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PRICE TEN CENTS

Business Development Firm Contracts Almost Complete

Local News Bulletins

ON DEAN'S LIST
The Dean's List for the winter quarter at King's Business college in Charlotte includes the following students from Cleveland County: Betty Ford, Jeanette Ivey, Hilda Herndon, Nadine White, and Gary Allran.

P-TA MEETING
Dr. Paul Sarazen, of Shelby will speak on "Mental Health" at the meeting Thursday night at 8 p. m. of West school P-TA in the school auditorium.

RALLY
The Spring rally for the Senior High Fellowship of Kings Mountain Presbytery will be held at Lincolnton Sunday. A number of young people from First Presbyterian church will attend the rally.

PRESBYTERY
Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor, and Dr. P. G. Padgett, elder, represented First Presbyterian church and Dewitt Hambricht, elder, represented Dixon Presbyterian church at the meeting of Kings Mountain Presbytery Tuesday at New Hope church.

ON HONOR ROLL
Mrs. Bob Goforth, was listed on the second quarter honor roll of Appalachian State Teachers college at Boone. Mrs. Goforth compiled a straight "A" average.

KIWANIS CLUB
Central high school's 32-voice mixed chorus group will perform for members of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club at the civic club's regular Thursday night meeting at the Woman's club. The club convenes at 6:45 p. m. The chorus is directed by Charles A. Balance.

REVIVAL
Rev. Clarence Dodgens, of Blakely, S. C., will begin a series of revival services at Victory Baptist church Sunday night. Services will be held nightly through April 26 at 7:30 p. m.

POLICE OPENING
The city commission and chief of police are accepting applications for a police department temporary opening, Chief Martin Ware said Wednesday. The policeman would be assigned to duty for a period of 16 to 18 weeks during summer vacation period and his employment would be on temporary basis.

WINS II RATING
Jerry Patterson, Bethware high school student, was awarded a rating of II or "excellent" at the annual North Carolina Piano Contest-Festival at Woman's College, University of North Carolina, last Saturday. He was among 57 high school pianists participating in the event.

Jaycee Minstrel Tickets On Sale

Advance ticket sale for Jaycee Minstrel of 1958 is now underway. Jaycee spokesmen announced Wednesday.

This year's show, a revival of a former popular Jaycee function, is scheduled for two nights, May 2 and 3, at Central school auditorium.

Advance tickets, at lower prices, are available from any member of the city schools band — beneficiary of the proceeds — or from any member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

D. D. (Sally) Saunders, a member of the Jaycee committee in charge, said the school band is in dire need of funds for instrument repair and other requirements. Tickets on advance sale are 75 cents for adults, 35 cents for students. Gate admissions will be \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

Other members of the Jaycee committee are Charles E. Dixon, J. T. McGinnis, Delbert Dixon, J. Tom Cornwell, Raymond (Whistle) Goforth and Otis Falls, Jr.

Grading Work Is Underway For Building

Grading work on the Waco Road site of a new Kings Mountain industry was begun Monday.

Subsequently, virtual completion of contract arrangements for building of the 11,200 square foot building was announced by J. Wilson Crawford, president of Kings Mountain Business Development, Inc., which is constructing the building on a lease-purchase option arrangement with a New York knitter, who is forming a new North Carolina Corporation.

Mr. Crawford announced that Hobart Dye, Kings Mountain contractor, will serve as general superintendent of the construction project on an hourly basis.

Sub-contractors, in addition to Kings Mountain Landscaping Company, which is handling the grading work, are:

Concrete and footings, Spangler Ready-Mix Concrete.

Heating system, Dilling Heating Company.

Plumbing, Ben T. Goforth Plumbing.

Wiring, Hoke Electric.

Roofing, Kings Mountain Sheet Metal Works.

Floor covering, City Floor Service.

Mr. Crawford said the contract arrangements were completed Tuesday with all decisions of the board of directors unanimous.

The building will cost in excess of \$50,000.

It will be a brick-concrete block structure, with sprinkler system, and is being built on a lot purchased from W. A. Williams by the business development firm.

The knitting firm, which will manufacture crocheted and knitted sweaters, is expected to employ about 100 persons.

The development firm contracted recently to construct the building and have it completed in 90 days.

Lawyer Optimistic About Annulment

Attorney E. A. Harrill guesses Mrs. Lucille Shope, 42, will get her 25-year-old marriage annulled.

Mrs. Shope, mother of 17 children, recently discovered that her husband, Charlie Shope, had been married to Rilla Anderson nine days before their marriage.

A resident of the Mauney apartments on Piedmont Avenue, Mrs. Shope's husband left her in Bessemer City in August 1956.

She and her eight children living at home have been receiving welfare assistance. Eight of the seventeen have died.

