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Schoolmen Answer Queries On Consolidation Alternates

Barnes: City Opens Its Arms In Welcome

BY DAVID BAITY
The consolidation of No. 4 Township schools is not an issue for Kings Mountain city school people to decide. "We've opened our arms and said, 'Come on in, we want you.' It's now up to you," said B. N. Barnes addressing a group of some 275 persons at a consolidation forum held at Bethware School Tuesday night.

"You are faced with a peculiar situation. It's not a matter of 'to consolidate or not to consolidate,' but where to consolidate," the superintendent of Kings Mountain city schools said. "It's either with No. 4 Township schools or with No. 3 school in the county system."

Mr. Barnes outlined the events of the past nine years which led to the upcoming decision. He told of repeated recommendations by state school officials that No. 4 Township schools be consolidated and noted the issue was killed by outlying areas in 1953.

The issue was resurrected on April 20, 1959, when the Kings Mountain Board of Education was asked if it would be willing to discuss consolidation again.

"Our answer was, 'of course,'" Mr. Barnes said.

A series of consolidation talks were held in which district school committees discussed the problems and made requests as to organization and government of the proposed district.

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In answers to questions posed from the floor, Mr. Barnes stated:



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Grigg: Support School Majority Of Voters Pick

BY DAVID BAITY
Questions concerning consolidation with No. 3 high school were discussed by J. Horace Grigg and members of the county board of education before a group of some 225 people attending a forum session last Friday night at Bethware school.

Mr. Grigg, superintendent of county schools, was accompanied to the meeting by county school board members Walter Davis, J. D. Ellis, and Edwin Moore.

Mr. Grigg, in his opening address, told the group, "I hope in the windup of this issue, you'll still be cordial to your neighbors. Any other result would be tragic. Naturally, the issue has two sides, but when you decide to go to one school or the other, everybody works to make that school the best possible."

Supt. Grigg pointed out the trend nationwide is to consolidate high schools and noted neighboring counties who have completed new plants and systems. Consolidation, he said, builds bigger and better schools, he said.

Questions submitted to Mr. Grigg and Walter Davis, chairman of the school board, included:

1) Where are the Negroes to register for the consolidation election?

Mr. Grigg pointed out that by state law the individual citizen, white or Negro, registers to vote in the district in which he lives, be it Grover, Bethware, or Park Grace.

2) What will temporary cost of consolidation with No. 3 school be?

The only cost with the temporary consolidation would be the price of buses and furniture for the school. An additional two cents equipment tax would be requested of the county board of commissioners, Mr. Grigg said.

3) What will future cost of consolidation with No. 3 school be?

Supt. Grigg pointed out the county board is planning for a \$1,000,000 school plant. Walter Davis interjected the plant would be located in the geographical center of the No. 3, Grover, and Bethware area, somewhere around Buffalo Creek.

4) Will teachers in the consolidated county school be as well qualified as teachers in the Kings Mountain city school system?

"That is not an issue. Wherever you go, you'll have tip-top teachers," Mr. Grigg replied.

5) Can just as many subjects be offered in the county school as in the city system?

The size of the school determines the variety of subjects, Mr. Grigg pointed out. He further stated he sees no reason why the consolidated No. 3 school can not offer as many.

6) How many more subjects will be offered immediately upon consolidation?

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NEW PASTOR — Rev. W. M. Helms of Troy will assume pastorate duties Sunday at East Side Baptist church.

Helms Accepts East Side Call

Rev. W. M. Helms of Troy has accepted the call to become pastor of East Side Baptist church. He will begin his pastorate duties on May 1.

Mr. Helms is a graduate of Wingate college, Fruitland Bible Institute and Southeastern Seminary.

He comes to Kings Mountain from Troy where he has served as Chairman of Evangelism in the Montgomery Baptist Association.

Mr. Helms will preach at East Side services on Sunday.

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FIRE
Firemen were called to 6 Oak Street on the Mauney Mill village about 4:39 Wednesday afternoon to douse an oil stove blaze. No damage was reported.

INSULATING
Insulation was being blown into City Hall Tuesday between the ceiling and the roof. Norman Harris, of Shelby, is handling the job and estimates the insulating cost will be returned in two years through heating economies.

