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Trading Area	15,000
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CITIZENS WILL GO TO POLLS ON TUESDAY

Local News Bulletins

BOARD ELECTED

Officers of the official board of Central Methodist church recently elected are Kelly Dixon, chairman, Sam Stallings, vice-chairman, and John C. Smathers, secretary, according to an announcement made this week.

TO FAR EAST

Capain James Mercer left Wednesday for command in the Far East. Mrs. Mercer and daughter, Peggy, will remain here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grier Plonk.

MRS. ROBERTS IMPROVING

Mrs. Ann Roberts, buyer for Keeter's Department Store, returned home Wednesday from Memorial Hospital in Charlotte where she has been undergoing treatment for the past two weeks.

BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday, Election Day, will be observed as holiday by the First National Bank and numerous other banks of the area. It was announced this week by L. E. Abbott, assistant vice-president.

Bond Election Notice Printed

Legally required public notice of the December 6 city sewer improvements bond election is published in today's issue of the Herald.

In the formal notice, several changes in election officials are listed from the previous announcement of appointments. In Ward II, Mrs. H. R. Parton will serve as registrar, while Mrs. P. D. Herndon, and Mrs. Ruth Thompson will serve as judges. In Ward IV, Paul Ledford will serve as registrar, while O. T. Hayes, Sr., will serve as a judge.

Registration books will open for the special election on November 8 and the five ward polling places.

The citizens are asked to vote "YES" or "NO" on the question of issuing \$600,000 in bonds for sewer system improvements.

"Harvest Day" At Oak Grove

Fourth annual Harvest Day will be observed Sunday at Oak Grove Baptist church, featuring an all-day service.

Following Sunday school at 10 o'clock, M. O. Thornburg will bring the morning message at 11 o'clock. The lunch hour is 12:30 and a special song service begins at 1:30 in the afternoon.

Since the launching of the Harvest Day observances, the church has shown an exceptional record of fund raising. Two years ago it completed payment for the church educational building, and has since raised \$12,000 on its new church building.

Pastor of the church is Rev. C. C. Crow, named rural minister of the year in North Carolina, and last weekend elected moderator of the Kings Mountain Baptist association.

Ten Jaycees Attend Lincolnton Meeting

Ten Kings Mountain Jaycees attended a third district meeting at Lincolnton Monday night along with some 225 Jaycees from other clubs in the district.

J. L. Wilkie, of Shelby, district vice-president, presided at the session.

Albemarle's Jaycees won the attendance prize with a 58.3 percent figure. Bessemer City's club was recognized as the newest organization. The new group was founded with assistance by Wilson Griffin, extensions chairman and other Kings Mountain Jaycees.

Present from the Kings Mountain club were President Joe Heden, Paul Walker and J. T. McGinnis, vice-presidents, Grady Howard, Louis Falls, K. E. Morrison, J. C. McKinney, Nathan Reed, Delbert Dixon and Mr. Griff.

Commissioners Exonerated On Charges Of Misconduct

Suit Against Trio Dismissed; Davis Cleared



BAPTIST MODERATOR — Rev. C. C. Crow, pastor of Oak Grove Baptist church, was elected moderator of the Kings Mountain Baptist association for the coming year at the annual meeting of the association Friday. He succeeds the Rev. John W. Suttle, who served as moderator for 40 years.

Swimming Pool Tops Recreation Project List

Members of the city recreation commission, in meeting at the home of Chairman A. B. Chandler last Friday evening, mapped initial plans for the building of a city swimming pool and otherwise outlined a tentative program of activity for the summer of 1953.

W. K. Mauney, Jr., Dr. P. G. Padgett and Chairman Chandler were named as a finance committee to lay plans for a fund-raising campaign designed to launch the project. The committee is to report at a forthcoming meeting, tentatively scheduled for early November, when plans will be adopted and officers of the commission named for the coming year.

The commission also asked Burlington Mills for a letter of intent, regarding the large tract which the company has indicated it would give to the city for development of a city recreation plant.

The commission is aiming, it was agreed for launching of the recreation plant project in time for use during 1953, and its members agreed that a public swimming pool should be first construction aim on a long-term development program.

Plans were discussed for formation of three levels of boys' baseball for next summer, including the little league program initiated last summer, and two others with different age groups.

Mr. Chandler estimated the cost of building a swimming pool, wading pool and bathhouse at about \$35,000.

Speakers at the rally will be Clarence Peters, author, and Jesse W. Page, state chairman of the Citizens for Eisenhower organization.

