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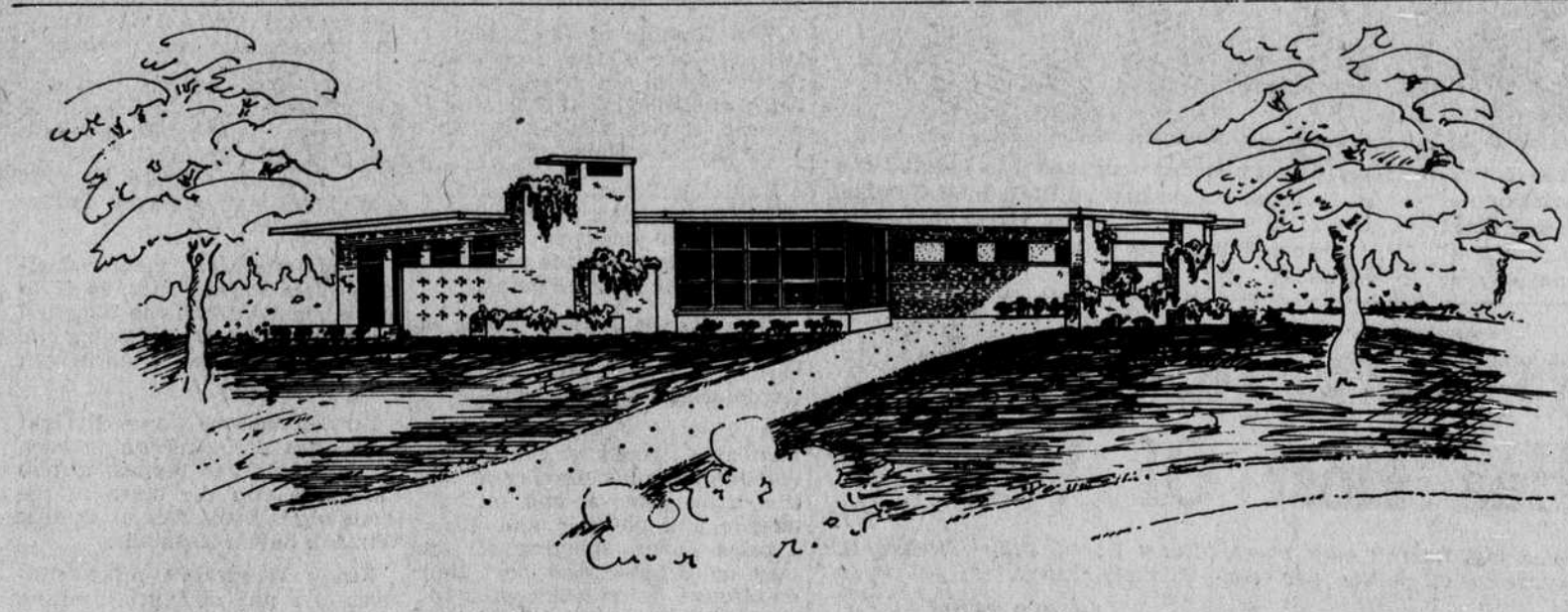
Established 1889

Kings Mountain, N. C., Thursday, December 1, 1960

Seventy-First Year

PRICE TEN CENTS

Plaintiffs Voluntarily Non-Suit Merger Case



PROPOSED KINGS MOUNTAIN COUNTRY CLUB

NEW CLUB FROM ARCHITECT'S VIEW - Above is a sketch of the proposed new Kings Mountain Country clubhouse...

proved by the club's directors and the building committee has been authorized to obtain detailed plans and specifications for the new structure.

Barnes Ready To Start Work On Details Of Consolidation

High School Consolidations Are Anticipated

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Dr. Anderson Moves Offices

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His new offices are located in a new building on Cheryville's West First street.

A native of Omaha, Nebraska, Dr. Anderson is a graduate of Lincoln chiropractic college, Indianapolis, Ind., and spent a year in post-graduate study at Logan college, St. Louis, Mo. He is a past secretary of the Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce, and is resigning as secretary-treasurer of the Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce. He is also a Mason.

Mrs. Anderson is the former Janet Hobbs, of Cheryville. Dr. Anderson said he regrets to leave Kings Mountain and stated appreciation to Kings Mountain citizens for their friendship. He will maintain office hours from 9 a. m. to noon and 2 to 5 p. m. daily, except Thursday, when he will close his office at noon.

Appointments for out-of-town patients won't be required, he added.

IN FRATERNITY

Robert Munson, Kings Mountain student at St. Olaf college, Northfield, Minn., was among 35 pledges initiated into Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, recently. Iota Tau, Chapter at St. Olaf directs its efforts at performing a variety of service projects on the campus.

