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State Bond Issue To Be Determined On Tuesday

High School Plant Bond Vote Proposal Will Be \$1,100,000



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Miss Judy Cooper, Kings Mountain senior at Lenoir Rhyne college and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Cooper, has been named to membership in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

Miss Cooper is among 17 Lenoir Rhyne college students selected on basis of scholarship, activity, promise of future success and service made to the school.

At Lenoir Rhyne Miss Cooper is a member of Omega Omega Omega, honorary journalistic fraternity, and an officer of Lambda Alpha sorority. She is business manager of H.A.C.A.W.A., the annual staff member of the house council, president of the Future Teacher's Of America chapter and a campus guide. She is also a "Dean's list" student.

Lenoir Rhyne, and other colleges and universities, select "Who's Who" candidates for the national publication from a list of students compiled by an anonymous committee composed of four students, three faculty members and two administrative members. Each candidate is discussed at length and voted upon by secret ballot.

Community Day Friday

Kings Mountain churchwomen will gather at St. Matthew's Lutheran church Friday afternoon at 3:30 for their annual World Community Day service.

Churchwomen of the community are being asked to bring school bags for Latin American children and the offering will provide adult training scholarships for education specialists in Peru, Brazil and Chile.

Theme of the 1961 observance is "Christian Action For Freedom" and Mrs. Doris Bennett is program chairman. Mrs. J. E. Herndon will show slides she made on a tour of the Latin American countries in connection with her program, "Freedom To Know" featuring special concern for the children of Latin America.

Other members of the committee who will assist in program details are Mrs. Jacob Cooper, Mrs. Paul Ham, Jr., Mrs. Herbert Garmon, Mrs. James Rollins, Mrs. Russell Smith, and Mrs. B. T. Wright.

Mrs. Lawrence Lohr, president of the Kings Mountain Council of United Churchwomen, international organization sponsoring the observance, said in commenting on the Friday program, "It is our hope that the Sunday School Assembly Room at St. Matthew's will be full to overflowing for Friday's service and that many Latin American youngsters will be helped by Kings Mountain women in gaining an education... to proclaim that our revolutionary faith is the answer to the needs of the Americas and to dedicate what all may be free to know in the purpose of World Community Day."

Notice Of Intent To Ask Election Is Published

The county board of commissioners is publishing today formal notice of intention to apply to the local government commission for approval of issuance of \$1,100,000 school bonds in behalf of the Kings Mountain school district.

Issuance would be subject to approval of the voters of the district and would be "... for the purpose of providing funds, with any other available funds, for erecting, enlarging, altering and equipping school buildings and purchasing sites in the Kings Mountain Special School Bond Taxing District of Cleveland County ..."

The notice of intent thus spells out the amount the school district anticipates will be needed for the purchase of site for a new high school plant, and for construction of the plant.

The notice stipulates that any citizen may file with the Local Government commission at Raleigh a verified statement setting forth objections to issuance of all or any part of the bonds within ten days from first publication of the notice. Copy of the legal notice must be attached to the statement. It is also required that the objection statement be filed with Dan W. Moore, clerk to the board of county commissioners.

J. R. Davis, attorney to the board of education, said Wednesday, "I believe we're beginning to see daylight on calling the bond issue for the building of a new high school plant."

In view of the fact the school district bounds are not co-terminal with township bounds and, therefore with regular county voting precincts, Attorney Davis guessed the bond attorney, Mitchell, Pershing, Shetterly and Mitchell, of New York, would order a new registration.

When the election will be conducted is not yet known.

The board of education initially had anticipated a December date, but chances of completed mandatory legal details in time for an election prior to January appeared slim.

Meantime, the county board of education anticipates holding a similar election in the county district for construction of the proposed Burns and Crest consolidated high schools and are aiming at a January date. There has been some indication of interest in holding the two elections on the same day.

By embarking on the district method of bond financing, the Kings Mountain and county districts will duplicate the Shelby district method of financing its new high school. Shelby district board of education declined to agree to a county-wide election.

Kings Mountain school district, County Auditor Max Hamrick reports, has a taxable valuation in excess of \$22,000,000. There is no district debt outstanding.

Fallout 37 Not Dangerous; Kits For Survival Pushed By Shields

How high was/is radioactive fallout in Kings Mountain, in view of the weekend report that Gastonia had recorded the second highest fallout in the nation?

