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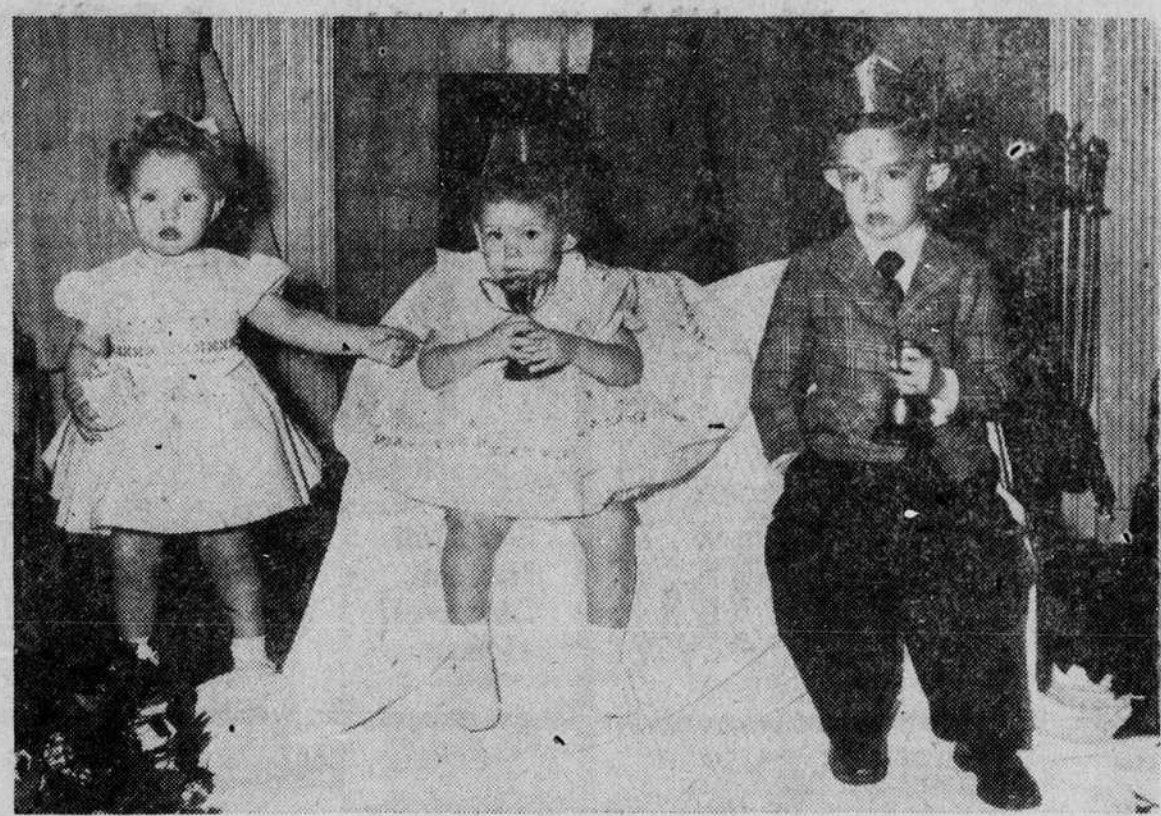
Kings Mountain N. C., Thursday November 24, 1955

Sixty-Fifth Year

PRICE FIVE CENTS

Mountaineers Seek Loop Crown Against Valdese

Local News Bulletins



WINNERS IN BABY CONTEST - Pictured are winners in the American Legion Auxiliary sponsored baby contest crowned Thursday in exercises at the Woman's club.

CORRECTION In the Herald's summation of Gaston street improvement assessment payments of last week, one name was inadvertently omitted...

LIONS SEE FILM Members of the Kings Mountain Lions club saw a film "A Matter of Time" at the Tuesday night meeting.

KIWANIS MET TUESDAY Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club met Tuesday at noon to hear an address by Rev. James B. McLarty...

