City Limits

VOL. 75 No. 36

Established 1889

Kings Mountain, N. C., Thursday, September 3, 1964

Seventy-Fifth Year

PRICE TEN CENTS

CITY CEMETERY NOW HAS OFFICE - Pictured in front of the new office building at the Dilling street entrance to Mountain Rest cemetery, are Sam R. Suber, who retired recently after 22 years as cemetery superintendent. Mayor Glee A. Bridges, and Ken Jenkins, cemetery superintendent. The building has a lobby and small office for maintenance of records and use of the superintendent, rest rooms, and a large warehouse for storage of equipment. The old small storage house will be razed.

# School Survey Team Report Says Abandon Old Davidson

# Are Required

Cleveland County schools need new buildings, broader curriculum, to offer kindergarten preadult educational programs guidance counseling and teaching supervision - and should spend the money to provide equal educational opportunity for all its school population.

These are the broad summations of the school survey report by the Division of School Planning, North Carolina Department of Public Instruction.

The survey covers all three county administrative units and varies, according to degree of perforance by each in the various directions. Generally, the county administrative unit is found most deficient, Kings Mountain district schools is in the middle, and Shelby administrative unit is regarded as doing the best job.

Principally, says the survey the reason is availability of cash. Whereas Shelby citizens have authorized a supplemental operations tax of 40 cents per \$100 tax valuation and Kings Mountain 20 cents, the county unit has no supplemental operations

Additionally, the county unit is in worse shape in building

needs, the report shows. Main building recommenda tion of the report calls for construction of four high schools to replace all of those now being operated other than Shelby senior high school and Kings Mountain high school. Consolidations would be effected to eliminate the small high schools which, says the report, are submarginal as to curriculum offer-

This recommendation, while not specific as to method, implies that for implementation the three units would be consolidated into one administrative unit or that a cooperative arrange-ment would be effected between the three units, particularly as regards its Negro high schools.

Conducting the survey were Dr. J. L. Pierce, director, division of school planning; W. L. Lathan, educational consultant, division of school planning; Joe L. Cashwell, supervisor, division of instructional services, department of public instruction; Louis Alexander, bus route supervisor, division of transportation, state board of education; Earl M. Price. district supervisor, division of vocational education, department of public instruction; C. C. Erwin, superintendent of Rowan ware had a gain of 39 pupils over last year's first day.

DUNLAP REUNION The John James Dunlap family reunion will be held Sunday at Antioch Methodist Church,

south of Rock Hill, S. C.

FOOTBALL PREVIEW Bill Bates, high school football coach, will speak at the Tuesday night meeting of the Lions club. Coach Bates will outline prospects for the 1964 edition of the Mountaineers. The club meets at the Wo-

man's Club at 7 o'clock.

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday totaled \$232.40, including \$150.-40 from on-street meters, \$62 from over-parking fines, and \$20 from off-street meters.

LEGION MEETING Regular monthly meeting of Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, will be held at the Legion building Friday at 8 o'clock, it was announced by

J. H. McDaniel, Jr., adjutant. PARADE COMMITTEE The parade committee for the Kings Mountain Merchants Association promotion "Mountaineer Days" will gather Thursday afternoon at p.m. in the offices of the Merchants Association.

The recent school survey report by a state division of school planning team recommends for The gas system had

1) Provision for adequate supervision of guidance, library, music and school lunch pro-

grams. 2) Study of possible need for 066. broadening special education instruction (for the mentally retarded, physically handicapped, and mentally exceptional).

3) A broadened vocational education program and broadened adult education program. 4) Replacement of any teach

ers (three) holding sub-standard professional certificates. 5) A curriculum study to determine what broadening is necessary. Buildings

Immediately recommended is the construction of an additional unit at the site of the newer Davidson plant to include seven classrooms, a library and multipurpose cafeteria - assembly room, with the old building to be abandoned

Also recommended is provision of temporary facilities at Compact, if necessary to relieve over-

Generally, the report notes: 1) Sites at most of the older plants are of insufficient acreage; 2) some classrooms in the older buildings are sub-marginal;3) the maintenance program

is "none too strong".

