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Local News Bulletins

BACK FROM VACATION

Dr. and Mrs. W. P. Gerberding and son, Tommy, will arrive home this week from vacationing in Minnesota.

ROTARY MEETING

Lex G. Bartley, district director of the Gastonia social security office, will address Kings Mountain Rotarians at their Tuesday meeting at 12:15 at the Country club.

CLUB SPEAKER

Charles F. Mauney, official of Carolina Throwing company, spoke on "Fibers in the Textile Industry" at Tuesday's Rotary club meeting.

LUTHERAN SPEAKER

Dr. Leroy E. Blackwelder of Gastonia, for a number of years superintendent of the Lowman Home, Lutheran Home for the Aged at White Rock, will fill the pulpit Sunday morning at 10 a. m. and on the following Sunday, August 5th, at Resurrection Lutheran church.

AT PRESBYTERY

Dr. Paul K. Ausley, pastor, Elder Luther Candler and Deacons Bill Moss, Myers Hambricht and Joe Neisler, Jr., represented First Presbyterian church at a meeting of Kings Mountain Presbytery Tuesday at First Presbyterian church in Dallas.

ON VACATION

Rev. George Moore, pastor of Resurrection Lutheran church, Mrs. Moore and sons are vacationing for two weeks in the mountains.

HOME FROM HOSPITAL

Chris Flow, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Flow, was discharged Friday from Gaston Memorial hospital where he has been a patient for two weeks.

CAMP WEEKEND

Rev. James S. Mann, pastor of Dixon and Northside Presbyterian churches, will accompany his two congregations to Kings Mountain Presbytery Camp at Flat Rock this weekend. Sunday school will be held at Dixon church Sunday at 9:30 a. m. Worship service is planned at the camp on Sunday.

KIWANIS CLUB

Norman Hull-Ryder, public relations director of Wix Corporation, will address Kings Mountain Kiwanians at their Tuesday meeting. The club convenes at 6:45 p. m. at the Woman's club.

CAMP REUNION

The annual family reunion of descendants of the late Manson Camp will be held Sunday at Byrd Hunt between Patterson Springs and Grover. Picnic dinner will be spread at 1:30 p. m.

IMPROVING

Rev. Marion DuBose, pastor of Kings Mountain Baptist Church, is reported resting comfortably and improving daily at Kings Mountain hospital. Rev. DuBose was hospitalized July 15.

Mrs. Padgett's Sister Passes

Funeral rites for Mrs. Jenn Moller, Jr., of Galveston, Texas, sister of Mrs. P. G. Padgett of Kings Mountain, were held Monday, July 16th, from Galveston's Episcopal church, interment following in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Moller died after a month's illness. Besides Mrs. Padgett, she is survived by a daughter, Miss Miriam Moller, of Galveston.

Campbell Phifer Rites Conducted

Hardwareman Died Thursday At Age Of 80

Funeral services for Campbell Phifer, 80, one of Kings Mountain's senior retail merchants, were conducted Friday afternoon at Boyce Memorial Associate Reformed Presbyterian church.

Mr. Phifer succumbed at his home Thursday morning at 10:15 following a long illness. Death was attributed to uremic poisoning.

A Kings Mountain native, Mr. Phifer, born May 31, 1882, was a son of the late William Butler and Amanda Dixon Phifer. First employed as a farmer by the late R. S. Plonk, Mr. Phifer joined D. M. Baker & Company, hardware merchants, in 1906, subsequently became a partner in this firm and purchased the firm in 1921. He changed the name to Phifer Hardware Company, a partnership with the late W. A. Ware and George Candler as one-sixth partners each. These ownerships were purchased in subsequent years.

At his death, Phifer Hardware Company was again a partnership with members of his immediate family.

A few years ago, Mr. Phifer was awarded a gold hammer, emblematic of a half-century as a hardwareman.