Harrill started annulment proceedings Tuesday by filing at the Gaston County courthouse.

U. S. Senator Scott Succumbs

Senator W. Kerr Scott, who would have been 62 Thursday, died shortly after 5 p. m. Wednesday afternoon at Alamance County hospital, Burlington. The former Governor was hospitalized last week following a heart attack.

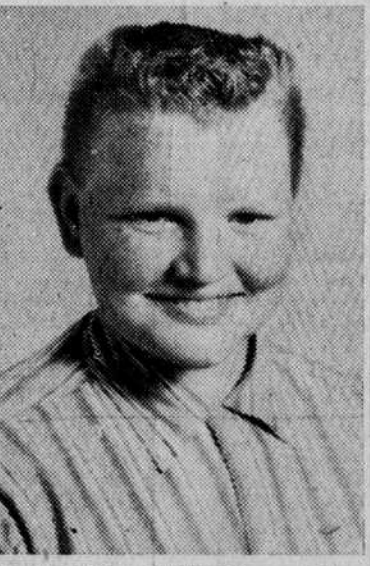
Woman's Club Launches Project To Bring Exchange Student Here

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The Women's organization, in conjunction with civic clubs of the community, are sponsoring the program which will enable a foreign exchange student to study in the high school.

As one project to raise 60 per cent of the yearly upkeep of the student, or \$850, the Woman's club is sponsoring a benefit bridge and rump party the evening of April 25th. Refreshments will be served and prizes will be given according to Mrs. Henry Neisler, chairman of the club's special projects committee.

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SPELLING CHAMPS — Rhea Lineberger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Lineberger, and Don Champion, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Champion, won the annual spelling bees conducted in the high school and elementary grades in the city schools.

Two Students Top Spellers

Rhea Lineberger, Central school eighth grader and daughter of Rev. and Mrs. T. A. Lineberger, will represent Kings Mountain in the Charlotte Observer-sponsored spelling bee on April 25.

The 13-year-old student, as winner in the contest conducted in the elementary grades of the city schools, will compete with other winners in Charlotte. The Charlotte winner goes to Washington, D. C. to compete for other prizes.

Winner in the high school spelling contest was Don Champion, Central school ninth grader and son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Champion.

Miss Lineberger, a talented organist, has served as accompanist for musical programs at school and is organist at Macedonia Baptist church. She is an honor student in Mrs. Juanita Logan's eighth grade.

As high school winner, Champion will be awarded the annual medal given by First National Bank.

Central Elementary P-TA will sponsor a barbecue at the school cafeteria April 19. Super tickets will be \$1.25 for adults and 60 cents for students. Tickets are available from the school children, Ray Sisk, Vernon Crosby, Mrs. Wanza Davis, and at City Service Station, Bridges Hardware, and Kings Mountain Drug Company.

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Shelbians Buy Development Firm's Stock

Kings Mountain Business Development, Inc. reported this week sale of \$500 in stock to a number of Shelby business firms and individuals.

Purchasing stock in the Kings Mountain industry expansion firm were Shelby Concrete Products, J. L. Suttle, Jr., Insurance Company, Mal A. Spangler, Sr., Dr. Craig Jones, Spangler & Sons Concrete Company, Roy's Transport Company and Star Publishing Company.

A spokesman for the group said the stock purchases were made as an informal gesture of friendship and in an effort to enhance the business development of the county.

J. Wilson Crawford, president of the Kings Mountain firm, said he was highly pleased at the purchase and appreciative of gesture on the part of the Shelby citizens.

Teen Road-e-o Jaycee Project

Local teen-agers will be given a chance to show their driving skill May 14 in the Jaycee sponsored "Teen-Age Road-e-o" to be held in the Dean Buick Company used car lot.

Valuable prizes will be awarded in the contest. A total of \$4500 in scholarships will be given away in the National Contest, and Delbert Dixon, Jaycee president, reported local prizes will be awarded also.

"The Road-e-o provides the opportunity for the teen-ager to demonstrate his acquired driving skill, while showing the responsible citizens of the community the need for the driver education classes," he said.

The Jaycees are promoting the Road-e-o because they believe in safe and educated drivers.

Mr. Dixon said the local winner will be sent to state competition. State winners will meet in the national competition later in the summer.

All teen-agers who have no police record are eligible to enter.

Entry blanks have been placed in Griffin Drug Company and are available to all who are interested.

Miss Hicks Wins Reading Contest

This year the Jaycee Reading Medal will be awarded to Miss Jean Hicks, winner of the high school reading contest held Thursday in an assembly program.

Competitors included Miss Toni Williams, sophomore read "The Black Cat" and Margaret Wells, junior class student giving "Dark Journey."

