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City Limits 8,256

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## Mayor: City Should Aid Private Sector

### McGill Chairman Of Housing Group

Tate, Harmon, Orr, Wilson Are Appointed

John L. McGill, partner of Kings Mountain Drug Company, has been appointed chairman of the Kings Mountain Housing Authority.

He and the other four members, named by Mayor John Henry Moss on authorization of the city commission took oaths of office Tuesday morning.

Mr. McGill was appointed to a five-year term. Other members are Brooks Tate, four-year term; Martin Harmon, three years; William Orr, two years; and Carl F. Wilson, one year.

Future appointments, except to fill unexpired terms, will be for five years.

Mrs. Brenda Cobb, secretary to the Mayor, was named temporary secretary.

The Authority took immediate steps to incorporate.

In brief remarks, following the oath-taking, President McGill stated appreciation for his appointment, adding, "I recognize the great responsibility accompanying the appointment of myself and each of us, and I shall endeavor to discharge it to the best of my ability."

All the appointees are members of the 13-man mayor's committee on minority housing.

After incorporation, the housing authority will consider retention of an architectural-engineering firm and make application to the regional office of the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development for approval of 1) a specified number of housing units and 2) a planning loan.

Housing units authorized will be financed by sale of bonds, payment guaranteed by the United States government.

### Club To Install Dan M. Finger

Dan M. Finger, president of L. A. Hoke Electric Company, Inc., will be installed as president of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club Thursday night at 6:45 p.m. at the Woman's club.

Mr. Finger will succeed hardwareman Glee E. Bridges for 1967-68.

Other officers will include Joe A. Neisler, Jr., first vice-president; Hoyle D. McDaniel, second vice-president; Don W. Blanton, secretary; and John L. McGill, treasurer.

Directors will include W. C. Ballew, John Davenport, W. Lewis Dellinger, George DeBrule, Rev. Thomas Richie, Dr. Sam Robinson and John C. Smathers.

Wallace Carpenter, Lieutenant Governor of Division 1, will install the new officers. A report of 1966 Achievements of the club will be given by Grady Howard as program highlight.

Wives of Kiwanians are invited to attend the dinner meeting.

### Volunteer Firemen, Life-Savers, Empty Stocking Managers Praised

Resolutions commending three Kings Mountain volunteer and service organizations were voted Tuesday by the city commission.

Commissioners praised the Empty Stocking Effort of the Greater Kings Mountain Ministerial Association, the work of the Cleveland County Rescue Squad and the city fire department.

The Empty Stocking provided Christmas cheer for 122 families, distributed \$1200 worth of new clothing and toys and \$500 in clothes repaired by the Kings Mountain Jaycees. In 1966 the Empty Stocking provided aid to 210 indigent families; coal and fuel to 44; medicine to 10 families; and transit to 12 families.

The fire department staff of four full-time firemen and 18 volunteers answered a total of 135 fire alarms during 1966. Or-



CHAIRMAN — John L. McGill has been appointed by the Mayor chairman of the Kings Mountain Housing Authority.

### Ollie Harris Hospitalized

J. Ollie Harris, Kings Mountain mortician and Cleveland County coroner, is a patient in Charlotte Memorial hospital where he is being treated for an ailment diagnosed as kidney stones.

Mr. Harris entered the hospital Monday night.

Bennett Masters, a member of the Harris Funeral Home staff, said Harris is "doing fine."

### Mrs. Williams Succumbs At 90

Funeral rites for Mrs. Ida Williams about 90, were held Monday at 4 p.m. from Mount Zion Baptist church of which she was a member.

She is survived by Willie Hughes, of Kings Mountain, with whom she had made her home for a number of years and two step-children.

### Bombing Threat Proved Hoax

Thursday's "bombing" of Belk's was a hoax.

An unidentified voice on the telephone at 11:45 Thursday morning said to a clerk: "There's a bomb set to go off in 15 minutes."

Store Manager Bill H. Brown vacated the building, Police, summoned by Brown, searched the store for an hour and 15 minutes.

Police Chief Paul Sanders and Officer William Roper investigated the incident.

The store reopened for business at 1 p.m.

Belk's Store here was entered by robbers 12 days ago who entered via the roof and left with goods valued at about \$10,000 retail.

