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| City Limits | 7,206 |
| Trading Area | 15,000 |
| (1945 Nation Board Figures) | |

City Board May Restrict Water Uses



LITTLE THEATRE PLAYERS IN FIRST FALL PRODUCTION NOVEMBER 21 — The date of the first winter season production of the Little Theatre has been changed from November 14 to Saturday, November 21 to allow the high school monogram club use of the gymnasium on the date first announced for the play, Miss Jean Cash, director of "Ring Around Elizabeth" announced this week. Cast in the three act comedy are, pictured above left to right, Delbert Dixon, Mrs. C. A. McCarter, Dr. R. N. Baker, Mrs. Bob Cloninger and Burlie Peeler, Jr. (Photo by Carlisle Studio.)

Foote Mineral Now Re-using Some Of Water

Foote Mineral Company has inaugurated a water reclamation system which minimizes, at least temporarily, the potential necessity of slowed or curtailed operations due to the drought. J. E. Castle, manager of the Kings Mountain plant, said the reclaimed water is "not satisfactory, but we can get by." He said use of the reclaimed water might enable continued operation for another two weeks, perhaps an additional two weeks, or even longer.

"We don't like the water though," he said. "It looks more like milk."

Foote is the city's major water customer and, in September purchased 11,000,000 gallons from the city, or more than one-third the city's total at the end of the month. At the request of the city, Foote has already cut its consumption of city water by one-third.

Foote employs more than 100 persons at its Kings Mountain plant.

Local News Bulletins

AMERICAN LEGION

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary have been asked to leave their gifts, which are to be distributed at Oteen's Veterans hospital, at either Delinger's Jewel Shop or at Mrs. D. E. Tate's home on Wells street. Gifts are to be brought in, Mrs. Tate announced, by November 10.

MEETING TUESDAY

Members of the Fine Arts, International Relations, and American Home departments of the Woman's club will hold a joint meeting at First Presbyterian church here Tuesday when the group will be shown a film, "The Art of Silver Design." Time of the meeting is 7:30 p. m.

MONDAY FIRE

City firemen were called to extinguish a woods fire Monday afternoon on Linwood road behind the O. M. Valentine home outside the city limits. No damage to the home was reported, according to report by C. D. Ware, fireman, Wednesday morning.

LEGION NOTICE

Regular monthly meeting of O. M. Green Post 155, the American Legion, will not be held Friday to avoid conflict with the Kings Mountain-Shepherd football game. The meeting will be held on Friday, November 13, at 8 p. m.

RED CROSS CHAPTER

An open meeting of the Kings Mountain chapter, American Red Cross, is set for Wednesday, November 11, at City Hall courtroom at 8 p. m. All citizens of No. 4 Township holding Red Cross membership are urged to attend. Rev. W. L. Pressly, chairman, said. Chapter officers for the year are to be elected at the meeting, he added.

Community Day Service Friday

All Kings Mountain area churchwomen are being urged to attend Friday morning's World Community Day service to be held at 10 o'clock at First Baptist church.

Mrs. William Herndon is program chairman for the Kings Mountain observance on the theme, "Building Lasting Peace."

The observance is sponsored by the interdenominational Kings Mountain Council of Churchwomen.

Aim of the observance will be to help needy homes throughout the world. Those attending the service are being asked to bring donations of household articles for use in refugee camps, orphanages, and similar homes. Desired articles included sheets, pillow slips, blankets, light quilts, drapes, and tablecloths.

Merchants Launch Chest Promotion

32 Retailers Participating In Giveaways

Thirty-two retail members of the Kings Mountain Merchants Association are launching today a long-term promotion called "Appreciation Day," a weekly prize drawing for valuable trade certificates, with the total in the treasure chest scheduled to mount weekly.

The merchants completed arrangements for the promotion last month with the National Trades Day Association, of Weatherford, Texas.

Any person can be a treasure chest or "Appreciation Day" winner, not only once, but several times, if luck is with him. No purchases are required in any way. Rules provide that a person may sign a ticket each time he visits one of the participating firms, though he (or she) is limited to one ticket per store per visit.

Drawing will be held weekly, with the first scheduled for November 12 at 3:30 p. m. at the corner of First National Bank.

One important rule, different from the most local giveaways in the past, is that the winner must be present. Should a name be called and the person not be present, another name is called after a delay of one minute.

