



JOHN HENRY MOSS
Mayor



RAY CLINE
Ward 1 Commissioner



LLOYD DAVIS
Ward 2 Commissioner



DON McABEE
Ward 4 Commissioner



JAMES AMOS
Ward 5 Commissioner



MURRAY PRUETTE
Ward 6 Commissioner



T. J. ELLISON
Has Run-Off Call



CORBET NICHOLSON
Ward 3 Leader

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 8,465

The Greater Kings Mountain figure is derived from the Special United States Bureau of the Census report of January, 1966, and includes the 14,900 population of Number 4 Township, and the remaining 6,124 from Number 5 Township, in Cleveland County and Crowders Mountain Township in Gaston County.

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Four Challengers Unseat Incumbents For Board Posts

Fain Hambright Is Postmaster of Year

National Award For Postmaster Of Grover Office

Fain Hambright, Postmaster at Grover, was named "Postmaster of the Year" at the 70th annual convention of the National League of Postmasters held in Dallas, Texas Sept. 24-25.

Postmaster General E. T. Klason, presented Hambright with the National Award at the Grand Banquet in behalf of the National League of Postmasters.

Award Reads: To Fain Hambright, in recognition and appreciation of his outstanding services in his post office, his community and this organization, thereby reflecting credit upon himself, the entire postal service and honoring the National League of which he is a loyal member.

Hambright has served as Deputy Director of the National League of Postmasters for the Southern Region, representing Postmasters in those 11 states for the past two years.

Jerome Cash Youth Director

Jerome Cash, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Cash of Kings Mountain and a freshman ministerial student at Gardner Webb college, has been named youth director of the ASU marching band.

Mr. Cash is a 1973 graduate of Kings Mountain high school where he was SPO president, a Boys State delegate, a Pep Band leader and president of the Senior Band. He is listed in the 17th annual edition of Who's Who Among High School Students, 1972-73.

Contracts Are Awarded For Four School System Building Projects

The board of education Monday at a luncheon meeting awarded contracts totaling over \$2.3 million for construction of a new junior high school, a new senior high school auditorium, and additions to East and West elementary schools.

The low bids were approved, and brings the total cost of the projects to \$2,382,125, including land, grading, architects, steel and a contingency fund.

Grading is nearly complete at the site of the new junior high and work on all projects is scheduled to begin in 30 days.

The projects will be financed via \$2.5 million in bonds approved last year, plus \$100,000 project interest on the bonds, and \$203,871 in local funds.

General construction contracts were awarded to Laxton Construction Company at \$907,200 for the new junior high school; Beam Construction Company at \$400,000 for the senior high auditorium; and Beam Construction Company at \$330,420 for the additions to East and West schools. The plumbing contract for all projects was awarded to McKin-



HONORED — Grover Postmaster Fain Hambright has been honored as National Postmaster of the Year.

Scholarship To McAulay

Bill McAulay, grandson of Mrs. Sue Arrowood Pritchard, son of Mrs. Susanne Arrowood McAulay and 1973 graduate of Bessemer City high school, was awarded a five quarter hours of English on the basis of scholastic aptitude entrance tests at Appalachian State University and was one of the few freshmen who qualified for the ASU marching band.

McAulay is a member of the First Presbyterian church here.

LODGE MEETING

An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF&AM will be held Monday night at 7:30 at Masonic Hall for work in the first degree. Secretary T. D. Tindall announces.

Debt Merging, And Bond Issue Are Approved

Kings Mountain voters joined their neighbors throughout the county in approving by 2-1 the issuance of \$4,050,000 in bonds and the consolidation of all school debt.

A light turnout of voters in No. 4 Township Saturday voted 325 to 237, approving the vote in the Kings Mountain school district.

Shelby district voters approved the request by 1,530 to 569 while the county district vote was 2,106 for to 1,554 against. It marked the first time since 1964 that the county school district voters had approved any school financial request, and each of the three school districts approved both questions.

Unofficially, the vote was 4,048 for the bond issue and 2,366 against, while the vote on debt consolidation was 3,973 in favor and 2,414 against. Percentage-wise, it was 63 percent for and 37 percent against.

Elected school officials hailed the vote as a new era in public school education in Cleveland County.

VICA To Sponsor Supper, Car Wash

Members of the VICA club of Kings Mountain high school will sponsor a spaghetti supper Friday from 5 until 7 p.m. in the cafeteria of the high school.

The VICA will also sponsor a car wash all day Saturday at the rear of the high school. Proceeds will benefit school projects.

