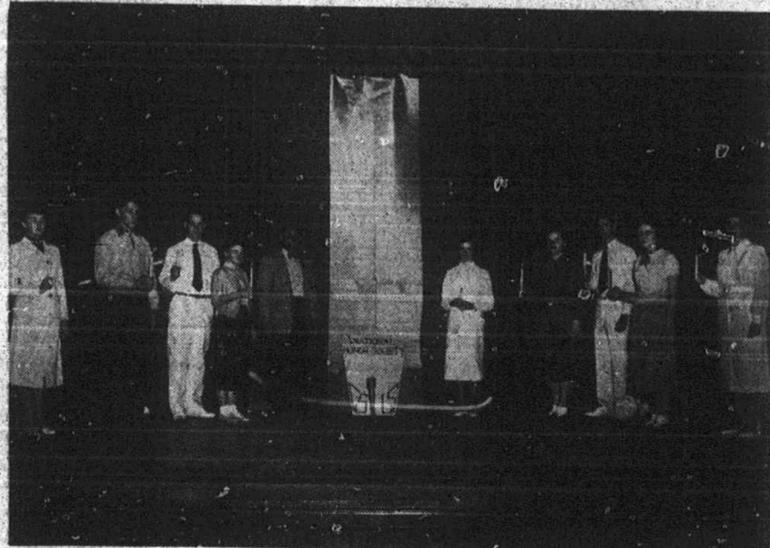


City Limits	7,208
Trading Area	15,000
(1945 Nation Board Figures)	



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION—Four Kings Mountain high school juniors were inducted into the National Honor Society in a ceremony held during chapel program at the school at 1 p. m. on March 17. The new members are pictured above in street dress along with members of the society, in white uniforms, and Principal Rowell Lane, who presented membership cards. Included in the group, left to right, are Norma Sipes, Dr. Witt Elanton, Sherrill Spears, Christine Still, Mr. Lane, Anne Dilling, Anita McGinnis, Ranny Arnette, Martha Baker and Susan Moss. (Photo by Hubert Carlisle.)

Moore Asking Re-nomination To School Post

Edwin Moore has filed for Democratic re-nomination to the county school board, and Jack White, the Kings Mountain attorney and judge of recorder's court, has decided he won't make the race for the House of Representatives.

These were the major political developments in an otherwise dull week on the local level.

On the state level, the filing deadline was passed at noon last Saturday and a flurry of Republican filing furnished the principal last-minute activity.

Woodrow W. Jones, of Rutherfordton, is unopposed in the May 29 primary for re-nomination as 11th district Congressman, though he faces GOP opposition in November.

Locally, three men — Ervin Ellison, Robert G. (Bob) Cox and C. A. (Gus) Huffstetler — are seeking the Democratic nomination for township constable.

Hazel B. Bumgardner seeks re-nomination as county commissioner from District 2.

Mr. Moore, Paterson Grove farmer, was nominated to the county board of education two years ago.

No less than eight persons seek to go to Washington as United States Senator and seven of them are running as Democrats. They are the featured pair, Incumbent Alton Lennon and W. Kerr Scott, plus Alvin Wingfield, Jr., Charlotte, W. M. Bostick, Cary, Henry L. Sprinkle, Greensboro, A. E. Turner, Palmyra, Olla Ray Boyd, Pinetown, Paul C. West of Raleigh, is the GOP aspirant.

Bids Asked On Davidson Dam

City Purchased Street Sweeper At Busy Meeting

The city board of commissioners will receive bids on construction of a dam on Davidson branch, pump station, and installation of 4,000 feet of eight-inch pipe on April 5.

Advertisement asking the bids is published today in the Herald and follows action taken Monday night by the city board in special session.

The full specifications of W. K. Dickson, Charlotte engineer, are available at City Hall. Mr. Dickson originally estimated that the Davidson branch could be utilized as an additional source of water at a cost of \$91,000. Mr. Dickson said the city would increase its available source by a half-million gallons per day from the Davidson branch. Monday night, he flatly said "no" to the question of whether the water from Davidson branch could be siphoned to the present city water reservoir.

