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Mountaineer Days Celebration To Start Thursday

Local News Bulletins

KIWANIS CLUB
Wade S. Weatherford of Gaffney, S. C. will be guest speaker at Thursday night's Kiwanis club meeting at 6:45 p.m. at the Woman's club. Glee Edwin Bridges has arranged the program.

RADIO SERVICE
Morning church services during the month of October will be broadcast via Radio Station WKMT from First Presbyterian church.

LEGION SUPPER
A free barbecue supper for Legionnaires will be held October 12th from 5 until 8 p.m. at the Legion building to kick-off the 1964 membership drive.

LEGION DANCE
The American Legion Post 155 has scheduled seven dances from October 5 through December. A schedule, mailed to Legionnaires, lists this schedule of dance festivities: October 5 and 19; November 2 and 16; December 7, 21, and 28th.

WOMEN'S SOCIETY
The Women's Society of Boyce Memorial ARP church will gather for a regular meeting Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. at the church.

Erskine Fund Drive Underway

Alumni of Erskine College of this area were guests of the college at a dinner here Monday night in commemoration of the college's 125th anniversary.

The dinner was also a fund-raising campaign, both in support of the college's \$750,000 three-year building fund appeal, and for the one-year 25th anniversary \$125,000 living endowment appeal.

Dr. R. C. Erskine, former Erskine president, was principal speaker at the dinner. Prior to the banquet, E. C. Craig, of Gastonia, co-chairman of the North Carolina division in the fund-raising effort, conducted a preliminary meeting attended by campaign workers.

It was noted that Erskine college numbers 65 percent of its alumni who contributed last year to the living endowment—funds used for operations—compared to a national average among all colleges of 22 percent.

The \$750,000 would provide Erskine college with a student union building and with a remodeled and enlarged auditorium.

Mrs. John C. McGill is general chairman of the campaign in the Kings Mountain-Shelby district. Mrs. Fred Baird is Shelby chairman and Mrs. John E. Gamble Kings Mountain chairman. Other committee members are Mrs. Kenneth Crook, W. S. Fulton, Jr., Marriott D. Phifer, and Norman McGill.

Rites Thursday For Miss Plonk

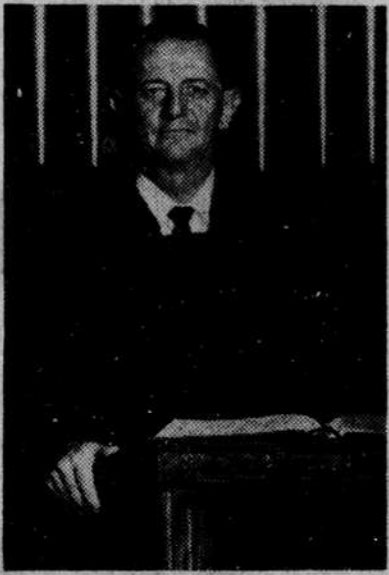
Funeral rites for Miss Ethel Plonk, 71, will be held Thursday at 3 p.m. from St. Matthew's Lutheran church, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Miss Plonk died Tuesday morning in City hospital at Winston-Salem following an illness of three months.

The body will remain at Harris Funeral Home until 2:30 p.m. Dr. W. P. Gerberding, assisted by Miss Plonk's pastor from Winston-Salem, will officiate at the final rites.

A Kings Mountain native, Miss Plonk was a daughter of the late Rufus S. and Mary Motley Plonk. A graduate of Kings Mountain high school and Lenoir Rhyne college, she earned her degree in library science from William & Mary college. For 13 years she was a teacher and librarian at Granite school in Winston-Salem. She retired four years ago. She was a member of Augsburg Lutheran church.

Surviving are one brother, Rufus Plonk, of Bessemer City and six sisters, Mrs. Hugh Ormand, Miss May Plonk and Miss Eva Plonk, all of Kings Mountain, Mrs. W. E. Alexander of Robbins, Mrs. W. M. Hite of Atlanta, Ga. and Mrs. C. A. Hager of Hickory.



EVANGELIST — Dr. Charles E. Edwards of Atlanta, Ga., will lead evangelistic services which begin Monday at Boyce Memorial church.

