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City Limits 8,008
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Voters To Choose Nominees In Saturday Primaries

Finals Start On Sunday For Area High School Seniors

KMHS Lists 144 Candidates For Diplomas

Commencement exercises for 142 Kings Mountain high school seniors will begin on Sunday with the baccalaureate service and will be climaxed with awarding of diplomas Wednesday night. Both finals programs will be held at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium.

Dr. W. L. Pressly, pastor of Boyce Memorial ARP church, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. Five other Kings Mountain ministers will participate in the program. Rev. Howard Jordan will give the invocation. Rev. Bruce A. Norwood will read the scripture. Rev. George Moore will present. Dr. Pressly and Rev. Wayne Ashe will pronounce the benediction.

The high school choir will sing "Canticle of Praise" an arrangement by Jurey, and the congregation will sing "Come Thou Almighty King."

Five members of the graduation class will lead the Wednesday night commencement program which will follow the theme "Facing Moral Crises." Commencement will give the invocations. James Madlin will introduce the program and original speeches on.



SPEAKERS - Dr. W. L. Pressly will deliver the baccalaureate sermon Sunday night to 144 high school seniors who will receive diplomas Wednesday night.

Compact Has 46 Candidates For Diplomas

Forty-six seniors are candidates for diplomas from Compact high school in finals exercises which begin Sunday and conclude Wednesday.

Rev. Norman E. Kerry, pastor of Mount Moriah Baptist church of Belmont, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at 4 p.m. Sunday afternoon in the school gymnasium.

Dr. L. C. Dawdy, president of A & T college of Greensboro, will make the commencement address Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Principal L. L. Adams will preside. The Mixed Chorus, under direction of Miss M. R. Adair, will render special music at both exercises.



SENATE CONTESTANTS - Charles Heath, left, Shelby gas engineering consultant, and Jack H. White, Kings Mountain attorney, seek the Democratic nomination for the state senate. Cleveland County supplies one of two nominees for the two 31st district seats.

Voting 'Personal' To These Citizens

Area Produces Candidates And Managers

Several Kings Mountain area citizens have special stakes in the outcome of Saturday's Democratic primary, including a half-dozen candidates for county and township offices, as well as others in the saddle as managers for various candidates.

Jack H. White, who ran a strong second for the state senate while losing to Senator Robert F. Morgan in 1960, seeks the senate seat again. He is opposed by late-comer Charles Heath, of Shelby. Initially, Kings Mountain's White was opposing R. Pat Spangler, of Shelby, who withdrew. For several weeks it appeared White might escape primary opposition, until Heath filed near the deadline. White points out that Kings Mountain, second largest city in the county, hasn't supplied a member of the senate in 38 years.

Three area citizens have a major stake in the District 2 county commission seat. J. Broad Ellis, of Grover, seeks re-election and is challenged by Don Glass, Kings Mountain grocer, and Coleman Goforth, Soney Point dairyman. Ellis runs on his record, while Goforth promotes adoption of the county manager system. Glass has charged that the commission forgets its dues to the eastern portion of the county.

The manager entries find Charles E. Dixon, Kings Mountain mogul for Dan K. Moore, candidate for governor, while Robert H. Goforth holds the reins in behalf of gubernatorial Candidate L. Richardson Preyer. William Lawrence Plonk is promoting the interests of Robert W. (Bob) Scott, seeker of the lieutenant-governor nomination, while Robert O. Siuthwell is boosting the stock of Clifton Blue, another entry for lieutenant-governor.

W. D. (Red) Morrison is Kings Mountain manager for H. Fields Young, Jr., candidate for the state House of Representatives.



CONFIDENT - Edward H. Smith, Kings Mountain candidate for the GOP nomination for tenth district U. S. Representative, predicts he will win his primary race.

Smith Predicts Primary Win

Edward H. Smith, Kings Mountain candidate for the Republican nomination for tenth district United States Congressman, predicted Wednesday he would defeat his opponent, W. Hall Young, Avery county lumberman.

The winner will oppose Rep. Basil L. Whitener, Gastonia Democrat, who has no primary opposition, in November.

Mr. Smith predicted a Republican primary vote in the seven county district of from 13,000 to 15,000 votes. He said state-wide primaries for governor and other state offices, as well as primaries for local office in several of the counties would swell the total to a record record.

Mr. Smith again urged area Republicans to vote Saturday. Counties in the tenth district are Avery, Burke, Catawba, Rutherford, Cleveland, Gaston and Mitchell.

Long Ballot For Democrats Short Ballot For Republicans

Kings Mountain and Number 4 Township citizens will join their neighbors throughout the county and state Saturday in going to the polls to determine nominees for both Democratic and Republican parties.

Democrats have much more choosing ahead of them.

Democrats will receive three ballots, one for four state offices, sought by 15 candidates, a county ballot for 11 nominations sought by 26 candidates, and a township ballot to determine the nomination for constable—where Edd Gantt is challenging incumbent Charles (Rocky) Ford.

