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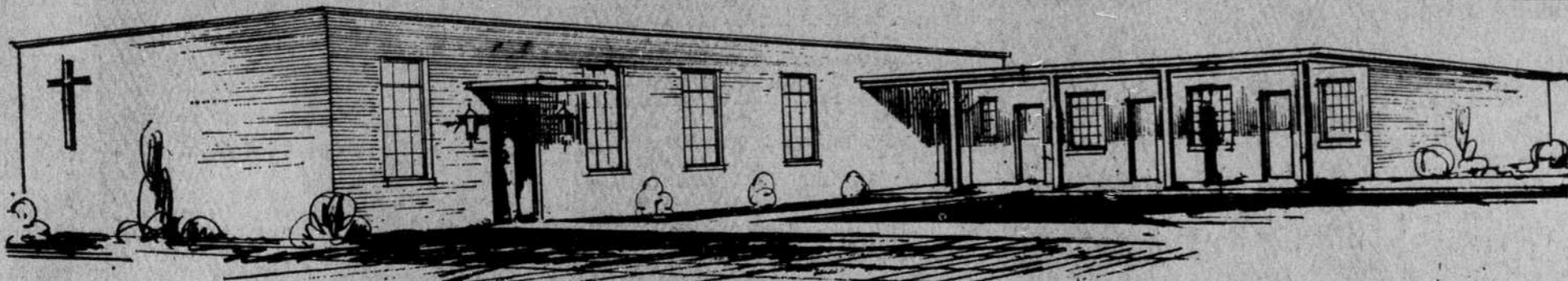
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PRICE TEN CENTS

Kings Mountain Employment Office Closes Friday



Architect Ormand & Vaughan's Conception of New Kings Mountain Episcopal Parish House

Local News Bulletins

REUNION
Descendants of William Randle will gather for their annual reunion Sunday, October 4th at Bethlehem Community Center. Picnic dinner will be spread at 12:30 and all friends and relatives are invited.

AMERICAN LEGION
Regular meeting of Otis D. Green Post 155, the American Legion, will be held Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the Legion Hall, according to announcement by J. T. McGinnis, Jr., commander.

DIXON SERVICE
Rally Day will be held by Dixon Presbyterian church Sunday during the Sunday School hour. Communion will also be held during the morning worship hour at 10:30.

KIWANIS CLUB
Kings Mountain Kiwanians will see the film, "Points" particularly of interest to hunters and dog lovers at their Thursday night meeting. The club convenes at 6:45 at the Woman's club.

ON RADIO PROGRAM
Dr. W. L. Pressly, pastor of Boyce Memorial ARP church, will conduct morning devotions via Radio Station WKMT next week. Rev. Jack Heinsohn, who will be leading evangelistic services at Boyce Memorial, will speak on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

TO CONVENTION
Mayor Glee A. Bridges and City Clerk Joe H. McDaniel, Jr., attended the annual convention of the North Carolina League of Municipalities held at Asheville from Monday through Tuesday.

WESLEYAN SERVICE
First Wesleyan Methodist church will hold Rally Day services Sunday, with the program to be presented during the Sunday School hour at 9:45 a. m.

ATTENDED MEET
Teachers of grades 3-8 in the city school system, along with Supt. B. N. Barnes, attended gathering Wednesday afternoon at Shelby High school to hear a discussion on the proper teaching method of the new mathematics courses put into use in North Carolina schools this year.

Color Day Thursday At Central School

High School cheerleaders will sponsor "Color Day" at Central school on Thursday, and all students will wear the school colors, black and gold.

The reason to promote "school spirit" for the football game Friday night between Kings Mountain and Shelby, Paper pennants will also be available.

Other "school spirit" promotions planned for the day will include a pep rally to be staged Thursday afternoon, followed by a bon fire that night. A snake dance will begin at the high school gymnasium at 7 p. m. and end at the city pool where the bon fire will be made.

High school students will have a special cheering section reserved at city stadium on game night.



EVANGELIST — Rev. Guy Overcash, pastor of First Baptist church, LaFrance, S. C., will conduct revival services at Second Baptist church beginning October 7 and continuing through October 18. Services will be held each evening at 7:30, and will be announced by the pastor Rev. Albert R. Hastings. Special music will be conducted by visiting choruses.

Episcopal Church To Begin Building

Construction To Get Underway Within Month

Trinity Episcopal church will begin work within a month on a parish house and educational building at cost of \$25,000, members of the Missions committee of the church have announced.

The green-light to go ahead with final preparations was given on September 17 when the Executive Council of the Diocese of Western North Carolina voted to provide the parish with \$22,000, part of which is in the form of a loan and part of which is an outright grant. This allotment will be available as soon as the parish raises the balance of \$3,000. For this the parish is receiving pledges and gifts from friends within the community of Kings Mountain and outside of it.

