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PRICE TEN CENTS

Bethware Exercises To Start; Police Hosts To Arson-Theft **GroverGraduationThursday**

Grover School To Graduate Class Of 20

Grover high school will award diplomas to 20 seniors in commencement exercises Thursday (tonight) at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

Four members of the graduating class will present the program. The speakers will include Mary Ann Herndon, salutatorian, Doris McGinnis, Jack Leigh, and Sylvia West, valedictorian.

Members of the high school chorus, under direction of Mrs. F. B. Hambright and accompanied by Betsy Shaw, will sing "Soldiers Chorus" and "Bless This House."

Medal presentations will be made by W. C. Kiser, Preston Holt, Miss Sara Cooksey, Paul Hambright, and County Superintendent J. Horace Grigg. Principal J. C. Scruggs and J. B. Royster, chairman of the school board. will award the diplomas.

Marshals include Brenda Jackson, chief; Mary Mullinax, assistant chief, Jeanette Blackburn, Nancy Bolin, Aileene Trull, and Jerry Huffstetler. Kay Camp and David Borders are class mascots. The class colors are red and white, and the class motto, "Not Finished, Just Begun."

Class officers are Annie Bell Stroupe, president who will introduce the program; Larry Appling, vice-president; Mary Ann Herndon, secretary, and Brenda Robinson, treasurer. Miss Lillian Quinn is class advisor.

Members of the graduating class are William Larry Appling, James Kenneth Bell, Hayward Dean Bullock, Kenneth Malone Byers, Larry Alfred Collins, Nancy Victoria Fortenbury, Paul Herman Green, Mary Ann Herndon, Jack Converse Hutchins, Jack Leigh, Doris Dean McGinnis, Thurman Peterson, Russell Lee Pinkelton, Brenda Lou Robinson, Donald Richard Smith, Phyllis Ann Smith, Annie Belle Stroupe, Richard Carveth Wells, Sylvia Annette West, and Norma Kay Watterson.

Treasury Calls i wo Bond Issues

The Treasury Department last week issued official notices calling for redemption on September 15, 1958, two issues of United States Treasury Bonds.

The two issues are: 1) All outstanding 2¼ percent Treasury Bonds of 1956-59, dated February 1, 1944, and due September 15, 1959; 2) All outstanding 2 3-8 percent Treasury Bonds, dated March 1, 1952 and due March 15, 1959.

Attention to the Treasury Department announcement was called by R. S. Lennon, cashier of First National Bank, who said he was certain some Kings Mountain area citizens and firms had invested in each of these government bond offerings.

for cash redemption, details of which are included in Department Circular No. 300, Revised, dated April 30, 1955.

Rhyne Leases Bridges Airport

Ned Rhyne, of Bessemer City, family and kinfolk were present. has leased Bridges Airport, it was

ment of the airport on May 15. Mr. Rhyne comes to Kings branch of the clan. Mountain from Municipal Air. port, Gastonia. He holds a license as airplane engine mechanic and also a pilot's license. Flight instruction will be available.

days weekly.

Seniors To Handle Graduation Rites

Members of the high school graduating class will conduct the graduation night exercises on June 2.

The city board of education approved the request of the class at Monday night's ses-

Rev. R. Douglas Fritz, pastor of Resurrection Lutheran church, has accepted the invitation to deliver: the baccalaureate sermon on June 1, Supt. B. N. Barnes reported to the board.

Local News **Bulletins**

BUILDING PERMIT inspector, issued a building per mit Tuesday to J. Wilson Crawford to construct a 5 room

at an estimated cost of \$9500. HOSPITALIZED

residence on Katherine street

Sam Weir, Jr., Kings Mountain grocer, entered Gastonia Memorial hospital Tuesday for treatment and observation.

IMPROVING

Cicero Ware, Marine Chief Warrant officer hospitalized at Camp Lejeune Naval Hospital, was reported steadily improving by a family spokesman

HOLDING OWN

Wednesday afternoon.

