

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320
City Limits 8,008

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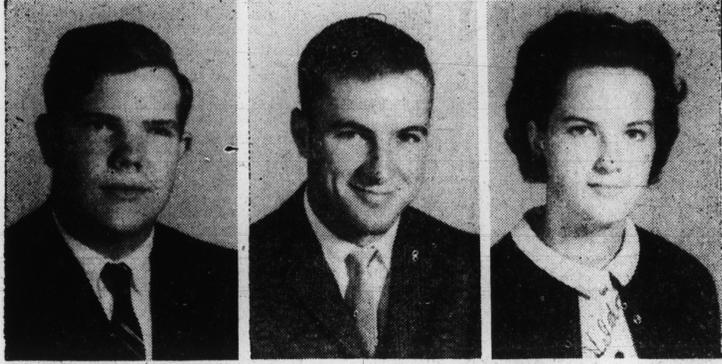
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NEW STUDENT OFFICERS — Officers of the Kings Mountain high school Student Participation Organization were elected recently. From left above, Kenny Plonk, president; Dennis Smith, vice-president; and Hilda Lowery, secretary-treasurer. Both Plonk and Miss Lowery are rising seniors. Smith is a rising junior. (Photos, courtesy, "The Mountaineer").

Saturday Is Last Registration Day

Planning Grant Approved for City

Several Projects To Be Mapped With Share Funds

The city's application for federal urban planning assistance has been approved. Mayor John Henry Moss said notification of approval was received Tuesday from Dan E. Stewart, director of community planning for the state Department of Conservation and Development.

- Under the application, assistance will be provided the city for:
 - 1) revision of the zoning ordinance.
 - 2) planning of a public improvements program.
 - 3) preparing a capital improvements budget.
 - 4) preparation of a preliminary plan for central business district improvements.

Director Stewart said he had advised George J. Monaghan, administrator of the community planning division, to assign staff members to the project immediately.

Of the \$12,100 anticipated cost, the federal government will supply \$7,333, the city \$4,767.

The projects mean a continuance of community planning efforts begun during the prior administration of Mayor Glee A. Bridges.

Only Five New Voters Logged For Bond Vote

Registration for the upcoming city bond issue election \$1.3 million for sewage system improvements ends at sunset Saturday.

Meantime, registrars for the special 1-3 million March 15 election continued to read books day-dream, twiddle their thumbs, or otherwise whileaway dull hours last Saturday.

Only Mrs. Ruth Bowers, Ward 3 registrar at East school had any registration customers, a total of two.

None of the other four had any citizen register.

Mrs. Paul Patterson, (her report unobtainable last issue) Ward 5 registrar at the Armory, remains the champion for the first two weeks of the registration period. Her activity for the opening registration day was three new registrants, one voter transferee from Ward 1.

While registrars feel that, as a result of the all-new city registration ordered in 1963, that majority of citizens are qualified to vote, they also feel eligible new citizens are not.

Eligibility requirements include:

- 1) Having attained the age of 21 or attaining 21 by March 15, 1966 - date of the election.
- 2) Residence in North Carolina for a year and in the city for three months.
- 3) Native of the United States or naturalized citizen of the United States.

Mrs. Patterson suggested many voters continue to be confused by the fact of registration only qualifies the Kings Mountain citizen for participation in any city election.

The county elections board maintains separate registration books, which qualify the citizen to vote for county, state, and federal officers.

The registrars will at the several polling places Saturday from 9 a.m. until sunset. Meantime, all have indicated they will be glad to accept registrations prior to Saturday at their homes.

Other registrars and the polling places are:

Clarence L. Black, Ward 1 at City Hall courtroom.

R. D. Goforth, Ward 2 at American Legion building.

Mrs. Vera Cole Cash, Ward 4 at Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company clubroom.

March of Dimes Drive Tops Goal

Kings Mountain's March of Dimes campaign is over the top. Fund Chairman Bennett Masters said yesterday.

Kings Mountain area citizens have surpassed their quota and given a total of \$1273.23 to fight birth defects, Mr. Masters said. Actual cash-in-hand totals \$773.18 with pledges of \$500.05. A Junior Woman's club-sponsored Mother's March netted \$120.31, Mr. Masters continued.