Mr. Smith also called attention to the two-hour like-a-Thon television and radio show scheduled for Saturday night beginning at 11 o'clock, and to be carried over WBTV and a 25-station radio network.

Appearing on the show will be Metropolitan Opera star Leonard Pease and Miss J. Diana Larsen, internationally known night club singer.

A panel of experts will be on hand to discuss current issues and answer any questions phoned in by listeners. The panel will include: Clarence Peters, author of several books on foreign affairs, and former Research Director of The American Town Meeting On The Air; Charles Cullen, business consultant and tax expert; and Dr. R. S. Snyder, retired Presbyterian minister, government consultant and long-time visitor to Russia.

Mr. Joseph Rothman, president of the Bessemer City Garden club, Mrs. W. M. Gant, president of the Open Gate Garden Club, Mrs. Sam Davis, House and Garden Club, and Mrs. Carl Mauney, president of the Kings Mountain Garden club, will act as hostesses. Members of the newly organized Magnolia Garden Club will be pages for the meeting.

Registration for the meeting will begin at 9:30 at Central Methodist church, the program to begin at 10:30 o'clock with Mrs. Glenn Long of Newton as guest speaker.

Luncheon will be served at 1 o'clock at the Woman's Club. Price of the luncheon is \$1.25 and the registration fee is 50 cents.

Reservations may be made by calling Mrs. Phillip Padgett.

Approximately 200 are expected to attend the meeting with guests coming from Charlotte, Statesville, Gastonia, and Bessemer City.

Democrats Stage Hoover-Cart Parade

A Democratic parade got the attention of Kings Mountain citizens Tuesday afternoon.

Lead vehicle in the parade was a two-wheel cart, reminiscent of the depression-era, and pulled by an aged mule. Large signs on the cart, chauffeured by Irvin Allen, Kings Mountain farmer and former Democratic sheriff, read "Less We Forget".

A half-dozen automobiles, with horns getting a heavy workout,

trailed the cart, all the cars bearing Democratic standards urging support of Candidates Stevenson and Umstead at next Tuesday's election.



MANAGES HOSPITAL — Joe Dixon is the busy manager of the new, expanding Kings Mountain hospital. Mr. Dixon joined the hospital prior to its opening and has seen it expand to a 40-bed capacity in 18 months of operation.

5,788 Eligible Voters Listed In Township

Number 4 Township citizens are expected to go to the polls in record numbers next Tuesday, as they join the other citizens of the nation in helping to choose a president for the four years beginning in January.

Also to be decided are state and district races between Democrats and Republicans, but principal interest here has been evidenced in the choice of presidents between General Dwight D. Eisenhower, the Republican, and Illinois Governor Adlai E. Stevenson, the Democrat.

More interest in a general election has been shown in normally Democratic Cleveland County than in many years, with Republican leaders predicting their most favorable vote since Herbert Hoover came within some 200 votes of obtaining a majority in the county. Mr. Hoover carried Kings Mountain in 1928, with more than 1,700 votes being cast in Number 4 Township. Democrats profess to be unworried by the Republican claims.

Registration for the Tuesday election has been very heavy, and registrars report 5,788 persons listed on their books. Of the total, 1,119 registered during the recent registration period which ended on Saturday. Almost half of that number, 512, stormed registration places on the final day. In Kings Mountain, both precinct registrars had few moments, and toward the end of the day a long line was formed by people seeking to register, or to check registrations, at West Kings Mountain precinct.

Figures given by the registrars list the following breakdown on the Number 4 Township registration figures: East Kings Mountain, 2,276; West Kings Mountain, 2,339; Grover, 638; Bethware, 535. Number 4 township voters will

Pro-Ike Group Schedules Rally At Shelby Friday

Democrat Record Praised By Jones

Election Officials Urge Early Voting

Persons expecting to vote next Tuesday are being urged by both the chairman of the county elections board and by the registrars to vote as early in the day as possible.

Pointing to the heavy registration during the past three weeks, they anticipate a very heavy vote and a busy day, with possible jam-ups in the afternoon and the possibility that some would-be-voters can not be handled.

The polls open at 6:30 a. m. and close twelve hours later at 6:30 p. m.

Merchants Map Yule Opening

Members of the board of directors of Kings Mountain Merchants association devoted their full October session Monday to discussion of plans for the annual Christmas opening celebration, now scheduled for December 4.

Plans call for a different type of observance this year. Instead of a parade, a children's party is scheduled for City Stadium, with attendance by Santa Claus as the feature on the program. In addition, Christmas treats will be given to all children present.

The Christmas opening committee

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