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PRICE FIVE CENTS

Lynch Is Likely House Candidate



MAY SEEK SEAT—Haywood E. Lynch said this week he may seek to succeed B. T. Falls, Jr., recently resigned, as Cleveland County representative to the state House of Representatives.

Local News Bulletins

CLASS SUPPER

Class 2 of First Wesleyan Methodist church will honor Class 3 of the church at a supper gathering Saturday at 5:30 p. m. The event was first scheduled to be held at the Scout Camp but will be held at Lake Crawford, a member of the class reported.

TO MEXICO

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Pressley, James Allen Pressley, Mrs. E. W. Neal, and Miss Elizabeth Anthony were among the group which left Sunday on a tour of Mexico.

ARP SERVICE

Dr. Tunis Remien, of Due West, S. C., will speak at Sunday morning worship services at Boyce Memorial ARP church in the absence of the pastor, Dr. W. L. Pressley.

UNION SERVICE

Sunday night's union service for five city church congregations will be held at First Presbyterian church with Dr. W. P. Gerberding, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, to deliver the 8 o'clock sermon.

TO SING

The Trevecca Nazarene College quartet will sing at the First Church of the Nazarene here on July 24. The public is cordially invited.

LIONS MEETING

Members of the Kings Mountain Lions club will meet Tuesday night at 7 o'clock at the Woman's Club. The meeting has been scheduled as an organization session, with no formal program scheduled.

TO ENTER ARMY

Louis Arnold (Johnny) Kiser, Jr., will report at Fort Jackson, S. C., Sunday for induction into the army. Mr. Kiser, the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Arnold Kiser, has been living in Raleigh where he has been working for a Master's degree at North Carolina State college.

ONE PERMIT

Building Inspector J. W. Webster issued a building permit Tuesday to Burren King to erect a house on Katherine street, at an estimated cost of \$5,000.

MOOSE MEETING

Members of Kings Mountain Lodge 1748 will hold their regular weekly meeting at 8:15 Thursday night at the lodge on Bessemer City road, according to an announcement.

CAR FIRE

City Firemen answered a call Wednesday around 6 o'clock on First street to extinguish a blaze which had ignited the wiring in a 1952 Ford owned by Amos Terry. City Fireman C. D. Ware reported only slight damages.

Maner Renews Insurance Fee Split Request

B. F. Maner, the insurance agent, renewed his plea for a commission-split on city-purchased insurance at the commission session last Thursday night. Mr. Maner, who had several times made his plea to Bridges Administration II without success, pointed out that two agencies, whom he named as the Arthur Hay Agency and C. E. Warlick Insurance Agency, enjoyed from 93-97 percent of the city's business.

He said he was a citizen, too, and felt that not only he but other agents should be "cut in." The Maner plan would have one agent write all the city's insurance coverage, get a fee for the paper work, with the remainder of the premiums to be split among the other licensed agents in business in the community.

Mr. Maner said that the city school system had for years dictated a premium split between the two agencies, and he said the City of Charlotte is an example of the premium-split arrangement.

Mayor Glee A. Bridges named a three-man committee, including Ben H. Bridges, Ross Alexander and Luther T. Bennett to study the Maner plea and to make a recommendation.

In other action, the board accepted low bids for the purchase of two trucks and two trucker-type bodies for city garbage collection.

The board voted purchase of two trucks at \$4,699.14 from Victory Chevrolet Company, and two packer-type bodies from Markham Municipal Equipment Company, Greensboro, for \$6,940. Plonk Motor Company's truck bid was \$4,940, while Truck Equipment Corp., Richmond, Va., bid \$7,190 on the two bodies.

In other actions the board: (1) Called a public hearing on a request by Warren Reynolds, agent for rezoning of the George W. Allen property, corner of E. King and Dilling, from residential to neighborhood trading area.

