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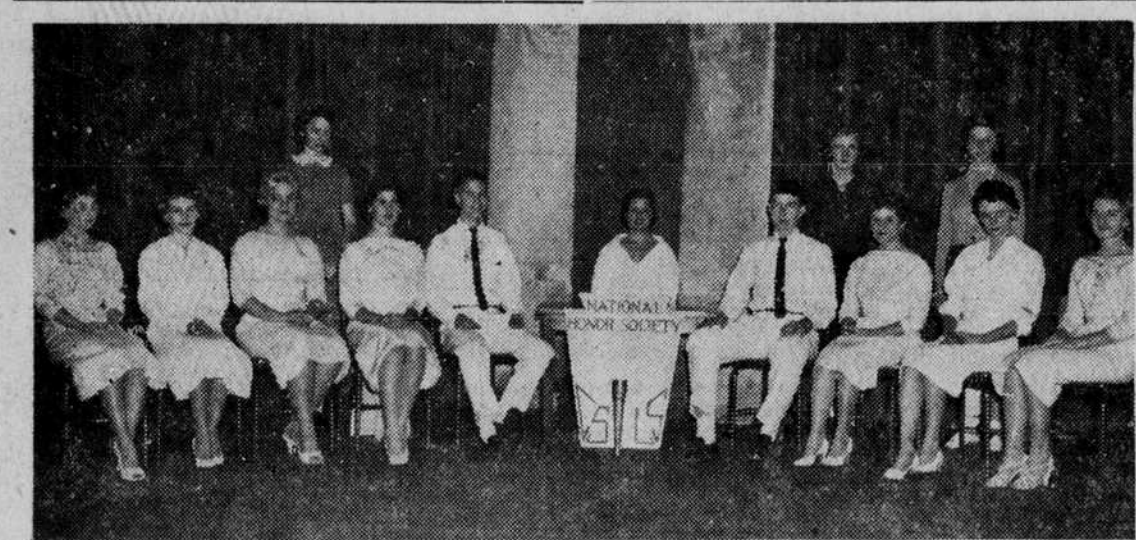
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NLRB Labor Election At Foote On Wednesday

First Baptist Differences Will Be Aired In Court

251 Employees Are Eligible To Cast Votes



HONOR SOCIETY HOLDS INDUCTION — The Kings Mountain high school chapter of the National Honor Society inducted three new members in recent exercises. Standing, left to right, are Becky Blanton, Ruth McCurdy, and Jean Hicks. Other members of the organization, seated, left to right, are Sherry Kelley, Judy Cooper, Ann Falls, Diane Cansler, Steven Kesler, Polly Page, president, James Pressly, Norma Kay Hamrick, Linda Biser, and Jane Byars Gilbert. (Photo by Carlisle Studio)

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Majority Group Is Anticipating Hiring Counsel

BY MARTIN HARMON
 First Baptist church members were likely to decide in congregational meeting Wednesday night to retain legal counsel to represent the majority opinion of the church in litigation begun last Friday by the group opposing abandonment of the present church plant.

Yates Harbison, chairman of the First Baptist board of deacons, said the recent legal actions will be summarized and added, "I feel sure recommendations will be made for appointment of a committee to retain legal counsel."

Again, Mr. Harbison explained he spoke only as a member of the church with one vote. Individuals among the new-church-on-a-new-site majority have discussed the legal situation with attorneys, but they were not speaking in behalf of the church, nor could they without a church vote of approval, Mr. Harbison pointed out.

Attorneys for the minority group, Jack H. White, of Kings Mountain, and Horn & West of Shelby, were successful in obtaining a temporary order from Resident Judge P. C. Fronberger Saturday restraining the pastor of First Baptist church, deacons, trustees and other employees from disposing of the real assets of the church or the building fund assets. The defendants are to show cause before Judge Dan K. Moore, in Cleveland Superior Court on Monday, why the order should not be continued.

The plea for restraining order was asked by F. A. (Pete) McDaniel, Jr., member of the minority group, on affidavit. Joining Mr. McDaniel in signing a \$500 surety bond to assure expenses of the action were Glee A. Bridges and Mrs. J. E. Lipford.