Commenting on the campaign here for dimes to fight birth defects, Mr. Masters said he would like to publicly thank the volunteers who helped make the 1966 campaign a success. He praised the work of volunteers who worked in snowy weather to solicit for funds for the March of Dimes.

"While few persons are aware of it one out of every 16 children is born with a major birth defect and that over 7,500 major birth defects will occur in North Carolina in the year alone. The birth defects problem is the greatest destroyer of life in the United States", Masters added.

Samuel A. Gupton, field representative from the Gastonia office of the Social Security Administration, paid "Miss Mattie" a visit during the day and brought her a birthday greeting from Commissioner Robert M. Ball of the Social Security Administration.

The greeting read: "Another year has passed and it is again my pleasure to send you my warmest greetings on your 101st birthday. May peace and contentment be with you in the year ahead and may you find continued joy in your rich store of memories."

LEGION TO MEET
Regular meeting of American Legion Post 155 will be held Thursday, tonight, at 7:30 p. m. at the Post building. A nominating committee will report nominations of officers.

\$124,256 Reading Program Planned



PRESIDENT — William (Bill) White has been elected president of the Cleveland County Young Democrats club for a two year term.

White Heads County YDC

William (Bill) White, Kings Mountain lawyer and solicitor of city recorder's court, was elected president of Cleveland County's Young Democrats club Thursday night.

Mr. White succeeds Willard Boyles of Kings Mountain.

Other officers will include Mrs. Beth Lattimore, first vice-president; Fred Flowers, second vice-president; Mrs. Elizabeth LeNeave, secretary; and Mary Alice Laughlin, treasurer.

State Senator Jack White of Kings Mountain, brother of the new YDC president, spoke briefly following the dinner meeting at Governor's Inn in Shelby. He told the group that Clevelanders had their work cut out in view of the "serious condition" that has been brought about by reapportionment of the General Assembly.

"Cleveland County is in danger as far as her representation is concerned," the freshman senator declared, citing voter population figures of Cleveland's partners in the new district.

President White is a member of the law firm of Davis, White and White. He is active in the Kings Mountain Jaycees. He and his family reside at 908 Sharon Drive.

Osborne Retiring As Court Clerk; Paul Wilson Announces For Post

Political activity continued at a slow outward pace in Cleveland County this week.

Principal activity concerned the position of Clerk of Superior Court, as James W. Osborne, clerk for the past ten years, announced he would not seek reelection, followed immediately by an announcement of candidacy by Paul Wilson, Shelby justice of the peace.

There were no other announcements of candidacy and the rumor mill appeared to be grinding out prospects slowly.

For the past six years a justice of the peace, Candidate Wilson was previously clerk of recorder's court for five years and with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company 15 years. He was county manager of Governor Dan K. Moore's campaign two years ago, and is a precinct committeeman

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Federal Grant Will Benefit Pupils of Poor

Kings Mountain school district expects to use an \$124,256 allotment under the 1965 federal Elementary and Secondary Education act to improve reading abilities of economically deprived children.

These funds became available under the act's Title I.

Meantime, Superintendent B. N. Barnes reported, allotment of \$4308 to Kings Mountain district schools under the act's Title II has been approved. The fund will provide library books and supplies.

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Vocational Teachers To Aid Medicare Sign-up Campaign

Clinics Scheduled At Many Schools Through County

Special clinics on medicare are slated at schools in the Kings Mountain area for citizens over 65 to hear an explanation of the voluntary medical care program and make application.

Cleveland County agricultural workers and home economics teachers are sponsoring the clinics throughout the county beginning here at Compact school at 9 a.m. Tuesday and ending at 1:30 p.m. at Weep school Friday, March 11th.

Sessions at the various schools will be an hour long and citizens who attend may receive information from the various home economics and agriculture teachers there in addition to hearing a representative of the Gastonia District Office of the Social Security Administration who will explain the program and benefits.