The answer is not apparent.

The Gastonia reading of 37 mrem (micro-roentgen) was taken prior to Russia's explosion of a 50 ton megaton bomb Monday and was only half as heavy as a previous reading — high for the nation — on September 17.

At any rate, the Gastonia Gazette reported Dr. B. M. Drake, county health officer, and Judson Hardy a United States Public Health official as telling Gastonia area citizens they were in no danger and not to worry about fallout.

Meantime, there were two developments on the civil defense front:

1) Harris-Teeter Super Markets this weekend will feature a display around canned water, which will show food and other necessary requirements of one person, for a two-week stay in a fallout shelter.

2) J. Don Shields, county civil defense director, announced launching of an effort to obtain 1,000 orders at \$5 each for individual emergency-pak food and water survival kits designed to provide sustenance to one person for two weeks. The civil defense kit contains a 4.5 pound tin of multi-purpose food, 14 pints of vacuum-packed water, 14 tablets of 100 milligram Vitamin C, a can opener, measure, utility can with plastic lid, a mixing can and instruction sheet, altogether weighing 24 pounds and with a shelf life of five years. Mr. Shields said a kit sells individually at \$9.95, but can be obtained in 1,000 quantity lots at \$5 each.



DAR CITIZEN — Judy Watterson, high school senior, has won the DAR Good Citizen award given annually by Colonel Frederick Hambricht Chapter, DAR.

Judy Watterson DAR Citizen

Judy Watterson, a senior at Kings Mountain high school has been named DAR citizen of the year.

Only girls of and accredited public high school are eligible for this recognition. They must possess to an outstanding degree these qualities: dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism.

The recommended method of selection is that the students of the senior class elect three girls possessing the required qualifications. From these three the DAR committee selects one who becomes the Good Citizen of her school.

After D. A. R. authorities have selected the Good Citizen she is to answer the State Questionnaire.

Each chapter sends all completed questionnaires to the District Director. She will give each contestant's entry number for identification and select three qualified judges to choose the district winner by evaluating the entries which are identified only by number.

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Mayor Kelly Dixon has scheduled tentatively for Monday night at 7 o'clock a special session of the board of commissioners for a discussion with the city stadium study committee of plans for the long-term development of City Stadium.

The stadium committee, which includes John H. Moss, chairman, City Commissioner J. E. Rhea, and School Trustee H. O. (Toby) Williams, has asked for a joint meeting with the commission.

The request followed declaration of the board of education to commit itself formally on possibilities of construction of an all-purpose public stadium in connection with the building of the proposed consolidated high school plant.

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The study committee, in turn, recommended improvement of City Stadium facilities with the eventual aim an all-purpose stadium.

Chairman Moss said this week he and Mayor Dixon had discussed the matter at length.

It is anticipated the study committee will urge a long-term city program of gradual improvement, with attention to parking space, additional seating for both baseball and football, improved access, and other arrangements.

The study group has previously endorsed the construction of a dressing room, noting that its location should not interfere with long-term plans.

Chairman Moss noted specifically the dressing room should not be located along the north side of the field, a potential liability for choice third-base line baseball game seats.

Mrs. Roberts' Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Della Frances Roberts, 83, widow of J. Ross Roberts, were held Saturday afternoon from Kings Mountain Baptist church, of which she was a member.

Mrs. Roberts succumbed Friday morning in the Kings Mountain hospital after suffering a heart attack. She had been ill for seven weeks.

Mr. Roberts died suddenly of a heart attack three weeks ago.

Mrs. Roberts was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Farmer Moore.

She is survived by two sons, Forrest Roberts of Gastonia and Eugene Roberts of Kings Mountain; two daughters, Mrs. R. T. Hasty of Charlotte and Miss Annie B. Roberts of Kings Mountain; 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Rev. Marion DuBose officiated at the final rites and interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

The family had requested that in lieu of flowers memorial contributions be designated to the Kings Mountain Baptist church building fund.