ARP Services To Begin Monday

Dr. Charles E. Edwards, pastor of the First ARP church of Atlanta, Ga. since 1958, will be visiting evangelist at Boyce Memorial ARP church during special services which began Monday.

Services will be held nightly at 7:30 through Friday evening. There will be a children's service on Saturday morning, October 12th, at 10 a.m. and two services on Sunday, October 13th.

Born in Iid Mexico January 11, 1907 to missionary parents, Dr. Edwards attended Bryson college from 1926-27 and graduated from Erskine college, Class of 1930, and Erskine Seminary, Class of 1932. He earned his master's degree from Princeton University in 1934.

A ship's chaplain during World War II, Dr. Edwards served in the Caribbean and South America and over two years in the South Pacific. He has held pastorates in Arkansas, Prosperity, S. C., Elsberry and Mt. Zion, Mo., Louisville, Kentucky, and the Centennial church in Columbia, S. C.

"We invite the community to worship with us in these services," Dr. W. L. Pressly, ARP pastor, said in making the announcement.

Swan Wins Art Contest

Pfc. Carl H. Swan, Kings Mountain serviceman now stationed in the Panama Canal Zone, has been named winner of the arts and craft contest for the U. S. Army Forces Southern Command.

The 24-year-old soldier is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Swan of Kings Mountain. His wife is the former Brenda Barnette of Kings Mountain.

Swan's painting, "The Panamanian" was the winner in the water color division and will be in an exhibit in Washington, D. C. and in studios in Texas and New York. It will be in competition with paintings from other U. S. Army unit winners for a national award.

Pfc. Swan is a graduate of Kings Mountain high school and Richmond Polytechnic Institute at Richmond, Va.

Miss North Carolina Opens Fair; Throngs Expected For Final Days

Miss North Carolina, at Shelby Tuesday to open the 40th annual Cleveland County Fair, expressed regret she could not attend this week-end's Mountaineer Days celebration.

Tall, friendly Jeanne Swanner chatted with the visiting press at a Fair Association-sponsored party at North Lake Country Club before the evening grandstand show at which she made an appearance at the fairgrounds.

Miss Swanner said she had an invitation to attend the Kings Mountain celebration but had to decline because of prior commitments.

Mrs. Helen Turner, chaperone to the state beauty queen and with her at the press party, described Miss North Carolina as "lovely and really a quick-change artist." She said the Graham beauty had not only participated in the opening ceremonies at the

GOP Candidate For State-Paid Kindergarten

The lone announced Republican candidate for Governor—Dwight Badgley, of Greensboro, a state representative—spoke at City Hall last Thursday night, criticizing Democrats, particularly these of Eastern North Carolina but declared for broadened secondary education.

He is not, he added, campaigning against the sales tax on food. Though he would have favored increasing taxes on alcoholic beverages, he said, such excises would not return sufficient cash to expand the school program.

He charged Eastern Democrats with endeavoring to keep political control of the state.

Mr. Badgley informed his audience that he seeks the GOP gubernatorial nomination in the belief that U. S. Representative Charles R. Jones won't, adding that he had informed Mr. Jones he would withdraw should the Lincoln County Congressman agree to be the GOP standard-bearer.

Mr. Badgley said he favored: 1) compulsory state-supported kindergarten, 2) more vocational guidance, and 3) a compulsory program of education for trainable retarded children.

He opposed, he said, the recently-passed law which prohibits known Communists or any who have refused to answer questions on plea of the Fifth Amendment immunity from speaking at state-supported colleges. He said the legislation was introduced and passed in haste and added that information is invaluable, no matter the source.

Mr. Badgley is a life insurance salesman, native of Dutchess county, New York, who has lived in Greensboro since the mid-fifties. He is an air force veteran of World War II, and a Quaker. He said he is campaigning on his own resources, pool-pooled the projected million dollar GOP Tar Heel campaign fund as unnecessary. He said he can win the governorship on \$25,000.

He also said, if elected governor, he had no fear of obtaining cooperation from a Democrat-dominated General Assembly.

He summed his philosophy in the statement, "If it's something good, vote for it."

