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Local News Bulletins

BAKE SALE
Women of David's Baptist church will conduct a Bake sale at Bridges Hardware Company Saturday night beginning at 9 a. m. Homemade pies, cakes and other delicacies will be offered for sale, it was announced.

GETS PROMOTION
Joe Costner, son of Mrs. Daisy Costner of N. Candler street, who is stationed on an (Radar) outpost in Alaska, was recently promoted to sergeant. His present address is: AF-14-345-024, 625th Acft. Const. & Wg. Sqdn., APO 942, c/o PM, Seattle, Washington.

PARKING MONEY
The total of \$138.74 was collected from the City's parking meters for the week ending Wednesday according to a report of City Clerk, Joe Hendrick.

COMMUNICATION
An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge No. 339, A. F. and A. M., will be held Saturday night at the Masonic Lodge hall at 7:30 p. m. for the purpose of conferring the first degree. All Masons are invited to attend.

MARLOWE BACK
E. E. Marlowe returned Wednesday from Conshohocken, Pa., where he had made a business trip to Lee Tire Company factory. Marlowe's Center Service is an area distributor for Lee products.

NO MEETING
The Kings Mountain Kiwanis club did not meet Thursday night, cancelling the regular Thursday night meeting due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Mauney Stockholder, Not Paper Organizer

W. K. Mauney, Kings Mountain textile executive, said Wednesday he was a stockholder, but not the organizer, of a proposed newspaper to be published in Kings Mountain.

The Herald had stated last week that it had learned authoritatively that Mr. Mauney had been active in promoting sale of stock in the venture. Mr. Mauney added he would buy some stock in the Kings Mountain Herald, if any were for sale.

Other details on the management, ownership, and plans of the venture were not learned.

Early Morning Call Proves False Alarm

City firemen answered an alarm that proved to be false early Tuesday morning. The call was placed for the Parker Street residence owned by Aubrey Mauney when the occupants smelled fumes about 1 a. m. No fire was found.

To add to the fun, the fire alarm stuck for several minutes, to awaken many citizens for a look out the window.

ARP Church Holds Holiday Services

Boyce Memorial ARP church held its annual Thanksgiving service and breakfast Thursday morning, with some 150 present. Men of the church, as is their custom, prepared and served breakfast to the large group attending. The menu included fried eggs, pork sausage, grits, hot biscuits, and coffee.

A half-hour Thanksgiving service was held in the church auditorium, beginning at 7:30.

More Rose Plants On Sale Saturday

The city Beautification committee has received an additional shipment of Paul's Scarlet Climber rose plants and will offer them for sale Saturday morning, it was announced this week.

Mrs. Sam Davis, co-chairman of the committee, will be at the vacant lot behind Bridges Hardware Company Saturday from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m.

It was pointed out that citizens desiring rose plants, and away from home during the house-to-house sale, could use this opportunity to purchase rose plants. They sell for 75 cents.

The committee sold over 1,000 plants in the house-to-house survey, as the first step in a community-wide beautification project.



LUTHERAN PARSONAGE TO BE DEDICATED—The handsome new parsonage of St. Matthew's Lutheran church will be dedicated Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at special services. The dedicatory exercises will be one of the features of the church's observance of its 75th anniversary. The brick-veneer two-story building is located on Piedmont avenue at Ridge street and was erected on the site of the former parsonage.

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Begins 75th Anniversary Rites



PASTOR — Dr. W. P. Gerberding is the pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church. He is the 12th minister to serve the 75-year-old church.

Speidels Named Club Managers

Hunter R. Neisler, retiring president of the Kings Mountain Country Club, announced at Tuesday's annual stockholders meeting the appointment of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Speidel, of Jacksonville, Fla., as managers of the club.

Mr. and Mrs. Speidel expect to assume their duties not later than December 1, it was stated. They will succeed Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pressley.

Mr. Neisler told the stockholders that the house committee, headed by Dr. W. L. Ramseyer, and several directors and other club members had completed arrangements for the employment of Mr. and Mrs. Speidel over the weekend.

Mr. Speidel is currently a salesman for Eastman Kodak Company, formerly operated a camera shop in Richmond, Va., and is a former sales manager of a Richmond optical company.

Mrs. Speidel formerly lived in Charlotte. When in Richmond, she was an employee of a large catering firm, and, since that time, has managed Jacksonville's Franell Kitchen. She recently completed a summer course in dietetics at Florida State university.

The Speidels have a son, age 14.

Annual Sale Of Christmas Seals Underway; 11,000 Letters Mailed

Cleveland County's annual sale of Christmas seals, to aid the war against tuberculosis, began this week.

More than 11,000 individuals and business firms were mailed Christmas seals, and they are requested to send payment for them to the Cleveland County Tuberculosis and Health association at Box 1259, Shelby.