Rippy Succumbs While Hunting

J. K. Rippy, resident of 812 Third Street, died at 8:07 a. m. Wednesday of a heart attack suffered while he and three companions were squirrel hunting in a wooded area across from Lithium Corporation on the Bessemer City Highway in Gaston County.

Hunting in a group which included Wade Strange and Clarence White, Mr. Rippy reportedly complained of nausea and not feeling well, then became unable to continue. His companions carried him to a creek and wet his lips with a handkerchief moistened in the water.

He succumbed before they could get an ambulance to him. The Cleveland County Life Saving Crew was called for aid, but arrived after Rippy's death. He was pronounced dead by the Gaston County coroner on his arrival.

Mr. Rippy was reportedly about 45 years of age. The son of Mrs. Louise McDaniel Rippy and the late W. G. Rippy, he is survived by his mother; two children, Louise and Clifford Rippy; a brother, Oalee of Gastonia; and two sisters, Mrs. Alma Snyder of Dallas and Mrs. Beatrice Woods of Kings Mountain.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 4:00 p. m. from Second Baptist Church with the Rev. Albert Hastings and the Rev. W. H. Redmond officiating. Interment will follow in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Consolidation Opponents Asked Compromise

Plaintiffs seeking to invalidate the Number 4 township school consolidation election took a voluntary non-suit in Cleveland Superior Court Tuesday, apparently ending the invalidation effort and effectuating the consolidation.

J. R. Davis, attorney for the defendant Kings Mountain board of education, commented, "That ends it."

However, Attorneys for the plaintiffs were quoted as saying that their action in taking voluntary non-suit entitles their clients to renewing the action via new proceedings during the forthcoming 12 months.

The non-suit motion came when the case was called Tuesday afternoon. No witnesses were called, but Mr. Davis said the non-suit motion followed a morning ante-room discussion by the opposing attorneys, in which A. A. Powell and B. T. Falls, Jr., plaintiffs' attorneys, first sought a compromise agreement in which some areas would continue in the county school district.

Mr. Davis said this request was refused on grounds that the defendants had no legal right or privilege to compromise the decision of the voters who elected on May 14, by 1120 to 873, to join the Kings Mountain administrative unit.

Defense attorneys then threatened secession from the consolidated district, to be told there are no legal provisions covering withdrawal from a city school district.

The final contention was that the plaintiffs would obtain a special act of the General Assembly to permit a secession.

On basis of Tuesday's result, Grover, Bethware, Compact and Park Grace school in the county district are consolidated with the Kings Mountain administrative unit. Under court order, they will be operated by the county district through June 30, 1961, with physical and operational consolidation to occur on July 1, 1961.

Litigation begun by plaintiffs shortly after the May 14 consolidation election resulted in a temporary restraining order to prevent the consolidation. Judge P. C. Fronberger granted the temporary order, later declined to make it permanent, but with the July 1 effective date passed, ordered the county schools to continue operation of the four schools joining the Kings Mountain district.

When the citizens of this area voted to join the Kings Mountain district, they also voted to accept the Kings Mountain district's supplementary school tax of 20 cents per \$100 property valuation. This tax returned about \$21,500 to the Kings Mountain district during the past fiscal year and is budgeted for \$22,000 during the current year.

B. N. Barnes, superintendent of Kings Mountain schools, declined to estimate additional receipts from this source under the consolidated system. Other defendants in the litigation were the county board of commissioners, represented by C. C. Horn, and the county board of education, represented by D. Z. Newton. James Mullen, of Gastonia, was also a defense attorney, representing citizens supporting the consolidation.

Miss Falls Wins Diploma

Miss Ann Cansler Falls, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Coman Falls, was graduated Wednesday with a medical secretarial certificate from King's Business College at Charlotte.

Miss Falls has accepted a position with the Charlotte Health Department and will begin her new duties within the next few weeks. Miss Falls is a graduate of Kings Mountain high school.

Postmaster Reminds Early Mailing Guarantees Gifts Arrive On Time

Mail your Christmas packages early! That's a reminder from Postmaster Charles Alexander, as he called attention this week to the Christmas season rapidly approaching and as he listed 10 "pointers" on Christmas mailing.

1) Mail Christmas cards and parcels for distant places in advance of December 10, and for local delivery not later than December 16, and remember the best time to avoid the crowds is before 10 a. m. or between 1:30 and 3:30 p. m.

2) Address mail correctly, including full name and address and your return address. Write or print clearly.

3) Although Christmas cards may be sent unsealed for a 3-cent stamp, the 4-cent first class sealed rate is desirable because it automatically assures forwarding if the addressee has moved and left a new address, or the card is returned if it is undeliverable (provided you have included your return address on it).