UF Meeting Is Thursday

Final plans for conducting the 1964 Kings Mountain fund drive are to be made at a meeting of plan managers of Fibre Industry night, Chairman Robert O. Southwell said yesterday.

"Only few details remain to be completed," Mr. Southwell commented.

The United Fund, in a single campaign, raises funds for several Kings Mountain organizations. Participants last year were Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library, the Kings Mountain Chapter of the American Red Cross, Cleveland County Life-Saving and Rescue Squad, Inc., Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Compact-Davidson band, and Kings Mountain high school band.

ROTARY PROGRAM: Bill Humphries, of Shelby, plant manager of Fibre Industries, will address members of the Kings Mountain Rotary club at the Thursday meeting at the Country Club at 12:15. The program was arranged by President Neil Johnson.

Area Students Win Prizes At Fair

Kings Mountain high school placed first in the booths by vocational agriculture students at the Cleveland County Fair and three area 4-H clubs copped awards.

Judging of exhibits took place at the fair Tuesday morning.

Grover 4-H club copped first place award for its exhibit, "Care of Lawns" and Bethlehem community club was second. Dixon community 4-H club placed third for its exhibit, "Control of Bird Worm."

The Mooresboro school booth placed first in its group, followed by Belwood booth in second place and Waco booth in third.

LIONS MEETING
B. N. Barnes, superintendent of Kings Mountain schools, will discuss plans for the new district high school at the meeting of the Kings Mountain Lions club Tuesday night, Dr. George W. Plonk, program chairman, has announced. The club meets at the Woman's club at 1 p.m.



HOMECOMING QUEEN — Juanita Dellinger, high school senior, will reign as Homecoming Queen Friday at annual Homecoming festivities at the high school. Miss Dellinger and members of her court will be presented at half-time of the Mountaineer-Bessemer City football game at city stadium.

Homecoming For KMHS Friday

Festivities, Football Game Top Program

Juanita Dellinger, high school senior, will reign as Homecoming Queen at Homecoming festivities Friday night at Kings Mountain high school.

Miss Dellinger will be crowned and members of the Homecoming court presented during the Mountaineer football game with the Yellow Jackets of Bessemer City.

A Homecoming parade on downtown streets will be held Friday afternoon. Decorated cars and floats will be featured.

Mary Ann McCurdy, senior, will crown Miss Dellinger. Miss McCurdy, recently named "Miss Mountaineer" will appear in Daisy Mae costume at half-time of the football game. She will also participate in other Mountaineer Days festivities this weekend.

Sponsors for the Senior football players include: Jim Medlin; Mary Wright; Fred Dixon-Joan; McClure; Terry Leonard, Susan Plonk; Lewis Cook, Vivian Wilson; Calvin Lockridge, June Marlowe; Glenn Lovelace, Teresa McDaniel; Jimmy Owens, Ginger Goforth; Steve Marlowe, Betty Evans; Dennis Floyd, Anita Huffstetler; Ronnie Gillespie, Ann Hammett; Warren Goforth, Coral Ramseur; Mike Huffstetler, Kathy Ellison; Jackie Rhea, Joan King; and Jose Pucci, Beverly Willis.

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Retailers Offering Bargains; Parade To Be Held Saturday

33-Unit Parade To Begin March At 10 O'clock

The Mountaineer Day parade Saturday will assemble at the corner of E. Gold and Gaston streets.

The 33-units will follow this route beginning at 10 a.m. from ... Gold and Gaston to Battle-ground avenue; north to Mountain street and turn right and march to Piedmont Avenue turn left and march to King Street; turn left and march over the overhead bridge; turn left on Railroad and march south to Gold street and turn right. It will disband on West Gold street and Congressman Whitener's address will be made from the steps of City Hall immediately following, about 12:30.

Units in the parade follow this order, Mountaineer Day chairman Bob Mincey said.

