

K.O. Second Blow To Polio Will Be Given Sunday

Saturday Is Last Day To Register

Newton Reelected Democrats Head

Mrs. McDaniel Is Elected Vice - Chairman

Cleveland County Democrats re-elected J. Clint Newton chairman at the annual county convention Saturday.

Mrs. F. A. (Pete) McDaniel, Jr., of Kings Mountain, was elected vice-chairman, succeeding Mrs. J. E. Lipford, also of Kings Mountain, and other vice-chairmen elected were Dr. Jack Hunt, of Lawndale, and Jim Beason, of Boiling Springs. David Royster, of Shelby, was re-elected secretary-treasurer.

Chairman Newton was re-elected to a second term as chairman over R. Pat Spangler, of Shelby, by a vote of 78 to 18.

Mrs. Lipford did not seek reelection, completing a decade as the county's Number 2 Democrat. A. A. Powell of Shelby, declined renomination as vice-chairman, with the statement he couldn't "serve under the circumstances".

At the suggestion of Chairman Newton the Democrats elected a third vice-chairman. There was no contest for any of the offices except chairman.

The Democrats voted to make all Democrats attending delegates to the state convention on May 21. Chairman Newton reminded that the tenth district caucus would be held the evening before for nomination of members of the district executive committee.

Chairman Newton, thanking the executive committee for its endorsement, pledged to continue past policies in managing the party.

"The executive committee will be convened to decide all matters of major importance, as it has been in the past," he declared. He added that precinct committees would be asked to act on local area matters such as postal appointments.

Program for the convention was arranged and conducted by the Women's Democratic organization. Mrs. Warren Gamble, of Shelby, presided, and presented all Democratic candidates for office present. Most were made brief addresses.

Group Approves Planning Survey

The recently appointed city planning committee recommended unanimously Tuesday that the city execute contract with the Department of Conservation and Development for a city planning survey.

Under terms of the contract, the city would appropriate \$6,000 for the survey, in turn receiving a federal grant of \$9,000.

The survey will include various factors, including land-use, traffic flow, parking problems and others.

The committee had conferred the previous week with representatives of the C & D Department. Members are Mrs. George Houser, Mrs. J. E. Herndon, Sr., Mrs. W. L. Pressly, Harold Coggins and Bob Maner.

Some Not Yet 21 Can Cast Ballot

Some 20-year-olds can register and vote in the May 30 primaries. Under North Carolina law, a person 20 years of age, who will attain the age of 21 by the date of the next general election (November 3, 1964), may register and vote in a party primary immediately preceding the general election.

Mrs. J. H. Arthur, West Kings Mountain registrar, said she had the instance of a registration in which the voter had not yet attained 21, but met the test of the registration law.



OFFICE CHANGE — Mrs. J. E. Lipford, above, did not stand for re-election as county Democratic vice-chairman at Saturday's convention, a position she held for ten years. Elected to succeed her was Mrs. F. A. McDaniel, Jr. also of Kings Mountain.

Kiwanis Club To Honor Ladies

Rev. and Mrs. John L. Yost, Jr. of Hickory will present an entertainment program for members of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club at the annual ladies' night banquet Thursday.

The event is expected to attract over 125 Kiwanians, their wives and other guests. Dinner will be served at 7 o'clock at the Woman's club.

Rev. Yost, pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran church of Hickory, and Mrs. Yost will present a travelogue of songs as they describe figuratively in terms of musical sounds some of the sights they saw in their 17-country tour last summer. "The Sound of Music" program will include piano accompaniment by Mrs. Elmer Lint.

The Yosts sang together in the Newberry college choir. Born in Gastonia, a minister's son, Mr. Yost attended school in Atlanta, Ga. Mrs. Yost was born in India of missionary parents.

Dr. W. P. Gerberding will serve as toastmaster and Glee Edwin Bridges will recognize special guests. John A. Cheshire will welcome the ladies and Mrs. S. R. Suber, Jr. will make the response.

Honor guests will include widows of Kiwanians: Mrs. R. N. Baird, Mrs. Hugh Ballard, Mrs. H. S. Blackner, Mrs. W. S. Fulton, Sr., Mrs. I. B. Goforth, Sr., Mrs. J. E. Herndon, Mrs. P. D. Herndon, Mrs. B. S. Peeler, Mrs. Frank Summers and Mrs. Arthur Hay.

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Township Total Increases 1065; 2041 Registered

The county's completely all-new registration of voters will end at the 28 voting precincts Saturday.