Irvin Allen, long time resident, is reported by a family spokesman to be holding his own following a cerebral hem-orrhage suffered last Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

KIWANIS

James D. White, trust officer at American Commercial Bank of Charlotte, will speak on "Your Property and Heirs" at the Thursday night meeting of the Kiwanis club. Mr. White, a graduate of the University of North Carolina where he studied law, has been associated with the Charlotte bank since 1954. The club meets at 6:15 p. m. at the Woman's club.

DEMOLAY MEETING

Gastonia Chapter of DeMolay will give the Flower Talk for newly-organized Kings Mountain chapter of DeMolay at a public ceremony Sunday at 2:30 p. m. at Masonic Hall. All Master Masons, their wives, and friends are invited to at-

LODGE

An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF & AM will be held Saturday at 7:30 p. m. at Masonic Hall for work in the second degree. On Monday at 7:30 p. m. lodge members will meet for work in the first degree, Secretary T. A. Tindall announced.

ELECTED

K. E. Morrison has been elected to fill the unexpired two-year term of J. C. McKinney on the board of directors of Kings Mountain Merchants Association, Mrs. Elaine Queen, association secretary, announ-

Charlie Harmon The bank can furnish information on surrender of the bonds Clan Has Reunion James Phillips, had invited as speaker, the Rev. Trent Howell,

The family of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Harmon, of the Beulah church community, held its ry, III. annual reunion at the church recreation building Sunday.

Picnic dinner was served with Claude Henderson saying the in-

27 To Graduate At Bethware; **Sermon Sunday**

Commencement exercises for calaureate sermon to be delivered by Rev. Norman F. Brown, J. W. Webster, city building pastor of Bethlehem Baptist

Diplomas are to be awarded at 1 o'clock has been scheduled graduating class will hear an fire. address by Dr. P. L. Elliott, president of Gardner-Webb Junior can, chief of investigation divis-

college, Boiling Springs. Both programs will be held in

Other ministers on the Sunday night program will include Rev. scripture, Rev. J. J. Thornburg. who will give the invocation, Rev. N. S. Hardin who will offer the evening prayer, and Rev. James Holder, who will pronounce the benediction.

The Girls' Chorus will sing 'The Lord's My Shepherd" and 'Dear Lord and Father of Mankind." The chorus will sing the Legion Building.
"Graduation Day" and "Prayer. Chief Ware said ac ful Hour" at the finals exercises.

Junior marshals include Norma Jane Hamrick, Carolyn Lovelace, Jerry Webster, and Luther Edwards. Class mascots are Kay Ware and Larry Randall. Faye Woods is valedictorian and Becky Falls, salutatorian.

Members of the graduating class are Patsy Ann Bridges, Ma-cie Beatrice Bridges, Magel Ar-lene Dixon, Melba Rebecca Falls, Nancy Jean Fite, Margaret Patrica Hamrick, Frances Daphne Lovelace, Hazel Annette Neal, Sadie Madge Scism, Patsy Ann Short, Phyllis Inell Welch, Selma Faye Woods, Patricia Ann Yarbro, Harold Dean Blanton, Paul Daniel Camp, Jr., Johnny Eugene Chapman, Jerry Henry Edmonson, Ray Butler Herndon, Eugene Tommy Ray Ledbetter, Morris Ellis Mayes, Richard Evans Ross, Moffett Albert Scism, Robert Ray Scism, James Howard Turner, James William White, and Rufus Henry White.

Open-Out Club Met OnTuesday

The Cleveland County Open-Out Club met in regular monthly session Tuesday morning at the O. Max Gardner Foundation House

The meeting began with a pe riod of fellowship during which light refreshments were served. consisting of date nut loaf, mixed nuts, lime ice cream, and hot cof-

ed a balance of \$49.93 in the bank ed before a capacity crowd. and the club unanimously voted to contribute \$25 to the current Bridges and Mary Leigh Mauney Multiple Sclerosis campaign.

The program chairman, Mrs. church of Grover, who was presented to the Club by Charlie Har-

Mrs. Sally Mauney informally panist for Miss Floyd. Special guests included M. L. showed the members how to make announced this week by Glee A. Harmon, Mrs. T. P. McGill, and attractive gifts from everyday ar-Mrs. Minnie H. Crawford, of ticles found in the home. The Club Mr. Rhyne assumed manage Kings Mountain, last surviving disbanded for the summer months uncle and aunts of the Harmon to reconvene in September for its

Naming First National President The airport will be open seven Not Expected Before June Meeting

rectors, scheduled for June 9.