SAFETY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY
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LOTS OF SMOKE BUT NO FIRE
City firemen were called to the home of Buddy Medlin at 504 N. Candler Wednesday afternoon about 2 o'clock.

An electric range was smoking profusely, but trouble cleared up before firemen arrived. Fireman C. D. Farr said they were greeted by a houseful of smoke, but no fire, discounting the old adage, "Where there's smoke, there's fire."

The stove was checked by firemen and was in working order. No proper damage was reported.

Dr. Lake Declines To Spell Out Means Of Continuing Segregation

BY MARTIN HARMON
Dr. I. Beverley Lake, candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, praised the state's pupil assignment act, continued to belabor the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, explained his theoretical differences with the Hodges-Seawell-Pearsall approach to desegregation, but declined, under repeated questioning, to name specific methods he would use to end token integration in the public schools.

Dr. Lake was interviewed at a press conference Saturday in the Shelby office of Joe Mull, his state co-campaign manager.

Dr. Lake said he would follow a "persuasion for segregation" policy, and move against the NAACP by sharply distinguishing between the Negro people and the organization. "Don't let the NAACP become spokesman for the Negroes," he declared.

He said the Hodges-Seawell-Pearsall approach to the race problem infers slow, but eventual, full integration.

"We know segregation works," he said. "Let's establish it as state policy, not slow work toward integration."

Questioned on the recent action of Wake Forest seminary on

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ARP's Vote 58-30 To Build Harris-Teeter Super Market

Merger Books To Close, County's To Open Saturday

One set of registration books opens and another closes this Saturday.

1) Saturday is the final day for citizens of the Grover, Bethware, Compact and Park Grace school districts in the county system to register for the May 14 election in which these citizens will determine whether to merge their schools into the Kings Mountain system. This is a school district election and a completely new registration.

2) Saturday will be the first of three registration days for the May 28 Democratic primary. Polling places in this area are: East Kings Mountain, City Hall Courtroom; West Kings Mountain, Victory Chevrolet Company; Bethware, Bethware school; and Grover, Grover fire station. This registration is not a new registration.

Mrs. J. H. Arthur, West Kings Mountain registrar, noted this that the law permits new citizens to register and vote in the May 28 primary if they will have lived in the state one year by November 8, date of the November general election. It is also permissible for 20-year-olds to register and vote in the May primary if they will attain age 21 by the November general election.

The Herald did not make a complete check of registrars for the school merger election on Wednesday, but prior checks indicate at least 1300 persons have registered for the May 14 school merger decision.

Rosberg Leaving Foote Mineral

Robert Rosberg, assistant mill superintendent of Foote Mineral Company's Kings Mountain plant, has resigned to accept the general superintendency of a beryllium mine, owned by Northwest Defense Minerals.

The mine is located at Key-Store, S. D.

Mr. Rosberg and his family will live at nearby Rapid City, S. D.

A native of Sioux Falls, S. D., Mr. Rosberg has been a Foote employee for more than six years. He joined Foote Mineral after graduation in January 1954 from South Dakota School of Mines.

Mrs. Rosberg is the former Ellen Medlin, of Kings Mountain. The Rosbergs, members of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, have two children, Robert Rosberg, Jr., and Ramona Rosberg. They expect to leave Kings Mountain this weekend.

Their West Gold street residence has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Ted Albrecht.

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Journalism Class Tours The Herald

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Editor Martin Harmon conducted the tour and was assisted by other members of the Herald editorial staff and mechanical department.

The students saw a "quoin," "chase," "turtle," typesetting machine, mat casting device, newspaper press in action, folders, metal saws and job presses.

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Hearing Friday On Re-Zoning Portion Of Lot

Boyce Memorial Associate Reformed Presbyterian church members voted 58 to 30 Sunday to build a super market for Harris-Teeter on the site of its present plant at Piedmont avenue and Kings street.

Under previous agreements between church officers and the grocery firm, the church will form a corporation to build a super market expected to cost about \$100,000. Harris-Teeter will accept a value of \$50,000 for the real estate, lease the property up to 15 years, and pay an annual rental of ten per cent of the final gross cost.