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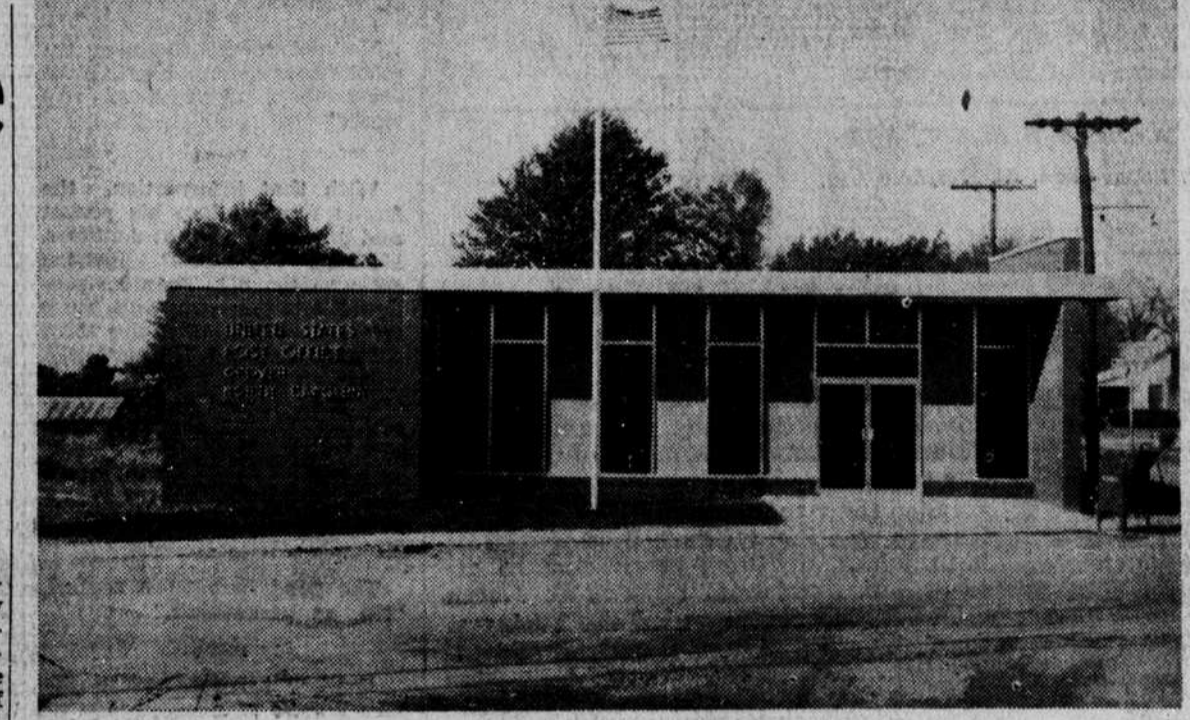
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The New Grover Postoffice

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Whitener Will Make Main Address

Grover's new postoffice will be dedicated Sunday in a special ceremony beginning at 2 o'clock. Acting Postmaster Fain Hambricht said Wednesday.

Basil L. Whitener, 11th North Carolina District Congressman, will make the principal address. Senator Robert F. Morgan of Shelby will present Congressman Whitener and Grover Mayor C. F. Harry, Jr., will serve as master of ceremonies.

W. T. Martin, postal field service officer, will bring greetings during the service. He will be presented by Jack Palmer, Jr., of Shelby, member of the North Carolina House of Representatives. William A. Lattimore, Shelby postmaster, will introduce other special guests. Rev. J. Richard Hobson, pastor of Grover's Shiloh Presbyterian church, will give the invocation.

Virgil Weathers, chairman of the Cleveland County Democratic Committee, will lead the flag presentation ceremonies, assisted by Tommy Hope, a color guard from the Kings Mountain Unit of the National Guard and the Kings Mountain high school band. The high school band, under direction of Joe Hedden, will play a prelude of music and "The National Anthem." Rev. Fred Crisp, pastor of Grover's First Baptist church, will pronounce the benediction.

The new facility, located at Grover, is part of the Post Office Department's unique commercial leasing plan Postmaster Hambricht explained.

Under this program, investment financing is used to obtain needed facilities which remain under private ownership, pay local taxes to the community, and are leased to the Federal Government. At the same time, the need for large outlays of money from the Federal Treasury for construction purposes is eliminated.

The new local post office, including the new building, is on the march.

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Students, Like Ancient Greeks, On Marathon — Promote Bond Vote

Students of North Carolina's dozen tax supported colleges, borrowing a chapter from the marathoners of ancient Greece and from the modern-day Olympic games, began Tuesday night a North Carolina marathon designed to encourage support of next Tuesday's state-wide bond issue election.

