

DIGNITARIES AT POLICEMEN'S DINNER FRIDAY — Pictured above are five city and court officials who participated at Friday night's "graduation" of city police officers from a 120-hour introduction to police science. From left, Kings Mountain Police Chief Tom McDevitt, Kings Mountain Mayor John H. Moss, Joe Zimmerman of Charlotte, FBI training director in North Carolina who made the address, Judge Joe Mull of Shelby and Police Chief Ernest Arrington of Gaffney, S. C. (Photo by Isaac Alexander)

City Policemen Receive Diplomas

Fifteen city policemen received diplomas from Cleveland Technical Institute Friday for completion of a 120-hour introduction to police science course.

Policemen, their wives and guests were honored by the City of Kings Mountain and the Police Department at a dinner at Kings Mountain Country club.

Principal speaker for the banquet was Joe Zimmerman, FBI training director in North Carolina, who stressed training needs of law enforcement officers and the role of training in upgrading the profession.

Kings Mountain Police Chief Thomas McDevitt and Cleveland Tech President Jim Petty presented the certificates to officers. Members of the police department attended classes four nights a week, three hours per night, from March 25 through May 30th.

Mayor John Henry Moss, serving as master of ceremonies, expressed the gratitude of city officials and citizens for the members of the force attending the course on their own time and taking the training that will make the force more effective. Mayor Moss also introduced the 10 instructors for the course.

Receiving diplomas were Ellis King, David Corn, Jackie Dean Barrett, Bob Hayes, Matthew Perry, Don Henderson, Bynum Cook, Grayton Bollinger, Lemuel Beattie, Johnny Belk, William Roper, Jackie Dean Boone, Earl Stroupe, Jr., Lewis Cole and Chief Thomas McDevitt.



CITY POLICEMEN RECEIVE DIPLOMAS — Fifteen members of the city police force received diplomas Friday after completion of a 120-hour introduction to police science course sponsored by Cleveland Technical Institute. Front row, from left, Ellis King, David Corn, Jackie Dean Boone, Bob Hayes, Chief Thomas McDevitt, Matthew Petty, Donald Henderson, Bynum Cook and Lewis Cole. Back row, from left, Grayton Bollinger, Lemuel Beattie, Johnny Belk, William Roper, Jackie Dean Barrett and Earl Stroupe, Jr. (Photo by Isaac Alexander)

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 8,256

The Greater Kings Mountain figure is derived from the special United States Bureau of the Census report of January 1966, and includes the 14,380 population of Number 4 Township, and the remaining 6,124 from Number 5 Township, in Cleveland County and Crowder Mountain Township in Gaston County.

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Tax Rate Will Remain Same For New Fiscal Year

Sisters Graduate In College Finals



NANCY MCCLURE



JOAN MCCLURE



VIRGINIA GOFORTH WHISNANT

Nancy McClure Receives Her Master's Degree

Three more Kings Mountain students, two of whom are sisters, have received diplomas in recent college graduation exercises.

Both daughters of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. McClure, Nancy McClure and Joan McClure, received degrees. Nancy McClure won her master's degree from Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas and Joan McClure received her bachelor of music, cum laude, from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro where she was a member of Mu Phi Epsilon and Pi Kappa Lambda honorary societies. Joan McClure will teach instrumental music in the Los Angeles, California County Schools in September. Nancy McClure, also a member of Kappa Mu Epsilon honorary sorority, will teach at Hockaday Private School in Dallas, Texas.

Mrs. Virginia Goforth Whisnant, wife of Robert Whisnant, Jr. and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Goforth, received her B.A. in mathematics from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Both Mr. and Mrs. Whisnant will teach in the Greensboro school system in the fall.

Mrs. Canan's Rites Thursday

Funeral rites for Mrs. Clara Thompson Canan, 82, will be held Thursday at 4 p.m. from Resurrection Lutheran church of which she was a member.

Rev. David L. Castor will officiate at the final rites and interment will be in Mountain Rest cemetery. Active pallbearers will be Dr. George Plonk, Hal S. Plonk, Devere Smith, Howard Broadwater, Glee E. Bridges and Tommy Yarbrough.

Mrs. Canan died Monday night at 9:50 p.m. of a heart condition. She entered the local hospital a day before her death.

She was a native of South Dakota but had made her home here with her daughter, Mrs. E. R. Goter and Mr. Goter, the past 10 years. She was a former resident of Minneapolis and Crookston, Minnesota and had taught voice at Wesleyan college in Grand Fork, North Dakota. Widow of E. B. Canan who died in 1953, she was former choir director at First Presbyterian church of Crookston, Minnesota. She was a 50-year member of the Order of Eastern Star. She was a member of the Senior

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Lane To Assume Grace Pastorate Duties June 23

Rev. J. C. Lane, pastor of Pigeon Valley Methodist church in the Waynesville district, will become pastor of Grace Methodist church June 23rd.

