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Local News Bulletins

COLLEGE TRUSTEE
 W. K. Mauney, Kings Mountain textile executive, was re-elected a trustee of Lenoir-Rhyne college last week.

ATTENDS CONVENTION
 T. W. Grayson, Kings Mountain jeweler, returned Tuesday from Winston-Salem, where he attended the annual convention of the North Carolina Jewelry Dealers association.

RECEIVES DISCHARGE
 Don Carpenter, who has been serving with the Navy for the past 15 months, was honorably discharged this week according to information received here.

TO ENGLAND
 Cpl. Ivan Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Weaver, leaves Thursday for Camp Kilmer, N. J., preparatory to transfer to England for duty with the Air Force. He has spent a 30-day leave here with his parents.

LEAVES SUNDAY
 Warrant Officer Ray Black leaves Sunday for Camp Kilmer, N. J., for assignment to duty in Germany with the army. Mrs. Black and children will reside in Kings Mountain while Mr. Black is overseas.

DUKE ALLOCATION
 Kings Mountain Hospital was allocated \$179 by the Duke Endowment for charity work done in 1951, according to an announcement following a meeting of the Endowment trustees Tuesday.

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CASHWELLS MOVING
 Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Cashwell, Jr., will move Thursday to Lenoir, where Mr. Cashwell will assume the duties of pastor of College Avenue Baptist church. Mr. Cashwell completed his pastorate of First Baptist church at the Wednesday evening prayer service.

TO ATTEND MEET
 Dr. P. G. Padgett will leave Sunday to attend the annual session of the Medical Society of the State of North Carolina which will be held at Carolina Hotel, in Pinehurst, May 5-7. Announcement was made by James T. Barnes, executive secretary.

ISLEY FEATURED
 Mayor Carlyle Isley, of Burlington, recently elected director for the sixth district, North Carolina League of Municipalities, was pictured on the cover of the League's April edition of its monthly publication Southern City. Mr. Isley is the husband of the former Miss Margaret Plonk, of Kings Mountain.

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Material Delay Slows Opening Of Bus Terminal

The contractor's delay in installing partitions in the bathrooms of the near-complete Kings Mountain Bus Terminal was given as the reason for delay in opening of the terminal, in a letter received by the city Wednesday.

The letter was a carbon of message sent by J. H. Quattlebaum, of Queen City Coach Company, to Edward H. McMahan, Utilities commissioner, according to City Clerk Joe Hendrick.

In response to a letter from the city clerk, Mr. McMahan, who has been handling the Kings Mountain case for the utilities commission, had written the Queen City official information on when the terminal would open.

Mr. Quattlebaum stated in the letter that the contractor had informed him the partitions had arrived and would be installed in the near future. He said that Queen City hoped to open the terminal "as quickly as possible, and will do so."

Plonk School Plays Won Highest Ratings

Plays of both the high school and college departments of the Plonk School of Creative Arts, of Asheville, won top honors at the annual North Carolina Dramatic Festival held at Chapel Hill last weekend.

Lead roles in the cast of Martha L. Levering's "Reciprocity," were played by Shirley Houser and Nan Jean Gant, Kings Mountain students at the Asheville school. The college department presented James M. Barrie's "Twelve Pound Look."

The Plonk school is directed by Misses Laura and Lillian Plonk, Kings Mountain natives.

Mrs. W. M. Gant and Mrs. George Houser, of Kings Mountain, attended the festival.

Snarr Heifer Sale Saturday

Fifty purebred Guernsey heifers will be sold at auction at the Cleveland County Fairgrounds, beginning at 12:30 Saturday.

The auction is a feature of Ward Snarr's eighth annual heifer sale, and the third annual sale in Cleveland County.

The sale is being conducted in cooperation with the Cleveland Guernsey Breeders association and is designed to improve the quality of Guernsey herds in the county.

On Friday night, the association will hold a supper for breeders, merchants, consignors, Grade "A" dairy operators and other guests, also at the Fairgrounds, at 6:30. Following supper, Ralph Coarsey, manager of Reigeldale Farms, at Trion, Ga., will deliver an address.

Holland Dixon, of Kings Mountain, is a member of the committee arranging the Friday night supper. J. C. Randle, also of Kings Mountain, is president of the Guernsey Breeders association and will preside over the meeting.

