

# Henderson Is Glad Hospital Management Together

## Local News Bulletins

### ELDERS ELECTED

The First Presbyterian church congregation elected three new elders Sunday. They are F. H. Wilson, Herman Campbell and Paul D. O'Neary.

### RADIO BROADCAST

Sunday services during the month of December will be broadcast via Radio Station WK MT from St. Matthew's Lutheran church. Dr. W. P. Gerberding will use the sermon topic, "The Glorious Climax" this Sunday morning at 11 a.m.

### LEGION DANCE

A "Remember Pearl Harbor" Dance will be held Saturday night at the American Legion from 9 to 12 p.m. Music will be furnished by the "Musical Chromes", and admission is \$2 per couple. A square dance caller will be present for several dances, but ballroom dancing will be the keynote.

### TO TAX SCHOOL

Mrs. W. B. Logan is attending tax school in Charlotte this week.

### IN HONOR GUARD

Dennis Michael Howie of Mt. Holly, nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Joy of Kings Mountain, was an honor guard at President Kennedy's funeral last week in Washington, D. C. Howie is in the Air Force stationed in Washington.

### VETERANS TO MEET

The Badge 3275 chapter of the Veterans of World War I will hold its meeting Sunday afternoon, December 8 at 2:30 p.m. at the City Hall.

### ROTARY CLUB

Shelby Rotarian Roland Leath will address Kings Mountain Rotarians at their Thursday noon meeting at the Country club. Mr. Leath, minister of music at Shelby's First Baptist church, is expected to report on a recent trip to Germany.

### MASONS TO MEET

Regular communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF&AM will be held Monday night at 7:30 at Masonic Hall. New officers will be elected for 1964, according to announcement by Secretary T. D. Tindall.

### VFW BARBECUE

Frank B. Glass Post 9811 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will hold a barbecue for members and their wives December 14th at 7:30 p.m. at the lodge on Grover road, according to announcement by Commander Harold Pearson.

### FREE BOOK WEEK

Kings Mountain citizens who have borrowed books at Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library are invited to return them during the week of December 9-14 at no charge for service, according to announcement by Mrs. Charles Dilling, librarian.

### FIRE MONDAY

City firemen answered a fire alarm Monday night to J. E. Herndon Company. No damages were reported.

## Ministers Launch Fund Drive For Yule Cheer For Indigent



**SPEAKER** — Representative Jack Palmer of Shelby will address Kings Mountain Kiwanians at their Thursday night meeting at 6:45 p.m. at the Woman's club. Rep. Palmer is expected to report on accomplishments of the last general assembly.

## Palmer To Speak To Kiwanians

Representative Jack Palmer of Shelby will be guest speaker at Thursday's Kiwanian club meeting at the Woman's club.

Mr. Palmer is expected to give a report of the last general session and the special session of the General Assembly and is expected to comment on the "Little Federal" plan, program chairman R. S. Lennon said.

Kiwanians meet at 6:45 p.m. for a dinner meeting. A question-answer session will follow the address by Representative Palmer.

## Alexander Says "Start Mailing"

The Postmaster had his annual Christmas "present" ready today for his patrons and, to nobody's surprise, it was his perennial suggestion to "Mail Early."

Christmas shopping and mailing is, for most people, one of the heaviest chores at Christmas, and if I can persuade some people to get it done right now I think they will agree later when they are taking it easy while others rush around—that I have given them a very good present," Postmaster Charles L. Alexander said Wednesday.

Virtually all Christmas mailing can be disposed of now by observing the following five suggestions, Postmaster Alexander explained:

1. Do your shopping for your Christmas gifts now.
2. Check and revise mailing lists for cards and presents.
3. Package and mail Christmas parcels promptly. Don't worry about being too early—Just mark them "Do Not Open Until Christmas."
4. Buy Christmas cards now and address them right away, separating them into out-of-town and local bundles. Mail them immediately with ZIP Codes on them and you've got it made, except perhaps for that last minute card you forgot to send to Aunt Marnie.
5. Now is the time to buy your Christmas Stamps. We have plenty on hand including, this year a brand new Christmas issue.