In addition to abandoning the old Davidson building as quick-Continued On Page 8

### **Kings Mountain Schools Enrolled** 4225 On First Day Friday; Up 27

schools enrolled 4225 pupils on the official first day of school

The total was an increase of 27 over the first day of the 1963-64 term, including seven elementary pupils and 20 high school

The elementary total for the system was 3025 and the high chool total was 1200, including 969 at Kings Mountain high ol (up 11) and 231 at Com-

largest, population-wise, of the Kings Mountain elementary sys-

Kings Mountain district (off two); North 421 (up five); chools enrolled 4225 pupils on Park Grace 184 (off 19); West 297 (off 19) Compact 370 (up ten); and Davidson 355 (off one).

Superintendent B. N. Barnes reported teacher loads well-balced. Highest average teacher load was at North school where each teacher averaged 30.07 pupils. Lowest average was at Davidson school, where the 14 teachers had an average pupil load of 25.36. School administrators regard 30 pupils a happy load, over that number less de-

Only four split-grade teaching situations were required, one at Bethware, two at Grover, and

one at Davidson.

Kings Mountain high school enrolled 248 freshmen, 236 sophomores, 244 juniors and 241 County schools; and John Hough, superintendent of Leaksville township schools.

Over last year's first day.

Other elementary enrollments: freshmen, 77 sophomores, East 423 (off six); Grover 390 juniors and 31 seniors.

## Community Day At Grover Set

#### **Annual Grover** Community Party Saturday

Grover's annual community picnic will be held Saturday at 5 p. m. on the grounds of Grover

Mrs. Fred Crisp publicity chair-man for the affair, said plans were well underway this week for the area outing, expected to draw record crowds from Grover and Kings Mountain area.

A concert by the Kings Mountain high school band, under the direction of Joe C. Hedden, will open the festivities.

Dr. T. A. Barker, the new physician who came to Grover in July, will be recognized during the program.
"This pienic is not only for the

residents of Grover but for all the communities adjoining the town," Mrs. Crisp pointed out She continued, "A well-filled basket of food to be served at 6 o'clock is all it will cost for a wonderful time of community fellow-

Last year's annual pienie was well attended and officials pre-dict that this year's crowd will be "even better."

#### City Gas Sales **Record \$302.069**

The city natural gas system posted record sales during 1963-64 and returned a record operating profit, audit report of A. M. Pullen & Company, certified pub-

venues of \$307.932, including gas ous revenues of \$4,963, including gineering, said. refunds from Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Corporation of \$2,-

Operating profit (exclusive of debt service) totaled \$120,729, after payment of operating expenses of \$186,303. Major cost was purchase of gas, the city having paid Transco \$163,572. Labor and salaries cost \$14,779

At June 30, the system was serving 879 customers, up 46 over the previous year end. Included were 746 residential customers, 100 small commercial customers, five large commercial and industrial customers, 24 schools and

public buildings. Biggest gas purchaser group was the residential one, returning the city \$122,849. Gas buyers on

ings \$10.457. \$65,900 While only \$15,000 of that Springs Estates, Shelby. amount is due in the coming year. outstanding bonds on October 1. Mrs Warren Gamble, 482-1403. After providing \$25,666 for the

surplus of \$34,503. The plant fund represented in- County Democratic Party. vestment of \$447.257, with the major items \$382,203 in transmission lines and distribution system and \$45,591 for service line in-

### Plonk Building Surgical Clinic

Dr. George W. Plonk, Kings Mountain surgeon, is constructing a clinic at the corner of West King and Country Club road. Dr. Plonk purchased the 150 x 153-feot corner earlier this year from the C. D. Blanton Estate.