T. A. Hambright's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Thomas Alfred Hambright, Sr., 89, retired farmer of Route 1, Grover, were conducted Monday afternoon at 4 p.m. from Antioch Baptist church of which he was a member.

His pastor, Rev. Wayne Tuttle, officiated at the final rites, and interment was in the church cemetery. Mr. Hambright's grandsons were pallbearers.

A native of Cherokee County, S. C., he was son of the late A. C. and Sally Dickson Hambright and a direct descendant of Colonel Frederick Hambright.

Surviving are his wife, to whom he was married more than 50 years, Mrs. Mabel Weir Hambright; three sons, Anderson Hambright, Lawrence Hambright and Tom Hambright, all of Grover; five daughters, Mrs. Eugene Roberts and Mrs. M. D. Phifer, both of Kings Mountain, Mrs. A. D. Cantrell of Davidson, and Mrs. Herman Kinard and Mrs. Ralph Driver, both of Charlotte; and one sister, Miss Anie Hambright of Kings Mountain. Also surviving are 22 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Mayor: No Letter From Police Chief

"I have received no letter," Mayor John Henry Moss said Wednesday afternoon.

He referred to a rumor that Chief of Police Tom McDevitt had tendered a letter of resignation.

Chief McDevitt said, "I have no comment at this time." The Chief came to Kings Mountain from Asheville.

70th Floral Fair Set For Wednesday



RESIGNS — Rev. Alfred R. Wright has resigned as pastor of Union Baptist church to begin full-time evangelistic work.

Wright Resigns To Be Evangelist

Rev. Alfred R. Wright has resigned as pastor of Union Baptist church to become a full-time evangelist. He has been an evangelist since the age of 17.

Rev. Wright is filled with speaking engagements through the month of November. His first stadium crusade was in Pilot Mountain.

He has been a pastor for 20 years. The churches he has served were in Lincoln, Concord, Charlotte, Marshville, Greensboro and Gastonia.

A 1955 graduate of KMHHS, he attended Gardner-Webb and

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Community Showcase Event Theme

Women's club members were reading exhibits this week and stocking the club pantry with good food for the 70th annual floral fair and community festival to be held Wednesday.

"Community Showcase" will be the theme of the fair and format of the one-day event will follow that of former fairs with both lunch and the evening meal to be served in the club dining room.

The show and bazaar will open to the public at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday. Exhibits may be entered Tuesday from 1 until 9 p.m. and on Wednesday from 8 until 10 a.m.

A record number of exhibitors are expected to enter the show.

General co-chairmen of the 1973 festival are Mrs. Haywood E. Lynch, club president, and Mrs. Charles F. Mauney, and according to the chairmen, the show will be a "showcase" of the city, displaying the city's business, religious, social and industrial life.

Turkey and all the trimmings and ham and accessories are featured in the noon and evening meals.

TO MEETING

Mayor John Henry Moss and City Clerk Joe McDaniel, Jr., will represent the city at the annual meeting of the North Carolina League of Municipalities at Pinehurst Friday and Saturday.

Nicholson Fails To Win Majority By Three Votes

By MARTIN HARMON
Four challengers for city commission seats won victory in Tuesday's biennial city election and a fifth failed to attain a majority by three votes, according to unofficial returns.

Challenger: elected were: Lloyd E. Davis 630, over Ward 2 Commissioner W. Seimore Biddix 544.

Don McAbee 602, over Ward 4 Commissioner W. Norman King 592.

James E. Amos 782, over Ward 5 Commissioner Jonas Bridges 421.

Murray C. Pruette, Jr., 709 over Ward 6 Commissioner James J. Dickey 496.

In Ward 3, Challenger Corbet Nicholson 601, led Commissioner T. J. (Tommy) Ellison 427 and James A. (Jim) Belt 178. Nicholson needed three more votes to attain a clear majority.

Comm. Ellison has until Monday to decide whether he will run for a run-off on November 6.

Mayor John Henry Moss, unopposed for a fifth term, was accorded 836 votes. A total of 47 write-in votes were recorded against him, with 23 of them given to Fred J. Wright, Jr. (For full list see box on unofficial results.)

Ward 1 Commissioner Ray W. Cline, officially unopposed for his consecutive term, was accorded 666 votes. Hugh A. Logan, Jr., an announced write-in candidate, tallied 334.

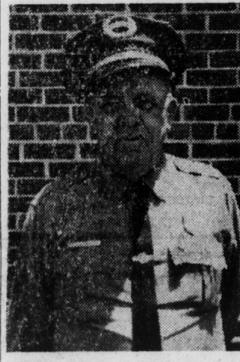
Highest vote total was for Ward 3 Commissioner — 1206 — while 1205 votes were cast in the Ward 6 Commissioner race.

