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Kings Mountain Recession Appears Waning

Jobless Pay Claims Drop Below 500-Mark

By MARTIN HARMON

Kings Mountain, apparently is turning the recession corner. Two major items of evidence were available Wednesday.

- 1) Unemployment compensation pay claims had dropped by 196 in two weeks.
- 2) Al Maino, general manager of Neisler Division of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company, reported this company's Kings Mountain payroll up 45 percent from the May low point and added, "We're getting business and I think that by September it will be liveable."

Franklin Ware, Jr., manager of the Kings Mountain employment service office, said claims for unemployment compensation pay last week totaled 498, down from the 544 of the previous week and the 694 of two weeks previously.

Mr. Maino said that business had been attracted for the Pauline plant sufficient to put 30 of the plant's 37 looms on two-shift, five-day per week operation. He anticipates continuing improvement in sale for the company's novelty fabrics.

Firestone Textiles, Inc. of Gastonia, is also reported continuing to increase production and recalling laid off workers. Numerous Kings Mountain citizens are employed at Firestone.

Mauney Hosiery Company has reported orders for men's hose increasing.

Building activity continues high.

Kings Mountain's recession began about two years ago. Textiles, the community's bread-and-butter industry, continued to be plagued by low demand for goods even at less-than-cost prices. The decline worsened until the recent pick-up beginning after July 4.

Rites Conducted For Mrs. Ormand

Funeral services for Mrs. Laura Z. Ormand, 92, were held Wednesday at 4:30 p. m. from Harris Funeral Home, interment following in El Bethel cemetery.

Mrs. Ormand, widow of Charles T. Ormand, succumbed Monday night. A native of Columbus, N. C., she was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James Weir.

Surviving are two sons, James F. Ormand, Columbus, N. C., Dewey W. Ormand, Lomita, Cal., and five daughters, Mrs. O. O. Baber, Gastonia, Mrs. Mason Goins, Asheville, Mrs. J. E. Browning, Charlotte, Mrs. G. G. Grigg, Kings Mountain, and Mrs. Frank Boyd, Miami, Fla. Also surviving are her brother, Charles P. Weir, her sister, Mrs. E. L. Campbell, both of Kings Mountain, 29 grandchildren, 59 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

The final rites were conducted by Rev. James B. McLarty, pastor of Central Methodist church.

Grid Season Tickets On Sale Next Week

Season tickets for the Kings Mountain High Mountaineers five home football games this fall will be placed on sale at Principal Lawson Brown's office next Wednesday, August 20.

The tickets for the five games to be played in City Stadium will sell for \$5 and will entitle the holder to a specially assigned seat in the concrete section of the stands.

Mr. Brown said that he hopes to sell some 500 of the season duets. About half that number were sold last year, proved popular with fans who were assured of their same seat for each game.

The five home games this season include two Southwestern Conference foes, Cherryville and R. S. Central. The other three games here are against non-conference foes, Granite Falls, West Mecklenburg, and Mt. Holly.

The home opener is set for September 12 against the newcomer to the card, Granite Falls.

All home games are scheduled for 7:30 p. m.

Students To Get History Via T-V

Fred Withers To Instruct T-V Course

More than 100 high school juniors will absorb facts via television beginning September 1.

Principal Lawson Brown said Wednesday that Fred Withers, high school history teacher, is attending a clinic at Chapel Hill on education-by-television methods and will be on the scene instructor for a television - beam course in United States history.

Current plans call for carving a television instruction room from the high school cafeteria. A partition will be built and two to three television sets will be installed, if present plans jell, Mr. Brown said.

He noted that the decision of the city board of education to join the experimental education-by-television program will help the high school with both its space problem and teaching load problem.

Education television was launched last year by several North Carolina schools in a program financed by the Ford Foundation.

Educators, Supt. B. N. Barnes previously reported, had mixed reactions to the first-year results.

The instruction is beamed by television from Greensboro and Chapel Hill.

ARP's To Hear Dr. Romein

Dr. Tunis Romein, of Erskine College, Due West, S. C., will speak at Boyce Memorial ARP church Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock morning service.

Dr. W. L. Pressly, ARP minister, is attending lectures at Massanette Springs, Va.

Boyce Memorial will unite with other churches in the community-wide union service at 8 p. m. at the Presbyterian church.

McGILL REUNION

Annual McGill reunion will be held Wednesday, August 20, beginning at 11:30 a. m. at Bethel Church Arbor. Picnic dinner will be spread at 12:30.



