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Sixty-Eighth Year

PRICE FIVE CENTS

# No Candidates Added, As Filing Deadline Passes

# Industry Prospect Second Trial For Cecil Cooke Here Wednesday

### **Local News** Bulletins

OFFICE CLOSED Office of Dr. L. T. Anderson,

chiropractor, will be closed Thursday, Friday, and Saturday while Dr. Anderson is attending the State Chiropractic association in session at George Vanderbilt Hotel, Ashe-

CLUB NIGHT

Regular monthly club night will be held Saturday night at the Kings Mountain Country Club, it was announced by Thorburn, president. A buffet dinner will be served at

SPONSOR SALE

The Ladies Auxiliary of Carson Memorial church will conduct a hotdog and hamburger sale Friday from 4 o'clock until 8 p. m. Proceeds will go to the recreation building fund.

Patterson Grove school will present the play, "Herbie Mak-es the Team", on Tuesday evening, May 8, at 8 o'clock p. m. in the school auditorium. small admission will be

RETURNS FROM DUTY Capt. Grady Howard, Marine

Corps reserve, has returned from a two - week tour of active duty at Parris Island, S.C.

METER RECEIPTS Meter receipts neared the

\$200 · mark for the week ending Wednesday at noon. City Clerk Gene Mitcham said the week's take totaled \$191.67, including \$161.16 from on-street meters, another \$30.51 from Cherokee parking lot meters.

#### **Gas War Makes Motorists Happy** Kings Mountain motorists are

benefitting from the city's most

As on that day in 1945, motorists are again driving up to the pumps and saying "fill 'er up".

Major price for the regular gasolines is 22.9 cents per gallon. McCoy's independent outlet had a 21.9 sign posted, and Glass Grocery was pumping away for a straight 20 cents, or five gallons for a dollar. Some other stations in the Glass area had met the competition Wednesday mor-

One Kings Mountain dealer said Wednesday afternoon there have been no indications the war is to be ended, added it will end when the big companies like Esso, Shell, Texas and others notify local dealers they'll sell no more gas at the "cheap" price.

At the 22.9 figure, there's not much per gallon left for the companies. As this dealer explained it, he still gets a gross profit of 4.5 cents per gallon, the distributor gets three - quarters of a cent, state and federal taxes cost 10.25 cents. That totals to 15.5 cents, leaving the company 7.4 cents per gallon.

"If they can sell it for this price during a war, they must be really getting well at the regular price," one retailer remarked. Who starts a gas war?

Many people start them. Sometimes it's a distributor trying to establish himself in a new area, sometimes it's a retailer using gasoline for a leader. Sometimes it's one of the big companies. At least, this is the word of several Kings Mountain retailers and dis-

It's right confusing, particular ly to contract users. The City of Kings Mountain, for instance could save four cents a gallor by buying at retail since the recent war hit. Customarily, the city buys at the state contrac.

#### **Survey Planned** On Availability Of Seamstresses

How many experienced sewing machine operators are available for work or will make themselves available for work?

This is a question the Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce will seek to determine next week by conducting a labor census.

The answer to the question is needed to help Kings Mountain attract a new industry, a North Carolina sewing and cutting operation which anticipates nearfuture expansion, probably in Kings Mountain,

Announcement of the labor survey plans was made Wednesday by Dan Weiss, vice - president of the Chamber of Commerce, following consultations here Wednesday morning with officials of the industrial prospect.

Conferring with the industrial

visitors were members of the at 9:30 a. m. Wednesday. Chamber delegation which origi. nally launched the industry-inviting project. They are W. K. Mauney, Fred W. Plonk and F. R. McCurdy, in addition to Mr.

Mr. Weiss said the visiting officials were shown several possible sites for an 18,000 square foot building and that the visi-tors seemed pleased with what they saw.

The coming here of the new industry would hinge on ability of Kings Mountain to furnish the new, air . conditioned building under a lease - purchase agree-

Mr. Weiss said further details machine operators would be an-Herald and via Radio Station WKMT. The industry has indicated it would need from 80 to 100 experienced seamstresses.

#### **Warlick Named** To Bethware Post

Thurman Warlick, Lawndale succeed John Rudisill as principal \$40,000. of Bethware school for the 1957. Mr. T raucous gas war since the end of gas rationing late in World War II.

As on that day in 1945, motor
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following nine years as Bethware principal.

Mr. Warlick is a Cleveland county native, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd T. Warlick, Lawndale. He is a graduate of Lenoir-Rhyne college and attained the degree of Master of Arts in Education at Pealoody college, Nashville, Tenn.

for his life for a second time next Wednesday morning in Cleveland County Superior Court.

