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City Limits 8,008
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United Fund Hits New \$21,500 High



CHAIRMAN — J. Ollie Harris has been named chairman of the 1965 rural heart fund for Cleveland County. The drive begins February 1.

Harris Named To Heart Post

J. Ollie Harris, Kings Mountain mortician and Cleveland County coroner for 18 years, has been named chairman of the 1965 rural heart fund for Cleveland County.

Announcement was made by Mrs. Fields Young of Shelby, publicity chairman for the 1965 drive for funds to begin February 1.

Mr. Harris has announced 23 chairmen who will assist in the month-long effort. The county chairmen and divisional officers will meet with the chairman January 22 for a Kick-off dinner at Governors Inn in Shelby.

Mrs. F. S. Morrison is Kings Mountain chairman for the heart fund.

Area chairmen appointed by Harris are: A. C. Brackett, Jr., Casar; Pat Mauney, New House; Mrs. Robert Warlick, St. Peters church; Max Davis, Metcalf; Mrs. Charles Beam, Eakers Corner; Mrs. Woodrow Bowen, Mulls Chapel; Mrs. Jean Elliott, Fallston; Mrs. Tom A. Lattimore, Lattimore; Mrs. Wyatt Stamey, Polkville; Mrs. Nelson Putnam, Waco; Mrs. Ralph Spangler, Lawndale; Mrs. Ted Westmoreland, Elizabeth; Wray Green, Earl; Mrs. Frank Harmon, Stony Point; James C. Jenkins, Patterson Springs; W. M. Lovelace, Mooresboro; Mrs. Lamar Herndon, Bethware; Mrs. Lewis Morgan, Grover; Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Jones, Beaver Dam church; Mrs. Robert Hamrick, Boiling Springs; H. K. Dixon, Archdale; Mrs. Robert Buckner, No. 1 Township; and Willard Boyles, Oak Grove.

A graduate of Gupton-Jones College of Embalming, Harris has been active in the Red Cross, the Lions club, the polio drives, among other civic and county affairs. He is past president of the N. C. State Board of Embalming and a former deacon of Kings Mountain Baptist church and former trustee of Gardner Webb college.

Mrs. Harris is the former Abby Jane Wall of Shelby. The Harrises are parents of two children, Ollie Harris, Jr. of Pasadena, Texas, and Mrs. Don Hambricht of Grover. They have three grandchildren.

"Heart Month", officially proclaimed by Congress last year, begins February 1 and ends February 28. "Heart Month" is the shortest month of the year," Harris said, "but Kings Mountain will be a busy place indeed during February in this all-important county-wide crusade for Cleveland County hearts."

"The Heart Fund is not a matter of life and death," Harris said this week. "The Heart Fund is a matter of life," he suggested.

More than half of the persons now living in Cleveland County will die of heart and blood vessel disease unless something happens in the meantime, the Cleveland County Fund leader pointed out. "Something will happen, because that is what the Heart

Nine Agencies Beneficiaries On Area Gifts

Kings Mountain area citizens have set a record in United Fund pledges for 1965, according to reports this week from the financial drive chairman Charles H. Mauney.

Mr. Mauney acknowledged pledges and cash gifts totaling \$21,500. Goal of the campaign was \$23,000.

Chairman Mauney expressed himself as "highly pleased" with results of the campaign for funds for nine causes. He said persons may still contribute by mailing their checks to him in care of Mauney Hosier Mills.

The United Fund is a campaign in which most charity and service organizations pool their fund raising drives into one major drive, thereby centralizing their resources for money which serves the best interests of the citizens of the community. If the fund is reached, the need of many individual drives is eliminated and many worthwhile organizations which would not be capable of conducting their own drives are able to receive monies to continue their work.

Kings Mountain's 1965 United Fund had a goal of \$23,119.69 and was conducted around the theme, "Fair Share Campaign." Citizens were asked to make a "fair share" contribution of one hour's pay per month or six-tenths of one-percent of annual income.

