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Local News Bulletins

PLAN REVIVAL

Dr. A. M. Rogers, of Chester, S. C., will conduct a revival series October 8-14 at Boyce Memorial A.P.C. church with services each evening at 7:30. A children's service will be held on Saturday morning of the revival week at 10 a. m., according to announcement by Dr. W. L. Pressly, pastor.

EAST SCHOOL

Using the theme, "The Best Investment in Life is Time Wisely Used", East school won second place in the display of school booths at Cleveland County Fair last week.

ENROLLS

Jack Floyd, of Kings Mountain, has enrolled as a second year law student at the University of North Carolina, at Chapel Hill.

CORRECTION

Miss Frances Franklin represented Kings Mountain in the 1955 Carolina Carrousel parade in Charlotte and not Miss Jean Arthur, as was erroneously stated in the Herald last week. Miss Arthur was the 1954 princess.

TRANSFERRING

Clavon Kelly, credit sales manager of City Home & Auto Supply in Kings Mountain, has been transferred to the Lincoln B. F. Goodrich Store. Mr. Kelly said he would assume his duties September 28. He added that he will continue to reside at 702 Woodside drive here.

BEING RELEASED

Mrs. Don Parker, wife of Coach Parker, is expected to be released from Mercy Hospital, Charlotte, Wednesday. Mrs. Parker has been a patient at the Charlotte institution for the past eight days, during which time she underwent surgery there.

MEETING SET

The Kings Mountain Recreation Commission will hold its regular monthly meeting in City Court room Monday night, at 7 o'clock, according to an announcement by Gene Mitchell, secretary of the organization. Dean Payne, Jaycee representative, is chairman of the commission.

TO SCHOOL

Jimmy Short, of Kings Mountain, has enrolled as a student for the fall term at Western Carolina college, at Cullowhee, N. C.

X-RAY UNIT HERE

The county's mobile X-ray unit will be in Kings Mountain Thursday and will be parked in front of Belk's Department Store to provide free chest X-rays. The unit will be open from 10 a. m. to noon, and from 2 to 4 p. m.

COMMISSION MEETING

The city recreation commission is scheduled to hold its regular monthly meeting Monday night at 7 o'clock at City Hall.

TO SEE FILM

The Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club will hold its weekly meeting Thursday night at the Woman's Club. John Cheshire, program chairman, announces that the program will be an Esso Oil Company film on New York City.

TO FRANCE

Mrs. Thomas Harper and three children left Saturday for Fort Hamilton, N. Y., and for air transportation to France, where they are joining Major Harper, air force pilot stationed at Dreux.

BUY RESIDENCE

Chief of Police and Mrs. Hugh A. Logan, Jr., have purchased the S. A. Lowery residence on North Piedmont avenue and expect to occupy it after renovating it. Renovation is now underway.

MOOSE MEETING

Curtis Gaffney, secretary of Kings Mountain Moose Lodge 1743, reported members of the lodge will hold their regular weekly meeting Thursday night at 8:15 at the lodge on Bessemer City road.

Wheat Soil Bank Total Reaches 2,687 Acres

Cleveland county farmers through Tuesday had soil-banked 2,687 acres of 1957 wheat, according to reports from the Cleveland County ASC office.

Deadline for farmers to soil-bank the 1956 wheat crop is October 5. ASC officials said there was little likelihood the county would use all of its \$94,800 allocation for soil-banking wheat. Through Tuesday, potential soil bank wheat payments to county farmers totaled \$63,953.99.

Under the soil bank agreement farmers agree not to plant any 1957 wheat. They are to be paid approximately \$25 per acre for their total wheat allotment. In turn, the farmer agrees to leave the wheat allotment acreage fallow, or to plant it in cover crops, which he is not permitted to harvest.

Regardless of allotments, farmers who don't soil-bank wheat are permitted to market wheat from 15 acres. Their wheat is not eligible for government loans if the 15 acres planted exceeds the allotment. Under the soil bank plan, a farmer who soil banks, for instance, an eight-acre allotment, can plant no wheat for 1957 harvest. The soil bank agreement on wheat is for one year only.