Rev. and Mrs. T. Dixon Adams and family will move to Atlanta, Ga. Tuesday where Mr. Adams, who will take a sabbatical leave, will study next year at Emory University.

Rev. and Mrs. Lane are parents of six children, four girls and two boys.

Other area Methodist ministers will serve another year in Kings Mountain churches, it was announced at the annual Western North Carolina Conference at Lake Junaluska.

Rev. D. B. Alderman will preside at Central Methodist church for a second year while Rev. E. R. Lynn starts his second year at El Bethel Methodist church.

ON HONOR ROLL

Sarah Beth Simpson, freshman student at Gaston Day School in Belmont, was listed on the first honor roll during the school term just ended. She is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James B. Simpson of Kings Mountain.

KM Beauty Queen In Pageant Events



IN GROUP D — Teresa Jolley, Miss Kings Mountain, is appearing in Group D of the Miss North Carolina beauty pageant in Charlotte this week, among 87 beauties seeking the crown.

20-Year-Old Teresa Jolley To Sing Medley

Teresa Jane Jolley, Miss Kings Mountain, is appearing in Group D of the state beauty pageant in Charlotte this week at Owens Auditorium.

Thursday (tonight) the 20-year-old brunette beauty will appear in evening gown and tomorrow night she will perform in talent competition.

The finals on Saturday will begin at 8:30 p.m. and will be televised. A group of 10 finalists will be selected from a field of 87 beauties who are vying for the state crown and a chance at the Miss America competition in Atlantic City.

Miss Jolley is a rising junior at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She will sing, "I Left My Heart in San Francisco". (Continued on Page Six)

City Fathers Are Predicting Budget Increase

Despite major bond issues approved by the voters the city will be able to keep its promise of "no tax increase" for fiscal year 1967-68.

This was the statement of Mayor John Henry Moss at Tuesday night's city commission meeting.

The board of city commissioners is currently at work on the budget for the upcoming year and will convene on June 25th to adopt a new budget tentatively. Thus far budgetary figures have been fixed on the premises all current city rates and charges will remain as in the previous year.

Kings Mountain's tax rate, unchanged the past five years remains \$5 cents per \$100 valuation, Mayor Moss said.

The City of Kings Mountain is expected, said the mayor, to show a 1967-68 fiscal year surplus — much larger he guessed than last year's figure of \$182,000.

The surplus will accrue from a surplus of collections already much over the estimated income for the year. Last year's budget was \$1.1 while the city's natural gas budget was \$541,531.25.

The Mayor said the budget for the new year will be larger, both in income and expenditures, but the increase will come from increases in the amount of property to be taxed — new construction. He pointed out, "with a considerable amount of pride," that the city made more money on investments of surplus funds last year than it expended in interest. The amount earned on the invested funds was \$9,406.90, compared with \$8,275 the city paid in interest on its debts.

The new budget, said the mayor, will include a capital outlay reserve — a fund for saving money to pay for future projects or to match federal funds.

School Bells Ring Monday

Beginning Monday, June 17th, a summer program for elementary school students (grades 2-8) will be conducted under Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

All classes will be conducted at the Central school plant, beginning at 8 a.m. each day and concluding at 11:30. Lunch will not be served but a mid-morning break with milk and cookies will be provided. Bus transportation will be furnished for all students presently riding the bus to school with students picked up at North, East, West, Compact, and Park Grace schools. No students within the city limits will be furnished transportation to their homes.

Classes will be conducted in reading skills, writing for expression, and listening and comprehending, as well as physical education, health, music, and art. The services of a school nurse and a speech therapist will also

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Work Progressing On Big Projects



WINS SCHOLARSHIP — Patsy Dale Smith has won a Carl A. Rudisill Foundation Scholarship valued at \$5,000 for four years of college. She is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Smith of Kings Mountain.

Scholarship To Patsy Smith

Patsy Dale Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Smith of Kings Mountain, has won a four-year college scholarship valued at \$5,000 from the Carl A. Rudisill Foundation.

The Foundation awards four scholarships annually to employees and children of employees of the company and each scholarship award is valued by a maximum of \$5,000 for four years of college.

Scholarship recipients are chosen by a committee of educators

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Negotiations Are Beginning For Lake Site

The city commission Tuesday authorized Mayor John H. Moss to begin negotiations for 2,200 acres needed as a basin for the projected Buffalo lake and water plant and heard report from the city's consulting engineer that expansion of the McGill treatment plant will be completed by the end of August.

