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County Board Creates New School Tax District



ARCHITECT'S CONCEPT OF EXPANDED CHURCH PLANT — Pictured is an architect's concept of Resurrection Lutheran church as it would look in exterior appearance after completion of a planned expansion program.

the east to house a recreation room, choir room, pastor's study and other facilities, and a steeple would be erected. In this instance, the architect is the pastor, Rev. George Moore, a practicing architect before he entered the ministry.

Local News Bulletins

IN CHORAL GROUP Miss Tamara Cornwell of Kings Mountain is among the 38 Gardner Webb college students now on tour with the college choir.

FAIRVIEW LODGE An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF&AM for work in the third degree will be held Saturday night at 7:30 at Masonic Hall.

P-TA PROGRAM Mrs. J. E. Herndon will present a program on the Holy Land at Monday night's Park Grace School P-TA meeting.

RECITAL Piano students of Charles Woodward will be presented in an informal recital on Monday, March 7, at 3:30 at North school.

NO VESPER SERVICE There will be no vesper service Sunday evening at Boyce Memorial ARP church, but regular meetings of the Juniors, Young People's Christian Union, and Intermediates will be held, it was announced by Dr. W. L. Pressly, pastor.

ARP SPEAKER Rev. O. Z. White, chaplain at Enskine college of Due West, S. C., will preach at Sunday morning worship services at Boyce Memorial ARP church.

SUPPER Kings Mountain Catholic church is sponsoring a barbecue supper at the American Legion Hall Saturday, February 28th, from 4 until 8 p. m.

Resurrection Plans Expansion



TO SPEAK — Rev. A. R. Craig, Lt. Governor of Kiwanis International, Division I, will speak to the local club Thursday night at 6:45 at Woman's Club.

Craig To Speak To Kiwanis Club

Rev. A. R. Craig, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Rutherfordton and Lt. Governor of Kiwanis International Division I, will speak to local Kiwanians Thursday on "The Three Elements of Kiwanis."

The group meets at 6:45 p. m. at Kings Mountain Women's Club.

Craig will be making his official visit of the year to the Kings Mountain club.

Mr. Craig is past president of the Rutherfordton Kiwanis club, a member of the executive committee of the club, served 13 years as a member of the Presbyterian Mission Board in China, was chairman of Boy Scout activities in Rutherfordton county for two years, holds the Silver Beaver Award for scouting, served as chairman of the Heart Fund drive in Rutherfordton last year, and is chaplain of the Rutherfordton American Legion post.

P-TA MEETING Park Grace school Parent-Teacher Association will hold its regular meeting Monday night at 7 o'clock in the school auditorium.

Nine-Year-Old Church Shows Much Growth

Resurrection Lutheran church on Crescent Hill is beginning an expansion program designed to enlarge present over-crowded facilities.

Though still in the planning stage, the building program was termed by Rev. George Moore, pastor, "a vital necessity" as a result of continued growth of the church since its organization nine years ago.

According to Pastor Moore, the program is three-fold: 1) a concentrated effort on current debt reduction; 2) the raising of funds for the new construction, and 3) the securing of additional aid from the Home Mission Board of the United Lutheran Church in America.

No time schedule has been set, but current plans are to move along with construction as rapidly as possible.

Proposed plans call for a combination Fellowship Hall and activity space for the Luther League Groups and Scouts, three large classrooms for men, ladies,

and a recreation room, choir room, pastor's study and other facilities, and a steeple would be erected. In this instance, the architect is the pastor, Rev. George Moore, a practicing architect before he entered the ministry.

Plans and specifications may be inspected at the office of Grady Howard, hospital administrator, or at the office of Ormand & Vaughn, Shelby architects.

Complete set of plans may be obtained for a deposit of \$25, which is returnable if the plans are returned within five days after bids are received.

The hospital board of directors reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

Hospital Bonds Sold; Bids Due On March 17th

Cleveland County bonds for the building of a 25-bed addition to Kings Mountain hospital were sold in Raleigh Tuesday and bids for the addition are to be received at the hospital on March 17.

The \$100,000 bond issue, issued for ten years, were sold at an average interest rate of 3.32 percent to Wachovia Bank and Trust Company.

The advertisement for bids, published today in the Herald, states terms on which companies may bid on three contracts, general, plumbing, heating, and electrical.

All bidders are required to have proper North Carolina licenses, must present a bid bond of five percent of the bid, and be able to furnish performance bond in the amount of 100 percent performance bond.

