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Elections Chairman Outlines Ideas For Improving System

Optimist Club Is Promoting Youth Week

Kings Mountain Optimists are calling attention this week to the observance beginning Monday of "Youth Appreciation Week."



GOOD CITIZEN - Jean Harlow, high school senior, was chosen Good Citizen of the month by her senior classmates.

Index System, Less Precincts Possibilities

By MARTIN HARMON
Ralph Gilbert, chairman of the county elections board, was doing some thinking about Wednesday morning in the wake of Tuesday's state-wide bond election on possibilities of making the county election system more efficient, easier for the voter and less costly.

Shelby Architect Firm Is Chosen To Design School

Architects Associates, Shelby architectural firm, was chosen by Kings Mountain Board of Education members Thursday to design and engineer the proposed \$1 million consolidated high school.

The firm consists of four architects and an engineer, Robert S. Ormand, Fred Van Wageningen, Thomas W. Cothran, C. L. Vaughan, architects, and Engineer Marion Packard compose the firm.

Widely experienced in school plant construction, the firm is presently engaged in planning the proposed new Crest High school for the Boiling Springs area.

Number 4 Township For Lone Bond Issue, County Only Two

County Favors Mental Hospital, Hospital Issues

Cleveland County citizens differed slightly and by narrow margins with the majority of North Carolina voters Tuesday as about 3500 citizens supported two of ten state-wide bond issues, while the state-wide vote was opposing all of them.



WIN GOD AND COUNTRY AWARD - Billy and Joe Patterson, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Patterson, won the God and Country scouting award Sunday during services at Central Methodist church.

Cleveland citizens supported a \$7.4 million bond issue for mental hospitals by 315 votes and gave a small 30-vote margin to the \$500,000 proposed bond issue.

Clevelanders defeated by only one vote the proposal for \$1.1 bonds for state training and correction institutions.

Most disfavored was the proposal to provide \$2.56 million for the state archives and history and library bonds, defeated in Cleveland by an even 700 votes, while the second least popular was the proposal to issue \$2.8 million in bonds to build to central area buildings, defeated in Cleveland by 679 votes.

The official vote canvass will be conducted Thursday morning. Unofficial count returns on each of the ten issues, as compiled by Chairman Gilbert, were:

1) On issuance of \$2.8 million capitol area building bonds, 1350 for, 2029 against.

2) On issuance of \$1.1 million bonds for improvements and training and correctional institutions, 1711 for, 1712 against.

3) On issuance of \$31 million bonds for state educational institutions, 1644 for, 1774 against.

4) On issuance of \$1.45 million bonds for community colleges, 1619 for, 1796 against.

5) On issuance of \$2.57 million bonds for archives and history and library bonds, 1306 for, 2056 against.

6) On issuance of \$13.5 million bonds for state ports, 1510 for, 1363 against.

7) On issuance of \$500,000 hospital bonds, 1726 for, 1696 against.

8) On issuance of \$961,000 bonds for natural resources conservation, 1433 for, 1928 against.

9) On issuance of \$289,000 bonds for agricultural research establishment improvements, 1477 for, 1895 against.

Chairman Gilbert said the vote total surprised him, though it didn't approach the total of the 1960 general election when more than 18,000 cast ballots.

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Jean Harlow Good Citizen

Jean Harlow, Kings Mountain high school senior, was named Citizen of the Month by her classmates for October.

Miss Harlow makes her home here with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Arrowood. She is an honor student, member of the National Honor Society, Mountaineer staff, French club, Future Teacher's and the annual staff.

She expects to become an art teacher or English instructor.

Mrs. Williams' Rites Conducted

Final rites for Mrs. Emma Mae Ware Williams, 79, wife of Wray A. Williams, were held Monday afternoon at 3 p. m. from Central Methodist church of which she was a member.

Mrs. Williams died suddenly Sunday morning of a heart attack. Though she had been hospitalized for two weeks in the local hospital, her death was unexpected. She was a native of Cleveland County, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George W. Ware.

In addition to her husband she is survived by one son, Hugh (Otto) Williams; three daughters, Mrs. Francis O. Hunt of Lexington, Mrs. Elmer McGill of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. Welford S. Bullock of Seaboard; two sisters, Miss Leone Ware of Kings Mountain and Mrs. Jasper L. Brinson of Pelham, Ga.; two brothers, Robert Ware of Kings Mountain and Wright Ware of Newton; and one granddaughter, Jan Williams.

The funeral rites were conducted by Rev. H. D. Garmon, assisted by Rev. B. L. Raines. Interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Sanford Urges Defense Work

Mayor Kelly Dixon has received a letter from Governor Terry Sanford urging the active cooperation of the city with state and county governments in non-military defense.

