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Local News Bulletins

IN FRATERNITY

Jacob George Harris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Harris, 204 S. Candler St., has pledged Kappa Alpha fraternity at Duke University.

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Benjie Moomaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Moomaw, is pledged to Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity at Lenoir Rhyne college where he is a student.

GETS APPOINTMENT

Hunter R. (Chip) Neisler, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Neisler, has recently received appointment as Petty Officer First Class in the Cadet Corps of Admiral Farragut Academy at St. Petersburg, Fla. where he is a student.

BUILDING PERMIT

City Inspector J. W. Webster issued a permit Tuesday to C. E. Cash to build three one-story block houses on Watterson Street between W. King and W. Ridge streets. Cost of the four-room structures is \$6,000.

CONDITION IMPROVING

J. E. Herndon, hospitalized at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte, is slowly improving, according to a family spokesman.

HOSPITALIZED

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Pollock, who are patients at Kings Mountain hospital, are expected to be discharged in a few days, their daughter, Mrs. Clarence Plonk, Jr., reported.

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts totaled \$165.03 for the week ending Wednesday at noon. Included was \$24 from off-street meters, City Clerk Joe McDaniel reported.

TO ATLANTA

Dean Spearman, salesman for Thomas Pain Products Co., Atlanta, Ga., will leave Thursday for Atlanta where he will attend a salesman's school sponsored by the Atlanta Sales Executives club. Mr. Spearman won the trip in a company sales contest.

ELECTED

New officers, recently elected in congregational meeting at First Presbyterian church, are Harry E. Page and Luther Candler, ruling elders; Paul Mauney, Lawrence Patrick, B. W. Gillespie, Hubert Davidson, deacons for the class of 1961; Hunter Neisler, to fill unexpired term as deacon in class of 1959; and H. L. Campbell, elected to fill unexpired term as a deacon in the class of '60. They will be installed at the morning service January 11.

ARP's Set Yule Program

A Christmas program in song and pictures will be presented at Boyce Memorial ARP church Sunday at 6 p. m.

The program has been arranged and directed by Mrs. N. F. McGill, director of the chancel choir, and Mrs. Kenneth McGill, director of the carol choir. They have been assisted by Mrs. J. E. Gamble and the youth choir. The Christmas Story, "Joseph and the Nativity" will be presented, with Donald Crawford, narrator. The three choirs will unite in presenting the music. Choruses will be sung by the combined choirs and each choir. Soloists include Mrs. E. W. Neal, Mrs. W. L. Pressly, Patti Steffy, and Ben Gorforth, Jr.

A women's chorus, carol choir trios, and antiphonal choruses will feature the program.

Mrs. N. F. McGill will be at the organ and Mrs. Garrison Goforth at the piano. Mrs. Donald Crawford is projectionist.

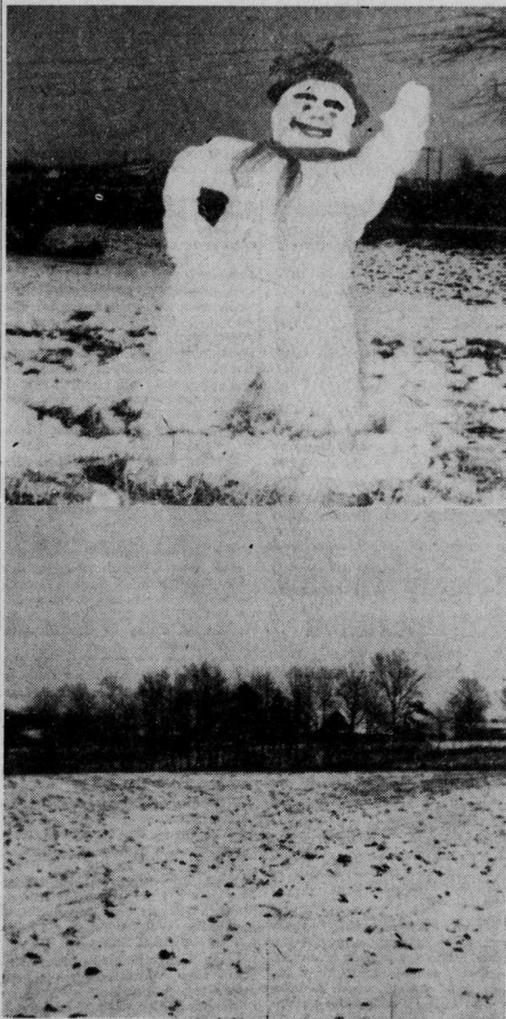
The program will be presented with candlelight and special decorations will be used.