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Retailers Invite Bargain-Seekers

18 Merchants Participating In Sales Event

Kings Mountain merchants are staging a major White Elephant Sale this weekend to clear their floors for incoming spring merchandise.

The sale will begin Thursday and run through Saturday, and 18 businesses are participating in the event.

The White Elephant specials are in some cases few of a kind items drastically reduced.

Participating merchants are Fultons Department Store, Kings Mountain Drug Company, Keeter's Department Store, McGinnis Department Store, Eagle's 5-10-25c Stores, Sterchi's, Dellinger's Jewel Shop, Plonk Brothers and Company, McGinnis Furniture Company, Page's Men's Store, Medical Pharmacy, Victory Chevrolet Company, Inc., Cooper's Inc., Bridges Hardware Company, Rose's 5-10-25c Store, and Belk's Department Store.

Associate participants are Radio Station WKMT and Herald Publishing House.

The event is staged through Kings Mountain Merchants Association.

J. C. Bridges, chairman of the Merchants association trade promotion committee, predicted a successful sales event. "Retailers have been preparing for this event for several weeks. It's a real chance for Kings Mountain area citizens to buy at great savings. Some offerings are quite literally giveaways."

Barnes Details Merger History

"A new consolidated area high school would make possible a quality of education comparable to that being offered in Shelby, Gastonia, Lincolnton, Mecklenburg and other larger high schools of the state," B. N. Barnes, city schools superintendent, told members of the Lions club Tuesday night.

Mr. Barnes made the statement in a forum discussion following an address in which he reviewed the recommendations for Kings Mountain schools by state officials beginning in 1944, during World War II.

In other comments and in answers to questions, Mr. Barnes said:

1) Figure for a proposed high school building was set high intentionally. "We didn't want to fool anybody," he added.

2) On a question about local board of education agreement on support of the merger proposal, he replied, "We've been for it solidly all the time."

3) Appointment of a site committee during the 1954 consolidation conversations was a "mistake."

4) Kings Mountain's present district doesn't have the tax valuation to build a high school plant alone.

5) The objection that expanding Kings Mountain district would "kill the county schools" is a "bugaboo." He explained that arrangements would be made on future county-wide bond issues

for proportionate shares of funds voted to accrue to both the Shelby and Kings Mountain districts for relieving district bond issue loads. "This is no departure from policy. If county-wide school bond issues are dependent on city districts, they're already killed. The county won't carry a bond issue without Shelby area support, and this district has already assumed a \$1,250,000 bond debt."

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ELECTED — Harry Jaynes, Central school principal, has been elected chairman of the American Field Service organization in Kings Mountain.

Jaynes Heads AFS Committee

Harry Jaynes, principal of Central school, was elected chairman of the local committee of the American Field Service Tuesday.

Mr. Jaynes succeeds Mrs. Charles Alexander.

The new chairman was elected at a meeting of the Kings Mountain committee at which time annual reports were given. Other outgoing officers are B. S. Peeler, Jr., vice-chairman and Charles Blanton, treasurer. These officers are appointed by the chairman.

Kings Mountain has had two exchange students via the American Field Service. Pierre Dassen, Swiss student, is completing his senior year at Central high school and is living with the Fred Plonk family. The community's first exchange student was Graeme Reeves who completed his high school education here while living in the home of Dr. and Mrs. P. G. Padgett.

Plans for Kings Mountain's participation in the AFS program next school year are being formulated.

Band Booster Club To Meet Monday

The Kings Mountain Band Booster Club has scheduled a meeting Monday night at 7:30 in the band room at Central school.

City Schools Band Director Charles Ballance noted that principal item of business would be the making of final plans for the band trip to the Azalea Festival at Wilmington.

All members and interested citizens are invited to attend.

Kelly Dixon Republican Nominee For 11th District Congress Post

A Kings Mountain citizen will have his name on the ballot for Congress in November. He is Kelly Dixon, well-known contractor, who was nominated by 11th district Republicans last Saturday as a candidate for the United States Congress.

Expressing himself as being "shocked" by the nomination, Mr. Dixon was a 2 to 1 victor over a Tryon Republican who sought the nomination.

Mr. Dixon defeated John R. Kleck, former New Yorker and onetime professor at the University of Illinois.

As the nominee of the GOP, Mr. Dixon is expected to oppose Rep. Basil L. Whitener, of Gastonia, the Democratic incumbent. Rep. Whitener has not yet made formal announcement that he will seek renomination, but his announcement is anticipated.