Cooke, sentenced to die after being found guilty last November of murdering Cleveland county storekeeper Daniel Z. Holloman, was granted a new trial by the North Carolina Supreme Court.

Appeal was granted by the State Supreme Court when Cooke's court appointed defense attorneys C. C. Horn and A. A. Powell requested a retrial on grounds that Judge Hugh Campbell failed to clearly charge the

The case was originally scheduled for Wednesday, May 1, but substitute Judge J. B. Craven, taking the place of ailing Judge J. C. Rudisill, moved the date forward Tuesday morning, after a conference with members of the county bar association.

Craven ruled in the bar meeting that next Monday's session of the civil term will be held on schedule. Court will adjourn Tuesday for the Shelby city election and Cooke will again face the state prosecutor Jim Farthing

Cooke, son of Kings Mountain resident, Mrs. Ruth Pinkard, grew up here and attended city

#### Lithium Has No Water Problem Lithium Corporation of Ameri-

ca's Bessemer City plant has no water problem, Bruce Thorburn, public relations director said this

Mr. Thorburn was commenting on the survey to determine avail- tion with a condemnation bill ability of experienced sewing which the State Stream Sanita nounced next week, both in the the General Assembly and which zation." was tagged as "introduced by reco-introducer.

burn told the Herald.

Rep. Falls, in commenting on the bill, had said it was introduced at the behest of Lithium Cornative and currently a teacher at poration, which sought a 40-acre Shelby Junior high school, will tract for which the owner asked

> Mr. Thorburn described Lithium's original interest in the tract as strictly "futuristic."

LIONS TO POLKVILLE Members of the Kings Mountain Lions club will go to Polkville Tuesday night for a zone meeting at Brackett's Cedar Park. A stag affair, the meeting will attract Lions from Grover, Kings Mountain, Boiling Springs, Shelby and other groups in Zones 1 and 2. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m.

#### Veteran Grocer Frank B. Glass **Retiring After 53 Years In Trade** Frank B. Glass, longtime Kings | Mr. Glass is a lifelong Republi-

announced his retirement from and practicing member of the the trade he has plied for 53 GOP political faith. He has voted

he's quit.

sleeping until seven or eight o'clock in the morning," he laughs. Mr. Glass came to Kings Mountain in 1920 to manage the Phenix Mill Store for the late E. A. Smith. He remained at the same stand through other ownerships

and his own, until he opened his

Hickory), the retired grocer first types of people, and I like peo-went to work in a grocery store ple," he remarked. "The people for D. M. Cloninger at Whitnel, near Lenoir. He subsequently spent 14 years at Brookford Mill store, then put in a three . year stint in the army during World War I. Overseas for a year with the 150th Engineers, he saw ac-tion in 12 engagements.

Mountain citizen and grocer, has can. He says he is a born, bred since 18 (when a poll tax receipt Mr. Glass recently incorporated his Grover Road grocery as the registration loooks didn't was prerequisite to voting and Glass Grocery, Inc., and turned count munch), and says he's nevthe reins over to his two sons, er missed casting a ballot in a Harold Glass, secretary, and Don- general election. Only once has ald Glass, treasurer. Mrs. Glass ne failed to go to the polls himis president, and Mr. Glass says self, that time when he cast an absentee ballot from Europe, "I "Feels real funny though, guess that one got counted," he

> Mr. Glass' first salary was \$18 per month. It was a pretty tight squeeze, he recalls, but remembers a good pair of shoes could be bought for \$1.25. The retired grocer says he's

enjoyed his long service in the Grover Road grocery ten years food distribution trade. "Operating a grocery store is a good education. You meet all

here have been good to me and I have enjoyed serving them." Mr. Glass doesn't belong to a church but, as he puts it, "leans

Mrs. Glass is the former Etta M. Mointyre, of Kings Mountain. They were married 32 years ago

# Kiwanians Endorse For City Vote Next Wednesday George Cecil Cooke, Kings Fluoridation Plan



COMMENDED - Neil O. Johnson, manager of Foote Mineral Company's Kings Mountain operation, was commended by company officials at the annual stockholder's meeting for his performance as manager here.