In other actions Monday night, the board

1) Awarded contract for two voltage regulators for street lights to Bryant Electric Company, of Gastonia, at \$2,261.76, low bid under that of Westinghouse Supply Company, of Charlotte.

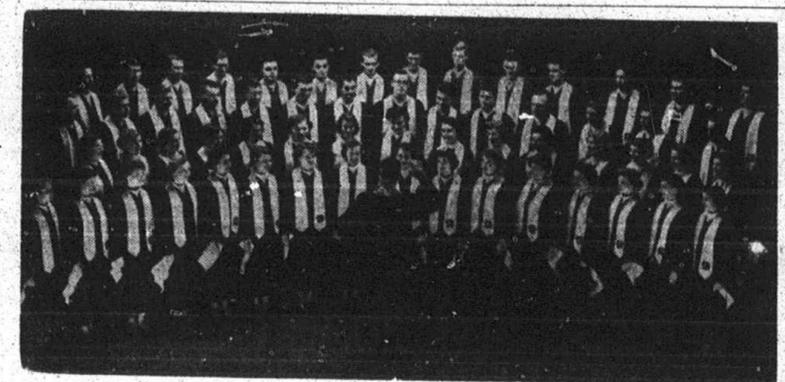
2) Approved a rental-purchase contract with North Carolina Equipment Company, of Charlotte, for an Elgin street sweeper, equipped with double cab, at \$9,425 net. North Carolina Equipment made a trade-in allowance on the city's worn Gut-tarpine, but the city it could keep the old one anyway.

Under terms of the arrangement, the city will "rent" the new sweeper at \$100 per month, then pay the balance out of next year's operations. There were no other bidders.

3) Approved recommendation of Hunter Allen, power department superintendent, to divide an electrical circuit serving the western portion of the city, which Mr. Allen said would relieve several overloads and would cost \$1,800 in materials. He said the electrical department could make the changeover piecemeal in slack periods.

4) Tabled for a policy check request of Fred W. Plonk, in be-

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LENOIR-RHYNE CHOIR HERE SUNDAY—The 60-voice Lenoir-Rhyne College A Cappella choir will sing at St. Matthew's Lutheran church on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The choir has been touring the Eastern portion of the United States, singing in many Lutheran churches. The manager is H. G. Fisher, Jr., son of a former St. Matthew's Lutheran pastor.

Lenoir-Rhyne Choir To Sing Here On Sunday

The 60-voice Lenoir Rhyne College A Cappella Choir will appear in concert at St. Matthew's Lutheran church at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

The group, under the direction of Prof. Kenneth B. Lee, Lenoir Rhyne director of music, will offer a concert of fourteen selections. The program will include the following:

"Hodie Christus Natus Est" (Palestrina), "Agnus Dei" (Kalinnikof), "Lost in the Night" (F. M. Christiansen), "All Breathing Life" (Bach);

"Sing We Merrily Unto God Our Strength" (Shaw), "Bread of Truth" (Paul Christiansen), "A Tune On A Reed" (McKay), "Soon-Ah Will Be Done" (Paul Christiansen);

"This Is The Day" (Paul Christiansen);

"Alleluia, Christ Is Born" (Luvaas), "The Christmas Symbol" (F. M. Christiansen), "A Flemish Carol" (Folk Tune), "Lullaby on Christmas Eve" (F. M. Christiansen), "O Day Full of Grace" (Arrangement by F. M. Christiansen).

Optional numbers include "O Gladsome Light" (Gretchaninoff), "Cansonet" (Work), "Hosanna" (Lockwood), and "Sing Noel" (Snyder).

Twenty-eight men and 32 women make up the vocal organization of 17 sopranos, 15 altos, 12 tenors, and 16 basses. The singers, all students at Lenoir Rhyne College, represent eight eastern states and the District of Columbia.

Student officers are H. G. Fisher, Jr., of Spartanburg, S. C., manager; Sam Sox of Greensboro, president; Carl Ritchie, of Charlotte, vice-president; and Phyllis Karriker of Mooresville, treasurer. Fisher is the son of a former St. Matthew's pastor, Rev. H. G. Fisher.