Nine local funds will benefit from United Fund receipts. They are the Red Cross, Boy Scouts, Compact/ Davidson hands, Girl Scouts, Mauney Memorial library, Kings Mountain high school band, Kings Mountain Rescue Squad and two special funds for indigent heart and cancer patients.

Chairman Mauney stated appreciation to the many volunteer workers for their efforts in making the current drive successful.

Stinnett Rites Held Monday

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 4 p.m. for Ruel Lester Stinnett, 49, of 101 E. Dover Avenue, Bessemer City. Stinnett was dead on arrival at Rutherford Hospital about 11 p.m. Saturday following an automobile accident on U. S. 74, three miles east of Lake Lure.

Stinnett was the son of Mrs. Belle Knight Stinnett and the late Samuel Stinnett. He is also survived by his wife, Mrs. Annie Sue Wright Stinnett; three daughters, Miss Peggy Stinnett and Miss Judy Stinnett, both of the home, and Mrs. Bobby Joyce Carswell of Bessemer City; four brothers, Gordon Stinnett of Gaffney, S. C., and R. Gay, Quay R., and Eugene Stinnett, all of Bessemer City; a sister, Mrs. Dave Dover of Bessemer City; and two grandchildren.

Bates Stadium Fund Solicitor

Bill Bates, head football coach, will serve as chairman for faculty solicitations for the John Gamble Football Stadium fund, it was announced Wednesday by Charles Neisler, vice-chairman of the fund-raising committee.

Goal of the fund-raising committee is \$80,000, with cash and pledges reported to date at \$30,788.

No new reports were received in the past week.

However, J. Wilson Crawford, co-chairman with J. Ollie Harris of the industrial solicitation committee, reiterated his prediction that area industry "will meet and likely exceed" the \$40,000 minimum sought from this group.



RE-ELECTED — Carl F. Mauney has been re-elected president of Lake Montonia Club, Inc. for the coming year.

Montonia Club Taps Mauney

Carl F. Mauney was re-elected president of Lake Montonia Club, Inc. for 1965-66 at the annual stockholder's meeting Tuesday night.

Re-elected to a second term as vice-president was James Wilson, Jr. of Gastonia. Jessie Putnam of Bessemer City was elected secretary-treasurer succeeding F. A. Whiteside, Jr. of Gastonia and Robert Crockett of Gastonia was elected assistant secretary-treasurer succeeding Ben E. Bridges of Kings Mountain.

Two new directors were elected, including Pat Tignor of Kings Mountain, succeeding Bob Suber, Kings Mountain, and Neal Carson of Gastonia.

Hold-over directors are Thomas L. Trott, Kings Mountain, Ralph Elliott, Shelby, Lee Spencer and Henry Grier, both of Gastonia.

In his annual president's report Mr. Mauney cited growth of the club during 1964. He noted that the July 4th picnic was attended by more members and guests than any previous outing in the club's history; that directors had ordered 12 metal chairs for the pavilion area, a security light had been installed at the entrance gate and the lake was lowered 10 feet to allow for construction of several piers and to help retard the grass and water lilies that are getting out of bounds. Several new members were welcomed during the year and five transfers of stock and properties were made.

Total available funds, including two savings accounts, at December 31 totaled \$1,916.91. Mr. Mauney reported. One savings account at \$1,000 was opened during the year.

LUTHERAN SERVICE

The annual congregational meeting will be held during the 11 o'clock morning worship service Sunday at St. Matthew's Lutheran church, Rev. Charles Easley has announced. Annual reports will be given.

Mayor To Recommend Fire Truck Gift; Outside Service Under Fire

Mayor Glee A. Bridges will recommend to the board of commissioners at Thursday's regular January meeting that the city give to the newly-organized Bethlehem fire department its venerable 1931 American LaFrance fire wagon.

Mayor Bridges exhibited a rift of correspondence from R. Kenneth Scott, chief.

Concurrently, the Mayor added that whether or not the commission decides to make the gift, the city must shortly contemplate 1) suspending fire-fighting protection to citizens outside the city limits, and 2) purchasing a new modern fire truck.

