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PRICE TEN CENTS

J. Wilson Crawford Is Elected C of C President

Local News Bulletins

JOINS FACULTY

William Boyd of Lincolnton, graduate of Lenoir Rhyne College, has joined the faculty of Kings Mountain high school as mathematics teacher.

TRY-OUTS HELD

Try-outs for the Senior class production of "And Came the Spring" are being held at Kings Mountain high school.

CHURCH BENEFIT

Men of Christ the King Catholic church will serve barbecue chicken and supper Sunday from 12 noon until 2 p. m.

LEGION DANCE

Legionnaires, their wives and guests will dance to music by Buddy Estes and his band Saturday night from 9 until 12 p. m.

TO TRAINING SCHOOL

Kings Mountain Letter Carriers, local branch 3145, sent secretary-treasurer Lalon Franks to the National Association of Letter Carriers to train school at Woman's College in Greensboro Friday and Saturday.

CHURCH SUPPER

Women of Grace Methodist church will serve chicken dinner plates from 11:30 a. m. Saturday until 7:30 p. m. at the church fellowship hall.

CANCELLED

The children's party scheduled for Friday at the Country Club has been cancelled.

LEGION AUXILIARY

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary will hold regular meeting Thursday evening at 7:30 at the home of Mrs. Clarence Black.

DRESS REHEARSAL

Dress rehearsal for the Womanless Wedding will be held Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the Woman's club.

CUB POW POW

A Piedmont Council-Wide Cub Pow Wow for all men and women who are either working with or who are interested in the Cub Scout program will be held Saturday at 1:30 at Hickory's First Methodist church.

PARK GRACE P-TA

Park Grace Parent-Teacher Association will hold regular meeting Monday night at 7 o'clock in the school auditorium.

TO MEETING

Rev. George Moore, pastor of Resurrection Lutheran church and a member of the board of trustees of the Lowman Home for the Aged, will attend a meeting of the building committee this weekend which will recommend plans and construction of a \$365,000 50-bed infirmary.

ELECTED

Sheila Graham and Johnny Barber were elected recreational leaders of the Dixon community 4-H club at a club meeting Tuesday night.

Mauney, Hinnant Also Elected Chamber Officers

J. Wilson Crawford, Kings Mountain realtor and businessman, was elected president of the Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce at a dinner meeting of the organization Tuesday night at the Country Club.

"Because of organizations such as ours, communities are better, and it is our pledge to always strive for a better community and a growing one in which to live," Mr. Crawford told outgoing officers and newly-elected officers and directors.

He continued, "We have even greater opportunities for progress in the future if we will avail ourselves to them." Mr. Crawford suggested that the Chamber hire a full-time secretary and action on his recommendation is expected at a later meeting.

Mr. Crawford succeeds Glee A. Bridges as Chamber of Commerce president.

Charles Mauney was elected vice-president and L. E. (Josh) Hinnant was elected secretary-treasurer for the coming year.

The new directors are Jonas Bridges, J. Ollie Harris, James E. Amos, William M. Herndon, Glee A. Bridges Tom Tate, Fred Wright and Charles Blanton.

Mr. Crawford is a life-long resident of Kings Mountain. He graduated from Kings Mountain high school, Class of 1930, and attended Mars Hill college and Erskine college. He returned to Kings Mountain in 1934 to help his father in the grocery business, subsequently spent 42 months in the Army during World War II.

Crawford entered the realty business in 1952. He and the late W. M. Gantt developed Belvedere Circle, a Negro development. He has since developed Country Club Estates, located on the western side of the city near the Country Club.

Mr. Crawford and his wife live at 605 West King street. They are members of Boyce Memorial ARP church. Mr. Crawford is a Lion and Legionnaire.

Rites Thursday For Alvin Barrett

Alvin Jesse Barrett, 34, of Waco, brother of Mrs. Flay Payne of Kings Mountain, was found dead of a shotgun wound of the chest Tuesday at 6:15 p. m.