PARK PAY STATION Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company installed a public pay phone station at Kings Mountain Military Park...

MEMORIALS Mrs. Herbert Plonk and brothers and sisters of the late J. Calvin Plonk have established memorials at Kings Mountain hospital to Mr. Plonk and the late Herbert Plonk of Raleigh.

PLEGGED COLLEGE CHAPTER Charles Yelton, of Kings Mountain, has pledged the Lenoir-Rhyne College chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon...

RED CROSS Mrs. J. N. Gamble, executive secretary of the local Red Cross chapter, said Tuesday that the chapter needs a double bed to give to a needy family of the community.

METER RECEIPTS City parking meter receipts totaled \$177.36 for the week ending Wednesday at noon, including \$145.42 from on-street meters...

JOINS STAFF Mrs. Helen Bowen has joined the staff of Kings Mountain Hospital. She replaces Mrs. Margaret Blodgett, an anesthetist, who has resigned.

ON COMMITTEE Mrs. Aubrey Mauney has been appointed a member of the Cleveland county Morehead Scholarship committee...

COLLECTING TOYS Kings Mountain Police department is collecting toys so that needy children may receive a visit from Santa Claus this year.

School Trustees Vote To Purchase Two Properties

The Kings Mountain district board of School Trustees held its regular monthly meeting Monday night at Central School with Chairman A. W. Kincaid, J. R. Davis, J. W. Webster, Fred Plonk, and Supt. B. N. Barnes attending.

The major item on the agenda was the discussion of the possibility of purchasing small plots of land adjoining Central School playground from Mrs. H. B. Jones and Mrs. D. H. Houser.

After a discussion, the board voted to go ahead with negotiations to purchase the property. Fred Plonk and B. N. Barnes, who had investigated the matter, reported that Mrs. Jones was asking \$4,750 for a Parker street lot approximately 74 feet by 161 feet, a house is situated on the lot.

The board discussed social security coverage for the school cafeteria workers. Mr. Barnes reported that all of the 14 cafeteria workers were in favor of coming under social security, but that they differed on the effectiveness of this coverage.

Three of the workers wanted the coverage to be retroactive to September 1, five wanted the coverage to start now, and the other six wanted to wait until January 1 to begin.

Under this set-up, the cafeteria workers will pay their two per cent of wages to the plan, and this will be matched by another two per cent to come from cafeteria proceeds.

Board members pointed out that this way it would be costing the tax-payers no additional money.

In another matter, the board voted to allow band instruments not being used at Central School to be moved to Davidson School for the use of a new band being formed at Davidson school.

Utility Billings At Record High The city's water and power billings for November (to be received by customers December 1) set an all-time high record.

Union Service Set To Welcome McLarty Several Kings Mountain churches will suspend regular Sunday evening services to join in union service of welcome to Rev. James B. McLarty...

Dismissed Officer Davidson Says Logan "After My Job Since '53" In a statement this week, S. R. (Pop) Davidson, recently dismissed city policeman and onetime chief of the force, denied he had ever failed to cooperate in any matter of duty with Chief of Police Hugh A. Logan, Jr.

Revival To Start At Local Church A revival service will begin at Church of God, 111 East Parker street, Sunday, December 5. A former pastor, the Rev. Glenn Eason, will conduct these services.

Mrs. Eisenhower Thanks R. L. Mauney R. L. Mauney, of Kings Mountain, received a card of thanks from Mrs. Dwight D. Eisenhower recently as a result of a card he wrote to the President during Mr. Eisenhower's illness.

Churches, Fields, And Stadiums To Be Busy Places Thanksgiving Church services, hunting, football, and plain old relaxation will be the order of the day for Thanksgiving in Kings Mountain.

Jones Is Charged In Gordon Hold-up

Johnny Jones, 56-year-old Kings Mountain Negro, is being held in the Cleveland County Jail on charges of highway robbery and burglary.

