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 Trading Area ..... 15,000  
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## Bloodmobile Goal Today 150 Pints

### Local News Bulletins

**EMERGENT COMMUNICATION**  
 An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge No. 339 will be held at Masonic Hall on Monday, March 16, for work in the third degree. J. H. McDaniel, Jr., secretary.

**COX PROMOTED**  
 Lt. Bobby G. Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Cox, of Kings Mountain, has been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant effective February 28. Lt. Cox is now stationed in Tokyo, attached to the Far East Command.

**COURT OF HONOR**  
 Regular monthly Court of Honor for Kings Mountain district Boy Scouts will convene at 7:45 Thursday evening at City Hall courtroom. A Scouters' Roundtable will be held during the court.

**SHIFTS STATIONS**  
 Rev. Grady Chaney said this week he was transferring his Sunday radio broadcast to Station WKMT Kings Mountain, from 7:30 to 8:15 a. m. He has been heard over Station WGNC Gastonia.

**CHARTER NIGHT**  
 The Kings Mountain Kiwanis club will observe annual Charter Night at the Thursday night meeting at Masonic Dining Hall at 6:45. The meeting will be a ladies night affair, with a mixed quartet from Gardner-Webb college furnishing the program.

**NURSES NEEDED**  
 The Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at the National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Md., announces an examination for trained practical nurse with a salary of \$2950 per annum for employment at the National Institutes of Health, the Clinical Center, Bethesda, Md., it was announced today by M. C. Falls, secretary of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at the local Postoffice where complete information and application forms may be obtained. All competitors will be required to take a written test.

### Mrs. Hambright Succumbs At 97

Funeral rites for Mrs. Mary Ann Dixon Hambright, 97, resident of route 2, were conducted Sunday at 2 p. m. from El Bethel Methodist church.

Rev. Boyce Huffstetler, the pastor, officiated assisted by Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor of First Presbyterian church, and Rev. Park Moore of Grover Shiloh Presbyterian church.

Interment was in the El Bethel church cemetery.

Mrs. Hambright died last Friday afternoon at 1:30 after a seven-week illness, at the home of a son, Quay Hambright on route 2. She had apparently been in good health prior to the time.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late John and Priscilla Goforth Dixon and the widow of David Robinson Hambright, who died in 1906.

She was a charter member of Shiloh Presbyterian church of Grover. A life-long resident of the Dixon community on route 2, she had been making her home with her son, Quay on the Kings Mountain - Grover road since her illness.

Surviving are eight daughters, Mrs. Carroll Barber and Mrs. Octavia King, both of Charlotte; Mrs. Myrtle Matthews and Mrs. C. A. Royster, both of Greensboro; Mrs. Ina Ross, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Wade Milan and Mrs. J. A. Page, both of Spartanburg, S. C.; and Mrs. E. L. Price at Asheville; and three sons, Varn Hambright, Huntersville, Quay and Dewitt Hambright, both of Kings Mountain.

Also surviving are 54 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Grandsons of Mrs. Hambright served as active pallbearers.

### Unit Sets Up At Woman's Club From 11 to 5

The Red Cross Bloodmobile makes a return visit to Kings Mountain Thursday, with the local committee hoping for a busy day and minimum collection of 150 pints of blood on the one-day visit of the Bloodmobile.

The Bloodmobile unit will set up at the Woman's Club and will be in operation from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Rev. Vance Daniel, chairman of the blood collection committee of the Kings Mountain chapter, said much advance work has been done on recruitment for the visit through W. J. Fulkerson, recruitment chairman, and Dr. N. H. Reau, publicity chairman, and a successful collection is anticipated.

"It takes a steady stream of donors throughout the six-hour period to provide 150 pints of blood," he said, urging all citizens to visit the Woman's Club tomorrow.

For Thursday's visit, Mrs. Jacob Cooper will serve as canteen chairman. This function of the chapter is under the volunteer services division headed by Mrs. Luther Cansler. City firemen and policemen have volunteered to help the Bloodmobile set up for the day's work.