### Moss Presents Six-Month Report Of City Work

By MARTIN HARMON  
After reviewing the activities of the city government during the first six months of the current fiscal year ended December 31, Mayor John Henry Moss Tuesday declared city officials should provide leadership for public and semi-public progress in the private sector of the community as well as in the governmental sector.

The Mayor mentioned:

1) Community need for a nursing center for the elderly, appointing a committee including Commissioners O. O. Walker, Seimore Biddix and himself to promote the project.

2) Community need for a day care center, naming a promotion committee of commissioners Norman King, T. J. Ellison, Biddix and himself.

3) Need for a motel facility.

4) Further promotional development of the Battle of Kings Mountain Shrine.

5) Adult education in skills, noting that beginners in a school for masons had proved able to earn \$2.80 per hour on completion of the course taught at Compact school.

He reported that city cash balances at December 31 exceeded \$336,000, with \$259,500 drawing interest.

Among major accomplishments he listed during the period June-December, he included initiation of the urban development project, establishment of a public housing authority, the neighborhood facility and water projects, and purchase of a water storage tank, due to be in service by March 1, and adoption of subdivision building regulations, a new zoning act, and electrical and building codes.

Mayor Moss concluded, "The citizens of Kings Mountain have given us unheralded cooperation. I pledge the same in return, on my behalf and on behalf of this commission."

Among commission action Tuesday were:

1) Approval of request of Mrs. Myrtle Sanders, executor of the estate of Arthur Clyde Sanders, to transfer two taxi franchises to Paul R. Sanders.

2) Authorization of advertisement of street assessments on Roxford Road, Sims Street, Brookwood Drive, Owens Street, West Gold Street, Landing Street, Go-forth Street, Fallingwood Drive, Silver Street, East Ridge Street, and Phenix Street.

3) Calling of a public hearing on petition of Glenn Carroll for annexation of the southeast corner of his lot at Benfield Drive and Second street to the city.

4) Approved establishment of the urban beautification program, to be superintended by the planning board and a special committee of five including Comm. Ellison and four members to be named.

### Cup-And-Saucer "Ideological"

First Baptist church has opened what Rev Robert Mann, the pastor, terms a modern coffeehouse, open to all regardless of sect with teenagers especially invited.

Rev. Mr. Mann describes the project:

"One of the revolutionary concepts in our society today is that of a 'Coffeehouse'. It is not a restaurant, although one may get a cup of coffee there, but it is rather a meeting place. A sounding board. The stock in trade is ideological rather than food."

"The First Baptist church is Mountain by opening the CUP AND SAUCER, on S. Piedmont Avenue, next to the Herald building. The CUP AND SAUCER is open each Saturday evening from 7:30 — 10:30 p.m. to young people who would like to discuss ideas, play games, drink hot chocolate or coffee and doughnuts. There will be no charge for admission or food."

Various programs are planned for special evenings, and on some evenings there will be a formal program. Just the casual atmosphere of a "coffeehouse" where one may meet others and talk.

### Clyde Sanders Rites Conducted



IN GREEN BERETS — Sgt. Abraham Ruff of Eau Gallie, Fla., is a member of the "Green Berets" following completion of Special Forces training in Fort Bragg.

### KM Sergeant In Green Berets

FT. BRAGG, N.C. (AHTNC) — Sergeant Abraham Ruff, 24, whose mother, Mrs. Mary E. Ruff, lives on Route 1, Kings Mountain, N. C., became a member of the "Green Berets" Dec. 15 upon completion of Special Forces training at the John F. Kennedy Center for Special Warfare, Ft. Bragg, N. C.

As a Special Forces candidate, he received several months of training in guerrilla tactics and counterinsurgency. He also received instruction in the methods of teaching modern medicine, improved agricultural practices, techniques of local government, communications, and basic commerce to native villagers.

Special training was given in infiltrating hostile territory to train, equip and advise guerrillas in combating the enemy.

He will now be assigned to one of seven Special Forces groups around the world.

### Robert Gault Wins Promotion

Robert Gault, Gastonia banker and Kings Mountain native, has been promoted from assistant vice-president of Gastonia's Citizens National Bank to manager of the bank's Northwest Branch.

Mr. Gault joined Citizens National in 1946. In Gastonia he and his wife and two children live on Whitson Road. They are active in St. John's Methodist church where he is a member of the Official Board and teaches a Sunday School class. He has been active in the Jaycees and Optimist clubs.

