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Fifteenth Annual Bethware Fair Will Open Wednesday

Local News Bulletins

P-T-S-A MEETS
The Kings Mountain high school Parent - Teacher - Student organization meets Tuesday at 8 p.m. for the initial meeting of the school year in Central auditorium.

FULL SCHEDULE BEGINS
All activities resumed this week at St. Matthew's Lutheran church. Choir practice began Wednesday; Confirmation classes Thursday after school for eighth graders; Saturday at 10 a.m. for seventh graders. The Luther League will hold a meeting at 6 p.m. Sunday; refreshments will be served. All circles of the Women of the Church will meet Monday. Regular Sunday services with Sunday School at 9:45; worship at 11.

Township Event Will Feature Exhibits, Rides

It's Fairtime again, and the 15th season for Bethware Progressive club which is readying for opening day Wednesday of Bethware community fair.

Bethware School grounds will be a beehive of activity this week as workmen prepare booths and exhibit halls for the four-day event September 12-15.

Cash prizes to winning exhibitors will be given for the sixth year. Fair Manager Myers Hambricht said yesterday. Exhibits, he said, reflect the changes and improvements in the ever-advancing agricultural, commercial and industrial fields.

The fair will open Wednesday at 4 p.m. Children's Day is next Thursday with special events planned from 1 until 6 p.m. Ribbons and cash prizes will also be awarded exhibitors that day, Mr. Hambricht noted. There will be the customary midway attractions, rides, concessions and a new attraction, Eagleson's Ape Show, featuring educated and trained chimpanzees. Drawing for prizes from area merchants will be featured nightly followed by fireworks. A bicycle will be given away via a drawing the closing day of the fair.

Frankie Hamrick, daughter of Bethware Progressive club president Frank Hamrick and Mrs. Hamrick, is Queen of this year's Fair.

The official fair catalog, which lists premiums, rules and regulations, patrons and the fair program, has already been distributed. Bethware Fair is approved by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and is a member of the North Carolina Association of Fairs.

138 Students Off-To-School In Near Future

By ELIZABETH STEWART
The Kings Mountain area will send at least 138 students to 59 colleges, universities, prep schools and schools for specialized training this fall.

North Carolina State College at Raleigh and Western Carolina College at Cullowhee head the list with 14 area students enrolled. UNC at Chapel Hill is second favorite of Kings Mountain students, where nine are enrolled.

Numerous students plan careers in business, nursing and specialized fields. Several students are enrolled in graduate schools.

DUKE UNIVERSITY — Jimmy Plunk, Carol Jean Goter, Lynn Russell and Ann Broadwater.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA — Mac Lennen, Beatrice Leonard, Gay Jolley, Mike McKee, Jerry Patterson Marshall Gore and James Swanson.

MEREDITH — Karen Raines, Norma Hamrick and Susan Kesler.

AGNES SCOTT COLLEGE — Kay Broadwater.

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE — Sandy Campbell and Nick Smith.

MARY BALDWIN COLLEGE — Margaret Jackson.

HAMPDEN - SYDNEY COLLEGE, Hampden Sydney, Va. — Phillip Padgett, Jr.

Three Possible Locations For Area High School Plant

Funeral Held For Jette Plunk, Retired Teacher

Funeral services for Miss Jette Regina Plunk, 70, life-long resident of Kings Mountain and retired Kings Mountain teacher, were held Saturday morning at Harris Funeral Home chapel.

Miss Plunk died at 8 o'clock Thursday night at Kings Mountain hospital, following several months' illness. First hospitalized with pneumonia, Miss Plunk had suffered a heart attack before fully recuperating.

Miss Plunk was a daughter of the late Michael L. and Lenora Love Plunk. She attended Lenoir-Rhyne college and Woman's college of the University of North Carolina.

A primary department teacher at East school, Miss Plunk retired at the end of the 1957-58 term. At that time, the board of education presented her a resolution of appreciation for 38 years of service to Kings Mountain schools.

She was a member of First Presbyterian church.

Surviving are a brother, R. Grier Plunk, and her step-mother, Mrs. Sophronia Falls Plunk, both of Kings Mountain.

Dr. Paul K. Ausley, First Presbyterian pastor, conducted the funeral rites and interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Harold Plunk, John O. Plink, Jr., Hal S. Plunk, and Ed H. Smith, all of Kings Mountain, Austin Lackey, Jr., of Fallston, and Carswell Taylor, Jr. of Gastonia.