Coroner J. Ollie Harris said Barrett was found in his bedroom with a 12 gauge shotgun near his head. The coroner said an investigation is underway to determine whether the death was result of a suicide or an accident.

Funeral rites will be held Thursday at 3:30 p. m. from Waco Baptist church of which he was a member. Rev. Wilson Harmon will officiate, and interment will be made in Capernaum cemetery.

Mr. Barrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin A. Barrett of Waco, was a paratrooper during World War II.

He was self-employed as a bricklayer.

Besides his parents and sister here he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Iola Mauney Barrett; two daughters, Matilda and Aileen of the home; four brothers, Marvin and Bryan Barrett of Charlotte and Joe and John Barrett of Waco; and two sisters, Misses Linda and Margaret Barrett, both of Waco.

Unavoidable Accident Saturday Fatal To Kenneth Morris, Age 7

Kenneth Ray Morris, seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Morris, was killed instantly at 6:50 p. m. Saturday when he reportedly darted into the path of a pick-up truck operated by Jim Leigh.

Coroner J. Ollie Harris ruled the accident unavoidable.

Funeral rites for young Morris were held Monday at 4 p. m. from First Wesleyan Methodist church. Rev. J. W. Phillips officiated and interment was made in Mountain View cemetery at Blacksburg, S. C.

The accident occurred at the intersection of North Piedmont Avenue and Waco road. The youngster's death was the first traffic fatality in Kings Mountain since June 2, 1962 and the second in the county this year.

"Petie" Lynn One Of Five PPG Grant Finalists

Kings Mountain high school senior Thelma Ruth "Petie" Lynn was interviewed Wednesday morning as one of the five finalists for the first four-year Pittsburgh Plate Glass Foundation Community Scholarship.

She earned the finalist ratings on the basis of competitive tests evaluated by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. One hundred and one Cleveland County seniors applied for the scholarship.

Miss Lynn was interviewed Wednesday morning by three top North Carolina educators. Conducting the interviews at the Hotel Charles in Shelby were H. Edmund White, associate director of admissions at Davidson College; Ellen H. Hucklebe, acting dean of Woman's College at Duke University; and Elliot B. Grover, professor in the School of Textiles at North Carolina State College.

The name of the winner will not be announced until later this year, probably at commencement time.

Winner of the scholarship which is based on need will receive a grant ranging from \$250 to \$1,500.

By qualifying as one of the five finalists Miss Lynn won a \$25 savings bond as did each of the other finalists.

Basis for evaluating the winner are academic records, principal's endorsement, motivation, leadership and personality characteristics.

The Kings Mountain finalist is the daughter of Mrs. Ruth Lynn of Grover Road.

Merchants Ballot For New Officers

Thomas A. Tate, secretary, treasurer of Home Savings and Loan Association, and Bob Southwell, manager of Southwell Ford, have been nominated for president of the Kings Mountain Merchants Association for the coming year.

Balloting for new officers and directors will be conducted by retailers within the next few weeks. A new slate of officers will be installed at the annual employer-employee banquet tentatively set for March 22 at 7 p. m. at the Woman's club.

Lewis Dellinger, manager of Dellinger's and Gene Timms, manager of Timms Stop N Shop have been nominated for vice-presidents.

Retailers will choose new members of the board of directors from these nominees: Humes Houston, Kings Mountain Drug Company; Elzie Putnam, Putnam's Garage; Bob Mincey, Harris-Teeter; Jack Mercier, Ellis Lumbe; Company; Bill Brown, Bell's Department Store; Menzell Phifer, Phifer Hardware; and Miss Elizabeth Stewart, Kings Mountain Herald.

Truitte Bound Over; Bond \$5000

Jimmy Truitte was bound over to Superior Court and placed under \$5,000 bond Thursday after waiting a preliminary hearing in Kings Mountain's Recorder's Court on armed robbery charges.

The 16-year-old Harlan County Ky. youth is charged with participating in holding up the East King Esso Station here the night of Jan. 13.

Truitte will be held at the Cleveland County jail in Shelby until the April 29 term of Superior Court or until he posts the required bond.