The county's 1957 wheat allotment is 11,300 acres.

Neisler Offers Houses For Sale

Neisler Brothers, Inc., successor corporation to Neisler Mills, Inc., has made formal sale offers to occupants of 76 residences at Margrace and Pauline mills.

The residences have been individually appraised by Drew Brothers, Anderson, S. C., appraisal firm, which E. M. Neisler, Sr. said, is handling all details of the transactions.

Houses are being offered to present occupants, with base terms of five percent down payment with up to 12 years to pay the balance.

This week the Drew firm has been explaining the sale terms and have asked the prospective buyers to indicate whether they wish to purchase the homes on Friday.

Mr. Neisler said that houses not purchased by the occupants will then be offered to others employed at the Margrace and Pauline plants.

Of the total of 76 residences, 55 are at the Margrace community and 21 at the Pauline community.

Blakely House Bid Was Not Increased

Franklin L. Ware's bid of \$13,965 for the Blakely residence on West Mountain street was not raised at last Saturday's re-sale. The bid stands open through next Tuesday, Attorney J. R. Davis said. A raise of five percent of the present high bid would be required to cause a second re-sale.

METERS UNCHECKED

Due to the heavy rains, city policemen passed the customary Wednesday chore of collecting parking meter money. City Clerk Gene Mitham said the money won't run through the counting apparatus when it's wet.

Poultryman Bumgardner Develops New Breed, White, Meaty Chicken

Hazel B. Bumgardner started breeding poultry for exhibition in 1925, switched to breeding production types in 1940-41, and soon will be ready to market the first chicks from his flock of Dominant White Cornish chickens.

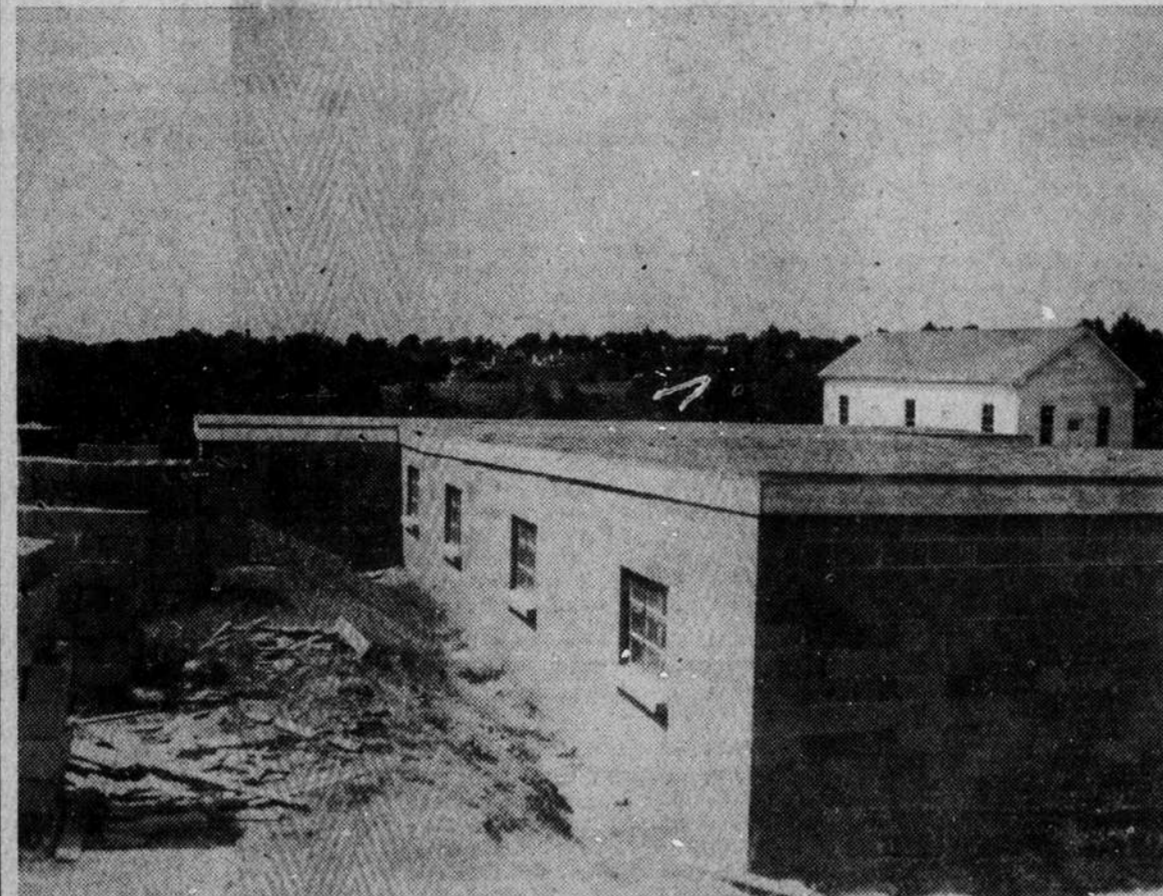
The project, in which his son, poultry expert Dr. Harvey L. Bumgardner, is chief adviser, has required ten years.

