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\$6,500 Red Cross Campaign To Start

Local News Bulletins

Campaign Plans Near Complete, Plunk Reports

PENLEYS CHAPEL SERVICES
Services will be held at Penleys Chapel Sunday night at 7 o'clock.

PARKING MONEY
A total of \$134.88 was collected from parking meters for the week which ended Wednesday.

ENTERS SERVICE
Bill Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Allen, left Monday for Fort Jackson where he will leave for Fort Knox, Ky., to join the Army Security Agency.

OUT OF HOSPITAL
Miss Ollie Hartzell returned Thursday from Memorial hospital in Charlotte where she underwent a minor operation.

WEBB BETTER
Claude Webb, manager of the Imperial Theatre, Wednesday morning was reported improving steadily by Shelby Hospital officials.

ON DEAN'S LIST
Iris Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Patterson, and Norman McGill, son of Mr. and Mrs. N. F. McGill, were listed on the dean's list at Erskine College for the first semester.

ON WAY HOME
Sgt. Martin (Andy) Eiters, son of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Eiters of route 3, is on his way home from Korea where he has been serving since April 1st, 1951.

MONTONIA MEETING
Annual meeting of stockholders of the Lake Montonia Club, Inc., will be held Tuesday night at 7:30 at City Hall courtroom.

HARMON NAMED
Martin Harmon, editor of the Kings Mountain Herald, has been appointed a member of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association's committee to publicize North Carolina history by Clarence Griffin, chairman of the committee.

FUNERAL CONDUCTED FOR TUMLIN INFANT
Funeral rites for Tommy Stevenson Tumlin, two-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Tumlin, route 1, Kings Mountain, were held Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock at Wallace Grove church.

PENALTIES ON TAXES ADVANCE SATURDAY
Penalties on unpaid 1951 city and county taxes advance to two percent March 1.

Final plans for the Number 4 Township Red Cross fund campaign were being completed yesterday.

The campaign, which has as its goal a minimum of \$6,500, will begin Monday morning.

Committee heads were completing divisional solicitation organizations and chairmen of several committees were hoping to conduct a successful campaign in record time.

Of the total budgeted quota, 64 percent will remain in the local treasury for use by the Kings Mountain chapter in regular charitable activities in Number 4 Township.

The remainder will represent the local contribution to the national Red Cross organization.

Fred W. Plunk, who is serving as chairman of the 1952 fund drive, issued a statement this week urging all citizens to give as liberally as possible.

"The good works of the Red Cross are well-known, both at home and all over the world. When there is trouble, or disaster, there you find the Red Cross," Mr. Plunk said.

"It is also most important locally," Mr. Plunk continued. "The Red Cross blood program supplies blood for the hospitals, the Red Cross professional staff serves as a direct connection between families and their sons in service, and the Red Cross issues many other daily services which the community can ill afford to be without, or to curtail."

Mr. Plunk said the campaign committee's schedule calls for an early completion of the drive.

"All the members of the committee are highly enthusiastic," Mr. Plunk concluded, "and I have no doubt that this enthusiasm will be translated into a successful Red Cross fund campaign."

All Kings Mountain department stores are devoting window space to support of the campaign.

Heart Campaign Receipts \$150
George Houser, chairman of the city's heart fund drive, reported receipts of \$150 through Wednesday noon.

The Heart Fund committee seeks \$625 as the local contribution in a \$2,500 county-wide appeal.

Mr. Houser said additional pledges of gifts had been made, but he urged all persons who have not yet contributed to post a check to him or to Humes Houston, co-chairman of the appeal.

"Unless more gifts are received, the quota will not be met," Mr. Houser said.

BEN'S CHAPEL RE-NAMED
The church officials and members of Ben's Chapel Baptist church voted Sunday to change the name to Midview Baptist church.

The church was organized March, 1950, and Jim Painter was called to be the first pastor. The church is located about a mile west of Margrace Mill near Morrison airport.

King Winter Hits Late With City's Heaviest Snowfall In Four Years
It snowed Tuesday. White flakes began falling shortly after 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, continuing for the next 12 hours, and covering the Kings Mountain area in its first heavy snow in the past four years.

Depth was estimated at four inches. Traffic was tied up, and the motorists nervy enough to move without chains found themselves spinning wheels and slipping and sliding on the slick streets.