Baptist Schedule Vesper Program

Kings Mountain Baptist church will hold a Christmas vesper service Sunday afternoon at 4:45 p. m.

The Christmas Story will be portrayed by picture and song by the Junior and Adult choirs of the church under direction of Mrs. J. C. Bridges and Mrs. F. A. McDaniel, Jr.

The Program will be in candlelight.



SNOW SCENES — Frosty, the Snowman, came to town Saturday night, making like a king size Jack Frost and painting everything thickly white. The city felt King Winter's cold grip with icy roads and icy winds. But a glance at the delicately snow etched countryside reminded citizens of those earlier white Christmases. Snowmen and Christmas go together — here's hoping.

City Allocates \$56,000 Surplus

Street Work Big Addition To City Budget

The board of commissioners allocated approximately \$56,000 of its general fund surplus at the December meeting last week.

Technically, the board passed a budget amending ordinance which will enable the city clerk to pay accounts on departmental expense over and above the budget adopted last July.

Some \$41,000 of the total was for additional expenditures, while \$15,000 covers a revised estimate of receipts on street improvement assessments. This occurred, City Clerk Joe McDaniel explained, when the commission lowered, after budget adoption, the property owner share of cost for street-paving and curb-and-gutter installations.

Bulk of the \$41,000 goes for street improvements. This department was appropriated an additional \$25,356.

In another action, the board rezoned to business area the block bounded by Battleground avenue, Falls, Cherokee and Gold streets. No objections were voiced to the change as the board held a public hearing on the proposal.

The change had been asked by McGinnis Furniture Company, which said it planned to erect a retail furniture building in the block.

The board also voted to advertise public hearings on two new rezoning requests. Hoyle Mabry requested rezoning, from residential to neighborhood trading area, a 50-ft. lot on N. Gaston street, and I. H. Gulon requested rezoning of a lot at the corner of Broad street and Cleveland avenue. Hearings were set for January 14.

Other actions of the board include: 1) Setting of Christmas holidays for city offices from noon Christmas Eve until Monday morning December 29. It was provided that standby personnel would work in the sanitary, elec-

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Education Body Buys Flagpoles For City Plants

The city board of education Monday authorized purchase of flagpoles for four city school plants.

A 50-foot pole will be purchased for the Central plant, and 40-foot poles are to be purchased for Davidson, North and East plants.

The basketball coaching budget of \$150 was allotted by the board to Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bates who are handling coaching duties of the girl's basketball team.

Members heard a report that termites have infested the north side of East Elementary school, centering in the kitchen area. They voted to let a contract to Pied Piper Exterminating Company for \$125 for the exterminating work.

B. N. Barnes reported bids are in for a 50-foot flagpole for Central school and 40-foot poles for Davidson, North, and East schools. J. W. Webster made a motion that Barnes be authorized to let contract for the poles. The motion was accepted unanimously.

In other reports Mr. Barnes noted 1) E. L. Brown's trip to Louisville, Ky., to the Southern Association Principal's meeting cost \$68.10.

2) a piano for Central school has been purchased.

3) Contract for painting Central school auditorium let to Mr. C. B. Hamrick at \$550. The work is to be done during Christmas holidays.

4) Auditorium curtain bids for Central school auditorium were let to Bennett Brothers, Ltd., for \$2,233.21.

5) 150 folding chairs have been purchased for Davidson school auditorium for \$3.59 each.

Board members were urged to attend a dinner meeting of the county N. C. E. A. unit in Shelby at Hotel Charles Tuesday, January 6.

Mr. Barnes reported the state public school finance program will be discussed by a state committee member.

An eight-member Negro delegation met with the education board before the session to discuss Davidson gymnasium plans and measures to be taken to interest Kings Mountain's Negro youth in finishing school.

An additional 20-day leave of absence was granted Miss Willie McGill, Central faculty member, who is recuperating from a broken ankle.