The stretched-out 11th district runs from the Catawba river to the Tennessee state line. It includes Gaston, Cleveland, Ruth-

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Another Step Taken In Area School Merger

Another step was taken toward the merger of area schools Wednesday afternoon as the county board of education, after a public hearing on the merger proposal, created by resolution a new tax district.

Bounds of the district include virtually all of Number 4 Township and a small spill-over into Number 5 Township.

The board passed another resolution asking the county board of commissioners to call a bond issue election to provide funds for building a central high school plant to serve the district.

The board of education found four citizens present at the hearing in opposition to the proposed consolidation. One unidentified spokesman from the Bethware section, but said to live very close to Number 3 school, stated he was heavily opposed to joining with Kings Mountain.

Principal James Scruggs, of Grover school, said a Grover group opposes consolidation with Kings Mountain and would prefer to remain in the county school group.

The creation of the new school tax district is, in effect, technical.

Should citizens of the newly created district fail to authorize bonds for the school building, or should a subsequent election among outside-city-district citizens oppose the merger, the new district would be nullified in effect. The county board of education, in either of the events, likely would dissolve the newly created district.

The board of education acted on petition of more than 1500 citizens, about twice the number required for creation of the new school district. The petitioners concurrently asked that an election be called to issue up to \$1,100,000 in bonds to provide a new high school plant to serve the expanded Kings Mountain district.

McDaniel Forms Realty Firm

F. A. (Pete) McDaniel, Jr., announced this week formation of McDaniel Realty Company, a firm which will specialize in home building.

Mr. McDaniel said the firm will be in position to arrange Veterans Administration, FHA or conventional financing of homes in a price range of \$7500 to \$20,000.

He said the firm will build homes on lots furnished by purchasers, or will be able to furnish lots for home-building.

Mr. McDaniel is owner of McDaniel Cleaners and was formerly associated with O. O. Walker in water and sewer installation construction.

METER RECEIPTS Parking meter receipts were off last week. City Clerk Joe McDaniel reported. The \$99.69 total included \$88.94 from on-street meters and \$11.25 from off-street meters.

Baird Closing Local Firm

Fred Baird, of Shelby, owner of Baird Furniture Company here, said this week the business will be liquidated.

Currently, he said, the firm is holding a closeout sale.

Mr. Baird said it is the intention of the firm to liquidate its inventory by the end of March. "It may require longer than that," he added.

Baird Furniture, Inc., was organized and opened here 12 years ago.

Mr. Baird also operates a furniture firm in Shelby.

LEGION DANCE A dance will be held at Post 155 of American Legion Saturday night from 9:00 to 12:00, music furnished by Hague Sisk's orchestra, Commander J. T. McGinnis announced Wednesday.



WITH BURLINGTON — Thomas Robinson, who recently graduated from the University of Alabama, has joined Burlington Mills' Cramerton Division.

Robinson Joins Burlington Mill

Thomas Robinson, Jr., former Kings Mountain citizen, recently received his degree from the University of Alabama and has joined Burlington Mills' Cramerton Division.

Mr. Robinson became associated with Burlington Mills on February 1st and he and his family have occupied a home at 1006 East Maple Avenue in Gastonia.

A graduate of Grover high school, Mr. Robinson was employed by Foote Mineral Company before going to Alabama.

He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Robinson of Grover. Mrs. Robinson is the former Betty Hayes of Kings Mountain. The Robinsons have a two-year-old daughter, Marcia Kim Robinson.

Former Teacher's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Lila Woodward Head, 58, well-known former Kings Mountain school teacher, were held Sunday at 3 p. m. from Kings Mountain Baptist church, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mrs. Head, wife of John Head of Charlotte, succumbed at Kings Mountain hospital Thursday following an illness of four days. She was a native of Kings Mountain, daughter of Mrs. Lula Woodward and the late James D. Woodward.

She was a member of the First Baptist church of Charlotte and a teacher at Briarwood Elementary Schools of Charlotte. She had formerly taught school in both Kings Mountain and Gaffney, S. C.

Surviving in addition to her mother and husband, are two sons, John Louis Woodward of Henderson and Wallace Woodward of the Air Force in Turkey; and a brother, Joe Lee Woodward of Kings Mountain. Two grandchildren also survive.

The final rites were conducted by Rev. M. D. DuBoise, assisted by Rev. B. L. Raines and Dr. E. V. Hudson.

Active pallbearers were Bryan Hord, J. G. Hord, B. N. Barnes, Harold Crawford, Harold Coggins, and Gene Roberts.



CANDIDATE — Kelly Dixon may be Kings Mountain's first candidate for the United States Congress. The building contractor was named Republican nominee by 11th district Republicans.