

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320
City Limits 8,008

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Board Considering Several Sites For High School

Craftspun Yarns Expanding, To Begin Knitting Operation



LIKELY OPPONENTS -- Carroll Barringer, left, of Conover, is the Republican nominee for U. S. Congressman from the 10th district and likely opponent of Rep. Basil L. Whitener, Democrat, who filed Tuesday for re-election to a fourth term in the House.



New Operation Will Create 50-60 New Jobs

BY MARTIN HARMON

Craftspun Yarns, Inc., has broken ground for a 32,000-square foot building to house a knitting operation which will provide initial employment for from 50 to 60 persons, Manager B. H. Lowe has announced.

Concurrently, Mr. Lowe confirmed for the first time that Craftspun Yarns, Inc., acquired via bid through federal court after its former parent went bankrupt, is a division of B. V. D. Company, which produces knitwear and other apparel products and which licenses use of its long-familiar B. V. D. trade name.

The new plant here will manufacture men's and boys' undershirts, T-shirts and briefs.

The Craftsplan Plant, almost completely re-equipped, renovated and air-conditioned since its purchase by B. V. D., currently is a yarn producer.

Target date for completion of the new plant is early June.

A three-shift operation is anticipated and Mr. Lowe said it is hoped a training program for employee prospects will get underway April 9. The program will be operated under the State Board of Public Instruction, vocational education division.

Mr. Lowe said applications for work in the new plant are already being received at the Shelby office of the Employment Security commission. All applications should be made through this office, he added.

Roy Barnes, Gastonia contractor, is constructing the new building, which will provide almost half the floor space (70,000-plus feet) in the present Craftsplan building on Linwood road. The City of Kings Mountain has issued a building permit for the construction in the amount of \$60,000.

Mr. Lowe did not list current employment figures.

B. V. D. Company was listed on the American Stock Exchange for the first time on February 23. The stock was traded Tuesday at \$34 per share.

The new building will be air-conditioned and the company has requested the city install facilities to serve the building with natural gas for heating.

ON HONOR ROLL

Inadvertently omitted from the list of Honor Roll students at Kings Mountain High school in last week's Herald was Carolyn Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Jones of the Bethware community. Miss Jones is a member of the freshman class and made all six weeks' Honor Roll lists and first semester list.

Representative Seeks Fourth Term In House

U. S. Representative Basil L. Whitener, Democrat of Gastonia, filed for re-election to a fourth term Tuesday.

Meantime, Republicans reconvened their district convention in Gastonia Tuesday night and nominated Carroll M. Barringer, Catawba county commissioner and former Conover mayor for the same position.

It is likely the two will oppose each other in the November general elections.

Deadline for filing with the state elections board is Friday. While primary opposition for Mr. Whitener could develop by that time, none has been indicated. Republicans customarily nominate by convention meaning that Barringer won't be opposed within his own party.

In effect, Mr. Whitener is seeking a new seat, he now, as a result of re-districting following the 1960 decennial census, residing in the 10th district.

The new district includes seven counties, Avery, Mitchell, Burke, Catawba, Cleveland, and Gaston.

Barringer's nomination was seconded Tuesday night by Kelly Dixon, Kings Mountain mayor, who opposed Rep. Whitener in (Continued On Page Eight)

Mrs. Aubrey Mauney Is President Of Southern Conference ULCW

Mrs. Aubrey Mauney was elected president of the Southern Conference of United Lutheran Church Women of North Carolina at the 41st annual spring conference in Gastonia Saturday.

Long active in churchwork and civic and community affairs, Mrs. Mauney is a past president of the North Carolina Federation of Woman's Clubs and is incoming president of Kings Mountain Woman's club. She has also served the Lutheran church locally and state-wide in a number of capacities.

