



ALFRED C. TUCKER JAMES (JIM) GUYTON For Ward 3 Commissioner T. J. (TOMMY) ELLISON O. O. WALKER RICHARD (DICK) SHANEY For Ward 5 Commissioner ALEX D. OWENS MRS. KELLY (BERNICE) BUNCH For School Trustee BILL BABB

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 8,256

The Greater Kings Mountain figure is derived from the special United States Bureau of the Census report of January 1966, and includes the 14,990 population of Number 4 Township, and the remaining 6,124 from Number 3 Township, in Cleveland County and Crowder's Mountain Township in Gaston County.

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Biennial City, School Elections To Be Held Tuesday

ABC, Beer-Wine Election To Be Conducted June 13

Two Contests For City Hall, One For Trustee

By MARTIN HARMON

Kings Mountain citizens will go to the polls Tuesday to elect a mayor, five ward commissioners, and a school trustee, in what has proved to be the quietest biennial election since 1945.

For the first time in the history of the 93-year-old city, there is no contest for mayor. Mayor John Henry Moss is unopposed for re-election, as are Commissioners Ray W. Cline, Ward 1, W. S. Biddix, Ward 2, and Norman King, Ward 4.

There are three contests. Veteran Ward 3 Commissioner T. J. (Tommy) Ellison, completing his seventh term since 1947, is challenged for re-election by James L. Guyton, who lost to Ellison two years ago, and by Alfred C. Tucker, a newcomer to city politics. Mr. Ellison is an East Kings Mountain grocer, Mr. Guyton a masonry contractor, and Mr. Tucker is a textile superintendent.

In Ward 5, Commissioner O. O. Walker, completing his first term, is being challenged by Richard E. (Dick) Shaney in Shaney's first venture into city politics. Comm. Walker is a retired water and sewage system contractor, while Mr. Shaney is personnel manager of Carolina Throwing Company and a former highway patrolman.

Three candidates are vying for the school trusteeship being vacated by H. O. (Toby) Williams. All are seeking elective office for the first time. They are Alex D. Owens, farmer and landscaper, Bill Babb, automotive mechanic and garageman, and Mrs. Bernice Bunch, housewife.

Should Mrs. Bunch be elected, the board of education would have two women members for

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Election Bill Became Law Last Friday

Kings Mountain citizens will vote June 13 to determine whether Alcoholic Beverage Control Stores will be operated here and whether sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption will be legalized.

Both questions will be in the single question, which voters will answer "yes" or "no."

It will be the first time an election on "hard" liquor has been held in Kings Mountain or Cleveland County since the repeal of the national prohibition constitutional amendment.

In 1949, Cleveland County voters outlawed the sale of beer and wine by a vote of 9 to 1 in Kings Mountain, the vote was approximately 4.5 to 1 in favor of outlawing beer and wine.

The election will be conducted by the city.

Registration books will be open for two weeks, from May 22 to June 3, and June 10 will be challenge day.

Date and terms were specified in Senate Bill 197, introduced by Senator Jack H. White on March 31 and ratified into law, as amended, by the House of Representatives last Friday.

Other terms of the bill provide for division of net annual revenue on the following formula: not less than five percent nor more than ten percent for law enforcement; up to five percent for education on the effects of alcohol and for rehabilitation of alcoholics; 25 percent of the remainder to Kings Mountain school district (five percent designated for salaries, 20 percent for other purposes), and 75 percent of the remainder to the City of Kings Mountain for any authorized city purpose.

The General Statutes would apply on time required to elapse before the holding of future referendums on sale of alcoholic beverages. The time required is three years, meaning no liquor referendum could be held before June 13, 1970.

However, under the bill, the city would be required to call such an election after the required elapsed time on receipt of petition of 25 percent of the registered voters voting in the most recent election for mayor.

The legislation was promoted by a citizens committee for legal control of alcoholic beverages which circulated petitions attracting the signatures of more than 1100 persons. Of the total, 669 signatures were validated as registered Kings Mountain voters.