4) Don't mail money in Christmas gifts or packages. 5) When making a large mailing of Christmas cards, separate them into "local" and "out-of-town" bundles, using adhesive bands which may be obtained from the postoffice. 6) Pack and wrap securely. Cushioning should be placed on all sides of the Christmas gift, and the carton should be wrapped in heavy paper and tied with strong twine. (Also, place a card with your own return address as well as the destination address inside the parcel to aid in delivery of the outside wrapper should it be lost.) 7) Parcels containing delicate gifts must be marked "fragile" and foodstuffs should be marked "perishable" if they are subject to spoilage. 8) Insure parcels and register letters of real value. Where only proof of delivery is desired or letters of no intrinsic value, certified mail is useful. 9) Use combination mail where a letter or message (other than a gift tag) is to be enclosed inside a Christmas package. 10) And finally, if you don't know the answer to a mailing problem, ask. Postal employees are happy to help you by answering your questions on mailing regulations.

Mrs. Carpenter's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Hattie Lee Carpenter, 74, were held Sunday at 2 p. m. from First Wesleyan Methodist church, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mrs. Carpenter, widow of Robert Lee Carpenter, died Thursday night in the Kings Mountain hospital after a three week's illness. A native of Gaston County, she was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Lemasters and a member of the First Wesleyan Methodist church.

She is survived by one son, Hugh Carpenter, of Franklin; three daughters, Mrs. J. T. McGinnis, Sr., Mrs. Lloyd Fite, and Miss Hazel Carpenter, all of Kings Mountain, and three grandchildren. The final rites were conducted by Rev. J. W. Phillips.

Local News Bulletins

FAIRVIEW LODGE An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF&AM will be held Monday at 7:30 p. m. at Masonic Hall, with supper to be served at \$1.25 per plate. A degree team from Cleveland Lodge 202 of Shelby will perform, according to announcement by Secretary T. D. Tindall.

SCOUTERS Scouters and Cub Scout leaders are invited to attend a Scout Leaders Roundtable Monday at 7:30 p. m. at Shelby Junior high school. The Hunter-Safety theme and the Cub Scouting theme for January will be featured.

FROM HOSPITAL Charles Harrell has been discharged from the Veterans Hospital at Durham and is recuperating satisfactorily after undergoing heart surgery, members of his family report.

WHITE CROSS PROGRAM Mrs. Tolly Shuford will present the White Cross Christmas Program for women of Boyce Memorial ARP church when the Women's Society meets Sunday at 3 p. m. at the church.

P-TA MEETS The Central School P-TA will meet Tuesday night, December 6, at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium.

OPTIMIST MEET Jake Early, chairman of the proposed Optimist Club, said Wednesday the group will hold another organizational meeting Monday at Kings Mountain Woman's Club at 7:00 p. m.

DAR FLAG SALE Colonel Frederick Hambricht is promoting the sale of the 50-star American flags and they may be purchased by contacting any DAR member, according to announcement by Mrs. W. L. Pressly.

LEGION DANCE Stooze Glenn and his orchestra will play for a dance for members of Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, and their guests Saturday evening. Admission is \$1 per couple.

Craftspun Buyer Still Incognito

It will probably be ten days or two weeks before a transfer of ownership of Craftspun Yarns, Inc., stock is effected.

E. Stanly Marks, an attorney for a buying syndicate which bid successfully for purchase of the Kings Mountain yarn-maker's outstanding stock, indicated after federal district court approval of the sale that his client's take-over would probably be about December 1. An auditor, representing the buying syndicate, was here Wednesday.

Fallout Shelter Will Be Shown

Sanders Builds Refuge; Sunday Is Open House

An unusual social event will take place here Sunday afternoon.

Open house will be held Sunday afternoon, from 2 to 6 o'clock, at the Dathia Sanders family fallout shelter, designed to offer refuge to the Sanders family in event of atomic attack from radiation fallout.

Co-hosts with the Sanders family will be Don Shields, chairman of Cleveland County's Civil defense organization, J. Ollie Harris, Kings Mountain chairman, Mayor Glee A. Bridges and other civil defense officials.

"We hope a large number of citizens will see this fallout shelter. It's the nicest in the county," Chairman Shields commented.

Mr. Sanders said he decided to build the shelter after seeing one demonstrated at the Cleveland County Fair. He did the work himself, with the help of his 13-year-old son Steve Sanders, and the family now has, within a half-dozen feet of their side door, a safe spot to wait out the demise of radiation after an atomic blast, should one occur by enemy action or accident.

