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Junior-Senior High School Plans Deferred For Year

Public Is Invited To Inspect Foote Mineral Plant Sunday

Local News Bulletins

KIWANIS MEETING
Reports from Harold Coggins and John L. McGill of the Kiwanis national convention held in Atlantic City will feature the regular Thursday night meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club.

SUPPER
Women of the Church of Dixton Presbyterian church will sponsor an ice cream supper Saturday beginning at 6 o'clock p.m. at the church.

REUNION SUNDAY
Annual Weathers-Dedmon family reunion will be held Sunday at Roscoe Baptist church in Shelby. Dinner will be served picnic-style at the noon hour, and the business session will follow.

AUTO FIRE
Fire damaged the wiring and interior of a car owned by Lloyd Peterson Monday morning, City Fireman N. M. Farr reported. City firemen answered the call about 8:30 to Baker street, where the car had been parked, he said.

ONE PERMIT
Building inspector J. W. Webster issued a building permit Tuesday to Frank Mitchum to erect a one story frame house on N. Watterson street, at an estimated cost of \$4,000.

REUNION
Annual Herndon-Mitcham reunion will be held Sunday, September 1st, at Lake Crawford picnic area. Picnic will be served at 12 noon, and all relatives are invited to attend.

WARE REUNION
Descendants of James Grimes and Edilda Hamrick (Ware) will hold their annual reunion Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Ware in the Oak Grove community. A business meeting will follow the noon meal.

REUNION
Annual reunion of descendants of Major Hugh Borders will be held Sunday, August 25, at Kings Mountain State Park. The clan will gather at New Shelter No. 2 for a picnic at 12 noon. J. Austell Graham, clan president, will preside.

REUNION
Annual Harmon family reunion will be held September 1st at El Bethel Methodist church, and all descendants of Heywood and Polly Branton Harmon are being invited to attend. Dinner will be served at 1 o'clock.

UNION SERVICE
Sunday night's union service for five city church congregations will be held at St. Matthew's Lutheran church with Dr. W. L. Pressly, pastor of Boyce Memorial A.M.E. church, to deliver the 8 o'clock sermon. The service will mark the last in the summer series of union services.

ATTENDS MEETING
Mrs. Wilson Griffin, of Kings Mountain, attended the luncheon meeting Thursday of the Women's Auxiliary of the North Carolina Pharmaceutical association in session in Chapel Hill. The meeting was attended by committee members and officers of the auxiliary. Mrs. Griffin is on the committee on resolutions.

Farmers To Cast Ballots Friday

"If cotton is to remain the number one money crop of Cleveland County, then we must 'roll up our sleeves' and do the job of promoting ourselves; otherwise we can see cotton decreased further," said James Cornwell, chairman of the county committee for the promotion and holding of the cotton referendum.

He particularly stresses the importance of the Cotton Referendum since our county is "cotton minded."

"We need everyone to help put this program across," he said.

Roundtree Hardware in Grover, Midway Service Station, Bellwether School, and Kings Mountain Farm Center will serve as polls for Township No. 4 when the referendum is held Friday.

Polls will be located at Wray Stirewalt's Store in Waco, Bess's Store in St. Paul, and Eaker's Store in Mary's Grove to take care of Township No. 5. Polls will be open from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Rites Thursday For Perry Child

Funeral rites for Richard Scott Perry, eight-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Perry, will be held Thursday morning at 11 o'clock from Resurrection Lutheran church.

Rev. Douglas Fritz will conduct the final rites, and interment will be in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Young Perry died Monday night at 8:15 p.m. at his home at 605 Crescent Circle after an illness of seven years. He is survived, in addition to his parents, by a sister, Paula Christine Perry, of the home.

Death was attributed to nephritis. Young Perry's father is historian at Kings Mountain National Military Park.

The body will lie in-state at the church 30 minutes before the service.

Palbearers will be Robert S. McDaniel, Gene Mitcham, Richard H. Jackson, and Robert A. Perry.

Child's Funeral Conducted Monday

Funeral services for Martha Ann Randolph, four year old daughter of Hudie and LaVern White Randolph, of Gaffney, S. C., were conducted Monday afternoon from Shuford and Hatcher's Chapel on East Frederick Street in Gaffney.

The Rev. Malcom M. Bullock, of Beech Street Presbyterian church, officiated and burial was in Frederick Memorial Gardens. The child died of leukemia after a two months illness.

She is survived by her parents and a sister Susan Marie Randolph. Also surviving are her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. White, of Kings Mountain, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Randolph, of route 1, Gaffney.

