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 Trading Area 15,000
 (1945 Nation Board Figures)

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DAVIDSON CREEK DAM CONTRACT IS LET

Arnold Kiser Seeks District 2 Commissionership

O. O. Walker Is Low Bidder At \$62,066.46

The city board of commissioners let contract Monday to O. O. Walker, the low bidder, for building of additional water reservoir on Davidson creek.

The bid of Mr. Walker, a Kings Mountain contractor, was \$62,066.46.

Other bids were:
 P. T. Withers, Gastonia, \$66,073.60.

Boyd & Goforth, Charlotte, \$78,529.

Gilbert Engineering Company, Statesville, \$84,543.

C. W. Gallant, Charlotte, \$98,280.30.

The city's engineer, W. K. Dickson, of Charlotte, expressed himself as pleased with the bids and the board quickly accepted Mr. Walker's low bid.

Under the plan being adopted by the board, a dam will be built to form a reservoir on Davidson branch, and water from this dam will be pumped to the present city lake in low periods. Engineer Dickson estimated the minimum daily amount obtainable from this source at a half-million gallons of raw water.

Under changes in the bid notice made at a previous meeting of the board the bidder has 150 days in which to complete his contract.

Major items in the bid estimate breakdown of Mr. Walker were \$38,353 for building of the dam and \$17,600 for 4,000 feet of six-inch pipe.

In other actions by the board Monday night, Ward 4 Commissioner Harold Phillips was named city boxing commissioner, at request of Attorney E. A. Harrill, and City Clerk Joe Hendrick was authorized to refund to L. H. Dover \$2 for a building permit. Mayor Glee A. Bridges reported that Mr. Dover decided not to erect the outbuilding he has planned.

Commissioner T. J. Ellison recommended that the city install a concrete spillway on S. Canler street, in the vicinity of Fred J. Wright & Sons, to alleviate a drainage problem, and it was ordered by the board on unanimous vote.

The board deferred action for investigation of complaint from Dewitt Patterson that his paving assessment on Goforth street was highly out-of-line with that of Sims street.

The board approved placing of an order for six-inch pipe for installation off Piedmont avenue and on Linwood Road, on request of E. C. Nicholson, superintendent of public works.

Mayor Bridges reported that State Highway and Public Works commission officials had told him nothing definite would be known about installing curb-and-gutter on North Piedmont avenue until after July 1, start of a new fiscal year. He also said the highway department expected to widen Highway 74 from the hospital entrance to the city limits, with black-topping.

The three articles of furniture were carved in England.

GRASS FIRE
 Kings Mountain firemen extinguished a grass fire on Owens street Saturday, according to a report from Ted Gamble, city fireman.

Rites Conducted For Mrs. Morrow
 Funeral services for Mrs. Alice Morrow, 59, widow of the late James L. Morrow and resident of 808 Grace street, were conducted Tuesday at 3 p. m. from True Gospel Tabernacle.

Rev. Lynn O'Toole, Rev. Clyde Maloney, and Rev. H. S. Scruggs officiated, and interment was made in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mrs. Morrow succumbed in Kings Mountain hospital Sunday night at 8:10 p. m. after an illness of six months. She was a native of Gaston county and was a member of True Gospel Tabernacle.

She was the daughter of the late Harvey and Martha Goble Robinson.

Surviving are three sons, Harvey D. Morrow, Kings Mountain, Ralph T. Morrow, Charlotte, and Carl L. Morrow of Roanoke, Va., and one daughter, Mrs. Virgie Louise Cole of Kings Mountain.

Also surviving are two brothers, J. C. Robinson of Forest City and A. B. Robinson of Lenoir, and three sisters, Mrs. Plyler Buff, Chester, S. C., Mrs. H. D. Laws, Kings Mountain, and Miss Martha Robinson of Gastonia.



