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City Limits 8,008

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Seventy-Six Year

PRICE TEN CENTS



OFFICERS OF KMS STUDENT BODY - The three students above were recently elected by members of the high school student body to lead the Student Participation Organization for the coming year.

Mrs. McGill, Norman King Are Seeking Second Terms



Norman King, city commissioner from Ward 4, has filed for re-election.

Two Incumbents File; John Moss Pays Filing Fee

Two incumbents, Mrs. Lena W. McGill, school trustee, and Norman King, Ward 4 city commissioner, announced Wednesday they would seek re-election to second terms.

Mrs. McGill is completing the six-year term to which she was elected in 1959. Mr. King succeeded Ben H. Bridges on the city commission two years ago.

In the only other official political development of the week, mayoral candidate John Henry Moss paid his \$100 filing fee.

Other candidates include Mayor or Glee A. Bridges, seeking his sixth term, ex-Mayor Kelly Dixon, seeking to regain the mayor's chair, and ex-Mayor Garland Still, for the first time seeking a commission seat in Ward 1.

Commissioner King became the first incumbent commissioner to file for re-election. He commented, "I was honored to be elected to the commission and I have very much enjoyed my term of service."

Mrs. McGill, wife of John L. McGill, partner in Kings Mountain Drug Company, said:

"In announcing my candidacy for re-election on the Kings Mountain Board of Education, I would like to express my continued interest in the education and welfare of the youth of the community.

"I feel that my experience on both the Kings Mountain Board and the Erskine College Board better qualifies me for this important task, and makes me realize anew the necessity of an education for every child.

"I appreciate the support which I have received in the past, and if I am re-elected, I will continue to serve impersonally and unselfishly to the best of my ability."

After formally filing, Mr. Moss said:

"I am appreciative of the encouragement given me since announcing my candidacy and will wage an active campaign.

"Should the people of Kings Mountain elect me, I will ask the help of capable and interested citizens to serve on vital committees to form a task force to build a progressive city."

Comm. King said: "I count it an opportunity to have served as a city commissioner the past two years. I have enjoyed it and I ask your support again as I seek re-election to a second term."

Mrs. McGill, a one-time teacher and Farm Security Administration home economist, is serving her second term as a trustee of Erskine College, from which she was graduated. She later studied at the University of Tennessee.

She is an active member of Boyce Memorial ARP church, member of the choir, and was instrumental in the church's establishing a college scholarship program. She is a daughter of the late W. A. Ware.

Mr. King is in the service department of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company. He is a Kings Mountain native and is an active member and choir leader of Second Baptist church.



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Mr. and Mrs. Allen Berlin, who have managed Kings Mountain Country Club since September 1963, have resigned effective March 1.

Mr. Berlin is leaving the club management field to become a salesman for John Sexton Company, a nationwide wholesale food broker. He is scheduled to spend two weeks in Atlanta, Ga., and an indefinite period at Indianapolis, Ind., training for his new work before being assigned a sales territory in the Southeast.

His pastor, Rev. Charles W. Easley, officiated at the final rites and interment was made in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Palbearers were nephews, Paul McGinnis, Odell McGinnis, Dick McGinnis, Jim McGinnis, Don McGinnis and Bill McGinnis.

The Berlins came to Kings Mountain from Cheyenne, Wyoming, where they had managed the Cheyenne Country Club.

Mr. Berlin is a native of Orlando, Fla., and a graduate of the University of Florida. Mrs. Berlin is a native of Murrell's Inlet, S. C., and a graduate of University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

High point of the month-long drive for funds will be culminated Sunday on Heart Sunday with a house-to-house canvass of the residential area during the afternoon. Numerous volunteers will conduct the canvass, Mrs. Morrison said.

A fashion show and benefit bridge Thursday, February 25, will also help boost the fund drive. Tickets are on sale at \$2, including refreshments and prizes for the benefit to be held at the National Guard Armory, Pat Lee, radio and television personality, will be commentator for the showing of spring fashions.

