

Population
 Greater Kings Mountain 10,320
 City Limits 8,008
This figure for Greater Kings Mountain is derived from the 1955 Kings Mountain city directory census. The city limits figure is from the United States census of 1950.

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Projection Of U. S. 74 Re-Location In City Limits



REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES — Three Kings Mountain area citizens are candidates under the Republican banner for county offices. Ed H. Smith, left seeks election to the North Car-



olina Senate; Elzie L. Putnam, center seeks election as a Number 4 Township justice of the peace; and Bob Maner has filed for membership on the county board of education.



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Armory Voted \$3,000 Fund For Equipment

The city armory commission asked and got a \$3,000 appropriation from the city board of commissioners Thursday for equipment for the new \$135,000 National Guard Armory.

It was the major action during a one-hour session in which the city fathers listened to a variety of requests.

Only other action taken was the board's instruction to City Attorney J. R. Davis to draw whatever legal action is necessary against two business firms which haven't purchased privilege licenses. A city ordinance prohibits the operation of business firms with out a license.

Recommendations of the stadium body, of which John H. Moss is chairman, were also renewed and the commission authorized this advisory group to 1) increase its membership by four persons, including two members of the recreation commission, making a total of seven; and 2) accept contributions "with utmost vigor" for stadium development.

In behalf of the armory, J. O. Harris, chairman of the armory commission, told the board a minimum of \$4500 is needed to equip the armory with kitchen appliances, at least 90 lockers, 100 folding chairs, office furniture, tables, venetian blinds and other equipment. Mr. Harris said he had already appeared before the county commission to ask \$1500 for purchase of needed equipment. County commissioners took the request under advisement.

It was the unanimous opinion of board members that the armory is a "beautiful building", an "asset to the town" and will be "self-sustaining" when groups rent the building for various uses.

Commenting on stadium proposals presented by Mr. Moss, the commissioners agreed that the stadium needs some improvements. However, it was their unanimous opinion that the stadium should determine the plans of the city schools board for athletic facilities at the new high school before proceeding and to prepare specific recommendations and costs and present them again within the next week or 10 days.

Chairman Moss told the board his committee has asked the school board to announce its plans on several occasions but has received no answers.

Mr. Moss reported the availability of the E. Gold street W. K. Mauney property adjacent to the stadium. This property lies to the south of the stadium property and would provide off-

Sewer Line Find "Gold" To City

The city struck gold Wednesday in the form of a sewer line. W. K. Dickson, of Charlotte engineer for the city, was probing in the Craftsman Yarns, Inc. area, and found a six-inch sewer line now serving the Craftsman plant.

The city had previously promised Craftsman sewage disposal service in connection with the building of the current addition, now underway.

The anticipated expenditure, according to Mayor Kelly Dixon, was from \$5,000 to \$6,000.

The line goes under the Southern Railway tracks west of Parkdale Mill.

Five Republicans File Candidacies

Kings Mountain Area Produces Three Of Them

For the first time since 1948, Cleveland County Republicans have filed candidacies for county-wide elective offices — three of them from Kings Mountain.

From Kings Mountain, are Ed Henry Smith, partner with his father in a yarn sales firm, who is a candidate for the North Carolina Senate seat held by Robert F. Morgan; Bob Maner, insurance agency owner, who seeks a seat on the county board of education; and Elzie L. Putnam, partner in a garage with his brother and Patterson Grove citizen, who seeks to be a township justice of the peace.

Other GOP candidates are Mrs. E. Earle Moore, route 1, Shelby, who seeks the seat of Representative Jack Palmer in the state House of Representatives, and Gettys Bingham, of Fallston, who opposes County Commissioner David Beam for the District 3 seat on the five-man commission.

The several candidacies proved somewhat short of GOP Chairman Pierce Cassidy's call for a "full slate of Republican candidacies," but was the first local level candidate activity by the Republican party since 1948.

Mrs. Moore, who is both vice-chairman of Cleveland County and 10th Congressional district Republican, also has some Kings Mountain connections, having served as a crew leader, with headquarters here, for the 1960 decennial census.

Mr. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Smith, is a member of Trinity Episcopal church, and a graduate of Riverside Military Academy. He attended University of North Carolina, where he majored in journalism. He currently writes a column on textiles carried by several area newspapers.

Mr. Maner is a past president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, former winner of its Distinguished Service Award, a member of First Presbyterian church, and a graduate of Davidson college. He holds Master

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Candidacies Of Maner, Putnam Pose Several Technical Questions

By MARTIN HARMON

Cleveland County has its first Republican candidates for elective offices in several years and the candidacies of two from Kings Mountain pose legal questions which the county elections board will ask the North Carolina attorney-general to answer, Chairman Ralph Gilbert said Wednesday.

The questions involve the candidacy of Bob Maner, Kings Mountain insurance agency owner, for the county board of education, and of Elzie L. Putnam, partner in Putnam Brothers Garage, for Number 4 Township justice of the peace.