Grace Church Sets Christmas Series

Schedule of Christmas season services and programs for Grace Methodist church was announced this week.

Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr., the pastor, will deliver a sermon Sunday morning at 11 o'clock on the subject "Has Christmas Really Come to Your Heart?"

The members of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, under the direction of Mrs. James Jonas will present a play on Sunday evening, beginning at 7 o'clock, entitled: "Arise, Thy Light Shall Come."

The children's Christmas program shall be presented on Wednesday, December 24th, at 7 p. m. This program is under the direction of Mr. Jiles Strickland and Mrs. Robert Davis.

Presbyterians Set Christmas Party

The annual Sunday School Christmas party at First Presbyterian church will be held Friday night at 7 o'clock.

Children in the nursery, kindergarten, and junior departments of the Sunday School will present a Christmas program. Treats for the children and a visit from Santa Claus will feature the party.

Week Holiday Begins Friday For Many Textile Employees



PROGRESSIVE CLUB HOLDS BANQUET — Frank Hamrick, left, outgoing president of the Bethware Progressive club, hands the gavel to incoming president Cameron Ware as Dr. Roy Derrick, center, looks on. Dr. Derrick, head of the biology department at Appalachian State Teacher's college, was speaker at the club's Christmas banquet and ladies' night event Monday night. (Photo by Paul Lemons, Shelby Star)

Bethware Club Holds Banquet; Ware President

Why was man placed on earth if not to dress and keep it? questioned Dr. F. Roy Derrick, college professor from Boone, of guests at the Bethware Progressive club's ladies' night banquet Monday.

The address, interspersed with bits of humor and philosophy, highlighted the Christmas event which attracted a large number of members, their wives, and other guests.

Basing his remarks on his talk he had entitled, "The South Rebels," Dr. Derrick pointed to statistics showing North Carolina as 44th in the United States in income, adding, "The South rebels on low standards of living and should make wise use of its resources."

Teacher training education, he believes, should include the three R's and good water use, soil conservation and improvement, plus the prediction, "we'll farm the woods and water one day."

He challenged a Pennsylvanian's description of the South: "a land of barren fields, sunken shacks, and undernourished children" with the Biblical saying of the Solomon, "where there's no vision the people perish."

The South's rebellion, he said, has led to improvement in agriculture, manufacture, and education. He noted that 170 new industries had announced plans to locate in the South with 217 others expanding for increased payrolls of \$63 million.

"The South is a land of progress and opportunity," he continued, "and I advise my students at Appalachian State Teacher's college to 'stay South, young men and women, stay South.'"

Myers Hambrick introduced

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Stores Open Late For Yule Buyers

Majority of Kings Mountain merchants will be open later than usual Friday night and again on Monday and Tuesday to accommodate Christmas gift buyers.

On these nights the retailers will be open until 8 p. m.

They will close regularly on Saturday night and many have indicated they will observe Saturday hours on Christmas Eve.

Shelby Star will take a two-day Christmas holiday. They will also be closed New Year's Day.

Lutherans Set Yule Programs

St. Matthew's Lutheran church has scheduled several Christmas programs and activities.

The Children's Christmas party, featuring gifts from Santa Claus, recordings, and carol singing, will be held Saturday afternoon at 3:30 p. m.

Sunday morning's service will feature special music by the two choirs and a message on "The Annunciation" by the pastor. The service will be broadcast via Radio Station WKMT.

The traditional White Christmas service will be held Sunday at 5 p. m. in the new auditorium. Music, recitations, and playlets will be presented by all Sunday School departments. Offerings of goods and money will be received for the Lowman and Children's Homes. Luther Leaguers will go caroling at 6 o'clock and will hold a party afterwards in the church parlors.

On Christmas Eve, the candlelight musical worship service will be held at 11 p. m. The program will include familiar carols, anthems, and vesper meditation by the pastor.

Numerous Rotarians from neighboring communities were present for the ladies night event. Many came from Shelby and other clubs represented were Cherryville, Gastonia, Lincolnton and Hickory.

President Lynch presented special guests. Shem Blackley, of Shelby, presented visiting Rotarians, and Tom Trotter, vice-president of the Kings Mountain club introduced charter members of the Kings Mountain club.