Rev. Mr. Daniel also reminded citizens needing transportation to the Bloodmobile station to call any auto dealer. Free transportation will be provided, he said.

Merchants are being asked to display flags in front of their business establishments, as a reminder of the Bloodmobile collection.

Since the last visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile to Kings Mountain, 103 pints of blood for plasma has been used at Kings Mountain hospital.

### Country Club Meeting Tuesday Club Sponsoring Floral Lecture

Annual meeting of stockholders of Kings Mountain Country Club will be held next Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock in the dining room of the club, according to notice mailed members this week. The meeting will be a Dutch Supper at \$1.50 per person.

Principal items of business on the agenda include reports of officers and committee chairmen on the past year's activities and election of directors for the forthcoming year.

Reports will be heard from George W. Mauney, president, Harry E. Page, secretary - treasurer, Joe A. Nelsler, greens committee chairman, Charles Nelsler, house committee chairman, George Houser, social committee chairman, and David Neill, membership chairman.

Following the annual meeting Tuesday night, newly elected directors will meet Wednesday to organize for 1953-54.

Club officials are urging a full attendance at the stockholders' meeting. Members unable to attend are asked to designate some other member to serve as their proxies.

**METER RECEIPTS**  
 A total of \$159.30 was collected from the city's parking meters Wednesday morning according to a report by the city clerk's office.

### Election Two Months Away Finds Political Activity In Doldrums

City political activity languished in the doldrums again the past week, with no new candidates in the race and few new names added via the rumor mill, in spite of the fact that election day is now exactly two months away.

There were still no candidates in Ward 1, either for city commissioner, or for the school trustee. Ward 5 listed a lone city commissioner candidate.

Ward 1 Commissioner James Layton was reportedly saying to some folk he would not offer for re-election, but was telling others he probably would, and some thought J. Pat Tignor would definitely offer for the same office. Former Mayor J. E. Herndon was also listed as a possibility.

George W. Allen, recuperating from an eye operation, was able to get out a bit and some were pointing to next week as possible announcement time for his rumored mayoral candidacy.

Tommy Ellison, former commissioner, was still expected to enter the Ward 3 commissioner race, now including incumbent Olland Pearson and Clarence Elgin, and W. G. Grantham, was still being mentioned as a possible candidate for Ward 5 commissioner. Sam Stallings has filed for this position and Baxter Wright, incumbent, has not publicly announced his intentions regarding the forthcoming election.



**BROWNIES LAUNCH COOKIE SALE** — Shown above are four members of Brownie Scout Troop 32 starting to work on the annual Girl Scout cookie sale, which gets underway today. Pictured, left to right, are Jane Houser, Betty Lee Jackson, Rev. P. D. Patrick, the customer, Nancy Hovis and Paula Shutt. Mrs. Harry Page is Troop Leader.



**TO LECTURE HERE**—Mrs. Marie Johnson Fort, author and lecturer on floral arrangements, will lecture in Kings Mountain on March 19 at First Presbyterian church recreational building under sponsorship of the House and Garden club.

### Negro Jailed On Hold-Up, Intent Charges

Arthur G. Dameron, 23-year-old Negro, waived preliminary hearing before Judge Jack H. White Saturday morning in Kings Mountain Recorder's court, on charges of attempted armed robbery and assault with intent to kill.

The charges were warranted by W. Banks Barber, proprietor of Barber's Cash Grocery on March 6 when Dameron attempted to rob Mr. Barber in his grocery establishment on West King street and further in the attempt to cut the grocer with a knife.

Police Chief Hugh A. Logan, Jr., in reporting the robbery attempt, said Dameron had entered the store early Friday morning about 7 o'clock and purchased some bologna and a writing tablet. In an attempt to get the grocer into the back room of the store, Logan said that Dameron, in a written confession, had stated that he told Mr. Barber he wanted "a half a dozen eggs — that he only wanted \$50 from the grocer to pay up some debts", Mr. Logan stated.