Meantime, the pace of registering increased in the Kings Mountain area, as the four registrars logged 1065 voters during the past week to increase the total eligible to vote as of Wednesday to 2041.

The township registrars will continue a work through Saturday in order to accommodate citizens not yet re-registered.

Mrs. J. H. Arthur, West Kings Mountain registrar, will be at the National Guard Armory all day Thursday, as well as all day Saturday, same schedule to be followed by Mrs. Nell Cranford, East Kings Mountain registrar, a City Hall court-room.

Mrs. J. B. Ellis, Grover registrar, will be at R. E. Hambright's Store on Thursday, and at the Grover fire station for the final registration day Saturday.

Mrs. J. D. Jones, Bethware registrar, will again be at Bethware school from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, as well as all day on Saturday.

Registrars anticipate a great influx of citizens as the registration period ends. The pace of registering has been increasing since the books opened on April 25.

In Number 4 Township, the 2041 registrants to date are divided as follows: Democrats 1789, Republicans 227, Independents 35.

The breakdown by precincts: Bethware—Democrats 253, Republicans 74, Independents 5, total 332.

East Kings Mountain—Democrats 527, Republicans 46, Independents 11, total 584.

Grover—Democrats 248, Republicans 29, total 277.

West Kings Mountain—Democrats 761, Republicans 78, Independents 19, total 858.

Barnes Again Heads WNHSA

B. N. Barnes, superintendent of Kings Mountain schools, was re-elected to another three-year term as president of the Western North Carolina High School Activities association in annual meeting at Hudson school last week.

Mr. Barnes has served as president of the group since 1947. Also re-elected were Dr. R. R. Morgan, vice-president, Mooresville city schools, and Wilburn C. Clary, Children's Home, executive-secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Barnes said there were no changes in rules governing athletic and other activities programs.

None proposed removal of the "sudden death" provision for settling football championships, made effective last May, and painful to Kings Mountain in the 1963 grid game with Shelby. The regular game ended in a 7 to 7 tie. Shelby won the "sudden death" extra inning, two offensive series of downs from the ten-yard marker for both teams.

LEGION DANCE

Final dance of the season for Legionnaires, their wives and guests will be held Saturday night from 9 until 12 p.m. at the American Legion building. Buddy Estes and Orchestra will provide music for dancing.

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City Fire Rating Remains In Class 6



SPEAKER — Mrs. Frank Lacy of Martinsville, Va. will make the principal address at community-wide May Fellowship Day services Thursday afternoon.

May Fellowship Rites Thursday

Kings Mountain churchwomen will observe May Fellowship Day in a special community-wide service Thursday at Central Methodist church.

Mrs. Frank Lacy of Martinsville, Va., author and Presbyterian lay leader, will make the principal address at 3:30 p.m. A social half-hour will be held beginning at 3 o'clock in the church fellowship hall.

The Kings Mountain Council of Churchwomen is sponsoring the service and Mrs. J. B. Simpson is program chairman. Mrs. Paul Hendricks heads the social committee.

An offering, to be received at the 3:30 program, will help finance a Negro Day Nursery to be operated in Kings Mountain beginning in the fall.

A native North Carolinian, Mrs. Lacy is a graduate of Randolph-Macon Women's college and took graduate work in English at UNC. At Anderson Memorial Presbyterian church of Martinsville, she has served as director of Christian education. Active in church affairs, she has served as president of the women of the church, as a Sunday School teacher and youth advisor. She is a past Presbyterian president of Roanoke Presbytery and the author of several published books, including "Pullers of the Stars", a short Christmas story for children in booklet form; "A Woman Wants God", a devotional book for women, and numerous articles for "Concern", magazine for women, Presbyterian Church U.S.A. and for "Presbyterian Survey".

Mrs. Lacy will use the topic, "The Excitement of Acceptance." May Fellowship Day is one of three annual programs sponsored by the Kings Mountain Council of Churchwomen, an interdenominational organization represented by virtually all Kings Mountain area churches. In addition, the Council sponsors World Community Day and World Day of Prayer services.

"We invite the interested community to join us in this special program," Mrs. Simpson said.

"Hospitals Are People—the Life of Your Community" was the theme chosen by the North Carolina Hospital Association for the Sunday and is held annually on week's observance which began the week of the birthdate of Florence Nightingale.

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Rating Bureau Recommends New Equipment

By MARTIN HARMON

North Carolina Fire Insurance Rating Bureau has informed Mayor Glee A. Bridges that the city's fire defense grade remains NB Class 6.