Textile Leader Makes Rumored Contest Official

L. Arnold Kiser, Kings Mountain textile executive, formally announced yesterday that he would be a candidate for the District 2 county commissionership in the May 29 Democratic primary.

He opposes Hazel B. Bumgardner, the incumbent, who had previously announced his candidacy for re-nomination. District 2 includes Number 4 and 5 townships and will be determined by Democrats of East Kings Mountain, West Kings Mountain, Waco, Grover, and Bethware precincts.

Other races developing for Democratic nominations during the past week included contests for judge of county recorder's

FILING DEADLINE
 Deadline for filing for county political office is 6 p. m. Saturday, April 17. County Elections Board Chairman Joe Mull said Wednesday. He noted that the new board of elections will assume office Saturday morning. It will include J. W. Osborne and Charlie Byers, Democrats, and G. V. Hawkins, Republican.

court, and for county solicitor. In addition, a fourth candidate, Robert E. Herndon, paid the filing fee for constable of Number 4 township, Ervin-Ellison, Robert G. Cox, and C. A. Huffstetter had previously filed for the office, which is now vacant.

As was expected, Judge Rueben Elam announced for re-nomination as county judge, a position already sought by C. B. Cash, Shelby attorney, and both Bynum Weathers, incumbent solicitor, and Joe Mull, another Shelby lawyer, announced for the solicitor nomination.

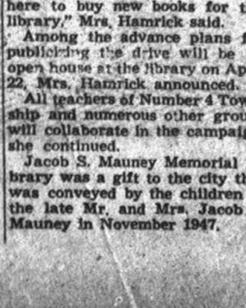
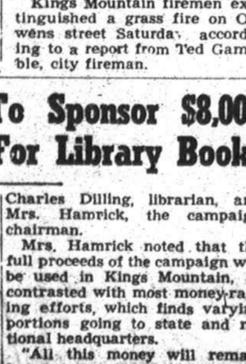
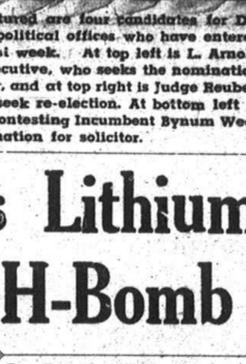
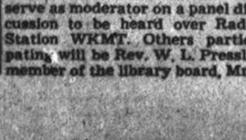
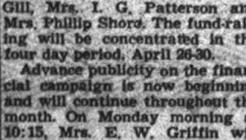
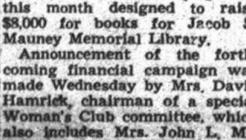
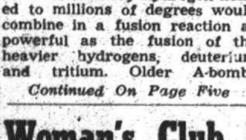
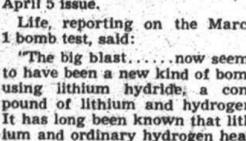
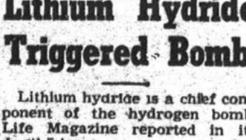
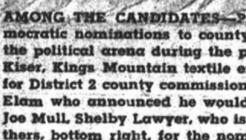
Also filing for a Democratic nomination as Number 4 Township magistrate was Lee B. Roberts, who has held that office for several terms.

Mr. Kiser made official his candidacy for the commissioner's office yesterday and said he expects to pay the filing fee within the next few days. He has never held elective office, but is a former member of the county hospital board of trustees, on which he served several terms, and a former member of the county welfare board. A Lutheran, he is treasurer of St. Matthew's Lutheran church and an active Kiwanian. He is a Mason and Shriner, and general manager of Sadtie Cotton Mills.

Mr. Bumgardner paid his filing fee Monday.

Mr. Mull, who seeks the solicitorship, is a veteran of World War I.

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"THE ROBE" TO BE PRESENTED SUNDAY—Pictured above is a scene from the 1933 presentation of Lloyd C. Douglas' "The Robe," presented by the Little Theatre. The group is to present the play Sunday night at Central school auditorium at 7:30 p. m. at the request of the Ministerial Association. It will be a union service of several city churches and the public is invited to attend.

