

# Population

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320  
City Limits 8,256

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# Mohair Wants Its Margrace Plant In City Limits

# Second Primaries To Be Saturday

## Lone Contest For GOP; Two For Democrats



DAVID BEAM  
Commission Candidate

Cleveland County Democrats will return to the polls Saturday to determine township and county office nominations for treasurer and two seats on the county commission.

Cleveland County Republicans will join their neighbors of the 10th United States Congressional District to determine a nominee to oppose Representative Basil L. Whitener (D) in November.

A light vote is predicted.

For treasurer, both Mrs. Doris Dent Osborne and Mrs. Harriet Roberts Evans, both of Shelby, seek to succeed Mrs. Lillian Newton, veteran retiring county treasurer. In the first primary Mrs. Evans led a field of four candidates.

For the two county commission seats, second-runners Charlie A. Greene and Fritz Morehead seek to unseat incumbents David E. Beam and E. E. (Pop) Simmons who topped an eight-man county commission ticket May 27.

Donald D. Wirick, Lithium Corporation civil engineer, of Gastonia, and W. Hall Young, Avery county lumberman, seek the Republican nomination for U. S. Congressman Young led a three-man ticket in the first primary.

In No. 11 Township, incumbent Constable Jimmy Cook is challenged by Lawrence Brown.

With election day but two days away, the candidates were busy pumping hands this week in an effort to garner votes.

Same election officials will serve on Saturday and polling places are the same.

Polls open — 6:30 a.m.  
Polls close — 6:30 p.m.

Polling places in No. 4 Township: Bethware, at Bethware school; East Kings Mountain, at City Hall; Grover at Grover Fire Station; West Kings Mountain at Armory.

## New Parking Lot Ready By Saturday

The new city parking lot at the corner of Mountain and Cherokee streets should be ready for use by Saturday morning, Mayor John H. Moss said yesterday.

The lot, leased from the Kings Mountain Savings & Loan association, has been graded with a planting bed, featuring boxwoods and colorful flowers, and has been paved. A three-stream water fountain and public telephone booth will be added.

City street department crewmen were marking off the 25 parking spaces Wednesday afternoon and two-hour parking meters will be installed. The meters, made by the Park-O-Meter company, will accept a nickel (one hour) or a dime (two hours), but no pennies.

The parking lot will be checked for over-parking from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., with the exception of Wednesday afternoons, Sundays and holidays.

## Mrs. Crawford Has Broken Leg

Mrs. W. J. Crawford suffered a broken right leg Tuesday when she fell in the bedroom of her home.

Mrs. Crawford suffered a break in the same leg nine years ago. The new break is between the pin used to mend the initial break and the kneecap.

Members of her family report her resting well at Gaston Memorial hospital.

## AT DAVIS FIRM

Lynda Watterson, recent graduate of Kings Mountain high school and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erskine Watterson, has joined the office staff of Davis & White for the summer months. She will be a freshman at Western Carolina college in the fall.

He succeeds the late Rev. Max Brandon, Jr. who died of a heart attack several months ago.

All Methodist ministers in the Kings Mountain area were returned to their present pastorates for the coming year.



MRS. HARRIET R. EVANS  
Treasurer Candidate



MRS. DORIS D. OSBORNE  
Treasurer Candidate

## 60 In Training By Week's End

Five firms have contracted with Industrial Association of Kings Mountain, Inc., for on-the-job training programs via the recent federal Department of Labor grant and 60 trainees will have been signed by Friday.

Joe Vale, executive secretary, made the announcement Wednesday.

He said appointments have been made with all other members of the association and he predicted that the 300 authorized job training "slots" will be filled within three weeks—either by beginning trainees or by present employees training for higher skilled jobs.

The association is renting offices in the Mountain street building formerly occupied by C. E. Warlick Insurance Agency. The building is being renovated and Mr. Vale said he hoped it would be ready for occupancy by mid-week.

The association has been sharing space in the Chamber of Commerce—Merchants' association office.

## LEGION TRIP

American Legion Post 155 will sponsor its second bus trip to Atlanta, Ga. Sunday for a day baseball game between the Atlanta Braves and the Los Angeles Dodgers. The bus will leave the Legion building at 8:15 a.m. and return about 8:30 p.m.