The grocer received cuts on the face and on the ear when he attempted to free himself from the robber. When Mr. Barber called for help, Dameron fled, Chief Logan said.

With the help of bloodhounds, the police traced Dameron to a house on Waterson street where Dameron was in hiding behind the chimney in the attic. Later, in the chief's office, he made a written confession of the robbery attempt, police report.

Bond was set in each case at \$1500 and defendant was transferred to Cleveland County jail at Shelby.

Investigating officers were Chief Logan, City Officers P. A. Hawkins, P. R. Sanders, and Ralph Ware, and Deputy L. L. Hamrick.

### Final Rites Held For Mrs. Moore

Funeral services for Mrs. J. A. Moore, 79, who died at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Marion Shook on route 2 Thursday at 4 a. m. were conducted Saturday at 3 p. m. from the Christ Lutheran church in Stanley.

Rev. Rufus Cuthbertson, the pastor officiated, assisted by Rev. T. B. Huneycutt and Rev. G. F. Houck of Stanley. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Moore, a resident of Stanley, had been in declining health for sometime. She was a native of Gaston county and a member of Christ Lutheran church of Stanley.

Surviving are her husband, J. A. Moore; four sons, Oscar of Dallas, and Robert Moore, of Largo, Fla.; and two daughters, Mrs. George Rhyne of Stanley and Mrs. Marion Shook of Kings Mountain.

### Cash-Poor Police Aid Loaded Lad

City police officers D. H. Street and Ralph Ware, on night duty Monday night picked up a young boy they had noticed loitering about the business section. Upon investigation, they discovered that he had run away from his home in Norfolk, Va.

The young boy told the officers he was hungry and, feeling sorry for the youth, the officers bought him a nice supper at a nearby cafe.

Noticing that the boy had something hidden under his shirt, the policemen took him to the police station and searched him, whereupon they found a knife which was 14 inches long, in his pockets, they also found \$28, more the officers say than the pair of officers could produce.

Police then notified the boy's parents in Norfolk, Va., and were told by his frantic mother to buy the boy a ticket and put him on a bus for Norfolk.

Tuesday night at 6:15 o'clock the run-away lad boarded a bus for Norfolk. Chief Logan reported that the boy still had \$13 left after buying his own bus ticket.

### Monroe Lovelace Rites Thursday

Funeral services for Monroe Lovelace, 72-year old farmer of route one, who died suddenly at Kings Mountain hospital Tuesday at 10 a. m., will be conducted Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Oak Grove Baptist church.

Rev. C. C. Crowe and Rev. Luther Hawkins will officiate and the body will lie-in-state at the church for one-half hour prior to the service. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Mr. Lovelace had undergone an operation last week and was apparently recovering satisfactorily. He had been in ill health for the past four months.

A native of Rutherford County, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Lovelace. He had been a resident of the Oak Grove section for most of his life and was a member of Oak Grove Baptist church.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Martha Bell Lovelace; two daughters, Mrs. Will Waterson and Mrs. Frank C. Ware of Kings Mountain; a foster son, Culp Ford of Shelby; 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A brother, D. L. Lovelace of Kings Mountain, and a sister, Mrs. Mary Anderson of Easley, S. C., also survive.

### Anniversary Rites Planned

The congregation of Resurrection Lutheran church will celebrate the second anniversary of the church at services Sunday.

Dr. F. L. Conrad, president of the United Evangelical Lutheran Synod of North Carolina will deliver the sermon at the 11 o'clock service and H. E. Linsenhour, secretary of the synod's mission committee, will bring greetings to the congregation.

Following the morning service, a fellowship dinner will be served at the church.