40 Pine Ridge Community Pupils Seek Admission To Park Grace

Approximately 40 county system school pupils, now attending Grover school, are seeking to attend Park Grace school. The petitioners live in the Pine Ridge community.

County Board of Education Superintendent Horace Grigg and Board of Education Member Edwin Moore were to confer with parents of the students Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Grigg said he didn't know what arrangements the board could make, particularly for the school term beginning in September.

Principal problem, he guessed, would hinge on transportation. Originally, Mr. Grigg noted, the Pine Ridge area was in the Park Grace school district. However,

Open House To Feature Tour, Refreshments

Foote Mineral Company will show its Kings Mountain operation to area citizens at a mammoth open house on Sunday afternoon.

The Sunday open house, to which all citizens are invited, will culminate a series of smaller showings, which will include an advance press tour on Friday afternoon and a tour for families of employees on Saturday afternoon.

The Sunday afternoon event will begin at 1 p.m. and continue to 5 p.m.

Neil Johnson, Kings Mountain manager, commented, "For the past six years, Foote Mineral Company has been extremely busy in developing the operation for production of a lithium product which has become very important, both to the federal government and to industry. During the six years, the Kings Mountain operation has grown considerably and, at the same time, has increased its contribution to the community in many ways. Due to certain restrictions, our plant has not been open to the public and we could not be as neighborly as we would have liked. We are now in position to better acquaint our neighbors with what has been accomplished and with the work in progress now."

For Sunday's open house, Foote is chartering several buses and tours of the plant, mine area, and other facilities will be conducted by supervisory employees. Refreshments will be served to all. It was first planned to conduct tours on foot, but it was determined that too much time would be required to accommodate all persons. The bus tour was the answer.

Friday's press premiere will begin at 5 p.m. More than 20 representatives of newspapers, wire services, and radio and television stations, and trade publications are expected to attend the press tour. Following the showing, the visitors will be entertained at dinner at Kings Mountain Country club.

Saturday's employee family party will also be from 1 to 5 p.m. Invitation to attend the Sunday open house is issued in a full page advertisement appearing in today's edition of the Herald.

Photos show phases of the Foote mining process and details are listed on points of interest the visitors will see.

The Foote plant may be reached from the N. C. Highway 216 south by the road leading past Park Grace school. The Foote entrance road is marked.

Foote Mineral Company's Kings Mountain plant employ approximately 250 persons, has a payroll including bonuses, of about \$1,000,000 annually.

REVIVAL
Revival services are continuing at First Nazarine church with services held nightly at 7 o'clock. Visiting evangelists are Rev. and Mrs. Eddie Burnem, of Ashland, Kentucky.



OFFICERS PLAN ACTIVITIES—Officers of the Kings Mountain high school chapter, Future Homemakers of America, recently met with the chapter advisor, Mrs. John Gamble, to plan the year's activities. Pictured, seated, left to right, are Mary Sides, vice-president, Jean Hicks, president, and Mrs. Gamble, and standing, left to right, Diana Neal, historian, Kay McCarter, secretary, and Becky Blanton, treasurer. Other officers present but not pictured are Janice Gladden, Brenda Bridges, and Elaine Burton.

Merchants Ready For "Crazy Days"

Crazy Prices Will Prevail; Mayor To Sell

Kings Mountain merchants will collaborate Thursday, Friday, and Saturday on a weekend "Crazy Days" sale.

With 21 firms actively participating, in addition to non-participating sponsors, the merchants are adding several "new wrinkles" to the customary run of sales promotions.

All participating firms, in addition to featuring many bargains on their counters and shelves, are featuring "Crazy Days" extra specials at unusual giveaway prices.

Purchase of the giveaways is not to be by normal means of storming the particular place of business to be the first in line at opening time. By prior agreement, Mayor Glee A. Bridges will serve as the salesman for the giveaway articles. He will visit the participating stores during the weekend, some on Thursday, some on Friday, some on Saturday. To obtain the giveaway item, a customer must be first to ask the Mayor for the particular item. In event more than one customer asks the Mayor to sell the "Crazy Days" special, a drawing for the buying opportunity will be conducted on the spot.

It has also been announced that free parking will prevail in the city for the "Crazy Days" promotion. The parking meters will be covered and the meter policeman will be off duty.

Members of the committee arranging the event were Jonas Bridges, chairman, Dick McGinnis, and Odus Smith. Here are "Crazy Days" specials the participating merchants are offering: Alexander's Jewelry, a man's Gemex watchband for 97c and a new universal percolator at \$1.03.