- 1) Mayor Glee A. Bridges and Congressman Basil Whitener.
2) Police cars and those from the Sheriff's department and State Highway Patrol.
3) Navy Color Guard.
4) Navy Float.
5) Brownie Scouts led by Miss Margaret Harmon.
6) Horses.
7) Troop 91 Boy Scouts.
8) Antique Car Club.
9) Pony Cart.
10) Brownie Scouts led by Mrs. Harry Page.
11) Bell's Department Store float.
12) Troop 90 Boy Scouts.
13) Brownie Scouts led by Mrs. John C. McGill.
14) Kings Mountain high school band.
15) Miss Mountaineer, Mary Ann McCurdy.
16) Horses.
17) Girl Scouts led by Mrs. W. C. Ballew.
18) Fire trucks.
19) Captain Windy.
20) William Herndon in his "A" Model Ford.
21) Cherryville New Year's Shooters.
22) British Subjects.
23) Miss Shelly.
24) Girl Scouts led by Mrs. M. D. Phifer.
25) Compact-Davidson band.
26) Girl Scouts led by Mrs. Lois Boyd.
27) Gaston County Civil Defense.
28) Girl Scouts led by Mrs. Doris Bennett.
29) Cleveland County Civil Defense.
30) Girl Scouts led by Mrs. Charles Ballard.
31) Troop 292 Boy Scouts.
32) American Legion Dignitaries.
33) 40 & 8.



SPEAKER — Rep. Basil L. Whitener will lead the Mountaineer Days parade Saturday morning and will make an address from the City Hall steps at 12:30. He will also speak at a DAR-sponsored 3:30 p.m. battle anniversary celebration at the National Military Park.

Congressman Will Speak After Parade

A brief address by Congressman Basil L. Whitener will climax a Mountaineer Days parade here Saturday.

Representative Whitener will speak from the steps of City Hall following the mammoth parade, about 12:30.

Mountaineer Days, commemorating the 183rd anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain, began here this week. The second annual trade promotion sponsored by the Kings Mountain Merchants Association is being held Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The parade on Saturday will climax the celebration.

Robert (Bob) Mincey is chairman of the promotion.

The schedule of activities for the three days of the celebration will follow this format:
All-day barbecue at tables set up in back of City Hall will be held beginning Thursday and continuing all three days. The Merchants will sponsor the first day's barbecue with the Jaycees to be sponsors on Friday and Saturday. Advance tickets for barbecue plates and sandwiches are already on sale.

Kings Mountain women employed by the various retailers will dress in the costumes of 1780 all three days of the celebration beginning Thursday. Store windows feature displays of clothing and other items from the Colonial era.

Males of the city who have been teased about their beard-growing will be rewarded Friday at 6 p.m. when handsome trophies will be awarded the "best beards." A first, second and third place trophy will be given and judging will take place in front of the mock jail in the business district. Judges will be Mrs. Ida Joy, Mrs. Lucille Williams and Mrs. Neal Young.

The half-time show of the Mountaineer Homecoming football game with Bessemer City Friday night will feature the crowning of Mary Ann McCurdy as "Miss Mountaineer." A senior, Miss McCurdy will be dressed in Daisy Mae costume provided by the merchants.

A 34-unit parade will highlight the celebration Saturday morning at 10 a.m. on downtown streets. A feature of the parade will be the fifth Division Fall Promenade and Wreck of the Grand Venture of North Carolina, Forty and Eight. It will be the first time Kings Mountain has been host to the honor society of the American Legion and numerous visiting Legionnaires are expected to participate.

Battle Fought October 7, 1780

Monday, October 7th will mark the 183rd anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain.

October 7, 1780, a small band of mountaineers annihilated a force of Tory soldiers, under the command of Colonel Patrick Ferguson, a Scot, who was killed in the battle.

Historians label this British defeat the turning point of the war leading to Cornwallis' surrender at Yorktown in 1781.

The 4200-acre Kings Mountain National Military Park embraces the site of the battle. Here four monuments have been erected, notable among which are the Centennial Monument, dedicated in 1880, and the United States Government Obelisk, erected by the Congress in 1909.

An electric map at the Park Museum, open daily, shows the route of the forces which met at Kings Mountain, a drama of the battle, and a rare Ferguson rifle. A self-guiding tour will lead a long foot trails to the chief features of the battlefield.

Kings Mountain citizens led by the merchants will join in a mammoth celebration this week-end. Citizens will see "Reminders" of the 1780 era when they visit downtown stores Thursday, Friday and Saturday. A Sunday program is planned at the battle-ground.

