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Local News Bulletins

ELECTED DIRECTOR

James S. Ware, route 3, was elected to the board of directors of Cleveland County Cooperative Breeding Association at the meeting in the agriculture building in Shelby this week.

TO ATTEND LECTURES

Rev. P. D. Patrick leaves Monday for Richmond, Va., to attend the spring lectures at the Union Theological Seminary.

LIONS MEETING

Regular meeting of the Kings Mountain Lions club will be held Tuesday night at seven o'clock at Masonic Dining Hall. Carl Mauney is arranging a special type of bingo game for the program.

PARKING MONEY

A total of \$138.62 was collected from the city's parking meters for the week ending Wednesday according to a report of Joe Hendrick, city clerk.

CITY TAG SALES

A total of 1,087 city auto tags for 1952 had been sold Wednesday afternoon, according to report of Joe Hendrick, city clerk.

MERCHANTS DIRECTORS

Directors of the Kings Mountain Merchants association will meet in the association office Monday evening at seven o'clock, according to announcement yesterday by Mrs. John Lewis, secretary.

Rites Held For Former Pastor

Funeral services for Rev. H. V. Tanner, Th. D. Ph. D. of Spartanburg, S. C., and former pastor of Second Baptist church, were conducted Friday afternoon at Oak Grove Baptist church, Spartanburg county of which he was a member and former pastor.

Rev. Boyce Coats officiated and burial was in Popular Springs church cemetery, Spartanburg, S. C.

He died at Spartanburg General hospital last Wednesday following several years of declining health and a serious illness of a few hours.

Dr. Tanner was also former pastor of Bethlehem and Antioch Baptist churches and Southside Baptist church of Spartanburg.

He was a native of Ohio and was an army chaplain and YMCA during World War I. He is survived by one son, Vernon H. Tanner of New York City.

Books Presented To City Library

Mrs. W. K. Mauney Sr. presented two books to the Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library last Monday as memorials to the late Mrs. Billie Black Mauney and Mrs. Grace Redfern Mauney.

The books have been placed in the newly instituted Memorial section of the library.

If anyone wishes to donate books for the Memorial section, contact Mrs. Charles Dilling, librarian.

The books presented were: "MR. JONES, MEET THE MASTER," by Marshall, in memory of Mrs. Billie Black Mauney, and "A MAN CALLED PETER," by Marshall, in memory of Mrs. Grace Redfern Mauney.

Layman's Day To Be Observed

Special services will feature Sunday's observance of Layman's Day at Grace Methodist church, according to announcement this week.

At the morning services at 11 o'clock, John Sharpe Hartsell, of Concord, will deliver the layman's day address on the subject, "The Mission of My Church."

In the afternoon, at 2:30, W. J. Altran, of Cherryville, will give a general discussion on the Sunday school lessons for March, with church school teachers and assistant teachers particularly requested to be present.

On Sunday evening, at 6:30, the film "Christ the King" will be presented. The film depicts events in the life, death and resurrection of Christ.

Merchants Choose Officers For Year



Dan Huffstetler New President Of Association

A capacity crowd attended the annual employee-employer banquet of the Kings Mountain Merchants association, held Monday night at Masonic Dining Hall, and a new group of officers were named with Dan Huffstetler as president.

W. T. Grayson, retiring president, read the nominating committee's report. No further nominations were made and the new officers were voted in. Other officers named, in addition to President Huffstetler, were: vice-president, Sam Collins and six directors, J. C. Bridges, O. W. Myers, John Lewis, Haywood Lynch, Hilton Ruth and Hal Ward.

Retiring officers were G. A. Bridges, vice-president, and directors Charlie Warlick, Dan Huffstetler, Amos Dean, Don Blanton, Drace Peeler and Wilson Crawford.

W. Faison Barnes, former secretary, served as master of ceremonies and gave a brief report on the past year's operations. He stated that the association now had 42 members including two new ones, Wee Fok Shop and Bessemer City Ice and Coal Co., and three who had rejoined, B & B Food Store, City Auto & Home Supply and B & B Soda Shop. Mrs. John Lewis, new secretary, was introduced to the group by Mr. Barnes.