Choir Program and "Robe" To Highlight Palm Sunday

Methodist Choir Is To Present Handel 'Messiah'

The Senior Choir of Central Methodist church under the direction of Miss Bonnie McIntosh, organist and choir director, will present excerpts from the "Messiah" by Handel on Palm Sunday afternoon, April 11, at three o'clock.

The 24-voice choir will sing the following choruses: "Surely, He Hath Borne Our Griefs," "And With His Stripes," "Lift Up Your Heads," "Since By Man Came Death," "Worthy Is the Lamb," and "Hallelujah Chorus."

The soloist will be Margaret Cole (contralto) "He Was Despised"; Earl Marlowe (baritone) "Thou Art Gone Up On High"; Sue Dixon (soprano) "How Beautiful Are the Feet of Them"; Burlie Peeler, Jr. (baritone) "The Trumpet Shall Sound"; and Dorothy Smith (soprano) "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth."

The choir includes: Sopranos, Ann Byars, Jane Crocker, Sue Dixon, Shirley Falls, Winifred Fulton, Mozelle Masters, Mary Alice McDaniel, Mildred McDaniel and Dorothy Smith. Altos: Martha Carpenter, Margaret Cole, Joann Dixon, Carolyn Payseur, Rucy Throneburg, Tenors—Jacob Dixon, Earl Marlowe, Buddy Mayes, Rev. Phil Shore, and Arthur Walker. Basses—Meek Carpenter, Delbert Dixon, Oren Fulton, David Marlowe, and Burlie Peeler, Jr.



Dr. D. F. Hord Heads T-B Group

Dr. D. F. Hord was elected president of the Cleveland County Tuberculosis association at the association's annual meeting at Cleveland Hotel in Shelby Thursday night. He succeeds J. Ollie Harris.

Other officers elected were Hugh Wells, of Shelby, vice-president; Miss Eunice Westbrook, Shelby, secretary; and Miss Faye Dellinger, Shelby, treasurer. Miss Dellinger held the office of treasurer last year.

Rev. James Skelton of Black *Continued On Page Five*

Little Theatre Is Repeating Biblical Drama

The Kings Mountain Little Theatre will present "The Robe," a religious play from the novel by Lloyd C. Douglas, at the high school auditorium Sunday evening at 7:30.

Mrs. Aubrey M. Waney is director of the production, which was given last spring here and in Bessemer City, and which is presented this year on Palm Sunday at the request of the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association.

Many of the parts are being taken again this year by 1953 performers. R. G. Plonk, Jr., may be seen again in the role of "Demetrius" and Meek Carpenter is cast in the role of the wealthy tribune, "Marcellus."

Other members of the cast include Mrs. Meek Carpenter as "Diana"; Mrs. C. T. Carpenter, Jr., as "Sarah"; Jeff Wells as "Stephen"; Hilliard Black as "Melas"; Sam Stallings as "Pontius Pilate"; Miss Billie Gibbons as "Lucia"; Mrs. Bobby Clominger as "Helen"; Mrs. H. L. Campbell as "Cornelia"; Robert Grigg as "Cornelius"; and Robert Grigg as "Cornelius".

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New Kings Mountain Optimist Club Will Receive Charter On Thursday

The Kings Mountain Optimist Club will receive its national charter at a ladies night banquet at the Woman's Club Thursday evening, beginning at 7:30.

Jim White, of Charlotte, prominent Optimist official, will make the principal address at the Charter Night event. Bill Claytor, of the sponsoring Shelby club, will serve as toastmaster, and Hugh Cranford, of Charlotte, 18th district governor, will present the charter to President J. Neal Grisom, of the Kings Mountain club. Mr. Cranford will also formally install the officers of the local club. E. C. Nicholson and James E. White, vice-presidents; Tommy Owens, secretary; and Clarence Carpenter, Dan Huffstetter, J. K. Willis, Jr., Sam Collins, James A. Lybrand and J. P. Lackey, directors.