ELECTED — Arnold W. Kincaid, of Kings Mountain has been elected chairman of the board of trustees of Gardner Webb Junior college. He was appointed to the post Monday.

County Schools Open Labor Day

Bethware, Grover, and Compact schools, as well as all county schools, will open Monday, September 1, it has been announced by the Cleveland County Board of Education.

County principals will begin their duties two weeks prior to the opening.

This marks the first year that Kings Mountain area county schools have operated on a non-split-term basis.

Students at King Mountain city schools will resume classes week September 2, City Schools Supt. B. N. Barnes announced last week.

Principals of the various city schools together with the city schools teaching consultant will resume work on August 19.

CHURCH BENEFIT

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Penley's Chapel Methodist church will hold a hot dog dinner and cake sale at Grace Methodist church Fellowship Hall, beginning Saturday morning at 11 o'clock.

Champion's Hardware Gamble Aim; Shelby, Tackle "If's" Big Hurdles

By MARTIN HARMON
 "We play to win that championship hardware." High School Football Coach John Gamble told Kings Mountain Lions Tuesday night, as he gave a resume of prospects—both for Kings Mountain and her forthcoming ten opponents.

Coach Gamble inferred his charges just might bring home the big trophy emblematic of a conference championship.

He mentioned two big "ifs": (1) the performance of inexperienced men at the two big tackle vacancies created by graduation of Steve Wells and Dave Marlowe and (2) old arch-rival Shelby.

Coach Gamble didn't wail about his tackle situation, noting that Max Lee and Gilbert Brazel are leading candidates and tip the scales at 197 pounds each. Harold Crawford is another hefty likely to succeed and several other candidates may provide both heft and depth, Coach Gamble foresees.

Shelby's Lions, winner of last year's loop gonfalon via a 14-13 decision over the Mountaineers in game hard-fought on the field and afterward, lost just two backs from their strong 1957 aggression.

Other Gamble pronouncements for 1958: Granite Falls, newcomer to the schedule, will be a tough opponent.

Cherryville should be the most improved team in the loop. Junior Quarterback Don Fisher is without peer as a quarterback and "is as far along at this time as was George Harris when

It's Now Time To Discount Local Tax Bills

The City of Kings Mountain and County of Cleveland tax collectors are accepting advance payments on 1957 tax bills.

Benefit to the taxpayers is the maximum allowed discount of two percent.

City Tax Collector J. W. Webster said Wednesday a total of \$18,880 on the current year's bill had already been paid and he predicted heavy payments before August 30—last day to earn the two percent discount.

Mr. Webster said the city's total valuation approximates \$10,011,000, up just slightly from last year's total. All figures are in except the value on Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company, a figure obtained from a state agency. Mr. Webster used the 1957 Bell valuation in arriving at his 1958 total.

Principal factor preventing a larger increase, Mr. Webster noted, was removal from the tax scrolls of First National Bank, on the books last year at \$100,000. Removal was effected by the 1957 General Assembly's enactment of a new revenue law. Banks were removed from local ad valorem tax, but some state taxes on banks were added.

Williams Rites Held Sunday

Funeral services for Aviation First Class Clark H. Williams, 46, were held Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m. from Grace Methodist church, military burial rites following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

The graveside service was conducted by Legionnaires of Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion.

Stationed at Maxwell AFB, Montgomery, Ala., a member of the Supply Department, Williams died Friday morning in the Air Force hospital following an illness of three months. He had been in the Air Force 19 years. He was a member of Grace Methodist church.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline Ballard Williams whom he married in 1938; his mother, Mrs. Mae Fisher Williams; two brothers, E. F. Williams, Columbia, S. C., Brooks Williams, Gaffney, S. C., and three sisters, Mrs. Eugene Wall, Hickory, Mrs. Darvin Farris, Gastonia, and Mrs. W. D. Bennett, Kings Mountain.

A native of North Carolina, Williams was the son of the late John Williams.

The final rites were conducted by Rev. W. C. Sides.

Final Rites Held For Mrs. Wells

Final rites for Mrs. Pamela Jane Wells, 88, widow of Aaron Lee Wells, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 3 p. m. from Antioch Baptist church.

Mrs. Wells succumbed Sunday night at 8 o'clock at the home of a son, Quinn Wells, with whom she resided on Dixon road. A native of York County, S. C., she married the late Mr. Wells in 1931. She had been in declining health for sometime but her condition had worsened the last several months.