Each ticket has a percentage figure on it, not lower than five percent, nor greater than 50 percent. The winner each week will dip into the treasure chest for the percentage listed on his winning ticket.

Each participating merchant contributes two dollars weekly to the treasure chest. This means that the first week's treasure chest will have \$64 in trade certificates. The total mounts each week.

Merchants participating in the promotion include:

Bridges Hardware Co., Sterchi Bros. Stores, Inc., Myers Department

Conduct Of Coroner Ollie Harris Not Under Fire, Foreman States

There was no inference of any irregularity in the conduct of the county coroner's office in the recent report of the grand jury, Lee McDaniel, Kings Mountain farmer and foreman of the Cleveland County grand jury which made the report, said Wednesday.

Mr. McDaniel said the grand jury report was inaccurate in intent if not in content.

"It was my understanding," Mr. McDaniel said, "the recommendation concerned officers of the State Highway Patrol, based on one previous experience by an officer no longer assigned to Cleveland County."

"If there had been any question concerning Mr. Harris, the grand jury certainly would have called him before it," Mr. McDaniel continued.



TO ADDRESS LIONS—State Senator Robert F. Morgan, of Shelby, will address members of the Kings Mountain Lions club at their regular meeting Tuesday night at Masonic Dining Hall at 7 o'clock according to announcement this week.

New Managers At Bus Station

New permanent management assumed operation of Kings Mountain Bus Station Monday. A partnership including Mrs. Otto Guyton and Leon Hamrick, former cook at B. & B. Restaurant, took over the terminal management on Monday morning, following completion of arrangements by Clayton Love, representative of Queen City Coach Company, owner of the W. King street terminal.

Mrs. Guyton will supervise ticket sales and Mr. Hamrick will be in charge of the terminal restaurant.

Mrs. Guyton said the terminal will open at 5 a. m. and close at 8 p. m., weekdays, with slightly later closing hours on Saturdays and Sundays.

The terminal had been under temporary management for several weeks, since Paul Byers relinquished the management.

City Meeting Agenda Is Given

Water, a bond election, and street assessments will feature the monthly agenda of the city board of commissioners when they meet at City Hall Thursday night at 7:30. Mayor Glee A. Bridges said Wednesday.

As has been previously indicated, the board of commissioners formally will call bond issue elections on the question of issuing \$600,000 in bonds to improve the sewage disposal system, to increase the city's water supply, and to build recreation facilities.

The city is publishing in today's issue of the Herald legal notice of intention to issue \$600,000 in bonds. (See page 5, Section 2.)

Water, its supply and consumption, is a big item on the agenda, due to the continued drought and the dwindling city supply.

Street assessments are to be readied for advertising in connection with a public hearing on the assessments, as required by law, Mayor Bridges said.

Otherwise, Thursday's regular November meeting agenda is largely routine, the Mayor added, including monthly reports from department heads and other regular business.

Mrs. Zeb B. Vance Attends Inaugural

Word has been received here that Mrs. Zeb B. Vance was the official representative of Meredith College at the formal inauguration of President Henry King Stanford at Georgia State College for Women, Milledgeville, Georgia, last Friday.

Mrs. Vance is assistant professor of business education at Mercer University in Macon, Georgia, and is the former Mary Elizabeth Elam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Elam of Kings Mountain.

Bloodmobile Unit To Visit Grover

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will return to Number 4 Township next Tuesday for a regular visit, setting up for the one-day collection at Shiloh Presbyterian church at Grover.

Goal of the collection is 175 pints.

The Grover Lions club is sponsoring the collection and is urging every person to take advantage of the opportunity to donate blood. Donors desiring transportation should call Grover 4141, it was announced.

The Grover Lions pointed out that the Defense Department is still asking for large quantities of whole blood and plasma to treat veterans and to stockpile for defense. In addition, manufacture of gamma globulin to prevent infantile paralysis requires huge quantities of blood.

The Bloodmobile will be open from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m.

OFFICE CLOSED

Dr. L. T. Anderson, Kings Mountain chiropractor, is attending the annual state convention of the North Carolina Chiropractic Association in Raleigh this week. His office will be closed through Saturday.



CITY WATER LAKE REACHES ALL-TIME LOW—With the city lake at the low level condition pictured above, city commissioners are considering mandatory restrictive measures to conserve the seriously low supply on hand. The picture was taken this week by Dr. L. T. Anderson from the boat house at the lake. Most of the land area shown in the foreground is customarily covered with water.