Service stations did a brisk business in tire chains, and long distance telephone calls were many as out-of-town travelers called their homes to report they'd arrive late. Merchants had their best run of the winter on rubber footwear.



WINTHROP GIRLS TO SING HERE SUNDAY—Members of the Winthrop College Choir, directed by Miss Katherine Pfohl, will give a program of sacred music at First Presbyterian church Sunday evening at 7:30.

Winthrop Choir Here On Sunday

The 32-voice Winthrop College choir, under the direction of Miss Katherine Pfohl, will sing a program of sacred music at First Presbyterian church Sunday evening at 7:30.

Announcement of the special appearance here of the choir was made by Mrs. E. M. Leopard, Presbyterian choir director.

The choir is well-known throughout the Carolinas, and for the past several years has made numerous appearances in schools and churches.

The director, Miss Pfohl, is a native of Winston-Salem, and a cousin of James Christian Pfohl, veteran Davidson College director and also director of the Transylvania Music Camp at Brevard.

The public is invited to attend the Sunday evening program.

Scout Campaign Reports Lagging

Bruce Thorburn, co-chairman of the Kings Mountain district Boy Scout Fund drive, reported the campaign lagging this week.

Asked solicitors to complete their work within the weekend, if possible.

Cash receipts, reported by J. C. McKinney, treasurer, totaled only \$325, against the quota of \$1,750.

Mr. Thorburn said he understood other funds had been given but not yet reported to the treasurer. However, he urged completion of the solicitation work at once.

"I'm confident the quota will be reached," he said, "but we are anxious to complete it."

Final Rites Held For Mrs. Carter

Funeral services for Mrs. S. L. Carter, who died Friday of a heart attack, were held in the Mars Hill Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 2:30.

Prior to her marriage, Mrs. Carter was Miss Bessie Logan, the last of the immediate family of the late Leonidas Marion Logan and Elizabeth Herndon Logan of Kings Mountain.

Among those attending the funeral services were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Logan, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Logan, Mrs. J. J. Logan, Mrs. L. M. Logan, Miss Mabel Logan, and James Logan, all of Kings Mountain and Mrs. George Logan and family of Raleigh and Chapel Hill.

Little Theatre Play Date Set

The Kings Mountain Little Theatre, Inc., will present LAURA, a mystery-drama, at Central school auditorium on Saturday night, March 15, at 8 o'clock.

The announcement was made this week by Mrs. Alfred B. Chandler, director of the production.

Included in the cast are Miss Bernice Harrison, Bruce Thorburn, Robert Osborne, Delbert Dixon, Mrs. Bill Melcher, Bob Goforth, Mrs. Sam Stallings and Sonny McDaniel, she said.

"LAURA is a three-act, highly suspenseful, fast-moving play full of interesting characters," Mrs. Chandler continued, "and we urge everyone to make plans now to attend on March 15th."

Admission will be 75 cents, she said.

City To Ask Gas Allotment Of FPC

Area Photos Will Be Shown At City Hall
Do you want to see your land on an aerial photo? The Joyce-Mapping company will show at the City Hall on March 5th and 6th aerial photos of some of the surrounding area.

Bob Neill, a representative of the firm, will show the pictures and he is asking farmers to come by and see the aerial pictures and point out their land to him if possible.

Mr. Neill will be at City Hall each day from 8 a. m. 'til 5 p. m.

Former Citizen Dies In Wreck

Harry Falls, 60, former Kings Mountain grocer and meat dealer, was killed early Monday morning when the pick-up truck he was driving crashed into a bridge abutment east of Asheville.

Mr. Falls, who recently opened the Harry Falls Livermush Company, in Shelby, was instantly killed. Investigating officers thought he had fallen asleep at the wheel.

Mrs. Harold Crawford, a niece, said Wednesday it is expected that final rites for Mr. Falls will be held here, but that information from Asheville indicated funeral arrangements were incomplete, pending arrival of his sons from distant points.

A Kings Mountain native, Mr. Falls was for some years a partner with J. R. Cline in the M system Store here, a business subsequently sold to the Home Store (now Dixie-Home) in 1934. Mr. Falls then held a position with the Home Stores for 10 years and made his home in Asheville.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Annie Bird Falls, and four sons, Miles E. Falls, Dallas, Tex., Robert Hoyle Falls, with the Army in California, Lt. Harry Falls, Jr., with the Air Force in Frankfurt, Germany, and William Bird Falls, of Asheville, who recently returned home from a tour of duty in Korea.

