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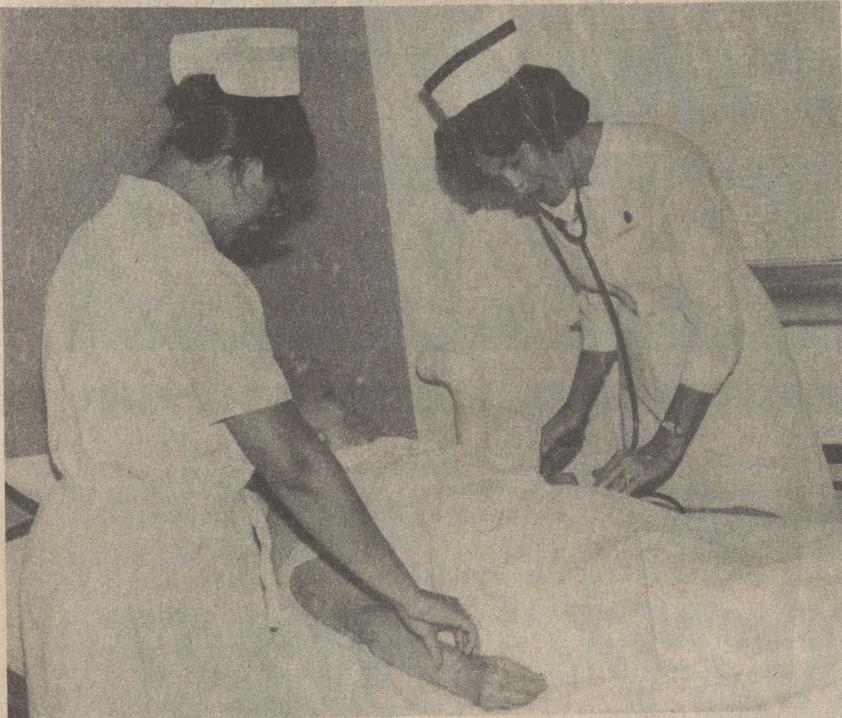
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ONE DAY SURGERY NOT NEW AT HOSPITAL—One day surgery has been offered to patients at Kings Mountain Hospital for two years and the new wing, recently opened, is equipped for that purpose.

Nurses Avis Morris, left, and Pat Schronce take blood pressure and temperature of a patient, above, in one of the new rooms of the new wing.

One-Day Surgery Helps Meet Community's Needs

One-Day Surgery - Another way that Kings Mountain Hospital is meeting the health care needs of this community.

One-Day Surgery or Out-Patient Surgery, as it is often called, is not new at Kings Mountain Hospital. The hospital has been offering out-patient surgery for the past two years. Since this time out-patient surgery has increased 40 percent.

When this service was initially begun, the patients came through the Emergency Room and were prepared for their surgery there. They were then taken to the surgical suite for the actual surgery and then returned to the Emergency Room for their recovery process. They were able to have the surgery and go home the same day.

In the past few months, the hospital has opened a new wing just for out-patient surgery. This wing is equipped with all the necessary equipment and supplies needed by the patient and is staffed with specially trained personnel to take care of them before and following surgery. The patient is admitted to the out-patient surgery wing and is prepared for surgery. They are then transferred to the surgical suite. Following

surgery, they are brought back to the out-patient surgery wing to be taken care of until they are ready to go home that same day.

There are numerous operative procedures that can be done on an out-patient basis; but, of course, there are some that cannot be done unless admitted as in-patient. Your physician can advise you about these procedures.

"Out-patient surgery is a concept that our patients are glad to be a part of. It not only gives them the high quality of care that they deserve but lets them recuperate in their own home," says Hospital Administrator Huitt Reep.

According to data that has been collected by the American Hospital Association, out-patient surgery rose 77 percent between 1979 and 1983 at hospitals nationwide, while in-patient operations fell 7 percent during the same period.

"Health care is an ever-changing field with new and more efficient services being introduced almost daily. Kings Mountain Hospital is glad that it can continue to offer new services such as the One-Day Surgery," Reep says.

Construction Could Begin Soon

Grover's sewer project construction could begin as early as September, Mayor W.W. McCarter said in a progress report to the Town Board Monday night.

The Mayor said that only about seven or eight right-of-way purchases remain from a total of 60 property owners and that condemnation procedures will begin this week to acquire those necessary properties.

According to Town Attorney Andy Neisler, if any property owners do not reach a negotiated settlement with the town, condemnation suits

will be filed in Superior Court. According to Neisler, the town would deposit with the clerk of court an amount equal to the estimated damages involved in the construction of the sewer along a right-of-way. The property owner would have 120 days to answer the suit, he said.

McCarter said that surveyors were in Grover this week establishing property lines and that a survey team from the engineering firm handling the sewer project would be in soon to drive up stakes where the new sewer line will go. "We're

moving on this project and are about ready to close it out," said the Mayor.

Mayor McCarter also reported that he is expecting to get final approval within the next few days on the North Carolina National Guard's participation in Park grading and building of bleacher seats for the Grover Park. He said officials from the State Adjutant General's office had inspected the Park and their participation involves final approval by the state. If approved by the state, the Guard "could move in by Sept. 1 and save the

town some money in the construction of the bleachers and in grading the area," he said. The Guard would provide the labor free of charge and the Town would supply all materials. McCarter estimated that seating would be required for 250 people and the board will meet again in the next few weeks to consider hiring an architect to draw up plans for the Guardsmen to use in the construction of bleachers and a picnic shelter. He estimated the cost, depending on whether

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Swimming Pool Pledges Top \$400,000 Figure

Campaign chairman Grady Howard has announced that the current campaign for the funds necessary to construct the new indoor swimming pool in Kings Mountain has now reached a total of approximately \$400,000.