The main building will be approximately 30 feet by 70 feet. The wing of class-rooms will be approximately 45 feet by 15 feet. The exterior walls will be 10 inch cavity walls with brick outside and concrete block on the inside. The heating plant will be made to permit air-conditioning in the future.

In addition to obtaining an adequate building for as little cost as possible, two concerns have governed the design of the present structure: educational needs and future expansion. Sunday school rooms can be added in at least two directions with the present building.

Advance DuCAT Sale For Shelby Contest

School officials are planning for the expected large crowd at the Kings Mountain-Shelby football game here Friday night with a pre-game ticket sale this week, as well as the gate sale the night of the contest.

Adult tickets went on sale at the Kings Mountain Drug Co. Wednesday, and students can purchase tickets ahead of time at the high school.

Tickets will also be sold at two gates at City Stadium Friday night, at the ticket windows, and also at the pass gate which previously has been used only by season ticket holders.

Adult tickets sell for the usual price of \$1.

Game time also is the customary 7:30 p. m.

Business Firms Are Expanding

Numerous Kings Mountain business firms are in process of renovation - expansion programs or are just completing them.

Victory Chevrolet Company, Inc., expanding its garage, is demolishing the old service station at the corner of City and Mountain. The main buildings, President W. G. Grantham said, will be extended to provide more space for the garage and body shop.

McGinnis Department Store will move, sometime in October, to the McGinnis-Lipford buildings recently vacated by McGinnis Furniture Company when the furniture firm occupied its new S. Battleground avenue building. A new floor is being installed in the McGinnis building. It will be repainted and will provide the department store more floor space, better lighting and air-conditioning. Owner Paul McGinnis said.

Harris Funeral Home, which recently completed a major expansion of its building to include a large chapel, show room, family room and other facilities, announced plans to hold open house on October 10 and 11.

Fulton's Department Store is building a modern back entrance adjacent to its Cherokee street parking lot, recently acquired from First Baptist church.

Fulton's said it will expand into the adjacent building being vacated by the branch office of the Employment Service commission.

Sterchi's was putting the finishing touches this week on a major renovation program, which included extensive redecorating, a new front, new lighting, and installation of air-conditioning.

Work progresses toward completion of the new Winn-Dixie building fronting on Cherokee street.

Protest Fails To Get Change In Close Order

The Kings Mountain branch of the state employment service will close at the end of operations Friday, in spite of strong efforts of Kings Mountain citizens to prevent its closing.

Mayor Glee A. Bridges and Sam Stallings presented the Kings Mountain protest to the Employment Security Commission at a hearing in Raleigh last Friday in a two-hour session, but the commission endorsed the prior decision to close the Kings Mountain office immediately after the hearing.

Both Mayor Bridges and Mr. Stallings said on return that it appeared the commission could do little else, due to a cut in federal appropriations for operations by more than \$300,000.

Mr. Stallings said the commission members appeared most sympathetic to the Kings Mountain protest, but said the budget cut meant that 31 employees had to be pared. The commission pointed out that Kings Mountain was the only office of its size in the state serving only one community's area. Other offices of Kings Mountain's size serve a minimum of three and a maximum of five counties, the Kings Mountain delegation was told.

Some of these comparably sized offices are at Murphy, North Wilkesboro, Bryson City, and Morehead City.

The commission said it was coming within its budget by giving lay-off notices to about 20 persons and otherwise not replacing some 11 positions vacated or soon to be vacated by forthcoming retirements and/or volunteer resignations. Lay-offs will be based on seniority.

Mr. Stallings said, "I'm convinced the commission can do nothing else."



LEADS REVIVAL — Rev. Alvin D. Wall of Anderson, S. C. will lead a week of evangelistic services at Bethlehem Baptist church beginning Monday.

Bethlehem Sets Revival Series

Rev. Alvin D. Wall, pastor of Concord Baptist church of Anderson, S. C., will begin a week of evangelistic services Monday at Bethlehem Baptist church.

Services will be held nightly at 7:30 p. m. through October 11, the pastor, Rev. Norman F. Brown, said in making the announcement.

Mr. Brown said the church is using the "Pack The Pew Plan" for attendance each night.

On Sunday morning October 11, there will be a unified service of Sunday School and worship service combined into one, beginning at 10:10. The goal for Sunday morning is 350 in Sunday School.

"Mr. Wall is a graduate of Furman University and Southeastern Theological Seminary.

"Everyone is invited to worship with us at Bethlehem during this special emphasis in the spiritual life," the pastor added.

Final Report One Of Best

The final monthly report of the Kings Mountain office of the state employment service is one of its best — from the standpoint of placing people in jobs and economic well-being of the community.