Although now West Kings Mountain Republican precinct chairman, is registered as a Democrat, a question posed recently in Gaston county, where the attorney-general ruled that the law is explicit in requiring

State Team Makes Five-Site Survey

Quick Report Is Promised, Chairman Says

A three-man team from the division of school planning joined the board of education and representatives of Architects Associated Wednesday for a tour of five prospective sites for the new area high school.

Chairman Fred Plonk said following the tour the state team made few comments, but took copious notes on each, and promised a quick report on the relative merits of the several sites.

Here were W. L. Latham, educational consultant, Marvin Johnson, chief architectural consultant, and Leon Thompson, engineer, all of the school planning division of the State Department of Public Instruction, Architects Thomas H. Cochran and Fred Van Wageningen, of Architects Associated.

The sites visited were:

- 1) The Phifer-Neisler property on Phifer road, about 73 acres, which is under option to the board of education.
- 2) The Neisler tract, at the convergence of Phifer and Fulton roads, up to 60 acres offered at \$500 per acre.
- 3) The Houser property on the east side of York road, on which no figure has been obtained, but was indicated available at \$1,000 per acre some years ago.
- 4) A previously unmentioned site near El Bethel Methodist church, owned by H. A. Goforth, Hill Lowery and Royster Oil Company, offering price was not fully obtained.
- 5) The Goforth-Plonk site west of Kings Mountain Country Club, about 74 acres, offering price about \$90,000.

"We hope to have the state team's report early next week," Chairman Plonk said.

AFS Student In '62 Likely

Kings Mountain likely will have a foreign exchange student next school year.

Members of the local American Field Service committee, meeting this week, made formal application for a girl to live here next year and complete her senior year at Kings Mountain high school.

Mrs. Jacob Cooper, member of the AFS committee on homes, said a Kings Mountain family has invited the student to live with them.

The Kings Mountain application will be screened, then the local committee will be notified, Mrs. Cooper said.

Other members of the local AFS committee are Tom L. Trotter, chairman; high school Principal Harry Jaynes, George H. Mauney and Mrs. P. G. Padgett.

Three foreign visitors have studied here previously, Pierre Dassen from Switzerland, Graeme Reeves from New Zealand and Kisten Zacho from Denmark. Two Kings Mountain students spent summers in countries overseas in a similar program of the AFS. Jimmy Plonk spent a summer in Germany and Nancy Hovis visited the Netherlands.

Red Cross Bloodbank At Grover Thudbank

Grover Rescue Squad and Grover Woman's Club is sponsoring a visit Thursday (today) of the Red Cross Bloodmobile in Grover.

Donors will be processed from 11 a. m. until 5 p. m. at Grover's Shiloh Presbyterian church.

Rescue Squad Captain Fain Hambright said goal of the collection is 125 pints of blood.

Transportation will be provided by citizen calling the Rescue Squad Office, YE 7-7171, Mr. Hambright said.

Mrs. John Cheshire, chairman of the Kings Mountain Red Cross blood program, invited Kings Mountain area citizens to visit the bloodbank in Grover. "We are hopeful," she said, "that Grover will reach its quota in Thursday's visit."

Engineer Says Broad Street Entry Planned

Present projections of State Highway commission engineers on the re-location of U. S. 74 through Kings Mountain would traverse Kings Mountain in the vicinity of Broad street, to the south of Second Baptist church, and south of North school.

The road would skirt the Kings Mountain Country Club golf course at the north side.

This information, given to the board of education by Raymond J. Wilson of Concord, assistant locating engineer for the highway commission, was confirmed by Mr. Wilson by telephone Wednesday.

Next step will be topographic mapping of a "corridor," Mr. Wilson said.

A "corridor" in highway building parlance, Commissioner J. Clint Newton has explained, is a strip approximately a mile wide within which a highway will be constructed.

Mr. Wilson met with Chairman Fred Plonk and Superintendent B. N. Barnes, at Chairman Plonk's request, in which the highway department was asked to 1) indicate whether sites being considered for a high school would be touched by the projected U. S. 74 re-location, and 2) what aid the highway department would provide in improving access roads to sites under consideration.

Chairman Plonk informed the board Tuesday night that Mr. Wilson had said the present projections would not touch any of the several high school sites under consideration.

Mr. Wilson suggested the board confer with Comm. Newton on highway department improvements to the several sites, noting this function wasn't within his province.

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WSOC Honors Nancy Nickels

Miss Nancy Nickels, Charlotte schoolteacher and Kings Mountain native, was honored as "Educator of the Day" last Tuesday by Charlotte Radio Station WSOC.

Daughter of Mrs. J. C. Nickels, Park Grace school principal, and the late Mr. Nickels, Miss Nickels was honored for "outstanding service" as a teacher of the first grade at Myers Park Elementary school.

Easter Pageant To Be Given

The Kings Mountain high school Bible class, under direction of Mrs. Cal Fisher, will present the Easter pageant, "Our Risen Lord", Thursday at 2:45 p. m. in the school auditorium.