William H. Dover, chairman of the annual sale, made the following report on work done by the association during the past year: 1) The association made a chest x-ray, without charge, for 15,000 persons.

Large Crowd Hears Sermon By Dr. Derrick

St. Matthew's Lutheran church began its 75th anniversary series of services Thanksgiving morning, as Dr. C. K. Derrick, a former pastor, delivered the sermon at special Thanksgiving rites. The church was well-filled for the service and heard Dr. Derrick, now a Lutheran minister in Atlanta, Ga., speak on the subject "The Soil of a Thankful Soul."

"When we are not in harmony with God," Dr. Derrick said, "then the world is in discord, as we find it today. He urged his hearers to 'grow a thankful soul, without over-emphasis on material things.' 'Happiness is the fruit of holiness,' he said, 'and happiness is the soil of God's redemption.' He declared that the members of St. Matthew's church, in the course of its 75 years of growth and spiritual work, had furnished a rich soil for the growth of God's Kingdom.

"The soil has been made fertile," he concluded, "by all those who have helped to make, through the years, a place for God."

Dr. Derrick was pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church from January 1, 1920, to May 15, 1935. Continuation of the special anniversary series of services will continue through Sunday.

On Friday evening at 6:30, a Jubilee Covered Dish will be held at the church.

On Sunday morning, Dr. J. Luther Mauney, president of the Lutheran Synod of Virginia, will deliver the sermon at 11 o'clock.

On Sunday afternoon, at 3:30 Dr. F. L. Conrad, president of the Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, will speak at rites dedicating the new church parsonage.

On Sunday evening, at 7:30, Rev. Edgar M. Cooper, of Pottstown, Pa., will conduct the evening vesper service.

Pastor of the church is Dr. W. P. Gerberding. Dr. Mauney and Rev. Mr. Cooper are grandsons of the late J. S. Mauney, one of the founders of the St. Matthew's church.

JOINS NAVY
Bobby G. Whitaker, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whitaker of 144 Oriental avenue, enlisted in the Navy at the Gastonia recruiting office last week. He will report to San Diego, California, for basic training.



SYNOD HEAD — Dr. F. L. Conrad, of Salisbury, president of the Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, will conduct special exercises dedicating the St. Matthew's Lutheran church parsonage Sunday afternoon.

Thanksgiving Holiday Quiet

Kings Mountain observed Thanksgiving in the customary manner. It was a quiet day in the business section, and churches had large crowds for Wednesday evening and Thanksgiving morning services.

It was also a good day for the hunters, who found the weather clear and crisp and ideal for trudging through fields in search of quail and other small game.

Majority of retail firms were closed for the day, though service stations, drug stores, and some other service trades were open for business. The postoffice closed as did city and state offices.

A number of citizens took advantage of the holiday to see the annual Catawba-Lenoir-Rhine football game at Hickory.

Upcoming for the Thanksgiving weekend were two more football engagements sure to attract a number of Kings Mountain fans. At Durham on Saturday, lack-luster North Carolina plays Duke in their 1951 extension of a long-term rivalry, and, at Columbia, S. C., Wake Forest and South Carolina get together in what many predict will be another wide-open, exciting football game.

Many enjoyed bounteous Thanksgiving dinners, with turkey still in demand as the principal main dish. Others compromised with chicken, but almost all had something "special."

The city police department reported a quiet Thanksgiving morning and anticipated a continuation throughout the day.

Retailers To Be Open All Day Wednesdays

Kings Mountain retail firms will be open six days per week through Christmas, having observed their final half-holiday Wednesday afternoon.

Some grocers suspended the half-holiday closing a week early, reasoning that Thanksgiving dinners might be short for those who customarily shop at a late hour. The merchants annually suspend the Wednesday half-holiday for the benefit of Christmas-season shoppers.

School Board Seeks Estimate On Land Cost

The Kings Mountain district board of school trustees authorized the land committee to get estimates on cost of around six acres of property surveyed for use in the Davidson school development program at the regular November meeting of the group held Tuesday night at Central school.

Trustee Fred Plok, committee chairman, made a report on the property surveyed, a plot adjoining the present building which contains some five or six acres and several houses. He had previously indicated that the property owners were willing to see "for the good of the school."

The board has already retained the services of John L. Beam, Cherryville architect, for the Davidson plant addition. Current plans provide for an addition of some five rooms, including a new heating plant, to the present building.

Miss Alice C. Averitt, teaching consultant for the city schools faculty, was presented to the board by Chairman Arnold Kincaid, who presided at the meeting.

Miss Averitt discussed her phase of school work with the board. This year marks the first that Kings Mountain has had a teachers consultant.