The Plonk clinic, designed by Holland and Reviere, Shelby architects, will face West King street and will contain 2150 square feet of floor space.

The building will be of brickveneer construction.

COURT OF HONOR

Court of Honor for Kings Mountain district Boy Scouts will be held Thursday night. September 10th, at 7:45 p.m. at Central Methodist church.



Mohair, Burlington Upping

completed, they said. Ben Grimes, superintendent of

Phenix Plant No. 1 of Burlington Industries, announced an upward wage adjustment at the Phenix Plant effective October 4th with full details to be announced when

The Neisler Mills Division of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company has plants in Kings Mountain, Shelby, Boiling Springs, Ellenboro and Mayo, S. C. There are approximately 1200 employees on the payroll with 1,100 of the total in North Carolina.

#### **Forrest Wins** Scholarship James S. Forrest, rising senior

at North Carolina State college and son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Forrest of Kings Mountain, is recipient of a Superior Cable Corporation scholarship for the 1964-65 academic year.

The Superior Cable Corporation offers two scholarships at subsequently to defer closing for North Carolina State annually a year's trial, failed to obtain to a senior and to a junior in chemical, electrical, or mechanical engineering.

SELECTED — James S. Forrest.

Kings Mountain senior at

North Carolina State college, is

recipient of a Superior Cable Corporation scholarship for the

1964-65 academic year.

Both recipients are mechanisales of \$302,069, and miscellane. Fadum, dean of the school of En-

ident of Pi Tau Sigma, mechani- of Commerce president. cal engineering honor society. He is also a member of Tau Beta ging." honorary engineering fra-Honors Program at State.

### **Women Demos Set Reception**

junior from Marion

Democratic women of Cleve of the welfare board, initially had land County are invited to attend recommended closing the branch interruptible schedule paid the a reception honoring Mrs. O. Max as "difficult to administer". city \$88,795, large commercial Gardner, Jr. of Shelby, newly users spend \$46,892, small com- elected state vice-chairman of the mercial \$33,074, and public build. Democratic Party. Monday at 5 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bonded debt at June 30 was Ralph Webb Gardner, Cleveland

Kings Mountain women who the cas system has issued notice plan to attend should contact Mrs. to bondholders it is calling all F. A. McDaniel, Jr., 739-3335, or

The reception is being planned sinking fund to defray bonded by the Executive Board of the debt, and \$17,903 to the extension Cleveland County Democratic Woand reserve fund, the revenue men's Club of which Mrs. Gamble fund at June 30 showed a cash is president. Mrs. McDaniel is vice-chairman of the Cleveland

## **Chambers Under**

Paul Chambers, 31-year-old Negro, of route two, is free on \$2,000 bond after being bound over to Superior Court on a charge of breaking and entering. Preliminary hearing was held Monday in City Recorder's Court.

A homemade burglar alarm rigged up recently between Plonk Brothers department store and city policemen proved to be as efficient as the store-bought variety Thursday when police arrested Chambers.

Police said Chambers has admitted breaking into Plonk Brothers four times in a period of 30 days. He admitted, they dicting the community's "bigsaid, taking about \$300 during three of the break-ins.

Officers said they noticed a blinking-light signal given off by the activated burglar alarm Thursday morning at 5:45 a.m.

# Two Firms Here

September 14th and October 4th. A joint statement from A. J. Maino, executive vice-president, and James E. Amos, comptroller, of Neisler Mills Division of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company said a wage adjustment would be effective at the Neisler Division September 14. Details of the increase will be released as soon as

Several other industrial firms contacted by the Herald Wednesday afternon has not yet made any definite announcement of plans for wage hikes this fall.