She was a member of Antioch Baptist church.

Surviving are seven sons, Whitney, Earl, Wayne, Hunter, and Quinn Wells, all of Kings Mountain, Harley Wells, Washington, D. C., Dailey Wells, Newport News, Va., and two daughters, Mrs. Basil Francis, Blacksburg, S. C., and Mrs. Verne Corley, of Lake Worth, Fla. Also surviving are 19 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren.

The final rites were conducted by Rev. A. C. Martin, Antioch pastor. Interment was in the church cemetery.

BUILDING PERMIT

City Inspector J. W. Webster issued a permit Monday to J. Wilson Crawford to build a one-story brick and weather board residence on Cleveland avenue between Stone street and Woodside Drive. Estimated cost of the 5-room house is \$9500.

Dollar Days Sale To Start Thursday

Retail Firms Set Three-Day Sales Event

Majority of Kings Mountain retailers will observe Dollar Days this week end.

The three-day trade promotion, Paul McGinnis, a member of the Kings Mountain Merchants association trade promotion committee, said will feature both special purchase bargains and back-to-school attractions.

The three-day event begins Thursday and continue through Saturday.

Richard Barnett, Merchants association president, said he was pleased with the evidence of participation in the sales event by Kings Mountain retailers.

"The participating firms have been at work getting special merchandise for this weekend's Dollar Days sale for several weeks. They have been successful, with ample stocks at the retail prices."

Virtually all types of retail firms are participating in the sale—drug stores, department stores, furniture firms, jewelry, variety stores and others.

Donations Given Rev. Gregory

Hospitalized in Kings Mountain hospital, Rev. John Gregory awaits word to come to Baptist hospital in Winston Salem sometime this month for surgery to close a hole in his heart.

Rev. Gregory told Fund Chairman Frank Rippey that he'd been trying to stay at his Linwood Road home to keep down hospital expenses prior to his operation. An eight week conditioning period was required before Gregory undergoes the delicate surgery.

Receipts of donations this week help Gregory meet medical bills after personal funds were nearly depleted total \$229.14.

Contributors this week include the following:

- Mrs. John W. Ham, \$1.00.
- A Friend, \$10.00.
- First Baptist Church, \$155.00.
- Ben Short, \$5.00.
- El Bethel Methodist Church, \$16.89.
- B. S. Neill, \$25.00.
- Men's Bible Class of Central Methodist church, \$11.25.
- Mr. and Mrs. Gene Patterson, \$5.00.

Mrs. Neill Had "Wonderful" Trip; Found Denmark Worth Re-Visiting

By LINDA BISER
 "It was just wonderful," Mrs. B. S. Neill exclaimed, in spite of blistered feet, souvenir of her recent tour of Europe.

The 28-day tour was conducted by her son, Buren S. Neill, Jr., manager of Wide World Travel Service of Gastonia. A sister-in-law, Mrs. Frank McCombs, of Bluemont, Va., was among the six tourists as well as the society editor of the Hickory Daily Record.

Nine countries, Ireland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, Switzerland, France, Belgium and England were visited, but Mrs. Neill said a return to Copenhagen and the stores there was the only place she would care to revisit.

"Don't tell them I got lost at the World's Fair," Mrs. Neill pleaded, recalling the Brussels, Belgium, incident when she and Mrs. McCombs were to meet the group in the Russian exhibit after an extended stay in the U. S. pavilion. Throngs of people prevented the planned meeting and the two Americans faced the prospect of finding the right exit to return to their hotel. A disagreement between the two lost Americans on which way to go was finally settled and Mrs. Neill's direction proved correct.

Snow was encountered in the Scandinavian countries. In Norway the sun shined day and night,

but failed to provide temperatures familiar here. Mrs. Neill said the sun provided enough light to read at night. The ice blue Briksdal glacier impressed Mrs. Neill as "something out of this world."

She told of walking through a hallowed cut in the Rome Glacier. A letter awaited Mrs. Neill in Paris from Mrs. Tommy Harper, the former Maude Plonk, presently residing in France. Mrs. Harper is the daughter of Mrs. Neill's W. Gold street neighbor, Mrs. J. O. Plonk. A telephone talk with Mrs. Harper was the last Mrs.