Library Awaits Election Petitions

The county board of commissioners told the Shelby Public Library board Tuesday it was sympathetic to the library group's plight but indicated it would not call a special election for building a county library building and operating tax election minus proper petitions.

A petition of 15 percent of the registered voters would make calling of such elections mandatory.

The Shelby Public Library board is in a quandary for space and operating funds, following the City of Shelby's recent notice that the library must vacate quarters in Shelby City Hall next June and that the City of Shelby will cease to appropriate funds for the library.

To the pleas of the library board that calling on an election at the general election would save the expense of a special election, the commission pointed out it would need to know 1) amount required for a building to house the library, 2) how much is potentially required for annual operation costs, and 3) how funds would be divided between existing libraries (Shelby and Kings Mountain) or other libraries which might be established in the future.

The county has been appropriating to the Shelby library for several years, this year agreed to increase the appropriation \$1500 on condition the City of Shelby did the same, as had been indicated. Rather than increase the appropriation, the City of Shelby posted the eviction notice and said it wouldn't appropriate in the future.

The county's appropriation to the Jacob S. Mauney Memorial library here is \$500 annually.

Architects' Report Gets Approval

By HAROLD PEARSON
Three prospective locations for the new Kings Mountain high school were viewed and discussed by the Kings Mountain Board of Education at a called meeting Saturday morning.

The tentative locations were at either end of the school site property on Phifer Road with one layout showing the proposed new school on the back edge of the property's geographic center.

Fred Van Wageningen and Tom Cothran, of Architects (Associated) of Shelby, presented and explained the tentative layouts which showed the school and athletic fields in three separate arrangements.

Purpose of the architects' presentation was to get the board's reactions to the proposed locations and obtain permission to carry the tentative plans to Raleigh to be discussed with the Division of School Planning.

Permission was granted and this step should be taken within the next few days according to Supt. B. N. Barnes.

Following the discussion of the proposed locations, the board voted unanimously to elect the teachers employed since the last board meeting. Teachers elected were Miss Majorie Anglin, Burnsville, for East School and Miss Ora Jean Roberts, Granite Quarry, for Davidson School.

Action by the board concerning requests for transfers and releases from present school assignments resulted in seven pupils being granted transfers.

Granted transfers from East School to West School were William Kemp Mauney, III, (6th), Pete Ware (6th) Sarah Simpson (4th) Terry Arrowood (2nd).

Freda Williams (West to North), Kenneth Craig Bolin and Delaine Elaine Tria (Bethware to West) were also granted transfers.

Requests for transfers were denied Libby Trotter (East to West), Philip Baker (Beth to West), Suzanne Amos (Beth to North), Janet Putnam (North to Beth), and Elizabeth Mullinax and Robert N. Page (Grover to Park Grace).

Motions by board members on the request of Martha Jane Mauney failed to receive second and the original assignment remained while six were denied.

In considering the requests individually, the board studied the load conditions of each school before rendering their decision.

The board voted to accept the verbal release of the superintendent of Gaston County Schools the admission of two first graders from that county.

In other action Supt. Barnes was authorized to proceed with plans for in-service training for teachers.

Upon a request by Supt. Barnes, the board also authorized Barnes and the board chairman to arrange transportation for bus drivers returning from Bethware.

The board tabled a request by Dr. Paul Ausley that the school complete the teaching load of Mrs. Jeannine Fisher, Bible teacher, and pay a proportionate share of her salary.



SPEAKER — Carroll M. Barringer, Republican candidate for Congress from the tenth district, will address members of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club at their meeting at the Woman's Club Thursday night at 7 o'clock. Mr. Barringer is a Conover oil and lumber dealer.

Nicholson: Get Gas Cut-Ons Now

Natural gas heating customers, who order summer cut-offs, can get service resumed at a bargain during September.

Corbett Nicholson, as system superintendent, said. September cut-offs will cost only one dollar. The regular fee is three dollars. He pointed out that chilly weather is just around the corner and that the gas department won't be able to make all cut-ons at the last minute.

"Get ready for cold weather in time," he urges, "and save money, too."

Fulton's Store Robbed Again

Fulton's Department store had a third visit from a thief or thieves within the past six weeks Sunday night.

W. S. Fulton, Jr., owner, said he could not determine the amount of goods stolen Sunday night, but said the thieves concentrated on boys and men's wear, including shoes, pants, shirts, underwear and other items.

The thieves gained entry through a panel window near the rear door. The previous Sunday night the window had been cracked but entry wasn't gained. Six weeks ago, the small front window was smashed and Mr. Fulton found two pairs of shoes missing.

