



L. E. (JOSH) HINNANT



C. M. PEELER, JR.



DAVID M. (PETE) STAMEY

Voter Turnout Light In Today's Primary

Voter turnout in Kings Mountain for today's Second Democratic Primary has been light and local observers feel perhaps the statewide tally will run less than in the first primary on May 2.

Local voters have only two ballots to mark today. On the county level voters are asked to select two men to serve on the county board of commissioners. The candidates are L. E. (Josh) Hinnant of Kings Mountain, C. M. Peeler Jr. of Shelby and David M. (Pete) Stamey of Polkville.

In the May 2 primary Hinnant led the field in votes gathered, but did not have enough to be declared one of the clear winners. Peeler was second and Stamey third. Hinnant and Peeler are the incumbents and Stamey is the novice. It was his

perogative to call for a runoff election.

Two other commissioners candidates involved in the May 2 primary were Tommy P. Bridges of Kings Mountain and J. D. (Doc) Turner of Shelby. Bridges was eligible to enter the runoff, but chose instead to dropout and begin planning another campaign two years from now.

The two winners today will automatically take the county board seats since there is no Republican opposition in the November general election.

The second ballot includes the names of Luther Hodges Jr. and John Ingram who seek the Democratic nod to oppose the GOP's incumbent U. S. Senator Jesse Helms in November.

Hodges is making his first bid for public office. His career has been in business and banking until he resigned to begin his Senate campaign several months ago.

Ingram currently serves in his second term as N. C. Commissioner of Insurance. Ingram was re-elected insurance commissioner by one of the largest votes ever totaled by a single candidate.

Local voters, only Democrats who were registered to vote in the May 2 primary, are casting ballots in two places. In the West KM precinct at the national guard armory on Phifer Rd. and at the Kings Mountain Community Center for East KM precinct residents.

The polls opened at 6:30 a. m. and will close at 7:30 p. m.

At KM Senior High

Final Exercise Thursday

Commencement exercises for 242 graduating seniors will be held Thursday night (June 1) at 8 o'clock in John H. Gamble Memorial Football Stadium.

Rev. Gary Bryant, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, delivered the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday evening in B. N. Barnes Auditorium.

Members of the Senior Class will lead Thursday's final exercises.

Gregory Keith Williams, class representative, will give the invocation and the welcome address will be made by Student Participation Organization President Mark Alan Cloninger. The KMSHS Senior Choir will sing "We've Only Just Begun" and "Parting Blessing." Kelly Eugene Land, class president, will present the class of 1978 and Angela Dawn Bumgardner, secretary, will recognize honor graduates. Diplomas will be awarded by Principal Forrest Wheeler, assisted by Supt. William Davis, and Chief Marshal Betsy Ann Steinert.

Stephen F. Laughter, class treasurer, will present the class gift and Alex D. Owens, chairman of the board of education of KM District Schools, will make the acceptance. Members will sing the Alma Mater and the benediction will be pronounced by David Stokes Lynn, class vice-president.

Burlington Increasing Hourly Pay

Burlington Industries will pay a wage increase to its production employees effective July 17 and will give another paid holiday in its employee benefit package.

The wage and benefit increase will effect some 47,000 production employees at operations in 10 states, including employees of the Phenix Plant of Burlington Industries in Kings Mountain.

The additional holiday, which will probably be New Year's Day, gives production employees seven paid holidays, said a company spokesman.

Junior marshals, in addition to Chief Steinert, are Herbie Lee Beam, Phyllis Lynn Etters, Cathy Denise Heavener, Lindsay Ann Holmes, Nancy Chalmers Lee, Barry Mark Lineberger, Carla Elizabeth Mauney, Elizabeth Lowry McGill, Janice Ann Plonk, Andrea

Faye Ramey and Cynthia Kay Wells.

The KM Junior High Ninth Grade Band will play the processional march "Pomp and Circumstance."

The musical program will be directed by Mrs. J. N. McClure and Christopher Cole.

Dr. Gaddis Is Named G-W Department Head

Dr. Roger G. Gaddis has been named chairman of the Psychology Department of Gardner-Webb College.

Dr. Gaddis joined the faculty of Gardner-Webb in 1974 as an associate professor of psychology. Previously, he had been chairman of the Department of Psychology and Education at Gaston College in Dallas.