The action results from long and continued differences of opinion among church members on the question of abandoning the First Baptist church property at the corner of Mountain and Piedmont and building a new plant at the corner of W. King and Sims street, a site owned by the church on gifts by 54 of its members. The church accepted the gift, together with the stipulation that a church must be erected on the new site within five years, on October 23 by a vote of 235 to 163.

The vote itself culminated long discussion in which the church first voted to build on a new site, then recinded the decision in a subsequent election.

Attorney White said the group he represents seeks a continued restraining order until February 6, when it will file a formal complaint.

Mr. White said the restraining order merely prevents disposal of church real assets and the assets in the church building fund, does not restrict regular church operations or payment of paid church employees.

Mr. McDaniel's request for restraining order was filed against the following defendants: Rev. A. T. Quakenbush, the pastor, Fred H. Weaver, F. R. McCurdy, Isaac McGill, J. Lee Roberts, E. W. Griffin, Mrs. Louise



RECEIVES JAYCEE AWARD—B. S. Peeler, Jr., left, presents the "Young Man of the Year" award for 1957 to Charles Dixon, Kings Mountain auto salesman, as Delbert Dixon, Jaycee president, looks on. The Junior Chamber of Commerce annually makes the distinguished service award at the club's Bosses' Night banquet. (Photo by Pennington Studio)

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Coroner Rules Fatal Accident Was Unavoidable

Cleveland County Coroner J. Ollie Harris has ruled the accident January 13 which took the life of Fulton Everhart as "unavoidable."

Mr. Harris said no inquest was held.

Mr. Everhart, 58-year-old agent for Virginia Life Insurance company in Kings Mountain, was killed instantly when he stepped into East King Street in the path of an automobile. He reportedly had waited for one automobile to pass, then stepped into the path of a vehicle operated by Donald Conner, 23.

The driver of the car was held under recognizance bond pending the investigation by the coroner and city police department.

The accident is Cleveland County's first traffic fatality of 1958 and Kings Mountain's first pedestrian fatality since December 8, 1951.

Jaycees To Name "Farmer Of Year"

Kings Mountain Jaycees will hold a joint meeting with Shelby Junior Chamber of Commerce in Shelby February 3rd.

Delbert Dixon, president of the local organization, said announcement of the "Young Farmer of the Year" winner for 1957 would be made at the joint meeting.

President Dixon also invited Jaycees to attend the district meeting in Rutherfordton January 30 and announced that a quarterly board meeting was set for February 14-16 in Rocky Mount.

Charles E. Dixon Young Man Of '57

Methodist Juniors To Conduct Sale

The Junior Department of Grace Methodist church will sell hot dogs, homemade cake, drinks and coffee at the church Fellowship Hall Saturday morning, beginning at 11 o'clock.

The group will also offer delivery service. Persons wanting lunch delivered should call 1325.

Mrs. Plato Heavener and Mrs. Emmett Ross will direct the project.

McCarter Named For Appointment

WASHINGTON — Basil L. Whitener has submitted the nomination of Jerry Kenneth McCarter to the Maritime Administration as a candidate for the competitive mental examination for appointment to the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

Young McCarter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McCarter of 608 West Gold Street, Kings Mountain, is a student at Erskine College, Due West. He is a member of Boyce Memorial ARP church in Kings Mountain. His church activities have included service as treasurer and president of the YPCU, supply Sabbath school teacher in the summer, and member of the

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Fourth Winner Of DSA Award Auto Salesman

BY ELIZABETH STEWART
 Charles E. Dixon, Victory Chevrolet company sales manager, is Kings Mountain's "Young Man of the Year" for 1957.

Presentation of the distinguished service award to Mr. Dixon was a highlight of Tuesday's Bosses' Night banquet Tuesday of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

It is the fourth year the civic club has recognized a Kings Mountain man for outstanding community achievement. The recipient was selected by a secret committee of prominent citizens over 35 from nominations submitted from individuals.