#### Foote Manager Is Commended

PHILIADELPHIA - Speaking at the annual shareholders meeting in Philadelphia last Thursday, L. G. Bliss, president of Foote Mineral company commended Neil O. Johnson, manager of Foote's Kings Mountain operation, for the local plant's fine record dur-

"During the year Kings Mountain established notable production records and we enjoyed the on statements made concerning lowest production costs of any Lithium Corporation in connec- year since the Kings Mountain operation was started," Bliss said. will result from fluoridating the think this is a real trabute to water supply, and contended that tion committee endorsed before Neil Johnson and his fine organi-

"In our business, we believe quest" by Rep. B. T. Falls, Jr., a that people are much more important than statistics. It is grati-"Lithium Corporation's interest liying to see the growth of many in any condemnation bill had of our management people. I be ended well before the State lieve that the company has never Stream Sanitation committee's been stronger with respect to the bill was introduced," Mr. Thor- number and capabilities of our younger management group. With respect to our human resources we are certainly fortunate because to these men will fall the important duties of management in the future

#### Alan Newcombe Jaycee Speaker

Alan Newcombe, WBTV Charlotte announcer and entertainer, will be the featured speaker at the annual ladies' night banquet of the Junior Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday night.

The banquet will be held at the Woman's Clulo, beginning at 7 o'clock.

Grady Howard, chairman of the committee on arrangements, said Wednesday plans for the event are now complete. New officers for the coming year will be installed, and other special events are planned.

Dr. W. L. Pressly will give the invocation, D. D. Saunders will welcome the ladies, and Mrs. William Jonas will respond, Jack snarpe, of High Point, will install the officers and directors. Special guests will be presented by J. T. MdGinnis, retiring president, and George B. Thomasson will be master of ceremonies.

Other members of the committee on arrangements are Harold Cloninger, Louis Sabettie, and Dick (McGinnis.

Dinner will be served by Mrs. I. B. Goforth.

Mr. Newcombe spoke here several years ago for the annual ladies' night banquet of the Kiwanis club. At that time, he was associated with a Greenville, S.C., radio station.

SPEAKER Rev. Horace McSwain, execu-

tive secretary of the board of missions and church extension of the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist church, will speak at 11 o'clock morning services Sunday at Central Methodist church.

#### **Club Supports Director Vote** To Fluoridate

The Kiwanis Olub voted unani mously last Thursday night to endorse a prior decision of the club's board of directors to recommend fluoridation of the city's water supply-the decision to be made by referendum on May 14,

The club acted on Harry Page's motion after hearing talks supporting fluoridation by two morganton dentists, Dr. Ralph D. Coffey and Dr. C. C. Diercks, Dr. Diercks noted in his remarks he is a native of Iowa and lived in a community which had natural fluorine in its water supply of one part per million gallons. He said he needed a filling at the moment, but hadn't had one in 14 years

Dr. Diercks noted that critics of fluoridation contend the removal of sugar from the diet would eliminate tooth trouble. "true" Dr. Diercks acknowledged, " but it's impractical to eliminate swe-

Dr. Diercks said fluoridating equipment and supplies would cost the city about 10 cents per person per year. Opponents, he noted, label the

fluoridating salt sodium fluoride as "rat poison". Also true,he continued, but rebutted by contend ing that medicines are dangerous if used indiscriminately. He said the machinery for flu-

oridating is foolproof. If defective no flourine is added, A person much, he said.

good "baby" teeth produce good adult teeth. The anti . fluoridationists, he payne. This week friends of Carl said, are faddists who have Weisener were booming him for fought chlorinating water (which commander, said he would be

tion of milk. During an open forum discussion several Kings Mountain dentists and Dr. Paul Nolan commented on several of the ques tions asked, most of them con cerning the changes in bone structure caused by over . doses of fluorine.

Their statements: Dr. O. P. Lewis: "No bad ef-(Continued on Page Eight)

### **Falls Defends** Latest Bill

By MARTIN HARMON Rep. B. T. Falls, Jr., defended

his recently - introduced bill to allow cities to build water and sewer lines up to 10 miles outside their corporate limits as a "hedge" against possible defeat of the forthcoming county bond issue to supply water and sewer facilities for the proposed Pittsburgh Plate Glass plant near Shelby Mr. Falls added he would in

troduce this week a bill to allow municipalities to install natural gas lines and to sell gas outside their corporate boundaries. The Herald queried Mr. Fall

on his bill because it appeared municipal authority for building the lines would make the Pitts burgh Plate Glass issue a one time operation, in spite of the fact the county commission assured a Number 4 Township delegation it would help Kings Moun- tics? tain should the need arise. Rep. Falls said he did not in-

clude the gas utility authority in. to the other bill because he anticipated heavy objection from that, or those who know the vote, which, in every instance, is private gas utilities such as Public Service Company, Piedmont Natural Gas and other private firms distributing gas. "Why did you not introduce the water · sewer bill as a local bill

effecting the City of Shelby a lone?" Rep. Falls was asked. He replied that a local bill that the current campaign is when 1887 persons went to the would be of dubious legality, quieter than any since 1945 - in polls, 1850 returning two weeks might be found unconstitutional if contested before the Supreme

"That might happen to the oth er bill, too," he said, referring to the recently enacted legislation empowering counties of the state to issue bonds for water and sew er line construction.

