kings Mountain representation in its bowling leagues and in its six-man football league.

Individuals or groups interested should contact Mr. Layton.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Votes To Build New Church Building

The congregation of St. Matthew's Lutheran church voted unanimously Sunday to construct a new church building.

The church, organized in 1876, will observe its 75th anniversary by dedicating its new parsonage and by beginning a new church structure.

The St. Matthew's church council meets on Tuesday night and it is anticipated that committees will be appointed to handle the many phases of the new building program.

The congregation also voted on Sunday to continue its regular Sunday evening services. "The vote of members participating was approximately 75 percent in favor of continuing Sunday evening services."

Dr. W. P. Gerberding, the pastor, said the evening services will be held at 8 o'clock and that they will be informal, with particular emphasis on hymn-singing and prayer. On Sunday evening, Dr. Gerberding will begin a series of sermons on the "Ten Commandments".

He extended an invitation to the public to attend the services.

Funeral Held On Tuesday For H. Y. Belk

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the home on Waco road for Henry Young Belk, Sr., 78, who died suddenly Monday morning around 4:30 o'clock of a heart attack.

Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor of First Presbyterian church, of which he was a member, officiated and burial was in the Grover cemetery.

Mr. Belk had been apparent good health. Death came a few minutes after the attack.

He was a native of Union County, N. C., the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Belk. He was formerly a farmer and had lived in the Dixon community for many years. He had also been a newspaper and magazine writer and at the time of his death was a columnist for the KINGS MOUNTAIN HERALD.

Mr. Belk had turned in the copy for his column for this edition on last Saturday morning and at that time had intimated he was not feeling very well. His weekly *News of Nebo Valley*, named after the community near the old Nebo creek bridge on Waco road just outside the city limits where he had lived for the past several years, has appeared regularly in the HERALD for more than nine years.

Mr. Belk wrote in individual, choppy style, and his handwritten copy was a typesetter's nightmare. But his pungent wit and satire, recently reserved for President Truman and Henry Wallace, attracted wide readership.

His first wife, the former Miss Jennie Mae Bell, died in 1914. He re-married to the former Miss Mamie Hardin, who survives.

Other survivors include five sons, Emery Belk, of Atlanta, Ga., Hall and H. Y. Belk, Jr., both of Kings Mountain, North Belk, of the U. S. Army in Colorado, and George Belk, of High Shoals; five daughters, Mrs. Geneva McDaniel and Mrs. Aileen Ross, of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Carrie Bell Smith, of Gastonia, and Mrs. Mary E. Lingerfelt and Mrs. Betty Self, of Shelby; two brothers, Rev. A. E. Belk, of Gaffney, S. C., and Russell Belk, of Heath Springs, S. C.; three sisters, Mrs. Ed Pruitt, of Spartanburg, S. C., and Mrs. M. L. Gaffney and Mrs. Julia St. Clair, of Gaffney, S. C.; 20 grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Serving as active pall bearers were Frank M. Rippy, Elmer Ross, Fletcher Wright, C. J. Gault, Jr., E. W. Griffin, Jr., and C. T. Carpenter, Jr.

YOUTH NIGHT AT ARP
 Youth night will be observed at Boyce Memorial A. R. P. church on Sunday night at 7:30. The subject is "Christ, The Only Answer". The public is cordially invited.

KIWANIS PROGRAM
 Members of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club were to hear an address at their regular meeting Thursday evening at 6:45 by Robert Osborne, author of "Then Conquer We Must," a drama commemorating the Battle of Kings Mountain.

School Enrollment Figures Show Slight Increase Over Year Ago

Kings Mountain city schools and Park Grace school reported a total gain over first day enrollment of 31 on Wednesday as 1,985 pupils reported for the 1951-52 term at the schools.

Opening day at the schools went smoothly according to school officials and everyone was reported down to hard work on the fall semester.

Attendance was higher Wednesday than on opening day. Opening day enrollment totals showed a net gain of 23 students in the city schools over the 1950 first day total of 1,755. The city's 1,778 opening day figure showed a decrease of 16 pupils in the white schools and an increase in Davidson school enrollment of 39.

Biggest loss was shown by Central high school, which dropped 25 students over the 1950 opening day attendance but the white elementary units showed a gain of 9 for the net white schools loss of 16.

Davidson Negro elementary school reflected a gain of 31 pupils, highest in the area, and Davidson high school showed a gain of eight for the increase of 39.

On Wednesday, the city schools' attendance had reached 1933, a jump of 25 students, with the white schools showing an increase of 22 and Davidson a jump of three.



KIWANIS SPEAKER—Marlin H. Bruner, southern district manager of Du Pont's public relations extension division, will be guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club September 13.

Bruner To Speak To Kiwanis Club

Marlin H. Bruner, widely known speaker on chemical advances will speak to the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club at its regular meeting, September 13, on "Progress in Better Living."

Mr. Bruner will demonstrate some of the recent developments in modern industrial chemistry and show why industry in the United States has been able to give the people of America the highest standard of living in the world.

He is Southern manager of the Extension Division of E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company and maintains his headquarters in Clemson, S. C. During the past 12 months he has talked at scores of meetings in the South.

Mr. Bruner is a graduate in forestry of the Pennsylvania State College and has a master's degree from the Yale School of Forestry. He took additional graduate work at Yale, specializing in soils, botany, plant physiology and pathology. He has had experience with the U. S. Forest Service in North Carolina, Tennessee, and Louisiana, and with the Agricultural Extension Service in Arkansas and South Carolina.

He is a member of the Society of American Foresters, is past chairman of the Forestry Section of the Association of Southern Agricultural Workers, and is active in other scientific and agricultural organizations.

Central grammar and high school students covered by the policy last year had 13 claims filed for a total of \$135.50. The combined total premiums paid by the 316 students was \$237.

The policy pays one thousand dollars for accidental death or for maximum medical expenses and one hundred dollars for maximum dental expenses.

All city school students are eligible to join the policy, including Davidson school pupils.

Marines Promote Howard To Captain

Grady Howard, well-known Kings Mountain man on active duty with the Marine Corps, has recently been promoted to captain.

Capt. Howard, a veteran of World War II, was recalled to active duty on March 12, at that time holding the rank of first lieutenant.

He is now attached to support battalion, supply command, of the Fleet Marine Force at Camp Lejeune, and expects to go on maneuvers about September 15.

Mrs. Howard, who has been with her husband at Camp Lejeune, expects to return to Kings Mountain during the three-month maneuver period.

Marlowe Purchases R. C. Gold House

The E. C. Gold house on West Gold street was sold Wednesday to E. E. Marlowe according to announcement by G. A. Bridges, executor of the Gold estate.

Sale price was not announced. A large crowd attended the public auction sale of many of the Gold household goods held at the residence on last Saturday, Mr. Bridges said, and the sale went well.

The total number of primary students enrolling Tuesday, in city schools was 536. Park Grace had a total primary population

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