Essential building ingredients in the fallout shelter are concrete blocks and dirt, both regarded as best protection against radio active fallout. The walls are three feet thick and the major portion of the shelter is imbedded in a dirt bank. Dirt covers the top. Inside, the Sanders family of four has installed a battery radio, two cots, and are stocking the shelter with first aid supplies, food and other necessities. A 70-gallon tank in the ground will supply water needs. Air intake ventilator is connected to a pump, which can be turned according to the number of people within the shelter.

Mr. Sanders got his plans from a civil defense publication, giving plans for various kinds of fallout shelters.

Many Japanese in the Hirashima and Nagasaki areas, apparently unharmed by the 1945 atomic blasts, subsequently died due to lethal atomic radiation.

Protection against radiation is a major preoccupation of scientists working in atomic energy projects.

Carried by the winds, radiation from an atomic blast could permeate many parts of the nation far removed from the scene of the hit.

Chairman Shields says a two-week period is required to assure safety from radioactive fallout. The Sanders shelter is at their home on Dixon Road off Highway 216.

JAYCEES MEET Bob Scoggins, Southern Bell telephone Company representative, will present a program on direct long distance dialing at the regular bi-monthly meeting of Kings Mountain Jaycees Tuesday night at 7:00 at the Woman's Club.

Retailers Now Open All Day Wednesday

Majority of Kings Mountain retail firms are now open a full six days each week and will observe the schedule until Christmas.

Wednesday marked the first suspension of the mid-week half-holiday, an annual custom to accommodate Christmas season shoppers.

Jake Early, city parking meter officer, reminded that the holiday is suspended for parking, too. Motorists over-parking on Wednesday afternoons will be tagged for the infraction until the half-holiday is resumed.

Paul J. Beam's Rites Conducted

Funeral for Paul J. Beam, 57, of Charlotte, former Kings Mountain citizen, was held Tuesday at 2 p. m. from Harris Funeral Home Chapel.

Mr. Beam, a Charlotte ticket agent for Seaboard Railway, succumbed of a heart attack Sunday afternoon. A native of Rutherford County, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John L. Beam. He was a member of Sinclair Lodge 154 AF&AM of Charlotte. The Beam family moved to Charlotte about two years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Bessie Falls Dickey Beam; one step-son, Jimmy Dickey of Kings Mountain; two step-daughters, Mrs. Kenneth Fink of Kannapolis and Mrs. Kenneth Dickenson of St. Louis, Mo.; two brothers, T. T. Beam of Valdese and Herbert Beam of Mooresboro; and a sister, Mrs. Dennis McKinney of Ellenboro.

The final rites were conducted by Rev. Jacob Lackey, assisted by Rev. Herbert Garmon. Interment was in the Beam Cemetery near Ellenboro.

Bloodmobile Returns December 12; Legion Post Sponsoring Collection

Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, will sponsor the forthcoming December 12th visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile, Mrs. O. W. Myers, Kings Mountain chapter blood program chairman, said this week. The Bloodmobile will set up for operation at the Legion Building, on East Gold street, rather than at the Woman's Club. Hours of operation will be 11 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Mrs. Myers commented, "The American Legion post recognizes the fact that the Charlotte regional blood center supplies all the blood needs for Veterans' Administration hospitals in this area and the additional fact that Kings Mountain's assessed share of serving the veterans' hospitals is 144 pints of blood per year."

Methodist Choir To Give Cantata "Bethlehem"

The initial program of Christmas Music for Kings Mountain will be presented Sunday afternoon, December 4th, at 5 o'clock by the Central Methodist church choir under direction of Mrs. J. N. McClure.

Featured soloists for the Christmas Cantata "Bethlehem" by Maunder will be Mrs. Bill Allen, Mrs. Delbert Dixon, B. S. Peeler, Jr., I. Ben Goforth, Jr., and Jacob Dixon, with some 25 voices of the church making up the choir.

A cordial invitation is extended to the people of Kings Mountain to hear, once again, the beautiful Christmas Story in Scripture and Song, Rev. Herbert Garmon, pastor, said in making the announcement.

New High School Is Merger Aim

Next major effort on the Kings Mountain area school front is to endeavor to obtain a new high school plant to serve the needs of the expanded Kings Mountain school district. Estimates, based on recent cost of school construction are that a new high school plant, adequate for anticipated growth, would cost perhaps \$1,000,000 to \$1,100,000.

It is anticipated that a district bond financing arrangement, as used by the Shelby district, would be sought.

Currently, the Kings Mountain district has available for construction use about \$250,000. There is also a possibility that either federal funds or state funds, or both, are in the offering for local school construction.

President-elect John Kennedy paramount school construction needs during his campaign, and Governor-elect Terry Sanford has indicated he will ask a \$50 million state bond issue for classroom construction. Both branches of Congress approved school construction appropriations last year, but the House-Senate compromise bill was not reported out by the House Rules committee before the end of the session.