If you use the five cent stamp on your Christmas Cards, Postmaster Alexander noted, they will be sorted and delivered first and, if you include your return address with your ZIP Code number on each card envelope, they will be forwarded in the event of a change of address, of if they are undeliverable, they will be returned to you for correction of your mailing list. Also, remember you can write personal messages only on Christmas cards sent by First Class mail. Nothing but your signature is authorized on cards sent at the unsealed, Third Class rate.

The Postmaster warns against

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## Herald To List Empty Stocking Contributions

Kings Mountain Ministerial Association, launching this week an Empty Stocking Fund to provide Christmas cheer for the needy, reported \$26 contributions from two firms.

The Empty Stocking fund will provide food for needy area families, both white and colored, and ministers indicated there is a long list.

Mrs. C. R. Goodson, wife of the pastor of East Gold St. Wesleyan Methodist church, will accept all calls (739-3215) and names and addresses of the area needy which will be reported to a Ministerial Association committee. The ministers will call at the homes of the needy.

"This is a good way to make this year a good Christmas for others who need our help. It will make you feel good to give someone a helping hand", a spokesman for the association said Wednesday.

He continued, "There are many who need help this year, and the only way we can meet all of these needs is to ask for your support in this matter. The Empty Stocking Fund will help all who apply, regardless of creed or color."

Checks should be made payable to the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association Empty Stocking Fund and mailed to Rev. H. G. Clayton, 407 S. Cherokee St. A. South on Battleground Avenue will be manned by local ministers who will receive Empty Stocking contributions and contributions may also be forwarded in care of the Kings Mountain Herald.

Names of those who contribute will be published in the Herald.

Donors to date: Rippy Jewelry, 211 N. Piedmont Ave., \$25. Piedmont Lunch, N. Piedmont Ave. \$1.



**TO SPEAK** — Congressman Basil L. Whitener will be guest speaker at a Christmas party and barbecue of the Men's Brotherhood at Oak Grove Baptist church Monday night.

## Rep. Whitener To Speak Friday

Congressman Basil L. Whitener of Gastonia will make the principal address at the annual Christmas party and barbecue Monday night of the Baptist Brotherhood at Oak Grove Baptist church.

Mr. Whitener will speak on a program arranged by Willard Boyles. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. in the church fellowship hall.

The party is a ladies' night event and wives of members are invited to attend.

Robert Lovelace is Brotherhood president.

## Friday Closings Will Be Later

Majority of Kings Mountain retailers are open late on Fridays to accommodate Christmas season shoppers, it was announced this week by Bob Southwell, president of the association.

The merchants association announcement lists 9 p.m. as the Friday evening closing hour, three and half hours later than the customary 5:30 p.m. Friday closing.

All firms have suspended the Wednesday afternoon half-holidays.

Merchants reported Christmas gift-buying has begun briskly and anticipate a continuing pick-up through Christmas Eve.

## Southern Bell Extends Base Area Of Grover System By Half-Mile

The Southern Bell Telephone Company today fixed tariffs with the North Carolina Utilities Commission which will reduce mileage charges by extending the present Base Rate Area and by introducing a new Broad Band Zone Plan and reclassify Grover into its power rate group.

"The net effect of the proposal would be increases of 10c to 20c in some Grover residence customers' bills, and decreases, generally larger, in bills of customers with mileage charges," F. B. Houck, Manager, said. Business customers will also be affected.

Houck said, "Grover is one of 39 communities in North Carolina included in these changes. As a result of these changes, Southern Bell's annual revenues would be reduced approximately \$25,000 on a state-wide basis."

Houck added that the proposed plan will correct inequities which have resulted from the continuing growth and industrial expansion in this area.

Houck said, "The extension of the Base Area and introduction of the Zone Plan will result in a decrease of monthly mileage charges for many customers."

The Broad-Band Zone Plan is relatively new in North Carolina and it will result in lower mileage charges living outside the new Base Rate Area. For example, a customer with two-party residence service living two miles from the Base Rate now pays \$2.56 in monthly mileage charges. Under the new Zone Plan, he would pay only 75 cents in mileage charges.

"Telephone rate groups for local service are based on the number of main telephones within the local calling area of a community," Houck said.

"Some communities with local calling areas approximately the same size are paying different charges for the same general service. The inequities can only be eliminated by reclassifying affected communities to their proper rate group," Houck pointed out.