A loyal churchman, Mr. Phifer was an elder of the ARP church, and before his illness, served for 37 years as treasurer of the church Sabbath school.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Minnie Ware Phifer, three sons, Wendell Phifer, Marriott Phifer and Menzell Phifer, all of Kings Mountain, and a daughter, Mrs. R. P. Anthony, Gastonia.

Also surviving are six brothers, Arthur Phifer, Martin Phifer, Lloyd Phifer, Rufus Phifer and Jake Phifer, all of Kings Mountain, and Dempsey Phifer, Susanville, Calif., and two sisters, Misses Minnie and Margaret Phifer, both of Kings Mountain. Ten grandchildren survive.

The final rites were conducted by the church pastor, Dr. W. L. Pressly, with interment in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mr. Phifer's funeral was the first in the new Boyce Memorial church on Edgemont avenue.

Active pallbearers were Paul Ham, Jr., Garrison Goforth, Earl Cloninger, Brown Ware, W. G. Crautham, and R. M. Kennedy. Honorary pallbearers were other elders and deacons of Boyce Memorial church.

The family had requested that memorials be made to the ARP church building fund.

Privilege License Penalty Date Near

Penalty for late purchase of privilege licenses applies next week, City Clerk Joe McDaniel, Jr., reminded yesterday.

The law specifies a penalty for late purchase of five percent per month on the cost of the licenses due and payable July 1.

Penalty applies August 2. Through Tuesday, Kings Mountain industry and business had purchased a total of \$3,390.25 in licenses, considerably under the \$5500 in license sales the city anticipates for the current fiscal year.

City Gas Revenues Will Increase To Record \$234,725, Say Engineers

The city's natural gas system engineers anticipate heavy increase in gross revenues during the current fiscal year and a slight increase in net profits.

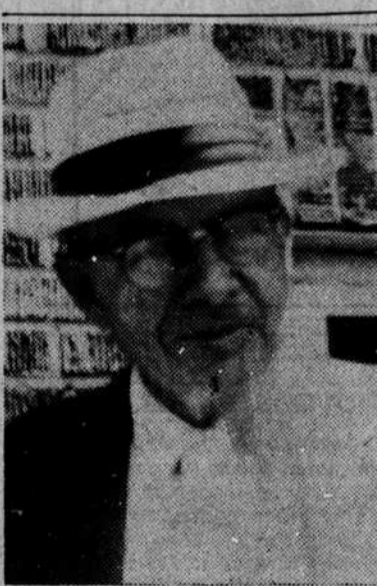
Barnard & Burk, the engineering firm, thinks the city will have gross revenues of \$234,725 — up \$47,400 over the year ended June 30 — and net profit, after fixed charge of \$18,142.50 for debt service, of \$71,405.

Meantime, operating costs, exclusive of debt service, are expected to rise \$145,177.

Increases are expected in all categories of gas sales.

Purchases by residential customers are expected to rise by \$14,000 to \$109,340; by commercial customers by \$17,000 to \$57,500; industrial sales by \$18,500 to \$56,870; and sales profit to public institutions by \$265 to \$9,015. Miscellaneous revenues are expected to drop by \$2,250 to an even \$2,000.

Principal expected increase in operating expenses is in purchase of gas from Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Corporation to \$120,300. Labor is expected to cost \$2,000 more this year, supplies to cost \$500 additionally, equipment maintenance to require \$600 more, while other budgeted items are anticipated at either the same figures as last year or have increased less than \$100 each, excepting the five percent salary raise for the gas system superintendent.



MR. SUMMERS' FUNERAL FOR CAMPBELL PHIFER, 80, KING MOUNTAIN HARDWAREMAN, WAS HELD LAST FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Mrs. Summers 'Tree Farmer'

BY ELIZABETH STEWART Mrs. Bonnie Mauney Summers who cultivates local history as a hobby, is also a tree farmer.

