

City Ups Committment To Assure Armory Project

Local News Bulletins Month's Bills

Power, Gas Sales

Set New Records

MEETING POSTPONED

The public meeting, sponsored by the Cleveland County coordinating committee on Ag-ing, scheduled for the Shelby First Presbyterian church for Friday night, has been post-poned until Friday night February 24.

CANCEL MOTHER'S MARCH

The annual Mother's March for the March of Dimes . was cancelled last week because of bad weather. Donations are being accepted by any member of the Junior Woman's Club or contributions may be for-warded to Tom Tate, March of Dimes Chairman, in care of Home Building & Loan.

PERMIT ISSUED

A permit was issued Wed-nesday by City Building In-spector M. H. Biser to Jack Bennett to build a six-room dwelling off Bennett Street at an estimated cost of \$18,000. Contractor for the structure is J E Chapman

FIRES

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City firemen answered four alarms this week for grass firone Friday to a vacant lot

Repeat Likely For Upcoming City power and natural gas ales established new records in

ary, and City Clerk Joe Mclieves that February 1 billings may set another.

Mr. McDaniel attributes the major factor in January's high nark to the cold weather, with ort winter days and Christnas-season home lighting as other minor factors.

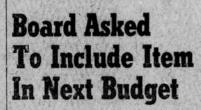
In January, the city's power ales escalated to \$28,804, and otal utility billings of \$36,472 only a few dollars short of EASTER SEAL CHILD - Jone last April's peak of \$36,514. Wa-ter billings in April wire more than \$1,000 over January's. Joint Car-than \$1,000 over January's. than \$1,000 over January's. and Mrs. Hugh Yates of Kings Mountain.

January's natural gas report shows a new city peak on Jan-uary 25, when customers used 1,064,000 cubic feet of gas, with **Jane Yates Plans** total billings at \$25,251. January's gas consumption was 27,-471,000 cubic feet.

To Sell Sanford The peak would have been much higher, Mr. McDaniel no-ted, had not the gas system inconstruction of the gas system in-service to all customers gas on an interruptible Easter Seal Child. Jane Yates, eight-year-old dau-tes, is North Carolina's 1961 Easter Seal Child. d service to all customers

y's account was also the gest to date with its Transcontinental Gas Corporation, totaling nally, the setting of a ary's account was also the

Additionally, the setting of a new peak will prove costly to the city come summer, as the city must pay monthly a demand charge, with the basis of charge most continuous string of Ar



The city has been asked to consider rebuilding of the business district "white way" in the fiscal year beginning July 1. Charles Blanton, president of

the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants association, was spokesman for a group of civic or-ganizations, which seek modernization of business district light-

Mr. Blanton sad better lighting would advertise the community as one boasting good government and progressive merchants, would contribute to traffic safety, improve retail trade, increase

property values and deter crime. He said he had discussed posdent and trust officer of North ed. Carolina National Bank.

David Neill Wins Promotion

Civic Groups Ask Again Seeking To Regain Post For New Lighting Former Mayor Garland E. Still is again a candidate for mayor. It will be the eighth consecutive city election in which Mr. Still Former Mayor Garland E. Still has sought the office and the fiftn

time he has opposed Mayor Glee A. Bridges, who is seeking reelection. Mr. Still's one successful race was in 1951 and his next best showing was in 1953 when he had the right to call a run-off election, did call for it, then with

Garland Still In Mayor Race Contingency Fund For Armory

drew before the second voting. In 1959, Mr. Still ran third to Mayor Bridges and David L. Sanders, the other challenger. The former mayor, now a sales-

man of speciality items, is a former jeweler and restaurant owner.

candidates, Mr. Still attached a statement to his official filing announcement, in which he said he had received numerous requests to offer again for the mayoral

He promised both a reduction in utility rates and in tax rate, PROMOTED - David M. Neill, as well as recreational buildings

former Kings Mountain citizen, and a program for our children has been promoted to vice-presi. which has been sorely neglect-

