# Wanted For Murder And Armed Robbery

SUSPECTS IN THE ARMED ROBBERY/HOMICIDE, BLUE BIRD MOBILE HOME SALES, HIGHWAY 74 WEST OF KINGS MTN., OCTOBER 31, 1983.

SUSPECTS TRAVELING IN A MEDIUM BLUE SMALL CAR

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W/M Late 30's, 6', Heavy Build, 220 lbs. Dark hair w clothes. Untrimmed wirey beard.

SUSPECT #2. WM Mid 20's, 5'11". Slender build, 165 lbs. Blond h eyes, clean shaven, wearing a light colored shirt.

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#### One Killed, One Injured In Robbery

Cleveland County Sheriff's Department and the State Bureau of Investigation are continuing their investigation into the Monday morning robbery at Bluebird Mobile Homes which resulted in the death of a Shelby man and serious injury of his elderly father.

Clarence David Jay Sr., 59, of 222 Country Club Road, Shelby, was killed during the robbery which occured around 10:30 a.m. His father and business partner, Clarence P. Jay, 77, of 212 Country Club Road, Shelby, was shot at least once in the head and is now in stable condition at Charlotte Memorial Hospital.

The men have sold mobile homes on the lot about a halfmile west of the city limits on Highway 74 for several years. In recent years, they have also purchased gold and silver. According to law enforcement officials, they usually kept large amounts of money on them. The amount stolen Monday has not been determined.

Police are looking for a heavy set, bearded white man in his mid-20s, and a blond, white man in his late teens. They reportedly fled the scene in a small, medium-sized, blue automobile. Officers hope an autopsy to be performed in Chapel Hill will provide the number of shots which killed David Jay and the calibre of weapon used.

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### Rotary Supper Is Friday

The Kings Mountain Rotary Club will sponsor a "Spaghetti Supper" Friday between 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Kings Mountain High School Cafeteria.

All proceeds will go toward the Rotary Scholarship Fund. The public is invited to attend the supper and the high school football game between Kings Mountain and Shelby immediately following.

# Elections Tuesday **Hord Only** Unopposed

Candidate

Eight persons are seeking four seats on the Kings Mountain School Board in Tuesday's election. Polls open at 6:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 p.m.

This school board election is unique in that two of the persons who win will serve less than the normal six-year term in office.

Because of recent resignations, seats available are for terms of two, four and six years. Only one candidate, Paul Hord Jr., is unopposed. He is running for a two-year outside city seat which he currently holds. He was appointed to serve until December in the place of Harold Lineberger, who resigned last spring to move to Gaston

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# 6 Races In Grover

Grover citizens will go to the polls Tuesday to elect a mayor and three commissioners to fouryear terms and two commissioners to two-year terms.

For the first time, Grover is beginning staggered terms of office for the six people who will run city government.

The mayor and the three commissioners receiving the highest number of votes will receive four-year terms. The two commissioner candidates receiving the fourth and fifth highest vote total will earn two-year terms. Those two seats will be available again in two years, and from that point on all seats will be available for four-year terms.

Incumbent Mayor Bill Mc-Carter, who has served four twoyear terms, faces opposition from former councilwoman Martha Byers, who lost to Mc-Carter in a narrow race for mayor two years ago.

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## Council Runoffs In City

Kings Mountain citizens will return to the polls Tuesday to elect two city commissioners.

Incumbents Corbet Nicholson and Norman King face opposition after failing to receive a majority vote in the election held on October 11.

Nicholson, who has held the District Three council seat for the past 10 years, faces first-time politician Ronald Franks, and King, who has been the District Four representative since 1963 except for a brief two-year period in the early 1970s, faces the Rev. M.L. Campbell, another newcomer to city

Nicholson, owner of Nicholson Heating and Air Condifficulty, lacked 67 votes leceiving a majority in the October 11 election, when Mayor John Henry Moss won his eighth term and Irvin "Tootie" Allen unseated Jim Childers for the District One commissioner's job. Nicholson received 965 votes to 710 for Franks, 194 for Frank "Bud" Wright and 127 for T.C. "Red" McKee.

Franks is vice president of Kings Mountain Federal Savings and Loan.

King, a retired employee of Southern Bell, led Campbell by 91 votes in the October election.

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RONNIE FRANKS



CORBET NICHOLSON

For District Four Commissioner

For District Three Commissioner



**NORMAN KING** 



M.L. CAMPBELL

MARTHA BYERS

PAUL HORD

BILL McCARTER

## No Conflict Of Interest

According to local rumors there would be a conflict of interest if Ronnie Franks were elected to the Board of Commissioners on November 8.

Franks, who is opposing incumbent Corbet Nicholson, is employed by First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Kings Mountain, the firm which

the city does some business with. However, there is "no conflict of interest" according to the

North Carolina Savings and Loan League and First Federal attorneys. All across the state, bankers and savings and loan officers are involed in various levels of local politics. One example is L.E. "Josh" Hinnant, president of First Union National Bank of Kings Mountain, who serves on the Cleveland County Board of Commissioners.

Franks stated, "I don't know where the rumors originated, but I forsee no conflict of interest and just want to be able to serve this community."

## J.M. McGinnis, 77, **Dies Saturday At Home**

J.M. McGinnis Sr., 77, of Route 1, Kings Mountain, died Saturday at his home.



J.M. McGINNIS

A retired textile manager, he was the son of the late Wiley H. and Minnie Carpenter McGinnis. He was a member of the first Kings Mountain High School football team and attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He was a member of Resurrection Lutheran Church and a former Lion.

He is survived by his wife, Lorene Cornwell McGinnis; one son, J.M. McGinnis Jr. of Metairie, La.; one daughter, Mrs. Paul (Kay) Suman of Kings Mountain; one brother, Gene McGinnis of Myrtle Beach, S.C.; one sister, Mrs. Charles (Mary Francis) Proctor of Salisbury; six grandchildren; and four greatgrandchildren.

Services were conducted Monday at 3 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home Chapel by the Rev. Phillip M. Squire. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.



PHOTO BY GAIL SHYTLE

RONNIE WILSON...sits in his new office behind the principal's desk at Kings Mountain Senior High School. Looking at current curriculum, he doesn't forsee any changes in the near future. He joined the staff this fall.

### Principal **Enjoying New Job**

By GAIL SHYTLE Staff Writer

Ronnie Wilson, who became the Principal at Kings Mountain High School this fall, doesn't forsee any changes in school policies in the near future.

However, he is looking at curriculum and existing programs and will change those needing assessment. He stated,"We are very fortunate to have the current facilities at Kings Mountain High. I don't forsee any immediate changes."

Mr. Wilson feels that the high school is a typical example of a 3-A school with curriculum offerings and strong vocational programs which prepare students for current job markets.

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