## Registration 162 Saturday

Saturday will be the final day to register for the May 14 city election. Registrars will be at the five ward polling places all day to put names of voters on the

Final day registration is customary most brisk, as candidates see that their friends are registered. Last Saturday was a rather

brisk day at the polling places as 162 new voters were added to the election pollbooks. The total was well ahead of the first Saturday total of 78.

Major activity last Saturday was at the Ward 5 box at Victory Chevrolet Company, where Mrs. J. T. McGinnis, Jr., registrar, reported addition of 67 voters, including 48 Negro citizens. In all, 78 new Negro voters have registered at Ward 5 on the two Saturdays. In Ward 2, where Mrs. H. R.

Parton is registrar, approximately 20 Negro citizens have been among the 48 new voters regis tering the past two Saturdays. Here are last week's other to tals: Ward 1 at City Hall, 12;

Ward 3, at Frank Bailard's Grocery, 18 and 10 transfers (through 4 p. m.); Ward 4 at Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company clubroom, 25 (through 4:30 p.m.) Saturday, May 11, will be Chal-

lenge Day. The registrars will be at the polling places to allow candidates or other citizens to protest the names of any voter mey reer are erroneously register-

#### Three In Race For Legion Post

Members of Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, will elect will get none, rather than too officers for the coming year at Thursday night's regular month-He claimed a 50 to 60 percent ly meeting, with a three . way cut in tooth decay in children contest in the making for com- dents. Proceeds will be used to ing Paul Ledford, the incumbent,

spot are Ray Cline and Dean this city does) and pasteuriza- nominated from the floor, prior to the voting.

Mr. Cline was the nominating committee's choice, while Mr. Payne was nominated from the floor at the April meeting. Other nominees at the April

meeting were: Alexander and Gene Gibson; for announced by Grady Howard, second vice - commander, W. D. business manager. (Morrison (retiring commander); for adjutant, Miliard Prince; for assistant adjutant, Bobby Sellers; for finance officer, James Bennett; for historian, C. T. Carpenter, Jr.; sergeant-at-arms, Lawrence Ramsey; assistant sergeant

lain, John Gladden. Nominees for the executive committee (five to be elected) include: Sam Collins, Dick McGinnis, Wilbur Smith, James Alexander, F. R. McCurdy, Gene Wright and Hubert Aderholdt. The meeting will be convened at the Legion building at 8 o'-

at-arms, Bryant Wells; for enap-

FAMILY NIGHT Family night at Dixon Presbyterian church will be held Saturday night at 7 p.m., according to announcement by the pastor, Rev. P. D. Patrick.

YOUNG MAGICIAN - Charlotte high schooler John Wells Clifford, also known as "Wells the Wizard" will demonstrate his magic here Monday night at a show sponsored by the Kings

#### Young Magician To Appear Here

Mountain high student council.

John Wells Clifford, 17 - yearold Charlotte high school student | Still, a former mayor, and J. Lee and magician, will bring his act Roberts, seeking the office for the to Kings Mountain Monday night, first time. under sponsorship of the Kings Mountain high school student Ward 1 Commissioner, Sam Col-

has previously performed here for the ARP Men's club. Monday night's show at the

high school auditorium will begin at 8 o'clock, Top feature of Clifford's show is his escape from a straight-jacket, a replica of the late Houdi-

ni's escape trick. A semi-professional, Clifford began performing six years ago at the age of 11. He has appeared in many neighboring cities and is the youngest member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians.

Admission will be a half-dol-Already nominated for the top who made the announcement.

## To Be Dedicated

Oliver Green Falls Memorial political history. Laboratory of Kings Mountain hospital will be held Saturday at For first vice-commander, Ross the hospital at 3 p. m., it was

> Present for the ceremonies will be Mrs. Katherine Falls Frazier, of Statesville, widow of Dr. O. G. Falls, who recently memorialized her late husband via a gift for the hospital laboratory.

Rev. P. D. Patrick, pastor of First Presbyterian church, wil give the invocation, and short addresses will be made by Dr. P. G. Padgett, chief of the hospital medical staff, and by J. Lowery Austell, chairman of the county hospital board of trustees.