### Welfare Board Again Says

Kings Mountain's welfare board branch office will close. Four members of the five-mem-

ber adamant Monday night, and Mrs. Aubrey Mauney's motions, first to rescind the closing action,

Declining to change their positions were Chairman A. L. Warlick, Carlos Young, Ralph Elliott, cal engineering students selectcal engineering students selectcal engineering students selectcal engineering students selectcame a member of the board in
came a member of the board in
came a member of the board in
sion church. He served the
came a member of the board in
came a member of the board in
sion church. He served the
came a member of the board in
cater and scholarship, Dr. R. E.
Jly, succeeding Emmett MatA graduate of Erskine college

thews. Pleading with the board to re Forrest has a 3.4 scholastic consider its prior decision were average out of a possible 4.0. Kings Mountain Mayor Glee A. Last year he served as vice pres- Bridges and Bob Maner, Chamber

Mayor Bridges said, "I'm beg-

He pointed out that Kings ternity. He has been invited to Mountain area citizens pay a size participate in the Engineering able share of county taxes and that some consideration should be Other scholarship winner is given to their desires. He said Stephen M. Kanipe, a rising the office serves as a large numgiven to their desires. He said bber of people and should be

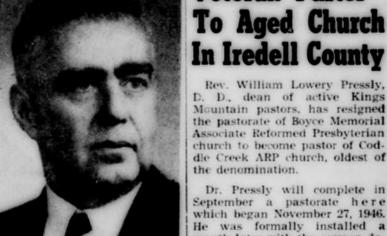
maintained. Mrs. Mauney reiterated former pleas, both of her own, and by several citizen's groups, before offering her ill-fated motions.

Ben Carpenter, superintendent

#### SCHOOL DANCE The annual back-to-school

dance for high school students will be held Friday from 7:30 until 10:30 p.m. in the school gymnasium. The Orientals will provide music for dancing. The dance is sponsored by cheerleaders with proceeds earmarked for new uniforms.

### Pressly Resigns Two Kings Mountain textile plants have announced wage adjustments to become effective ARP Pastorate **Veteran Pastor**



formed Presbyterian church to

become pastor of Coddle Creek

ARP church in Iredell county.

**County Extends** 

**Discount Period** 

City and county tax offices

were busy this week as citizens

rushed to pre-pay 1964 taxes in

order to qualify for a full two-

percent discount allowed on Au-

County Tax Collector Robert

Gidney said Wednesday that the

Shelby City Council and the

board of county commissioners

prepayments through the month

The legal deadline for the two

percent discount is August 31, a

one percent discount is granted in

that tax prepayments at the coun

ty office would approximate

\$600,000 and Mr. McDaniel report-

ed \$43,000 through Monday. The

City of Kings Mountain antici-

pates estimated receipts of \$150.

The county office reported a

"rushing business" Wednesday af

ternoon, Mr. Gidney noting a con-

tinuing backlog of mail to open.

He said officials are proceeding

with hearings on Tuesdays and

Thursdays (with exception of

September 4th, Tuesday, regular

meeting date of the county board

of commissioners) on the new

valuations. The industrial hearing

Mr. Gidney reminded citizens

schedule is to be scheduled soon.

they do not have to wait for re-

sults of their hearings to pre-pay

their taxes. Refunds will be made

in event of overpayment, or if not

Mr. Gidney said Wednesday

gust pre-payments.

of September.

September a pastorate here which began November 27, 1946. He was formally installed a month later with the sermon delivered by his late father, Dr. J. H. Pressly, and with a former pastor, Dr. W. M. Boyce, partici-RESIGNS - Dr. W. L. Pressly has resigned his pastorate of pating. Boyce Memorial Associate Re-

Dr. Pressly tendered his resignation to the session of the church and announced his resignation to the congregation Sun-

The Coddle Creek church is in Iredell county, between Mooresville and Statesville. Records of the church reveal services held

In Kings Mountain, Dr. Pressly succeeded the late Dr. Neil Baird. During his ministry, the church sold its uptown plant and launched a new one on Edge-mont avenue. The educational plant is complete and virtually

debt-free. The Coddle Creek pastorate will be Dr. Pressly's third in 32 voted Friday afternoon to extend years in the ministry. His only the two percent discount on tax previous pastorate was at Greenwood, S. C., where he was called as regular pastor after serving The city had not concurred on as pastor of the previous mis-