What's the total to be available? Mr. Bumgardner says he has about 350 breeders, out of 2,000 hatched, coming into production now and says chicks from them will be ready to market about December 1. Effort to produce the Dominant White Cornish results from the heavy demand for meat-type poultry which not only produces big, tender breasts, but which is also easy to clean and dress via mass production methods.

It was about ten years ago a West Coast breeder produced a new breed, Red Cornish. It was about this time, too, that the demand trend for white feathered breeds was noted.

Mr. Bumgardner's is not the

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CHURCH MEETS IN BASEMENT — Eastside Baptist church, organized five years ago, meets in the covered basement on York Road pictured above. The church has designated October 7 as homecoming Sunday and hopes to raise sufficient funds to complete the edifice now underway. The church follows a pay-as-you-go basis, has part of the brick and block on hand for the remainder of the construction job. (Photo by Pennington Studio.)

Eastside Baptist Sets Homecoming For October 7

East Side Baptist church on York road will observe Homecoming Day next Sunday, October 7, as the congregation marks the fifth anniversary of organization of the church and makes plans to complete a new building.

Singing by the Gosseliers, First Baptist church quartet, Calvary quartet, Broad River quartet, East Side singers, and other adult and youth choirs, from the area churches will feature the afternoon program which begins at 2 p. m.

J. Ollie Harris will be master of ceremonies for the song program. An offering will be received with funds to be used to furnish a roof for the new edifice.

East Side church, organized as a mission on July 15, 1951 by Second Baptist church of Kings Mountain, now has Sunday School enrollment of 123 and a Sunday offering of \$200. It was begun with total enrollment of 62 with Sunday School collection of \$50.77.

Organization of the York road church was completed on October 7, 1951 and Rev. R. L. Chaney was called as pastor. The church elected five deacons, Woodrow Bridges, Grady Chaney, B. T. Brooks, Theodore Bennett, and Buell Humphries. Mr. Brooks was named Sunday School superintendent. Mr. Chaney served as pastor of the church until September 1954 and Rev. Don H. Wilson served as the church's pastor until April 1956. Rev. Carl W. Greene was called as pastor of the church in June.

A building committee, with Ralph Johnson as chairman, was appointed in August, 1954, and on January 1, 1955, the church voted to move the building so work could begin on a new structure. Plans were secured from the State Baptist Convention, it was reported by Pastor Greene, and "unable to secure a loan, the building was started on faith."

"Basement has been completed," Mr. Greene continued, "and it is being used for Sunday School rooms, blocks have been paid for to finish the building, and about half of the bricks on the yard have been purchased."

Mr. Greene estimated cost of the building at \$10,000 to \$12,000 but noted that "an average of \$26 monthly is paid on the building but local expenses have been cut to a minimum since church members are doing the work themselves."