Miss Hicks whose reading was entitled "Submerged" competed in the Western Conference District Forensic contest held here Monday and placed second in the district.

A high school senior, the winner is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hicks, of Juniper Street.

Selections of the winner was made by judges, Mrs. Carl Finger, Mrs. J. B. McLarty and Mrs. Dan Finger.

Becky Brandon To Go Abroad

Becky Brandon, 16-year-old daughter of a former Kings Mountain city engineer, will spend a month abroad this summer as an exchange student under the American Field Service Americans abroad program.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Brandon, now of S. Petersburg, Fla., she was selected from four applicants for the exchange trip.

During her stay abroad, she will live in the home of a foreign family. Designation of the nation she will visit has not been made.

Churchwomen Plan May Fellowship Day

Plans to hold the annual May Fellowship Day program are being completed by the Kings Mountain Council of United Churchwomen.

May Fellowship Day is one of three observances of churchwomen annually. The other two observances are World Community Day and World Day of Prayer.

The program in May will be held on May 2nd at 7:30 p. m. in Resurrection Lutheran church. Mrs. W. M. Ganit is president of the local churchwomen's organization.

Gardner Seeks House Seat; Lynch Or Thomasson May Run

Races Develop For Two Seats On Commission

The May 31 Democratic primary candidate list has increased considerably during the past week, bringing opposition for two incumbent county commissioners and producing filing fees from a number of incumbents.

The new candidates for county commissioners are:

Kester Hamrick, currently constable for Number 1 Township, who will oppose Knox Sarratt, county commission vice-chairman, for the District V post; and

William A. Hastings, who is opposing John D. White, veteran of four years on the commission,

FILING DEADLINE

Deadline for filing for county officers, subject to the May 31 primary, is Saturday noon, April 19, County Election Board Chairman Joe Mull reminded Tuesday. He noted that a change in statute advances the deadline from 5 p. m. to noon, and urged that all would-be candidates take note of the change.

for the District IV nomination. District IV includes Townships 8 and 11. District V includes Townships 1, 2, 3 and 7.

Posting his filing fee Tuesday was County Coroner J. Ollie Harris, of Kings Mountain, who seeks re-nomination and re-election to a fourth four-year term.

J. Lee Roberts, veteran Number 4 Township justice of the peace, has also filed his candidacy for re-nomination.

Other incumbents who have posted their filing fees in the past week are J. W. (Bill) Osborne, clerk of Superior Court, Reuben L. Elam, judge of county recorder's court, and Bynum Weathers, solicitor of county recorder's court.

The added contests for county commissioner brings the number of commission races to three. Incumbent Carl P. Finger, of Kings Mountain, is opposed by two candidates, J. Broadus Ellis, of Grover, and A. A. Barrett, of Waco.

The commission candidates are elected on a county-wide basis, result of a change in law by the 1955 General Assembly. However, a citizen can seek the commission-ership only from the district in which he resides.

Another contest pits John C. Anderson, Shelby citizen and Kings Mountain radio advertising sales, against Mrs. Lillian Newton for the county treasurer-ship.

Baptists To Honor Quakenbush Family

A fellowship hour honoring Rev. Aubrey Quakenbush and his family will be held after the evening service on Sunday, April 20, in the First Baptist church Fellowship Hall.

Invitations have been mailed to the members of the church. Rev. Quakenbush has resigned as pastor of the First Baptist church here and plans to move to Clinton, North Carolina, on May 1, where he will become pastor of the First Baptist church.

City Will Open Mountain Street To Carpenter Street—If And When

Mountain street will be opened to Carpenter street, via City Stadium, if right-of-way is obtainable and when funds are available, the city commission voted last Thursday night.

H. R. Parton appeared before the board to request the street-opening and said he would convey 40-foot right-of-way to the city on property owned by him.

Though it wasn't succinctly stated, conversation indicated the street would curve northward at City Stadium, then turn east to Carpenter. Mr. Parton said opening of the street would enable him to develop some lots on Carpenter street property.

The commission again received as information a plea from the city recreation commission for net parking meter receipts. Making the request was Fletee McCurdy, commission chairman, who said the commission didn't intend to squander the money but hoped to save the bulk of it



J. LEE ROBERTS



J. OLLIE HARRIS

Hospital Here Is Fully Accredited

Credentials Are Received On Inspection

Kings Mountain Hospital is now a fully accredited hospital. Manager Grady Howard and other hospital officials were notified this week by the Joint Commission of Accreditation of Hospitals that the Kings Mountain hospital has met the requirements of the accrediting organization and will be fully accredited for the forthcoming three years.

During the past year, the hospital has operated under temporary accreditation.

The hospital underwent an inspection by Dr. T. Norlander, of the Joint Commission staff, on February 26.