B. S. Peeler, Jr., a former award winner, presented the handsome plaque and certificate to Mr. Dixon, and commended him for his numerous civic accomplishments during 1957 and congratulated the auto salesman for sporting a winner in last year's Carolina Soapbox Derby. Mr. Dixon, prominent in derby promotion the past five years, has encouraged numerous youngsters to enter the Charlotte competition and in past years Kings Mountain has furnished more entries in the annual event than has any other city except Charlotte.

Principal speaker for the banquet was...

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J. B. Ellis, Grover Businessman, Leading "Possible" For County Post

J. Boadus Ellis, Grover businessman, was a leading possibility Wednesday for appointment to the county board of commissioners replacing the late Hazel B. Bumgardner.

Mr. Ellis, succumbing to heavy encouragement from his Grover neighbors, told the Herald he will accept the position if it is tendered by Clerk of Superior Court J. W. (Bill) Osborne. Mr. Osborne is empowered by law to replace vacancies on the commission.

J. Wilson Crawford, prominently mentioned as a possibility, acknowledged he had been urged to accept the appointment, if tendered, but said he wouldn't be able to accept.

He would like to appoint a successor to Mr. Bumgardner by February 3, next regularly scheduled meeting of the county board of commissioners.

He added, "I'm still listening for the name of the person, or persons, the folk in District 2 want."

Mr. Ellis commented, "I have come to the conclusion that if tendered the opportunity to serve the county, I should accept it. My business duties now permit me the time I feel a county commissioner service would require."

Expansion Firm Lists Prospect

Kings Mountain Business Development, Inc., the recently formed corporation seeking to expand Kings Mountain area industry, has begun preliminary negotiations with a sewing firm which has expressed interest in locating here.

J. Wilson Crawford, president, said the firm, which he declined to name, indicated it would have initial employment of 80 people, and would require a new building of 10,000 square feet of floor space. In turn, the firm wants the building constructed so that it could be doubled in size. It would want a lease-purchase rental arrangement.

Mr. Crawford said a representative of the firm had conferred here previously with two directors of the corporation, W. K. Mauney and Fred W. Plonk.

The directors of the firm met at City Hall last Friday night and authorized opening of negotiations with the firm.

Stock certificates are to be printed this week end and will be ready for issuance soon.

Fred W. Plonk, co-chairman of the stock sales committee in charge of the merchant and professional division, reported at the meeting he held some \$20,000 in stock purchase commitments.

Local News Bulletins

NO FIRES
 Kings Mountain Fire Department reported no calls during the January 15-22 period.

SCHOOL PROGRAM
 Pupils of Miss Louise Kiser's fifth grade at West school will present the musical program, "A Bit of Holland", Thursday night at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium. The offering to be received will go toward funds for a class trip.

RECEIVES AWARD
 Calvin Humphries, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Humphries, and Gary Stewart, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Stewart, received certificates and awards Sunday at Dixon Presbyterian church for reciting the child's catechism.

P-TA MEETING
 Miss Julia Abernathy, teacher of Bible in the city schools, will present the program Monday night at the regular meeting of the Park Grace school auditorium. The meeting will be convened at 7 p. m.

TO INSTITUTE
 Mr. and Mrs. Martin Harmon will go to Chapel Hill Thursday where they will attend the annual Mid-Winter Press Institute sponsored jointly by the North Carolina Press association, Duke University and the University of North Carolina.

PRESBYTERY
 Rev. P. D. Patrick and B. M. Ormand represented First Presbyterian church and Dan Stewart represented Dixon Presbyterian church at the luncheon meeting of Kings Mountain Presbytery in Lincolnton, Tuesday.

RETURNS HOME
 Harry E. Page, of 604 West Mountain St., returned home Wednesday from Memorial hospital in Charlotte where he has been a patient for several days.

MEETING
 Annual meeting of shareholders of Home Savings & Loan Association is scheduled for January 28th at 5 o'clock p. m. in the association offices, according to announcement by officials.

KIWANIS
 Carl B. Hyatt, Jr., of Asheville, lieutenant governor in Kiwanis division 1, will make the address at the Thursday night meeting of Kings Mountain Kiwanis club. The club convenes at 6:45 p. m. at the Woman's club.