However, R. Kenneth Scott, the rating bureau's chief engineer, commented that the overall grading indicated the grade remains "poor" in NB Class 6, and recommends consideration of maintaining two first-line pumper companies, plus purchase of a 500-gallon-per-minute (preferably a 750-gallon-per-minute) pumper equipment. He labeled the 1931 American-LaFrance pumper as obsolete and suggested this equipment be put in a public park to provide children a play item.

Engineer Scott also criticized present city policy of contracting with citizens living outside the city limits to provide fire protection.

Mr. Scott wrote, "...one of the items that cause the fire department to grade as poorly as it does...is the large, increasing volume of outside response now handled by your municipal department. We understand that this is on a strict subscription basis with approximately 1,000 properties now on file as contracting for the response of the fire department. The population of Kings Mountain and the population in connection with the properties which you are serving may make it soon necessary for us to ask for additional manpower and an additional piece of apparatus to take care of this outside response...We believe that this additional manning and equipment would even be indicated at the present time so that the municipal fire defenses maintained within the City would not be materially reduced when the department in answering calls outside the corporate limits."

Mayor Bridges said the report will be discussed at Thursday night's city commission meeting.

Toll-Free Poll To Subscribers

Post card ballots and letters explaining the proposed telephone "toll free" service between Kings Mountain and Gastonia are being mailed this week, according to Bryan Houck, Southern Bell's Group Manager.

"We hope for and anticipate that most of Kings Mountain's telephone customers will mark their post card ballot and return it promptly," Houck stated.

"If this toll free service is approved, it will mean that Kings Mountain telephone users will be able to call approximately 30,000 main telephones. They can now call about 13,000. However, the greatly expanded local calling area of this exchange which would result from the plan would telephone service much more valuable and convenient for our Kings Mountain telephone subscribers," Mr. Houck continued.

"This voting by Kings Mountain telephone users has been brought about due to the request for toll free service from many of our Kings Mountain customers," Houck added.

The service would increase the monthly rental for residential subscribers to a maximum of 60 cents and for business subscribers 150.

Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce initially suggested the toll-free service and the proposal now has the endorsement of all Kings Mountain civic clubs, including the Jaycees, Lions, Rotary, Optimist, and Kiwanis organizations.

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RESCUE WEEK UNDERWAY — Kings Mountain Mayor Glee A. Bridges, left above, and Corbet Nicholson, captain of the Cleveland County Rescue Squad, Inc. discuss plans for Rescue Week in Kings Mountain, a state-wide observance. A parade Saturday afternoon will highlight the local observance.

County Honoring Rescue Squads

Units Schedule Parades; Four Squads In County

The Cleveland County Rescue Squad joins 175 rescue units from North Carolina this week in the annual observance of Rescue Week May 11-17.

A parade Saturday beginning in Grover at 3 p.m. will highlight the observance. From Grover, the parade will move to Kings Mountain at 3:30 p.m., to Waco at 4 p.m., to Lawndale at 4:30 p.m., and to Shelby at 5:30 p.m. Rescue Squads from the county will make up the parade units and all life-saving and rescue equipment will be featured.

School of instruction for Rescue Squad members will begin Monday for four days. Fann Hambricht, of Grover, has announced.

Kings Mountain Mayor Glee A. Bridges has proclaimed this week as Rescue Week in the community and the local unit is holding open house all week at its headquarters at 212 Parker street.

Captain Corbet Nicholson said the Cleveland County Life Saving and Rescue Squad of 22 members is the oldest of the four rescue squads in Cleveland County. It was organized seven years ago.

"All 22 members of our unit receive no pay in any way for the many hours they spend helping those in need," Mr. Nicholson continued. He added, "Each weekend, beginning Friday night through Sunday night, two men are at the headquarters to answer any calls. The rest of the week all members are subjected to call at any time, day or night."

During the past year the Cleveland County Life Saving and Rescue Squad, Inc. made over 400 calls and traveled over 20,000 miles. Many of the trips, Captain Nicholson noted, were to Duke hospital at Durham, Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem, Oteen Veterans hospital at Swannanoa, Columbia, S. C., Charlotte and Gastonia hospitals. Many of these were accident victims, some calls were for blood runs for Kings Mountain hospital and there were others.

The unit's primary source of revenue is the Kings Mountain United Fund. Capt. Nicholson added, noting the full budget was not reached and other solicitation was necessary.

Harris - Teeter Safe - Cracking Job Yields Thieves \$3,913.40 In Cash

A thief or thieves drilled through the concrete roof of Harris-Teeter Super Market here Friday night or early Saturday morning, cracked the safe, and counted \$3,913.40 in cash for the night's work.