In an obvious reference to the incumbent, Mr. Still wrote, "I be-lieve that if eight years in office

pleting his fourth mayoral term. tion, adding, "We don't know tates, between Mountain and King Mr. Still was the only new ad-dition to the candidate list for we hope to show something pret- ford estate on the east side of ty fast."

to the position of vice president and trust officer of North Car-Paul W. Ledford, a former com-ballroom, clubroom and adjacent Un

ers moved to assure construction of a National Guard armory Monday night, voting to purchase required additional property for the site and taking the initial step in issuance of \$19,000 in bonds to provide major portion of local funds required. The board dipped into the city's contingency fund to provide \$7,-500 for purchase of site property from the Willeford Estate and R. S. Plonk Estate.

With acceptance of the \$8,025 bid of the Rutherford REA for Lake Montonia power lines last week, the city anticipates that this unbudgeted revenue, plus proceeds from the bond sales, will provide the \$24,500 local fund share of the \$140,000 armory

The city board of commission

Board Taps



Mounitain Country Club building the project were to no avail,

said contractors were to begin

swimming pool. Mr. Neisler said

the swimming pool project is be-

ing directed by a special com-

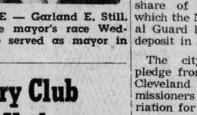
mittee, including Joe N. McClure,

Fred Wright, and James Hern-

at the Woman's club.

The club is also constructing a year's net debt retirement, which,

major addition in the form of a last year, was \$29,006.



Construction of the new Kings

is underway.

is long enough for our president, then it is long enough . . . for our mayor." Mr. Bridges is com-completing the initial construc-by the Willeford and Plonk es-

Other lone contest to date is Plans call for a modernly de-site on the west side of Phifer

CANDIDATE - Garland E. Still, which the North Carolina Nationnesday. He served as mayor in deposit in Raleigh by June 1. 1951-53. entered the mayor's race Wed- al Guard has stated must be on

The city has an informal pledge from the members of the Cleveland County board of commissioners for a \$10,000 appropriation for the armory next year.

The deadline problem, continuing for weeks, has been how the funds could be deposited by June

1. Efforts to obtain a delay on North Carolina National Guard officials stating that the federal

Paul M. Neisler, Sr., chairman of the clup building committee, cent of the funds, declined to grant the delay request.

Additional property for the armory area was a federal re-Phifer road. The armory will be built on the present three-acre

Under the statutes, the city has

the power to issue bonds up to

two-thirds of the previous fiscal

City Attorney J. R. Davis was

authorized to contact bond attor

neys to arrange details for the

bond issuance. Last time the city

obtained funds under this statute

was in 1950, when \$20,000 in

bonds was issued for street im-

Under the armory project time-

in April, with contracts schedul-

ed for letting on June 1.

THE REAL PROPERTY OF

on Phenix Street, one Monday to a vacant lot on Piedmont Avenue, one Tuesday to a lot at the corner of Stowe Acres and Blanton Street, and one Wednesday in the county on Cherryville Road. No damage was reported.

IN TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL

Jack Holden Kennedy, son of John L. Kennedy of Rt. 3, Shel-by, is enrolled in the two-year civil technology course at the Gaston Technical Institute in Gastonia. A graduate of Shel-by high school, he is married and lives in Kings Mountain.

ADD ONE

Omitted from the list of ght IA" students at Kings tain High School in the ary 9 Herald was Gail on, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther S. Morrison.

ON HONOR ROLL

Tommy Boyd, Kings Moun-tain student at Gaston Techni-cal Institute in Gastonia, has completed the school term with a 3.00 or B average. He was al-so listed on the honor roll for the fall semester, according to report from the school.

EAST P-TA

East School Parent-Teacher Association will hold its regular meeting Tuesday after noon at 3:30 in the school audtoirum.