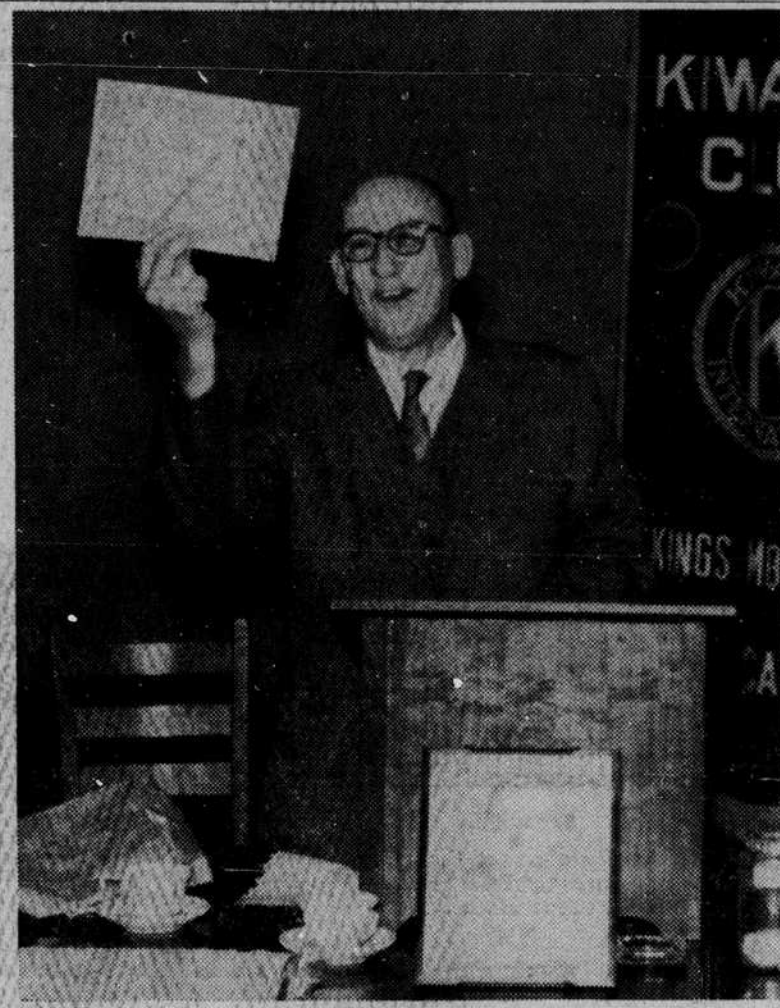
Mrs. Mauney succeeds Mrs. Robert E. Rhyne of Charlotte. Other new officers are Mrs. J. R. Timmerman of Gastonia, re-elected as treasurer; Miss Jean Ramsey of Lincolnton, re-elected as secretary; and Mrs. Heman Hall of Cherryville, secretary.

The 300 women attending Saturday's meeting heard Mrs. N. Townsend of Hickory, wife of a Lutheran missionary to Argentina as featured speaker.

Women from Kings Mountain's two Lutheran churches attended. Delegates from the ULCW of St. Matthew's Lutheran church were Mrs. Aubrey Mauney, Mrs. S. A. Mauney, Mrs. E. C. Cooper, Mrs. F. R. Summers, Mrs. S. A.



ELECTED--Mrs. Aubrey Mauney was elected Saturday to head the Southern Conference of Lutheran Church Women for the coming year.



WINS CLUB HONOR -- J. Harold Coggins, named by his fellow Kiwanians as "Mr. Kiwanian", is pictured above as he received a certificate at the Thursday night civic club meeting.

Harold Coggins Kiwanian Of Year

Charter Member Is Recipient Of Club Award

Harold Coggins, secretary-treasurer of Cooper's Inc., and charter member of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club, has been awarded the club's service scroll as "Mr. Kiwanian of 1961."

Second Kiwanian so honored, Mr. Coggins was presented the award at the club's Charter Night banquet, a ladies night affair, last Thursday by John L. McGill, first recipient of the award inaugurated last year.