First clinic here will be at Compact high school Tuesday from 9 a.m. until 10 a.m. At 10:30 the Social Security representative will go to Grover school and from Grover to No. 3 high school at 1:30 and to Camp high school at 3 p.m.

A third Kings Mountain area school-clinic is to be held at Kings Mountain high school Friday, March 11th, at 9 a.m. From KMHS, he will go to Washington school and from Washington to Waco.

Clinics are held each Tuesday from 2 until 5 p.m. in the courtroom of City Hall and will continue on subsequent Tuesdays through March 29th. The Kings Mountain hospital medical staff is conducting the clinics, advising citizens 65 years of age and older to seriously consider joining the voluntary federal government plan for extended medical care benefits.

Cost of additional medical insurance is \$3 per month.

Deadline for making applications is March 31 and the program becomes operative July 1. Eligible persons who fail to apply for the voluntary insurance will not be able to obtain this insurance before July 1, 1968.

B. N. Barnes, superintendent of Kings Mountain city schools, and Lee Phoenix, superintendent of Cleveland County schools, have encouraged school personnel to support the special Agriculture Workers Council-sponsored clinics. The Council voted in favor of the plan to reach and inform rural people of the program following a program on "Medicare" by a Social Security Representative, Myers Hambricht, local teacher and chairman, said.

"Meetings will be most informal", Mr. Hambricht said. After the program is explained, persons interested in signing up may do so. The purpose is not to pressure anyone in signing for medicare but to make sure persons eligible for this program know the facts about it", Hambricht continued.

TATE AT HOME

D. E. (Dickie) Tate has returned home from Veterans Administration Hospital, Durham, where he underwent an operation for removal of calcium deposits from the vertebrae. He will be confined to bed for a two-week period.



ROTARY SPEAKER — Marshall A. Rauch, Gastonia citizen and Bessemer City manufacturer, will speak at Thursday's Rotary club meeting at 12:15 at the Country Club. Mr. Rauch is a candidate for the North Carolina Senate.

Rauch To Speak To Rotarians

Marshall A. Rauch, Gastonia citizen and president of Pyramid Mills in Bessemer City, will be guest speaker at Thursday's Rotary club meeting at 12:15 at the Country Club.

Mr. Rauch will use the subject, "Human Relations", on a program arranged by Thomas L. Trott.

Chairman of the Human Relations Council of Gaston County and a member of the Governor's Good Neighbor Committee, he was mayor pro tempore and city councilman in Gastonia from 1952-54. He served on the council through 1965. He is a former Young Man of the Year in Gastonia and won the Gastonia Woman's club community service award in 1964.

He has become a candidate in the race for the two 29th district Democratic nominations for the North Carolina Senate.

Train Clips Rear Of Truck Monday

Bobby Louis Smith, 26-year-old Greenville trucker for a furniture firm, narrowly escaped accident or death Monday morning when a Southbound train struck the rear of his tractor-trailer at the Gold street crossing.

The truck was owned by Byrd Furniture Company.

The train engineer was Melvin Salmons.

Smith told B. P. Cooke, investigating officer, he was slowed in crossing the track by a passenger car in front of him. The driver was Mrs. Floyd Queen, who was attempting to turn north on Battleground.

Officer Cooke said, on basis of his investigation, no charges will be preferred.

In a one-car accident on February 23, the '65 Mercury of Gene D. Bowling, 325 Graham street, Shelby, suffered about \$300 damage when Bowling lost control on the wet, icy street. The accident occurred at the corner of Candler and Childers streets.

Tuesday Clinics Are Continuing At City Hall

Another clinic on voluntary medical care portion of the federal medicare plan for the elderly will be held at City Hall Tuesday afternoon from 2 to 5 p.m.

Meantime, Sam Gupton, of the Gastonia social office, said on the recent Tuesday he processed five applications and provided information on the program for six more eligible citizens.

The clinics will be continued on Tuesday afternoons through March 29—two days prior to the deadline for filing applications.

Mr. Gupton said he was quite pleased at the interest in the clinic by eligible citizens and praised city officials and Kings Mountain doctors for promoting the series of clinics.

