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PRICE TEN CENTS

Four Six-Day Weeks For School Make-Ups

This Saturday School Day; No Easter Holidays

City and Park Grace school children, who got six days of mid-winter snow-enforced holidays, will investigate the joys of Saturday classes for the first time Saturday, March 26.



ELECTED — Jean Hicks, student at Appalachian State Teacher's college, has been elected president of the college drama group, "The Playcrafters." Miss Hicks is a junior.

Miss Hicks In School Post

Miss Jean Hicks, Kings Mountain junior at Appalachian State Teacher's college, has recently been elected president of Playcrafters, the college drama group.

Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hicks of Kings Mountain, Miss Hicks is also vice president of Alpha Psi Omega, national honorary dramatics fraternity.

While a member of the drama group, Miss Hicks has played major roles in a number of ASTC productions, including "The Crucible," "Pygmalion" and "Lithuania."

Other Cleaners Help Saunders

In spite of last week's fire, Saunders Cleaners was back in business this week, compliments of other Kings Mountain cleaners.

"All Kings Mountain cleaning establishments offered us use of their facilities until we're back in business," D. L. Saunders, owner of the fire-gutted establishment said this week.

In addition to stating appreciation to the neighboring cleaners, Mr. Saunders added words of thanks to members of the fire department, other friendly citizens, and patrons who lost clothes in the March 16 fire.

He said that patrons who lost clothes in the fire must file claims for losses by April 15, deadline for filing such claims.

Mr. Saunders also said he expected to be back in operation at the old location on Cherokee street by Monday of the coming week.

Church Body Names Padgett

ATLANTA, GA. — Dr. James A. Millard, Jr., Stated Clerk of the General Assembly, Presbyterian Church, U. C., announced today that Dr. Philip G. Padgett of Kings Mountain has been officially certified as a commissioner to the 100th General Assembly of the denomination.

The Assembly, which meets in Jacksonville, Fla., April 28 through May 3, will bring together more than 525 church leaders from 83 presbyteries in all the Southern states. It is the highest court of the denomination and meets annually to establish the laws and programs under which the Church operates.

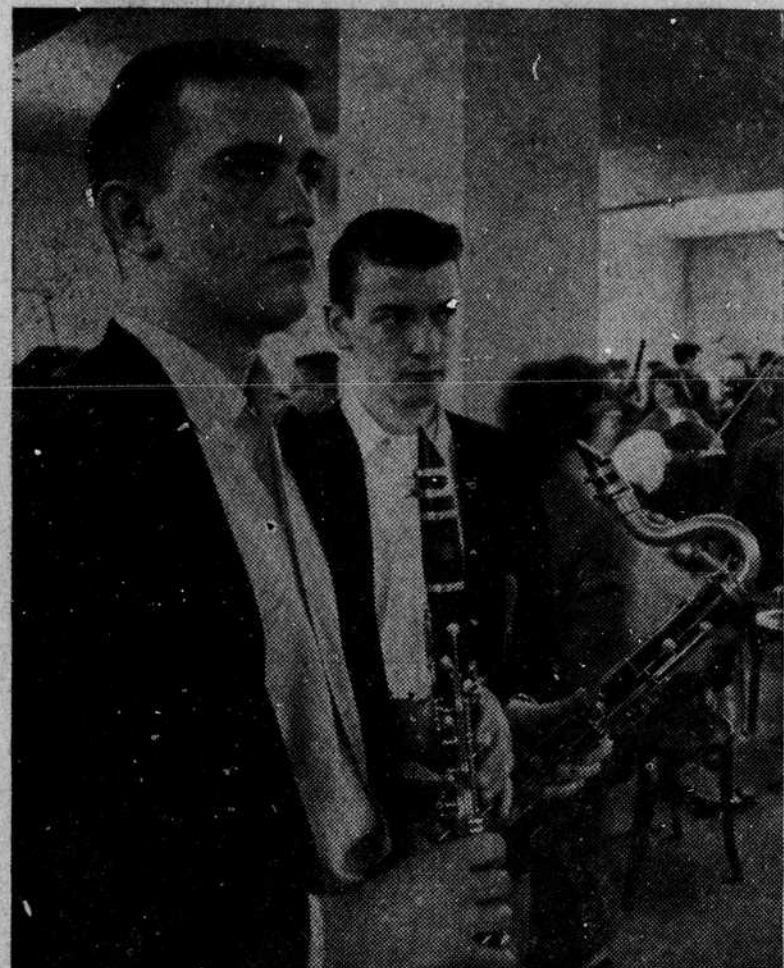
Dr. Padgett will attend as a commissioner from the Presbytery of Kings Mountain. Also Presbytery will be the Rev. I. S. McElroy, Jr., of Richmond, Va.

