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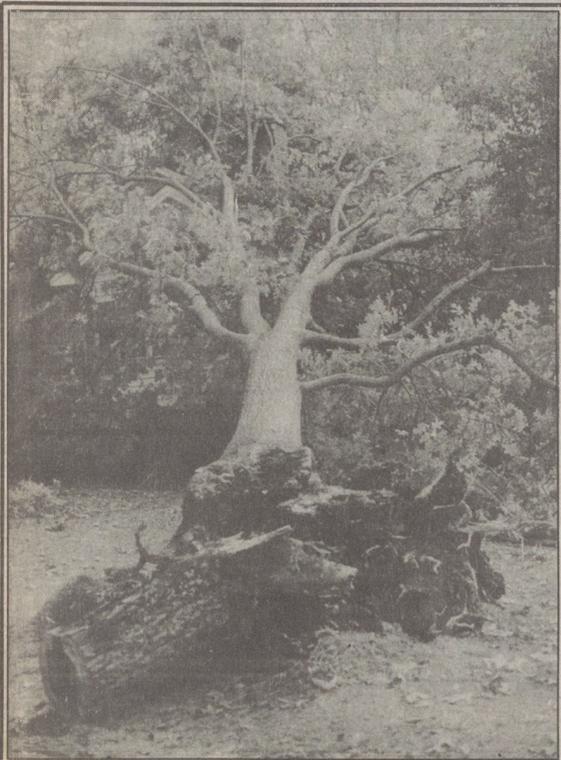
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Saturday's heavy winds blew this huge tree down on the home of Boyd and Betty Howell on Bethlehem Road, but fortunately there was no serious damage. Another tree was blown across the driveway, trapping them inside their home. Larry McDaniel of the Bethlehem Fire Department cleared the tree from the driveway.

The wind 'blew like crazy' but did little damage in KM

A tornado watch in Kings Mountain Saturday, high winds up to 30 miles per hour in some areas and a little over an inch and a half rain-fall made for a mix-bag of weather.

If you went outside with an umbrella, the chances were that it was little cover for the rain which poured in sheets.

Kenneth Kitzmiller, The Herald's weather watcher, said it rained 1.52 inches in the Kings Mountain area but the big news was the high winds which apparently did no damage.

"The wind blew like crazy," said Kitzmiller.

Tuesday morning a tree fell on a utility line about 10 a.m. in East Kings Mountain in the Linwood Section. Utility Director Jimmy Maney said that power was out at 75 homes for about 30 minutes while electric crews repaired the damage.

Tuesday afternoon there were reports of snow flurries in Upper Cleveland County near South Mountain and in York, SC. Snow was falling in Boone.

For several days in a row Kitzmiller recorded below freezing temperatures on his weather charts. Some frost was reported on November 3 and 4. Kitzmiller said a killing frost wiped out vegetation on November 5 when the temperatures dipped to 19.

At this time last year the temperatures were milder and no frost was reported until Thanksgiving week, he said.

Kitzmiller predicts that this winter won't be mild in Kings Mountain.

"I guess our utility bills will be higher because we have to keep warm and it won't matter if the groundhog saw his shadow or not," he said.

The advice Kitzmiller gives is "bundle up."

Guyton challenges election

Cites improprieties at East Kings Mountain precinct

The Kings Mountain Board of Elections will conduct a hearing Monday at 7 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers on City Councilman Jim Guyton's challenge of the recent municipal election.

Guyton has not asked for a recount of the votes in which Jerry Mullinax led him by two votes (162-160) nor for a new election but is challenging alleged improprieties at the East Kings Mountain precinct.

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straws."
-Jim Guyton



Becky Cook, elections board supervisor who will moderate the

hearing, said that the board, which also includes Tim Miller and Valerie Boyd, will air the concerns. The public is invited.

Cook said that Guyton has requested a copy of the East KM pollbooks in an effort to determine if any deceased voters' names are listed on the log of people who voted in the city election last Tuesday.

"If those allegations are correct the county board would hear those challenges and then Jim could go to the state with it," said Cook.

"Jim is actually challenging voters instead of the election but we want to air all these concerns and hope we won't have these problems in two years when we vote again."

Guyton says that one registered voter wasn't allowed to vote and an unregistered voter was.

That means if there is another tie, and the two men tied previously on October 10, that according to state law they draw straws.

"I won't draw straws," says

See Guyton, 4-A



Nothing is more fun than playing in a cotton wagon. Morgan Scism, Jennifer Scism, Brittany Floyd and Adam Floyd play in Grandpa Jack Scism's cotton wagon on Jack and Mona Scism's 500-acre farm. The family is currently harvesting 80 acres of cotton in addition to raising turkeys.

Complaint filed against Board member

The Cleveland County Board of Elections is notifying Pat Childers that witnesses are required on her complaint against a city board of elections member.

Debra Blanton, elections supervisor, said that Mrs. Childers, wife of mayoral candidate Jim Childers, complained that Tim Miller, a member of the Kings Mountain elections board whose wife, Shearra, was on the ballot and was reelected to the Kings Mountain Board of Education Tuesday, allegedly stood over the tabulator on the county side, not the city side where he was working, and looked at or tried to look at voter ballots

while they were being inserted in the voting machines.

Miller worked at the West Kings Mountain precinct at The Armory last Tuesday, according to Becky Cook, Kings Mountain Board of Elections chairman. Miller denies the charges, saying that he was aware of his position on the city board and the only time he was on the county side at the polling place was to see if he filled out a paper correctly on a provisional ballot.

Both elections officials Cook and Blanton say the heavy write-in vote probably led to some of the confusion on election day.

