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### CARD OF THE FUTURE

You've heard of branch banking and home banking. Now there's a new twist—pocket banking.



Visa is developing a super smart card that has a microchip with more memory than a personal computer and a calculator that allows consumers to instantly tap into their checking, savings, credit or other accounts.

Unlike other so-called smart cards, this new super card works like a bank in your pocket because the card itself authorizes transactions without the need for any bank machine or other terminal, and it automatically keeps track of your purchases.

The consumer picks the account he wants to use by pressing the appropriate button and entering the amount of the purchase on the keyboard on the back of the card. The card checks the balance in its memory, deducts the amount, and displays an approval code so the merchant doesn't have to call for an authorization.

The card also keeps notes and tells the time of day. If the consumer makes a payment and wants to restore the balances in the card, he keys in a special code provided with his monthly bank statement.

Visa, which will begin testing the card in 18 months, says it is virtually fraud-proof because the cardholder must use a secret personal identification number to activate it.



**OUTSTANDING YOUTH IN AGRICULTURE**—Barry Cabaniss, Rt. 4, Shelby, has been recognized as the Southwestern District runner-up in the outstanding youth in agriculture competition conducted as a part of Farm-City Week. Presenting the award to Cabaniss are LuAnn Whitaker, chairman of the State Advisory Council for the N.C. Agricultural Extension Service, and Dr. Kenneth May, state chairman of Farm-City Week.

## Zoning Request Is Denied

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Plonk must reapply for rezoning.

Allen Propst, of Cornwell Drug Company, said that King's point was well taken but that all members of the planning and zoning board were fully aware of what businesses could be erected in the R-0 classification. Dr. Plonk reiterated that the lot in question belonged to him.

Connie Putnam, codes officer, said the planning and zoning board had a copy of Plonk's and Dr. Zucker's application, that Dr. Zucker withdrew the original request and that on advice of the Planning and Zoning Board Chairman she had readvertised the Zoning request for Dr. Plonk in the Shelby Star on Nov. 9-16 and the chairman saw no reason for Dr. Plonk, as owner of the property, to return before the board again. Commissioner

King said he was questioning the matter because of "other zoning requests which will come up in the future."

Mayor Moss called for the vote and Commissioners Irvin Allen, Corbet Nicholson, Norman King and Jim Dickey voted "no". The Mayor announced that five affirmative votes were required to pass the zoning request and that the motion had failed.

The Council Chambers at City Hall was standing room only and most of the visitors were residents of the Country Club section of the city who opposed the change in zoning to allow a parking lot for Cornwell Drug Co., which has purchased a lot owned by Plonk for a drug store. The back portion of that lot, which fronts W. King Street, is not zoned R-0 and matching zoning is required for maximum use, said Dennis Williams, Cornwell Drug architect.

Realtor Ruby M. Alexander, a resident of Country Club Drive, presented the petition from property owners and told the board that residents were concerned that a drug store in the area would enhance traffic and called the intersection at King and Country Club Drive "dangerous and hazardous." She said that as a parking lot, the property would not be used to its highest potential.

Signing the petition were Phyllis and John Cheshire, Mrs. Clyde Bearden, Eleanor and Brown Ware, Ruby M. Alexander, Tom Tate, Larry Wood, Jim Lybrand, Mary Wilson, Ronnie W. Wilson, Will Fulton, III, Charles Alexander, Gloria P. Summers, William A. Alexander, Frances P. Alexander, Charles Summers, Tim Heavner, Gene Thomas, Dora Heavner, Mary Wade Smith, Robert Smith, Darrell Austin, Phyllis Roberts, Ken Roberts, Shirley Austin and Eloise Crawford.

Dr. George Plonk stated that he had never had anyone speak in opposition to his surgical clinic in the area and that he felt the proposed construction would fall into the same use category, noting that he owned other property in the community and would not agree to anything that could reduce the value of the property. "There has been some confusion and it is not intentional," he said. Dr. Plonk said "it's not our intention to degrade the area. Cornwell Drug Co. plans to put up an attractive building and there has been some talk that we misrepresented to the community but it was not intentional."