G. A. Bridges conducted the annual prize drawing in which merchants offered gifts to lucky ladies present. He then introduced Bob Parks of Spindale and two boys, Gene Abercrombie and Jess Jones, students at Lenoir-Rhyne college, who gave a program of hill-billy music. Mr. Abercrombie, comedian of the group entertained the group with his witty sayings and jokes.

Miss Barbara Gault furnished dinner music for the occasion and Rev. P. D. Patrick gave the invocation. The fried chicken dinner with all the trimmings was prepared by Mrs. I. B. Goforth.

First Presbyterian Elects Four Deacons

Four new deacons, to serve for three-year terms, were selected by ballot Sunday at the Presbyterian church.

They are: Paul Mauney, E. A. Harrill, J. W. Webster, and H. R. Hinnicutt.

The balloting continued through two Sundays.

Dog Vaccination Clinics Scheduled

Dr. J. P. Mauney, Kings Mountain veterinarian will conduct a series of rabies vaccination clinics in Number 4 Township, beginning Thursday afternoon.

The series of clinics is under sponsorship of the Cleveland County Health department in its newest effort to combat rabies disease in dogs in Cleveland county.

Schedule for the clinics are: Thursday afternoon, 2:30 to 4:30, City Hall in Kings Mountain.

Friday afternoon, 1 to 1:30, at Sam Goforth's place, Grover, Shelby Road; 1:30 to 2:30, Broad, Ellis Store, Grover; 3 to 3:30, White's Service Station, Grover Road; 3:30 to 4, Moss Service Station, Grover Road; and 4:30 to 5, at Compact school.

Carver Blanton, county dog warden, pointed out that annual vaccination of dogs against rabies is required by law.

"I hope all dog owners will take advantage of the opportunity to have their dogs vaccinated at this series of clinics," Mr. Blanton said. "If all dog owners had their dogs vaccinated there would be no necessity for the frequent quarantines that have occurred frequently in the past."

Davidson School Building Project Deferred Pending Visit Of Official

Kings Mountain school district board of trustees continued discussion of what type of building to construct at Davidson Negro school at the regular February meeting held at the office of the superintendent on Monday night.

The group voted to request the state director of Negro education to come here and make a recommendation.

The board has been studying the Negro school building program for some time and has received a recommendation from a state school building committee urging construction of a five-room elementary building.

The board has also been contacting citizens in the Davidson area concerning purchase of additional land.

The board agreed to invite G. H. Ferguson, director of Negro education in the state, to assist in planning the new construction.

B. N. Barnes, city school superintendent, read a letter to the board from S. E. Duncan, state supervisor of Negro high schools calling attention to improvements needed at Davidson school. He had visited the school in January.

Mr. Barnes also told the board that additional state funds for janitorial help had been received and the group agreed to accept the janitorial committees report on hiring of additional personnel for the department.



TO RECEIVE DEGREE — Norman F. McGill, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. N. F. McGill Sr., was among the list of students completing his academic work at Erskine College, Due West, S. C., at the close of the fall semester. He will receive an A. B. degree in Social Science at graduation exercises in the spring.

ed the board that additional classroom dictionaries were needed to keep the schools standard and the group voted funds for purchase of some 130 new books.

The group voted to pay Mr. Barnes' expense to attend the American Association of School Superintendents annual meeting at Boston.



SEEKS RE-ELECTION — Congressman Woodrow W. Jones, of Rutherfordton, announced this week that he would seek re-election as 11th district Congressman.

Jones To File For Re-Election

Woodrow W. Jones, 11th district Congressman, announced Tuesday in a letter to newspapers of the district that he would file notice of candidacy for re-election on Wednesday with the state board of elections in Raleigh.

In a statement accompanying the announcement, Mr. Jones said: "I have tried to the very best of my ability to properly represent the people of the 11th Congressional district and if re-elected, I shall continue to give the very best; that I have to these duties. Throughout my first term in Congress, I have been a strong advocate of economy in government. If re-elected, I pledge to the people of my district that I shall continue my effort in behalf of the elimination of non-essential government spending."