Cast of characters will include: Don McNeely as the Apostle Peter and Robert Lovelace as Andrew, the disciple; Danny Thomasson as James, the disciple; Mike Walker as John, Thomas Henson as Matthew and Steve Brown as Thomas.

David Adams, Junior Davenport and Carol Greene will be the readers.

Linda Reynolds has the role of Martha, Katherine Gibbons will portray Mary Magdalene, Joyce Falls will portray Mary of Bethany, Kay Baily has the role of the angel, Gail Bowen portrays Mary, the mother of Jesus, Sandra Dover has the role of Mary, James Hannah as James, Ervin Smith as Simon, Dennis Greene as Bartholomew, and Mitchell Cobb as Phillip.

Portraying other women in the pageant will be Patricia Pennington and Trudy Bowen.

Compact Wishes To Retain Name

Objection was voiced Tuesday night to a proposed name change for Compact High school. A written statement to the board of education from a patron pleaded the cause of the objection is the historic background of the school.

Compact was so named because, at founding, a compact was made by patrons for its support on a subscription basis.

It was founded, the patron claims, just after the Civil War and was the first Negro school in Cleveland County.

The name change discussion sprang from conversations during the time leading up to consolidation of No. 4 Township. Negro patrons from Davidson school wished the name to be Compact-Davidson.

A majority of senior students voted last week to retain the present name.

The board of education was reluctant to act on the measure Tuesday, tabling it for further study.

In other action the board:

- 1) Voted to invite Dr. Paul K. Ausley, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, to deliver the commencement sermon.
- 2) Discussed, but tabled, election of teachers and principals.
- 3) Approved the use of Bethel Church for a ham supper as a money making project to finance the church's new educational building.
- 4) Authorized Supt. B. N. Barnes to take bids on a routine work needed at Grover and Bethel schools.
- 5) Tabled until later study of an insurance program for the city school property.

DuBose To Preach At Sunrise Rites



SPEAKER — Rev. Marion DuBose, pastor of Kings Mountain Baptist church, will deliver the Easter message at Easter Sunrise services Sunday at 6 a. m.

Annual Easter Sunrise Service Starts At 6 a. m.

Rev. Marion DuBose, pastor of Kings Mountain Baptist church, will deliver the sermon at Kings Mountain's traditional community-wide Easter Sunrise Service to be held at Memorial Park of Mountain Rest cemetery.

The program, which begins Easter morning at 6 o'clock, is presented and sponsored by the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association.

Mr. DuBose's Easter message is on the theme, "The Resurrection of Our Lord."

Other Kings Mountain ministers will participate on the program.

The Kings Mountain high school band, under direction of Joe C. Hedden, will open the service with a prelude of appropriate music.

Robert Lane Wins Scholarship

Robert Harold Lane, 17-year-old son of Rev. and Mrs. Rowell Lane of Middleburg, N. C., former residents, has been awarded a Whitaker scholarship to the University of North Carolina. He is one of ten seniors in North Carolina high schools to win scholarships, each worth \$750.

Lane is a senior in the Middleburg high school, where his father, former Principal of the Kings Mountain High School, is a teacher as well as pastor of the Middleburg Baptist church.

Whitaker scholars are given the assistance, renewal annually by better than a C average on college work. This is the second year of the scholarships, which were established by a bequest of the late William Asbury Whitaker of Winston Salem and New York.

Before going to Middleburg, Lane attended West school in Kings Mountain for six years and the Wake Forest Elementary school for two years. He has attended Middleburg high school for four years.

He is an Eagle Scout, is active in both school and church work, and is active in community affairs. He is a member and former vice president of the Beta Club in his school, is a member of the Glee club and Monogram club. He has been a member of both the basketball and baseball teams, and serves as president of the Middleburg Explorer Scout Post. Two years ago he attended the Junior Engineers and Scientists Summer Institute at Clemson college and a similar institute for six weeks on a national Science Foundation grant last summer at the University of North Carolina.

St. Mark's Easter Story

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary, the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.

And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came into the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

An they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?

And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.

And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.

And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here; behold the place where they laid him.

But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.

And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they anything to any man; for they were afraid. (St. Mark 16:1-8)

Four County-Wide Contests Listed In May 26 Democratic Primary

Last Friday's county and township office filing deadline produced two Democratic seekers for the county board of education, bringing to seven the number of candidates for five party nominations.

The added board of education candidates are Charles Elliott, of Polkville, and Bobby G. Austell, of Earl.

Previously filed were the current members of the board of education, including Chairman Walter Davis, Edwin Moore, C. D. Forney, Jr., J. D. Ellis, and Buford Cline. The board of education race is a sweepstakes affair.

Otherwise Democratic voters in the May 26 primary will have only three contests to settle.

Nominations contested are:

For clerk of Superior Court: J. W. Osborne, incumbent and Shelby lawyer, opposed by Craig D. Falls, Kings Mountain grocer.

For judge of county Recorder's

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