Red Cross Drive Won't Be Held

Kings Mountain citizens may still contribute to the Red Cross program in town, although a fund drive will not be conducted, as customary, in March.

Interested citizens who did not give via the United Fund to the Red Cross may wish to forward their gifts to the Kings Mountain Chapter of which J. Ollie Harris is chairman.

A United Fund drive was completed in January and Red Cross is included in the local United Fund, it was pointed out.



IN YOUTH ORCHESTRA — Pictured above are James Forrest, left and Sandy Campbell who are among the 85 Piedmont area students who are members of the newly-organized Piedmont Youth Orchestra. The group of young musicians will present a free concert Saturday evening at Davidson college. Both Forrest and Campbell are Central high school students.

Local News Bulletins

LODGE MEETING — An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF&AM will be held Monday night at 7:30 at Masonic Hall, according to announcement by T. D. Tindall, secretary.

WITH MOTOR FIRM — J. W. Webster, former city tax collector has joined Plonk Motor Company as a collector, it was announced by Fred Plonk.

P-TA MEETING — Park Grace P-TA will hold its regular meeting Monday night at 7 o'clock in the school auditorium, it has been announced.

P-TA PROGRAM — Pierre Dasen, Kings Mountain exchange student from Switzerland, will present the program at Monday night's Park Grace P-TA meeting. Young Dasen is a senior at Central high school.

WEST P-TA — West school Parent-Teacher association will meet Monday night at 7:30 at the school cafeteria. Mrs. Bruce Thornburn will speak on "The Exceptional Child."

EARLY RESIGNS — Jake Early, city policeman, has resigned effective Saturday. Mr. Early has accepted the management of the Statesville entry in the newly formed Western Carolina Professional Baseball league.

Merchants List Committees

Kings Mountain Merchants Association committees for the coming year were announced this week by Wesley Bush, vice-president.

The membership committee is headed by Harry Page and includes Thomas Tate and Denver King.

Insurance Committee head is Wesley Bush and includes Denver King, Paul McGinnis, and J. C. Bridges.

The annual Picnic Committee is headed this year by James Crawford and consists of Eugene McSwain and Kennon Blanton.

Chairman of the Banquet Committee is Thomas Tate. Making up the committee are J. C. Bridges and James Crawford.

The Trade Promotion Committee has Bill Fulton and Kennon Blanton as co-chairmen. Working with them is Harry Page.

Heading the Christmas Activity Committee will be Eugene McSwain. Members include Denver King and Bill Fulton.

The special October 7th Committee is headed by J. C. Bridges and consists of Charles Dixon, Jonas Bridges, and Paul Walker.

Clarinetists In Piedmont Area Orchestra

Two Kings Mountain students are among 85 from Piedmont area high schools who will play in the first concert of the Piedmont Youth Orchestra Saturday night.

Free to the public, the concert will be given in the dining hall of the Chambers Building at Davidson college.

The orchestra draws its young musicians from 16 communities. The players go to Davidson college each Saturday morning for rehearsal.

Organized in January by Frank West of the Davidson college music faculty, Piedmont Youth Orchestra is a non-profit educational group. Participation in the orchestra is free to the musicians. Funds are derived from donations of interested friends.

William Mason, attorney from Belmont, is president of the board of directors.

Orchestra members include James Forrest, who plays the clarinet, and Sandy Campbell, who plays the bass clarinet, both from Kings Mountain.

The Saturday program will include: Overtures from Diden, Plocini; Nocturne from "A Midsummer Night's Dream" by Men, delsohn; Emperor Waltzes by Strauss and Procession of the Sarder from Caucasian Sketches by Ivanov.

New Feature Today In Society Section

A new feature appears for the first time today in the Herald society section.

Entitled "Bite Size News Bits", the feature will include short editorial and news items of particular interest and is being written by the Kings Mountain Woman's Club.

It is anticipated the feature will appear monthly.

Kittie Lou Sutton Is President, Math Department, State Teachers

Miss Kittie Lou Sutton, Kings Mountain teacher, was elected president of the department of mathematics of the North Carolina Education Association at the annual convention last week end.

Miss Sutton has taught mathematics at Central high school since September 1950. She received her B. S. degree from Tennessee Polytechnic Institute and earned her master's at Peabody College in Nashville, Tenn.