Attendance awards for 1961 were also presented.

In an address laced with both seriousness and facetious humor, Mr. McGill categorized the honoree as a "faithful and loyal Kiwanian.... indeed a genuine friend."

Mr. Coggins is a native of Simpsonville, S. C., who grew up in Gaffney, S. C., where he played bass horn in the high school band, edited the annual, and was the baseball team's second baseman for four years.

He has been a citizen of Kings Mountain since 1935, when he came here to manage Cooper Furniture Company. He was married to Octavia Crawford in 1941, subsequently spent four years in the army in World War II, including duty in France. Following his war service, his furniture firm purchased the former D. F. Hord Furniture Company and incorporated it, with Mr. Coggins as an officer, general manager and stockholder.

Continually active in church and civic affairs, Mr. Coggins is a past president of the Kings Mountain Merchants association, has held numerous church offices, and is currently a deacon and treasurer of Kings Mountain Baptist church.

He is a past president of the Kiwanis club and for the past several years has served as club secretary. He has been the successful chairman of numerous club projects, and, on Thursday night, was awarded a pin for 14 (Continued On Page Eight)



IN NEW POST -- Charles H. Moss assumed the post of resident manager of Jacquard Fabrics, Inc., Morganton, Monday. He was formerly an employee of the Neisler Mills Division of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company, Inc.

Reservations Asked For Retailer Party

Reservations for the annual employee-employer banquet of the Kings Mountain Merchants Association are requested by Friday, Mrs. Luther Joy, association secretary said this week. The banquet will be held at the Woman's club the evening of March 23rd. Principal speaker will be A. Y. Edward, Ford Motor Company representative in Charlotte.

New association officers will be installed.

The retailer party customarily attracts a large crowd.

LIONS ZONE MEETING

A dinner meeting of Zone 3, Region 1 Lions district 31-C will be held Thursday night at 7 o'clock at Kings Mountain Country Club, Chairman George Thomasson has announced.

Official Results King Mountain Administrative Unit School Bond Election, March 10, 1962

POLLING PLACE	FOR	AGAINST	TOTAL VOTE
WARD I	131	44	175
WARD II	208	42	251
WARD III	206	57	263
WARD IV	204	54	258
WARD V	458	133	593
GROVE	151	271	422
PARK GRACE	298	115	415
BETHWARE	447	300	749
TOTAL	2,103	1,009	3,120

Voters Approve School Bond Proposal By 2 To 1 Margin

Bond Proposal Is Approved 2103 To 1009

Kings Mountain area voters, 3120 strong, went to the polls Saturday and voted by slightly more than a 2 to 1 majority approval of a proposal to issue \$1,100,000 in school district bonds for new construction.

The vote was 2103 for the proposal, 1009 against. Balloting in eight precincts, the voters took advantage of pleasant weather to cast their ballots, though rain began about the time the polls closed at 6:30 p. m.

Seven of the eight precincts gave favorable votes to the bond issuance, only Grover disapproving by a margin of 271 to 151.

Kings Mountain citizens returned 1207 votes for the proposal, only 323 against, a margin of better than 3 to 1. Areas of the district outside the city limits voted 896 for the bonds, 686 against, a margin not quite 4 to 3.

The 210 majority favoring the bond proposal was less than the margin of 246 whereby the areas adjacent to the city voted in May 1960 to join the Kings Mountain school district. Grover, in the consolidation election, returned a majority of 205 against joining the district, only 120 against issuance of the bonds.

Principal aim of the bond proposal, as stated by the board of education, is the building of a high school plant.

Much campaigning activity prior to the election continued through election day. Opponents of the proposal had waged an intensive advertising campaign, through newspaper and radio, urging defeat of the bonds. Proponents replied in kind, emphasizing need for classroom space and other facilities.