He received his B. A. degree at UNC-Charlotte, his M. A. at the University of Tennessee and his doctorate from the University of South Carolina, where he was a graduate assistant in the department of Educational Psychology. He was also a graduate educational research training program fellow there.

Dr. Gaddis has taught English at Winthrop College in Rock Hill, S. C. and was a graduate assistant in English at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

Last fall, Dr. Gaddis was selected to participate in a Chataquatype Short Course for College Teachers, sponsored by the National Science Foundation.

Dr. Gaddis has written several papers that have been accepted for publication, including one that was published in a professional publication for school officials, The Clearing House.

He serves as a consultant for several schools, conducts workshops for school districts and is on the board of advisors for the School Law newsletter. Most of his work with the schools deals with some form of

behavior modification. His teaching specialties are adolescent psychology and educational psychology.

He is married to the former Susan Woodall of Gastonia, and they have a son, David Benjamin, age 3. The Gaddises reside in Kings Mountain, and are members of the First Baptist Church here.



DR. ROGER G. GADDIS

Second Hearing Tonight

Flood Control Hearing Is 'a step Forward'

By ELIZABETH STEWART
Staff Writer

More than half the citizens attending Thursday night's first-of-three public hearings on surface drainage and flood control represented District Six.

Another hearing is slated Tuesday (tonight) at 7:30 p. m. at City Hall with the final public meeting on Tues., June 12.

District Two Comm. Humes Houston, who chairs the mayor's committee on flood control and presiding officer for the hearings, calls the program "a forward step for Kings Mountain which won't eliminate all the problems but will go a long way in helping to solve them."

Mayor John Henry Moss told the first gathering of citizens that Kings Mountain is the first city of its size in the state to call hearings "to try to do something about these problems and with \$75,000 in budgeted funds to help alleviate them."

Target date for beginning of the program is Thurs., June 1, and Comm. Houston and City Engineer Al Moretz said after walking over a wide area Thursday that much work is to be done. Said Houston, "Since we walked over this area a year ago the underbrush is thicker and we've had more rain," noting that the long-range program in flood control calls for clearing and cleaning major streams designated as flood zones in the city, installation of rip-rap and minor piping at critical locations to reduce erosion and installation of flood control pipe in areas that receive large quantities of surface water but where a definite stream channel does not exist.

"We can't snap our fingers and wish flood drainage away," said Houston, but these public hearings are designed to get information from citizens in order to tie down an overall work program toward relieving some of the drainage and flooding problems in the city."

Commissioners Jim Dickey, of District Six, Bill Grissom of District

Four, along with City Engineer Al Moretz and Mayor John Moss heard a variety of problems discussed by 21 citizens.

Projects for which work begins next week, are approved in the grant just received and officials anticipate that others suggested can be incorporated in the long-range flood control program in the city.

Chairman Houston said the program will include installation of flood control piping in Stowe Acres and Third Street, piping from Scotland to Amhurst, from Princeton to Southwood an approximately 26 acre drainage area; cleaning and clearing and rip-rap controls from Oak St. to Beason Creek behind Canaler, opening up and improving flow and streams from Watterson to Pilot Creek, a meandering creek to Davidson Park, from Carpenter to intersection of N. C. 161 below Community Center and from North School to intersection of Pilot Creek at N. C. 216 which is the first area to be piped.

After streams are cleared they will be classified, according to Houston, who noted that children are playing in streams which are both unsafe and unsanitary.

Purpose of this program is also aimed to eliminate health and safety hazards and stop erosion and some of the problems can be coordinated by working together with other agencies on right-of-ways and easements, said the Mayor.

Raeferd White, representing citizens in the Walker-City Street areas, told the group that "surface water is our problem and we get pretty washed out at least twice a year with water overflowing the curb, streets, and back yards. There's no use to seed yards. When heavy rains come, we're in trouble."

Herman Greene, of 802 Maner Rd., spoke out on the drainage problem in his area during heavy rains when a lot of water is diverted, traveling about 1500 feet before emptying into a culvert and going over three pieces of property to become a real community problem.

Boyce Tesenair, representing citizens in the Scotland Dr.-Somerset Dr. areas, asked why his

area had not been curb and guttered since petitions were first instituted four or five years ago. When the rains come, his seed and fertilizer washes to a neighbor's yard and his backyard is completely washed away, he showed the board via pictures of flooding yards from a recent storm. "We're catching the drainage off two streets," he told the group.