"It is a genuine pleasure and honor to represent our fine people in the United States Congress," Congressman Jones, a Democrat, succeeded the late A. L. Bulwinkle, of Gastonia.

Church To Observe Lenten Season

St. Matthew's Lutheran church will begin the observance of the Holy Season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, February 27, according to announcement this week by the pastor, Rev. W. P. Gerberding.

In addition to regular Sunday services during the Lenten season, devotional services will be held each Wednesday evening at 7:30, with Holy Communion to be administered on Ash Wednesday and Holy Thursday.

Dr. Gerberding said his sermons will center around the Passion of the Lord. Sunday evenings will be on Old Testament Types, Wednesdays on the Passion Story.

"This is a traditional time for all Christians to deepen their spiritual life and for un-churched to inquire into their soul-life. 'All are welcome,' Dr. Gerberding said.

Little League Meeting Tonight

Fred Grigg, recreation director, and Rudy Carson, both of Gastonia, are scheduled to attend an open meeting at City Hall Thursday night at 8 o'clock to discuss the formation of a Little League in Kings Mountain.

The meeting has been set by several interested sportsmen of the city and everyone who is interested in hearing of the national boys program is being urged to attend.

Sponsors, coaches, league officials and umpires are needed to operate the program and actual organization of the league or leagues will depend on the amount of interest shown by these groups. It is understood.

Little League baseball is set up on a national basis and is operated under national rules and regulations. Teams are uniformed, and no admission charge is allowed for the games.

Much interest has already been shown and the organizers are expecting a large crowd to attend the meeting Thursday night.

A large number of deacons of Boyce Memorial ARP church will attend the dinner meeting of deacons of First Presbyterian, to be held Thursday night at 7 o'clock at First ARP church, Gastonia. Reginal Price, of Charlotte, will make the principal address.

Kings Mountain B. & L. Holds Annual Meeting

Shareholders of Kings Mountain Building & Loan association re-elected all directors at the annual meeting held in the association offices last Thursday night.

Following the shareholders' meeting, directors re-elected all officers and office personnel.

Officers re-elected were W. K. Mauney, president, J. C. Keller, vice-president, J. C. Lackey, secretary - treasurer, J. P. Lackey, assistant secretary - treasurer. The directors re-named as attorneys J. R. Davis and Jack White, and re-appointed as office assistants Mrs. Louise Martin and Miss Bernice Harrison.

Directors re-elected by shareholders are W. K. Mauney, J. C. Keller, J. C. Lackey, J. R. Davis, R. L. Mauney, W. M. Gantt, Dr. L. P. Baker, C. W. Hullender, B. H. Bridges and Clyde Jolly.

Reports presented at the meeting by J. C. Lackey, secretary-treasurer, showed that the association enjoyed a prosperous year during 1951.

Assets at the end of 1951 totaled \$736,895.61 and the association's mortgage loans totaled \$656,814.78.

During 1951, the association made a total of 165 loans, paid dividends to shareholders totaling \$17,016.65 at the rate of three percent, and added approximately \$9,000 to its reserve for contingencies, the reserve now totaling \$60,000. In addition, the association showed undivided profits of \$11,629.01, over and above the amount required to mature installment shares now in force.

Savings accounts held by shareholders included \$368,300 in full-paid shares, \$188,355.64 in optional savings shares, and \$56,343.25 in installment shares.

Shareholders in the association at December 31, 1951, numbered 1,069, including 854 white citizens and 215 colored citizens.

Former Herald Printer Dies

Funeral rites for John L. Ferguson, Kings Mountain native and former Herald printer, were held Wednesday morning from McEwen Funeral Home in Charlotte.

Mr. Ferguson, also a former Kings Mountain policeman, died at his home in Charlotte during his sleep early Monday morning. Death was attributed to a heart attack. He was 76 years of age.

Son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ferguson, he had been a linotype operator for many years, and had been retired by the Charlotte Observer in 1946. He had joined the Observer in 1924, after working for about 15 years for the Gastonia Gazette.