B. S. Neill, executive vice-presdent, said it would be the prerogative of the board of directors to Summers, both as a director and as president.

tion. An officer is not required to hold stock.

board or officer vacancy. majority stockholders.

be named prior to the regular Bank from 1942, when he suc- Tuesday night. June meeting of the board of di- ceeded the late D. M. Baker, Mr. the 58-year-old institution. Interest in identity of a succes. 59 budget.

sor to Mr. Summers has been conname a successor to the late Mr. siderable among both individuals \$5 per hour for the auditing work, in the near future. and in the business community. Present directors are Mr. Neill. R. L. Mauney, Dr. L. P. Baker, W.

own stock in the corpora- A. Ware and Glee A. Bridges. Ownership of the 10,000 shares of \$10 par value stock outstand-

School Friday

Kings Mountain police depart-ment will be host on Friday to an area theft and arson school, with some 75 policemen from Cleveland and five neighboring counties planning to attend.

Majority of the sessions will be held at the American Legion building off East Gold street, Chief of Police Martin Ware said.

After a 30-minute orientation period, starting at 8:30 Friday 27 Bethware high school seniors will begin Sunday, with the bactor, of the state theft bureau, will conduct a three-hour session.

at graduation exercises on Fri. for a demonstration in which an Morrison. day evening, May 30, when the automobile will be destroyed by

A two-hour session beginning

can, chief of investigation division of the state insurance depart. Moose Governor ment will discuss arson, motives, the Bethware school auditorium unlawful burning and fraud law.

at 7 o'clock, will include methods Mountain Moose Lodge 1748, folof interrogation and preservation lowing annual lodge elections. Frank Blalock, who will read the of evidence, to be conducted by W. G. O'Neill, supervisor of indepartment. The session will be nor; Willie Grice, prelate; Dennis concluded with a motion picture Goforth, treasurer; Jake Carpen-Adjournment is scheduled for

9 p. m. Both lunch and dinner will be

served the visiting policemen at Chief Ware said advance registrations include a large number of police officers from Gaston, Friday night. Cleveland, Polk, Rutherford, Catawba and Lincoln counties.

Tax Collection Total \$130,009

Less than \$4,000 remains to be collected of the 1957 city tax levy, tax collector J. W. Webster reported to the city commission last Thursday.

Mr. Webster said collections to ed it would collect from the ad lay. valorem and poll tax levies. He also reported that the city

had collected \$10,102,.66 in taxes for prior years, another \$2187 in land sales, had allowed 1781 in pre-payment discounts, and had collected \$747 in interest on ov-He also reported the following

receipts from collections of fees: \$2940 in sewer taps, \$2500 in water taps, and \$299 for building

Kiwanis Stages Talent Event

The Kiwanis club presented awards to seven Kings Mountain students in the club's annual

school talent show Friday night. Participating in the talent e vent were winners of preliminary contests in the various The Treasurer's report reveal schools of the city who perform-Adjudged winners were

who performed via tap dance and song, "I've Got Talent" in division I, third and fourth graders; Vinelle Phillips, piano solo 'Smoke Gets In Your Eyes", di vision II, seventh and eighth grades; Gary Myers, solo, "He's Got The Whole World", first and second grades; Susan Plonk and Mr. Howell's subject was Tommy Black, novelty act, "Folk "Love." He described the love Song Melody", fifth and sixth needed to solve our personal and graders; and Julie Floyd, solo, world-wide problems. His remarks "Autumn Leaves", in the high were based on the verses found school division. Miss Mary Nolan in the 13th chapter of I Corinthi- was accompanist for young My-A total of 52 members of the ans and the First Commandment. ers, and Bobby Early was accom-

Engraved trophies are to be awarded at the various schools of the community. Kiwanis Presi dent John Cheshire noted. Kiwanian B. S. Peeler, Jr. in troduced the numerous contestants and their acts.