ROTARY MEETING

The regular meeting of Ro-tary Club will be held at 12:15 p. m. Thursday at the Country Club. Speaker will be the Rev. Thomas Droppers, Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church. Rev. Droppers will address the group on the annual Heart Fund Drive.

Rutherford Firm **Gets Power Lines**

Rutherfordton Electrical as.

The Rutherford association bid \$8,025 for the properties, while Duke Power Company declined to raise its first bid of \$5,500. Last Thursday

past three years. Yet, Mr. Carpenter's figure show, only 28 children are receipting aid who were born out of wedlock since the family began Last Thursday's bid-taking was a re-bid, the REA firm hav-ing objected to method of bid-taking at the previous bidding. bid-bid-neceiving ADC aid. An add ling. 33 children are given aid, uations where the husbar rties the family isn't the father.

Bill of sale for the properties was ready for delivery Wednes-day. City Clerk Joe McDaniel from desertions by the Mz. Carpenter notes.

In January, residential custo- St. Matthew's Lutheran church, of the Woman's Club, George mers paid the city \$15,318 for helps her mother with household Thomasson, Lions club, and Po gas. Small commercial customers chores and is an active and en- bert H. Goforth, Jaycees. paid \$4,054, harge commercial users paid \$1,250, interruptible service customers \$3,099, and public institutions \$1,530. Choices and is all active and en-thusiastic Brownie Scout. She's and rides a tricycle. As the 1961 Easter Seal Child

AT GASTON TECH

technology.

Figuring of Feburary 1 billings has just started, but indications attention and the honor guest for

are customers for both utilities a number of occasions. On February 27 she is to visit and gas can expect large bills again. The recent spate of warm weather didn't come early e-nough in the meter reading per-the first 1961 Easter Seals.

Tommy Lewis Boyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boyd of Seal Campaign from the Execu-tive Mansion. Kings Mountain, as studying e-lectronics technology at the

Kings Mountain, as studying e-lectronics technology at the Gaston Technical Institute in Gastonia. A division of the N. C. State College School of En-gineering, Gaston Tech is op-erated by the College Exten-sion Division. Other two-year technical programs offered at the school are electrical, me-chanical-production, and civil technology. Mountain, route supervisor for Holsum Bakeries, is in Chicago, Ill. this week attending baker's seminar.

Aid To Dependent Children Cash **Provides For 1473 In Cleveland**

The often-discussed phase of the county's welfare program children in the form of monthly ARP's Plan children in the form of monthly monetary grants are available to aid to dependent children, pro-vides monetary care for 173 de-pendent children in Cleveland contributor to the ADC welfare list in Cleveland county, Mr. Carcounty.

penter says, with illigitimacy second. Other major contributors Ben Carpenter, county welfare superintendent, in a recent com-are death of the father with inadequate or no social security eration, reports that 596 white children and 877 Negro children are recipients of aid. er.

The ADC program is frequent-Average monthly payment in ly the butt of criticism of legis-lators and citizens as the law child and \$90 per case. per

which subsidizes bastardy. Cleveland County figures on this contention tend to refute a formula whereby minimum

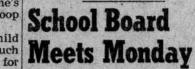
each other, Mr. Carpenter says. On the one hand, the 304 chil-therefrom is any income the fasociation, a cooperative, was high bidder for the city's 33-cus-tomer Lake Montonia power lin-than three years ago and repre-than three years ago than dilder for the city and the social of the so

The program costs cash in year's time.

For the current fiscal year, the County's ADC welfare budget is \$521.400, with the county area \$521,400, with the county supply-ing \$56,287 of this total, and the er coming from federal and state governments.

Mr. Carpenter expects this year's budget to be underspent. National figures show 778,000 ADC cases, (families) with aid being given to 2,929,000. The av-erage receiving aid is 34 children under 18 per 1,000 of population.

80 percent of peak consumption. she sings in the Junior choir at project were Mrs. George Houser, olina National Bank, Charlotte.