(2) Deferred action on the request of W. A. Morris Estate for

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Mrs. Mabry's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Bertie Delahay Mabry, 68, were held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Central Methodist church, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mrs. Mabry, wife of John H. Mabry, died Sunday at 5:45 p.m. at her home at 300 N. Gaston street. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are a step-son Hoyle Mabry, two step-daughters, Mrs. H. B. Bumgardner and Mrs. John White, all of Kings Mountain, and a brother, Lucius Delahay, of Gaffney, S. C. Six grandchildren also survive.

Final rites were conducted by Rev. James B. McLarty, pastor of the church.

Palbearers were Paul Walker, George Blalock, C. J. Gault, Jr., Wilbur Smith, Ben Beam and P. K. Falls.

Traffic Crash Is Fatal To Bess

Bess Fatality Halts Non-Death Safety Record

An outstanding traffic safety record was broken Wednesday morning when Dorus Bess, Candler street Negro, was instantly killed in a tractor-trailer collision.

It has been 2043 days since a person had died as the result of a traffic fatality within the city limits.

The last previous traffic death recorded was that of William Briggs, aged Kings Mountain Negro, Briggs died December 12, 1951 of injuries sustained when struck by a car at the intersection of W. King street and Railroad avenue.

On November 24, 1947, Oliver Martin, of Bostle was fatally injured at the intersection of King street and Piedmont avenue. It was also a car-truck accident.

In a period of almost ten years only three traffic deaths have been recorded here prior to Wednesday. All the three traffic deaths occurred on King street.

W. King Street Job Deferred

The new abbreviated State Highway & Public Works commission has deferred the planned widening and improving of West King street.

The former 15-man commission has allocated funds for widening West King from the hospital to the west city limits and has also approved plans for installing curb-and-gutter along this street.

Mayor Glee A. Bridges said he had been notified by E. L. Kemper, division engineer, that the new six-man commission had instructed its engineers there will be no further in-city improvements until further notice.

Mayor Bridges said Mr. Kemper told him the allocation had not been withdrawn, but Mr. Kemper had no idea when, and if, the work order would be renewed.

Currently underway is construction of an additional two-lane strip to U. S. 74 between Kings Mountain and Shelby. The in-city project was a companion-piece to the improving of U. S. 74.

Retailer Picnic Next Wednesday

Kings Mountain Merchants and their employees will gather at Lake Montonia next Wednesday afternoon at 6:30 for the annual Kings Mountain Merchants association employer-employee picnic.

Mrs. Elaine Queen, association secretary, said Wednesday advance ticket sales are good.

Dinner will be served by Mrs. I. Ben Goforth.

Following the picnic, all the retailers will be guests of Joy Theatre for the film "Three Brave Men".

The arrangements committee includes Yates Harbison, Menzell Pfifer and Ed Tutor.



WEDNESDAY MORNING WRECK SCENE - Pictured is the results of the Wednesday morning crash of a tractor trailer truck and a passenger car driven by Dorus Bess, Negro employee of

Foote Mineral Company. Bess was killed instantly. It was Kings Mountain's first traffic fatality since December 12, 1951. (Photo courtesy Paul Lemmons, Shelby Daily Star.)

Negro Killed In Accident Wednesday

Kings Mountain's long safety record without a traffic fatality was broken Wednesday morning when Dorus Bess, 45-year-old Negro, was killed in the collision of a Roadway Express truck and the Bess car.

It had been 2,044 days since a person died within the city limits as a result of a traffic accident.

Three other men were injured in the wreck which occurred about 7:30 a. m. at the intersection of West King and Watterson streets. The Negro man died instantly.

W. C. Tally, of Winston-Salem, a truck driver and passenger in the truck operated by Leon Harmon Alford, of High Point, is a patient in Kings Mountain hospital where he is being treated for multiple bruises and abrasions. Receiving treatment for minor injuries but not admitted to the hospital were Phillip Bess, 25, son of the accident victim, and the truck driver, Alford.