Under Grover's new classification, residence private line service will increase 20 cents, two-party service 20 cents, four party service 15 cents, and eight party service 15 cents. Business rates will increase 50 cents for private lines, two-party lines 30 cents, four-party lines 50 and 20 cents for eight-party lines.

## '64 United Fund Edges Upward To \$11,000

Cash received and pledges on the current year's Kings Mountain United Fund campaign totaled \$11,000 Wednesday, nearing the \$19,000-plus goal for 1963 Chairman Robert O. (Bob) Southwell reported.

Chairman Southwell said reports had not been received from several solicitors but noted, "It looks good."

The drive will continue a week or 10 days.

Special gifts this week brought the cash and pledges "in hand" to \$11,000.

To date only Burlington Industries Phenix Plant among the industrial group has reported its United Fund results.

Mr. Southwell also said that the business division is little more than 50 percent reported. "I feel that with a little more work we will exceed our 1963 goal" Chairman Southwell added.

The United Fund goal is \$19,415. Funds derived benefit these participating agencies: Kings Mountain high school and Compact-Davidson school bands; Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library; Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cleveland County Life Saving and Rescue Squad, and Kings Mountain Red Cross Chapter.

Chairman Southwell urged all solicitors to complete their work this week so that work on the drive may be completed within the next week or 10 days.

## Mrs. Hartsoe's Mother Passes

Funeral rites for Mrs. W. E. Martin, 82, of York, S. C., mother of Mrs. Wade Hartsoe, Jr. of Kings Mountain, were held Wednesday at 2 p.m. from First Baptist church of York, interment following in Canaan church cemetery at Smyrna, S. C.

Mrs. Martin died early Tuesday morning at Divine Saviour hospital after a short illness. Born January 14, 1882, she was the daughter of the late John and Polly Pruitt Moss, natives of Polk County. She was a member of First Baptist church of York.

Rev. Horace Story, assisted by Rev. Wayne Ashe, officiated at the final rites.

Survivors include three sons, William C. Martin of Highland, California, Carl Martin of Knoxville, Tenn.; Marshall Martin of York, S. C. and six daughters, Mrs. Cora Lee Howe of Clover, Mrs. Essie Street, Mrs. Mildred Warrmouth, Mrs. Berdell Clark, all of York, and Mrs. Hartsoe of Kings Mountain. A sister, Mrs. Jess Lanier, of York, survives. Also surviving are 21 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

## School Needs Survey Planned

The Kings Mountain board of education is expected to hold a special meeting this week to discuss joining Shelby city schools and Cleveland County Schools in a county-wide school study survey.

Supt. B. N. Barnes said he had not been able to gather his group for the meeting earlier this week but anticipates a meeting sometime later this week.

Shelby school board members agreed Monday night to cooperate with the county school board in a survey of local school needs if the survey is conducted by the State Department of Public Instruction.

Shelby board members preferred the state survey group because little expense would be involved.

Last Wednesday, Supt. Barnes met with other superintendents and board chairman in Shelby for discussion and it was agreed that the three boards would be approached about participating in a county-wide survey.

## Achievement Night

Cleveland County 4-Hers will hold Achievement Night December 14th in the Shelby Armory. Recognition of the most outstanding 4-H members in projects and activities will be made. Recreation and refreshments are planned.

## Hickey To Speak At Grid Banquet



**BANQUET SPEAKER** — Jim Hickey, coach of the University of North Carolina Tar Heels, will speak at Friday night's annual Kings Mountain Lions club football banquet. The Tar Heels will play in the Gator Bowl December 28 against an as yet unnamed opponent.

## Yule Spirit Not For Dogs

Kings Mountain new dog ordinance will go into effect this weekend, Mayor Glee A. Bridges said Wednesday.

Reminding citizens of the ordinance which asks dog owners to keep their dogs up from 7 p.m. until 7 a.m., the mayor said city police officers will pick up all dogs which are 1) without collar; or 2) have not been vaccinated.

"Your officials are trying to be reasonable and ask your cooperation", the mayor continued. "There are two sides to every matter and we ask your cooperation."

The new ordinance was passed by the board of commissioners at the November meeting. Dog owners are subject to a fine or 30-day jail sentence if they fail to comply with the ordinance.

## Yule Buyers Are Buying

Kings Mountain merchants reported a heavy upsurge in sales this week.