Well-known for her histories in the form of "family trees", for good management practices on 70 acres of woodlands, she has earned a certificate this week and a white "Tree Farm" sign which certifies her Tree Farmer No. 900 in North Carolina.

The Summers woodland property is just north of the city on Cherryville road adjoining the Gaston County line.

As evidence of the belief she and her late banker husband, Frank R. Summers, had regarding conservation, there is a six-acre shortleaf pine tract planted 26 years ago. As a further conservation practice the tract was later overplanted with bicolor lespedeza, a favorite wildlife plant. Two years ago Mrs. Summers planted all the remaining 20 acres of open land on the property in loblolly pine. During the past several years she had the older tree tract and seeded areas selectively marked and harvested.

Forester John Weatherly of Catawba Timber Company (Bowers), who inspected the Summers woodlands Monday, noted that landowners who practice good forestry and grow continuous crops of trees are recognized by the Tree Farm program, sponsored nationally by American Products Industries, Inc.

Commenting on Mrs. Summers' certification as a tree farmer, he said, "If more landowners were as interested in good practices as Mrs. Summers, North Carolina's woodlands could be made twice as productive. She is one of those ladies who is concerned and cooperates in any effort to practice conservation."

A native of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Summers is a member of one of Kings Mountain's pioneer families in establishing textiles and banking in the area. A member of Colonel Frederick Hambricht chapter, D.A.R., of which she has served as regent, she is active in the work of St. Matthew's Lutheran church and member of a garden club. She maintains her residence on property adjoining her "tree farm," has beautifully wooded ground and cultivates a profusion of flowers and shrubs.

Old Ferugson Gold Mine Leased To Canadian Duo

Mrs. Lenora Patterson Taylor, of Gastonia, has leased the old Ferguson gold mine near the South Carolina state parks to two Canadians, who have begun work in preparing the old mine for re-entry.

Mrs. Taylor's son, Caswell Taylor, Jr., said the mine has been leased to Bill Doney and Art Frankum, both of Toronto. Mr. Taylor said the mine was last worked in the thirties, first by a company headed by his late grandfather George V. Patterson, who owned the property, and subsequently to a lessee.

He said the mine has four shafts, with the deepest not more than 110 feet deep with two or three tunnels bored from the shafts.

"The lessees think there's gold there in sufficient quantity to make mining it profitable," Mr. Taylor commented, adding, "and we hope there is."

The mine is located off the dirt road known as the Apple Orchard road, south of the road leading from the York highway to Kings Mountain National Military Park and N. C. Highway 216.

Mr. Taylor said he had furnished the lessees with old assay reports of previous ore extractions.

The federal government has fixed the price of pure gold at \$35 per ounce.

Commission Adopts Budget

The city board of commissioners adopted the 1962-63 budget and formally set the ad valorem tax rate at \$1.50 per hundred valuation in a called meeting last Friday.

The balanced budget of \$761,621 is virtually the same as the budget which had been previously adopted.

Lower by \$1392, the change reflects payment by the city of half of last year's receipts from sale of cemetery lots into the cemetery perpetual care fund.

The \$150 tax rate is apportioned as follows:

- 1) General fund, for general expenses incident to operation of the city 7.5 cents.
2) Debt service, for retirement of the bonded debt and payment of interest thereon 40.7 cents.
3) Capital outlay for making permanent improvements 96.8 cents.
4) Recreation fund for maintaining a recreation program and for upkeep of recreational equipment five cents.

The city again levied the \$2 poll tax on all male citizens between the ages of 21 and 50.

The budget, tax rate and poll tax were adopted unanimously on motion of Commissioner Ben H. Bridges, seconded by Commissioner Ray W. Cline.

Youth Day Sunday At Macedonia

Rev. Wayne Ashe, pastor of Macedonia Baptist church, announces today that Sunday will be Youth Day at the church on Grover road.

Each fifth Sunday is observed as a day when the young people take over leadership roles in the church and have complete charge of the evening worship service.