The trailer, loaded in Charlotte with 11½ tons of miscellaneous goods, was enroute to Chicago. Headed west on West King street, the truck reportedly struck the 1950 Dodge on the car's left side near the rear door before spinning the car around, sending the car 51 feet on the sidewalk. The truck overturned.

Alford has posted bond of \$1,000, and hearing has been set for Monday's session of city recorder's court.

The accident victim, employee of Footo Minera Company since 1951, is survived by his wife and five other children: Mrs. Virginia Bess Perry, of Greensboro, and Charles, Louise, Junior, and Doris Bess, all of Kings Mountain. The family resides at 213 Candler street.

Bethware, Compact Schools To Open For Summer Session

September 3rd City Schools Opening Date

Robert M. Kennedy, Jr., of Monroe, a former dean of men at Erskine college, Due West, S. C., has been elected principal of East school for the coming school term.

Mr. Kennedy succeeds Carroll I. Hambright as principal of the elementary unit.

Action on filling of teacher vacancies and setting of September 3 as the opening date of school featured the regular meeting of the city board of education Tuesday afternoon.

The board also elected Mr. and Mrs. Billy G. Bates, of Lincoln, as teachers in the high school department, elected Miss Sara Lou Biggers, of Kings Creek, S. C., as an elementary teacher, employed Mrs. Josephine Marto, of Gastonia, piano teacher, and elected Miss Willie Louise Rainey, of Charlotte, as teacher of home economics at Davidson high school.

Mrs. Marto, who will teach piano on a fee basis, had been employed at a previous meeting of the school trustees and upping of piano tuition from \$10 to \$12 monthly had been approved at a previous session.

Mr. Bates will serve as assistant coach and will teach eighth grade at Central. His wife, Mrs. Betty Wise Bates, will serve as an English instructor. Mr. Bates is a graduate of Gardner Webb and Wofford college. His wife attended Gardner-Webb and was graduated from Lenoir Rhyne college at Hickory.

The new principal, Mr. Kennedy, has taught in the schools of Greenwood, S. C., Due West, S. C., and served as a teacher and dean of men at Erskine College before accepting his previous position as principal of Monroe's East Elementary school. He is married, the father of two children, and he and his family are members of the ARP church.

Mr. Kennedy received the bachelor of arts degree from Erskine college, his master of arts degree from Peabody college, Nashville, Tenn., and completed additional work at the University of North Carolina and at ASTC, Boone.

The English teacher, Miss Biggers, is a graduate of Winthrop college and has had teaching experience in the schools of York-Clover, and Fort Mill, S. C.

Supt. B. N. Barnes reported

Marksman Costs Floyd Area Light

An eager-beaver air rifle expert, is costing residents of Floyd street a street light.

Request was made at last Thursday's city board session for a street light at the corner of Watterson street at Belvedere Circle.

Electrical Supt. Hunter Allen noted that he couldn't keep a light in the one at the corner of Floyd and Oriental due to air rifle damage, and the board agreed to moving the light to Watterson at Belvedere.

The board also agreed to installation of two street lights on Benfield street, at an estimated cost of \$175.

Duke Ramsey's Condition Poor

Delbert (Duke) Ramsey, 29, remains in a critical condition in Kings Mountain hospital as the result of injuries he sustained in an automobile wreck Sunday morning.

The Kings Mountain man was the driver of a car which overturned Sunday morning about 1:45 a. m. at an overhead bridge on Railroad avenue. The car plunged 45 feet down an embankment before stopping beside the railroad tracks.

Ramsey was pulled from the path of a southbound train shortly after the wreck occurred by bystanders, Mrs. Nell Hovis Hall, passenger in the wrecked car, said Ramsey was thrown out of the car onto the railroad tracks.

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Faculties Listed For Two Schools In County System

The back-to-School bell Monday morning will herald the opening of Bethware and Compact schools for their split-term summer session.