### DSA Nomination Deadline Extended

Deadline for citizen nominations for the annual Jaycee Distinguished Service or "Man of the Year" award for 1966 has been extended to January 15, Chairman Charles D. Blanton said this week.

Meantime, the annual DSA Award banquet, tentatively scheduled for next week, has been postponed until February 7.

### Water Picture: Davidson Lake Level Up; Mine Pumpage Steady

The cold chilling rains of the past week have materially increased Kings Mountain's water supply, Superintendent of Public Works Grady Yelton said Tuesday.

The water level of the Davidson auxiliary lake had risen two feet within the week.

"That's a lot of water," he noted, adding, "but the level is still a long way from the top." Meantime, the city continues to claim about 300,000 gallons per day from the Old Gold Mine shaft. Pumpage has held steady

### Legion Club Manager Dies Of Heart Attack

Funeral rites for Arthur Clyde Sanders, 55, were held Sunday at 4 p.m. from East Gold Street Wesleyan Methodist church, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mr. Sanders, manager of Otis D. Greene Post 155 American Legion, succumbed suddenly to a heart attack Friday night at 7 o'clock at his home.

He was son of the late Mr and Mrs. William Arthur Sanders of Kings Mountain and was a veteran of World War II. He owned Dixie Cab Company in Kings Mountain.

Surviving are his wife, the former Myrtle Morrow; one son, Bobby Sanders, of Eau Gallie, Fla.; one daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Collins, of Durham; three brothers, Police Chief Paul Sanders, Floyd Sanders and Howard Sanders, all of Kings Mountain; and three sisters, Mrs. Ola Royster, Mrs. Bertha Clinton and Mrs. Vera Black, all of Kings Mountain. Also surviving are seven grandchildren.

Rev. C. R. Goodson and Rev. H. G. Clayton officiated at the final rites.

Active pallbearers were Bruce McDaniel, Ray Cline, Chuck Huffstickler, Clinton Jolly, Dick McGintin, and Joe McDaniel.

Legionnaires of American Legion Post 155 were honorary pallbearers.

### Johnson Heads Heart Campaign

Neil O. Johnson of Shelby has been named 1967 Heart Fund Chairman for Cleveland County. It was announced today by H. Eugene LeGrand, Heart Association president.

As Heart Fund Chairman, Johnson will supervise the local association's 1967 fund raising activities and will appoint local community leaders to direct the various activities planned for the campaign during Heart Month.

Long active in the local Heart Group, Johnson is general manager of the mineral division of Foote Mineral Co. in Kings Mountain. He is a member of Kings Mountain Rotary club and is a deacon in Shelby Presbyterian church. He and his wife Ruth reside at 125 Hillside Drive, Shelby. Their daughter, Barbara, is employed by North Carolina National Bank and lives in Charlotte.

The local campaign will be carried out in conjunction with the drives of the North Carolina and American Heart Associations, held each year during

### Bell Promotes Norman King

Norman King, Ward 4 city commissioner, has been promoted recently by Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company to commercial representative at the Gastonia office.

Mr. King began his new duties January 2.

For 19 years a Southern Bell employee, Mr. King most recently was with the plant (maintenance) department in Shelby.



IN CHURCH POST — Miss Deloris White has accepted a call to become minister of music at Macedonia Baptist church.

### Deloris White In Church Post

Macedonia Baptist church, in regular monthly conference on Sunday extended a call to Miss Deloris White to serve as minister of music and youth leader of the church to replace Douglas Ledford who resigned recently to accept a similar position with Ridgeview Baptist church of Mt. Holly.

Miss White is a graduate of Kings Mountain high school, Gardner-Webb college, Appalachian State Teacher's college and will finish her second year at Southeastern Seminary at Wake Forest College in June. She is majoring in Christian Education.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. White of Kings Mountain and has been a member of the local church since early youth. Her services to the church in past years have included Junior and Intermediate teacher, Junior Training Union leader and church organist. She is presently serving as Superintendent of young people's department and Intermediate Training Union leader.

Rev. Wayne Ashe, pastor, said "we feel that we are very fortunate in having one within the membership of our own congregation and willingness to accept this place of service. We feel that we could have found no one better trained or more dedicated than Miss White and we're looking forward to continued growth in the church music department under her leadership."

### Three Given Suspended Terms

Three Kings Mountain men were given suspended sentences Thursday in Cleveland County Recorder's Court on charges of shot-gunning the Midpines home of Dduis W. Greene the evening of Dec. 14.