The committee on planning activities for Youth Day includes Mrs. Wayne Ashe, Mrs. Vernon Smith, and Mrs. Tommie Beam. Refreshment committee is composed of Mrs. Goldman Spears and Mrs. Ruth Lynn.

The public is invited to attend the special Youth Service.

Police Auxillary To Be Discussed

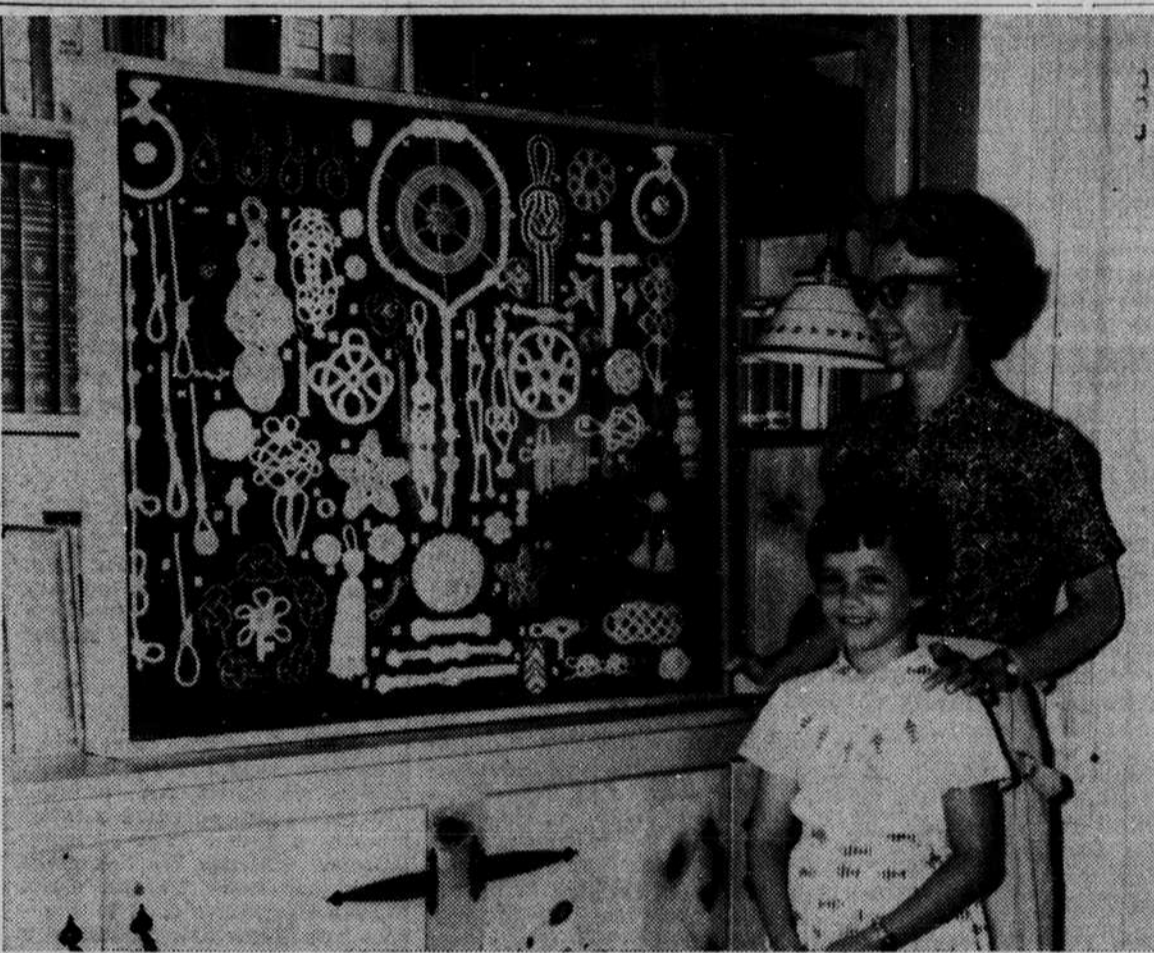
Plans for organizing a police auxiliary for aid in the Kings Mountain Civil Defense program will be discussed at a public meeting Monday at 8:00 p. m. in the City Hall courtroom.