The students have a major stake in the success of the Tuesday election as \$31,000,000 of the total of \$61,665,000 in ten separate issues will provide capital improvements at the 12 schools.

Kings Mountain is on the march.

A student from Appalachian State Teachers college was scheduled to pass through Kings Mountain, his Torch of Education held high, Wednesday night at 10:48.

Western Carolina students launched the Marathon at Murphy at 11:40 Tuesday morning,

carrying the torch to Old Fort, where ASTC students took over, proceeded along Highway 26 through Marion and Polkville to Shelby, Kings Mountain, Gastonia and Charlotte. Winston-Salem State Teachers college then becomes the torch bearers.

From the East, Pembroke State Teachers college students began the east-west leg at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning.

A student from North Carolina college and a student from North Carolina State college are scheduled to converge at Raleigh about noon Friday.

Eastward from Murphy and Westward from Wilmington, each of approximately 700 volunteer student runners, carrying the torch, will cover a mile in 10 minutes. As the 70-hour run closes, finalists will meet in Raleigh at 12 noon November 3.

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POSTMASTER — Fain Hambricht is Grover's acting postmaster. He is a Grover native.

Nine Registered For Bond Voting

Number 4 Township citizens are either all registered or have little interest in whether the state borrows \$61,665,000 for capital improvements.

Registrars reported a total of nine new registrants for the Tuesday voting, three at West Kings Mountain, six at East Kings Mountain. No new voters registered at Grover or Bethware.

A few changes were reported in election officials.

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However, one plant, colloquially known as the "Baby Jesus," though it grew well, was long in blooming.

On the night of October 23 excitement reigned at the Early home, as the plant produced its first bloom.

Both plant and bloom, growing inside the house, have a tropical appearance and from the bloom is derived its colloquial name. The exterior petals are white, with a slightly yellowish tinge. The pistil is made up of a yellowish star at the front, with straw colored area behind it. It does not stretch the imagination to envision the traditional manger scene, with the star hovering above. The bloom opens only once, for a few hours.

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\$61,665,000 Being Offered In Ten Issues

Kings Mountain area citizens will join other citizens of North Carolina on Tuesday in helping to determine whether the state will issue bonds for all or a portion of \$61,665,000 for various capital improvements, largely buildings.

The voters will say "yes" or "no" on ten proposals, major among them \$31,000,000 for capital improvements at the state's 12 colleges and universities, and \$13,500,000 for expansion of port facilities at Wilmington and Morehead City.

- Other issues include:
- 1) \$2,858,000 for buildings in the State Capitol area.
 - 2) \$1,110,000 for improvements at state correctional institutions.
 - 3) \$1,483,000 for improvements at community colleges.
 - 4) \$2,565,000 for a building to house the Department of Archives and History at state library.
 - 5) \$7,396,000 for improvements at state mental institutions.
 - 6) \$500,000 to provide state matching funds for local hospitals.
 - 7) \$961,000 for capital improvements in the conservation and development of the state's natural resources.
 - 8) \$289,000 for capital improvements at the state's agricultural research stations.

As in all general elections, the polls will open at 6:30 a. m. and will close at 6:30 p. m.

Regular county precinct voting places will be used, with the exception of West Kings Mountain, where West school replaces Victory Chevrolet Company as the precinct voting place.

United Fund Progress Slow

The United Fund drive is progressing slowly, Chairman B. W. Gillespie reported Wednesday.

He noted some \$1200 has been pledged to the fund, some one-fifth of the goal.

Goal of the campaign is \$16,448.

He noted only one of some twenty canvassers has reported in.

Stressing one goal and one donation, the drive seeks what it terms a fair contribution from all citizens: for hourly workers, 12 hours pay for the year; for salaried workers, one percent of annual salary.

A residential solicitation is not planned, Mr. Gillespie notes. He assumes the majority of bond winners will be solicited via the business and industry campaigns.

However, he added, anyone not contacted who wishes to make a contribution should forward it to PO Box 267 or to the First Union National Bank.

"The sum asked is not a great amount for Kings Mountain citizens to give, based on population," Mr. Gillespie said. "The goal should be over-subscribed."

(The United Fund has nine participating agencies. They are: Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Kings Mountain Band Association, Kings Mountain Red Cross, Jacob

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