Military Park Program Sunday

Representative Basil L. Whitener, 10th district Congressman, will make the principal address at Sunday's annual celebration of the Battle of Kings Mountain.

The celebration, under sponsorship of 11 area DAR chapters, will begin at 3:30 p.m. in the amphitheatre of Kings Mountain National Military Park.

Dr. Eugene Poston, president of Gardner Webb college, will say the invocation and pronounce the benediction. Charles S. Farris, III of Gaffney, S. C. will read "Ode to Kings Mountain" and Mrs. J. Y. Todd, chaplain of Major William Chrichtle chapter DAR of Gastonia, will present Congressman Whitener. The York high school band will play "Born to Be Free" and will also play for the singing of the national anthem and the hymn, "God of Our Fathers."

Park Superintendent Ben F. Moomaw, chairman of the 183rd anniversary celebration, will preside. Miss Annie Lee Langford, regent of Kate Barry chapter DAR of Spartanburg, S. C., is co-chairman.

A native of York, S. C., Congressman Whitener attended the Gaston County public schools and graduated from Duke University with L.L. B. degree in 1937. He was admitted to the North Carolina Bar in 1937. A member of the N. C. House of Representatives in 1941, he was nominated in 1942 but resigned to enter the U. S. Navy. Separated from service in November 1945 with the rank of lieutenant, he was appointed solicitor of the 14th Solicitorial District in January 1946 and re-elected in 1950 and 1954. He was elected to the 85th Congress in November 1956 and re-elected to the 86th, 87th and 88th Congresses.

Chapters of the Daughters of American Revolution sponsoring the observance include: Colonel

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Library Renovation Near-Complete, Regular Operation To Be Resumed

The extensive renovation of city-owned Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library is nearing completion and Mrs. Willie M. Dilling, librarians, predicts library service will be back to normal by Monday.

Cleaning work on the building and furnishings was well underway Wednesday.

The renovation includes expansion of the library to include the former teachers' living room, new modern fluorescent lighting, a tile floor, re-arrangements of the "stacks" where books are stored, and improved arrangements for in-library reading.

The renovation also marks the closing of the teaching, with utilization of the second floor and a portion of the downstairs quarters for furnished rental apartments. The second floor has been arranged to provide either 1) two large apartments, or 2) two small apartments with another room-bath unit, miniu, kitchen facilities.

The building has been re-painted, both inside and out, and maintenance repairs have been made.

The city appropriated \$6,000 for the renovation work, which has been done under the supervision of the library board, including Norman King, chairman, Mrs. George H. Houser, secretary, and J. E. Herndon, Jr.

Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library was given to the city by the J. S. Mauney heirs, in memory of their parents, in 1947, as a combination library and teaching center. It was the intent of the donors, as stated, that the building would be used eventually solely as a library as demand dictated.



PRESIDENT — Kings Mountain high school principal Harry E. Jaynes is the new president of the Southwestern District of the North Carolina Education Association.

Jaynes Heads District NCEA

Harry E. Jaynes, principal of Kings Mountain high school, was installed as president of the Southwestern District of the North Carolina Education Association Tuesday at Mooresville.

Mr. Jaynes was installed at the close of the all-day meeting attended by school personnel. Dr. E. L. Fuller, NCEA president, conducted the installation service.

Virtually all Kings Mountain teachers attending the meeting, which featured departmental luncheons and programs for the classroom teacher, principal, superintendent or secretary.

Among speakers were Dr. Charles Carroll, state superintendent of instruction; Dr. A. C. Dawson, executive secretary of the NCEA; and Bert Ishee, NEA director of North Carolina. The principal address was made by Hungarian-born Hargood Kovacs, who used the subject, "Freedom in Education." Robert Klefer of Mooresville, outgoing president, presided.

Mr. Jaynes will serve a one-year term. He is immediate past vice-president of the district.

Mrs. Wilson Griffin, high school teacher, was elected president of the English division of the Southwestern district for the coming year.

EMERGENT COMMUNICATION
An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF & AM will be held Monday night at 6 p.m. at Masonic Hall, Secretary T. D. Tindall has announced.