"The church has made much progress in five years," Mr. Greene added, "and we invite the public, as well as all members of the church to visit and attend the Homecoming Day service."

City Tax Notices Mailed On Tuesday

City tax notices for 1956 were mailed Tuesday to Kings Mountain taxpayers.

Tax Collector J. W. Webster said all notices are in the mails and pointed out that taxes are due, net, November 1. Persons paying city tax accounts in October will receive a discount of one-half of one percent. Tax bills paid before the end of September will be discounted one percent.



F. E. Blalock El Bethel Pastor

Only one pastoral change was made in the Kings Mountain area by the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference, which concluded its session Sunday.

The Rev. F. E. Blalock will succeed the Rev. J. M. Barber as pastor of El Bethel Methodist church.

The Rev. James McLarty returns to his pastorate at Central Methodist Church for the second year, and the Rev. W. C. Sides returns to Grace Methodist Church for his third year.

The Rev. Mr. Barber announced that he plans to retire, and will move his residence to Morganton. He has been an active Methodist pastor for the past 40 years.

The newly appointed El Bethel pastor is a native of Stanly County, and has been at the Ivy Charge in the Asheville District for the past six years. He and his family is expected to move here on or around October 3, and he will assume his duties as pastor the following Sunday.

Flossie Brings Heavy Rainfall

The sidelas of Hurricane Flossie produced considerable wind and heavy rains in the Kings Mountain area Wednesday.

The rains broke a drought of several weeks.

C. J. Gault, Jr., said he had measured a fall of 4.75 inches of rain during a 24-hour period.

Winds, though blustery, apparently did little damage. The city electrical department had to service calls, one on Tracy street to repair a line on which a tree had toppled, the other to refuse a transformer.

The driving rain caused numerous citizens trouble with leaks in homes and business establishments. The passageway at City Hall had three buckets stationed at strategic spots to catch the drips. One citizen said he heard a leak at his residence last night, but couldn't locate it this morning.

Lions To Conduct White Cane Sale For Benefit Of Blind Saturday

The Kings Mountain Lions club, assisted by Girl Scouts, will conduct its annual White Cane Sale for the benefit of the blind on Saturday.

Sam Weir, Kings Mountain merchant, is chairman of the White Cane Sale project. Girl Scouts will vend the white cane bangles.

The annual White Cane sale is a major feature of the local club's sight conservation program, as it is in North Carolina. The state's first Lions club was chartered 34 years ago, and sight conservation work, one of the major projects of Lions International, became a major project of North Carolina Lionism. It was in 1934 that North Carolina Lions organized the State Association for

CIO Union Making Efforts To Organize Textile Firm

Mauney Sells Blackmer Stock, Buys Realty

George W. Mauney has sold his stock interests in Blackmer & Company, Kings Mountain cotton brokerage firm, and Charles A. Neisler has succeeded Mr. Mauney as secretary-treasurer of this firm in a transaction effected recently.

In the transaction, Mr. Mauney purchased the West Mountain Street real estate of Blackmer & Company, including the firm's offices and Kings Mountain Bonded Warehouse.

Blackmer & Company continues its functions as cotton merchants and brokers and has opened new offices in the Herndon building on Battleground avenue.

Mr. Mauney said he is also continuing in the cotton business, operating under the trade name of George W. Mauney & Company.

Announcement of the transaction was made this week by Mr. Neisler and Mr. Mauney.



PROMOTED — W. R. (Bill) Hudspeth, Footo Mineral Company mill superintendent; here, has been promoted to general superintendent and assistant operations manager of the Footo plant at Sunbright, Va.

Footo Promotes Bill Hudspeth

W. R. (Bill) Hudspeth, Footo Mineral Company mill superintendent here, has been promoted to the position of general superintendent and assistant operations manager of Footo's Sunbright, Va., works.

Mr. Hudspeth said he is to assume his new duties in Sunbright on October 15 and that he and his family expect to move to Kingsport, Tenn., on October 8.