## Boards Agree On Vote Bill; Election Called For May 12

### Minor Change Only Departure From Falls' Bill

Kings Mountain citizens are expected to have an opportunity to decide on May 12 whether they want a city manager form of government, following approval of the text of an election enabling act by the city board of commissioners and the city planning board Monday night.

Though discussion on the act, as introduced in the General Assembly last Thursday by Rep. B. T. Falls, required an hour, only a minor change was recommended for insertion. In one provision of the act, which modifies slightly the Plan "D" form as set forth in the state statutes, the board of commissioners retains its authority to employ and discharge city clerk, tax collector, city attorney and city tax collector. Both boards agreed that the city board should also retain its power to employ the judge of recorder's court and solicitor.

It is anticipated by local officials that the bill will be passed in the near future. Rep. Falls, after introducing the act, had requested the House committee on cities, towns, and counties to withhold action until the city groups had agreed to its termination.

Should the city manager system be adopted, the city board of commissioners would employ a city manager who would be the city's principal executive officer and who would be responsible to the city board.

In discussion of the election bill Monday night, Mayor Garland Still, and Commissioners Olland Pearson and James Layton again expressed opposition to the city manager system of government.

Mr. Layton pointed out, that, under a Supreme Court ruling, a commissioner could be named to fill a city manager vacancy, and Mr. Pearson said he is opposed to the city manager system, though he is quite willing for the citizens to vote on the matter.

J. B. Keeter, planning board chairman, replied, "This was not brought up to benefit a few people but because we think it a better system of operation. If this plan carries and the board doesn't cooperate, nor the manager doesn't cooperate, nothing will work."

City Attorney J. R. Davis read the proposed enabling act and outlined content of references to other statutes. He said that the bill, as introduced, would leave the city election system as it is, with the people electing a mayor and five commissioners at large, and electing school trustees for staggered terms by wards. He said the provision of the 1951 amendment requiring successful candidates to obtain a majority vote would not be effected.

Text of the enabling act, as introduced by Rep. Falls, follows:

**"A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM ELECTION IN THE CITY OF KINGS MOUNTAIN UPON THE QUESTION OF ADOPTING A CITY MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT, SAID ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE DATE OF THE MAY 1953"**

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**HERE SUNDAY** — Paul Voronaeff, escapee from Russia, will make a community-wide address at the high school auditorium Sunday night under the sponsorship of several local congregations.

### Paul Voronaeff To Speak Here

Paul Voronaeff, lecturer and evangelist, will tell the story of his personal experiences, persecution and suffering of 13 years in Communist Russia at Kings Mountain high school auditorium Sunday night at 7:30. This meeting is under the auspices of several local congregations.

Mr. Voronaeff, born in Russia, was brought to America at an early age. Some years later his family returned to Eastern Europe to take charge of missionary activities in Greece, Turkey, the Balkans and Soviet Russia. His parents were arrested because of their religious work. Without trial they were sentenced to life-long imprisonment and exile in Siberia. His father was the president of the religious organization 'Christians of Evangelical Faith' until his arrest and exile.

While in Russia, Mr. Voronaeff was a student at the University of Moscow. Arrested by the Soviet Secret Police, he served a term as a 'slave laborer' in Siberia.

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### Monday Board Actions Listed

In regular monthly session Monday night, the city board of commissioners:

1) Authorized curb-and-gutter installation in the 800-block of West Gold street, the abutting property owners to pay half the curbing cost and one-third the cost of widening the street.

2) Authorized requests of Superior Stone Company to change the course of Kings Creek as it effects the Kings Creek sewage disposal tank.

3) Cancelled a charge of \$800 it had billed Superior Stone Company for alleged damages to a manhole cover and cost of clean-up.

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### MEN SOUGHT

Two Kings Mountain area men, who failed to report for armed forces physical examinations Monday morning, are being sought by selective service officials. They are Enoch Andrew White and Roy Lee Smith.