Mayor Bridges exhibited a raft of correspondence with the North Carolina Fire Insurance Rating Bureau, dating from April 1961, urging the replacement of the American LaFrance truck, use of the 1958 Ford pumper as a reserve unit, and suspension of service to citizens outside the city limits.

Engineer Scott wrote, "Actuals with or without the calls to the outside, two pumper companies would be indicated by the population. However, with the answering of outside calls, if there is any appreciable increase

Mayor Glee Bridges Expects To Seek Sixth Term In May

Mrs. Grantham's Funeral Rites To Be Thursday

Funeral rites for Mrs. Galle Henley Grantham, 94, widow of Walter A. Grantham, will be held Thursday at 4 p.m. from New Garden Friends Church of Guilford College.

The body will remain at Harris Funeral Home until 11:30 Thursday morning when it will be taken to Guilford College and will lie in state from 2 until 4 p.m. at the church.

Rev. Al Dean Pitts and Dr. W. L. Pressly will officiate.

Mrs. Grantham died Tuesday night at 9:15 in the Kings Mountain hospital.

A native of Guilford College, Mrs. Grantham was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Henley. She had made her home with her son here since the death of her husband in 1949. For many years she taught school in Wayne, Chatham and Guilford Counties.

Surviving are two sons, W. Gurney Grantham of Kings Mountain and David W. Grantham of Greensboro; four grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Footo Leads Blood Donors

Footo Mineral Company led industrial donors at Monday's visit of the Red Cross bloodmobile.

The Kings Mountain plant furnished 25 donors of the 114 who visited the fourth bloodbank at the Army. Second biggest donor was Mauney Hosier Company with 13. Sadie Mills was third with 12. Carolina Throwing Company followed closely with 11 and Margrae plant of Massachusetts Mohair Plush company was fifth with 10.

Nine Kings Mountain citizens earned their gallon pins and Troy Lee Wright became the second member of the exclusive six gallon club. Other member is Yates Harbison.

Joining the four-gallon club were Herman Cash and Joseph E. Wilson.

Mrs. Juanita Steffy became a member of the three gallon club and Joe Wye joined the two gallon club. New one-gallon club members are Don Sellers, Shuford Peeler, Ernest Maples and George Sellers.

Mayor To Recommend Fire Truck Gift; Outside Service Under Fire

In the population inside or the population of the area served, the number of companies would go to three. In other words, in using the formula for your town with its 1960 population, it shows that you are just slightly under two companies but in the area where two would be necessary. With the outside population added, you are over two but within the area where we consider two as necessary and after this goes up somewhat, it would go up into the upper part of the area between two and three and then three companies would be asked for.

The city's rating determines fire insurance rates Kings Mountain is currently in NB Class 6. A less favorable rating would mean that fire insurance rates throughout Kings Mountain would increase.

Mayor Bridges said he does not anticipate the city can buy another modern fire truck before the end of fiscal year.

"While the 1931 equipment is down-graded by the rating bureau as of questionable fire-fighting value to Kings Mountain, it would be of considerable benefit to the new Bethlehem department," the Mayor commented.



ON OLD JOB — William P. (Bill) Saunders returned to his former position in state government this week as he was appointed by Governor Dan Moore to be acting director of the Department of Conservation and Development.

Saunders Again C & D Director

William P. (Bill) Saunders, father of Mrs. Robert O. Southard of Kings Mountain and a one-time Kings Mountain citizen himself, has returned to his former position with the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development.

Mr. Saunders was sworn as acting director of the department on appointment by Governor Dan K. Moore.

Mr. Saunders served as director of several years during the administration of Governor Luther H. Hodges.

Governor Moore said Mr. Saunders, as acting director, would serve through the upcoming General Assembly session or until a successor was appointed.

Mr. Saunders lives at Southern Pines.

Hay Agency Gets Scroll

Mrs. Helen Hay has been presented an engrossed scroll on The Arthur Hay Agency's 50 years of representation of the Centennial Insurance Companies group.