Mr. Hudspeth joined Footo Mineral Company here six years ago after the company acquired the Kings Mountain spodumene plant of Solvay Processing Company. He had previously lived in Asheville, where he was a member of the staff of the State's Mineral and Research Laboratory.

A native of Winston-Salem, Mr. Hudspeth is a graduate of the University of North Carolina.

The Hudspeths have two children, Billy, 10, and Nancy 5.

Lutherans Elect Aubrey Mauney

Aubrey Mauney, Kings Mountain textile executive, was named first vice-president of the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church at a meeting in Kitchener, Ont., Friday night.

Mr. Mauney has been very active in the Brotherhood for the past several years and was named acting executive secretary of the organization last January. He is also a member of the executive committee of the Brotherhood of the Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, Synod Director of the National Lutheran Scout Committee.

He is general manager of Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Mauney attended the Ontario meeting of the Brotherhood.

FALL RE-ENLISTS

Douglas Falls, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Falls, has re-enlisted for a second hitch in the air force. A jet mechanic, he held a sergeant's rating on his discharge last summer. He is to report for duty Thursday at Blytheville Air Force Base, Blytheville, Ark.

CIO Organizers Reported Active At Neisler Plant

The CIO is making efforts to organize Neisler Mills Division plants of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company.

Union employees have been distributing anti-company circulars to employees going to and from work and have also passed out membership application cards, the Herald has learned from mill employees.

On Sunday, a meeting was held at Gastonia, but the Herald has been unable to learn how many persons attended. The telephone of the CIO Textiles Workers union in Gastonia was not answered Wednesday, indicating the office was closed.

Two circulars distributed by the union attempted to caricature the Massachusetts Mohair Plush firm. One lampooned the company's Christmas gift to employees last December. The other portrayed a workman trying to manage five jobs at one time.

Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company purchased the Neisler division last December 15. When it suspended operations for Christmas, the company presented a bag containing five silver dollars to all employees.

Company officials declined comment on the organizing effort though they acknowledged awareness of the union effort.

One company official said he understood the textile union is active throughout this area, with other plants in other communities also getting organizing attention.

Currently the Kings Mountain (or Neisler) division of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company employs 850 persons, and its payroll ranges from \$40,000 to \$45,000 per week. The company is replacing and changing equipment in both the Margrace and Pauline plants, a project begun several weeks ago. William (Bill) Ford, general manager, said he anticipated the payroll to increase to \$60,000 weekly when the machinery installations are completed.

Most recent union organizing effort here was at Footo Mineral Company. Footo employees voted against making an AFL union its bargaining agent.

Fire Damage To Mill Slight

Damage was relatively slight last Thursday morning when fire threatened Neisler Mills, Inc.

Firemen spent well over an hour at their work, with the principal difficulty finding the source of the blaze in the mill basement. Acid smoke welled out of the air holes and basement door and into the spinning room above.

Arthur Sanders donned a mask and, with a rope tied to his body, moved into the smoke. Overcome, he was pulled out. Later he entered again, as did Dutch Wilson, city electrician and volunteer fireman. Finally firemen and workmen sledge-hammered an aperture in the basement wall on the east side.

When the source of the blaze was spotted, it was extinguished quickly.

W. K. Mauney said damage was slight.

The fire is thought to have started from a spinning frame fire, previously extinguished with a carbon dioxide hand extinguisher. Mr. Mauney theorized that a spark fell through the mill decking into the basement, ignited some lint and blazed up.

George H. Mauney, at work in the company office, saw smoke billowing out of the basement and summoned the city fire department.

Work was suspended in the main floor departments until the fire was put out. The plant was back in full production with regular secondshift schedules at 2 o'clock.

The loss was covered by insurance.

Santa Claus Visit Set For December 5

Santa Claus will make his pre-Christmas visit to Kings Mountain on December 5.

This is the date directors of the Kings Mountain Merchants association have set for the annual Christmas parade and celebration.

Charles H. Dixon, Victory Chevrolet sales manager, is chairman of the Christmas parade committee.