Other actions taken Thursday were as follows: Roger R. Raney, Double Shoals, receiving stolen property and following fire equipment, sentenced to a total of one year, (Continued On Page Eight)

Mrs. Oates' Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Follie Weir Oates, 71, were held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock from Resurrection Lutheran church, of which she was a member.

Mrs. Oates, widow of John Milton Oates who died in September 1956, was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Boyce Weir.

She died Saturday afternoon in the local hospital following a several months illness.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. W. P. Gibbons of Kings Mountain; her son, John M. Oates, Jr., of Shelby; and her half-sister, Mrs. Arthur Cornwell of Kings Mountain. A sister, Mrs. Annie Mae Weir, died last Monday. Also surviving are five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Rev. George Moore, assisted by Rev. Robert Sims, officiated at the final rites. Interment was made in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Robert Whitesides, Charles Dixon, John Butler Plonk, Hal Plonk, Dathia Sanders and Furman Gladden.

Board Calls For New Registration Prior To May's Biennial Election



PRESIDENT - Wilson Griffin will head the Cleveland County Drug club for the coming year.

Griffin Heads Druggist Club

Wilson Griffin, Kings Mountain pharmacist, has been elected president of the Cleveland County Drug Association for the coming year.

Mr. Griffin, partner with his father in the operation of Griffin Drug Company, was elected, along with other officers, at the club's Sunday night meeting.

Sherwood Tate of Shelby was named first vice-president; Ronnie Austell of Shelby was elected second vice-president; and Bill Morris of Shelby was elected secretary-treasurer.

Bud Cooper of Spartanburg, S. C., representative for Ciba Manufacturing Company described advances in pharmacy and public health, predicting that by the year 1990 or before drug houses will be able to supply heart and cancer cures as well as have made comparable strides in other phases of public health.

The group voted a \$100 scholarship to the Pharmacy School at the University of North Carolina and made plans for the year's activities.

The club has pharmacist members representing all Cleveland County drugstores.

Organized seven years ago, its purpose, according to President Griffin, is to stimulate good relations with the prescription industry, to improve the services of all drug stores in the county. Project for the month of March, he noted, is poison prevention control.

22 Rifle Wound Fatal To Allison

Arthur S. Allison, 35, of Grover, died at Kings Mountain hospital Monday afternoon about an hour after he was found in the back yard at his home with a 22 caliber rifle wound in the right temple.

Coroner Ollie Harris ruled the death a suicide and said no inquest would be held.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete pending arrival of a brother who is stationed with the Army in Germany.

Relatives found Allison about 4:30 p. m. lying face down about 10 feet from the back porch and clutching a rifle. The Grover Rescue Squad was summoned and Allison was rushed to the local hospital. He died about 30 minutes after reaching the hospital.

Allison was a disabled veteran and had been in ill health for some time. He lived with his mother, Mrs. Alice Whisenand Allison, and two sisters. His father is dead.

Other survivors besides his mother, include his wife, Mrs. Mitrice Pudee Allison of Acworth, Ga.; three brothers, Billy Allison, serving with the Army in Germany; Eugene Allison of Blacksburg, S. C. and Edward Allison of the U. S. Air Force at Seymour Johnson AFB in Goldsboro; and five sisters, Mrs. Philip Logan of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Ruth Mull of Grover, Freida Allison and Aileen Allison of the home and Miss Osteen Allison.

JAYCEE MEETING

Nine Kings Mountain Jaycees went to Rutherfordton Tuesday night to attend a District Jaycee meeting. The local delegation was headed by President John Warlick.

No New Filers; Political Status Quo Remains

Political activity for the biennial city elections in May remained status quo as no new candidates filed candidacy for the six city government offices and the two board of education posts.

To date former mayor Glee A. Bridges and former city tax lister Clarence Carpenter are the only avowed candidates for offices in the upcoming election.

Both Bridges and Carpenter have filed as candidates for the mayoral position, now being held by Kelly Dixon.