Col. King Suffers Wounds In Face

Marine Corporal David M. King, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis King, was injured on April 26 in the vicinity of Quang Tri, Republic of Vietnam, according to a telegram received by his parents Thursday.

The Kings Mountain man sustained a fragmentation wound to the face from an explosive device while engaged in action against hostile forces.

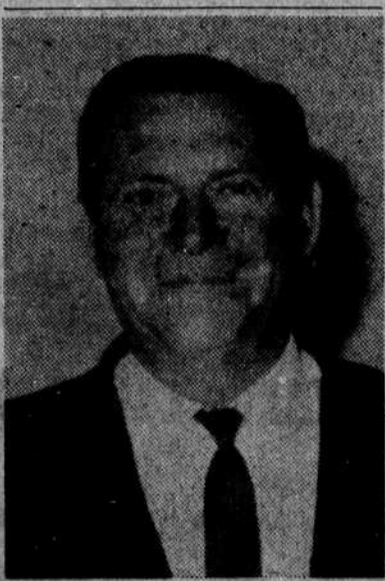
His parents have received no further word of his condition.

According to the telegram his address will remain the same: Sub. Unit 2 Hdg. Co. Hdg. Bn. Third Marine Division, B. Company 1st AMTRAC 4th Platoon, FPO San Francisco, California 96602.



NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION — Juniors inducted into the Kings Mountain high school chapter of the National Honor Society are pictured above, from left to right. The induction ceremonies were held this week. Mrs. Tolly Shuford, faculty sponsor, is at left with Kathy Holland, Sharon Gold, June Frederick, Stan Yazbro, Dottie Seates, Danny Dyke, Carolyn Falls, John Parker, Donna Crawford and Kathy Plonk. (Photo by Isaac Alexander)

Auxiliary Water Will Enter City Mains By Saturday



RESIGNS — Rev. Clyde R. Goodson, pastor of East Gold Street Wesleyan Methodist church and dean of Kings Mountain area ministers in point of service, has resigned and expects assignment to Rock Hill Wesleyan Methodist church.

Clyde Goodson Resigns Charge

Rev. Clyde R. Goodson, dean of the staff of Kings Mountain ministers, has resigned as pastor of East Gold Street Wesleyan Methodist church to accept a call to Rock Hill, S. C. Wesleyan Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Goodson and their family will move to Rock Hill about August 1.

Rev. Mr. Goodson came to the local church nine years ago. He

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The city expects to begin pumping water from Milk Dairy branch and Canterbury to its Deal street filtration plant Saturday morning.

The city public works department has already completed installation of more than five miles of eight-inch pipe, which the city is using on loan from the U. S. Army.

On Wednesday, work began on construction of small dams on the two creeks and on installing pumps. City Commissioner O. O. Walker was superintending the construction of the dams.

Measurements of the city's engineer, W. K. Dickson, indicate the city will pump 760,000 gallons of water daily from Milk Dairy Branch, and another 360,000 gallons from Canterbury Creek.

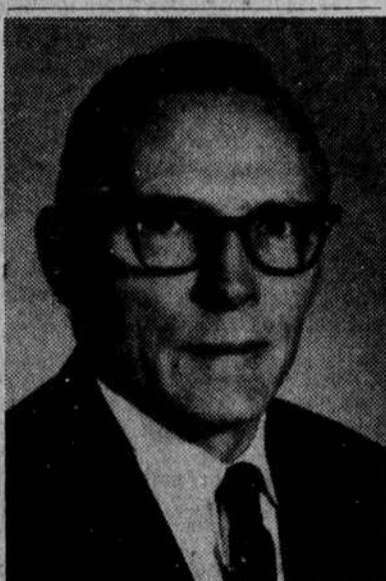
"This represents more than half the daily supply of raw water the city is filtering," Mayor John Henry Moss commented. "We are very fortunate to be able to tap these two auxiliary sources in such a short time and it would not have been possible without the cooperation of civilian defense officials, the army, and the continuous and diligent hard work of Supt. Grady Yelton and his public works department."

The Mayor said the auxiliary streams would be employed "until our York and Davidson reservoirs are filled."