Both project progress reports followed announcement by the mayor that a larger operating budget by the city next year won't increase taxes.

Final plans for the dam and water treatment plant are essentially complete, said the mayor, and will be finalized by July 15.

Col. W. K. Dickson of Charlotte said the city's sewer improvement project is about 10 percent complete. "The sewer project is moving along about as well as expected," said Dickson. "The concrete work at the McGill Plant is completed, the earthwork at the new plant on Pilot Creek is done and some forms for the concrete built. We are getting the right-of-way for necessary sewer lines." He added that the percentage of work completed will jump considerably next month because equipment for the two plants will be arriving.

The Mayor said yesterday he expects to call a meeting of the 67 property owners within a week to begin negotiations for the parcels of land needed for the lake.

The Buffalo project, comparable in size to Lake Lure, and the water treatment plant will cost an

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God And Community Scout Award Is Presented To Miss Jane Yates



JANE YATES

Jane Yates, high school junior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Yates, was presented the God and Community award, highest scouting award the church presents, at St. Matthew's Lutheran church Sunday night.

Rev. Charles Easley presented the award to Miss Yates before the congregation attending the union night service. Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Charles Blanton, Troop 200 Scout leader, pinned the award on the First Class Scout.

Miss Yates earned the award, sponsored by Church women United, after a year's work with her pastor, learning Lutheran church history, the work of her own church and helping to plan services to learn more about her own religion. She is active in St. Matthew's church.

Hospital Fund Reaches \$53,205

Pledges of \$53,205 were reported by 38 workers attending a kick-off meeting of the Primary and Area Divisions of the Kings Mountain Hospital Building Fund Campaign for \$150,000 at the Woman's club at noon on Tuesday.

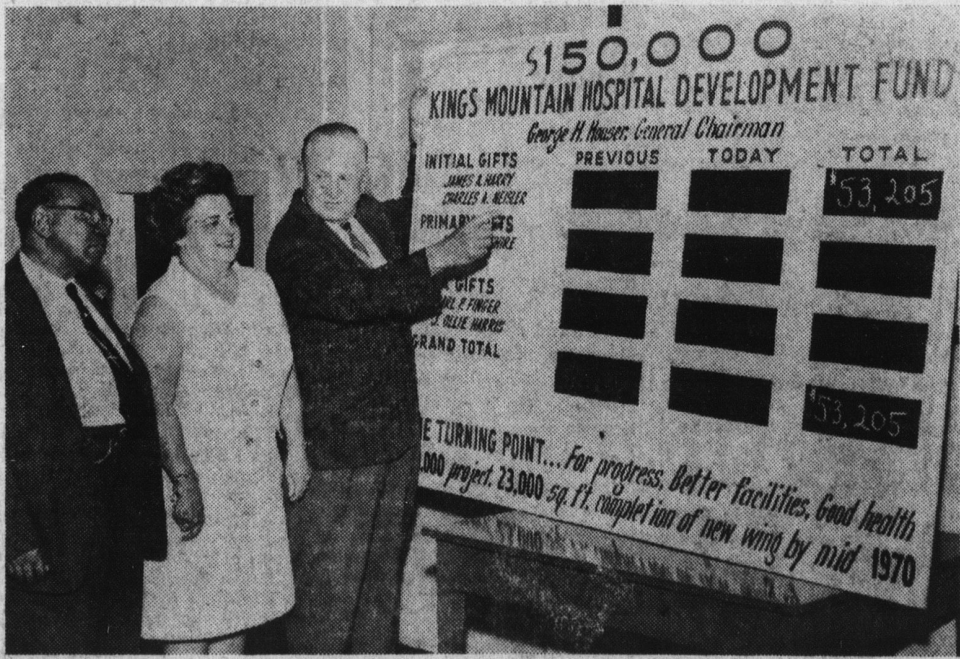
The Initial Gifts Division kicked off on May 28th.

The Neisler Foundation has reserved the Entry Lobby and a number of patient rooms and the patient elevator have also been reserved.

George H. Houser, General Chairman, presided, and John A. Chesire, Jr., Primary Gifts Chairman, Carl P. Finger, Area Gifts President of the Hospital's Board

of Trustees and Grady K. Howard, Hospital Administrator, appeared with him on the program.

George Houser said, "I am well pleased with our progress to date and urge all workers to make their calls and to report as quickly as possible. The drive ends on July 12th and there is not a great deal of time left."



HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND REACHES \$53,205—George W. Mauney points to a progress chart of the Kings Mountain Hospital Development Fund's goal for \$150,000 as Rev. S. T. Cooke and Mrs. George Houser, hospital trustee, look on. (Paul Lemmons Photo)