Republicans will receive a lone ballot, numbering seven candidates for three state offices, and two candidates, including Edward H. Smith, of Kings Mountain and W. Hall Young, of Avery county, for the tenth district nomination to the United States Congress.



HONORED - Scout Thomas Tindall, Jr., has been awarded the certificate of merit of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, for an act of heroism in which he likely saved the life of his young brother last October.

As is customary, prime interest at the state level among the Democrats is the six-man contest for the nomination for governor, sought by L. Richardson Preyer, Dan K. Moore, L. Beverly Lake, Kidd Brewer, Bruce (Bozo) Burleson, and Raymond Stansbury. More than cursory interest has also been evidenced in the three-man race for lieutenant-governor, sought by Robert W. (Bob) Scott, H. Clifton Blue, and John R. Jordan, Jr.

Frank Castlebury and John B. Warrell, Jr., are challenging incumbent Frank Crane for commissioner of labor, and John N. Frederick and John B. Whitley are challenging incumbent Edwin S. Lanier for commissioner of insurance.

Republicans will choose between Robert L. Gavin, the 1960 standard bearer, Charles W. Strong, and Don Badgley for the governor nomination, between Robert A. Flynn and Clifford Lee Bell for the lieutenant-governor nomination, and between Ralph B. Pfaff and John C. Clifford for the commissioner of insurance nomination.

National BSA Honors Tindall

Quick-thinking that likely saved his young brother's life has earned for Thomas D. Tindall, Jr., 12, Second Class Boy Scout, the National Court of Honor, Boy Scouts of America, its certificate of merit.

It is the first certificate awarded in the Piedmont Council in some five years, his scoutmaster, Otis Falls, Jr., reports.

Last October, five-year-old Gregory Tindall's clothes became ignited from an open fire. His older brother rolled him on the ground until the first was extinguished, then summoned help. The boy was not badly injured.

Scout Tindall was presented the certificate at a recent Court of Honor here.

Thumb Nail Facts On 30th Primaries

Following are facts concerning Saturday's primary elections:

Polis open 6:30 a.m.
Polis close 6:30 p.m.
Polling places in Number 4 Township (4): Bethware, precinct, at Bethware school; East Kings Mountain precinct, City Hall courtroom; Grover precinct, Grover fire station; West Kings Mountain precinct, National Guard Armory.

For Democrats, number of ballots three, including one for state offices, one for county offices and one for township offices.

For Republicans, one, for three state offices, and one for congressional district office.

Registered voters: In Number 4 Township, 3802.

FROM NEW YORK
Mrs. W. M. Gantt has returned from New York City where she was a delegate from the North Carolina Council of Garden Clubs to the national convention of Ikebana International. Mrs. Gantt also spent three days at the World's Fair.

Phone Subscriber Votes Favoring Gastonia Toll-Free Service Plan

As of Tuesday, Kings Mountain area telephone subscribers favored toll-free service to Gastonia and Dallas.

Bryan Houck, Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company manager said Tuesday that:

1) The "for's" are ahead, and
2) More than 59 percent of the ballots issued to each subscriber have been returned.

Mr. Houck said no running tally of the mail balloting is being maintained.

"We're stacking the aye votes in one pile and the nay votes in another, and the stack of aye votes is higher," Mr. Houck said.

He announced no closing date for the subscriber poll, stating that some 35 ballots had been received in Tuesday morning's mail. However, he urged all subscribers to return ballots stating their preference.

The poll is being conducted by Southern Bell at the request of Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce, which is endorsing the toll-free service.

Union Services Start June 7

Six Kings Mountain churches will participate in union services this summer, a traditional policy of the Kings Mountain Ministeria Association.

Ministers of the various congregations will fill the pulpits for services at their churches.

The schedule of services, which opens June 7, follows:

June 7th at 8 p.m. at Kings Mountain Baptist church.
June 14th at 8 p.m. at Resurrection Lutheran church.
June 21st at 8 p.m. at Centra Methodist church.
June 28th at 8 p.m. at Boyce Memorial ARP church.
July 5th at 8 p.m. at St. Matthew's Lutheran church.
July 12th at 8 p.m. at First Presbyterian church.

Offerings at the services will be applied to the Bible-in-Schools program.

Jaycee Light Bulb Sale Is Thursday

Kings Mountain Jaycees will sell light bulbs Thursday night for benefit of the civic club's Little League baseball team.

Herman Greene, project chairman, said the door-to-door canvass would begin about 7 o'clock.

Jaycees will offer for sale an eight-pack assortment of bulbs at \$2 per package.

Kings Mountain Rated "Friendly"

A community attitude survey just completed by the King Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce reveals that majority of 500 people contacted like Kings Mountain because "the people are friendly."

Dislikes of the approximately 97 families who answered questionnaires are varied and range from lack of recreation facilities for young folk to few pom opportunities for senior citizens 65 and older.