The Governor wrote, "Local government officials share an equal responsibility with the federal and state governments in survival planning."

He added, "In North Carolina we believe in doing everything we can to help ourselves. The dangerous aspects of major disaster are greatly increased where there is no plan to cope with it and where workers are not trained in emergency services."

Two Kings Mountain firemen have already attended the Civil Defense school at Brooklyn, N. Y. C. D. Ware studying rescue work, and T. C. McKee studying fallout shelter construction.

New Meters Installed, Recreation Body To Ask Honor System Demise

The city installed 169 new parking meters over the weekend, and motorists got their first look at business — with them on Monday.

Meantime, the recreation commission anticipates renewing its recommendation to the city board of commissioners, probably at Thursday night's regular meeting, that it abrogate the honor system on parking at meters and again put teeth into the enforcement of the meter system.

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The city made no cash outlay for the new meters. They will be paid for by sending the meter company 60 percent of each month's receipts.

A slight bargain is in store for some motorists at some of the meters. On suggestion of the salesman, a traffic engineer, City Clerk McDaniel said, motorists giving two-hour parking for five cents were installed in areas where parking is relatively light.

May Cherry Tree Yields Two Crops

Clyde Bumgardner, route 1, York Road resident, has a crazy mixed-up cherry tree. It bore fruit twice this year.

And who's to blame? The weatherman, naturally.

Mr. Bumgardner dropped a twig by the Herald Friday to furnish proof of the phenomenon. Attached were two plump, red cherries.

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Lutherans Host For Conference

Kings Mountain's two Lutheran Churches will be host next Thursday, November 13th, to the Southern Conference of the United Lutheran Synod of North Carolina.

The conference begins at 9:30 with the Service of Holy Communion. Rev. Jacob L. Lackey, conference president, will preach the communion sermon. The formal opening and business session begins at 11 a. m.

The meeting will be held at St. Matthew's Lutheran church.

Rev. George T. Moore, pastor of Resurrection Lutheran church, is program chairman. The conferences are being arranged by the Synod's committee on Foreign Missions of which Mr. Moore is also chairman.

Following luncheon an afternoon program will feature the conference theme, "Foreign Missions" same theme being used at all five conferences meeting during the week of November 13.

Rev. John L. Yost, Jr., pastor of Hickory's Holy Trinity Lutheran church, will speak on "Missions in the Morged Church" and Rev. N. Earl Townsend, missionary pastor to Argentina, will bring the principal address, "The Missionary Task in Latin America."

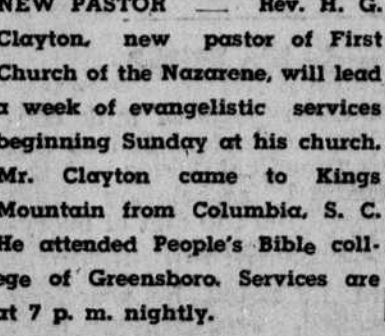
Gloria et Patria Award Presented Patterson Twins

A feature of the 11 o'clock worship service at Central Methodist church last Sunday was presentation of scoutings' highest award for Christian service, "The God and Country Award," to the twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Patterson, Billy and Joe Patterson, of 207 East Parker street.

Billy and Joe Patterson have been active in scouting, receiving their Eagle Scout awards this past year. To receive the God and Country Award they met requirements which called for a year's work and service projects under the direction of their minister, Rev. H. D. Garmon.

The scouts were presented to the church by Wilson Griffin, chairman of the official board with words of commendation for the fine work those "young men have done in the field of scouting," Rev. Garmon made the presentation with highest praise for the twins and their work and participation in the scouting program.

Billy and Joe Patterson are members of Scout Troop No. 294. Scoutmaster Sherman Perry had the highest praise for these boys as "top-notch scouts." These two boys were among the group that spent six weeks at Camp Philmont this past summer.



NEW PASTOR - Rev. H. G. Clayton, new pastor of First Church of the Nazarene, will lead a week of evangelistic services beginning Sunday at his church.

Mr. Clayton came to Kings Mountain from Columbia, S. C. He attended People's Bible college of Greensboro. Services are at 7 p. m. nightly.

Local Funds Budget Of \$521,835 For Area Schools Is Approved

BY DAVID BAITY

A \$521,835 budget for the Kings Mountain Administrative school unit was approved by the board of county commissioners Monday after prior approval Thursday by members of the Kings Mountain Board of Education.

The budget approval included \$247,013 in current expense funds and \$274,821 in capital outlay funds.

The capital outlay allotment included a \$209,061 operating balance from the 1960-61 school session.

The approved budget of the expanded district compares with a \$360,282 figure approved last year.

The hike of \$161,543 stems from the recent consolidation of outlying Bethware, Park Grace, Grover, and Compact schools into the city administrative unit.