Presentation was made by Fred Cotten, fieldman for the company, who said in part: "Our organization has grown and prospered during your period of association and we wish to acknowledge your contribution to this success."

"We thank you for your loyalty and sincerely trust that your splendid representation of this company will continue for many years to come."

"Our entire agency force countrywide and Canada now numbers nearly 40,000. Of these, thousands have represented us for twenty-five, thirty-five, fifty, and more years."

"Without the strong support of all Continental Insurance agents, our companies could never have attained the position we hold today in the insurance industry."

The Hay Agency is Kings Mountain's oldest, having been founded by Miss Hay's grandfather, Lewis Gordon Hay, in 1883. The agency was subsequently acquired by her uncle, P. R. Hay, and her father, the late Arthur Hay, purchased the agency in 1914.

Two To Attend LBJ Inaugural

At least two Kings Mountain citizens expect to attend the inauguration of President Lyndon B. Johnson in Washington, D. C., next week.

They are Mrs. Carl Mayes and Mrs. Madge Arrowood. Several other citizens have indicated they may attend the ceremonies.

John H. Moss Is Rumored Opponent

Mayor Glee A. Bridges acknowledged Wednesday he expects to seek a sixth term as the city's chief administrator, hedging only to the extent of an "as far as I know".

Indicative of the customary biennial scrap for City Hall positions are continuing rumors that John Henry Moss, the baseball impresario and onetime city commissioner, will also seek the mayoral post.

Also mentioned intermittently during the past two years as a possible mayoral candidate is Ray W. Cline, Ward 1 commissioner, now completing his second term. He had no opposition in 1963.

Election day, on May 13, is within a day of being four months distant.

Terms of the five city commissioners expire in May. Other commissioners are Eugene G. Goff, Ward 2, T. J. Ellison, Ward 3, Norman King, Ward 4, and J. Elmer Rhea, Ward 5.

In the Kings Mountain school district, citizens will fill one board of education seat.

Mrs. Lena W. McGill is completing her first six-year term.

Mayor Bridges served four consecutive terms, 1953-61, last to Mayor Kelly Dixon, then did a comeback in 1963.

He commented Wednesday that the city has some unfinished business in process, principally its commitment to a modern sewage disposal system to serve the western portion of the city.

Mr. Moss was a city commissioner 1947-49, representing Ward 4. He is president of the Western Carolinas Baseball league.

School Officials To Hickory Meeting

Kings Mountain school officials will attend a seminar called by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction for Thursday afternoon at Lenoir-Rhyne college.

Federal and state officials will discuss the effects of Section 6 of the federal civil rights bill, requiring non-discrimination in use of federal funds by local boards of education.

Attending will be James E. Herndon, Jr., board chairman, Superintendent B. N. Barnes and J. R. Davis, attorney for the board of education.

Senator White, One Of 14 Frosh In Upper Chamber, Gets Seat 36

By MARTIN HARMON

After attending last week's inauguration of Governor Dan K. Moore, State Senator Jack H. White, of Kings Mountain, said this week he's ready for the upcoming legislative session to begin and anticipating with interest and pleasure his initial legislative service.

Senator White has been assigned Seat No. 36 in the Senate chamber of the two-year old State Legislative building, and his neighbors will be Senator Clarence O. Ridings, of Rutherford, and Senator Worth Gentry, of Stokes. Like Mr. White, both his neighbors are among the 14 freshman senators in the 50-member body. Mr. Ridings, however, served in the House during the 1963 session and is quite a political veteran. Onetime a Superior Court solicitor, he unsuccessfully opposed the late U. S. Representative A. L. Bulwinkle for that Democratic nomination in 1948.

Senator Gentry is a native of King, near Winston-Salem, hometown of Mr. White's mother. Yet another Senator, the veteran Roger Kiser, of Scotland county, is also a native of King and friend of Mr. White's mother.

Senator White has not yet received his office assignment but will live in Raleigh at the Sir



SPEAKER—Congressman Basil L. Whitener will be guest speaker at Thursday night's Kiwanis club meeting at 6:45 p.m. at the Woman's club.

