

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320
City Limits 8,008

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Paring Work Ahead As School Bids Top Estimates



Proposed district school - The photograph above is architect's picture of the proposed Kings Mountain district high school.

amount to \$10.85 per square foot. Construction bids were opened Friday and the bids of \$1,341,343.00 topped the estimate \$1.1 million by \$241,348.00.

Education Board Held Busy Monday Session

The Kings Mountain board of education opened construction bids on the proposed \$1.1 million district high school Friday and Monday night conducted a three-hour paring session...

Supt. B. N. Barnes said Wednesday he had talked with the Division of School Planning in Raleigh to determine if they would permit negotiations...

There are 11 alternates to the base construction bid, with the major ones being the band room and three classrooms in the basement area under the library.

Other alternates are of a minor nature, including having either marble stairs in restrooms, ac-

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อร์ดон doors in place of folding partitions, acoustical tile, etc. The education board discussed eight alternates where possible at the May monthly meeting.

Low base bidders Friday were Robert H. Pinnix, Inc. of Gastonia, \$982,415 for general construction; Southern Piping and Engineering Company of Charlotte, \$143,720 for heating; Gastonia Plumbing and Heating company, \$115,215 for plumbing and Caldwell Electric Co. of Newton, \$99,998 for electrical work.

Other firms bidding electrical work were Gaston Electrical company, Industrial Electric of Charlotte. Bidders on heating were Hickory Plumbing and Heating, A. Z. Price and Associates, Pyramid Mechanical Corporation and Thompkins-Johnson Company, all of Charlotte.

Bonds for construction of the school will be sold May 26 in Raleigh by the Local Government Commission.

Friday's bids do not include equipment for the school's classrooms, laboratories, kitchen, cafeteria and the architect's fees.

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COMRUGHTY FUN DAY - The Kings Mountain Optimist Club is sponsoring Optimist Community Fun Day Saturday with a 10 a.m. parade to launch the day's festivities.

Optimist Fun Day Set For Saturday

Big Parade, Elephants, Rides For Kiddies

Saturday will be Optimist Community Fun Day in Kings Mountain with a circus parade at 10 a.m.

The Kings Mountain Optimist club is sponsoring "Kid's Day" with a visit of Ringling Brothers circus performers and other activities.

Lawrence Adams, chairman of the committee on arrangements, said the parade would form at 10 a.m. at the A & P and proceed north on Battleground to Ridge street and east to the City Park.

A free aerial act will be staged at 2:30 p.m. and again at 8 p.m. Saturday. The show will also feature a monkey act and a high-diving dog.

Kings Mountain merchants are buying tickets for the rides and are distributing the free tickets to youngsters in the elementary schools, Mr. Adams continued.

Participating merchants are Bob's Drive-In, Bridges Auto Parts, Bridges Hardware, City Floor Service, Ben T. Goforth Plumbing, Griffin Drug Company, McGinnis Department Store, McGinnis Furniture company, Medical Pharmacy, Pauline Store, Phifer Hardware company, Plunk Brothers Southwell Motor company, C. E. Werlick Insurance Agency, Western Auto Associate Store, Willie's Jewelry, Kings Mountain Herald, Radio Station WKMT and Fellingner's Jewelry.

Kid's Day is expected to be an annual affair at the Deal street playground, Mr. Adams added.

Mixed Chorus Concert Set

The Kings Mountain high school Mixed Chorus will present the annual spring concert Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the high school auditorium.

Special numbers will be rendered by the chorus and by the choir. The program will include: Smith's Good News; Noble Cain's King Jesus Is A-Listening; deVaux's Rock-a-My Soul; Born

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NEW POST - Captain William F. Brewer is the new commander of fleet air wings, United States Atlantic Fleet.

Brewer Fleet Air Wing Chief

NORFOLK, Va. - Captain William Francis Brewer USN has relieved Rear Admiral Norman C. Gillette USN as Commander Fleet Air Wing U. S. Atlantic Fleet. In a ceremony at headquarters located on the Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Virginia, witnessed by Vice Admiral Charles E. Weakley USN, Commander Antisubmarine Warfare Force, U. S. Atlantic Fleet, Captain Brewer took over his new duties after serving as Chief of Staff to the Commander for nearly two years.