Cost of the extended or extra coverage is \$3 per month.

Here is what the voluntary insurance purchase covers:

- 1) 80 per cent of reasonable charges for covered services over an above the first \$50 in any calendar year.
- 2) physician and surgeon's services performed anywhere, whether at hospital, clinic, or home.
- 3) up to 100 home health visits under any approved plan.
- 4) Diagnostic x-ray and laboratory services, radium treatment, surgical dressings, splints, casts, certain ambulance services, braces, artificial legs, arms and eyes.
- 5) Rental of medical equipment such as iron lungs.

Lublaneski Buys B&B Restaurant

George Lublaneski has purchased B & B Restaurant from R. J. Forrest.

Sale was effective February 18. Mr. Lublaneski is former owner of Cottonwood Restaurant and a former manager of the Shelby Elks club.

Mr. Forrest had operated the restaurant for almost 15 years. He came to Kings Mountain from Salisbury.

Mr. Lublaneski said the restaurant will continue its former schedule of hours, from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. weekdays. It will not be open on Sundays.

The building is owned by Dr. D. M. Morrison.

Merchants Book Humorist Lewis For Annual Banquet March 21st

Humorist Bob Lewis, nationally-known entertainer who appears frequently on the Ed Sullivan Television Show, will present an entertainment program to highlight the annual employer-employee banquet March 21st of the Kings Mountain Merchants Association.

Tickets, also on sale to the general public, may be purchased at \$3 each at the offices of the association or may be purchased at the door.

Dinner will be served at 7 p. m. at the American Legion Hall. The Legion Hall will accommodate 300 persons and banquet tickets will be available on a "first come, first serve" basis. Association president Bill H. Brown said.

G-W Scholarship Exams Scheduled

BOILING SPRINGS — Gardner Webb College's \$10,000 competitive Academic Scholarship Program examinations are set for March 5 and March 12, announces Robert Abrams, director of Admissions.

Scholarships to be given are: 10 for \$500 each, 10 for \$250 each and 25 for \$100 each. High school seniors and graduates of good character and high moral standards who have taken the Scholastic Achievement Test of the College Board and who are recommended by either their superintendent, principal, guidance counselor, or home room teacher, may compete for the scholarships.

Tests will be given at 9:30 a. m. on March 5 and 12 in Room 101 of the A. T. Withrow Science Building. The student must notify the college which date he plans to take the test. Address all inquiries to the Scholarship Committee, Gardner-Webb College, Boiling Springs, N. C.

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No Further Cases Of Meningitis

School officials have had no further reports of cases of spinal meningitis.

Of the two children previously ill and their families quarantined therefore, Wendell Dawkins, West school fifth grader, has returned to school.

Dr. Z. P. Mitchell, county health officer, and attending physicians had termed the cases of a "mild strain".

Mrs. Mattie Taylor Is 101 Years Young
Mrs. Mattie Taylor, Kings Mountain Negro citizen, celebrated her 101st birthday Tuesday, March 1.

The centenarian spent a quiet day-at-home with members of her family in the Compact Community.

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PROMOTED — Rance Henderson has been promoted to supervising teacher of the high school and vocational principal at Oregon State School for the Deaf in Salem. He is a Kings Mountain native.

Rance Henderson Wins Promotion

Rance Henderson, Kings Mountain native and son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Henderson, has recently been promoted to the position of Supervising Teacher of the High School Department and Vocational Principal of the school at Oregon State School for the Deaf.

Mr. Henderson, formerly a teacher and coach on the staff, has completed requirements for a master's degree which he will receive at the June commencement. His wife, the former Betty Ledford of Kings Mountain, is also a member of the Oregon School faculty.

A graduate of Kings Mountain high school, Mr. Henderson attended Willamette college and was graduated from Salem College in Oregon.

He and his wife are parents of two children, Julie and David. They have made their home in Salem the past eight years.

Mr. Henderson participated on the program for the Governor's Prayer Breakfast at Salem February 19th honoring Governor Mark O. Hatfield. Principal address was made by General Harold K. Johnson, Chief of Staff, United States Army.

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