Proponents had a well-manned organization at each precinct on election day. School pupils passed out leaflets of a board of education statement to voters coming to the polls, and each precinct was manned with a team of citizens in a get-out-the-vote effort. Telephone calls went to all registered voters, from previously prepared lists, reminding them to cast their ballots.

Of the 3592 registered, more than 86 percent cast ballots.

Moore On Board Of Lowman Home

The Reverend George T. Moore, pastor of Resurrection Lutheran Church, has been elected to the Board of Trustees of Lowman Home at White Rock, S. C.

At the recent meeting of the executive meeting of the Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, Mr. Moore was elected to fill the unexpired term of the Reverend C. P. Fisher, Jr., who moved out of the Synod last month. Mr. Moore will serve until the 1963 convention.

The Lowman home is a home for the aged, supported by the Southern Synods of the United Lutheran Church in America, with a number of residents being from the North Carolina area.

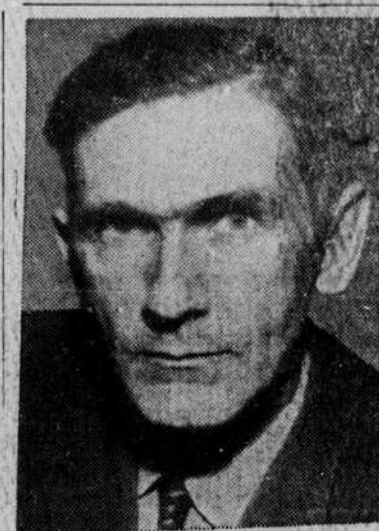
City Names Armory Commission Obtains Option On Hope Property

The city board of commissioners has appointed a five-man commission for administration of the new National Guard armory, soon to be completed.

Named to the committee were Capt. Humes Houston, commanding officer of the National Guard company, Ben H. Bridges, from the city commission, J. O. Harris, member-at-large, and the mayor and city clerk, ex officio.

The appointment resolution, adopted by the city commission, specifies that the armory commission is to purchase furnishings for the armory, employ personnel required to administer it, to establish rental fees and set other policies concerning armory use by public groups.

The board also: 1) Approved the paving of Castlewood Road from Sherwood



CANDIDATES--David Beam, top, seeks re-election to the county board of commissioners from District 3, and Crawley Cash, Shelby lawyer, is a candidate for judge of county recorder's court.

County Politics Remains Quiet

Political activity at the county level was quiet during the past week, being principally limited to the expected announcement by Shelby lawyer, B. T. Falls, Jr., that he will seek re-election as 16th District solicitor, and announcement by Chairman Knox Sarratt, of the county board of commissioners, that he will not seek re-election.

Ralph Elliott, already announced he would be a candidate for Sarratt's Democratic nomination as District 5 commissioner.

At the moment, there are only two county-wide contests. Two Shelby lawyers, Joe F. Mull, and Crawley B. Cash, seek the Democratic nomination for judge of recorder's court, a position being vacated by Judge Rueben Elam, and Dick Lackey and Lyndon Hobbs, also two Shelby attorneys, are seeking the county solicitor's seat, being vacated by Bynum Weathers, who is ill.

Seeking re-elections are: David Beam, county commissioner from District 3.

J. W. (Bill) Osborne, clerk of Superior Court.

Ollie Harris, county coroner.

J. Haywood Allen, sheriff.

Charles Ford, Number 4 Township constable.

J. Lee Roberts, Number 4 Township magistrate.

All are Democrats. (Continued On Page Eight)

1963 Occupancy Of New Plant Is Board Aim

BY DAVID BAITY

Board of education members, in the wake of Saturday's favorable vote on a \$1.1 million school construction bond proposal, agreed Monday to proceed immediately toward obtaining a site for a new high school plant.

The board has under option a prospective 73-acre site on Phifer Road, but has some five others under consideration.

Permission was obtained Tuesday from Marvin Goforth for survey work to be done on a site under consideration on Shelby Road. The plot is near Kings Mountain Country Club, just outside Kings Mountain city limits.