Professor Lee has served as director of the choir since its reorganization in 1935. He received his bachelor's degree in music in his hometown of Northfield, Minn., at St. Olaf College, where he was a member of the famed St. Olaf's Choir, directed by Dr. F. Melius Christiansen.

Members of the committees are:

Stage manager — Jack Owens. Staging — Gene Patterson and Anne Dilling, co-chairmen; Clyde Hinson, Janice Allen, Ronald Layton, Robert Davis and Jim Pur-

Lighting — Ollie Harris, chairman; Earl Stroupe, Jim Freeman, Fred Bridges and Keith Burton.

Sound effects and prompters — Susan Moss and Bud Rhea, co-chairmen; Anne Dilling and Janice Allen.

Properties — Billy Bumgardner, chairman; Kenneth Roberts, Edward Ledford, Don Falls, Robert Champion, Don Falls, Billy Childers, Patty Patton and Lois Ann Spake.

Tickets and program — Mary Owens and Louise Patterson, co-chairmen; Gaynell Scruggs, Yvonne Carter, Patty Patton, Lois Ann Spake, Jane Jenkins and Shirley Pearson.

Publicity — Bud Ware and Pat Goforth, co-chairmen.

Ushers will be Richard George, Bud Ware, Mary Owens and Pat Goforth.

L. B. Goforth, Jr., a member of the faculty, will direct the production and Mrs. Sue Moss, also a faculty member, is business advisor.

Advance sale tickets are now on sale. Tickets are priced at 50 cents for students and 75 cents for adults.

Merchants Study Curbs On Peddlers

Holiday Closing Information Poll To Be Conducted

The Kings Mountain Merchants association board of directors is taking steps to make life harder for house-to-house salesmen peddling their wares in Kings Mountain.

The association directors are obtaining information from other cities on how to put teeth into license ordinances and other legal weapons to combat the problem. In the discussion, directors noted that the itinerant peddlers pay no city nor county taxes and that customers have no assurance that the goods they buy will be delivered. The plan of the merchants board is to have recommendations ready prior to city adoption of the 1954-55 privilege license schedule.

In other actions at the Tuesday monthly meeting, the directors voted to conduct an opinion poll on holiday and Wednesday afternoon closing policy, to purchase membership decals, and to invoke the by-laws and close on Easter Monday.

President John H. Lewis also named Dan Weiss, W. L. Plonk, J. B. Keeter, and Hilton Ruth as additional members of the trade promotion committee, which also includes Paul Walker, chairman, Martin Harmon, Hubert McGinnis and Bob Bridges.

FARMER'S PARTY
Kings Mountain Kiwanis club will hold its annual Farmer's Night banquet on April 1, it was announced this week. Committee in charge of arrangements includes Arnold Kiser, chairman, Cleo A. Bridges, James E. Anthony, Jr., M. A. Enloe and Lawrence Patrick.



SPEAKER — William E. Dole, Davidson college head football coach, will address members of the Kings Mountain Davidson Alumni chapter at a dinner meeting at the country club Friday night.

Davidson Club To Hear Dole

Davidson College alumni in the greater Kings Mountain area will hold their annual chapter meeting at the Kings Mountain Country club Friday night at 8:45.

The dinner meeting will feature a talk by Football Coach William E. Dole. He will report on the Davidson football prospects for 1954 and will show football movies from the 1953 season.

The Rev. P. D. Patrick of Kings Mountain will serve as toastmaster for the meeting.

Charles A. Neisler, chairman of the committee, announced that alumni in the Kings Mountain area should make immediate reservations with him for the stag dinner meeting.

Belk's Making Improvements

Belk's Department Store is rapidly completing a re-modeling and renovation program which includes installation of complete new fixtures in its men's store and redecoration of its whole merchandising plant.

The made-to-order lined oak fixtures are designed, Manager Hilton Ruth said, to introduce, insofar as possible in department stores, the self-service principle.

"We have a great organization," he declared, adding, "When Kiwanis speaks the world listens."

Dr. W. P. Gerberding, Kings Mountain Kiwanis president, served as master of ceremonies and gave the address of welcome, while Dr. D. F. Ford, in charge of arrangements for the meeting, presented members of visiting clubs and special guests.