The three — Roger Connor 21, William McGinnis, 21, and Arthur Sprouse, 20, were given nine months, suspended upon the condition that they pay the court costs and reimburse Greene for damages.

All three were charged with conspiring to damage real property. McGinnis was also charged with damage to real property, and Connor and Sprouse were also charged with aiding and abetting in damage to real property.

Members of the Greene family were asleep in their home the evening of Dec. 14 when shotgun pellets ripped through a picture window.

### Hite Joins Griffin Drug

Charles W. Hite, Jr. of Gastonia, a 1966 graduate of the University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy at Chapel Hill, has joined Griffin Drug Company as pharmacist.

Announcement was made by Wilson Griffin, owner of the firm.

Mr. Hite is married to the former Barbara Clemmer, a member of the faculty of Gastonia Public Schools. The Hites are currently residing in Gastonia but expect to move to Kings Mountain as soon as suitable housing is located.

"We are happy to have Mr. Hite join our staff," said the local druggist.



MISS NORTH CAROLINA AT OPENING — Nannette Jackson Minor, of Charlotte, the reigning Miss North Carolina, will snip a ribbon of \$100 bills to formally open the new main office building of First Union National Bank Tuesday afternoon at 4:30. An open house will follow the dedication ceremonies at which First Union National Bank officials will participate. Tours of the new plant will continue until 8 p.m.

## Tar Heel Queen Will Cut Ribbon

### First Union's Open House To Be Tuesday

Dedication of the new First Union National Bank Building at 125 South Battleground Avenue will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 p.m.

The grand opening and open house at the modern facility will immediately follow the dedication ceremonies and will continue until 8 p.m.

The public is invited to attend and to inspect the new facilities.

The dedication will feature brief remarks by C. C. Cameron, chairman of the general board and chief executive of First Union from Charlotte; Paul M. Neisler, Sr., chairman of First Union's Kings Mountain board; Elmore Alexander, executive officer in charge of the Kings Mountain office; and John Henry Moss, mayor of Kings Mountain.

Nannette Jackson Minor, Miss North Carolina 1967, will cut a special ribbon to open the bank. The "ribbon" she'll cut is unique—it's made of \$100 bills.

Other highlights of the bank opening will include tours of the modern facility and a Treasure Chest loaded with valuable gifts which visitors may try to open with keys distributed to them upon entering the new facility.

Also on hand will be an electronically programmed talking six-foot Robot which appeared recently at the N. C. State Fair in Raleigh. A number of prizes will be awarded.

Bank employees will be stationed in the various departments of the new bank to explain each operation.

Refreshments will be served.

The new bank, a half-block north of the present bank building, is a two-story structure of brick and glass construction and will boast two drive-in windows, and elevator and will provide about three times the floor space of the bank's current quarters. The lot contains 14,000 square feet, which will allow ample parking as well as room for drive-in banking facilities.

### Bank's Moving Schedule Given

First Union National Bank's schedule for moving their Kings Mountain office to the new building a half-block north is:

Bank closes at 1 p.m. Tuesday (3 to 5 p.m. service sus) (Continued On Page Six)



CONDUCTING COURSE — Mrs. Devere Smith, sales representative of the Charlotte office of Reynolds and Company, stock brokers, will lead the first of three investment courses Tuesday night at 8 p.m. at the Woman's club.

### First Investment Class On Tuesday

First class of a free three-part investment course to be taught by Mrs. Athlene G. Smith, representative of Reynolds & Company, New York stock brokers, will be held at the Woman's Club Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

Subsequent classes will be conducted on January 24 and 31.

At Tuesday's session, Mrs. Smith will discuss the subjects, "Why Securities?", "Types of Securities", "Stock Exchanges" and "Investment Ideas for Selecting Stocks".

A forum period will follow.

### Lewis Ormand Church Speaker

Central Methodist church will continue with the second study on "Affluence and Poverty — Dilemmas for Christians" on Sunday afternoon January 15th, beginning at 5 p.m.

The speaker for this session will be Lewis Ormand from the Cleveland County Welfare Department, who is also Director of Adult Education at Gaston Community College. He will speak on affluence and poverty as they relate to our local situation.

Following a snack supper at 6:00 the filmstrip "How Things Hide People" will be shown.