The Joint Commission represents five participating organizations, including the American Hospital association, the American College of Surgeons, the American Medical association, and the Canadian Medical association. It accredits hospitals in both the United States and Canada.

The Joint Commission states that accreditation (which is voluntary, not compulsory) means that the hospital here has a sound and safe building, good facilities and equipment, special hospital services, a medical library, a competent medical staff, nursing staff and administrative staff.

Accreditation also assures that all patient records are properly kept, the commission states.

Kings Mountain hospital now has 50 beds, having been expanded twice since it was opened in 1951. In addition, a nurse's home has been constructed.

LIONS MEETING

Regular meeting of Kings Mountain Lions Club will convene at Woman's Club Tuesday night at 7:00. Program plans were incomplete Wednesday.

Band Clinic Scheduled

Paul Bryan, conductor of Duke University bands, will conduct a clinic for members of the Kings Mountain High school band on April 25 and 26, it was announced this week by Charles Ballance, high school bandmaster.

Mr. Ballance said a number of Shelby high school bandsmen will also participate.

After the two-day clinic, the clinic band will present a free concert on the evening of April 26 at Central auditorium.

Police To Sponsor "Pickpocket"

Jack London, who bills himself as "The Amazing Pickpocket," will present his entertainment act here Thursday April 24, under sponsorship of the city police department.

Mr. London will give a free demonstration of his abilities at noon April 24, driving blindfolded, an automobile through the city streets, according to an announcement by Buck Bridges, police office desk sergeant.

The London show will be held at Central school auditorium at 8 p. m. Admission will be 35 cents for students and 75 cents for adults.

Proceeds will be used by the policemen for their club house and shooting range project

Three-Man Race Likely For House Job

Ernest A. Gardner, Shelby lawyer and former Cleveland County representative in the General Assembly, filed notice of candidacy for the House post late Wednesday afternoon, opposing Jack Palmer, Jr., Shelby mortician.

Mr. Gardner's filing indicated likelihood of at least a three-man race to succeed B. T. Falls, Jr., now district solicitor, as two Kings Mountain citizens are considering making the race—though both won't.

Haywood E. Lynch, Kings Mountain realtor, had not yet decided whether he would seek the office. However, if Mr. Lynch declined to offer, George B. Thomasson, Kings Mountain attorney, indicated he would pay his filing fee prior to the noon Saturday deadline.

Mr. Thomasson said he would not offer, should Mr. Lynch decide to enter the race.

The Cleveland County House of Representatives seat has been vacant since last summer, when Mr. Falls was appointed district solicitor, succeeding James B. Farthing, of Lenoir.

Kings Mountain has not claimed hometown representation in the North Carolina General Assembly since the twenties. First, J. R. Davis served in the House, and subsequently the late H. Tom Fulton, Sr., served in the Senate.

Monday Brought P. O. Tax Rush

Monday was Kings Mountain's "T-Day".

Charles Alexander, Kings Mountain postmaster, said the big rush to get tax reports and payments off to Greensboro and Raleigh was on April 14, with Tuesday, the deadline day, somewhat secondary in volume.

How many missed the due date? "Just a few stragglers on Wednesday," Mr. Alexander commented.

Bulk of the last-minute tax report mailings were posted to Raleigh, indicating that the withholding tax arrangement of the federal government lessened materially last-minute income tax reporting activity in this direction.

And the North Carolina Revenue Department was also getting the bulk of the cash. Postmaster Alexander said money order purchases showed.

Fiddlers Show Set For Friday

Twelfth annual Fiddlers Convention sponsored by the Bethware Progressive club will be held Friday night at 8 p. m.

Announcement was made by William (Bill) McDaniel, club official, who said the program is to be held at Bethware school auditorium.

Mike Lattimore's Teen-Timers will furnish 30 minutes of rock-roll music at 7:30 p. m. before the competition gets underway at 8 p. m. This group will also perform during intermission. Mr. McDaniel said.

Among entries in the contest are Gaston County Playboys, Hillbilly Cutups, Raiders of Dallas, Windy Mountain Boys, Skyline Playboys of Cherryville, Four Mountaineers, and several other groups.

"We invite citizens of the community and area to attend this annual event," Mr. McDaniel added.

Jaycees Schedule Sunday Paper Drive

Kings Mountain Jaycees will conduct a paper drive pickup Sunday afternoon beginning at 2 o'clock, it has been announced by Jaycee Delbert Dixon.

Mr. Dixon said citizens of the community are urged to deposit waste paper outside their residences and Jaycees will pickup the paper Sunday afternoon.

Citizens who wish the paper to be picked up at another time are urged to contact Mr. Dixon at Elmer Lumber Company (phone 25) or Charles E. Dixon at Victory Chevrolet Company, (phone 49).