Mayor Glee A. Bridges will make the address of welcome and J. K. Willis, Jr., is in charge of special entertainment. Bill Saley, president of the Shelby club, will present the bell and gavel to the new Kings Mountain organization.

Charter members of the Kings Mountain club are S. R. Blanton, Hubert Carlisle, Clarence E. Carpenter, Sam Collins, William E. Dye, W. C. Erwood, Bailey Gillespie, Vesper Gillespie, Howard L. Gladden, Ben T. Goforth, Robert *Continued On Page Five*

Lions Hold Over Broom-and-Mat Sale

The Kings Mountain Lions club will continue its annual Broom-and-Mat sale through the coming weekend, J. W. Webster, chairman of the sale, said this week.

Mr. Webster said more than 800 brooms have been sold to Kings Mountain citizens, but that about one-third the original inventory remains.

"We want to sell 'em all," Mr. Webster said, adding that some sales teams hadn't yet been able to cover their territories and would begin Thursday.

The brooms sell for \$1.50, the rubber doormats for \$2.50.

High School Band Concert Postponed

The Kings Mountain high school 60-piece band will present a concert at the high school auditorium on Tuesday, April 13, at 8 o'clock. The concert was first scheduled for tonight but was postponed.

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KIWANIS PROGRAM
 John Cheshire will be in charge of the program at the Thursday night meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club and will show a travel film distributed by Esso Standard Oil Company. The club meets at Masonic Dining Hall at 6:45.

WILLIAMS BETTER
 Wray A. Williams, prominent Kings Mountain farmer, is recuperating satisfactorily at Kings Mountain hospital following an operation last Friday.

LITHIUM OFFICE
 Lithium Corporation of America will open an office this weekend on the Bessemer City Road, utilizing the building formerly known as Absher's Grocery, according to announcement by E. T. Plott, Kings Mountain representative of the company.

PRE-SCHOOL CLINIC
 Annual pre-school clinic for children entering Central school first grade in the 1954-55 school term next September will be held Tuesday morning at the school beginning at 9:30. Mrs. L. E. Abbott, chairman of a P-TA committee assisting county health officials with the clinic, said it is highly important that a complete list of all entering children be known, in order that faculty arrangements can be made prior to school opening.

TAG SALES
 A total of 1,006 Kings Mountain motorists had purchased 1954 city auto license stickers through Wednesday at noon, according to Joe McDaniel, of the city clerk's office. Twenty-three of the total were purchased this week, he said.

AT FOOTE
 O. Glenn Florence, formerly with DuPont Co., Camden, S. C. is now with Foote Mineral Co. here as assistant plant engineer. He and his family are residing on Crescent Circle.

BUILDING PERMIT
 A building permit was issued April 7 by J. W. Webster, building inspector, to Carrie Weaver and Leonard Lee for erection of a home on Parker street at an estimated cost of \$3,600.

METER RECEIPTS
 Net receipts from the city's parking meters for the week ending Wednesday at noon were \$150.66 as reported by Grace Carpenter, of the city clerk's office.

Dr. Hendricks Much Improved

The condition of Dr. Paul E. Hendricks was reported much improved by his wife Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. Hendricks is a patient in Gaston Memorial hospital. He became ill suddenly Tuesday morning at his West Mountain street home.

Tentative diagnosis of a heart ailment has not been confirmed.

City To Garnishee For Back Tax Bills

The city board of commissioners authorized Tax Supervisor C. E. Carpenter to levy on property and to garnishee wages in order to collect delinquent tax bills in the period 1944-53.

At the meeting of the board last Thursday, Mr. Carpenter reported to the commissioners that delinquent personal property taxes during the eight year period totaled \$23,252.53, and that delinquent taxes on real property totaled \$3,283.

The authorization came on unanimous action of the board.