Bridges Relinquishes Option On School-Sought Site Tract

48 Petition School Board For Hearing

A second petition concerning the Ratterree-Weir Estate property sought by the Kings Mountain board of school trustees as a part of a new Negro school site was filed with the school board Monday and requests a public hearing prior to any further action toward condemning the property.

Signed by 48 persons who live adjacent to, or nearby, the Ratterree-Weir Estate property, the petition reads:

"We, the taxpayers and property owners of land adjacent to and in the vicinity of the B. D. Ratterree and Mrs. Estelle Weir property, request that before any further action be taken by the School Board to condemn said property that a public hearing be given to the signers of this petition.

"The signers of this petition do further request that the petitioners be notified of said meeting two days in advance."

The signers as they appear on the original petition are: B. D. Ratterree, Executor, B. D. Ratterree, Mrs. B. D. Ratterree, Floyd Thornburg, Margaret Thornburg, T. W. Jackson, J. W. Crawford, Eloise S. Crawford, B. T. Wright, Sr., Mrs. B. T. Wright, Eva Patterson, Dewitt Patterson, J. E. Rhea, Mrs. J. E. Rhea, Mrs. Grier Sipes, Mrs. R. E. Clark, C. D. Gladden, Mrs. C. D. Gladden, Mrs. Cora Clark, Mrs. W. M. Bonds, Dean McDaniel, Mrs. Dora McDaniel, F. O. Carroll, Mrs. F. O. Carroll, William A. Hullender, Beatrice Hullender, Delbert Dixon, Sue Dixon, Mrs. Banks Barber, Mrs. Ruby Davenport, Mary Lou Perry, W. B. Barber, Grier Sipes, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Payne, K. B. Plumbley, Mrs. Willard Compton, Willard Compton, Kelly Dixon, C. J. Gault, Jr., Mrs. C. J. Gault, Jr., Mrs. Homer Jones, Homer Jones, Mr. and Mrs. J. Neal Grissom, G. L. Wright, Tolly Shuford, G. T. Thornburg.

He recounted many of the famous stories of major league umpires and gave some southern football tales.

Mr. Garrison was introduced by Dr. W. P. Gerberding, program chairman.

Dr. D. F. Hord, club president presided, and Rev. W. L. Pressly gave the invocation.

METER RECEIPTS

A total of \$155.45 was collected from the city's parking meters Wednesday morning, according to a report from the city treasurer's office.

Yule Clubbers Urged To Meet Deadline

The First National Bank is urging its Christmas Club savers to check their payment schedules in order to assure completion of payments by November 14, date the 1953 Christmas club closes.

F. R. Summers, bank president, said the total Christmas Club payments for the year, scheduled to be made during the first week in December will total in excess of \$37,000, or almost double last year's \$21,000.

Some 500 Christmas Club members will share the 1953 payments, he added.

Motorists Reminded To Park Right Side

When parking your automobile on the street, park only on the right side.

That's the advice of Police Chief Hugh A. Logan, Jr. who issued a statement Wednesday reminding Kings Mountain motorists that wrong-side parking is both a traffic hazard and against the law.

He noted that motorists who fail to observe the law are subject to citation to court.

He listed as the most popular spot for wrong-side parking Mountain street and Piedmont avenue in the vicinity of the postoffice.

City officers are being instructed to encourage right side parking, the Chief added.

Garrison Speaks To Kiwanians

Wilton Garrison, sports editor of the Charlotte Observer, presented a "humorous sports stories" talk to members of the Kiwanis club at the regular meeting of the organization last Thursday night.

Mr. Garrison described 1953 as the year of the big change in college football and predicted that little change would be made in the substitution rules for next season.

Text of the option, as furnished by Mr. Ratterree, follows:

"Know all men by these presents, that in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid by G. A. Bridges, Mayor of the City of Kings Mountain, North Carolina, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, B. D. Ratterree, on Half Owner and Exec. of the Estate of Mrs. Estelle R. Weir as other Half owner do hereby contract and agree with said G. A. Bridges, Mayor of the City of Kings Mountain, N. C., to sell and convey unto City

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Kings Mountain Teachers Plan Education Week Observance

Plans have been announced for Kings Mountain's observance of American Education Week here next week, November 8-14, with the theme, "Good Schools are Your Responsibility."

Mrs. George Moss, chairman of the Kings Mountain chapter, North Carolina Education Association committee sponsoring the observance here, made the announcement.