All persons interested in the projected organization are encouraged to attend the meeting. Present for the discussion will be Don Shields, Cleveland County Civil Defense director, J. O. Harris, Kings Mountain director of Civil Defense, Mayor Kelly Dixon, and acting chief of police Paul Sanders.

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday totaled \$211.15. City Clerk Joe McDaniel reported, including \$139.60 from on-street meters, \$17.55 from off-street meters, and \$54 in fines for over-parking.

Henson, Tate Recommended For Rural Carrier Positions



CLASS GETS SEAMAN'S KNOTS -- Mrs. H. Glenn Campbell, wife of the navy skipper whose ship, "The USS General William O. Darby", has been "adopted" by a North school sixth grade class, is pictured above with daughter, Lee Ann, in front of the exhibit Capt. Campbell has sent to the teacher, Miss Janet Falls. The 79 seaman's knots, used on sailing vessels, are var-colored and are displayed above.

above on black background. Mrs. Campbell and her daughter came from Philadelphia to spend last week here where the family may live after Capt. Campbell's retirement in October. The navy skipper became acquainted with Kings Mountain from letters from pupils of Falls Falls over a two year period. The Campbells were photographed above in the Falls home. (Photo by Claire Gilstad)

Democratic Committees Take Action

Bobby Eugene Hinson and Fred Tate have been recommended by Democratic precinct committees of the Kings Mountain area to fill the two rural carrier vacancies at Kings Mountain postoffice.

Democratic committeemen of East Kings Mountain, Bethware and West Kings Mountain precincts met at City Hall courtroom Wednesday afternoon, with 13 of 15 members present. The two recommendations will be forwarded to United States Representative Basil L. Whitener, who had requested the recommendations of the three committees.

Present at the meeting was Clint Newton, of Shelby, county Democratic chairman, who will forward the recommendations to the Congressman.

The men recommended were placed on the four-man eligible list by the postoffice department after competitive civil service examinations given to about 75 applicants last year.

The committees, by unanimous voice vote, declined to reconsider a prior request by Donald W. Crawford, postoffice clerk, that he be recommended for transfer to one of the rural carrier positions.

Henson, who placed first on the examination, is an employee of McCoy's Service Station. He is a Marine veteran, with seven years of service, and previously was a member of the Kings Mountain National Guard unit.

Tate, who lives on Bethlehem Road, is an air force veteran and employee of Lithium Corporation of America. He finished third on the competitive examination. He is a brother of Oliver Tate, parcel post deliveryman at the postoffice.

Others on the eligible list are Boyd Howell, and James J. Alexander, both are air force veterans. Howell placed second and Alexander fourth.

Congressman Whitener has not indicated when he would file his recommendations with the postoffice department, but the department asked that they be received by August 5.

Postmaster Charles L. Alexander said this week that the two rural vacancies are for Routes 1 and 2.

Route 1, covering 55.62 miles per delivery day, carries a basic salary of \$4783 per annum, plus ten cents per mile operating expenses.

Route 2, covering 68 miles per delivery day, carries a basic salary of \$5095 per annum, plus ten cents per mile operating expenses.

All members of the precinct committees present signed the formal recommendation.

Present were Willard Boyles, Clyde Short, Mrs. H. A. Goforth, and J. D. Jones, Bethware; J. Ollie Harris, Mrs. J. E. Lipford, S. A. Crouse and Leonard Smith, East Kings Mountain; and Hugh D. Ormand, Wilson Crawford, Mrs. F. A. McDaniel, Jr., Mrs. J. T. McGinnis, Jr., and Martin Harmon, West Kings Mountain.