The survey asked that citizens check mark very good, adequate, in inadequate and don't know about 46 areas of community life, including: water supply, sewage disposal, storm water drainage, garbage collection, gas, electricity, telephone service, postal service, newspaper, television and radio services, law enforcement and police protection, hospital, health and welfare services, parking and traffic regulations, sidewalks, street cleaning, recreation, parks and picnic areas, school facilities, etc.

There were no signatures affixed to the questionnaires. Virtually all who filled in the questionnaires answered two questions.

1) Is there anything you particularly like about this community?

2) In your opinion what are the five most important things which need to be done to make this a better community?

Item:
"We need a place for the teenagers to meet and about three more doctors."

"Lights at all railroad crossings should be installed, the library should have more consistent hours for opening and closing and the stores and postoffice should



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Mrs. Goforth's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Clegg Goforth, 58, were held Wednesday in Second Presbyterian church of Kannapolis, interment following in Carolina Memorial cemetery.

Mrs. Goforth died Monday in Rowan hospital at Salisbury after an extended illness.

Surviving are her husband, Clegg Goforth, formerly of Kings Mountain and son of Mrs. W. Frank Goforth of Kings Mountain; three daughters, Mrs. Earl D. Ewing, Mrs. Glenn Cooke and Mrs. Ray Scott, all of Kannapolis; two brothers, W. N. Damarcus and E. F. Demarcus and five sisters, Mrs. H. N. Coggins, Mrs. W. A. Thornburg, Mrs. C. Taylor, Mrs. J. B. Puntch, all of Kannapolis.

School Bonds Sold Tuesday

Kings Mountain school district's \$1,199,000 bonds were sold Tuesday by the local Government Commission at an average interest rate over the 20-year amortization period of 5.384 percent.

Successful bidders for the bonds was a syndicate headed by R. S. Dickson & Company, Charlotte, and including First Union National Bank of North Carolina, Bache & Company, New York, and J. Lee Peeler & Company, Durham.

Chairman James E. Herndon, Jr., of the board of education, said he regarded the interest rate as "favorable."

The bond schedule calls for repayment of principal of \$150,000 during the first year, and \$50,000 annually thereafter.

Blood Quota Topped For 1963-64; Carolina Throwing Donors Lead

Kings Mountain topped its blood-giving for 1963-64 and set a record in visits to the bloodmobile with a total of 940.

At Monday's last regularly-scheduled visit of the bloodbank for the fiscal year 129 citizens gave a pint of blood.

Virtually all industrial firms furnished donors throughout the year with the highest percentage (90) record set by Carolina Throwing Company, Foots Mineral placed second with 73.9 percent and Mauney Hosiery Mills was in third with a percentage of 58.9.

Fates Harbison, manager of Winn-Dixie Stores, earned his sixth-gallon pin at Monday's visit of the bloodmobile at Kings Mountain Baptist church, and is the lone member of this exclusive club. Others receiving gallon pins were: Robert F. Maner, four gallons; Steve Rathbone, three gallons; Robert Whitesides, two gallons; and Sue Belk, Grace McCall, Harold Ledford and Harold L. Bell, one gallon.

Charles E. Mauney, blood program chairman, stated appreciation to the donors and all volunteer workers for the success of the blood program this year.

Carolina Throwing Company led industrial donors at Monday's visit with 37 while Mauney Hosiery was second with 20, and Foots Mineral Company placed third with 10 donors.

The list of donors follows: George Owens, Jr., Martin L. Wilson, Jr., Ralph H. Hayes, Mrs. Mary E. Droppers, Charles Queen, Mrs. Irene Hicks, Ruby

Board of Education Hopes To Let Contracts Not Later Than June 5

By MARTIN HARMON
The board of education hopes to let contracts for the new Kings Mountain district high school building not later than Friday, June 5.

The \$1.1 million school district bonds, authorized in 1962, were sold Tuesday, and the board to have contract details complete for final project and contract ratification by the State Board of Education at its regular meeting in Raleigh June 4.

Meantime, work continues on efforts by the board, administrative officials and architects to pare costs in order that the building will fit—moneywise—within the school's available building funds.

Progress was reported Wednesday by Chairman James E. Herndon, Jr., as the architects were putting into contract form about \$17,800 in reductions, represented by materials alternates, \$15,000 grading of the Phifer Road site, and removal of items which can be added in the future, such as the covered bus-loading area ramp.

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Included in the total estimated cost of the building is \$150,000 for equipping it. The board expects to pare this estimate by \$50,000, with anticipation of using much equipment now in use at the Ridge street high school in the new plant, including some 85 typewriters, almost all the comparatively new home economics instructional equipment of ranges, refrigerators and sewing machines, and the approximately 10,000 volumes in the high school library.

Chairman Herndon said Wednesday the intention is to have all paper-work in order and ready for State Board of Education action on June 4.

Superintendent B. N. Barnes said that some \$50,000 in state bond monies are included in the project, which means the state body, by law, must approve the project, along with authorizing increase in cost as dictated by bids received May 15.

R. H. Pinnix & Company, of Gastonia, was low bidder on the general construction job.