Special programs will be given at the schools during the week and the public is invited to attend. The central theme, "Good Schools are Your Responsibility," is addressed to the individual citizen and daily topics relate to various aspects of the modern school program.

The topics are: "Moral and Spiritual Foundations," "Learn-

City To Seek Pool Location Somewhere Else

Mayor Glee A. Bridges nor the City of Kings Mountain now holds an option to purchase the property of B. D. Ratterree and the Estelle Weir Estate, Mayor Bridges told the Herald this week.

"The option is off as of last Saturday," the Mayor said, "I have returned it to Mr. Ratterree. It is now a matter between him and someone else."

The alleged option covered a tract sought by the Kings Mountain district board of school trustees for use in a new site off Wattersen street where it has begun construction of a new Negro elementary school.

The school trustees as early as last April had indicated possibility of condemnation of the property by court action, and Mr. Ratterree countered recently with the statement that Mayor Bridges held an option, in behalf of the city, to purchase the four-and-one-half acre tract at \$1,000 per acre. J. P. Lackey, notary public, notarized the option on August 14, Mr. Ratterree said.

Mayor Bridges said he had the option cancelled at the office of the Register of Deeds. "It's too hot for me," Mr. Bridges said. "The city is seeking other sites for its swimming pools and playgrounds."

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Water Scarcity Continues; City Taps New Creek

The city board of commissioners took two steps designed to increase the city's dwindling water supplies at a special meeting Monday night, and discussed possible measures to make water conservation mandatory.

The board meets in regular session Thursday night and may pass an ordinance limiting use of water for the duration of the drought.

Tuesday night, the board authorized purchase of a gas pump and installation of a two-inch water line to tap the creek heading at Davidson Memorial Scout Camp, and it also instructed E. C. Nicholson, superintendent of public works, to utilize the well water at the Cherryville Road reservoir, provided the water passed sanitation tests.

The board also discussed possibility of utilizing the water in Lake Montonia, but Mayor Glee A. Bridges said Wednesday morning that officials of Lake Montonia Club, Inc., had stated they did not wish to furnish the city water unless the situation became sufficiently critical to demand it. Mayor Bridges said lake officials felt damage to the dam would result.

Mr. Nicholson estimated about 30-gallons per minute could be pumped from the Davidson Scout Camp stream into the city lake, a round-the-clock basis.

The low level of the city's lake on York road, the city's only watershed, has attracted much attention from citizens many of whom have visited the lake "to see for themselves."

Generally, Tuesday night's city board discussion on making water conservation mandatory concerned the lack of cooperation on the part of many people to please that citizens voluntarily curtail water usage. Instances of service stations and citizens continuing to wash cars were more numerous than not, the commissioners reported. Other reports were related to lawn-watering and consumption for other non-essential needs.

All members of the board were present.

Finger Laundry Opened Monday

Finger Laundry opened for business Monday, returning in-city laundry service to Kings Mountain after an absence of several months.

Finger Laundry, owned and operated by Carl P. Finger, is the successor to Cherryville Laundry, and is utilizing the equipment formerly used by Sunshine Laundry and its predecessor, Kings Mountain Laundry, as well as that of the Cherryville firm.

The firm is located on Cleveland Avenue in the building owned by D. C. Mauney.

During the past four weeks, since completion of the transaction to purchase the Kings Mountain plant from D. C. Mauney, all the machinery and laundry equipment has been completely renovated in order to produce first-class laundry service, Mr. Finger stated.

Mr. Finger asked patrons to note two policies of the firm, in order to preclude any inconvenience. He said cash-and-carry customers should note that the laundry will close at noon each Saturday, and he added that all laundry must be received by 9 a. m. each Thursday if it is to be returned to customers within the same week.

A Kings Mountain native, Mr. Finger is the son of Mrs. Belle M. Finger and the late Fred E. Finger, for many years a Kings Mountain druggist.

Harmon Property Re-Sale Postponed

Re-sale of the T. N. Harmon estate property at the corner of Battleground avenue and Falls street, scheduled for Saturday, has been postponed until November 21, according to announcement this week by Martin L. Harmon, Jr., commissioner.

Attorneys Davis and White recommended the postponement when a typographical error in the hour of sale was discovered.

The notice of re-sale, published today, schedules the sale at 10 a. m. on November 21.

Present high bidder for the property is B. D. Ratterree, at a bid of \$9,983.13.