BUILDING PERMIT
 A building permit was issued last week at City Hall to McCoy Service Company for construction of a service station on Railroad avenue at an estimated cost of \$5,000.

Funeral Services For C. C. Edens Conducted Wednesday Afternoon

Funeral rites for C. C. (Shorty) Edens, 53, were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at First Baptist church, with interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mr. Edens, for much of his adult life a well-known Kings Mountain citizen, died Monday morning at 9:10 at Kings Mountain hospital after suffering a heart attack. He had been ill for four days, having suffered a slight attack last Wednesday. He appeared to be recovering satisfactorily until early Monday morning when he suffered a severe attack. He was admitted to the hospital about five hours before his death.

A native of Oconee County, S. C., Mr. Edens was the son of the late Samuel and Mary Stancil Edens. He had recently retired as a merchant, having disposed of his interest in Economy Cash Grocery. A loyal and active member of the First Baptist church, Mr. Edens was actively identified in the civic life of the community.

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Fellowship Day Service Friday



BLOOD CHAIRMAN—Rev. Vance Daniel has been appointed blood program chairman of the Kings Mountain chapter, American Red Cross, succeeding Rev. T. L. Cashwell, Jr.

Daniel Named Blood Chairman

Rev. Vance Daniel, pastor of Resurrection Lutheran church, was appointed blood program chairman of the Kings Mountain chapter, American Red Cross this week, succeeding Rev. T. L. Cashwell, Jr., who leaves Thursday to assume a new pastorate in Lenoir.

The appointment was made by Rev. W. L. Pressly, chapter chairman, and was announced Monday night at a special meeting of the Red Cross directors concerning the blood program.

Addresses were made by Mrs. Marion Ritzert, of Charlotte, area blood program representative, and by Miss Hope Buck, of Atlanta, special field representative, both of whom pointed out the great need for increased blood collections to serve both civilian and armed services demands.

Mrs. Mary B. Goforth also reported on a recent meeting in Charlotte at which quotas for the coming year were scheduled. She said that Kings Mountain's quota for the year beginning July 1 is 687 pints of blood, and that the community is currently 220 pints behind on its 1951 quota.

Mrs. J. N. Gamble, Red Cross secretary, said that there is danger that the Red Cross will withdraw its supplies from the Kings Mountain hospital if the blood quotas are not met.

Kings Mountain's last collection, under Mr. Cashwell's chairmanship, was its most successful. A total of 144 pints of blood was collected.

Bethware Finals Speakers Named

Graduation exercises at Bethware school will be held on the evenings of May 18 and 19, according to announcement by John Rudisill, principal.

Rev. R. L. Forbis, pastor of El Bethel Methodist church, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon on May 18, and J. Horace Grigg, superintendent of county schools, will make the graduation address on May 19. Both programs will begin at 8 o'clock.

Mr. Rudisill said that 22 Bethware seniors will receive diplomas. Class valedictorian is Frieda Brown, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brown. The salutatorian is Luther McSwain, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Luther McSwain.

Fourteen members of the senior class are in Washington, D. C., this week on the annual senior class tour of the Capitol city. Also on the tour are 22 members of the Tryon school senior class. Mrs. Pauline Putnam, of Tryon school, and Mr. and Mrs. Rudisill accompanied the group. The group left Monday and expects to return over the weekend.

Rev. David Morris New Temple Minister

Rev. David N. Morris, Gastonia native, will assume the duties of pastor of Temple Baptist church on May 11, according to announcement this week.

Mr. Morris, now completing his second year of study at the Southern Baptist Theological seminary, Louisville, Ky., is a graduate of Wake Forest college and of Gardner-Webb Junior college.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Morris, of Gastonia, Rev. Mr. Morris is 28 years of age. Mrs. Morris, also a native of Gastonia, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Quinn. They have two children, ages six years and seven months.

Rev. Mr. Morris has held pastorates in both North Carolina and Kentucky, having recently served as pastor of Black Grove Baptist church, in North Carolina, he has served the High View Baptist church and the Montwood Baptist church.

Mr. Morris succeeds as pastor of Temple Baptist church Rev. W. F. Monroe, who resigned several months ago.

HEART ATTACK FATAL

Funeral rites for C. C. (Shorty) Edens, well-known Kings Mountain citizen, were held Wednesday afternoon at First Baptist church. Mr. Edens succumbed Monday morning, following a heart attack.