Principal business at Monday FPRA On March 2 Jane will be the solidation of the Kings Mountain honor guest of Governor San-ford and the state's First Lady as they launch the 1961 Easter pact. Civitan.

Superintendent B. N. Barnes said Wednesday he anticipated From then until Easter Day, the board would discuss terms From then until Easter Day, Jane will, as she says, "Be a very happy and very busy little girl." AT SEMINAR David Putnam, of Kings

General Assembly. Mr. Barnes said he also hoped J. R. Davis, attorney for the schools, would be able to make World Prayer a report on progress toward a bond issue election for the erec-tion of a new high other the erection of a new high school plant. The board will convene in the superintendents's office at 7 o'-

for teachers in the Sunday School departments of the ARP church es in Kings Mountain Control Control of Voices of various countries. Bessemer City and surrounding towns will begin Tuesday and continue through Thursday. Classes will be held from 7:45

If the eligibility tests are met, o'clock in the church social hall, Teachers of pre - school, pri mary, junior, youth and adults

church school administration.

Stay Off Grass, **Commission Asks**

Please stay off the grass: This is the plea of the Kings Mountain Recreation Commis-sion which this week announced completion of a \$1500 beautification project at Deal Street Pool.

"We're very proud of the pic-nic area", a spokesman said. Trees have been planted, grass scwn and other work on the utification project com-

missioner, and Willis Bagwell, kitchen facilities, plus service Mr. Neill, a 1944 graduate of Kings Mountain high school and J. Elmer Rhea is a candidate rooms.

1948. graduate of Davidson coll- forWard 5 commissioner and Corege, was advanced from the pos- bett Nicholson is acandidate for ition of trust officer. He has been Ward 3 commissioner. associated with the bank since

June, 1953, and has attended the Hanover Trust School, Financial Sunday Dinner Public Relations School and is At Woman's Club national trust chairman of the

don. He said that contracts for The Kings Mountain Woman's the pool project has been let. Mr. and Mrs. Neill, the former club will serve dinner to the Jean R. Webb of Kings Moun. public on Sunday.

The new clubhouse will be provements. Mrs. George Houser said the built on the site of the former tain, have three daughters and attend Providence Methodist club may offer semi-regular Sun- colonial style two-story frame table, the North Carolina Nation-church. Mr. Neill is a Myers Park day dinner service in the future. structure, with pool to be built al Guard will advertise for bids Dinner will be served begin. on the west side in an area now on the Kings Mountain armory

ning promptly at noon, she add. ocupied by a putting green. David Neill's father, B. S. Neill, recently retired after a 42-year career in banking in North Car-Reservations are requested by

Saturday noon, by telephoning olina. He was senior vice presi-Mrs. John Cheshire or Mrs. George Thomasson. Prices are \$1.50 for adults, \$1

for children under ten.

FAIRWIEW LODGE An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge 339, AF&AM for work in the third degree will be held Monday night at 7:30 at Masonic Hall, according to announcement by Thomas Tindall, secretary.

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Kings Mountain citizens will join with those around the globe **Present Two-Man Race For Mayor** Friday in the 75th observance of

World Day of Prayer. The Kings Mountain Council of **Could Be Crowded, Rumors Indicate** Churchwomen is sponsoring the local service which will be held at 3:30 p. m. at First Baptist

Last week's spate of candida-Church, Theme of the program is cies for city political offices pro-duced prolific rumors but only a