A delicious turkey dinner was served by Mrs. I. Ben Goforth, and boxes of candy were presented the lady guests.

The Woman's club dining room was gaily decorated in the Christmas-season motif.

Other officers of the new Rotary club are Jack White, secretary, Richard McGinnis, treasurer, and Charles E. Dixon, sergeant-at-arms.

Both meetings will be held at the Woman's Club.

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Several Firms Are Paying Cash Bonuses

Kings Mountain industrial employees could look forward this week to Christmas holidays, and some could anticipate some extra Christmas cash in the form of gift checks.

Majority of textile firms plan to take a one-week holiday. They will suspend operations either on Friday night or Saturday morning and resume work on Monday, December 29.

There are three principal exceptions: Margrace and Pauline plants of Massachusetts Mohair Plush company will suspend operations for only two days — on Christmas Eve and Christmas — and will resume work Friday morning. These plants will also operate on Saturday, December 27.

A vice versa situation obtains at Slater Manufacturing Company, which has operated on slack schedules for much of 1957. This company, which manufactures materials for the toy and casket-making trade, will take a two-week holiday, suspending Friday and resuming production on January 5. Manager Ralph Johnson said employees will receive as gifts the traditional Christmas turkey.

Carolina Throwing Company's Christmas schedule compares to Massachusetts Mohair's, with holidays on Christmas Eve and Christmas. Operations will resume December 26. An employee Christmas party will be held at the Legion building the evening of the 23rd.

Firms announcing they will give Christmas bonuses to employees include Mauney Mills, Inc., Bonnie Cotton Mills, Sadie Cotton Mills, Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company and Phenix plant of Burlington Industries.

Mauney Mills will write Christmas checks to employees on basis of service with employees of five years or more of service to receive four percent of earnings and employees with less service to receive two percent of earnings. Burlington also will pay Christmas bonuses on basis of longevity. Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company will give employees one percent of earnings. Other companies did not detail their Christmas check plans.

Suspending for Christmas week will be Burlington's Phenix plant, Mauney Mills, Bonnie Mills, Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company, Mauney Hosiery Company, Park Yarn Mills, and Sadie Mills.

Mauney Hosiery Company will hold its annual employee Christmas party Friday night, also at the Legion building. A spokesman for the company said that 1958 has been a "difficult" year, but that recent indications in the trade are that the 1959 outlook is more optimistic.

Lambeth Rope Corporation will take a long holiday weekend stopping operations Wednesday and resuming work December 29. The company does not pay Christmas bonuses but presents gifts to employees.

Both Lambeth and Park Yarn Mills make vacation payments in the summer.

School holidays begin Friday

Kings Mountain city and Cleveland county school systems will close after regular sessions Friday for Christmas holidays, county school goers will be home for an abbreviated stay.

County schools, Grover, Bethware, and Compact will observe holidays from Friday, December 19 returning Monday, December 29, covering one school week and two weekends.

City schools observe holidays from Friday, December 19 until Monday, January 5.

School officials noted that officially the holidays begin Monday, December 22, but related school children will have a head start on the official date with a free weekend preceding.

Fund Campaign Leaders For '59 March Of Dimes Drive Announced

Chairman of key committees for the 1959 March of Dimes were named today by Wesley Bush, Kings Mountain campaign chairman.

Mr. Bush, Kings Mountain insurance agent, said the drive would get underway January 2nd and continue throughout the month in order to receive polio aid and support for a greatly expanded health program launched by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

J. Ollie Harris will head the industrial division in the 1959 appeal, and Kings Mountain Jaycees, with George Thomasson as chairman, will head the retail division of the fund drive. Kings Mountain Jaycees and Otis D. Green Post 155, the American Legion, will head the special events promotion of the campaign, Mr. Bush announced.

Kiwanis Host To Children

The Kings Mountain Kiwanis club will hold its annual Father-Child meeting Thursday evening at 6:45.

Children of Kiwanians will be special guests at the meeting and a program to please the young folk has been arranged, including a dance act by Jo Bridges and Mary Leigh Mauney and songs by Gary Myers.

It was also announced that next week's meeting will be held on Tuesday at noon, since the regular club meeting date is on Christmas.

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