Comm. Houston offered the opinion that if current building and codes regulations had been in effect when subdivisions were constructed some years ago there would be fewer problems today. Piping had also been installed in that area by the developer and residents said pipe was not installed up to the property line.

Philip Wright told the board that water coming from Lee Street down to the corner of his lot at 411 Scotland Dr. was causing a major flooding problem.

Engineer Moretz suggested that installation of a "swell" with sowing of grass to control and direct flow of water would eliminate some of the problem. Mrs. Carson Gore, of 412 Somerset, wanted to know if this action would "stop the water underneath my house" and Moretz said that "keeping water moving from the house with a swell and landscaping is a good possibility."

Wright wanted to know if his neighbors "come to terms on the swell recommendation can funds be allocated from this program to pay for it?"

Comm. Houston said that it is not the intent of the public hearings to set policy. "We're trying to find the problem areas," he said, and "go from there."

Tesenair said, "I know everyone has a problem with surface drainage but I'd like to see somebody with greater problems," as he exhibited pictures of washed-out areas in his neighborhood near the Margrace area of the city.

Certain areas, said Houston, will be designated flood-prone areas and not suitable for building, pointing to topographical maps which show these areas and which came out of his committee's planning in 1976 with funds just now available to start a comprehensive program.

Tomorrow's Citizens To Be Featured

The Mirror-Herald will publish pictures of Kings Mountain-Grover citizens of tomorrow.

Through special arrangement with Wolitz Studios, The Mirror-Herald will compile a file of photos of the youngsters residing in our coverage area. The photos, along with some information, will be published in the future under the heading "Citizens of Tomorrow."

All photos published will be done free of charge. Wolitz Studios will shoot the pictures for publication free of charge also.

On Wed., June 14, 1978 Wolitz Studios photographers will set up cameras in the Kings Mountain Woman's Club on E. Mountain St. (beside the post office) from 1-7 p. m.

In Grover the photographer will set up shop at Philbeck Shell Service and Grocery on Tues., June 13 from 1-7 p. m.

Between now and the photo session dates Kings Mountians will receive calls from Miss Priscilla Hayes of the city to arrange photo appointments. There is no age limit on the subjects to be photographed.

In the Grover area, Mrs. Shirley Philbeck of Grover will call to make photo session appointments. This is a promotion similar to the one The Mirror-Herald ran several years ago to gather photos of civic, church and community leaders. This time we are after photos of the civic, church and community leaders of tomorrow.

Goal Is \$50,000

Boggan Is Chairman Of 1979 KMUF Drive

Kings Mountain's United Way Campaign for 1979 will seek a goal of \$50,000 for 17 causes and Rev. Robert Boggan, pastor of Central United Methodist Church, will serve as drive chairman.

Pat Cheshire, president of KM United Way and chairman of the 1978 appeal which set a record with \$85,000 in pledges and contributions, said officers Tuesday night approved two additional requests from Kings Mountain Little Theatre for \$1,000, and N. C. Mental Health Association for \$600. Because Kings Mountain Rescue Squad is now basically tax-supported, Cheshire said that a total of \$5,450 was budgeted for new equipment reducing \$3,850 from the 1978 budget. KM Rescue Squad had requested the funds this year for equipment only, he said. In addition, officers upped from \$5,000 to \$5,000 the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association request, giving an additional \$2,000 grant to cover the remainder of 1978, said Cheshire.

Other requests approved for 1979 are: American Red Cross, \$8,500; Boy Scouts, Piedmont Council, \$6,000; C. C. Association for Retarded Citizens, \$600; Cleveland County Shelter Home, \$2700; Community Organization for Drug Abuse Prevention \$500; Girl Scouts, Pioneer Council, \$6200; Grover Rescue Squad, \$1500; Kings Mountain High School Band, \$2800; Kings Mountain High School Chorus, \$775; N. C. United Way, \$4336.64; Salvation Army, \$1500; Emergency

Fund, \$600. Goal of last year's campaign was \$45,000 and Kings Mountain was No. 1 in the state among United Way drives under \$100,000.

Treasurer of the 1979 campaign is Mrs. Linda King and newly-elected board members include June Lee, Burreis Ramey, and Polly Phifer.

"Kings Mountain citizens have always been generous to help others," said Cheshire, "and we are confident that next year's United Fund will surpass the past year's efforts, which were just tremendous."



REV. ROBERT BOGGAN
- United Way Drive Chairman