Other teachers who were delegates from the Kings Mountain Unit of the NCEA to the three-day convention in Asheville were: Mrs. James Logan and Principal Harry Jaynes and Central; Mrs. W. F. Powell from West; Miss Jackie Blanton and Principal Robert Kennedy from East; and Principal R. H. Bryant of North School. Supt. B. N. Barnes and Miss Alice Averitt, city schools teaching consultant, also attended the meeting.

No Action Yet On Filling City Tax Position

The city tax supervisor-collector position remains vacant, with the duties being handled by Mayor Glee A. Bridges and Joe McDaniel, city clerk who was named temporary assistant tax collector several weeks ago.

Mr. McDaniel was named during the illness of former collector J. W. Webster.

Wednesday there was still lack of unanimity among city commissioners on filling of the position, both as to identity of personnel or functionally.

Apparently there were two possible functional methods under consideration:

1) Appoint a successor to J. W. Webster, who resigned recently, and name the successor tax collector-supervisor, with responsibility for handling the work of the office completely.

2) Name a lady to handle the clerical work with the Mayor to give particular attention to more difficult collections, land sales, and other details of the work.

It was anticipated, officials acknowledged, that a special session of the commission would have been or would be held this week. However, several conflicts occurred involving members and at Wednesday noon no date for a meeting had been set.

Thus far, formal applications for the position of tax collector-supervisor have been received from these citizens: M. H. Biser, D. L. Saunders, Sam Collins, I. C. Davis, B. W. Gillespie, and M. C. Poston.

"No Axe Out" Says Bridges

Rumors to the contrary, there is "no axe out" for Corbett Nicholson, superintendent of the city gas system, Comm. Ben H. Bridges said Wednesday.

Comm. Bridges commented on rumors extant the past week that the city might seek to shift the gas system responsibility to other city employees.

Comm. Bridges said there has been some discussion of some job shifting, but that he knew of no plans to discharge Supt. Nicholson.

"Discussions merely have concerned ways and means of saving the city money in every way possible in order that the saving may be available for long-term capital expenditures," Comm. Bridges commented.

Comm. Ross Alexander, gas commissioner, says he thinks Supt. Nicholson is doing a creditable job, giving good service, and that the two-man gas department staff should not be disturbed.

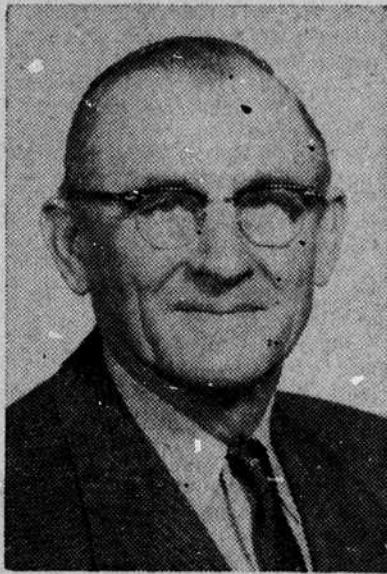
Martin To Lead Faith Revival

Rev. N. W. Martin, pastor of Plainview Baptist church of Dallas, will begin a week of special services Sunday at Faith Baptist church.

Services will continue all week at 7 p. m. nightly. Rev. Flay Payne, the pastor, said in making the announcement.

The visiting minister is a graduate of Southeastern Seminary.

Ellis, Peeler, Sarratt File; Contest For District 1 Post



CANDIDATE — J. Broadus Ellis, incumbent county commissioner, filed candidacy this week for re-election. The Grover Democrat is completing his first term.

County Office Filing Deadline Is April 15

Three incumbent county commissioners filed notice of candidacy for re-election this week, as a contest developed for the District 1 post being vacated by Mal Spangler, Sr., who is retiring.

Seeking re-election are J. Broadus Ellis, of Grover, Knox Sarratt, of Earl, chairman of the board, and B. P. Peeler, of Belwood, who recently joined the board by appointment.

The District 1 or Shelby contest to date lists William Hugh Dover, Shelby radioman, and U. L. Patterson, Jr., Shelby florist. Chairman Sarratt represents District 5, while Comm. Peeler represents District 3.

Democratic nominees are elected in county-wide voting, but candidates must reside within the district they seek to represent.

Ellis, Grover businessman and farmer, defeated incumbent Carl Finger of Kings Mountain in the 1958 run-off primary. Finger had been appointed to the post at the death of Commissioner Hazel Bumgardner.