The Christmas shopping season, which begins traditionally with the end of Thanksgiving, is well underway, merchants report, with a heavy influx of buying noted last weekend and continuing heavily this week.

Kings Mountain merchants report themselves well-stocked with merchandise suitable for gifts and giving.

"We don't have all the items we wish we had," one merchant remarked, "but we have more than we've ever had before."

All types of goods are available for sale, including toys for all ages, holiday apparel, jewelry, and other items of Christmas-season goods.

"And the prices are right," another merchant commented.

Merchants are open six days weekly and many are remaining open until 9 p.m. Fridays until Christmas.

## Funeral Rites Will Be Thursday For Mrs. Lucille Cansler Falls

Mrs. Lucille Cansler Falls, 54, wife of Coman Falls, died Tuesday night at 11 o'clock in Kings Mountain hospital following an illness of several months.

Funeral rites will be held Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m. from First Presbyterian church, of which she was a member. The body will remain at Harris Funeral Home until 2:30 p.m. when it will lie in state at the church. Dr. Paul K. Ausley will officiate at the final rites and interment will be made in Mountain Rest cemetery. Dr. W. P. Gerberding will assist in conducting the service.

A Kings Mountain native, Mrs. Falls was the daughter of the

## Both Planning Firms Are Good, Says Officials

By MARTIN HARMON

"I am glad to know that Cleveland County is together." This was the statement Wednesday afternoon by William F. Henderson, executive secretary of the North Carolina Medical Care Commission.

Mr. Henderson said that his letter to James L. Rogers, Administrator of Cleveland Memorial Hospital, was merely designed to encourage county-wide planning of hospital expansion, not to deter it.

It would be better, Mr. Henderson said in a telephone conversation, if, in the future Cleveland County (and all counties) planned their expansions conjunctively.

At the same time, Mr. Henderson gave high marks for hospital planning to Jack B. Norman Associates, Hospital Consultants, of Greenville, S. C., who did the planning for Cleveland Memorial's expansion, and to Walter W. Hook Associates, of Charlotte, who conducted the survey on Kings Mountain's Hospital expansion needs.

Mr. Henderson said the 1963 General Assembly appropriated \$1,000,000 for hospital expansion, \$500,000 for fiscal 1964 and \$500,000 for fiscal 1965. He said the maximum available for any project is \$100,000, adding, "It doesn't mean that any or all projects will get the maximum."

Cleveland Memorial anticipates use of \$1,500,000 in county funds for renovating and increasing its present 186 beds. Kings Mountain Hospital anticipates use of \$500,000 in county funds for increasing its bed capacity from 75 to 100, including addition of ancillary facilities, plus pouring of footings for eventual expansion to 200 beds.

Both units anticipate federal matching funds, though neither have commitments from Mr. Henderson's agency, which must 1) endorse applications for federal monies (under the Hill-Burton Act) and 2) for any state monies which might be available.

Mr. Henderson in his letter to Mr. Rogers, Cleveland Memorial Hospital administrator, noted that newspaper accounts indicated an upcoming bond issue for hospital renovation and expansion. He suggested funds were limited and that surveys, as both hospitals have obtained, should be discussed with the state Medical Care Commission for a check-out on costs and final determination of needs.

Reiterating he was glad to know that the management of the county's two hospital facilities were in agreement on the proposed project, Mr. Henderson said he appreciated a county's willingness to work together to improve its medical care service.

## Nativity Scene To Be Erected

A nativity scene, purchased by retailers last Christmas season, will be erected on the grounds of Kings Mountain hospital this weekend.

The Merchants Association also this week replaced burned-out bulbs in the downtown Christmas lights which burned for the first time Thanksgiving evening.

## Jaycees Plan Yule Tree Sale

Kings Mountain Jaycees expect to launch their annual Christmas tree sale Thursday night.

The Jaycees anticipate a shipment of spruce and will offer them for sale from the Baker lot on East Mountain street, across from the Woman's Club.

Bill Culp, chairman of the Jaycee sales committee, said the trees will be offered for sale at \$2.50, \$3, and \$3.50.

Proceeds are earmarked for shoes for indigent children.

## METER RECEIPTS

City parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday totaled \$211.60, including \$22.40 from off-street meters, according to report by City Clerk Joe McDaniell, Jr.