Dennis Williams said Cornwell Drug Company was interested in the second Plonk lot for a parking area as a legitimate buffer for neighborhood parking "away from the residences" with evergreen screens and heavily landscaped area. By using both of the lots he said that traffic would be less because the exit could be relocated. "We think construction of the drug store and using this second lot for a parking area would improve traffic in the Country Club-King area," he told the board, as he presented plans for the facility. He said Cornwell wants to build a 6200-6500 square foot facility and is a community minded store. He said the zoning of the second site

would give the company maximum use of the property.

The Board took the zoning board's recommendations on two other matters, rezoning, after public hearings, request from Belt and Belt to rezone from R-8 to NB property on North Carpenter Street and property owned by Warren Reynolds on Highway 161 North from R-20 to G-B.

Upon motion by Comm. Norman King, the board by 5-1 vote, tabled request of Mike Brown for satellite incorporation of Brown Meadows Subdivision. Brown has also asked for water and sewer services. King said the board needs to study the request "in depth."

The Board set public hearing for Dec. 12th at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall two requests for annexation from J.O. and C.S. Plonk, heirs and Jim Falls.

The Board accepted the low bid from Earl Tindol Ford for a dump truck for the water-sewer department at cost of \$22,574.55. Other bidder was Wade Ford, Kings Mountain, \$26,180.

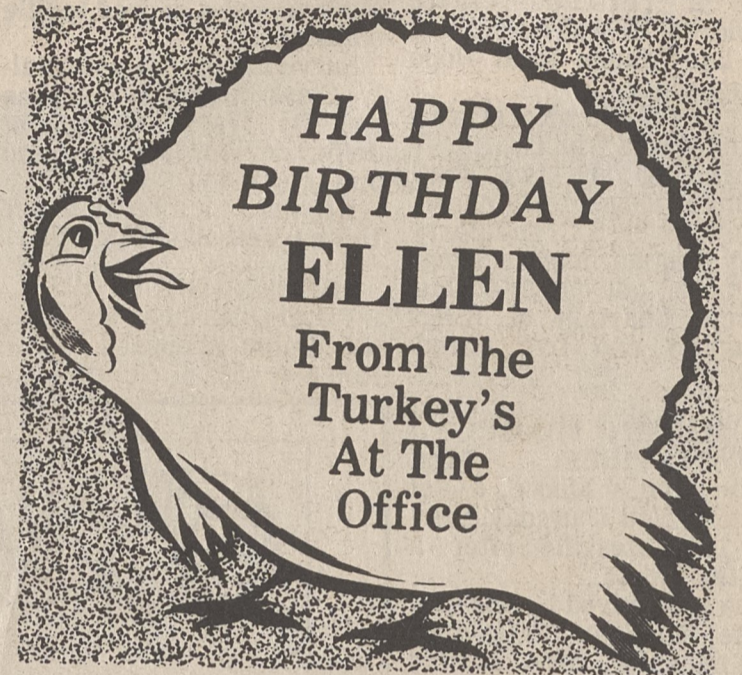
Prior to opening of the 29-item agenda, Mayor Moss, responding to Johnny Beam's request that members vote by show of hands, polled the board. Except for Commissioner King, all "were satisfied with oral vote." King said that he had no problem with show of hands.

After a vote was taken on one controversial zoning matter and it was confusing to determine how commissioners voted on the request, Beam rose to his feet from the back of the room and complained again. "I guess we do have some consolation, two years from now there will be another election," he said.

## CARPET SHOWROOM CHANGES TO BULLOCKS

Kings Mountain Carpet Showroom at 126 W. Mountain Street has changed its name to "Bullock's." Bullock's will not only continue to serve this area with carpet and other floor covering but has added a wide selection of furniture and other items. Bullock's is also the exclusive outlet store for Carolina Baskets Inc., a Kings Mountain manufacturer, of plant stands and floral baskets which is located in a renovated cotton warehouse on Margrace Road. This building was at one time part of the Neisler Textile Mill.

The Old cotton warehouse was purchased in 1982 by John & Frances Bullock shortly after the zoning board of adjustments voted to rescind Carolina Baskets Inc. privilege to do light manufacturing at 126 W. Mountain Street. In 1982 Carolina Baskets Inc. moved its entire manufacturing operation from the downtown area to its present location on Margrace Road. Bullock's new store hours will be 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and Saturday 1:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.



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