Keeter, Davis, Still To Attend Capitol Hearing

City Attorney J. R. Davis, Byron Keeter, planning board chairman, and Mayor Garland Still are to go to Washington this weekend to appear Monday before the Federal Power commission to seek an allocation of gas for the city from the Transcontinental Pipeline.

Hearing on the Kings Mountain request is now scheduled for Monday, following a previous postponement.

The city board commissioners authorized the trip Tuesday night, following a discussion of the gas distribution system proposal, in which A. S. Hall, representative of Barnard and Burk, explained details of the engineering survey, and City Attorney Davis reported on his recent conversations concerning financing the project with W. L. Easterling, secretary of the North Carolina League of Municipalities.

Mr. Davis went to Raleigh last week to confer with Mr. Easterling.

He reported that the League official took a dim view of the R. S. Dickson Company proposal to handle revenue bond sale arrangements for a fee of one-and-one-half percent. The League would handle bond sale arrangements under its regular set-up.

Mr. Easterling told Mr. Davis, regardless of prior arrangements with the Dickson Company.

The city, if it launches the gas distribution system project, has planned to issue revenue-type bonds, whereby only income derived from sale of natural gas would be used to pay for the system. The city's property tax rate would be unaffected by the venture.

Mr. Keeter told the commissioners that the five-member planning board favored the natural gas project.

The city attorney also reported conversations with Mr. Easterling concerning the issuance of general type bonds for public improvements. The League official said outside limits of general bond issues which would be approved by his office would be \$600,000. Mr. Davis reported, and that the League would not look with favor on the issuance of bonds for a recreational plant, in lieu of water and sewer bonds.

The city has an engineering survey which recommends expenditure of more than \$900,000 to improve its sewage disposal and water distribution system.

T. N. Harmon Funeral Rites Held Tuesday

Funeral services for Thomas Newton Harmon, 79, well-known Kings Mountain citizen, were held Tuesday morning at 10:30 from Boyce Memorial ARP church, with interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mr. Harmon died Sunday evening at 7:40 at Kings Mountain hospital. Death was attributed to a heart attack. He had been hospitalized Thursday in a condition bordering on pneumonia, but had improved considerably.

Mr. Harmon had been in declining health for the past several years, as the result of several paralytic strokes and a heart condition. For the past two years he had been unable to speak coherently, though his faculties of comprehension were complete until his passing.

A retired hardware salesman, he was long associated with Phifer Hardware Company and, prior to that time, with its predecessor, D. M. Baker Company. From 1906 to 1918, he lived in Los Angeles, Calif. He was for many years a director of the Home Building & Loan association.

He was an elder and former deacon of Boyce Memorial ARP church, and was a devoted member for the greater portion of his life. He was never married, and for the past several years, had resided at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Pat Tignor.

Mr. Harmon was born on October 21, 1872, the third son of Peter Beam and Rittie Falls Harmon in the Beulah community of Cleveland county. He moved to Kings Mountain in 1892.

Rev. W. L. Pressly, Boyce Memorial pastor, conducted the funeral rites and described Mr. Harmon as "a man close to God."

He quoted from the Bible, Genesis 5:24, "And Enoch walked with God; and he was not; for God took him."

Mr. Harmon is survived by a brother, M. L. Harmon, and three half-sisters, Mrs. Minnie H. Crawford, Miss Ella Harmon, and Mrs. T. P. McGill. A large number of nieces and nephews also survive.

Palbearers were Garrison Goforth, James Anthony, W. S. Fulton, Jr., Lindsay McMackin, R. H. Burton and Marriott Phifer, all deacons of Boyce Memorial ARP church.

The banquet will be held Monday night at 7:30 at Masonic Dining Hall.

Other members of the arrangements committee are Allen Herndon, W. B. Logan, Paul King and Grier Sipes. W. T. Weir is president of the class, and Arnold Kincaid serves as teacher.

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World Prayer Day Will Be Observed



ATHLETIC OFFICER — Paul Mauney, above, has been appointed athletic officer of the Kings Mountain American Legion post.