> A graduate of Erskir and the Erskine seminary, earned a master of theology degree at Princeton seminary, Princeton, N. J., has served as moderator of both first and second ARP presbyteries, as chairman of the Synod foreign mission board, and member of the home mission board and other

committees of Synod. In Kings Mountain, he has served as president and secre-Continued On Page 8

### **Pupil Transfers:** 14 Yea, 13 Nav

Of 27 applications for change of school assignment - including four volunteers the school administration had invited to balance teaching loads - the board of education approved 14,

denied 13. Superintendent B. N. Barnes said the board of education followed its long-standing policy of granting transfer to accommodate students and their parents where the change of assignment did not create teaching over-

He commented, "I certainly appreciate the excellent spirit of cooperation accorded the board of education and me in the matter of transfer requests. Many, Coonskin Caps Mark Of Distinction when placing applications, said they'd accept with good grace whatever decision the board might make and they all did."

Volunteer transfers approved who refused to grow a beard or from East school to Bethware eighth grade included Linda Falls, Jake Reynolds, Jr., Linda Bullock and Mickey Sisk.

Other transfers approved were for Robert G. Cox, grade 1, Catherine M. Cox, grade 4, and Hetty R. Cox, grade 5, from East to West school; Donald Yarboro, grade 3, from West to Bethware; Kathy Luann Kennedy, grade 1, from North to East; William Z. Cashion, Jr., grade 2, from Park Grace to East; James Edward Amos, Jr., grade 5, from West to North; Deborah Elaine Moore, grade 3, and Robert Wayne Moore, grade 4, from West to Park Grace; and Tena Whitaker,

grade 1, from East to North. Pupils denied transfer requests were Catherine E. Neisler, John H. Bumgardner, Jr., Jeffrey Scott Cloninger, Robert S. Gilstad, Gary C. Jaynes, Anne H. Plonk, noted, but this doesn't mean tion offices. Others who want to Gene Ross Alexander, Sandra purchase caps may order them Gail Cash, Donald Larry Cash, from Roses' Department store Ronnie Dale Cash, Marion Euand went directly to the store, dividual if he wants to grow a and will be charged only the gene Cash, Douglas Pruitt, and Continued On Page 8 beard.

#### paid, a paid release will be issued for the amount he said. The tax collector suggest that citizens make their payments by check or money order and en-Continued On Page 8 Mountaineer Days October 3 - 10

bration of Mountaineer Days.

The headgear, replica of the buy a shaving permit. the anniversary celebration of forthcoming celebration. the Battle of Kings Mountain.

tionary War Battle of Kings leges, among other attractions. Mountain.

Thompson said this week, pregest and best"

there won't be any beards around. It will be up to the in-

Coonskin caps will replace Last year a portable jail was beards for this October's cele- set up to incarcerate individuals

Daniel Boone cap, is available lo- The committee reported lackcally from the Merchants Asso- ing an excuse to again operate ciation, which annually sponsors the popular jail during the

Kings Mountain Jaycees will Members of the Mountaineer operate a barbecue stand down-Days parade committee are to town during the week and a talmeet Thursday (today) at 3 p.m. ent show is planned for the armin the association offices to ory during the week-long cele formulate plans for a mammoth bration. Merchants also anticiparade Saturday, October 3. pate a street dance and a Friday Wednesday, October 7th, is the night football game between 184th anniversary of the Revolu- Gardner-Webb and Chowan col-

The women folk have already Plans for the week's celebra- begun looking for patterns for tion are shaping up, co-chair- costumes of the Revolutionary men Humes Houston and John War era, as long dresses and bonnets will be in vogue during the week's celebration. The menfolk's costume will include a There will be no compulsory coonskin cap and a supply is algrowing of beards this year, they ready on hand at the associa-