These charges were brought against Jones after he was identified as the man who took over \$100 from Yates Gordon, Kings Mountain post office employee, at Gordon's home early Friday morning.

Gordon told officers that he left the house about 6 a. m., Friday to take his wife to work and failed to lock his door. Upon his return, Gordon said, he felt that another person was in the house and began a search.

Chief Hugh A. Logan said Jones was taken into custody again Sunday, when he was reported to be spending large sums of money and when Jones accused a Negro woman of stealing \$100 from him.

Gordon was called in to look at Jones for the second time, and identified him as the hold-up man, Jones' beard had grown out, and this, according to Chief Logan, was the reason Gordon was able to identify him.

The victim also identified a knife taken from Jones as the weapon used in the robbery. Jones is reported to have served 17 years in prison on a burglary charge brought against him in another county some years ago.

He also has a case pending against him in Cleveland County Superior Court now. He is charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill.

This charge was brought against Jones for the shooting of Calvin Cornwell, another Kings Mountain Negro, about six weeks ago.

Chief Logan said Wednesday that Jones had been charged with both highway robbery and burglary. Since the breaking and entering occurred while Gordon's teen-age son was asleep in the house, the death penalty could be inflicted, if Jones is found guilty.

MEETING CANCELLED The regular weekly meeting of Moose Lodge No. 1748 has been cancelled for this Thursday night, according to an announcement made by Curtis Gaffney, secretary.

King Is Charged Postal Employee Identifies Negro As Knife Wielder

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Division Play-off Set For Hickory On Friday Night

The Kings Mountain Mountaineers and the Valdese Tigers will invade a neutral field at Hickory Friday night to decide a Western North Carolina Activities Association champion.

Lenoir-Rhyne College's stadium is expected to see a capacity crowd as the two gridiron powers square away for action.

Kings Mountain won the right to represent the South group of the conference by knocking off a strong Forest City team, 19-13, last week in Shelby.

Valdese had less trouble topping its division and spent last week watching and waiting for a Southern champ to be crowned. Wilkes-Central and Valdese were neck-and-neck until the two teams met. The Tigers took a 20-14 victory from Wilkes and went on to capture the flag with no further trouble.

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Valentine was ruled ineligible to participate in football action at the end of the first six weeks of school. However, Valentine burned the midnight oil and his second term report card returned him to eligibility, and he will play defensive right end for the Mountaineers in this all-important game, Coach Shu Carlton said.

Valentine will come in handy. He will replace Charles Bridges, who has an injured knee and will see mostly offensive action.

Offensively, the Mountaineers look like the stronger team, having rolled up 273 points against 40 for their opponents this season. Valdese has scored 159 points in their nine games, but has allowed their foes to tally 90.

The Tigers could hold only two teams away from their goal line during the season, while the Mountaineers managed to prevent six of their opposing teams from scoring.

SINGLE WING Valdese runs from the single Continued On Page Ten

Board Defers Salley Decision The Kings Mountain Recreation Commission held a called meeting at the Country Club Wednesday at noon.

Chairman Fred Plonk reported that no action was taken on the resignation submitted two weeks ago by Doug Salley, city recreation director.

The principal business at Wednesday's meeting was the discussion of a budget for the coming year, and of the programs that have been carried out during the past months, Plonk said.

Mr. Plonk added that the Commission was planning a meeting with city government officials sometime during the next two or three weeks to discuss financial matters for the coming year.

Members of the Commission decided to withhold action on Salley's resignation for the time being. Salley turned in his resignation on November 8, but later announced that he had reconsidered and did not wish to resign.

Miss Beam Takes Church Position Miss Rebecca Beam, of Fallston, has accepted the position of choir director and organist at First Presbyterian church.

She is a graduate in music from Converse College, Spartanburg, S. C., and has done graduate work in music at Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn., and in the School of Sacred Music, Columbia Theological Seminary, New York.