Police have questioned several persons concerning the robbery, but have announced no findings.

Specs Changed On Water Line

W. K. Dickson, city engineer, after conferring with an insurance company engineer, is recommending installation of a ten-inch connecting water line from the Deal street filter plant to York road, rather than a 14-inch connecting line.

A 14-inch connection would not materially affect the flow more than a 10-inch connection," he wrote Mayor Kelly Dixon.

The connection was requested by Sadies Mills Company, which requires more pressure for its fire-protecting sprinkler system.

The engineer added that, if the flow is still sufficient, it could be increased by extending the 8-inch York road line to connect with the 6-inch King street line, and by running the York road line via Slater street, to connect with the Oriental line.

"This line will be done in the future anyway, but I am not recommending it today."

The installation will require 175 feet of 10-inch cast iron pipe, plus required valves, tees, and a ten-inch 45-degree bend.

Mayor Dixon says the necessary pipe and other materials are being obtained.

LET HERALD KNOW
The Herald candidly seeks to publish a complete list of students leaving the Kings Mountain area for study at technical schools, colleges and omissions will be appreciated. Please call the Herald, Phone 729-5441.

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA — Chip Nielsen.

FLORIDA SOUTHERN — Phil Mauney.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE — Mary Lillian Lewis.

SALEM COLLEGE — Betty Morrison.

MARS HILL COLLEGE — Robert Whinsant, Henry Raines and Rhea Lineberger.

EASTERN CAROLINA COLLEGE — Jimmy Blanton, Gary Blanton, Arthur Allen, Jr., Reece Cloninger, and David Roberts.

FURMAN UNIVERSITY — Jim Hardin.

BEREA COLLEGE — Jerry and Barbara Proctor.

GUILFORD COLLEGE — Brenda Gail Hamrick.

WAKE FOREST COLLEGE — Paul Hendricks, Jr. and Pobby Biddix.

BREVARD COLLEGE — Sandra Moss.

CITADEL — James Parker.

BERKINE COLLEGE — Nancy Hoavis and Jerry Wright.

CLEMSON — Tommy Bennett.

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE — Bubba Routineer.

LEES - MORAE COLLEGE — Virginia Rollins.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE — James Forrest, Billie Jones, Roger Powell, Steve Powell, Bill Ramsey, James Robbins, Phil Humpstead, Glenn Grigg, Jr., Melvin West, David Plunk, Eddie Townsend, Barry Smith and Claude Glendon, Jerry Morris.

WESTERN CAROLINA — Jane Houser, Buddy Kircus, Ernie Payne, Dale Hofffield, Janie Trammell, Jerry Adams, Jean Harlow, Eddie Ross, Doug Burk.

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ARP Youth Week

Young people of Boyce Memorial ARP church will lead the worship service Sunday evening as a feature of Youth Week activities at the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church.

Church Benefit

The Ladies' and Men's Bible classes of Grace Methodist church will serve chicken - and - dumpling plates with all the trimmings Saturday from 11 a.m. until 7:30 p.m., lunch and super. Delivery service is available from the fellowship hall at 1 per plate. Benefit is the fellowship hall building fund.

Has Operation

L. E. (Josh) Hinnant is recuperating from an eye operation he underwent last Thursday at Charlotte Eye, Ear & Throat hospital. The operation was for removal of a cyst causing malfunction of a tear duct gland. He hopes to return home this weekend.

Dueses Improving

Rev. Marion DuBoise, pastor of Kings Mountain Baptist church, continues to improve from a recent heart attack. At home after hospitalization, he is not permitted to see visitors from 9:30 to 10:30 morning, and from 7 to 8 evenings.

Lions Of County To Meet Locally

Members of the Kings Mountain Lions Club will join those of the Cleveland County at a county-wide meeting at Braselton's Cedar Park Tuesday.

Fellowship hour will begin at 7 p.m. with dinner to be served at 7:30.

Kings Mountain Lions will leave from the Women's Club 6 p.m., President Jonas Bridge announced.

D. M. Pouchak's Mother Passes

Russian Eastern Orthodox funeral rites for Mrs. Tekla Pouchak, 73, mother of D. M. Pouchak, 107 S. Goforth street, Kings Mountain, were held in Chisholm, Minn., on Monday.

Mrs. Pouchak, widow of Harry Pouchak, was a native of Czechoslovakia. She succumbed at her Minnesota home Friday.