The robbery was discovered at 7:15 Saturday morning, when the safe, which had been relocked and locked, was opened by a store employee.

J. D. Taylor, store manager, noted that the culprits were quite considerate in not taking or destroying about \$8,000 in checks. These were left in a neat pile be-



TO FLORIDA — Dr. W. P. Gerberding will become assistant pastor of Redeemer Lutheran Church of St. Petersburg, Fla. in July.

Dr. Gerberding To Florida Post

Dr. William P. Gerberding, pastor of Saint Matthew's Lutheran church for 13 years, will become assistant pastor of Redeemer Lutheran church of St. Petersburg, Fla. July 15th.

The Gerberdings announced their intention of retirement about a year ago. They will go to St. Petersburg as soon as their son, Tommy, completes his freshman year at Kings Mountain high school early next month to find housing accommodations.

From Florida, the Gerberding family will vacation in New Orleans, Texas and Santa Fe, New Mexico, enroute to Denver, Colorado for a family reunion. Dr. Gerberding's children and their families, which includes 15 grandchildren, will be there to spend a few days together.

The Gerberdings will return to Kings Mountain after a visit with relatives in Minnesota before moving to St. Petersburg.

ELECTED

Miss Anne Trotter, rising high school senior, has been elected editor of "The Mountaineer", student newspaper. Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Trotter, Miss Trotter was chosen among juniors who took journalism during the past year.

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Same Format To Be Followed For Dose 2

Sunday is the day to get polio vaccine No. 2 at five clinics here and at 175 immunization clinics in seven counties.

It's the final K-O Polio Sunday and Kings Mountain citizens should visit the same feeding stations they did on March 22 for the tasteless and colorless vaccine taken by mouth with a cube of sugar.

Two doses of the vaccine are necessary for complete immunization and people who get their first dose Sunday will be able to receive their second dose eight days later at their second dose eight days later.

Some 51,131 Cleveland County men, women and children visited the free clinics in March. The clinics in No. 4 Township attracted 11,424.

"We expect even more people out this time and we're ready for them", Dr. Livingston Johnson, chairman of the county's polio immunization committee said.

The program, sponsored by the North Carolina medical society and by county societies, is free. Citizens are invited to donate a half-dollar to defray cost of the drug and other supplies. Every person between the ages of six weeks old and 100 years should have the newly-perfected vaccine, regardless of any earlier Salk-type protection he may have received.

Assisting with the program voluntarily are medical doctors, registered pharmacists, nurses, Jaycees and many individual citizens. Serving as directors of the "our No. 4 Township clinics" will be Jaycees Charles Blanton, John Varlick, Bill Allen and Robert H. Goforth.

K-O Polio is North Carolina's most massive effort to eradicate bread infantile paralysis.

Clinics will be open here from 12 noon until 7 p.m. at Kings Mountain National Guard Armory, Davidson, Grover and Bethware schools.

Smith Issues S. O. S. To GOP

Edward H. Smith, Kings Mountain Republican candidate for the Republican nomination for the United States House of Representatives, is issuing a couple of S. O. S. calls.

1) He says even many of his Republican compatriots don't yet realize that there is a Republican primary.

2) He says failure of Republicans to register and vote in the May 30 GOP primary will dim his chances of winning the GOP nomination in his contest with W. Hall Young, of Avery County.

Republicans have primaries at the district level (the Smith-Young race) and at the state level, including a three-man race for governor and a two-man affair for lieutenant-governor.

In the 1962 primary, tenth district Republicans cast 804 ballots, only 191 of them in Cleveland, Gaston and Catawba counties. The remainder came out of the so-called mountain counties of Avery, Burke, Mitchell and Rutherford. Mr. Young's home county of Avery cast 2458.

Thumbnail Facts On "K-O Polio"

Following are facts concerning Sunday's "K-O Polio" drive:

Clinics (21 in Cleveland County) open at noon and close at 7 p.m.

All persons, age six weeks up, are urged to take the Sabin oral vaccine. (Pregnancy is no bar to taking the vaccine.)

Location of area clinics: Kings Mountain National Guard Armory, Davidson school, Bethware school, Grover school, Washington high school and Waco elementary school.

LODGE MEETING

An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF & AM will be held Monday night at 7:30 p.m. at Masonic Hall. Secretary T. D. Tindell has announced.

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday totaled \$236.40, including \$140.80 from on-street meters, \$69 in over-parking fines, and 26.60 from off-street meters.