Mrs. Goodwin To Make Address To Churchwomen

Mrs. Patsy Smith Goodwin, of Charlotte, president of the Charlotte Council of Churchwomen and active in Charlotte's literary and cultural life, will make the principal address here Friday at community-wide observance of May Fellowship Day.

The program will be held at Boyce Memorial ARP church at 3 o'clock.

In commenting on the program, Mrs. O. W. Myers, president of the Kings Mountain council said, "We are very fortunate to have Mrs. Goodwin with us for one of the three important days in the church council's annual program. She is a highly accomplished person and a most interesting speaker. We want all women of the community to attend."

Theme of the observance is "Spiritual Security for Today's Families", with special emphasis on the importance of the home and the home community in building spiritual security.

More than 1,800 communities throughout the nation will join with Kings Mountain in the May Fellowship Day observance.

An offering will be taken, with proceeds to further the work of the United Churchwomen.

W. L. Blackburn Re-enters Race

W. L. Blackburn re-entered the race for the Democratic nomination for constable Monday, following his announcement on April 23 that he was withdrawing from the race.

It was the principal development of the week in local area politics, now peaking for the May 31 Democratic primary.

The re-entry of Mr. Blackburn in the constable contest returns to five the number of contestants for the constable nomination. The others are Ervin Ellison, Paul Byers, Ken Stepp and H. G. Clemmons.

Mr. Blackburn exhibited a letter from C. H. Hendrix, of Shelby, chairman of the county board of elections, under date of April 25, which read:

"In regard to your request to withdraw your notice of candidacy in the primary election as Constable of Township Number Four, we are sorry to inform you that the ballots have already been printed, and your name, of course, is on them."

In his re-entry statement, Mr. Blackburn told the Herald:

"Since my name was already on the ballot and could not be removed, and at the urging of many friends and voters, I have decided that if the people want me for constable for another two years, I would serve as in the past, to the best of ability."

Kiwanis Project To Get Out Vote

A register-and-vote campaign has been launched by the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club. J. C. Bridges is chairman of the project.

The club's purpose is to get 100 percent registration of all eligible Kings Mountain area voters by the May 31 primary. Plans are to use advertising methods to urge eligible voters to register and then to vote, Chairman Bridges said.

The campaign, entitled "Ballet Battalion", is expected to result in the largest turn-out at the polls in the history of primary elections in this area.

The Kings Mountain club is conducting the "Ballet Battalion" in conjunction with the national Kiwanis organization.

ATTENDS BOARD MEETING
 W. E. Blakely attended a board meeting of Erskine College at Due West, Monday.

Final Rites Held For Mrs. Walker

Final rites for Mrs. Julia Etta Walker, 66, wife of Joseph A. Walker and resident of 307 Parker Street, were conducted from Central Methodist church Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Rev. J. H. Brendall and Rev. Lee J. Spenser, pastor of Cherryville Methodist church, officiated. Burial was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

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She was a native of Cleveland county, a daughter of the late Daniel M. and Martha Hallman Hartsoe. She was a member of Central Methodist church.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Walker is survived by three sons, Arthur Walker, Paul Walker, and Horace Walker, all of Kings Mountain and one daughter, Mrs. D. C. DeVenny of Cherryville; one sister, Miss Myra Hartsoe and one grandchild.

Hillar! Black, Boyer Murray, Baxter Pavesur, Pinkney Ware, M. C. Poston, and Holland Dixon served as pallbearers.

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts totaled \$146.13 for this week ending Wednesday, according to a report of Joe Hendrick, city clerk.

Kings Mountain Kiwanians To Hold Annual Ladies Night Fete Thursday

Lex L. Ray, of Raleigh, director of the State College Foundation, will be after-dinner speaker at the annual Kiwanis Club ladies night banquet to be held tonight (Thursday) at the Masonic Dining Hall.

Mr. Ray will be introduced by Lewis Hovis.

Special music will be rendered by the Kings Mountain high school girls trio, Dolores Davidson, Melba Tindall and Evelyn Cline. They will be accompanied by Miss Barbara Gault.

W. Falsen Barnes, chairman of the club's ladies night committee, made the announcement. Others on the committee are J. C. Bridges and Horace Walker.

Mr. Barnes stated that Mr. Ray spoke here last at the Kiwanis club farmers night program and is a widely known after-dinner speaker. He is a graduate of N. C. State college and is a former executive secretary of the N. C. Dairy Manufacturers Association.