Surviving, in addition to her son here, are two sons, William and John Pouchak, of Chisholm, Minn., and a daughter, Mrs. Ann Zadnick, Muskegon, Mich. Also surviving are ten grand-children and three great-grandchildren.

Not Prying, Says SH&PW

Motorists entering or leaving Kings Mountain Wednesday were being stopped at roadblocks and asked, "Where are you headed?"

It isn't unusual, as some may think, and will be an everyday occurrence here all this week and next, Leroy Edwards, supervisor in charge of field work for the state highway planning department, explains.

Mr. Edwards wants you to know, if you operate a car, that he and 25 other workers are not "prying" when they stop traffic at all roads leading into the city limits. "It's nothing personal," he says.

Similar traffic studies called "origin - destination" surveys are conducted throughout the state and particularly during the summer months. Mr. Edwards noted his department is on duty here from 6 a.m. until 10 p.m. daily, has assistance at all times from the state highway patrol.

Licenses are not checked, nor are there mechanical checks. The planning department is interested only in the trip the driver makes, whether into or outside the city limits.

James S. Bruce heads the state highway planning department in charge of these projects.

Labor Day Meant Labor

Labor Day was largely a day of labor in Kings Mountain.

Much of industry operated on regular schedule and many folk claiming a holiday from regular duties (store personnel, city office, postoffice and bank personnel) admitted to working even harder at chores at home.

Schools operated on regular schedule.

Some citizens went to Darlington, S.C., for the annual Darlington 500 and the Cleveland County Rescue squad did their bit in clearing the wreckage of the hloodst from which Driver Johnny Allen escaped.

It was real labor for the repair crews of Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company. A clipped cable in the Grover Road area had the workmen working late Monday night and there was more to come. A thunderstorm late Tuesday afternoon meant more repair work Wednesday.

City police reported 26 weekend arrests, largely for minor infractions, and no traffic accidents.

School Enrollment On Fifth Day 4231, Up 67 From Opening Total

Enrollment for Kings Mountain area schools reached 4231 for the fifth membership day, Wednesday, according to figures released by Superintendent B. N. Barnes. This was an increase of 67 over the opening day total of 4164 on August 30.

The fifth day enrollment also represented an increase of 28 over last year's figure.

With the increase came no particular difficulties in so far as overloaded and split grade situations were concerned, Mr. Barnes reported.

At the present time there exists only two classes considered overloaded. There are six split - grade combinations with-in the system.

The fifth grade at West School and the seventh grade at Bethware are the two grades that could be termed "overloaded."

West fifth shows 35 pupils with one teacher, and Bethware seventh has 38 for one teacher.

The combinations are 1 - 2 and 3 - 4 at Bethware; 2 - 3 and 4 - 5 at Grover; and Park Grace's 2 - 3 and 3 - 4.

Transfers have alleviated crowded situations at other schools.

Overall, Mr. Barnes reports the situation to be much better than last year and better than on opening day.

The high school registered an increase of 97 over last year's enrollment. However, there was little problem here since Central School houses only grades 9-12 this year, plus two special education classes. The transfer of all Central eighth grades provided extra classroom space this year.

Mr. Barnes noted that the high school situation at Central School is much better in that it is no longer necessary to utilize the auditorium and cafeteria for classroom use. Only one television class is conducted in the auditorium this year.

The system's total high school population reached 1162 with the 208 enrolled at Compact. This represented a gain of 98 over 1961.

Total elementary enrollment was 3069 including 2372 at East, West, Park Grace, Bethware, North and Grover and 697 at Compact and Davidson.

In the elementary schools the average teacher load is 29.97 per teacher; at the Grover, West, East, North, Park Grace and Bethware schools and 28 per teacher at Compact and Davidson elementary schools.

C. E. Carpenter Files For Mayor

Clarence E. Carpenter, Sr., one-time city tax supervisor and clerk of recorder's court, is running for mayor at next May's election.

His announcement is not the customary early-bird trial balloon but an official filing.

He paid his filing fee to City Clerk Joe McDaniel, Jr., Tuesday, and notified him in writing: "This day, I file my fee for mayor in the next election."

"My intention is to promote the betterment of the City of Kings Mountain, the Town that I was born and raised in, in this election. I will still promote the best interest of the City of Kings Mountain."

"I am making this statement in that Mr. Carpenter's official entry into the race is the earliest in Kings Mountain political history."

He told the Herald Wednesday, "I'm in (the race) to stay."

Mr. Carpenter is a World War I veteran.

City Taxes Said 28.5 Percent Paid

City tax pre-payments during August approximated \$30,000, about 28.5 percent of the city's estimated \$175,000 tax levy, Acting Tax Collector Joe McDaniel, Jr., reported.