Superintendent B. N. Barnes reported that all teaching vacancies had been filled and the board approved his suggestion that schools be dismissed Wednesday, December 19 for Christmas and New Year's holidays, with classes to resume on Thursday, January 3, 1952.

J. R. Davis was named to represent the board on the teacher's home committee, replacing B. S. Neill, who did not offer for reelection to the board last spring. The board voted the Kings Mountain-Woodman of the World permission to sponsor a dance at the high school gymnasium and authorized Central Principal Rowell Lane leave to attend a meeting of the Southern Association of High Schools and Colleges at Miami, Fla., Dec. 2-6.

Rites Conducted For Mrs. Pearson

Funeral services for Mrs. Mullie Gertrude Pearson, 67, who died Monday at 9:15 at her home on Fairview street, after a three-month illness, were held at Central Methodist church Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Rev. J. H. Brendall, Jr., pastor of the church of which she was a member, officiated. Burial was by Rev. B. F. Austin and Rev. J. W. Phillips. Interment was in the Mountain Rest cemetery.

She was the widow of the late William P. Pearson who died in 1933.

Survivors include three sons, William E. Pearson, Robert Pearson, and James Pearson, all of Kings Mountain; two daughters, Mrs. Annie Dellinger and Mrs. Alice Connor, also of Kings Mountain; two brothers, W. D. Wallace, of Belmont and W. A. Wallace, of Kings Mountain; one sister, Mrs. Cora Goode, 24 grandchildren.

Christmas Club Checks To Go Out

Officials of the First National Bank announce this week that members of the bank's Christmas Savings Club would receive checks next weekend.

The checks will be mailed on Wednesday, and will coincide with the official opening of the Christmas shopping season in Kings Mountain.

It was also announced that the 1952 Christmas Savings Club will open on December 3, with the bank expecting a large increase in number of members.

F. R. Summers, president, said many inquiries have already been received regarding next year's club and that a number of business firms are planning a payroll deduction plan for employees who wish to join the 1952 Christmas Savings Club.

First Services Held In New Building

Members of Resurrection Lutheran church held their first services in their new church building on Crescent Hill Road Wednesday night at Thanksgiving morning.

Christmas-Opening Plans Announced By Merchants

Mauney Succeeds Hunter Neisler As Club Head

George W. Mauney, well-known Kings Mountain business man, was elected president of the Kings Mountain Country Club Wednesday. He succeeds Hunter R. Neisler.

Other officers elected were: Charles A. Neisler, vice-president; Harry Page, secretary-treasurer; and Drace M. Peeler, assistant secretary-treasurer.

Officers were chosen by the incoming board of directors, elected Tuesday night by the stockholders at their annual meeting. In addition to the officers they are: Dr. W. L. Ramseyer, George Houser, David Neill, W. K. Crook, Joe A. Neisler, Jay Patterson, C. D. Blanton, and L. A. Hoke.

The new board of directors will serve for about 15 months rather than a year.

At the suggestion of the retiring board of directors, the stockholders voted that the terms of office of the directors expire on the third Wednesday in March, rather than the third Wednesday in November. It was explained that the change would facilitate the club activities program and the work of the secretary in filing year-end tax reports.

Annual reports were given by Dr. W. L. Ramseyer, chairman of the house committee, by Otto Williams, social committee, George W. Mauney greens committee, and by David Neill, retiring secretary-treasurer. The reports showed that the club had improved the clubhouse and golf course during the year and that several members had joined the club. George Houser reported that a regular series of Master Point Bridge tournaments had been held successfully during the past several months.

Lions, Kiwanians Will Hear Jones

Congressman Woodrow W. Jones, of Rutherfordton, will address a joint meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis and Lions clubs on Thursday evening, November 29. It was announced this week by Dr. O. P. Lewis, of the Kiwanis club, and Ollie Harris, of the Lions club, who arranged the joint meeting.

The Lions club will therefore not meet on their customary fourth Tuesday date.

The joint session will be held at 7 o'clock at Masonic Dining Hall. Though the Kiwanis Club regularly meets at 6:45, the meeting hour was delayed slightly in order not to conflict with the Kings Mountain Christmas opening parade, scheduled for Thursday afternoon.

Congressman Jones has represented the 11th Congressional district in the House of Representatives since succeeding the late A. L. Bulwinkle about a year ago.

War Department Reports Dan Lail Killed In Action In Korean War

Private Dan B. Lail, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Lail of the Bethlehem section, was killed in action in Korea on November 8 according to word received by his parents here Tuesday from the Department of the Army.

Pvt. Lail had joined Co. C, 19th Infantry Regiment, a front line rifle unit, on November 2, six days before he was killed, according to word received here. He had landed overseas on October 12.