The voting was by secret ballot.

First Baptist Sets Homecoming Rites

Cornerstone To Be Laid At Ceremonies

Rev. E. V. Hudson of Gastonia, former interim pastor, will make the principal address Sunday at Homecoming and Cornerstone laying services at First Baptist church.

Former pastors and church workers will take part on the program.

The morning worship service at 11 a. m. will be broadcast via Station WKMT. Rev. B. L. Raines, pastor, will deliver the morning message.

Lunch will be served at the church at 12:30.

Featured on the afternoon program, beginning at 1:30, will be a history of the church read by Mrs. I. C. Davis, historian; special music by the Brotherhood chorus, under the direction of Allan Jolley; special music by Rev. and Mrs. L. C. Pinnix of Knoxville, Tennessee, and the afternoon message by Rev. Mr. Hudson. The Pinnixes are formerly of Kings Mountain. Mr. Pinnix is a former pastor.

The laying of the church cornerstone will climax the afternoon service.

The First Baptist church building, the first unit in a long-range building program, was completed June, 1960, with first service on July 3, 1960. Sunday will be the church's first homecoming service. Former members and friends of the church are issued a special message.

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Russell Parrish To Join Herald

Russell Parrish, of Shelby, will succeed Wade Hartsoe as Herald shop superintendent Monday.

Mr. Hartsoe has resigned to join the mechanical staff of the Gastonia Gazette and will begin his new duties Monday.

Mr. Parrish, a native of Smithfield, will come to the Herald from the Forest City Courier. He has previously held positions at Orange Printshop, Chapel Hill, and at the Morganton News-Herald.

Mr. Hartsoe completed five years with the Herald in July. He joined the Herald from the Yorkville Enquirer, York, S. C. He and his family expect to continue to live here in their Monroe avenue residence.



GRADUATES -- James Thomas Smith has graduated from N. C. State college and won his commission as a second lieutenant in the Air Force.

Smith Wins College Degree

James Thomas (Tommy) Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur G. Smith of Kings Mountain, was graduated from North Carolina State college at Raleigh.

He received his commission as a second lieutenant in the Air Force and reports for active duty August 20th at Omaha, Nebraska AFB.

Mr. Smith, who received his bachelor of science degree in mathematics and education, was a member of the YDC and the student NEA at State. He was also a member of the advanced AFROTIC and vice-president of his dorm.

OPTIMISTS MEET

Members of the Optimist Club of Kings Mountain will meet in regular weekly session Thursday at 7:00 p. m. at the Cottonwood Restaurant on Highway 29.

City Schools Faculty 14 Short As Four More Resignations Given

Four teacher resignations during the past week brought vacancies on the city schools' faculty to 14. Superintendent B. N. Barnes reported Wednesday.

Resigning are Miss Elaine Falls, of Morganton, teacher of eighth grade at Central school; Mrs. Frances L. Paysour Newby, of Lincolnton, teacher of a third-fourth grade combination at Compact; Mrs. Patsy P. White, of Gaffney, S. C., teacher of second grade at Grover; and Mrs. Carolyn P. Roark, of Blacksburg, S. C., teacher of fourth grade at Grover.

Vacancies at Compact school include two for the high school department and one elementary teacher.

Gas System Bids Due On Tuesday

Bids on an estimated \$38,000 to \$40,000 in additions to the city's natural gas distribution system will be received by the board of commissioners Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Four firms have already paid the ten dollar fee for engineering plans and specifications for installing four regulator stations, and a six-inch booster line from the York Road high pressure line on Gold street to Candler street, thence north on Candler street to Kings Mountain Mica Company.

The Gold street line would proceed also to Sims street, then north to Mountain, then west to Mountain, then with the present Phifer Road line to increase capacity to this area and Bennett Brick & Tile Company.

The work will require about two miles of six-inch steel pipe, the engineers, Barnard & Burk, state.