Hubert Dixon, professor of mathematics at Gardner Webb Junior college, will install new officers of the Kings Mountain Lions club at their Tuesday night meeting at 7 p.m. at the Woman's club.

Mr. Dixon is a native of Kings Mountain.

Hal S. Plonk, Kings Mountain realtor, will be installed as the new president and other officers are: Howard Bryant, first vice-president; Bill Plonk, second vice-president; Willie Williams, third vice-president; Bill Moss, secretary; Raymond Holmes,

treasurer; Larry Allen, lion tamer; Fred Withers, tall twister; and directors, Bill Jonas and James Stoll.

Mr. Dixon will also recognize Lion Sam Weir, District Lion of the Year, and Lion Bill Plonk, named 100 percent Lion secretary in the district, during the past year. The two local men were accorded district honors recently for their service to the civic club.

Weir is winner of the local club's Lion of the Year award for the second year.

# Redevelopment Groups Appointed

## Plonk, Harmon Are Chairmen Of Committees

Mayor John Henry Moss has completed appointment of a 20-member advisory committee and a seven-member special committee on minority housing, augmenting the commission for a workable program for community improvement.

John O. Plonk, Jr., is chairman of the advisory committee, and Martin Harmon is chairman of the minority housing committee.

Other members of the advisory committee are Mrs. C. E. Warlick, Miss Helen Hay, T. W. Grayson, Wendell Phifer, Clyde Whetstone, Charles E. Dixon, Bill Brown, W. S. Fulton, Jr., William Herndon, Paul McGinnis, Lewis Dellinger, Haywood E. Lynch, George B. Thomason, B. S. Peeler, Jr., Carl F. Mauney, Charles Blanton, Elmore Alexander, Dan Finger, Glee E. Bridges, Rev. W. L. Campbell, Leroy Blanton, Rev. S. T. Cooke, Mrs. Junious Haywood, Mrs. Sarah Boyd, Ollie Harris, J. Wilson Crawford, Richard Maxey, Charles F. Mauney, and Senator Jack H. White.

Members of the minority housing committee are Sandro Blalock, William Orr, George White, Brooks Tate, George Edwards and Carl F. Wilson.

Duty of the advisory committee, as stated in the application for approval to the federal Housing and Home Finance Agency, is: citizen participation in developing and carrying out the community's Workable Program goals.

Duty of the committee on minority housing shall be: to study and formulate a program for meeting the needs for decent housing in a suitable environment for all families without regard to race, creed, color or national origin.

Members of the five-member redevelopment commission are John O. Plonk, Jr., Thomas A. Tate, Carl F. Mauney, William Herndon and Charles L. Alexander.

He was a son of the late George A. and Jesse Shuford Allen. He was a member of First Baptist church of Shelby.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Maude Wathers Allen; five sons, J. Haywood Allen and George Allen, both of Shelby; Irvin M. Allen, Jr. of Kings Mountain, Oaron M. Allen of Warrentown, Wiley H. Allen of Kings Mountain; six daughters, Mrs. Sam Hamrick, Mrs. J. C. Deveney and Mrs. Bobby C. Bridges, all of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Stanley Drake of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Mrs. William Miles Hord of Orlando, Fla. and Mrs. Keith Hawkins of Shelby. Also surviving are 22 grandchildren.

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Dr. Joseph McClain officiated at the final rites.

## Service Honors Dr. Laura Plonk

Dr. Laura Plonk, Kings Mountain native and co-founder of Asheville's Plonk School of Creative Arts, was memorialized at a special service at the school Sunday afternoon.

Participating on the program were her pastor, the Rev. Jack Smith, former faculty members and students.

Mr. Smith gave the invocation, and gave the meditation.

Mrs. Mary Faust-Plonk Weaver, Greensboro pianist, played Handel's "arabande" and Beethoven's "Farewell to the Piano."

"Terry Weaver Codfield sang "These Are They" from Gaul's "The Holy City."