## Logan Organizing Junior Police League Boys Up To Age 15

Chief of Police Hugh A. Logan, Jr., got a favorable nod from the board of city commissioners this week on his plans for setting up a Junior Police League, designed to combat juvenile delinquency and acquainting children the business of law enforcement.

Special membership cards are being prepared and will be available this weekend at the police office at City Hall. Membership in the Junior Police League will be open to boys up to 15 years of age, who are willing to take the oath of membership and to abide by its terms.

Principal features of the membership oath are:

"I promise that I will always respect and obey my parents."

"I promise to be regular in my

attendance at my school and at my church, and to strive to do my best to obtain an education."

"I promise that I will always, by example of right living and right action, lead other boys to do right."

"I promise always to be ready to assist those in trouble who deserve help."

"I promise always to be faithful to the League in the execution of my duties and to attend all meetings if it is within my power to do so."

"I promise to obey the orders of the Chief, the Boy Chief, and the officers of the Junior Police League, and to respect the rules."

### Board Names Poll-Handlers For May Voting

The city board of commissioners passed the formal resolution calling the biennial city election Monday night, which provides for the holding of the election on May 12.

On that date the qualified voters of the city will choose a mayor and five city commissioners, while qualified voters in Ward 1 will choose a school trustee.

The resolution provides that registration books shall open at each of the five ward polling places for three successive Saturdays, beginning April 18, with Saturday, May 9, designated as challenge day.

The polls are to open at 7 a. m. on May 12 and close 12 hours later at 7 p. m.

Filing fee is \$5 for each office. Election officials for the five wards follow:

Ward 1 at City Hall, C. L. Black, registrar, M. L. Harmon, Sr., and Mrs. Lloyd Houser, judges.

Ward 2, at City Hall, Mrs. H. R. Parton, registrar, Mrs. L. C. Parsons and Mrs. George W. Allen, judges.

Ward 3, at Phenix Mill Store, Mrs. Ruth Bowers, registrar, and Rachel Connor and Mack Murray, judges.

Ward 4, at Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company clubroom, C. P. Goforth, registrar, George White and H. H. Smith, judges.

Ward 5, at Victory Chevrolet Company, Mrs. J. T. McGinnis, Jr., registrar, Mrs. J. H. Arthur and Grier Plonk, judges.

### Garfield Royster Suicide Victim

Funeral services for James Garfield Royster, 51, resident of Monte Vista drive, who was found dead at his home Sunday at about 11:30 a. m. of a gunshot wound in the head, were held Tuesday afternoon at 4 p. m. from First Church of the Nazarenes.

Rev. C. E. McKenzie, the pastor, and Rev. P. D. Patrick officiated and burial was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

The body was discovered by Mrs. Royster upon her return from church services. He had been in ill health for the past six months and had been a patient at the Columbia, S. C. veterans' hospital for several weeks last December.

Cleveland County Coroner J. Ollie Harris, who investigated along with Kings Mountain Police Chief Hugh A. Logan and Sheriff J. Hayward Allen, of Shelby, said the fatal wound was self-inflicted and that an inquest was not necessary.

Mr. Royster was a native of Cleveland County, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Royster. He was a veteran of World War II, serving with Company D, 105th engineers, and was a member of Otis D. Green Post 155, the American Legion.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ola Sanders Royster, two brothers, Ambrose Royster of Kings Mountain and C. H. Royster of Shelby and a sister, Mrs. Pearl Snider of Gastonia.

Members of the American Legion post served as pallbearers.

### WKMT To Take Air Thursday Morning

Radio Station WKMT will definitely go on the air at 6:30 a. m. Thursday morning, according to announcement from the station early Wednesday afternoon.

Alan Phillips, commercial manager, said the opening, originally scheduled for Tuesday, was delayed due to failure of the station to receive final authorization to take the air from the Federal Communications commission.

Authorization was received by telegram shortly after 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, Mr. Phillips added.

The station will broadcast over 1220 kilocycles.