Kiwanis To Hear Congressman

United States Congressman Basil L. Whitener, a member of Congress since 1956, will address Kings Mountain Kiwanians at their Thursday night meeting at 6:45 p.m. at the Woman's club.

Whitener, who represents the 10th Congressional District in the House of Representatives, is a native of Gaston County, and was educated at Lowell high school, Rutherford college, the University of South Carolina and Duke Law School.

He served in the U. S. Navy during World War II as a gunning officer and was for several terms solicitor of the 14th Solicitorial District.

He was elected to the U. S. Congress in 1956. He is father of four children, a Methodist and a Kiwanian.

Kings Mountain lawyer and Kiwanian J. R. Davis will present Congressman Whitener.

"Community" Tag Sales Brisk

Sale of Kings Mountain auto license tags neared the 700-mark Wednesday.

Sam Weir, chairman of the Lions club committee in charge of the project, made the report and called attention to the fact the Lions consider the tags "community" rather than "city" tags.

"We hope all citizens who receive their mail at a Kings Mountain address will buy a tag, whether or not they live within the city limits," he commented.

Half the Lions' net proceeds of the sale will be devoted to the John Gamble Stadium fund.

The Lions are vending the tags under a franchise agreement with the City of Kings Mountain. The tags are on sale Monday through Friday at City Hall courtroom, at one dollar each.

Cut-on Date Is Announced By Bryan Houck

By MARTIN HARMON

Toll-free telephone service between Kings Mountain, Gastonia, and Dallas will be inaugurated at 12:01 a.m. May 19, F. Bryan Houck, Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company manager, announced this week.

The new toll-free service will be available both ways, that is, from Kings Mountain to Dallas and Gastonia, and from Gastonia and Dallas to Kings Mountain.

Monthly rentals will increase by 60 cents per month for residential telephones and \$1.50 for business telephones in the Kings Mountain area.

Mr. Houck's announcement confirms Southern Bell's promise of last year, following approval of the proposal by Kings Mountain subscribers, that the toll-free service would be available not later than mid-1965.

Advanced by the Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce, the proposal for toll-free service to Gastonia had the support of all other Kings Mountain civic organizations.

"The inauguration of this new and improved service reflects the over-all growth of these communities," said F. Bryan Houck, local Southern Bell Manager. He added that demand for this type of service has been growing for several years in this area. A majority of people voted for the service last Fall when Southern Bell conducted a survey among the subscribers in Kings Mountain.

Southern Bell is now in the process of adding 29,000 feet of 400-pair cable needed for this new service and future growth. The cable will be plowed in trenches in Kings Mountain and Gastonia, Houck said.

Underground cables have several advantages. The wires are more fully protected; no exposed wires are present and open to the weather, and poles are not subject to damage. Additional growth facilities will be added along the cable route to provide for future telephone requirements, and seven wire crossings along US Highway 74 will be eliminated. The elimination of these wire crossings will provide for safer maintenance. A large amount of other equipment and material has been ordered and will be installed in these exchanges in the near future.

The Kings Mountain calling area will be increased by some 26,500 telephones in Gastonia. Gastonia's calling area will be increased by some 4,500 Kings Mountain telephones.

"This greatly expanded calling area will make telephone service more valuable and convenient for every telephons user, and it will be a step forward in the development of these progressive communities," Houck said.

Local News Bulletins

"CITY WITH A HEART"

The Ministerial Association of Kings Mountain states appreciation to area citizens for their support of the Empty Stocking Fund. During the Christmas season 111 families were given food baskets and many families received toys, clothing, and fuel. "Gifts were made possible because our city is a city with a heart," ministers said. Any requests for help should be addressed to the minister nearest you, they added.

P-TA TO MEET

North School Parent-Teacher Association will hold its regular meeting Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium.

ROTARY CLUB

Kings Mountain Rotarians will hold their regular meeting Thursday at 12:15 at the Country Club. President Gerry Munson will preside.

SERVICES

Morning worship services during the months of January and February will be broadcast via Radio Station WKMT from Resurrection Lutheran church.

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