Mrs. Anna Lee tyles read two poems Carman's "Vestigia" and another by Proctor, then concluded with what she termed "personal reflections on a 40-year friendship" as follows:

"This day we meet in tribute to Dr. Laura Plonk, late founder and director of The Plonk School of Creative Arts.

During her years of activity and unwavering perseverance, Dr. Plonk gave to her fellow human beings of all ages, the residuum of her insight, her vision, her zeal, her strength, her fidelity, her compassion, her faith. And she ventured and strove for their realization in awareness and overcoming, for their excellence in the arts of communication, for their fulfillment in character unfoldment, and for their attainment in spiritual prowess.

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# Funeral Held For I. M. Allen

Funeral rites for Irvin M. Allen, Sr., former police chief, county commissioner and sheriff, were held Saturday.

Funeral rites for Irvin M. Allen, Sr., were held Saturday at 3 p.m. from Webb Chapel of Shelby's First Baptist church, interment following in Elizabeth Baptist church cemetery.

Mr. Allen died at 12:45 a.m. Friday in Kings' Mountain hospital following a lengthy illness.

Kings Mountain police chief from 1922-29, he was elected county sheriff and served until 1933. He served a two-year term on the county board of commissioners from 1938-40.

Two of his sons are law enforcement officers. Haywood Allen is sheriff of Cleveland County and George Allen serves as chief deputy.

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## Bryant Charged Following Wreck

Burman Coley Bryant, 38, of 1002 First Street, was charged with driving while intoxicated following an accident Thursday afternoon at the intersection of Cleveland Avenue and Ridge Street.

Bryant's 1954 model Chevrolet struck the rear of a 1961 Buick driven by Howard Smith, 43, of 113 Cleveland Avenue when Smith attempted to make a left turn off Cleveland Avenue onto Ridge Street.

Damages were estimated at \$200 to each car. No injuries were reported.

Police officer Joe Harmon investigated the mishap.

## Maino Confirms 180 Degree Turn In Firm's Policy

By MARTIN HARMON

Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company wants its Margrace plant annexed to the city.

Al Maino, general manager, confirmed Wednesday afternoon his firm—since its purchase from the C. E. Neisler family in 1955 very strongly opposed to any suggestion it might be annexed to the city—has changed its mind.

Asked if his firm had made an 180 degree change of course, Mr. Maino replied, "We have. We've decided to quit fighting."

Mr. Maino frankly stated the requirement of his firm by the State Stream Sanitation committee to build a sewage system is the major factor in the decision.

The city has bond issue authority to build a plant serving the western sector of the city and envisions a modern treatment plant capable of handling up to two million gallons daily, with collecting lines and mains capable of handling up to eight million gallons daily. The city's engineering report on the sewage system estimates the city's effluent today at from 900,000 to one million gallons.

Mr. Maino said he does not have an accurate estimate of the Margrace plant's average daily effluent, which he declined to guess. However, the 1962 report of the State Stream Sanitation committee for the Broad River district estimated Margrace's effluent at 500,000 daily.

Mr. Maino said his firm, Park Yarn Mills, Foote Mineral Company and Superior Stone Company had an informal agreement of some year's standing to fight annexation should the city seek to annex the area against these firms' wishes, adding that he had informed his neighbors of Mohair's change of mind.

John C. Smathers, of Park Yarn, declined comment, but Jay Powell, general superintendent of Superior, and Ed Goter, operations manager at Foote, confirmed that their companies opposed annexation on grounds inclusion in the city would produce them an annual additional tax bill, with little in return.

The two mining men noted that they maintained their own water systems.

Asked to comment on the likelihood that Mohair will ask annexation of the Margrace plant to the city, Mayor John Henry Moss said, "As previously with this administration and, I understand, city policy dating as far back as 1923, I and members of the commission will be glad to discuss with any person or firm their petitions for annexation to the city."

The 19-year-old student will leave by plane for Yale on July 2 and return sometime in late August.

In addition to financing transportation to and from the study center, educational supplies, recreational fees, and general necessities, the program will award to Campbell upon his completion of study, \$500 to aid in expenses during the 1966-67 school year at the Agricultural and Technical College of North Carolina where he will be a junior.