Speculation among residents is that Dixon will file for re-election and that former mayor and perennial candidate Garland Still will enter the race before the filing deadline.

Still first tossed his hat into the Kings Mountain political ring in 1947 and has been a candidate in each succeeding election. He was elected for one term, 1951-53.

No declaration has been forthcoming from either incumbent commissioners or aspirants for the five city offices. Except for the statement of Commissioner Ben Bridges about his possible move outside the city limits, thereby making him ineligible for re-election, the city council race is a dark matter.

Some talk circulated this week about the possible candidacy of W. K. Mauney, Jr., for one of the school board terms that expire this year.

Terms of Board Chairman Fred Plonk and Philip Padgett expire this year. Neither have made known their intention concerning re-election.

Mrs. Hugh Yates Heads Seal Drive

Mrs. Hugh Yates will serve as Kings Mountain chairman of the 1963 Easter Seal drive.

The drive will be held March 7 through April 14. Mrs. Yates' daughter, Jane, was the 1961 state Easter Seal poster child.

Twenty members of the Cleveland County Society for Crippled Children met Thursday night at Willis Luncheonette in Shelby to plan this year's Easter Seal campaign.

Robert Pace of Chapel Hill, field representative for the state society was guest speaker. He explained how chapters use the money raised in annual campaigns, gave campaign hints and outlined projects for the year.

Cleveland County drive chairman James Spears announced plans for the coming campaign and listed projects.

Miss Eunice Westbrook of Shelby is president of the Cleveland County chapter. Mrs. Ray Allen, former chapter president, introduced Mr. Pace.

ARP To Host Eight Churches Next Week For Leader's Training School

Boyce Memorial ARP church will be host to eight area Associate Reformed Presbyterian churches at a leadership training school here Monday through Wednesday.

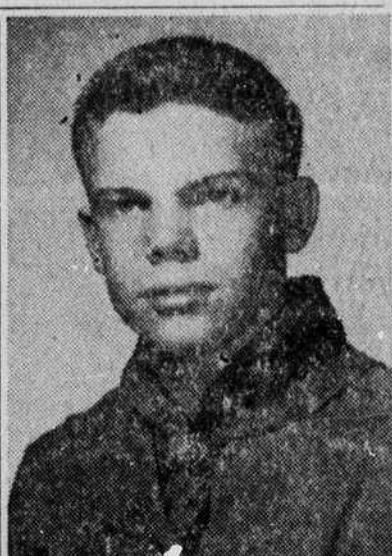
A Dutch dinner Monday at 6:45 p. m. will open the school which will offer classes of interest to Sabbath School superintendents, teachers, assistant teachers and all adults three evenings next week.

Class periods will be from 8 until 9:30 p. m. Monday, 7:30 until 8:30 and 8:30 until 9:30 Tuesday and Wednesday evenings.

Miss Ann Murrelle, ARP youth director from Millington, Tennessee, will teach "Teaching Pre-School Children." She graduated from Erskine college in 1962.

Miss Agnes Clark, director of Christian Education at Centennial ARP church of Columbia, S. C., will lead the course, "Teaching Primaries and Juniors." Miss Clark is a candidate for the mission field in Pakistan.

Miss Dorothy Ray, area DCE for Kings Mountain Presbytery, will lead the course on "Teaching Youth." Miss Ray is a graduate of the University of Ken-



WINS BRONZE PALM - Eagle Scout Tommy Plonk won his bronze palm award in scouting at Thursday night's district Court of Honor.

Plonk Wins Bronze Palm

Tommy Plonk, Eagle Scout of Troop 294 and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Plonk, Jr., won his Bronze Palm award at Thursday night's Court of Honor.

Twenty-three other Boy Scouts were advanced in rank and numerous boys received merit awards. Troop 92 copped the attendance banner.