The pipelines are on ground-top and are joined with clamps. The Milk Dairy line and Canterbury line make a junction at Canterbury Road and East King street.

With putting into service of the new two-million gallon storage tank, the city has storage capacity of about 2,600,000 gal-

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RESIGNS — Robert M. Kennedy, principal of East Elementary school, has resigned to become Director of Student Aid at Erskine college in Due West, S. C.

Kennedy Accepts Erskine Position

Robert M. Kennedy, principal of East Elementary school the past 10 years, submitted his resignation this week to the Kings Mountain board of education to accept the position of Director of Student Aid at Erskine College in Due West, South Carolina.

The Kennedy family expects to move to Due West about July 1. In Kings Mountain the Kennedys have been active in Boyce Memorial ARP church where Mr. Kennedy is an Elder and Clerk

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Board Re-elects R. G. Franklin, 134 Teachers

Re-election of Central Principal R. G. Franklin, Director of Instruction Alice C. Averitt, 47 high school and 87 elementary school faculty members, public school music teacher Myrle H. McClure and elementary librarian Alice M. Lennon featured a long meeting of the city board of education last Wednesday.

Eight of the school districts ten principals have been elected but one, in the person of East Principal Robert Kennedy, has resigned. The ninth, James C. Ayers, Park Grace principal, was not a candidate for election. The tenth, Kings Mountain high principal Glenn Brookshire, has not indicated formally he wishes election, as state law requires.

In addition, the board elected Donald L. Parker director of the summer Title 1 program.

The teacher supplement for this year was upped by \$115, a proviso in the current budget, and the board voted to establish guaranteed supplement of \$250 for the next school year.

Mrs. Margaret D. Eskridge was hired to replace Mrs. Lizzie Lee Hedmon, Grover teacher, who resigned.

The board approved the firm of Hamrick & Reading as school auditors.

Elementary teachers re-elected are: Martha B. Christenbury, Billy C. Lemons, Jessie R. Greene, Cynthia P. Wright, Marguerite T. Plonk, Sarah H. Simpson, Marguerite K. Powell, Nancy B. McBrayer, Letha B. Morris, Harriet R. Van Dyke, Sophronia P. Campbell, Jacqueline A. McFarland, Lina T. Owens, Doris H. Parker, Anita W. Phoenix, Martha C. Yarbrough, Annie F. Bryant, Sara A. Cooksey, Richard E. Hamrick, Sarah W. Jones, Fronneau W. Little, Jaquitha R. Reid, Carolyn Strickland, Gary D. Upton, Barbara L. Wilburn, Edna B. Hendricks, Mary A. O'Connor, John L. Blalock, Bernice B. Brown, Robert E. Bailey, William H. Hager, James R. Partlow, Marilyn H. Cabanis, Mildred G. Moss, Jeanette C. Surratt, Willie J. Marable, Sara P. Adams, Ina V. Couser, Beulah M. Miller, Wanda N. Hunt, Juanita Herron, Addie G. Grier, Lela J. Wellmon, Della M. Jagers, Dephne L. Stoll, Helen B. Baker, Maxine B. Grayson, Ann B. Scism, Winnie M. Still, Jacqueline W. Blanton, Rosalie Carlisle, Rebecca L. Kendrick, Victoria L. Logan, Brenda M. Thornburg, Lowell Lee Ellis, Suzanne L. Keeter, Dorothy McCraw, Gloria N. Chapman, Elizabeth B. Allen, Frances A. Bramlett, Sara W. Wilkins, Joyce M. Bowman, Elizabeth McGill, Jane E. Houser, L. Janet Falls, Margaret G. McCarter, Gussie R. Huffstetler, Mary W. Plyler, Annie B. Roberts, Ruth Z. Biggers, Reola C. Hovis, Ruth U. Plonk, Margaret M. Spratt, Ruth P. Beam, Elizabeth W. Mauney, Martha P. Bridges, Thelma D. Kennedy, Eoline Werts, Prue H. Poston, Bess H. Phifer, Elizabeth M. Gamble, Christine R. Ramseur, Garnell A. Dye, Virginia P. Wiggins, Dorcas C. White, Edith F. Bridges and Billie J. Haynie.