## 3M To Make Sign Survey

The Reflective Products Division of Minneapolis-Minnesota Mining Company will begin a survey here Monday of the city's needs for traffic and street signs.

The survey will be conducted by specifications of the National League of Cities, Mayor John Henry Moss said.

The 3M company makes the survey free with no obligation to the city.

## Enrollment Short In Summer Terms Under Anti-Poverty Program

School officials expressed disappointment Wednesday that enrollment in the two summer school federal programs did not come up to advance indications.

In the pre-school "Head Start" program, principal Howard Bryant reported enrollment of 120, or 33 less than anticipated, and 45 less than the authorization of 165. In this program, ten percent of the enrollment may be children not qualified by the economic status of their families.

D. B. Blalock, director of the Title I reading program, reported enrollment of 501 or 110 short of the 611 who had indicated they would attend.

"It is not too late to enroll," Mr. Blalock emphasized, reporting that enrollment had increased each of the first three days of school.

Mr. Blalock attributed part of the reason to the fact the bus schedules by the five in use are not the same as those covered by the 25 or more in use during the regular school term.

"Fifty more pupils are needed to qualify for our minimum authorized program," he commented, adding, "but we could accommodate 125 more."

He said efforts to contact students and their parents in target areas will be made this week and by press, radio and telephone.

In contrast to the "Head Start" program, once the target areas have been skimmed to saturation, students needing the reading instruction and economically unqualified initially may be enrolled in the program.

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# Many To Receive Week's Holiday



RONALD CAMPBELL — Marsh Ronald Campbell has won a fellowship to study this summer at Yale University.

## Ronald Campbell Wins Fellowship

Marsh Ronald Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Campbell of Belvedere Circle, has been awarded a fellowship to study at Yale University this summer.

The grant was made on the basis of scholarship, creativity, ability to benefit from intensive study, and general aptitude.

The program in which Campbell will participate is financed by the Carnegie Corporation of New York, and is conducted jointly by Harvard-Yale and Columbia Universities. More than 500 applications were processed from colleges and universities throughout the South; of these, only 107 were accepted.

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At K Mills employees in the weaving and preparation departments will take a week's holiday. In the finishing and shipping departments employees will work part of the week, a spokesman said. Vacation payments will be made to employees.

Cleveland Hosiery Mills will operate on full schedule the week of July 4th. New machinery is being installed at the plant, a spokesman said.

Lambeth Rope Corporation has announced an "optional" holiday the week of July 4th. Manager Tom Burke said the firm hopes enough employees will reject the offer to allow at least a one shift operation. Employees taking the week's vacation will receive a week's pay. Employees electing to work will receive two week's pay.

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## Most Employees To Get Week, Holiday Pay

Majority of Kings Mountain area textile employees will enjoy a week's holiday, a survey of the industry shows, during the week of July 4th.

Many firms will make vacation payments.

A few firms said Wednesday their holiday plans are not yet set, pending determination of their customer needs.

To be closed the week of July 2-11 will be Minette Mills of Grover, Craftsman Yarns, and Neisler Mills Division of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company. Employees will receive vacation bonuses based on length of service at the Neisler and Craftsman plants. Christmas bonuses are paid annually by the Grover firm.

Mauney Mills will suspend operations for a part of the week of July 4th, George H. Mauney said. He said employees will receive vacation payments of two and four percent of earnings, based on length of service.

Burlington Mills' Phenix Plant and Bonnie Cotton Mills will suspend operations with the third shift July 2, resuming operations with the first shift July 10th. All eligible employees at Burlington will receive vacation pay based on length of service. The Bonnie Mill firm pays Christmas bonuses to employees, a spokesman said.

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## Adams' Moving To Grace Post

Rev. and Mrs. T. Dixon Adams and family were moving Wednesday into the parsonage of Grace Methodist church.

Mr. Adams was appointed to his new pastorate by the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference following the recent conference at Lake Junaluska.

He succeeds the late Rev. Max Brandon, Jr. who died of a heart attack several months ago.

All Methodist ministers in the Kings Mountain area were returned to their present pastorates for the coming year.