Kiwanis dignitaries were presented by J. Byron Keeter, past lieutenant governor of Carolinas Division I.

Those recognized were Stanley Moore, present lieutenant.

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Local News Bulletins

OPTIMIST CLUB

Regular meeting of the Kings Mountain Optimist Club will be held at Corner Cafe Thursday night at 8:30 o'clock, according to announcement by Neal Grissom, president, who urged all members to attend. Nominating committee will be elected, he said. New officers are to be installed prior to July.

IN ACCIDENT

Miss Stella Patterson, of Rock Hill, S. C., former member of the city schools faculty, was painfully injured in an auto accident Saturday afternoon near Winsboro. She received face lacerations and bruises, when her car was involved in an accident with another while Miss Patterson was returning from Columbia, S. C.

AT PRESBYTERIAN

Kenneth Boyer, student at Columbia Seminary, Decatur, Ga., will speak at worship services at Dixon Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 3:45 and at First Presbyterian church at the evening service at 7:30. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. E. T. Boyer, for many years missionaries in Korea.

JOINT MEETING

Members of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club will go to Shelby Thursday night for a joint meeting with the Shelby club and to hear an address by Charles J. Carroll, state superintendent of schools. The meeting will be held at Hotel Charles at 7 o'clock.

BUILDING PERMIT

A building permit was issued March 19, by J. W. Webster, building inspector, to Zebb Grigg for erection of a home on first street at an estimated cost of \$3,500.

Peggy Reynolds Wins "Two" Rating

Peggy Joyce Reynolds was awarded a rating of two or "excellent" in the district piano solo contests held at Catawba College, Salisbury, on Saturday.

She played Bach's "Gigue" from Partita No. 1 in Bb, the first movement of Mozart's "Sonata No. 3 in C", and Ibert's "Giddy Girl".

She is a pupil of Mrs. Martin Harmon.

Merchants Want "Checks" Cash

Certain Kings Mountain citizens are being urged to spend certain uncashed "checks". Kings Mountain merchants who participated in the Appreciation Day promotion which ended last month are anxious to close out their accounts, but also want all the trade certificates retired before the account is closed.

The trade certificates are spendable at any firm which took part in the promotion.

Lions To Launch Broom & Mat Sale

Two-Weekend Blind Benefit Project To Begin

The Kings Mountain Lions club will conduct its annual community-wide broom sale for the benefit of the blind this weekend and next.

With all club members doubling in the role of salesmen, the Lions will make an effort, Chairman J. W. Webster said, to contact every Kings Mountain householder in an effort to sell a broom at \$1.50.

In addition, the club will also have for sale the familiar rubber door mats at \$2.50.

The sale will begin Thursday, the brooms having already been received. C. E. Warlick Insurance Agency is being used as a warehouse for the Lions Club "stock", which is manufactured at the Lions - sponsored Industries for the Blind at Greensboro.

Through the Lions Clubs of North Carolina, Greensboro Industries for the Blind provide gainful employment to people who would otherwise be helpless and perhaps destitute.

Profits from the sale which accrue directly to the local club are used for aid to the blind and for sight conservation in the Kings Mountain area.

Following is the Lions Club sales organization, which is scheduled to begin on Thursday.

Jeter Challenges Farmers To Make More Intensive Use Of Farm Lands

Frank Jeter, veteran chief of the State College agricultural department information service, listed five "do's" for area farmers, in an address highlighting Tuesday night's annual Farmer's Night banquet.

He said the five needs for improving local area agriculture are:

1) Selling the farmers on planning farming operations to increase production. Mr. Jeter said the goal should be two bales of cotton per acre and said, "We can get it."

2) Selling the idea of ram storage. He said the state is in great need of storage facilities for grains, cotton, and almost all commodities it produces. "We sell corn in harvest season, then buy it back in the spring for feed at higher prices," he pointed out.

3) Selling "water farming". Water is a prime commodity which should be conserved, and every farm with a depression should have a pond, Mr. Jeter declared.