The board also noted sites on York Road, Cherryville Road, yet another on Phifer Road, and one near the Margrace Mill village are being inspected.

Supt. Barnes said Monday officials of the Division of Planning of the State Board of Public Instruction had been in touch with him Monday morning. He said their recommendations on locating the new school will be forthcoming soon.

Board members said they were very pleased with the 1004 vote margin in favor of the bond issue, but expressed regret that the Grover precinct voted against the bonds. The Grover vote was 151 in favor of issuance, 271 against. The precinct was the lone opposer of the issue.

Fred Plonk, chairman of the school board, said Wednesday, "The board is very pleased with the outcome of the election and we wish to thank all those who worked most diligently for the bond issue. We were confident all along that the bond issue would be passed, but the board of education is really pleased with the large majority vote. We are looking forward to the time in the future when the new building will be ready for occupancy."

Mr. Plonk noted the board has its sights set on occupancy of the building by the 1963-64 school term.

High school population, according to present enrollment with no gain and no loss, should stand at 1200 at that time.

Supt. Barnes said Monday he regretted the negative vote in Grover. He noted many people had worked very hard to pass the election there. "I know it's a disappointment for them," he said.

"We only hope we can work together and bring a building program that will place our entire district," he said.

Sale of bonds will probably not be made for several months. Schedule for sale will be set by the local government commission.

Bond Election SIDELIGHTS

Saturday's election was settled by 7:30 Saturday night with completion of the tabulations from the Bethware precinct, even though the results from Park Grace and Grover precincts had not been completed. Bethware's 147 margin favoring the bond proposal, added to the Kings Mountain totals, meant that the proposal was approved, there being insufficient registrants in the remaining boxes to defeat the proposal.

Election officials earn their meager pay. Mrs. Charles Ballard, Ward 5 judge, had arisen at 5 a. m., had breakfast, and was on duty prior to the 6:00 opening hour. By 9:15 she was yearning for a piece of buttered toast.

Mrs. Paul Cole, registrar at Ward 4, arose an hour earlier at 4 a. m. It wasn't planned that way as the alarm was mistakenly set an hour earlier than it should have been. (Continued On Page Eight)

Local News Bulletins

GRASS FIRE

City firemen were called to Phenix Street Tuesday at 3:45 p. m. to douse a grass fire on a vacant lot adjacent to Burlington Mills. The blaze spread to a pump house located on the lot, but no damage estimate was given by Kings Mountain Fire Department.

PERMIT ISSUED

A permit was issued Wednesday to Craftsplan Yarns, Inc. to build a one-story commercial building on Linwood Road. Estimated cost of the plant addition is \$60,000.

OPTIMIST CLUB

Kings Mountain Optimists will gather for regular meeting Thursday night at 7 o'clock at Cline's Restaurant. The Optimist club meets weekly.

HAD SURGERY

L. June Cloninger underwent lung surgery Friday at Western North Carolina Sanatorium, Black Mountain, and was reported doing satisfactorily by a family spokesman Wednesday. He is convalescing in room 306 of the hospital.

JAYCEES MEET

Kings Mountain Jaycees will hold a general business session and elect officers for the coming year at the regular meeting Tuesday at 7:00 p. m. at Kings Mountain Woman's Club.

MEETING SET

An open meeting on plans for a mental health clinic will be held at Webb Chapel of Shelby's First Baptist church Friday night, March 23, at 7:30 p. m. Interested Kings Mountain area citizens are invited to participate.

GRASS FIRE

Kings Mountain firemen were called to Shelby Road Wednesday at 3:10 p. m. to douse a grass fire at the Stacy Huffstokler home. No property damage was reported.

MEYER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending at noon Wednesday totaled \$153.47, including \$103.32 from on-street meters, \$38 in over-parking fees, and \$12.15 from off-street meters. City Clerk Joe McDaniel reported.