Peeler was appointed to the District 3 post in January after F. L. Rollins of Lawndale resigned because of ill health.

This leaves the District 4 commission post without a candidate, however indications are that incumbent John White plans to announce for re-election before the April 15 deadline.

Meantime, the deadline was passed last Friday for state-wide and district offices.

Kelly Dixon, of Kings Mountain, posted his filing fee as Republican candidate for 11th district Congressman, opposing Basil L. Whitner, the Democratic incumbent. Neither are opposed.

The Democratic gubernatorial line-up remained four, including Terry Sanford, Jahn Larkins, Jr., Dr. Beverly Lake, and Malcolm Seawell.

Three seek the Democratic nomination for lieutenant-governor. They are Cloyd Philpott, Dave McConnell, and C. V. Henkel, Jr.

Heart Fund Now At \$1672

Kings Mountain citizens were generous in their contributions to the Heart Fund and donations totaled \$1,672.85 during the February effort.

Rev. Thomas Droppers, chairman, who announced the final receipts from the drive, said Wednesday he was gratified at response to the appeal. "We are grateful," he said, "to the industries, the merchants, the professional people and all citizens who made this drive a success."

Two Heart Sunday volunteers whose names did not appear in a list just published were Mrs. Georgia Rice Birt and Mrs. Darrell Arrington.

Mr. Droppers also expressed appreciation to all campaign workers and to Radio Station WKMT and the Kings Mountain Herald.

Entries Invited In Jaycee Road-ee

Kings Mountain Jaycees are inviting entries in the annual Road-ee to be staged here again this year on the afternoon of April 13th.

Young people, from 12 to 19 years of age, are eligible. Both girls and boys may compete for over \$5,000 in scholarships to be awarded in state-wide contests.

Jaycee Otis Falls, Jr., said this week he anticipates that many young people will be interested in the event. The Road-ee will be held in front of Plonk Brothers on Wednesday, April 13th, at 2 p. m.

Details on entering the contest are available at the office of Police Chief Martin Ware, Fire Chief Pat Tignor, at any school principal's office, and from Mr. Falls or any member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Spangler Rites Held On Tuesday

Funeral rites for Ernest W. Spangler, 59, president of Spangler & Sons Concrete, Inc. were held Tuesday afternoon at Shelby's First Baptist church.

Mr. Spangler died suddenly Sunday morning at Hollywood hospital, Hollywood, Fla. Death resulted from a heart attack. He had suffered a previous attack last August. He and his wife had gone to Fort Lauderdale, Fla., two weeks ago to spend the remainder of the winter at their home there.

The firm which Mr. Spangler heads operates a plant in Kings Mountain and Shelby. Prior to founding this firm, he was for 15 years Shelby superintendent of streets.

He was born in Ross Grove community and was the son of the late Reuben A. and Minnie Weathers Spangler.

His Shelby home was at 701 N. Washington St.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Verna Patrick Spangler; two sons, R. Patrick Spangler and Earl W. Spangler, both of Shelby; one daughter, Mrs. Edward Erickson of Mt. Prospect, a suburb of Chicago, Ill.; two brothers, R. A. Spangler and Will Spangler, both of Shelby; three sisters, Mrs. S. S. Summey of Shelby, Mrs. Clarence Leonard of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and Shelby, and Mrs. Grover Cline of Ft. Lauderdale; and nine grandchildren.

Mr. Spangler was a member of the First Baptist Church and the Nolan Sunday School class; the Cleveland Country Club and the Elks Club of Shelby.

The final rites were conducted by Rev. John Lawrence and Rev. Zeno Wall, with interment in Shelby's Sunset cemetery.

The family had requested that memorials be designated for the Cleveland County heart association.

Country Club Meeting Tuesday

Annual stockholder meeting of Kings Mountain Country Club, Inc., will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30.

Dinner will be served at the club dining room and stockholders are requested to make reservations by Saturday.

Louie Sabettie, secretary, said the agenda will include election of directors for the coming year and reports by officers and committee chairmen on activities of the past year.

He said a special committee, including James Herndon and Charles E. Dixon, will make a report on possibilities of constructing a club swimming pool.

Other officers are J. Ollie Harris, president; George W. Mauney, vice-president; and L. E. Hinnant, treasurer.

Chairmen of standing committees who will make reports are James Herndon, house; Dr. George Plonk, social; George W. Mauney, greens; and Charles E. Dixon, membership.



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