CITY AUTO TAGS
 A total of 437 city tags had been sold at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, City Clerk Joe McDaniel reported. The tags are on sale for \$1 at City Hall office.

Typing Course To Be Offered

Adult typing classes will be available at Kings Mountain high school in March if there is sufficient interest in the course, Central Principal Lawson Brown has announced.

Interested persons are being invited to notify Mr. Brown at the Central school office.

Pupil registration will depend upon the days the course will be available to the public. The two-hour course may be offered either in the afternoon or at night, Mr. Brown added, possibly from 4 until 6 p. m. or 6:30 to 8:30 p. m. Two times weekly.

Retailers Voting For New Officers

Members of the Kings Mountain Merchants association are balloting currently to elect officers for the coming year.

Candidates for president are Richard Barnette and Martin Harmon.

Candidates for vice-president are T. W. Grayson and Glee E. Bridges.

The merchants are to elect four directors from the following eight nominees: Paul McGinnis, W. F. Young, L. S. Stroupe, A. B. Mikeal, Eugene McSwain, J. C. McKinney, J. T. McGinnis, and Fleete R. McCurdy.

Holdover directors, with terms expiring in 1959, are Richard (Dick) McGinnis, Odus Smith, Eugene Timms, and John Warwick.

Deadline for return of the post-card ballots is January 29.

All members are being urged to return their ballots at once.

Honor Society Inducts Three New Members

The Kings Mountain high school chapter of the National Honor Society inducted three new members from the senior class at an assembly program Friday afternoon.

The newly inducted members are Ruth McCurdy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fleete McCurdy; Beckie Blanton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Blanton; and Jean Hicks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hicks.

Charles Blanton, Kings Mountain druggist, addressed the assembly on "Service", one of the four cardinal principals of the honor society. The three remaining principles, scholarship, character, and leadership were interpreted by old chapter members.

Other members explained the symbolism of the colors and motto and gave requirements for membership.

The names of the members during the past four years were read from the scroll by Secretary Norma Hicks. The new members were tapped and escorted to the stage where they signed the scroll, lighted candles and were given the oath of membership by President Polly Page.

Membership cards were issued to the inductees by Principal E. L. Brown. Sherry Kelley concluded the program by singing "One Little Candle."

Invited guests were parents and friends of the old and new society members.

BURTON AT KINGS

King's Business College in Charlotte has just opened its winter session with an enrollment of 520, the largest January enrollment in the history of the College. William Hoyle Burton, of Kings Mountain, is among the 80 freshmen enrolled.

Mr. Burton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Allen Burton, is a recent graduate of Kings Mountain high school. He is taking the junior accounting course.

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Barnes Lists South School Plant Third On Needed Buildings List

Supt. of Schools B. N. Barnes lists a South elementary plant as third on the list of immediate needs for city school construction, he told several school board members in an informal post-meeting session Monday night.

Mr. Barnes pointed to a previous board decision to project building of a gymnasium for Davidson school and a three-room addition to West school as of immediate need and within the bounds of currently available funds.

He said he would favor building of a South elementary plant now, were funds in hand.

There is immediate need for the three-classroom addition projected for West school, Mr. Barnes said, telling the board members that current school population assures the addition of four teachers—almost five—to city school faculties for the term beginning September 1958. If current attendance trend is continued through the remainder of the year, as is anticipated, the school system will qualify for two additional state-allotted elementary teachers and two additional state-allotted high school teachers next year.

Count of the May 1957 school population may show the following potential enrollments, grades one through eight, if South school were in the city system and if present district boundaries are maintained:

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OFFICIALS OF NEW ORGANIZATION — Officers and directors of Cleveland County Drug Association gathered Sunday at Kings Mountain Country club for the January meeting. Carl T. Baugus, Jr., of the Pharmacy Extension Service, addressed the group. Pictured are, left to right, C. D. Blanton, director; Carl Jolly, first vice-president; Wilson Griffin, secretary-treasurer; C. Rush Hamrick, second vice-president; Robert Beason, director; Hugh Lee Irvin, director; Paul Webb, Jr., third vice-president, and Robert Kiger, president.