Blanton said the county board

has corrected an error in the registration of county commissioner Mary Shear Accor. Blanton said the county elections board had Accor and her husband, Charles Accor, in the wrong precinct. The Accors, who live on Dixon School Road, reported to the East Kings Mountain precinct to vote in the school board and sanitary district elections instead of Grover. Voters who live in the Dixon Community were moved from the Community Center to Grover several years ago.

"They were given their ballots there but that was our error and this in no way conflicted with any ballots that did or did not get in the proper district," said Blanton.

Shut down

Park feels bite of budget fuss

The Kings Mountain National Military Park closed at 2 p.m. Tuesday due to federal budget cuts, according to Supt. Andrew Loveless.

According to Loveless, the Park has closed all visitor facilities including parking lots, the Visitor Center and the historic battlefield and all trails for an indefinite period.

The main drive, a connector between segments of S. C. Highway 216, will remain open subject to the usual speed restrictions and commercial vehicle prohibitions.

Loveless said that essential law enforcement personnel will continue to provide emergency services and necessary protection to government property, roads, lands and wildlife during this period of closure.

A Park employee was finishing up paperwork Wednesday morning and answered the telephone but she said that all other employees had gone home.

Tuesday, the Office of Management and Budget directed the Federal agencies including the National Park Service of the U. S. Department of the Interior to furlough all non-essential Federal personnel without pay effective immediately.

Loveless blamed the closure on the failure of the Congress and the Administration in Washington, DC to reach accord and provide either an approved budget or extend the continuing Park resolution which expired Tuesday at midnight.

The adjoining Kings Mountain State Park, (telephone 803-222-3209), with extensive camping, picnicking and recreational facilities, is administered by the State Parks Division of the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism and will be unaffected by the KMNMP closure. The state park will continue to operate at normal hours with full facilities from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. daily.

School employees get supplement hike

The 225 non-certified employees in the Kings Mountain District Schools, principals, assistant principals and directors got a bonus Monday night in the form of increases in incremental salary supplements.

Previously, non-certified employees received a yearly supplement of \$150. Under the new plan workers will receive an additional \$25 from this year forward, for each year employed, up to \$600.

The Kings Mountain Board of Education also unanimously ap-

proved a two percent supplement scale for administrators including program and departmental directors, principals and assistant principals. This new scale does not include assistant superintendents and the superintendent.

The scale ranges from \$2,000 for first year assistant principals to a tenth year high of \$4,514 for the principal of Kings Mountain High School; \$4,181 for the Kings Mountain Middle School Principal; \$2,390 for Assistant Principals and \$3,584 for elementary and Parker

Street principals. Directors, such as Food Service, Vocational Education and directors of other special programs would fall in this category.

Supt. Dr. McRae said that even though the administrative scale is in place, it could be cut if there is a financial crunch.

But he says that as long as the system stays within this scale the state provides funds for Central office administrators. No money comes from local funds.

See Salary, 2-A

King to School Board: Listen

Billy King, the unsuccessful write-in candidate in last Tuesday's school board election, says 702 of the 2,909 votes cast for him sends a strong message.

Stella Putnam, who worked with about a dozen volunteers in a last-minute campaign for King the weekend before the election, agrees. She says that voters want a change.

Both King and Putnam indicate they will run two years from now for the inside-city and at-large seats up for grabs along with one outside-city seat. Terms of Ronnie Hawkins, Billy Houze and Connie Allison will expire in two years.

King and Putnam said they plan to file before the registration dead-

See King, 12-A

Hughes KM Carrousel Princess

Christie Hughes, rising senior at Kings Mountain High School and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Hughes, has been chosen Carrousel Princess and will represent the city in the annual Thanksgiving Day Carolinas Carrousel in Charlotte.

The blue-eyed brunette ranks No. 2 scholastically in a graduating class of 203 seniors.

She will participate in the four-day festival highlighted by the largest Thanksgiving Day parade in the Southeast and will compete for scholarship prizes totaling more than \$6,000.

Hughes will go to Charlotte on Monday, November 20, for activities which will also include trips to WBTV, Discovery Place and Carolinas Medical Center.

The big parade, to be televised by WBTV Channel 3, is expected to be seen by half a million viewers from the 14-county Metrolina region.

attended North Carolina Governors School and Tar Heel Girls State, is a Morehead nominee, was honored by Woodmen of the World in U. S. History, and serves as president of the National Honor Society and Beta club treasurer. She is also active in Student Council, Science and French clubs and tutors in local elementary schools. She is a member of Dixon Presbyterian Church and serves as president of the youth group and on the worship committee.

She plans to attend UNC at Chapel Hill, major in chemistry and study pharmaceutical research at the School of Pharmacy.

Hughes' great-great-great uncle Hatcher Hughes won the Pulitzer Prize for the novel, "Hell Bent for Heaven." She has one sister, Heather.

She lists her hobbies as piano, swimming and playing clarinet in the high school band.



CHRISTIE HUGHES

Herald to publish early next week

The Kings Mountain Herald will publish one day early next week because the Thanksgiving holiday falls on the regular publication date.

The paper will be printed on Tuesday and carry a Wednesday dateline. Deadline for all advertising and news will be 5 p.m. Monday.

Unemployed? Run a free classified ad

The Kings Mountain, Bessemer City and Cherryville areas have been hit hard recently with announcements of the closing of numerous plants.

The closing of Carolina Freight, Bike and Dora Textiles in Cherryville, Danalex and Reeves Brothers in Bessemer City, and Clevemont in Kings Mountain will put well over 1,000 area people out of work.

If you have lost your job, the Herald wants to help by offering free classified advertisements. All you need to do is list your skills and the type job desired and bring the information to our office at the corner of East King and Canterbury Road.

The usual deadline for classified ads is Tuesday at 3 p.m., but for next week's paper the deadline is Monday. The ads can run as often as you like but must be re-submitted each week.