Mr. Ferguson was associated with the Kings Mountain Herald under the editorship of Claude Eury about 1909. His wife was the late Carrie Cantler Ferguson.

Surviving are four sons, John L. Ferguson, Jr., Charlotte, Charles M. Ferguson, Gastonia, Richard T. Ferguson, Oakland, Calif., and Rhea W. Ferguson, Memphis, Tenn.

Much Excitement At Court Session

Much excitement was caused by a four-person affray in front of City Hall Monday afternoon while the regular weekly term of City Recorder's court was in session. An overflow crowd was on hand for the stormy session.

The commotion added four cases to the docket as police immediately arrested the persons involved and Judge E. A. Harrill, who presided, completed the term, hearing a total of 12 cases.

The four persons arrested as a result of the affray were Mrs. Marie Haney, of York, S. C.; Mrs. Dorothy Nimms, of Grover, Lloyd Peterson, of York, S. C., and Mrs. Leola Peterson, of Lowell.

Each received ten-day suspended sentences on charges of affray and each was ordered to be of good behavior, to break no laws of the city or state and to refrain from interfering in the affairs of their parents.

"Hereafter, don't select the front of city hall to do your fighting," Judge Harrill told the four as he passed the sentences.

Red Cross Quota \$6,500; Organization Is Announced



DEBATER — Miss Myrtle Hoyle, senior at Appalachian State Teachers college, has been elected to membership in the college chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, national honorary forensic fraternity.

Local Student In Fraternity

Miss Myrtle Hoyle, Kings Mountain senior at Appalachian State Teachers college, has been elected to membership in Pi Kappa Delta, national honorary forensic fraternity, according to announcement by Thomas E. Styers, secretary of the ASTC chapter.

To be eligible for membership, a person must be a regular student, in good standing, and represent the college in intercollegiate performances. Miss Hoyle ranked third in the women's division of debating in the Appalachian Mountain Forensic tournament held last November.

Miss Hoyle has also been elected as one of the representatives in the South Atlantic Forensic, scheduled for Lenoir-Rhyne college February 29-March 1.

Mrs. Carl Mayes On Radio Program

"Then Conquer We Must," the historical drama commemorating the Battle of Kings Mountain, received national wide publicity this week when Mrs. Carl Mayes appeared on a net work radio program originating in Chicago.

Mrs. Mayes was a guest on Don McNeal's Breakfast Club program and was on the air at 9:45 Tuesday morning.

Prior to the program, cards were passed asking what could be more fun than being on the Breakfast Club. She had answered dancing in the country dances and minuet in the drama.

She was asked by Mr. McNeal if the play had any shooting in it. Mrs. Mayes answered, "yes, plenty."

"Then Sam would like that," stated Mr. McNeal.

"Well, he'll just have to come see it next season," said Mrs. Mayes.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayes and Mr. and Mrs. Trent England, Jr., of Charlotte, were in Chicago attending the Sand and Gravel convention.

Mr. Mayes and Mr. Ragland are officials of Superior Stone Co.

BUILDING PERMITS Building permits, approved by City Building Inspector Kelly Dixon, was issued last week at City Hall to Hal Plonk for construction of a six room apartment house on Cleveland avenue at an estimated cost of \$2,400; to Ray Cline to remodel residence on Falls street at an estimated cost of \$300.

Houser, Houston Head Heart Fund In Kings Mountain; Goal Is \$625

Kings Mountain is joining with the American Heart association in an effort to raise funds to help cut the death rate from heart disease.

Fund Campaign To Begin Here On March 3rd

Fred W. Plonk, chairman of the \$6,500 Number 4 Township Red Cross fund campaign, announced yesterday completion of plans for the annual fund-raising drive.

He announced chairmen of the several solicitation committees and said the general soliciting would begin March 3.

Committee chairmen are: Advance gifts, Joe A. Neisler, Industrial employees, Sam Stallings.

Residential, Mrs. L. E. Abbott, chairman, Mrs. Aubrey Mauney, co-chairman.

Rural, John Rudisill, Public employees, Mrs. S. R. Suber, Jr.

Negro division, L. L. Adams, Grover, Rev. Park Moore, Public information, Mrs. Arnold Kiser.