The Fleet Air Wings Atlantic Command is composed of over 6000 officers and men and some 200 planes in 16 patrol squadrons based at NAS Jacksonville, Florida, Brunswick, Maine, Patuxent River, Maryland and Norfolk, Virginia. These squadrons fly the P2 Neptune or the P3 Orion aircraft and are lendbase Maritime Air Arm of the U. S. Atlantic Fleet's Antisubmarine Force. The Kings Mountain aircraft deploy as far north as Iceland, south throughout the Caribbean and eastward through the Mediterranean Sea.

Captain Brewer was born in Henderson, North Carolina and was graduated from Davidson College. He is married to the former Pauline Neisler of Kings Mountain, North Carolina.

Seating Policy For Commencement

Graduating seniors at Kings Mountain high school will receive four tickets each this commencement season for seats for their relatives at June 3 finals exercises.

The new policy in seating arrangements will be used only at the finals program and not at the Sunday baccalaureate service.

Ticket holders are asked to arrive at the auditorium between 7 and 7:30 p.m. June 3. Doors will be open to the general public at 7:30 and no reserved seats will be available.

Local News Bulletins

TO WIN DEGREES - Alicia Gay Jolley and Johnny Lewis Jones of Kings Mountain are among the candidates for degrees from Gardner-Webb Junior College on May 24.

TALENT EVENT - The Waco community volunteer fire department will sponsor a talent and musical show Friday night at 8 p.m. in Waco gymnasium.

LIONS CLUB - The Kings Mountain high school football coach Bill Bates will show slides of the Kings Mountain-Shelby football game at Tuesday night's Lions Club meeting at 7 p.m. at the Woman's Club. Lion George Plunk is program chairman.

KIWANIS PROGRAM - W. H. DoId, principal of Waco school, will show slides of North Carolina at Thursday night's Kiwanis club meeting at 6:45 p.m. at the Woman's club. B. N. Barnes will introduce the program.

ROTARY PROGRAM - Jack H. White, past president of the Rotary club and a candidate for the State Senate, will address Kings Mountain Rotarians at their 12 noon meeting Thursday at the Country Club. Mr. White will give his interpretation of the problems which will face the next administration at the state level.

METER RECEIPTS - Meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday at noon included \$297 from on-street meters, including \$64 in fines, and \$21 from off-street meters, City Clerk Joe H. McDaniel, Jr. said.

Gerberdings To Be Honored

The St. Matthew's Lutheran church will honor Dr. and Mrs. William P. Gerberding at a reception Sunday afternoon in the church fellowship hall.

A spokesman for the church said, "It is hoped all members and friends of the Gerberdings will call from 1 o'clock until 5:30 p.m."

The Gerberdings will go to St. Petersburg, Fla. early next month where Dr. Gerberding will become pastor of Redeemer Lutheran church July 13th. The Gerberdings will vacation in Minnesota before returning to Kings Mountain and subsequently moving to Florida.

Dr. Gerberding became pastor of St. Matthew's 13 years ago. The St. Matthew's congregation moved into its new church building 10 years ago this month.

Industrial Water Rates Cut, Seven Plants Will Benefit

City Board Pares Rate By 25 - Percent

The city board of commissioners cut industrial water rates to plants outside the city from 50 percent to 25 percent higher than the rate charged city water customers Monday.

Plants affected will be Neisler Division of Massachusetts Mohair Plush company, Foote Mineral company, Lambeth Rope Corporation, Spanzer's, Bennett Brick & Tile Waco Sportswear and Superior Stone company.

The rate reduction will not pertain to residential users who will continue paying a rate 50 percent higher than city customers. Action by the board came after a request by A. J. Maino, executive vice-president of the Mohair firm. His original request was for a cut back to the 10 percent differential which was in force before 1959-61. He told the board a proposed plant expansion at the Pauline Mill would up the water usage by Margrace.

For the period January-April the Mohair firm used a total of 28,788,000 gallons of water and paid \$8,825.19 at the then-current price per 1,000 gallons of 0.3176. At the new rate of 0.2554 for a four-month period the firm would pay \$7,355.01.