Voting was considered light, about two-thirds the number cast two years ago.

There were no untoward incidents, but several displays of temper, virtually all occasioned by would-be voters who found their names missing in the pollbooks of their Ward of residence. This was a result of the new

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Funeral Tuesday For Paul Sanders



Funeral rites for Paul Richard Sanders, former Kings Mountain Chief of Police, were conducted Tuesday.

Former Chief Died On Sunday At Age of 64

Funeral rites for Paul Richard Sanders, 64, former Kings Mountain Chief of Police, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 4 p.m. from the Chapel of Harris Funeral Home, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Rev. L. D. Scruggs and Rev. Carl Sparks officiated at the final rites, and active pallbearers were Ray Cline, Junior Royster, J. D. Barrett, Marion S. Beam, David Corn and Bob Hayes.

Mr. Sanders died Sunday night at 7 p.m. in N. C. Baptist hospital at Winston Salem after several months' illness. He was a native of Cherokee County, S. C., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Arthur Sanders.

Surviving are two sons, Arthur Sanders of Kings Mountain and Donald Eugene Sanders of Florence, Ala.; two stepsons, Arnold Byars of Shelby and Edward Byars of Kings Mountain; one daughter, Mrs. Earl Stoupe of Miami, Fla.; two brothers Floyd Sanders and Howard Sanders, both of Kings Mountain; and three sisters, Mrs. Ola Royster, Mrs. Bertha Clinton and Mrs. Vera Black, all of Kings Mountain. Also surviving are 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Moss To Represent City At Hearing

Mayor John Henry Moss will go to Washington Thursday where he, other representatives of natural gas distributing cities and private systems will seek revocation of the Federal Power Commission's order for paring of natural gas allocations.

The FPC has ordered cuts to assure sufficient heating in northern states during the coming winter.

SERMON TOPIC

"Have you heard from God lately?" will be the sermon topic of Rev. N. C. Bush at Sunday morning worship hour at 11 at Grace United Methodist church.

Mt. Zion Baptist Breaks Ground For New \$225,000 Church Edifice

Mt. Zion Baptist church broke ground at ceremonies Sunday for its new church plant to be built at the corner of Watterson and Parker streets.

The church bought the two-plus acre tract — site of the former Davidson school — at public auction several years ago.

The present Mt. Zion church plant has been sold to the Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission. In turn, the church will continue to occupy the present plant under a dollar-per-year lease agreement until the new edifice is occupied.

Building permit has been purchased indicating the cost will be \$225,000. John R. McClure is

the architect and the contractor is T. C. Strickland, of Shelby. The church will face Watterson Street.

Rev. J. S. Norris is pastor of the church.

Other building permits issued by the city during the week:

Mrs. Lallage Falls, estimated \$5000 remodeling of the residence at 07 West Mountain street, Jim Connor, contractor.

W. Roy Duncan, 608 Hillside Drive, estimated \$1000 remodeling of residence, J. A. Strickland, contractor.

Jon L. McGill, construction of \$225 utility building at 208 West Gold street.

Unofficial Returns - October 9, 1973 City Election

John Henry Moss For Commissioner Ward 1	44	90	142	119	357	84	836
Ray W. Cline For Commissioner Ward 2	31	80	119	78	289	69	666
Lloyd E. Davis W. Seimore Biddix For Commissioner Ward 3	53	69	128	101	223	56	630
Corbet Nicholson James A. (Jim) Belt T. J. Ellison For Commissioner Ward 4	44	70	102	104	229	52	601
Don McAbee W. Norman King For Commissioner Ward 5	13	22	24	21	81	17	178
Jonas Bridges James E. Amos For Commissioner Ward 6	22	58	84	48	177	38	427
Murray C. Pruette James J. Dickey	48	73	111	104	220	46	602
	31	77	98	70	259	57	592
	28	67	66	62	160	41	424
	52	81	139	110	333	67	782
	50	80	136	124	260	59	709
	31	70	69	48	230	48	496

Write-in votes were cast as follows: Hugh A. Logan, Jr., for Ward 1 Commissioner, Wards 1 thru six consecutively, 41, 51, 41, 68, 109, 29—Total 334; For Mayor, Fred Wright, Jr., 23; Glee E. Bridges 6; Ollie Harris 3; Carl Devonde 2; Thomas A. Tate 2; William Orr 2; Roly Brown, Tilman Pearson, John Hancock, James A. Belt, Tom Trott, Orangrel Jolly, B. D. King, William Henry Hager and Bob Maner, all 1 each.