Franklin L. Ware, Jr., manager, listing details of the 22-day work of the office ending September 25, said the office placed 129 persons in employment during the month, including 125 on local jobs and another four in out-of-town employment.

Though there were 121 new applicants for employment during the month, the total of persons seeking jobs dropped slightly to 362 at month's end.

Shelby Office To Handle Work Here Thursdays

Effective Monday, Kings Mountain citizens will handle their employment business through the Shelby office of the state employment service.

John Fleming, manager of the Shelby office, was in Kings Mountain this week, and said he and his staff would "do everything possible" to give Kings Mountain area citizens the best possible service.

He said Wednesday that Mrs. Violet Dixon and Mrs. Virginia Gibson, until Friday's closing members of the Kings Mountain office staff, are being transferred to the Shelby office and will be assigned as much of the Kings Mountain area work as they can handle.

Specifically, they will be the itinerant members of the Shelby staff who will visit Kings Mountain each Thursday to handle claims for jobless pay and to accept work applications.

Otherwise, Mr. Fleming said:

- 1) Spot notices on jobless pay claims (where 20 or more employees are temporarily laid off at any time) will be handled as needed, with the employment service staff visiting the particular plant to accept claims.
- 2) Employers needing workmen should call the Shelby office at any time.

Present plan is for Mrs. Gibson and Mrs. Dixon to be at City Hall courtroom each Thursday, from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. Persons now filing claims for jobless pay will be asked to file their claims Thursday morning. Afternoon hours, beginning at 1 p. m. will be devoted to persons filing new claims for jobless pay and other work, such as job applications by persons entering the labor market.

It had been originally anticipated that Mrs. Gibson would be transferred to the Gastonia office. However, Mr. Fleming said a Shelby office employee tendered resignation last week, effective October 9, which made it possible for him to request the services of Mrs. Gibson, as well as Mrs. Dixon.

Franklin L. Ware, Jr., manager of the Kings Mountain office, said Wednesday, he is accepting proffer of transfer to the Gastonia office.

The Shelby office has eight staff members.

Fleming Heads Shelby ESC

Long, lanky John Fleming, manager of the Shelby office of the state employment service, is a veteran of war service in both the army and navy.

A native of Williamson, Mr. Fleming did navy duty as an enlisted man in World War II. By the time the Korean War opened, he was a first lieutenant in a National Guard unit summoned in active duty and he now holds a captain's commission in the National Guard.

Mr. Fleming living much of his life in Greenville, N. C., graduated from Pactolus high school, and attended the University of North Carolina.

Except for Korean War army duty, he has been with the North Carolina Employment Security commission since 1945, when he became an interviewer at the Washington, N. C., office. He later was veterans employment representative at the Greenville branch. Before succeeding John Wilson as manager of the Shelby office in February 1958, he was manager of the Roanoke Rapids office for four years.

Mrs. Fleming is the former Elwanda Coker, of Enfield, in Edgecombe county. The Flemings have three sons. Mr. Fleming is a member of the First Baptist church and an Elk.

In preparing to assume the duties of the Kings Mountain branch of ESC, Mr. Fleming said, "We'll do everything possible to give Kings Mountain area citizens the best service possible. We're as near as your telephone. If you need us, call us."

Gracie Hit Here; Damage Nominal

Hurricane Gracie, a bit weary from her long trip from the tropics, struck this area early Wednesday morning, bringing gusty winds and torrential rains, but little property damage.

Gracie, by the time of arrival, had subsided to a heavy storm, but only after wreaking havoc with the city of Charleston on the South Carolina coast.

Kings Mountain officials said Wednesday morning tree limbs had been broken by the force of the winds, leaves and garbage had blocked culverts causing flooded streets, and porch furniture had been overturned but no great amount of damage had been done.

The city had three trucks clearing debris from the streets.

Insurance agencies reported assureds had kept them busy through the morning with small claims, but the claims were about the same as those caused by any windstorm.

Kings Mountain citizens listened attentively to radio and television bulletins Tuesday.

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Dr. Frontis Johnson To Speak At Battle Anniversary Rites

October 7th is a banner day in American history, marking as it does the anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain, and next Wednesday marks the 179th anniversary of that battle.

Kings Mountain's Colonel Frederick Hambricht Chapter, D.A.R., is collaborating with chapters from York, S. C., and Gastonia in sponsoring a public celebration Sunday at 3:30 p. m. at the Park Amphitheatre of Kings Mountain National Military Park.

Dr. Frontis Johnston, of the Davidson College faculty, will make the principal address. Special music will be rendered, and Miss Susan Moss of Kings Mountain will read Mrs. Clare Dargan MacLean's "Ode to Kings Mountain." Picnic supper will be spread.