The Lions sold the 1965 tags under a franchise agreement with the city.

"Poor Day" For Brenda Carpenter; Brother, 7, Doused Burning Sister

Brenda Joyce Carpenter, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Carpenter of 400 Baker street, suffered third degree burns from her waist up in an accident at her home Monday afternoon.

A spokesman at North Carolina Memorial hospital in Chapel Hill Wednesday at 3 p.m. said the youngster had spent a "poor day today." She was admitted to the intensive care unit of the hospital Monday night.

Brenda Joyce was reportedly putting coal in a heater at her home about 5 p.m. Monday when fire shot out, caught her clothing on fire and burned her severely.

Craftspun Yarns Stadium Gift \$5,000

Henry McGinnis Succumbs At 95

Pneumonia Fatal To Nonagenarian Monday Morning

Funeral rites for Henry Wade McGinnis, 95, were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 p.m. from St. Matthew's Lutheran church of which he was a member.

Mr. McGinnis, retired Kings Mountain businessman, succumbed Monday morning at 5 o'clock in the Kings Mountain hospital after a brief illness. He had pneumonia.

Mr. McGinnis had many varied careers in his long life. Among his earlier employment he managed a country-style general store at Bostie for the late Sam Jaaney, of Cherryville. In pre-prohibition days he was a government liquor inspector. He was also a builder, spending a year at Asheville working on the Vanderbilt mansion at Biltmore.

He came to Kings Mountain as a partner with his late brother, Hinkle McGinnis, to open a tin-smith firm, later became a shoe repairman when he felt his age no longer qualified him for roofing work.

Members of his family recall he enjoyed virtually perfect health until he was 75 and suffered a near-fatal heart attack. At 85, he underwent a serious operation, recuperated and returned to his shoe shop, retiring a few years later.

He was a dedicated member of his church and for many years a member of the choir.

He and Mrs. McGinnis would have celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in April.

A native of Gaston County, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Nathan McGinnis.

He is survived by his wife, the former Cora Smith; his daughter, Mrs. Grady Howard; his son-in-law; and three grandchildren, Pattie and Joan Howard and Geepor Howard.

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World Prayer Day Services Are Set

Kings Mountain churches will hold World Day of Prayer services March 5 from 11:15 a.m. to 12 noon. A spokesman for the Kings Mountain Council of United Churchwomen has announced.

The annual services will follow the theme, "What doth the Lord require but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly."

Kings Mountain retail businesses will be closed one hour from 11 until 12 noon March 5 to allow their employees to attend brief services at the church of their choice.

Mrs. Burton's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Essie Goforth Burton, 76, widow of Rodney Moore Burton, were held Wednesday at 3 p.m. from Patterson Grove Baptist church of which she was a member.

Rev. Richard Plyler, assisted by Rev. Floyd Willis and Rev. Flay Payne, officiated, and interment was in Patterson Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Burton died Monday morning at 11:45 a.m. in the Kings Mountain hospital after suffering a cerebral hemorrhage. She had been ill one day.

A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly Goforth. Her husband died in September 1957.

Surviving are two sons, Bonnie T. Burton and Robert H. Burton, both of Kings Mountain; and four daughters, Mrs. Grover Greene, Mrs. Ray Neeley, Mrs. Sam Carroll and Mrs. Robert (Bob) Hallman, all of Kings Mountain.

Also surviving are a brother, Grady Goforth of Grover; a sister, Mrs. Henry Ballard of Lenoir; 12 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Palbearers were Douglas Burton, Wayne Burton, Charles Green, Willis Green, Charles Ford, and Chester Cash.

Smith May Run For School Post

The candidate list for seven city hall and board of education offices, to be filled at the biennial election in May, increased to six during the past week and the rumor mill added a few new names to the "likely" list.

Principal among them was the prospect that Robert (Bob) Smith, salesman for a Charlotte hardware firm and a Woodside Drive resident, may challenge Mrs. Lena W. McGill for the board of education.