Conversational interest chiefly concerned the mayor's post, as of Wednesday a contest between Mayor Glee A. Bridges and for-

with a hefty prospect list. Classes will be held from 1.4 until 9:30 p.m. each evening at First ARP church of Gastonia. On opening night, buffet dinnen Mrs. Delbert Dixon, Mrs. W. L. Pressly, Mrs. Don Craw-Ben H. Bridges, who had been listed as a possible mayoral listed as a possible mayoral candidate, was telling friends he candidate, was telling friends he mayoral be mayoral candidate, was telling friends he candidate, was telling friends he mayoral be mayoral candidate, was telling friends he candidate, was telling friends he mayoral be mayoral candidate, was telling friends he mayoral be mayoral candidate, was telling friends he be mayoral be mayoral candidate, was telling friends he candidate, was telling friends he mayoral be mayoral b Blanton, Mrs. George Plonk, Mrs. J. E. Gamble, Mrs. Y. F. Throne- candidate, was telling friends he burg, Mrs Dorus Bennett, Mrs. H. definitely wouldn't seek the ma-C. Mayes and Mrs. C. .W. Falls. yoral job and might not offer for All churches in the Kings re-election to the commission. Among those mentioned as

possible candidates for mayor The Kings Mountain Council of considered most serious about United Churchwomen, of which offering were Harold L. Phillips, Mrs. Lawrence Lohr is president a former city commissioner, and is an interdenominational organi David L. Saunders, who sought ation representing virtually all the office unsuccessfully two churches in the community. years ago.

CENTRAL PT-SA MEETS Central School Parent-Tea-chers-Student Association will meet Tuesday, February 21, at 8:00 p. m. at the school auditorium. The program, an in-formal discussion of work be-ing done in the science and math departments, will be con-ducted by Mrs. Paul K. Ausley and Miss Kittie Lou Sutton.

Other members of the building The state will provide \$11,500 committee are Hunter R. Neisler, of the building funds, Mrs. George Houser, Fred Wright, William Herndon, and **City Tag Sales** Fred W. Plonk. Top 1500-Mark **KIWANIS CLUB** Ben F. Moomaw, superintendent of Kings Mountain National Military Park, will pre-

The city had sold a total of 1514 auto license tags for the sent the program at Thursday's current year through mid-aftermeeting of the Kiwanis club. noon Wednesday. The club convenes at 6:45 p.m.

In spite of the jump in sales in the past week, it was estimated on basis of last year tag purchases that at least 200 auto owners were candidates for latepurchasing.

Mayor Glee A. Bridges said that the tag problem will go to the police department Thursday. The law requires that a motorist purchase and display a new tag, not later than February 15, just as the law on state license tags does.

Under the law, delinquent tag buyers can be hailed to court and found guilty, subjected to a \$5 fine, in addition to court costs. The city tags sell for \$1.

Boy Scouts Spent Busy Day Saturday

Kings Mountain Boy Scouts had a busy day Saturday as they helped man city posts fog the day.

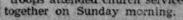
Ronnie Dover, of Troop 2, was Kings Mountain mayor-for a-day and Charles Padgett, Troop 1, was fire chief. Tommy Plonk, Troop 9, was chief of police, Larry Anderson, Troop 96, superintendent of public

utilities and Chuck Gladden. Troop 2, recorder's court judge. Commissioners - for - the day were Gene Allen, Troop 2, Lyn Cheshire, Troop 9, and Alvin Ellison, Troop 96.

Other Scouts served in vari ous posts throughout the county as a special feature of Boy Scout Week and many Scout troops attended church services

in the rumor category were three more names, those of Kel-ly Dixon, Republican candidate for Congress last November, R Coleman Stroupe, Ward 5 com-missioner, and C. T. Carpenter, Jr., representative of Interna-tional Correspondence schools. There was less conversation concerning commissioner posts. RECEIVES DEGREE — Harold Richard Hunnicutt, Jr., a member of the January graduating class at Belmont Abbey College, re-ceived his B. A. degree, major-ing in business administration with a minor in history. He will formally receive his diploma at commencement exercises on June 6th. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs H. B. Hunnicutt, Sr., of concerning commisioner posts.

Mrs. H. R. Hunnicutt. Sr., of Kings Mountain.



Mountain area will join in the ob-

servance

various churches of the city. Par-

cipating on the program will be: Mrs. Leona Fite, Mrs. Charles mer Mayor Garland E. Still, and

lone new candidate.