The campaign began officially in early June following an intensive period of preparation for solicitation

by formulation of a Foundation to supervise all plans for the pool and continue long-term management of all activities in cooperation with the Board of the Kings Mountain School District. Official activities of the various divisions within the campaign organizational structure are expected to conclude by August 16, with follow-up of

remaining calls on prospects to be guided by Chairman Howard and fellow members of the organization.

"We expect," Howard said, "that when all the solicitation is completed, we will certainly achieve our goal of \$750,000. Though the summer is not usually the best time to try to solicit funds, due to family vacations, etc., we

feel we have made major progress during the short time we have had to date. We know that every one of our many workers in the campaign is vitally interested in achieving complete success and that each will do everything in his power to see that we do."

The Major Gifts Division in the campaign, co-chaired by

John Young and Glee Bridges, expects to be able to report the finalization of calls by August 16. About seventy-five percent of the prospects remain unreported in the division, including reports of team members in the group.

The Special Gifts Division in the campaign is co-chaired by Tom Tate, Frank Cagle, and Gary Whitaker. This

division too expects to conclude its work by August 16. About eighty percent of this division will need to report results by this date.

The Community Gifts Division is under the direction of Jane King and June Lee. Kick-off and orientation meetings for the division

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Harold Phillips To File For KM City Council

Harold Phillips, retired superintendent of Craftspun Yarns and a former city commissioner in the Glee A. Bridges Administration 1953-55, announced today he will be a candidate for District 6 commissioner in the October 8th city election.

Mr. Phillips will seek to unseat incumbent commissioner Jim Dickey, who has not announced but who is expected to seek re-election to another four year term.

The District 6 seat is one of three commission seats up for grabs in this year's election but may be the hottest contest, according to political spectators. Jan Deaton has already announced she will be a candidate in District 6 and Jim Childers, former District 1 Commissioner who was defeated by Irvin M. Allen, Jr. in the recent election, is expected to be a candidate from District 6, making the contest a four-person race.

Terms of District 2 Commissioner Humes Houston and District 5 Commissioner Curt Gaffney are also expiring. Gaffney has said he will be a candidate for re-election and Houston is expected to also run for re-election to another four year term. "I have no axes to grind and no political liabilities," said Phillips, who said he can devote full-time service to the position of District 6 commissioner and welcomes the opportunity to serve again. "I did not see re-election back in 1955 because of business commitments and because we were moving machinery and revamping the Craftspun operation", said Phillips, who was Craftspun superintendent for 12 years during the period the industry employed 700 in the Kings Mountain area and worked for Craftspun 27 years.

"I'm not running against anyone and will vote my convictions on every issue", he said. "I feel that I am qualified to work with people and have experience," he said. Phillips said he would



HAROLD PHILLIPS

like to see city police receive more money and that he would push to see reductions in city utilities for senior citizens. "Some of our senior citizens can't pay their water and light bills and I would like to see something done to help them", he said. Phillips said his business experience would be an asset and his reputation for fairness and honesty in the yarn industry for 20 years as a yarn broker would be beneficial. "I have always been above board with people and fair to all my employees", he said.

A Kings Mountain native, Phillips is the son of the late Dovie and Pearl Phillips.

Filing For City Seats To Begin On August 16

Candidates announcing for District 2, District 5 and District 6 city commissioner seats can file beginning Friday, Aug. 16th, at noon at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Cook, 717 Meadowbrook Red., Chairman of the Board of Elections.

The filing period is August 16 through Sept. 6 at noon.

Filing fee for city commissioner is \$5. A person must be a registered voter in the city and live in the district he seeks office for at least six months prior to filing for office. Salary is \$385.99 per month plus insurance coverage by the city. Commissioners do not receive retirement benefits.

Four year terms of District 2 Commissioner Humes Houston, District 5 Commissioner Curt Gaffney and District 6 Commissioner Jim Dickey are expiring. Gaffney has said he will seek re-election. Neither Dickey and Houston have announced their intentions to run for another term but both are expected to seek re-election.

Announced candidates for District 6 are Jan Deaton and Harold Phillips.

No new registration will be held.

Citizens who have moved from one district to the other can contact the Cleveland

After graduation from Kings Mountain High School, he went to work at the old Craftspun Mills as a sweeper and worked to the top as superintendent of what was then one of the largest plants in the area. He attended N.C. Vocational Textile School for two years but his schooling and employment was interrupted by a three year and three months hitch with Uncle Sam in the U.S. Army where he served overseas in the European Theatre of Operations from July 1942 until November 1945, discharged as a sergeant. He and his wife, Edna Bookout Phillips, have been married 47 years. He attends First Baptist Church, is a member of American Legion Post 155, is past president of the KM Optimist Club, was active for 10 years in the KM Kiwanis Club, is a member of Fairview Lodge 339 AF&AM, Scottish Rite Oasis Temple and Piedmont Shrine Club. A member of the yarn brokerage firm of Radcliff and Co. for 20 years, he served as the first president of the Cleveland County Community Action Committee and was chairman during the Bridges Administration in the 50's of a 25-member mayoral industry seeking committee which sought ways of alleviating poverty in the county.

Up-To-Date Photographs Are Needed

With the city and some county elections just around the corner, candidates are beginning to announce their intentions to run and will soon be filing for office.

All persons who intend to run are asked to contact the Herald at 739-7496 or come by our office on Canterbury Road so that their candidacy may be announced in the paper.

We ask that all candidates furnish up-to-date pictures. If you do not have an up-to-date picture (one made within the past two years), the Herald will make one free of charge.

County Board of Elections (484-4858) for instructions on changing their place of voting. The polling places are East Kings Mountain at the Community Center and West Kings Mountain at the National Guard Armory.