Mr. Smith confirmed Wednesday he is seriously considering making the race.

There was a paucity of possibilities for city commission posts, probably occasioned by the fact only Norman King has filed for re-election. Conversely, it is considered certain that all of the incumbents will offer again.

Dewey Styers, a probable challenger for Commissioner King, had made no further comment.

There was some speculation that Boyce Gault, former Ward 2 commissioner might again seek office now held by Eugene Goforth, completing his second term.

Other incumbents are T. J. (Tom) Ellison, J. E. (Zip) Rhea and Ray Cline.

Dewey Randall Has Pneumonia

Dewey Randall, veteran Bonnie Mill overseer, was not in his seat at St. Matthew's Lutheran church Sunday morning, the first time he had not been present in over 40 years.

Mr. Randall became a patient at Kings Mountain hospital last Friday, suffering from pneumonia. His condition was described as "fair" by a member of his family Wednesday.

Stadium Fund Pledges Now Top \$56,000

The John Gamble Stadium fund increased by at least \$5,000, the donation reported this week from Craftspun Yarns, Inc., wholly owned subsidiary of B.V.D. Corporation.

Announcement was made by J. Ollie Harris and J. Wilson Crawford, co-chairmen of industrial solicitation.

Other reports could not be obtained, as Secretary Treasurer Charles F. Harry III was out of his office and could not be reached.

The gift of Craftspun Yarns increases total pledges and cash to \$56,048.

Goal of the fund drive is \$80,000.

In making the announcement, Co-Chairmen Harris and Crawford commented, "This is type of cooperation we have received from Kings Mountain industry and we are deeply appreciative."

Work on planning the stadium is already underway.

The board of education last week retained Charles Morrison Grier & Associates, Charlotte engineering and architectural firm, to plan and supervise the stadium construction. A large drawing of the stadium is on display at First Union National Bank.

The stadium will have a seating capacity of 4000, will also be equipped for track, and will have an ample pressbox.

It will be erected south of the new high school plant on Phifer Road.

Aim of the fund-raising committee is to have the stadium ready for use when the football season opens in September.

School Board Met Monday

The Kings Mountain board of education Monday night in regular monthly session unanimously:

1) approved the sale of a caterpillar tractor-loader at Bethwells school to Robert M. Dulin, Bowling Green, S. C., at cost of \$2300.

2) accepted bid of \$15 from Frank Pennington for the old dwelling located at the site of the present high school plant with stipulation that the dwelling be moved in 60 days.

3) authorized change of the originally planned square chimney (for the new high school plant) to a free-standing round one, noting that soil conditions and recommendations by the engineers and architects necessitated the change. Estimated cost is \$1460.

4) approved allotment for instructional supplies for members of the Compact high school Mixed Chorus and the Kings Mountain high school Mixed Chorus.

5) formally approved the name selected for the projected city stadium, concurring with the stadium committee in their selection of the name John Gamble Stadium for the former high school coach.

6) authorized erection of permanent markers to corners of school property at the new high school site on Phifer road.

PPG Entertains Nine Scholarship Nominees At Luncheon In Shelby

Nine nominees for the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company Carnegie plant scholarship to college were honored at dinner Wednesday at Shelby's North Lake Country Club.

Five of the nine are Kings Mountain high school seniors. They are Jan Williams, John Caveny, Jr., Lyn Chesire, Peter Hauser and Spencer Moore. The other four are June Dye, Agnes Thompson, Max Hopper and Vidar Jorgenson, all Shelby high school seniors. Each were presented \$25 savings bonds by the company.

The students were interviewed by a panel of three educators, who will make the selection. They are Edwin White, Davidson college, serving on the PPG panel for the third time, Dr. Joyce Shealy, Queens college, and Everett Witherspoon, Duke University.

White Will Fight Utility-REA Plan



APPOINTED - Joe Hendrick, city clerk from 1951-55, has been appointed Cleveland County manager by the county board of commissioners.