The young soldier graduated from Grover high school in 1949 and before entering service on January 19 had assisted his father in farming. He underwent basic training at Fort Bragg.

He was a member of Bethlehem Baptist church.

Survivors include his parents, a brother, Pfc. Jack Lail, now stationed at Fort Bragg, a sister, Miss Phyllis Lail of the home, and his maternal grandfather, Rastus Dixon.



CLUB PRESIDENT — George W. Mauney is the new president of the Kings Mountain Country Club. He succeeds Hunter R. Neisler.

Bridge Benefit Tuesday Evening

The Kings Mountain Woman's club will sponsor a benefit bridge, rook, and canasta party Tuesday night, November 27, at the Woman's club building with proceeds to go to "CARE-For-Korea" campaign, being sponsored here by the organization.

National goal of the campaign has been set at 150,000 CARE packages. Of that amount, a quota of 100 has been set for this city. The campaign started November 12.

Mrs. J. K. Willis, chairman for the campaign for the Kings Mountain club, said that donations may be sent to her through November 27.

The CARE-For-Korea campaign is being sponsored nationally by The General Federation of Woman's Clubs.

"The help CARE packages bring to the people in many countries of Europe and Asia is well known. Nowhere is CARE more needed than in Korea today. No time could be more appropriate to extend that aid than now, as Americans prepare to give thanks for the abundance we enjoy—an abundance beyond the wildest dreams of the hungry and cold men, women, and children in South Korea," a spokesman said.

The CARE packages which have been prepared for Korean relief include woolen blankets, cotton textiles, food, woolen suiting, underwear, knitting wool. All contributions will be pooled to provide a complete package. Deliveries will be arranged by CARE to orphanages, refugee camps and other relief centers, on the basis of greatest need.

BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits were issued at City Hall Friday to Oland Pearson, for remodeling his residence on Clenton drive at an estimated cost of \$600 and to a two-story garage on West King street at an estimated cost of \$900. Each was approved by building inspector, Kelly Dixon.

Herald To Publish Thursdays Hereafter

The Kings Mountain Herald will revert to a Thursday publication date, effective with the issue of next week.

The change means that the Herald staff and shop is required to advance its deadlines by one day and Herald readers and patrons are being asked to note the new deadlines as scrupulously as possible.

They are: Advertising, 2p. m. Tuesdays. News, 2 p. m. Wednesdays. Social news, 10 a. m. Wednesdays.

Pictures should be in the Herald office by Saturday to insure publication in the forthcoming edition.

The advertising department will begin its outside selling Monday morning, rather than Tuesday mornings, and all advertisers are requested to note the change and to have their copy prepared. The Herald will be on local newstands between 5 and 6 o'clock Wednesdays, rather than Thursdays, with local readers getting full distribution on Thursdays. Next week's issue will include advertising copy marking the opening of the Kings Mountain Christmas shopping season and majority of retailers are planning to have their specially purchased Christmas goods on display next weekend.

Parade To Open Yule Shopping Season Thursday

Santa Claus will come to Kings Mountain for his annual pre-Christmas visit next Thursday, as the big feature of the Kings Mountain Merchants association's 1951 Christmas parade.

The parade is scheduled for 5:30 p. m. and will feature Christmas season floats, visiting bands, and other units.

W. Faison Barnes, merchants association secretary, said four floats and four bands will form the crux of the parade. Floats will include two with a religious theme, one from Forest City and one entered by the Kings Mountain Ministerial association. Burlington Mill will enter a float, and the Kings Mountain Boy Scouts are considering entering a float.

High school bands from Shelby, Gastonia and Lincolnton, in addition to the Kings Mountain band will be in the parade.

Other units will include the Queen City Bus Company simulate hitch, and a new, one-and-one-half-reck bus. L. A. Love, Queen City's general manager, will ride a white stallion in the parade, and National Guard units of Shelby and Kings Mountain will participate with their vehicles.

In addition, a number of local horsemen will ride in the parade, Mr. Barnes said.

The Christmas opening will be the occasion for the first turning on of Christmas street lights in the business section, already being hung by the city electrical department.

Mr. Barnes said that additional permanent-type street decorations have been purchased this year and further enhance the Christmas-season theme.

"We anticipate a fine parade and a large crowd to see it," he said.

Lions Broom Sale Reported Successful

The annual broom sale, for the benefit of the blind, conducted by the Kings Mountain Lions club was termed a success this week by John H. Lewis, chairman.

Mr. Lewis said club members had sold, and citizens had purchased, a total of 701 brooms and 163 rubber doormats.

Profits from the sale accruing to the local club will be used for aiding local area blind persons and others with deficient sight.

"We are deeply appreciative of the fine cooperation given us by the citizens of the community in supporting this worthy cause," Mr. Lewis said.



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