4) Informing the farmer that he gets only a small portion out of each dollar of farm end products and let him know that he is getting full credit, unjustifiably, for the high price of these products.

5) Developing roadside markets, to increase distribution of truck farm and orchard products at higher prices.

Mr. Jeter interspersed his serious remarks with a full quota of witty tales and anecdotes to the delight of the crowd of 150 farmers, Lions, and special guests.

Car Tryout Still Underway Day Later

Police are looking for a 1948 four-door Chevrolet reported stolen from the Victory Chevrolet Company Tuesday.

According to Officer Tom Gladden, James Thomasson, Negro, on pretense of purchase interest, and with permission of W. G. Grantham, took the car for a tryout drive.

According to reports Wednesday morning, Thomasson is still testing the car.

Professors Fill Local Pulpits

Two Kings Mountain Baptist churches have called supply pastors from Gardner Webb College to fill the pulpits until full time pastors can be called.

Dr. Stephen Morrisette, professor of Greek, music, and Bible at Gardner Webb, will supply as pastor at the Temple Baptist church, while Dr. S. L. Lamb, also professor of Bible at Gardner Webb, will supply as pastor at Macedonia Baptist church.

Rev. David Morris resigned as pastor of Temple Baptist church March 1. Rev. R. L. Hardin resigned at Macedonia Baptist church in February.

Speidels Leaving Kings Mountain

Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Speidel, who have managed the Kings Mountain Country Club for the past 30 months, have tendered their resignation to accept the management of the Benvenue Country Club of Rocky Mount.

The resignation of the Speidels will be effective April 15.

Mr. Speidel is to serve as general manager of the Rocky Mount club, and Mrs. Speidel will serve as hostess.

The Rocky Mount club is a 425-member organization.

The Speidels came here from Jacksonville, Fla., and their management of the Kings Mountain club was praised highly by stockholders in a formal resolution at the recent annual meeting.

George R. House, president of the Kings Mountain club, said replacement of the management would be handled by the board of directors on recommendations of the house committee. George H. Mauney is the newly appointed chairman of this committee.

Red Cross Fund Reports Sparse

With the Kings Mountain Red Cross fund drive nearing completion, total gifts reported to date indicates the drive is far behind schedule. Set to end next Wednesday, less than \$1,000 has been turned in to Treasurer B. S. Neill, Sr., against a quota of \$5,420.

"We need to know where we stand in order that proper clean-up work can be planned," Hoyle D. (Snooks) McDaniel, chapter publicity chairman, said yesterday.

Chairman W. K. Mauney, Jr., urges all committee chairman and workers in all divisions to make every effort to complete solicitations this weekend and to report their totals to the drive treasurer," he added.

Mr. McDaniel expressed concern over the fund drive short-ages here, indicating possibility that the Kings Mountain chapter might lose its national charter.

The 1953 fund drive fell very short of the quota," he reminded, "and another short year will put us in a bad position — both from the charter standpoint and from a local service angle. We need every cent of the \$3,410, based on the full quota, we will get to keep for use in Kings Mountain and I urge all workers and interested citizens to assist us in making sure we reach our quota this year."

Persons who have not been contacted or who wish to make an additional donation to the fund drive are requested to contact Mr. McDaniel at Phone 398 or call the Red Cross office. Checks may be mailed to "Red Cross Chapter, Kings Mountain," he added.

Of the \$954.41 turned in to date, Continued On Page Ten

Senior Play Friday Night

Members of the Kings Mountain high school senior class will present their annual play Friday night at Central auditorium at 8 p. m.

The vehicle is the mystery-comedy by Parker Fennelly, "Cuckoo On The Heath".

The cast includes Pat Davis as "Abby"; Norma Lee Sipes as "Lulu"; Lee Jackson as "Charlotte"; Jim Caveny as the sheriff; Don McCarter as "Don"; Sherrill Spears as "Zadoc"; Charles Yawu as "Doc"; Ranny Arnette as the professor; James Abernathy as "Rev. Underhill"; Jane Ormand as "Beulah"; Nora Jane Deese as "Dr. Gordon"; and Carol Bridges as the state trooper.

Members of the committees are:

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