High school faculty members re-elected are: Isaac G. Alexander, William A. Alexander, Adelaide M. Allison, Helen B. Ausley, Margaret H. Baird, Betty W. Bates, Billy G. Bates, Marshall L. Campbell, William J. Cash-

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Rites Conducted For L. L. Benson



Funeral rites for Leo Lesesne Benson, 78, were held Wednesday afternoon from First Baptist church. He was retired agent for Southern Railway.

Alice White's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Alice Jeanette White, 21-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith White of Grover, were held Sunday at 3 p.m. from Grover's First Baptist church, interment following in Antioch cemetery.

The child died at 9:30 p.m. Friday in Kings Mountain hospital after a one-day illness.

Other survivors include the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Robert White of Grover, the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D. Knight of Nashville, Tenn.; and the paternal grandfather, E. D. Randall, of Grover.

LODGE MEETING

Regular communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF&AM will be held Monday night at 7:30 at Masonic Hall. Secretary T. D. Tindall has announced.

1967 City-wide Clean-up Drive Underway; Kickoff Meeting Held

Clavon Kelly and Mrs. E. W. Griffin are heading a steering committee of Kings Mountain citizens who will plan and carry out a city-wide campaign for cleaning and beautifying the city during the next six weeks — a continuation of last year's successful campaign.

Three city commissioners—W. S. Biddix, O. O. Walker and T. J. Ellison, appointed by Mayor John Moss, will work with them. Town people present Monday night for the kick-off meeting at City Hall, over which Mayor Moss presided, represented civic clubs, garden clubs, area committees of last year's beautification group and the Woman's club, whose community improvement program was instrumental in calling the group together.

The month of May has been declared Clean-Up, Paint-Up, Fix-Up Month by Governor Dan Moore, in line with the national program.

Mr. Kelly outlined plans for

Retired Railman Died Monday After Long Illness

Funeral rites for Leo Lesesne Benson, 78, were held Wednesday at 4 p.m. from First Baptist church of which he was a member.

Mr. Benson succumbed Monday at 3:20 p.m. in the Kings Mountain hospital after illness of several years.

A retired agent for the Southern Railway, Mr. Benson was a native of Bladen County, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Washington and Martha Perry Benson.

A member of the Kings Mountain Zoning Board, he was a member of the Kiwanis club, a Mason, and a member of Kings Mountain Chapter 123, Order of the Eastern Star.

He had served as Southern Railway agent in Kings Mountain, Kannapolis and Taylors, S. C.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Alice Herndon Benson; a son, Lamont Benson of Atlanta, Ga.; a daughter, Mrs. Martha Ellen Snuggs of Charlotte; a brother, J. M. Benson of Atlanta, Ga. and a sister, Mrs. Nena B. Cross of Charlotte; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Rev. M. O. Owens, Rev. L. C. Pinnix and Rev. Gordon Weekley officiated at the final rites and interment was made in Mountain Rest cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorials may be made to the First Baptist church building fund.

Active pallbearers were Paul Cole of Shelby, Fred Weaver, Frank Hollifield and Bobby Bridges, all of Kings Mountain, B. G. Jones of Charlotte and Joe Gaskey of Concord.



PRESIDENT — Gerald Thomasson has been installed as president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce for the coming year.

Thomasson Heads Jaycees

Gerald Thomasson was installed as president of the Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce at the civic club's annual ladies' night banquet Tuesday night at the Woman's club.

Mr. Thomasson, chairman of the club's 1966 Miss Kings Mountain beauty pageant, will succeed Herman Greene.

Bob Jones of Forest City, vice-president of Jaycee District 21, installed the officers, and Bill West, of Hickory, state chairman of Speak-Up Jaycees, made the keynote address in which he challenged Jaycees to be enthusiastic leaders and good followers.

"Service to humanity is the best work of life," he said, as he contended, "We have a lot to live up to if we follow the

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