Dawson Blasts State Lobbyists In Address Here

Charging that a group of lobbyists for 11 big interests wrote the 1952 education appropriation bill for the General Assembly, A. G. Dawson, head of the North Carolina United Forces for Education program, urged laymen to support a five-point program for improvement of schools, in an address here Monday night.

Mr. Dawson, superintendent of schools at Southern Pines, was the principal speaker at the annual District 6 meeting of the North Carolina school board association.

The 80 school board members and officials present for the meeting elected H. Wells Rogers, of Albemarle, president for the coming year; named James Glenn, of Charlotte, as vice-president, and John Birch Morris, of Albemarle, secretary. Mr. Rogers, a former Kings Mountain resident, succeeds Arnold W. Kincaid of Kings Mountain. Mr. Rogers was elevated from the vice-presidency.

The district includes Anson, Cabarrus, Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Stanly and Union counties.

Mr. Dawson declined to name his source of information on the lobbying charge.

The program of the United Forces he outlined included:

- 1) Provision of good instruction, through increased appropriations to provide a salary schedule for teachers beginning at \$2,600 annually for beginning "A" certificate teachers, with increments over a 12-year period to \$4,100.
- 2) Reduction of the teacher load from 32 to 30 pupils.
- 3) Adequate appropriations for instructional supplies.
- 4) Employment of attendance officers to get the 60,000 "lost" North Carolina children in school regularly.
- 5) Additional school construction appropriations by the state to take care of the expected school population increase during the forthcoming decade.

Mr. Dawson offered the opinion that the principal recommendations of the United Forces for Education can be obtained without increases in taxes, though he inferred that school building appropriations would require a state bond issue.

He declared that the state will show a large surplus at the end of the current fiscal year, estimated the surplus at the end of the 1951-53 biennium would approach \$40 to \$60 million and urged citizens interested in schools to see that the schools get a portion of the surplus. He declared that none of the war-years surplus went to the schools.

Charles McCrary, of Asheboro, president of the North Carolina School Board association, in brief remarks prior to the Dawson address, similarly supported the five-point program. He said he felt laymen, headed by school boards, could obtain more favorable treatment from the General Assembly than could "professional" school citizens. He said he did not favor mass meetings of school teachers in Raleigh before legislative committees, saying he felt these "pressure" meetings did more harm than good. Mr. Dawson added his agreement.

Retiring President Kincaid presided over the meeting, and Dr. A. S. Hurlburt, of the University of North Carolina School of Education, presented association officials.

During dinner, Howard Coble, public school music instructor, and the girls trio, including Dolores Davidson, Evelyn Cline and Melba Tindall, presented a musical program. They were accompanied by Barbara Gault.

City Commissioners Amend Blue Law

Kings Mountain's Sunday blue law was amended last Friday night by the city board of commissioners to apply to all businesses between the hours of 10 a. m. and noon.

The special meeting was called to consider amending the law, following objection to the board's April 21st action in ordering enforcement of an old ordinance.

Commissioner Lloyd Davis made the motion, Commissioner Olland Pearson seconded, and the vote was 4-0. Commissioner James Layton abstaining.

After some question about the effective date of the amended ordinance, City Attorney J. R. Davis advised the city not to enforce the ordinance until minutes of the meeting had been approved. Minutes approval customarily occurs at the regular monthly meeting of the board, with the May meeting scheduled for May 12. City Clerk Joe Hendrick said the police department will not enforce the law until the minutes are approved.

A large number of citizens attended the Friday night session, including operators of some businesses which have been open on Sundays, as well as representatives of the Ministerial association.

The three ministers present, Rev. P. D. Patrick, Rev. Vance Daniel and Rev. T. L. Cashwell, Jr., denied that they were trying to exert undue pressure on the board to enforce the Sunday blue law, but Mr. Cashwell remarked that the law should be enforced or stricken from the books.

Mr. Patrick asked how many communities had similar laws and enforced them, but no answer was supplied until Bill Butler, of Silver Villa Grill remarked later that he had to be open to serve hungry people, stating that "nothing is open between Charlotte and Asheville". Mr. Patrick was quick to suggest that the other communities seemed to be doing all right, where partial closing schedules were observed.

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Jim Leigh, service station operator, said that closing for church hours on Sunday morning and Sunday evenings might result in his having to be closed seven days weekly.

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