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TO BE HONORED — Rev. P. D. Patrick will deliver the sermon at the community-wide union service Sunday night at First Presbyterian church planned to honor the minister and his wife.

Rev. Mr. Patrick To Be Honored

Rev. P. D. Patrick, for more than 23 years a Kings Mountain minister, will be honored by his congregation and the community at Sunday night's union service at First Presbyterian church.

The sermon, final in the summer series of union services, will be delivered by Mr. Patrick at 7:30 p. m., and immediately following, a reception honoring the pastor and his wife will be held in the fellowship hall. Women of the Church will serve as hostesses for the event to which the public is invited. A nursery will be provided for all children under 12 in the recreation building.

Rev. and Mrs. Patrick will move to Decatur, Ga. September 1, where Mr. Patrick assumes duties as field representative for Columbia Theological Seminary.

Since becoming Kings Mountain citizens, both Mr. and Mrs. Patrick have endeared themselves to the community, as both have been active in the community life and have been noted for service work outside the church.

During the Patrick pastorate, First Presbyterian church, not only has grown in membership and physical plant, but has completed a handsome manse and occupied a large recreation building addition. At Dixon church, which Mr. Patrick also serves as pastor, the congregation, formerly utilizing Dixon schoolhouse, occupied in 1949 their new church building.

Mr. Patrick has served on the board of trustees for both Davidson and Peace Colleges, is a past president of the Home Mission Association of the General Assembly, has served on numerous committees throughout the Kings Mountain Presbytery and North Carolina Synod and in 1949 was moderator of the Synod of North

Carolina.

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Calendar Work Beginning Monday

Kings Mountain Junior Woman's club members will begin the annual house-to-house canvass to sell birthday calendars in the community Monday.

An annual project, the calendars sell for 50 cents each, while listing are 25 cents each. The calendars list birthday and wedding anniversary dates, advertising from the community merchants, and lodge listings for civic club meetings.

Mrs. Dee Jackson is chairman of the fund-raising effort and she urged members to complete their canvassing as soon as possible.

Mrs. Garrett was a native of Gaston county, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John T. Carpenter. She was first married to Julius M. Deal. Her second husband was the late Joe H. Garrett.

She was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran church.

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GIANT SIZE CANTALOUPE — J. D. Jones, of the El Bethel community, and his son Johnny, show off the mammoth sized cantaloupe they grew to Elizabeth Stewart, Herald society editor. The cantaloupe tipped the scales at 13 pounds, three ounces, and the Jones team says it has harvested several like it. Also on record for the Jones team is a 49-pound watermelon.

Bumgardner Finds Poland Friendly

Local News Bulletins

AT CONFERENCE

B. N. Barnes, superintendent of city schools, is attending the annual conference of school superintendents at Mars Hill college. Mr. Barnes will return to his office on Friday.

SCHOOL BOARD

Regular August meeting of the city board of education will be held Monday night at 7:30 at the office of Superintendent B. N. Barnes.

CITY BOARD

The city board of commissioners will hold its regular August meeting Thursday night at 8 o'clock at City Hall. Mayor Glee A. Bridges was out-of-town Wednesday and the agenda for the session was not available.

COURT OF HONOR

Court of Honor for Kings Mountain district Boy Scouts will be held Thursday night at 7:45 p. m. at City Hall. Scout leaders roundtable will be a feature of the court.

KINDERGARTEN

Jack and Jill Kindergarten will open for the fall session on September 2nd, Mrs. Coman Falls, the director, has announced. Parents who wish to enroll their children should contact Mrs. Falls at phone number 198.

COMPLETES STUDY

Miss Martha Ann Baker will arrive Monday from Louisville, Kentucky where she has been a summer student missionary under the supervision of the Baptist Home Mission Board the past ten weeks. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Baker, she is a senior at Appalachian State Teacher's college.

AT MEETING

Miss Rebecca Crawford and Miss Carol Jean Goter attended the state convention of the Luther League of North Carolina at Lenoir-Rhyne college, Hickory, August 7-9. Miss Crawford, who is secretary of the Luther League of Resurrection Lutheran church, attended as a delegate and Miss Goter as a visitor.

BEAM REUNION

The 34th annual Beam Reunion will be held at New Prospect church five miles northeast of Shelby Thursday, August 14. Hugh Beam, superintendent of Marion City Schools, will be the speaker. Picnic dinner will be served on the church grounds, Mrs. Hugh Bettis, secretary, announced.