Thurman Lee Warlick, Bethware principal, and L. L. Adams, Compact principal, are making ready for the event. Elementary teachers for both schools are lined up, but plans for the Bethware high school department find one teacher lacking.

The regular summer schedule, from 8:00 until 1:00, will not be pursued in the former seven-grade, three-teacher Patterson Grove school. This year's plans have Patterson Grove and Bethware consolidated into one unit.

Teachers in the high school department of Bethware will be William Powell, Mrs. Ellen Feeler Powell, Myers Hambright, who will teach agriculture, Mrs. Eve Lyn Jackson, and Mrs. N. F. McGill, Jr.

No subject designations were made by County Superintendent of Schools Horace Grigg because of one remaining vacancy in the high school department.

Mrs. Franklin Ware will be teaching seventh grade in the Bethware elementary department while Mrs. Mattie Lowry will have the eighth. Mrs. Kate Willis will teach sixth; Mrs. Jessie Green fifth; Mrs. Jessie Hord, fourth; Mrs. Hugh Ormand, third; Mrs. Letha Morris, first; Miss Kathleen Ray, second Mrs. Katherine Moss, first; Mrs. Marie Souther, second; and Mrs. J. A. Lee, third.

Mrs. Ethel Crook will have a

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Negro Youth Is Drowned In Sight Of His Mother At Mica Plant Pond

A Kings Mountain Negro boy, Luther Clinton Burris, 15, drowned Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 in the Patterson Plant pond of Kings Mountain Mica Company.

The boy's mother, Mrs. James Burris, was fishing on the banks of the pond about 75 feet from the youth. Her two other sons, Lonnie and James Burris, had just left the water. Young Burris waded out in deep water, called for help, but efforts by his mother to rescue him were futile.

None of the boys could swim. A Washington high school student, Burris is survived, in

addition to his parents and two brothers, by eight sisters, Mrs. Isabelle Watson, Mrs. Pearl Ruth Wilson, Jessie Mae Burris, Josie Lee Burris, Ida Burris, all of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Ella Key, of Lawndale, Mrs. Nellie Rose Crockett, of Gastonia, and Mrs. Gladys Webber, of Waco.

Coroner Ollie Harris termed the drowning accidental.

Funeral services for the youth will be conducted Friday afternoon at 3:30 at Langrum Branch Baptist church, near York, S. C. Gil and Brown Funeral Home are in charge of arrangements.

Pastor's Group Elects McLarty

Rev. James B. McLarty, pastor of Central Methodist church, was elected president of the Methodist Ministers association of the Gastonia district at a meeting at Gastonia's First Methodist church Thursday.

Mr. McLarty succeeds Dr. Willson O. Weldon, of Gastonia, as president of the group.

Other officers are Rev. J. R. Bogle, of Belmont, vice-president, and Rev. F. W. Bangle, of Lowell, secretary-treasurer.

Dr. James G. Huggin, Jr., district superintendent, presided and presented the financial report. Other reports included the report on missions by Rev. G. W. Bumgardner, Rev. C. E. Murray who discussed evangelism, Rev. Harold Austin who spoke of Christian vocations, and Rev. George H. Needham who spoke on world peace.

Next meeting of the association will be September 23 in Crouse.

Legion Fund Aided, No Precedent Set

The American Legion baseball entry has about as dismal a season financially as it did win-wise (won 2, lost 20), and Legion Athletic Officer W. L. Plonk asked the city board of commissioners for respite from the final home game power tab, which approximated \$20.

All the Legion's previous 19-57 utility accounts had been paid, which had not always been the situation in past dismal seasons.

At last Thursday's city board session, Comm. Ben H. Bridges reported the Legion plea, and Comm. Ross Alexander moved relief. Comm. Luther Bennett seconded, with the remark that, with the Legion baseball fund in bad shape, it needed help.

Comm. Bridges said he objected to setting a precedent. "After all," he commented, "there might be losing teams in the future, the high school maybe. What'll we say to them? I tell you boys, if you're willing, let's pay the Legion bill out of our pockets. Here's five dollars."