Pullen Firm Again To Audit City Books

A. M. Pullen & Company, Charlotte auditors, were awarded the It is unlikely that a successor Mr. Summers died of a heart city's auditing contract for the

Summers was third president of briefly for formal action after a long informal session on the 1958- resigned April 30.

same cost as last year. In another action, the board or hadn't accepted any position to sults. By-laws require that a director K. Mauney, P. M. Neisler, Sr., M. northbound traffic on Battledered a change designed to speed date. ground avenue. Henceforth, it will be permissible for north-bound motorists turning into East Mr. Neill said he had no idea ing has not been announced. How- Gold street, to stop, then turn who would be named to either the ever, Mr. Neill said there is no right on red into E. Gold, provided right-of-way is available

governor of Kings Mountain Moose Lodge. He succeeded K. E. of front footage represented.

Horace Brown

Horace Brown was recently in-An evening session, beginning stalled as governor of Kings

Other officers elected were vestigation for the state insurance Gaither Ledbetter, junior gover drive to Hill street; ter, one-year-trustee; Melton Kiser, two-year trustee; Bud Morgan, three-year trustee; and Curtis W. Gaffney, secretary. K. E. Morrison serves on the board

> The lodge held a fish supper for members and their wives last

Regular meetings of the lodge N. Katherine avenue, from are held each Thursday evening Woodside drive to Stone street.

City Schools Ask 43c Levy

as past governor.

May 12 totaled \$130,009.04 a levy a 15 cents per \$100 valuation lineal foot. gainst the 134,000 the city guess- tax rate next year for capital out-

> session. The board also approved ducted by Eddie Lyons, of the St. the other school unit's action in Louis Cardinals. agreeing to ask a 28-cent rate for 2) Called a re-zoning hearing operating expenses, same rate as for June 11 1on a petition to prevailed last year. change designation of one side The board also completed com- of Cansler street, from Oak to

propriations for city school and Davidson school bands, and adopted a calendar for the 1958 . It was reported via the minutes

elected an elementary teacher for liquid fertilizer and bushel basthe 1958-59 term.

voted a \$1,000 appropriation to Boy" tomatoes, are just that. of upping prior appropriations, at a special meeting May 9, when

that the session will open on ket, a gallon of water and a few Tuesday, September 2, and will tablespoons of fertilizer. end on June 1, 1959. Holidays will include one day for the South Piedmont district teacher meeting, two days for Thanksgiving and two days during the Easter weekend. Christmas season holidays will be from December 19 to Jan-The board authorized a com-

cabinet for Davidson school and a multiple sclerosis patient. pianos for various plained that Central school pianos are in poor repair, and schools needed additional pianos receipt of a survey, request of the city for street right-of-way through North school property.

Tom H. Watson **Heads Park Yarn**

to Frank R. Summers, late president of First National Bank, will as president of First National the city board of commissioners and Efird Mills, Inc., Maiden, has accepted superintendentship of ser had been to a number of med- ner had done much in bringing The commission was convened Park Yarn Mills effective May 1. | ical men here and elsewhere with attention of medical men and He succeeds M. A. Enloe who varying diagnoses and treatments. others to the problem of a dis

Mr. Enloe said Wednesday he agnoses nor with treatment re- methods of treatment success-

METER RECEIPTS Parking meters receipts for

the week ending Wednesday at noon totaled \$135.48, Assistant City Clerk Mrs. Grace C. Wolfe

Candidates Speeding Work; Primary Ten Days Distant

Improvements To 12 Streets **Are Approved**

The city board of commissioners has approved a long list of street improvements for the for-MOOSE GOVERNOR - Horace theoming fiscal year, provided Brown was installed recently as petitions in hand or being obtained prove valid on the basis

Included, for hard-surfacing Cranford Drive, from Third to Fairview street;

Fourth street, from Fairview. to Linwood road; Walnut street, from Phenix to

Chestnut: Cherry street, from Phenix to south end of Cherry (a dead end)

Baker street, from Clinton Gillespie street, from Clinton drive to Hill street;

Hill street, from Clinton Drive to Dilling street; Morris and Gantt streets, from North Piedmont avenue to Gantt,

thence to Walker street; Carpenter street, from Parker to north end of Carpenter; Bennett Drive, from Phenix to Chestnut:

N. Katherine avenue, from The board also approved installation of curb-and-gutter and sidewalk, north side only, on Waco road, from N. Piedmont to Gantt street. The board awarded contract to

Spangler & Sons, Kings Moun-The city board of education will tain and Shelby, for grading of join Shelby city schools and the sidewalk strip on West Mountain county unit in requesting the street at \$150 and for paving of county board of commissioners to four-foot sidewalk at \$1.09 per In other action the board:

1) Approved use of City Sta-Action on the tax matter was dium, at a date to be set, for a taken at Monday night's board baseball tryout school to be con-

mencement plans, authorized ap- Elm street, to industrial zone. **Pryor Has Success**

With Basket Garden of prior special meetings that Gold street, tried the modern me-Mrs. Edith F. Bridges had been thod of growing vegetables, via fiscal year, with \$30,000 to defray

\$500 and \$200 for the two bands, people may see what can be done water department would spend The 1958-59 calendar provides with a tomato seed, a bushel bas-\$4500 for fluoridation, another



CANDIDATE - Earnest A. Gardner is one of three candidates for the Democratic nomination for the House of Representatives. He opposes George Thomasson, of Kings Mountain, and Jack Palmer, Jr., Shelby.

Budget Requests Record \$655,000

ored in full, would result in a recognity of registrars reporting no ord \$655,144 city budget for the great influx of new registrants. forthcoming fiscal year, City However, a great rush had not Clerk Joe McDaniel, Jr., reportbeen anticipated, since no new ed to the board of commissioners registration was ordered.

Ben H. Bridges, mayor pro tain attends the Barrett-Ellistempore, who presided at the session, invited the report as information.

its budget deliberations possible revision of the privilege license schedule, paring of the commerci-

SURPLUS EXPECTED

The city will have a surplus in all categories during the current fiscal year, present figures indicate, City Clerk Joe McDaniel told the board of commissioners last week. He based his estimates on the city financial report at the end of ten months of operation April 30. Appropriations will be underspent and receipts will be over the amount anticipated,"

Mr. McDaniel commented. al power rate, and request of the Kester Hamrick. recreation commission for park-

ing meter receipts.
Mr. McDaniel explained that Will Pryor, resident of 118 E. one department, debt service, is fixed at \$51,265 for the coming

interest. On motion of J. R. Davis, seconded by J. W. Webster, the board His shavings garden of "Big asked for a total of \$140.000 in capital outlay expenditures. the city schools band and a \$500 Planted the latter part of April, mong the items: the fire depart appropriation to the Davidson the young plants have now attain. ment asked a new truck at an es school band for instrument reed a height of 14 inches and a timated cost of \$18,000; the administrative department asks calculator and adding machine; Mr. Pryor says that his plants the electrical department asks the board had voted amounts of are open for inspection, so that system survey to cost \$4200; the

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Incurable Multiple Sclerosis Disease Hit Houser Years Ago

By MARTIN HARMON

Barnes, to purchase a filing binet for Davidson school and a multiple sclerosis patient.

Houser was the only victim president binet for Davidson school and a multiple sclerosis patient.

Houser was the only victim presidence of the past 14 years and the past 14 years binet for Davidson school and a multiple sclerosis patient. Multiple sclerosis, medical The steering wheel, he says, pro-Mrs. Barnes had ex- name for hardening of the nerv- vides the balance support.

es, claims some 300 victims in the It is his personal theory that Charles McLarty, Diane Holli-Piedmont area of North Carolina. movement prevents or slows de field, Martha Weiss, Mike McElthat both Davidson and East It is currently receiving state terioration. He comments, "Exer roy, Brenda Crawford, Linda wide attention for the first time, cise has proved better for me than Plonk, Carolyn Alexander, Sara The board deferred, pending as business and civic leaders are just siting around." conducting a fund-raising cam- Mrs. Houser, a former nurse, Kenny Steffy, Jimmy Mauney, paign to obtain funds to determine says the disease is regarded as a Sherry McDaniel, and Charles causes and treatment of the dis- debilitator rather than a killer.