He Also Opposes Mineral Lab Money Cut

Senator Jack White said when home from Raleigh over the weekend that he will do all in his power to change proposed legislation effecting utility sales rights in city-annexed areas to protect cities selling electric power.

The Kings Mountain legislator will get one of the earlier chances at amending the legislation, as he is a member of the Senate committee on Public Utilities, Water Resources and Control, which will consider the legislation before it is considered by the full 50-member Senate.

Commenting on other matters, Senator White said he opposes the advisory budget commission's decision to pare appropriations for the mineral research laboratory at Asheville.

He also supports the request of Dr. Charles Carroll, superintendent of public instruction, for 15 teachers to instruct children at the Camp Butler mental health center. The budget commission did not honor Dr. Carroll's request.

He said he didn't think the question of giving the governor the veto power would be advanced.

Senator White supports "in principle" the \$1 minimum wage. He also reported the full legislative delegation from the 31st Senatorial district have agreed to hold breakfast meetings at least twice weekly to discuss matters pertinent to the four counties. Others in the group are Senator Adrian Shuford, of Catawba, Representatives B. O. Falls, of Cleveland, Clarence Leatherman, of Lincoln, J. Henry Hill, of Catawba, and Fred York, of Alexander.

He finds himself one of three senators who are natives of Wilson. The others are Senator Ashley Futrell, publisher of the Washington Daily News, and Senator Russell Kirby, of Washington.

The Senator said he and other legislators have been attending "school."

Secretary of State Thad Eure is the teacher, holding a class each morning at 11:40, twenty minutes prior to the legislative convening hour at noon. Mr. Eure instructs his class in legislative protocol, how to introduce legislation properly, how many copies of bills should be printed, and other pertinent tips.

He wrote: "In a meeting last Friday, the Representatives of cities which own electric distribution systems discussed legislation proposed by Power Companies and R. E. A. Organizations. It seems they may slow down the growth of cities which provide their own electric service.

"As Mayor of a City which has always provided its own electricity, I earnestly plead that you not let any bill which will harm Kings Mountain go through your committee.

"Our citizens are happy with a low tax rate, and we must keep it that way.

"Thank you for your consideration in protecting our fair city."

Mayor Bridges attended a meeting of power - distributing cities held in Greensboro last Friday to lay plans to combat the proposed legislation.

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Kelly Dixon Issues Platform

Ex-Mayor Kelly Dixon, seeking to regain the office he lost two years ago to Mayor Glee A. Bridges, issued a statement Wednesday which he labeled his platform.

Mr. Dixon said he felt the city could pare tax rates and power charges, yet still have sufficient funds to keep the city progressive and growing.

He also pledged full efforts to expand Kings Mountain industrially and to broaden recreational programs.

Mr. Dixon's statement follows: "I Kelly Dixon a long time citizen and resident of the City of Kings Mountain and having worked with and for many of our fair citizens in the building business and also having served two years as Mayor I feel that I have something to offer our people.

"We are indeed proud of our town and for the accomplishments over the past, but it our belief that if we follow the trends for improvements and the demands confronting us we can within a comparatively short period of time witness a new day for Kings Mountain.

"Our street improvement program has gone forward for the past few years with gratifying accomplishments and therefore is either nearing a finish or in the process of same by having petitions for improvement satisfactorily signed. Since this is true there is not much to be said in regard to street improvements.

"During the years of '61-'62 the electrical system was completely rebuilt including a very modern circuit control station. This was accomplished without any added indebtedness to the city. In addition to this very big undertaking there was another rather sizable project put forth, this was a past due need, it is not completed as yet but is on the map and is going forward as planned. I am referring to the street lights. Certainly this was an appreciated asset to our city.

"As to sewer improvements and filtering facilities this is something that is not altogether a decision of the people but is a requirement of the State Sanitation Dept.

"This project will go forward regardless of who might be chosen for the 65-66 administration. One point to regard to this rather expensive project which may be of interest to our people. It is my opinion and would be if

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