Mayor Glee Bridges and the other commissioners quickly acted in varying amounts and Warren Reynolds, in the audience, contributed five. When the total was counted, it appeared the Legion might have made a dollar profit on its last-game light bill.

Kiser May Seek Post; Hugh Wells Is Interested

Haywood E. Lynch, Kings Mountain merchant and realtor, indicated this week he will be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the House of Representatives in next spring's primary.

Also indicating candidacy was Hugh Wells, the Shelby attorney, who sought unsuccessfully the United States House of Representatives nomination last year.

Another Kings Mountain "possible" is L. Arnold Kiser. However, Mr. Kiser, though acknowledging he had been encouraged to offer for the nomination, said he wasn't yet ready to make a statement.

Mr. Lynch, former publisher of the Kings Mountain Herald, said, "My feeling today is that, if filing time had arrived, I would file. It has long been my ambition to serve in the House of Representatives."

Mr. Lynch sought the nomination once before, in 1942. Though defeated by B. T. Falls, Jr., recently appointed district solicitor, Mr. Lynch made a creditable showing at the polls and won a handsome majority in Kings Mountain.

The legislative position is now vacant, Solicitor Falls having resigned to accept his new position. There is little likelihood of the post's being filled by appointment, County Democratic Chairman C. C. Horn has said, barring a special session of the General Assembly prior to next May's primary.

Mr. Lynch has been a citizen of Kings Mountain since 1934 when he leased the Herald. He purchased it a year later. Since Lynch has been a builder and realtor, as well as a merchant. He is owner of Haywood E. Lynch Company, an auto supply firm.

Attorney Wells, who had been mentioned previously in speculation for the post, told the Herald Monday he was almost definitely sure he would be a candidate.

Numerous Kings Mountain citizens have expressed interest in seeing a Kings Mountain area citizen go to Raleigh. Attorney J. R. Davis was Kings Mountain's last state representative, serving in the 1923 session. State Senator H. Tom Fulton, Sr., was the last Kings Mountain member of either branch of the General Assembly. He served in the 1927 session.

Advertising Man Is Said Imposter

A man posing as an advertising salesman in connection with a Jaycee project has reportedly been roaming the town of Kings Mountain.

Delbert Dixon, President of the Jr. Chamber of Commerce, asks that all Kings Mountain merchants be wary of such a person answering this description. A call to project chairman Gene Mitcham will reassure any such claims if they are official.

Edens Shoots Colorado Mountain Lion

Howard Edens, son of Mrs. C. C. Edens of Kings Mountain, recently hunted mountain lion in the fugged Colorado Mountain country.

Mr. Edens major shooting apparatus was a motion picture camera, though standard weapons were also used.

Mr. Edens served as a cameraman on this hunt in an effort to capture on film some of the excitement and grandeur of the hunt itself, and also to record the actual capture and tying up of a live mountain lion. The hunt was filmed in south central Colorado out of Canon City, with the Sangre de Cristo mountains lending themselves to the beauty of this rugged, scenic wonderland.

The full color, sound, 16mm. film is being directed and produced by Bill Mooney, art and advertising director of the Adolph Coors Company of Golden, Colorado. Mr. Edens is also an employee of Coors, serving as assistant art and advertising director for the past two-and-one-half years. The film is slated for a showing on the "Bold Journey" television show in the near future.

Mr. Edens wrote the Herald, "In making the movie it required several hunts and lots of

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HUNTS MOUNTAIN LIONS WITH CAMERA—Howard Edens, former Kings Mountain citizen, recently has been on a mountain lion hunting expedition in rugged Colorado country. Mr. Edens was cameraman for a company filming a nature movie for sale to television network. Mr. Edens didn't say whether the mountain lion he's thrown over his horse's neck was bagged with his camera or with a more customary firearm. At any rate, he said he got some good footage.