The late Dr. Falls was a Kings Mountain physician and industrialist. He never formally practiced medicine here, having returned to his native community to found the Cora Mill, now Craftspun Yarns, Inc. He was long prominent in the civic, religious, and educational life of the community.

### Candidates, Laymen Agree Politics Unusually Quiet During '57 Race

What's going on in city poli- as it has since filing season open-

regularly these days by candi- which concerns the candidates dates and voters alike. And thus particularly. Majority figure they far there are few answers. Either will be helped by a large total answers aren't talking. Most candidates and observers

agree that outward city political activity is unusually quiet for a returned to the polls to decide the community that has known considerable political bombast dur. O. T. Hayes, Sr., and Paul Leding the past decade. In fact, the ford. statement is frequently made Record vote was cast in 1951, spite of the fact that at least two later to determine the Still-Allen candidates seek the six elective mayoral run-off and the Daviscity hall positions.

Will the several campaigns "get hot" or remain quiet? That's quired this year, as is possible a question all the candidates in all contests where more than would like to have answered, too. two candidates have filed, the Will many people vote, if the run-off election would be held temper of the campaign remains on May 28.

ed in February? This question is being asked The total vote question is one

> not always correct, and can't be In the 1955 city balloting, 1817 persons cast ballots, while 1466 run-off election between the late

Edens run-off.

Should a run-off election be re-

#### Plonk, Padgett Are Unopposed For School Jobs

Kings Mountain has 20 candidates seeking eight elective city and school district positions. Deadline for filing for public

office was passed Monday afternoon without any last - minute additions to the May 14 election

Last candidate to formally file by posting his fee was J. Lee Roberts, who had announced last week he would seek the mayor's office. Mr. Roberts posted his filing fee Saturday. The school trustee positions are

uncontested, with two positions open and two candidates. Fred W. Plonk and Dr. P. G. Padgett, both seeking second six - year terms, have no opposition and their election will be a May 14

Contests exist for all six City Hall elective posts. Three candidates seek to be

mayor, including Mayor Glee A. Bridges, who seeks a third consecutive two . year term, Garland

Two candidates seek to be lins, asking a second term, and The young magician bills him. Ross Alexander, making his self as "Wells the Wizard" and in the political arena here. Ross Alexander, making his bow

Ward 2 finds a sweepstakes affair, with five candidates seek ing the commissionership J. H. Patterson is vacating. The candidates are Boyce Gault, grocer, J. C. Olary, scrap dealer, A. Dewitte Cornwell, grocer and realtor, Bryant Wells, newspaper circulation representative, and Tilman Pearson, textile employee.

A rematch is set for Ward 3 commissioner. Incumbent T. J. Ellison, seeking a fifth term on the board, is opposed by Luther T. Bennett, who ran second to Mr. Ellison two years ago.

Three candidates seek the lar for adults, 30 cents for stu- Ward 4 commissioner job, includfour - man race for this position two years ago. In Ward 5, Incumbent W. G.

> Coleman Stroupe, who ran second to Mr. Grantham in 1955, and by Rev. S. T. Cooke, first Negro candidate in Kings Mountain's Also to be determined by the citizens is endorsement or rejection of proposals to fluoridate the

> city's water supply, a referendum

Grantham seeks re-election to a

third term. He is opposed by R.

having been called on this ques Filing deadline was earlier this year than in former years, the date having been advanced to 15 days prior to the election by action of the General Assembly.

#### **Board To Meet Thursday Night**

The city board of commissioners will convene for its regular May meeting Thursday night at 8 o'clock at City Hall courtroom. Mayor Glee A. Bridges was not available Wednesday afternoon, but City Clerk Gene Mitcham

said he understood the commis-

sion's agenda will be brief. The board will hold a hearing on a petition of Virgil Self to rezone à 50-foot lot on Gillespie street. Mr. Self seeks rezoning from residential to neighborhood trading area designation.

Mr. Mitcham said the city board may consider bids for the annual auditing of the city's books, as had been previously advertised. On the other hand, he noted, the board may delay action on the audit until after the city biennial election on May 14.

#### **New Lake Off Limits** To Fishermen

Davidson Lake, the new city water resevoir near Davidson Scout camp, is off limits to fishermen, Assistant City Clerk Joe McDanie; pointed out Wed-He said ambitious fishermen

have been reported casting lines into the new lake and that the lake can't be opened for fishing until next year. The lake has been stocked with small fish from govern-

ment hatcheries and for freebut the city had to agree to prevent fishing until the fish grew to sufficient size, Mr. McDaniel noted.

Established 1889