Church Women Sponsor Service Friday At 9:30

Kings Mountain will join with other communities of the globe Friday, in its annual observance of World Day of Prayer.

The annual community wide service will be held at St. Matthew's Lutheran church Friday morning at 9:30, under sponsorship of the Kings Mountain Council of Church Women, an interdenominational group.

Mrs. Paul Mauney will serve as program leader for a dramatic presentation of World Day of Prayer projects on the theme "Christ Our Hope."

Taking part in the program will be Mrs. Frank Summers, as Mother Liberty, Mrs. Marriott Phifer, as an American Indian.

Majority of Kings Mountain merchants will close Friday morning from 9:30 to 10:30 for the Kings Mountain observance of World Day of Prayer, to be held at St. Matthew's Lutheran church. Directors of the Merchants association recommended the closing at their meeting Monday night.

Mrs. Charles Ballard, as a Japanese American, Mrs. Clarence Plunk, Jr., as a Migrant Woman, and Miss Phyllis Ware, as a Foreign Student.

Prayers will be offered by Mrs. C. A. Butterworth, Mrs. T. L. Cashwell, Jr., Mrs. J. E. Mauney, Mrs. Lona McGill, and Mrs. J. H. Brendall.

Special music will be furnished by Howard Coble and Mrs. J. E. Herndon, and Dr. W. P. Gerberding will say the benediction.

An offering will be taken, with the proceeds to be used for home mission work among migrants and to foreign mission work to provide schools and literature for students.

The public is urged to attend the special service.

Friday Proclaimed As Day Of Prayer

WHEREAS, There is a condition of uncertainty in the world today,

WHEREAS, it is recognized by Christians everywhere, that the many problems confronting us today can be solved only with the help of Almighty God;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Garland Still, Mayor of the City of Kings Mountain, do hereby declare Friday, February 29th, as a day of prayer, and that as we pray in our homes, or as we gather together in public, we remember the needs of our country, before God, the Ruler of the universe.

(Signed) Garland E. Still, Mayor

More Vaccination Clinics Scheduled

Rural people are cooperating admirably with the series of dog vaccination clinics being conducted by the county health department. Urban dwellers are not.

This was the report yesterday of Dr. J. P. Mauney, veterinarian, who has been conducting the clinics in the Kings Mountain area.

Dr. Mauney announced another series of rural area clinics for this weekend as follows:

Thursday—Weir's Store, 1 to 2 p. m., and Margrace Store, 2 to 4 p. m.

Friday morning—Waco postoffice, 9:30 to 10:30; Goforth Store, 11 to 11:30; Champion Gin, 11:30 to 11:45.

Friday afternoon—Frank's Store, 1:30 to 2 o'clock; A. L. Putnam Store, 2 to 2:30; Seism's Gin, 2:30 to 3 o'clock.

Carver Blanton, county dog warden has "pointed out that vaccination of dogs against rabies is not only required by law, but serves as a protection for both people and livestock.

Dr. Mauney will visit City Hall in Kings Mountain again in March 7.

Mauney Legion Athletic Head

Paul Mauney, prominent mill official and post commander of the organization, was named athletic officer of Otis D. Green Post 155, the American Legion at a special meeting last Friday night.

Commander Warren E. Reynolds made the appointment after the group had discussed ways and means of sponsoring another junior baseball team here.

Three other members were named to the baseball board, with several other appointments to be made soon. Sam Collins was named to again head the concessions committee. Fred Haitheox was re-appointed treasurer and C. T. Carpenter, Jr. was appointed secretary. All members of the board will be assistant athletic officers.

The post has been studying ways and means of continuing the baseball team sponsorship since late last summer when it was disclosed that the 1951 team went in the red some \$2,000. Teams have been sponsored here for the past seven years.

The special meeting Friday was called to further plans for junior baseball this summer.

Members agreed, that with the building project underway, the post can no longer afford to face another deficit in its baseball operations. The group is planning to sponsor a team if some \$1,500 can be raised toward the baseball operating budget before the team entry deadline, about the first of April.

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Baptist Men's Class To Hold Ladies Night

Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, president of Mars Hill college, will make the featured address at a ladies night banquet of the Berean class of First Baptist church Sunday school, according to announcement by Wiley Blanton, chairman of the arrangements committee.

The banquet will be held Monday night at 7:30 at Masonic Dining Hall.

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