One principal bar remains to completion of the agreement. The ARP property fronts 158 feet on Piedmont avenue. Only 100 feet is zoned for business purposes, the remainder being zoned residential. Request for re-zoning has been lodged by church officials and public hearing on the question is scheduled by the city board of commissioners for Friday night at City Hall at 7 o'clock.

Mrs. E. C. Cooper, owner of the Piedmont avenue property adjacent to the church parsonage, is reported to be opposed to the building of the super market and, therefore, is opposing the re-zoning.

City Clerk Joe McDaniel, Jr., said Wednesday that some ARP officials have requested postponement of the re-zoning hearing on grounds they cannot be present Friday night. He said City Attorney J. R. Davis noted that postponement of the hearing would require re-advertising of the new hearing, that the commission will meet as scheduled, but may not act on the matter.

Mr. McDaniel also said he had made a thorough search of commission meetings and had found that the city attorney and building inspector years ago gave an opinion several years ago that re-zoning of the property, now used by Plunk Motor Company as a retail automobile sales, was not necessary. Mr. Davis said Wednesday afternoon that he remembered the matter and giving the opinion but could not recall immediately the legal reasoning on which the opinion was based.

McDaniel said his search of the minutes did not reveal re-zoning of the residential portion of the lot now occupied by the Bus Terminal, nor re-zoning of the N. Battleground avenue lot now being used by H & H Motors.

Should the transaction be consummated, the church will have a year in which to build a new plant on its Edgemont Avenue tract, to raze the present plant, and deliver a super market to Harris-Teeter for lease.

ChAMP SPELLER — Jan Williams, Kings Mountain seventh grader, won the Charlotte Observer's annual spelling bee and will represent the area in the national contest at Washington, D. C., in June.

Fiddlers' Show Set For Friday

The 14th annual Fiddler's Convention of the Bethware Progressive Club will be held Friday night at 8 o'clock in Bethware school auditorium.

A complete list of entries in the Fiddlers' show was not available Wednesday but a spokesman for the club said indications are there will be a number of entries.

One feature of the annual show will be the crowning of "Miss Bethware Fair" of 1960 by last year's queen.

A large crowd is expected to attend. Citizens may contact Frank Hamrick or Garrison Goforth about entries.

Tickets are on sale at 30 cents for children and 60 cents for adults.

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Kiwanis Ladies Party Thursday

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Wives of Kiwanians will be special guests at the dinner meeting at 7 o'clock at the Woman's club.

Mr. Grant, who is associated with the Rock Hill Chamber of Commerce, has spoken before to local Kiwanians. He addressed the group at Father-Son Night recently.

An illustrator for Hallmark Cards, Mr. Grant is creator of the "Snap-Crackle-&Pop" characters for the Kellogg Cereal company. He is also a farmer.

Mr. Grant is expected to use the topic, "Constructive Ideas."

Members of the ladies night committee in charge of arrangements for the event are Bill Fulton, John L. McGinn, Dr. D. F. Ford, Charles Neisler and Hugh Ormand.

MOTHER'S DAY PROGRAM

Mothers of members of the Kings Mountain Assembly, Order of Rainbow for Girls, will be special guests at a Mother's Day program Sunday at 2:30 p. m. at Masonic Hall. All mothers of members are invited to attend.

Country Music Show Thursday

Cleveland County Life Saving Crew is sponsoring what one member termed "old fashioned country music and picking and singing at its finest" in a benefit show Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

Lester Platt and Earl Scruggs, from WSM's Grand Ole Opry, will appear with their Foggy Mountain Boys in a personal appearance at Central high school auditorium.

Proceeds will be used to purchase equipment for the Life Saving and Rescue Squad. Admission is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

The Platt and Scruggs show offers a general family show, featuring fast-paced musical and comedy numbers with the music emphasizing old-time tunes brought up to date. Lester Platt leads the singing and does the emcee on all the shows. Earl Scruggs is the business manager and banjo player, and others in the show are Curly Seehler who sings tenor and plays the mandolin; Paul Warren sings bass and plays the fiddle; Uncle Josh plays the do-bro guitar; Cousin Jake plays the bass fiddle and doubles with Uncle Josh in a comedy routine.