Payments during the final three days of August totaled \$22,000.

August taxpayers discounted their accounts two percent.

The discount rate during September is one percent.

Dressing Room Work Underway

The first course of concrete blocks were being laid Wednesday morning on the dressing room-rest room facility at City Stadium.

Mayor Kelly Dixon said the next step would be the plumber's for necessary pipe installation.

Following that, the structure will be erected, and roofed.

"Weather permitting, it shouldn't require too much time," the Mayor said.

The city will demolish the old rest room facilities near the concession stand.

Crawford Wins Scouting Honor

W. Donald Crawford of Kings Mountain was awarded the Scouter's Key in ceremonies held at a Friday night Boy Scout commissioners meeting in Gardner-Webb College Webb Building.

Dr. Eugene Poston, president of the college and Boy Scout commissioner for the Cleveland County district, presented the key. It is Scouting's second highest award.

Crawford is the first person in the Piedmont Council's Cleveland district to win the key for commissioner service.

An employee of Kings Mountain post office, he has served as a Boy Scout line commissioner for the past year, with four neighborhood commissioners under his direction.

"Dr. Poston said Crawford has developed and supervised the district commissioner staff in his area, conducted roundtable meetings for leaders of Boy Scout and Cub Scouts, cooperated with the district commissioner, and with professional Scout executives of the district and council. In addition, he went through a 10-day training period in which he lived in a wooded area, securing his food, water and shelter from nature. He led a troop of Scouts on a recent expedition to Philmont Scout Ranch.

The Crawford family are active in Boyce Memorial ARP church and Sunday School. Mrs. Crawford is the former Joann Blalock. They have a daughter, Donna.

Hypnodrama Here Saturday

Professor Orloff, a hypnotist, comes to Kings Mountain Saturday to present an audience participation hypnosis show under sponsorship of the Kings Mountain Optimist club.

Proceeds will go to the Optimist sponsored midget football program.

A free show will be presented beginning at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, when the hypnotist chauffeurs a car through Kings Mountain streets while blindfolded. Chief of Police Paul Sanders is scheduled to be a passenger.

Saturday night's show, at Kings Mountain high school auditorium, will open with an explanation of hypnosis. The Professor will then hypnotize several subjects and direct them into various in-trance escapades. In one, entitled "Show Time," the hypnotized subjects will do a soft shoe dance to an imagined accompaniment. In another a subject eats a lemon, believing it as sweet as a Florida orange.

WEIR HOME

Sam Weir, Kings Mountain insurance man, returned home from Charlotte Memorial hospital Wednesday, following an operation he underwent two weeks previously.

Right-of-Way Need (Three Feet) Snarls Fairview Street Project

By MARTIN HARMON
Little problems can be most trying.

A vast majority of the residents of Fairview street have petitioned the city for curb and gutter, but a right-of-way problem along the street (from Piedmont to Linwood road) has not yet been resolved.

From Cranford drive to Ellison street the city claims only 25 feet of right-of-way versus the 28 feet minimum need to install curb and gutter.

Of the six property owners along this short strip of road, Mayor Kelly Dixon reports, three have indicated they will provide the extra right-of-way, two have said they won't, and one hasn't yet committed himself.

The city has asked property owners on each side of this narrow winding street for 18 inches.

The city would like to see the curb and gutter installed for two principal reasons, 1) to improve the drainage situation, and 2) to save upkeep on the street.

According to Mayor Dixon, the city has three alternatives:

1) Forget the project.

2) Install curb and gutter from Piedmont avenue to Cranford (if new petitions can be obtained from property owners who have indicated to willingness to go through the signing chore again).

3) Condemn the property required where the owners will not convey the required 18 inches each.

Mayor Dixon declines to guess which course will be taken.

Storm Fouls Herald Telephone Set-Up

Yes, the Herald staff was on duty Wednesday.

Lightening during Tuesday evening's thunderstorm served to suspend the Herald's No. 1 telephone service and to short out the customary sequential ring into Line No. 2.

Unfortunately, due to the sequential automatic ring arrangement, the telephone directory lists only one Herald number, 733-5441.

Until the sequential arrangement was repaired about 1:30 Wednesday afternoon, the Herald had only two incoming calls, Ned McGill apparently knew the second Herald number, 739-5442. The other came from Slater Mills, after the caller had checked at the residence of the editor to find if the numbers had been changed.

Both lines were back in order shortly after 2 p.m.