The commission studied the 1963 water consumption usage by Mohair to arrive at the new rate. The Margrace plant had a high consumption of 9,537,000 gallons in November with a low recorded in July and May. The total amount paid during the year was \$14,078.85. Based on the 25 percent outside charge the figure would have been changed by

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3802 Logged On New Pollbooks At Four Boxes In No. 4 Township

The all-new registration which ended Saturday in the county's 28 precincts totaled 3802 in No. 4 Township.

It was the county's first complete county wide voter re-registration since at least 1935 and means that Cleveland County's official voter registration is 19,800. Citizens eligible to vote are divided as follows: Democrats - 17,813; Republicans - 1,828; Independents - 159.

At Kings Mountain's four township boxes the breakdown is as follows: Bethware: 509 Democrats, 126 Republicans, and 16 Independents



COMMANDER - Harold Pearson has been elected commander of District 14 of Veterans of Foreign Wars for the coming year.

Pearson Named To VFW Post

Harold Pearson, outgoing commander of Frank B. Glass Post 9811, Veterans of Foreign Wars, was elected commander of the 14th District, Department of North Carolina, VFW, Sunday.

Mr. Pearson was also recognized as an all-state commander and Harold Glass of Kings Mountain was named an all-state quartermaster.

The two Kings Mountain men attended the annual state convention of Veterans of Foreign Wars in Hickory.

Mr. Pearson will be installed June 11-14 in Charlotte to head 12 posts of 2250 men in District

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Routine Agenda Face Commission At May Meeting

The city board of commissioners conducted several items of routine business at Thursday night's regular meeting.

Items: 1) voted to purchase a 40 feet by 90 feet lot on Dilling street near Mountain Rest cemetery to build a tool shed and office for the caretaker at cost of \$600.

2) employed Tom Wilson as a city policeman. Mr. Wilson, formerly a police officer in Gastonia, comes to the city staff from Harris Funeral Home.

3) heard a letter read from the North Carolina Fire Insurance rating bureau in which the city was criticized for contracting to send city trucks to fires outside the city limits.

4) accepted for consideration when the money is available request to pave Sipes street from Goforth to Sims streets.

5) agreed to discuss on June 11 a public housing proposal to be presented by an architectural and engineering firm.

6) adopted traffic committee proposals to install several 12-minute parking meters in the business district and effective July 1 to declare the Mountain St. side of Victory Chevrolet company a loading zone and install two one-hour meters at a loading zone site on Cherokee street.

Local Democrats At Convention

Thirty Cleveland County citizens are in Raleigh for the Democratic convention, including the county vice-chairman Mrs. F. A. McDaniel, Jr., Jack H. White of Kings Mountain, Miss Sadie Lutz of Shelby and other of the party faithful.

Several Kings Mountain people were nominated to fill various Democratic executive committee posts within the 10th District.

Mrs. Charles Carpenter of Kings Mountain was named to the 10th Congressional District executive committee and Cameron Ware of Bethware was named to the judicial executive committee.

Mrs. McDaniel was appointed a delegate to the national Democratic convention in Atlantic City. Clint Newton, county party chairman, is also in Raleigh for the convention.



APPOINTEE - Joyce Plunk, rising senior at Lenoir Rhyne college, is one of 100 college students named to participate in the North Carolina Fund poverty program this summer.

Miss Plunk Is Selected

Miss Joyce Plunk, Kings Mountain junior at Lenoir Rhyne college and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hal Plunk, is among 100 North Carolina college students named to work this summer in the North Carolina Fund's poverty-fighting community projects throughout the state.

North Carolina Volunteer headquarters announced the names, selected from a total of 750 applicants - this week. The students will start their 11-week service period with a June 14-18 training session at the Duke University campus.

The seven areas where North Carolina Fund projects are getting underway are Watauga, Avery, Mitchell and Yancey counties - a joint project in the North Carolina mountains; Mecklenburg in the south Piedmont; Forsythe in the north Piedmont; Durham in the north Piedmont; Nash - Edgecombe, a two-county project in the north Coastal Plain; Richmond-Robeson-Scotland, a three-county project in the south Coastal Plain; and Craven county, in the Tidewater area.

Today's announcement marks the last step in a recruiting drive that started in mid-March when NCV director, Jim Beatty, and his assistant, Curtis Gans, began a recruiting program that took them to 40 college campuses. They told college students of the Volunteers' plans to attract 100 mature students to work in one of the communities where The North Carolina Fund is conducting experiments to find and show new

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