"Nobody knows much about it," currently takes is nicotinic acid,

Mr. Houser says. He guesses he had symptoms thereby improves circulation. of the disease at least three years Mr. Houser had high praise for before his trouble was diagnosed O. Max Gardner, Jr., another He credits Dr. W. L. Ramseur for ease pronounced "incurable" Mr. Watson is married and has sending him to Winston-Salem. The city will pay the auditors two sons. He plans to move here Dr. Ramseur had reported him- enough funds will be raised to self "not satisfied" with prior di- make research into causes and

> Mr. Houser says the disease ef- Persons wishing to make confects parts of the body most distributions should mail them to tant from the heart. He must hold Mrs. O. Max Gardner, Jr., Shelby. to some object for balance, but N. C. has no difficulty driving an auto- The Housers live at 208 E. mobile. Last year, he was able to Parker street. A daughter, Miss renew his driver's license, after Sara Elizabeth Houser, is a stu-undergoing the same close-in-dent at Wake Forest college.

ful," he added.

Departmental requests, if hon- son ended last Saturday, with maat last Thursday's meeting.

Mr. Bridges also noted that the board would have to consider in and advertising salesman for

Mountain. Mr. White is opposed by William A Hastings.

three-time representative and

Other county commission con-

District V - Knox Sarratt vs

Spangler and Sarratt are incumbents. In Number 4 Township, Richard E. Ware is challenging Veteran Constable C. A. (Gus) Huffstetler, in a purely local matter involving voters of four precincts, East Kings Mountain,

West Kings Mountain, Grover and Bethware. **Kid Pet Show**

spection tests to which the exam- Youngsters who received prizes "I sleep well, I feel as good as iner's subject beginning drivers, donated by merchants of the committee, including Vice-Chairman I ever did, but I just can't get a-At a recent meeting of multiple munity were Linda Mauney, Bil-Arnold W. Kincaid and Supt. B. bout," says William F. (Billy) sclerosis patients in Charlotte, Mr. ly Patterson, Libby Trott, Flip

Ramsey, Jr. The only medicine Mr. Houser Miss Margaret Goforth was which speeds heart action and

A large crowd of youngsters

Suber Loses Toe To Power Mower

Sam Suber, veteran city cemetery superintendent, lost a toe Monday afternoon in an accident at his Piedmont avenue

Mr. Suber was mowing the stop the machine when it rolled expects to be discharged Thurs-

ten days away. But each candidate was doing his quick-moving best to do the

Six Major Races To Be Decided By Democrats

Candidates were stirring this week, with voting day in the biennial Democratic primary only

A common comment among all of them was, "You can't see 'em

impossible anyway. In Kings Mountain this week were Mrs. Lillian E. Newton, seeking renomination as county treasurer, John D. White, of Lawndale, seeking renomination as county commissioner from District IV, and J. Broadus Ellis, Grover neighbor, who opposes Carl P. Finger, incumbent,

A. A. Barrett for the District V commissioner nomination. There was a quickening tone of interest among the voters, too, as politics appeared to gain as a conversation piece, over such more regular-fare items as the weather, favorite television shows, and major league baseball. A lack-luster registration sea-

Major interest in Kings Moun-

Finger contest. Mrs. Newton is opposed by John C. Anderson, Shelby citizen Radio Station WKMT Kings

Another three-way contest involving a Kings Mountain candidate pits George Thomasson, Kings Mountain lawyer, against Jack Palmer, Jr., and Ernest A. Gardner for the House of Representatives nomination. Palmer is a Shelby mortician, Gardner a

Shelby attorney.

District I-Mal A. Spangler, Sr., vs. Tilden Queen.

Has 77 Entries

Some 77 youngsters of the community exhibited their pets in the annual children's pet show Wednesday of the Junior Woman's

Prizes, awarded via a drawing, went to 24 children and exhibits included cats, dogs, birds, rabbits, fish, and a horse, the latter exhibited by Sarah Frances Mau-

ney, Tommy Wells, Larry Logan, Corky Fulton, Ruth Clippard, Beth Simpson, Myra Mauney,

general chairman of the show. Mayor Glee A. Bridges served as master of ceremonies for the pet show sponsored annually by the women's organization.

and adults attended

lawn, and was endeavoring to over his left foot, decapitating a toe. Hospitalized, Mr. Suber