Largest anticipated expenditure in the current expense budget for the 1961-62 term is for instructional service, \$87,433.

Maintenance of school property is expected to cost \$81,357. Fixed charges, such as rents, insurance, and social security expenses, are anticipated at \$14,050.

Auxiliary agencies, including operation and maintenance of libraries, textbook replacements, rentals and clerical work involved therein, summer school operation, and lunchrooms, are expected to cost the school system \$50,222.

Total anticipated operating expense revenues of \$247,013 include \$75,888 in new capita allotment of county school taxes; \$40,000 in special district school supplementary taxes; \$17,136 in fines, forfeiture and penalties; \$2,448 in poll taxes; \$15,078 in vocational education funds; \$3,536, home economics; \$501, textbook fund; \$35,000, lunchrooms; \$8,702, driver training; \$10,000 National Defense program funds; \$1,000, guidance and counseling funds; \$250, income for use of school property; \$4,627.

Capitol Buildings Most Unpopular In Township

Number 4 Township voters weren't quite in step with North Carolina Tuesday, but almost as 567 citizens approved only one of the ten bond issues totaling \$61,665,000.

The lone issue favored, by a margin of 36 votes in Number 4 Township was the \$7.4 million issue for state mental hospitals.

Another was squeezingly close. Township citizens declined by one vote to favor issuance of \$500,000 to provide state-share funds for building of local hospitals.

Others relatively close included the township's defeating, by 20 votes, the \$1.1 million issue for buildings at state training and correctional institutions, and, by 33 votes, the \$1.48 million for community colleges.

Other wise the margins of defeat in Number 4 Township ranged up to 157 votes, the citizens expressing themselves strongly against the expenditure of \$2.85 million for erection of a state surplus property building for a new state office building.

The margins of defeat were largely piled up at Bethware, where the vote totals ranged from 6 to 1 and 3 to 1, against all proposals, and at Grover where the "against" margins ranged from 2 to 1 to 3 to 2.

Kings Mountain voters were more charitable. West Kings Mountain voters favored seven of the ten issues, recorded an exact split of 10 each on the state ports bond proposal, narrowly opposed by nine votes, and registered principal opposition to the capitol area building bonds.

East Kings Mountain voters returned majorities in favor of only three issues, for community colleges, state mental institutions, and the comparatively small hospitals issue, but returned only one large margin "against," again for the uniformly unpopular capitol area buildings by 39 votes.

Though heavier than many observers had anticipated, only a small percentage of the township eligibles cast ballots. More than 2200 votes were cast, for instance, in both of last spring's city elections, when out-district limits citizens were not eligible.

Bond Election SIDELIGHTS

Though 567 citizens voted in Number 4 Township, election officials didn't complain of over-work during the 13 to 14 hour stint required to hold the election and count the ballots.

West Kings Mountain's total vote of 212 was high for the township, as is customary, and reported 142 "straight" tickets, 75 citizens marking ten "for" and 67 marking ten "against."

Removal of the West Kings Mountain precinct to West school proved confusing to several voters and almost cost three their chance to vote. Shortly before the 6:30 closing hour, Raymond Scism entered City Hall courtroom to vote. Told his name wasn't on the East Kings Mountain books, he said he usually voted at Victory Chevrolet Company, but found the former polling place completely dark. He'd hardly left when Mr. and Mrs. Percy S. Lynn arrived and for the same reason. All made the West precinct in time, but it was a near dead-heat from (Continued From Front Page)

Local News Bulletins

COURT OF HONOR

Court of Honor for Kings Mountain district Boy Scouts will be held on November 16th at 7:45 p. m. at Central Methodist church. The Court will be held one week later due to the annual business meeting.

COMPLETES TRAINING

Marine Pvt. Donald Wayne Burton, son of B. T. Burton of 513 Phenix street and Mrs. Leona Anthony of Pompano Beach, Fla., has completed recruit training at Parris Island, S. C. He entered the service in October.

KIWANIS CLUB

Col. Joe Speckman, retired Colonel in the Marine Corps, will address Kings Mountain Kiwanians at their Thursday night meeting at the Woman's club. Col. Speckman will speak on a program arranged by Booth Gillespie.

AT CONFERENCE

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Table with columns: Precinct, \$2.85 Million Capitol Area, \$1.1 Million Train. Schools, \$31 Million State Schools, \$1.48 Million Local Colleges, \$2.56 Million Archives, \$13.5 Million State Ports, \$7.4 Million Mental Hospitals, \$500,000 Hospitals, \$961,000 Natural Resources, \$286,000 Agriculture. Rows include Bethware, East Kings Mountain, Grover, West Kings Mountain, and TOTALS.

Total of Actual Voters in Township 567