The museum at the Park Visitor Center will be open both before and after the program. Mrs. Tolly Shuford, the local chapter regent, said in making the announcement. Mrs. W. Gist Finley of York, S. C., is chairman of the commemoration program, and she issued an invitation to the community to attend and bring picnic baskets.

"The program committee cordially invites you to attend the 179th anniversary celebrating the Patriot Victory over a superior enemy force and by so doing paved the way to final victory at Kings Mountain."

The Battle of Kings Mountain on October 7, 1780, was termed the turning point of victory toward the struggling American colonies in their fight to get free from the yoke of the British.

SPEAKER — Dr. Frontis Johnson of Davidson College will make the principal address at Sunday's celebration of the 179th anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain.

Yorktown. Ben F. Moomaw, park superintendent, said in announcing the program.

Other citizens who have larger quantities of paper and desire it picked up at another time should contact Bob Goforth at Phone 723-J or any other member of the sponsoring organization.

Gracie Rough On Fair Opening

Gracie, the Hurricane, though well-dissipated before reaching inland Cleveland County, was rough to a Cleveland county institution Tuesday, as it reduced normal first-day crowds at the 36th annual fair to an estimated 50 persons.

First-day attendance usually is a minimum of 15,000, has climbed into the 20,000 range.

Gracie, the Hurricane, brought heavy winds and rains, but did little physical damage to the fair trappings. Mrs. Grace Hamrick, fair publicist, said a few flags were ripped by the winds, and a couple of flagpoles felled, but that was the only apparent damage.

Meantime, the office staff, from Dr. J. S. Dorton, veteran fair manager, were grinning and bearing the untoward weather.

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United Fund Kick-Off On Thursday Goal Raised Slightly To \$18,000

Kings Mountain's first United Fund campaign will be launched Thursday with a kick-off meeting set for 8 o'clock at City Hall courtroom.



REVIVALIST — Rev. Jack Heinsohn will lead a special week of evangelistic services at Boyce Memorial ARP church beginning Monday.

Heinsohn Leads ARP Services

Rev. Jack Heinsohn, New Life Movement preacher in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian denomination, will lead a week of special services at Boyce Memorial ARP church beginning Monday.

The services will be conducted nightly through October 11th at 7:30 p. m. The visiting minister will also conduct Sabbath morning and evening services on the closing day of the revival.

Mr. Heinsohn, the son of vaudeville performers, turned down an offer to work for Ringling Brothers to complete his senior year in high school and subsequently, through the help of a friend, went to Erskine College and graduated from Erskine Seminary at Due West, S. C. A native of Long Beach, Calif., he made his first stage appearance at the age of six weeks when his parents carried him out for a bow.

As a youngster, he worked in circuses as an acrobat, trapeze performer, and clown.

For two years he was pastor of Hickory Grove and Smyrna ARP churches. His wife is the former Miss Martha Lauderdale and the couple has three children.

"We invite the interested public to any or all of these services," the pastor, Dr. W. L. Pressly, said.

Friday Lively Day For Students

Friday will be a busy day for school personnel and students.

Teachers will be off to a district meet of the NCEA, school will be closed, and students will have a chance to take in the Cleveland county fair during School Day there.

Climaxing the free day for students will be the Shelby vs. Kings Mountain football game to be played in City Stadium at 7:30 p. m.

Other beneficiaries of the campaign will be the Kings Mountain Red Cross chapter, Cleveland County Life-Saving crew, Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library, Kings Mountain Boy Scouts, Kings Mountain Girl Scouts, City Recreation commission, a special educational fund designed to aid employment of a teacher for retarded children, and the Kings Mountain city schools band.

Churches Planning Communion Services

Kings Mountain churches will join with others around the world Sunday in the observance of World-Wide Communion.

Virtually all Kings Mountain area churches will observe the sacrament of the Lord's Supper at worship services on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Card To Manage Country Club

J. P. Card, of Garner, a Raleigh suburb was to arrive in Kings Mountain Wednesday where he will assume management of the Kings Mountain Country Club effective October 1.

Mr. Card will succeed Ross Alexander as club manager. He will serve as golf professional and offer golf instruction, a spokesman for the club said.

Mrs. Card will manage the clubhouse and dining room.

"We feel fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr. and Mrs. Card as club managers," President Ollie Harris said this week.

Jaycees To Hold Scrap Paper Drive

Kings Mountain Jaycees will conduct a paper drive Sunday, October 4th, beginning at 2 o'clock p. m.

Paper to be collected should be placed outside the residences so members of the organization can pick it up during the afternoon, a spokesman said.

Other citizens who have larger quantities of paper and desire it picked up at another time should contact Bob Goforth at Phone 723-J or any other member of the sponsoring organization.