Advancing to First Class rank were David Bost, Troop 90; Charles Sparks of Troop 91; and Ricky Bennett of Troop 96. Second Class rank is held by Steve Crosby, Robert Wiesener, Jimmy King, W. V. Spurling, all of Troop 91; Ronnie Miller, of Troop 92; Billy Johnson and Floyd Sanders of Troop 96. Advancing to Tenderfoot were Allen Hord, Kenneth McGill of Troop 90; Keith Ruff, Harold Spurling, Larry E. Hardin, Phillip G. Fisher, Don F. Bridges, Tommy Bridges, Joe C. Hedden, Billy Bowers, all of (Continued On Page Eight)

Lutherans Set Lenten Series

Lenten Services will begin at two Kings Mountain Lutheran churches—St. Matthew's and Resurrection—Wednesday evening at 7:30.

At St. Matthew's church, Dr. W. P. Gerberding will speak on meditations on the Passion History at the mid-week services. Rev. George Moore will speak at Resurrection during March and continuing through Easter Sunday will follow the theme, "Christianity In Conflict." Holy Week services Monday through Friday will be on the theme, "The Cross Speaks."

At St. Matthew's church, Dr. W. P. Gerberding's Sunday morning topic this week will be "The Passion Pilgrimage." There will be special services through Holy Week and Easter.

City, School District Voters To Re-Register

After nearly 24 years of using the present pollbooks, Kings Mountain will hold a new registration prior to the biennial city elections May 7.

Upon recommendation of Mayor Kelly Dixon the city council voted unanimously Thursday night to call for a new registration of city voters.

The new registration is to include both the city and the consolidated school district which is comprised of Kings Mountain, Bethware, Grover and Park Grace.

New registration for the city means that every qualified voter in the city and school district must get his name on the new books in order to be eligible for the May elections.

Learning that the old books were out of date and contained the names of many deceased citizens and persons who are no longer residents, the council voted to call for the new registration rather than attempt to revise the present pollbooks.

Present pollbooks have been in use since the creation of the ward system here in 1939.

Mayor Dixon stated that registrars will be appointed at each of the voting places to register voters for three weeks following two weeks of advertising for the new registration.

Challenge days will be the two Saturdays prior to the May 7 elections.

Also on the recommendation of Mayor Dixon the council voted to move the three polling places to new locations.

These are: Ward 2 from the fire station to the American Legion building.

Ward 3 from Ballard's Store to East School.

Ward 5 from West School to the Armory.

New registration will be conducted at these new polling places, and registrars will be appointed to register voters in the Bethware, Grover and Park Grace communities.

In other council action Thursday, Davey Tree Company of Charlotte was awarded the contract for trimming in connection with the rebuilding of the city's electrical distribution system.

Jack White, filling in for City Attorney J. R. Davis, was authorized by the board to prepare a bill to be submitted to state Senator Robert Morgan and Representative Jack Palmer, calling for special legislation by the General Assembly to permit the appointment of some policemen as magistrates with police jurisdiction only.

This action was prompted by the fact that only one officer, Earl Stroupe, Jr., presently has the power to draw warrants.

The board delayed action on repairs at the water filtering plant and both the Negro and white swimming pools.

Installation of two new street lights on Stone Street was approved by the board.

X-Ray Bus Fund Is Nearing Goal

Kings Mountain citizens had contributed \$1766 to the Jaycee Mobile X-Ray bus fund this week, Drive Chairman W. G. (Bill) Jones reported.

The campaign, which seeks a \$7,000 goal in Cleveland County, is expected to be completed within the next two weeks.

"There are a number of cash pledges to come in and Shelby and Kings Mountain Jaycees feel near the goal," the local chairman added.

Both Jaycee organizations started the campaign to remobilize the county X-Ray unit several weeks ago. The old bus was "parked" several months ago.

ON DEAN'S LIST

Miss Penelope Jane Cansler has been named to the Dean's list for the first semester at Belmont Abbey College, recently announced by the Rev. Anselm G. Biggs, O.S.B., Academic Dean.

Ranking 21st in the senior class of 107 students, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Cansler of Greenway, Canterbury road, and a graduate of Sacred Heart Academy and Junior College in Belmont.