Baird Furniture, a Jenny Lynn spool-type bed at \$3.49.

Bell's Department Store, an Heirloom woven bedspread at 77c.

Bridges Hardware, a used rotary lawn mower for 89c.

Cooper's Inc., a used 4-piece chrome dinette for \$1.89.

Dellinger's Jewel Shop, a used ladies Bulova watch for 88c.

Dixie-Home Store, a 20-pound turkey for a nickel.

Eagle Stores, a seven-piece kitchen set for \$1c.

Keeter's Department Store, a Golden Key bedspread for 99c.

Kings Mountain Drug Company, a profecto-pac bag for 29c.

Myers Department Store, a man's \$24.50 suit for 49c.

McGinnis Department Store, a

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Schools Retain Same Student Assignment Plan

The city board of education Monday adopted the same pupil assignment plan it used last year.

In effect, it means majority of pupils will attend the same schools they attended during the 1956-57 term, excepting those who enter high school for the first time and those who attended other than assigned schools last year, either due to requested or voluntary agreement by the board of education.

Commenting on the assignment action by the board of education, Superintendent B. N. Barnes said:

"In solving the annual problem of teacher overloads, we can foresee at least three overload points and will welcome volunteers for change of school assignment from these grades."

Mr. Barnes said the foreseeable teacher overloads are:

1) Too many pupils for the one teacher assigned to first grade at West school.

2) Too many pupils for the one teacher assigned to third grade at West school.

3) Too many pupils for the one teacher assigned to teach fifth grade at Central school.

Under the state statute governing school assignments, parents of pupils have up to ten days after final publication of the assignment notice to file requests for change of assignment for their children. The legal notice appears for the first time today, will be finally published on August 29.

Mr. Barnes said the same forms used last year, first year the new assignment law was operative, will be used again this year. The forms are available at the superintendent's office at Central school.

Mr. Barnes said that parents of pupils who have moved to Kings Mountain since the last school term should register their children with the respective principal of the school the assignment resolution dictates they attend, or at his office at Central school.

Text of the school assignment resolution follows:

"Children are assigned to the same schools they attended last school year. Pre-school children are assigned to the school in which they are registered. The following exceptions are made to this assignment:

"1. Children having satisfactorily completed the 8th grade at the North School and East School are assigned to the Central School.

"2. Children grades 1-6 living on Railroad Avenue north of the Gaston Street Intersection, Clinton Drive, Hill Street, Gillespie Street, Baker Street, Cherry Street, Walnut Street, Chestnut Street, Bennett Drive, First Street, Second Street, Cleveland Avenue and east of Cleveland Avenue, Owens Street, Bennett Street, Floyd Street, York Road and all territory east of York Road who have not been attending or have registered at Central School, West School, or North School are assigned to East School.

"3. Children grades 1-6 living on Childrens Street and north of Childrens Street who have registered at Central School.

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CHAIRMAN—Paul Walker has been named chairman of the 1958 Red Cross fund drive here, it was announced yesterday by Red Cross chapter Chairman Ollie Harris.

Walker Named Fund Chairman

Paul Walker, assistant manager of Myers' Department Store, will serve as chairman of Kings Mountain's 1958 Red Cross fund drive campaign.

Announcement was made this week by Ollie Harris, Kings Mountain chapter chairman.

Mr. Harris said the fund drive chairman had been named earlier than usual due to request from national headquarters.

Mr. Walker was appointed at last Friday's executive board meeting.

Members of the board also named Mrs. Grady King as secretary of the organization.

Other officers are Rev. P. D. Patrick, vice-chairman, Mrs. Pride Ratterree, treasurer, Mrs. J. N. Gamble, executive secretary, and J. H. Thomson, auditor.

Mr. Walker, a member of the Lions club, is a past president of the Kings Mountain Merchants association and an active member of Central Methodist church.

Principals Now On Duty

Kings Mountain city school principals have assumed their duties and are maintaining regular office hours at the respective buildings in preparation for school opening September 3.

Lawson Brown, high school principal, has invited previously unregistered high school students (principally those students who have moved to Kings Mountain during the summer) to visit his office to register for the 1957-58 term. He has also invited previously registered students who desire schedule changes to confer with him on Thursday or Friday of this week.

Principals of other schools in the system are: West, I. Ben Go-forth, Jr.; North, William George; East, Robert Kennedy; and Davidson, J. A. Gibson.

Also assuming her duties on Tuesday was Miss Alice Averitt, city schools teaching supervisor.