The committee chairmen met Tuesday night at the Red Cross office to lay final plans for the campaign.

Chairman Plonk said the members of the several divisions are highly enthusiastic and he expressed optimism that the goal of the campaign would be reached.

"The goal of \$6,500 is no small sum," Mr. Plonk said, "but it can be obtained. Of the total, 64 percent will be retained for use by the local chapter in its work in Number 4 Township, with 36 percent going to National Red Cross headquarters for general Red Cross work."

Initial plans for the campaign were made here recently when Miss Hope Buck, general field representative from the Atlanta office, met with chapter officials to prepare a 1952 budget and to work out a quota for the new year.

"Initial indications are that the fund drive committee will be able to conduct a concentrated campaign," Mr. Plonk continued. "Able committee chairmen have been obtained in all divisions, including rural communities and Grover, and I believe we shall be able to complete the campaign in less time than the full month of March, which is an annually designated Red Cross month throughout the United States."

"Full cooperation has been the attitude by all thus far contacted to aid in the campaign," Mr. Plonk said.

It was announced that all department stores of the community have agreed to devote show window space to the forthcoming campaign.

Resurrection Mission To End

The week's preaching mission by Rev. Peter J. Dexis at Resurrection Lutheran church will conclude with final sermons on Thursday and Friday.

"Twice-daily services have been held at the church, beginning last Sunday morning at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Mr. Dexis' Thursday sermon subject is "Let God Worry". His Friday subject is "A Heap o' Livin'."

In conjunction with the sermon series have been discussion panels led by the pastor, Rev. Vance Daniel. The discussion subject for Thursday is "To Share the Management" and for Friday, "To Live by the Law that Has Been Removed."



HERE SUNDAY — Rev. E. L. Henderson, president of the North Carolina Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist church, will preach the special sermon Sunday morning, dedicating the educational building of First Wesleyan Methodist church.

Church Building To Be Dedicated

The educational building of First Wesleyan Methodist church will be dedicated at morning services at the church Sunday, with Rev. E. L. Henderson, of High Point, president of the North Carolina Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist church, preaching a special dedicatory sermon.

The church educational building was built about four years ago at a cost of \$11,000.

It was completely cleared of debt on February 12.

Announcement of the special service was made by the pastor, Rev. J. W. Phillips, who said Mr. Henderson would also deliver the sermon at regular evening services.

Boy Scout Fund Drive Underway

Solicitors conducting the \$1,750 Boy Scout fund drive hope to complete their work during the current weekend. Bruce Thorburn, co-chairman of the campaign, said Wednesday.

Mr. Thorburn is directing the business district solicitation. Co-chairman Charlie Connor the industrial division; and Dr. J. C. McGill the professional division. J. C. McKinney is treasurer of the campaign.

Members of the business district committee include D. D. Saunders, J. C. Bridges, Glee E. Bridges, E. E. Marlowe, B. S. Peeler, Jr., W. S. Fulton, Jr., David Neill, J. G. Darracott, Marriot Phifer, Dan Huffstetler and Paul Smyre.

Persons who wish to forward checks by mail should address them to Mr. McKinney, in care of the First National Bank, to Mr. Connor or Mr. Thorburn.

McSwain Will Teach Baptist Study Course

Rev. W. L. McSwain will conduct a study course on "Jesus, the Teacher," at First Baptist church beginning Monday night.

The course will be conducted each evening at 7 o'clock through Friday, February 29, and is for all pupils 15 years of age and over. Teachers and assistant teachers.

Representatives from all churches of the Kings Mountain Baptist association are expected to attend.

Boards To Discuss Sewer Improvements

A joint meeting of the city board of commissioners and city planning board has been scheduled for Tuesday night at 7:30 at City Hall to discuss possible action on a city bond issue for water and sewer system improvements, according to announcement by Joe Hendrick, city clerk.

Mr. Hendrick said the public is being urged to attend the meeting.

Basis of the discussion will be the survey by Olsen Engineering Company, of Raleigh, which estimated that improvements to the two systems would cost in excess of \$800,000.

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