Seventh Grade To Be Returned To West School

The city board of education, after deliberating for 90 minutes Monday night, voted unanimously to defer for another year the establishment of a junior-senior high school at the Central plant.

The plan finally adopted has one change only from the four-school grade scheme followed last school year. A seventh grade is returned to West school. Last year, only six grades were taught at West school.

Included in the action by the board of education was a statement of intent by the board to lay plans now for effectuating the junior-senior high school arrangement by the beginning of the 1958 term.

Initially, statements by the board members indicated the new plan would be adopted, but examination of physical problems, including insufficient classroom space at West school, split-up family schooling situations, teacher assignment, and distance of some areas from North school, caused members of the board to change their minds.

Prior to the action, Superintendent B. N. Barnes had outlined in detail the potential arrangements under both plans. He said either plan could be effectuated, but that the 1956-57 arrangement appeared easier. He said the junior-senior high plan could be effectuated by 1) retaining a sixth grade at Central school, or 2) by utilizing West school auditorium for a classroom. He added that numerous pupil transfers would be required, however, and said state school officials, while willing to "go along," had suggested the system may be better able to handle the change a year hence.

Mr. Barnes explained that new assignments lines under the proposed junior-senior high plan would be: west of the southern railway, West school; east of Gaston street, East school; Southern Railway to Gaston and north of Waco road, North school.

All members expressed themselves as favoring the adoption of the junior-senior high school plan on the principal grounds of separating younger students from older ones.

But discussions brought these objections: J. R. Davis said he didn't feel it right for the board to require pupils from the south portion of the city to travel the long distance to North school. He said many would not have private transportation and that "walking would be a hardship on many of the little fellows."

J. W. Webster objected to any plan which would return classroom instruction to school auditorium.

A. W. Kincaid, who had first advanced the idea of utilizing the

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Wolfe Heads McGill Clan

L. A. Wolfe, general manager of Sunrise Dairy of Gastonia, was elected president of McGills of Gaston at the annual reunion of the clan held at Bethel Arbor Wednesday.

Other officers elected were Mrs. Earl E. Carpenter, Kings Mountain, vice-president; and Mrs. Wray Plonk, Kings Mountain, secretary-treasurer.

Miss Willie McGill, Kings Mountain, is the clan's permanent keeper of vital statistics.

Ned McGill, retiring president, presided at the reunion, which featured an address by Dr. W. L. Pressly, pastor of Boyce Memorial A.P. church.

Named to serve on the nominating committee for 1958 were Mrs. Martin Harmon, M. D. Phipper, and Mrs. Norman McGill, all of Kings Mountain.

Merchants Observe Labor Day Closing

Hilton Ruth, in charge of polling merchants for decision on Labor Day observance, announced their decision Wednesday.

Labor Day Monday, September 2, will be observed as a holiday by Kings Mountain merchants. Stores will be closed all day Monday and merchants will also observe the half day closing the following Wednesday.

Bethware Fair To Hold Tenth Pre-Fair Barbecue On Wednesday

The tenth annual Bethware Community Fair Barbecue, fore-runner of the fair season in Cleveland County, has been set for Wednesday, August 28, according to an announcement by Stokes Wright, secretary of the Bethware Community Fair.

The event, a barbecue party honoring advertisers in the Bethware Fair catalog and other supporters, is the opening gun of the 1957 season for Cleveland county fair goers.

Tickets were mailed out this week to catalog advertisers and supporters.

Additional tickets for guests and friends may be obtained by writing Mr. Wright at Route 3, or by calling 793-R-2 and making reservations. The price of additional tickets is \$1.50 and reservations must be made no later than noon August 27.

The official fair catalog was slated to be mailed to advertisers this week end. The catalog con-

tains various information about the fair organization, program, exhibits, and prizes.

Officers of the tenth annual Bethware event include: president, Tom Hamrick; first vice-president, Willard Boyles; second vice-president, Marion Dixon; manager, Myers Hamoright; assistant manager, Edwin Moore; secretary, Stokes Wright; assistant secretary, Mrs. Lamar Herndon; treasurer, Menzell Phipper; assistant treasurer, Hal Morris; superintendent of grounds, Frank Hamrick; superintendent of parking, Grady Scism; assistant superintendent of parking, Ben Hamrick; superintendent of parking admissions, Meari Scism; assistant superintendent of parking admissions, Clyde Short; superintendent of tickets, Dale Vollbrack; assistant superintendent of tickets, Lamar Herndon and Jim Yarboro; purchasing agent, T. L. Warlick; and assistant purchasing agent, William Powell.