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Special Football Section Begins Next Week

This newspaper will begin a new feature section next week. Each week during the football season, Friday's Heroes will be an entire section devoted to the coverage of Friday night high school football games in the areas of Gaston and Cleveland County which are served by Herald Publishing Company newspapers.

Each week, your paper will give you detailed coverage of Kings Mountain, Cherryville, Bessemer City, North Gaston, East Gaston and South Point high schools. Included in the coverage will be a "Game of the Week", featuring action photos and news coverage of that game. Reports and photos of all the other games will also be included in the section.

At the end of the season, the writers and photographers who cover the area, with advice from the coaches from the six high schools involved, will select an Area Coach and Player of the Year.

Look for this new feature in next week's paper. Included in the first issue will be coverage of Friday night's opening season games between Kings Mountain and Bessemer City, and Cherryville and Fred Ford, along with pre-season reports on the other three area high schools (South Point, East Gaston and North Gaston) who open on September 5.



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KICKOFF!

PHOTO BY GARY STEWART



There's no chill in the air, but football season begins for area high schools Friday night. Kings Mountain's Mountaineers will kickoff their season at Bessemer City. Handling the placekicking duties for the KM team will be Rusty Bumgardner, above. For game writeup and photos, see page 9-A.

Posters Remind Drivers That School Has Opened

With schools in Kings Mountain open, posters announcing, "School's Open - Drive Carefully", are beginning to appear around the city in areas where children will be traveling to and from their classes.

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Elementary students will report to their classes by 8:20 a.m. and be dismissed at 2:40 p.m. School Crossing Guards will be at their post at these elementary schools from 8 a.m. until 8:30 a.m. and from 2:30 p.m. until 3 p.m. daily to see that children cross at the intersections safely.

Ralph Peters, president of the 330,000 member affiliate of the American Automobile Association, said, "Whenever motorists are in the vicinity of a school zone or crossing signs, or observe children walking along a street or roadway, please slow down and remain alert."

During 1985, 32 children under the age of 15 were killed in pedestrian accidents in North Carolina. In South Carolina, 16 children in the same age category were killed in pedestrian accidents.



Licensing Could Take Nine Months

City Files Hydro Application

The City of Kings Mountain is filing today a final application with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) for a license for a hydro-electric project on Moss Lake.

Mayor John Henry Moss said the city is mailing 25

copies of a 108 page formal application to the FEDC in Washington, D.C. with copies to the Environmental Protection Agency, the U.S. Wildlife Commission, the North Carolina Department of Natural Resources and the U.S. Corps of Engineers,

among others.

A preliminary hydro permit was obtained by the city some months ago.

Licensing, which may take up to nine months, would allow the city to construct and operate a hydro plant on city-owned Moss Lake, which

the Mayor says would mean considerable savings in utility costs, up to \$400,000 annually, in electrical power to operate the city's water and waste treatment plants and enhance the city's utility

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Water Survey In Mail

The city is surveying residents of area towns of Bessemer City, Grover, Cherryville, Patterson Springs and Earl to determine their interest in obtaining water and/or sewer services from Kings Mountain in a proposed Metropolitan Water District.

Mayor John Moss said the city is asking that residents return the forms to their respective city governments by Sept. 12th.

The form asks for a signature and address and telephone number but notes that return of the questionnaire does not obligate the person in any way. It asks the resident to check whether or not he is interested in participating in a proposed district which would provide water and or sewer services or both and asks him to check a block if he is not interested in the proposed project.

The city is already proceeding with Phase I of the project by signing a pre-application for funding of a \$6 million bond program with the Farmers Home Administration.

Mayors of the surrounding cities are meeting on Wednesdays with Mayor Moss who said that he is receiving tremendous support for a metropolitan water and sewer district from persons already signing the questionnaires and returning them to City Hall.

Students Return To School

First day school "butterflies" may be normal but at most Kings Mountain school plants Monday going back to school was a big deal for the young folk.

It was time to get new things for many of the kids, who came to school dressed up for Fall 1986 and with new school supplies too.

Teachers said that worry about peer acceptance and ability to master schoolwork confronts most students returning to school and books after two months of summer vacation.

On the first day of school Monday, students were making new friends, receiving

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Blood Visit Tuesday

The Cleveland County Red Cross bloodmobile will be at First Baptist Church in Kings Mountain Tuesday from 12:30 until 6 p.m.

This visit is being sponsored by Kings Mountain industry. Goal is 135 pints.

The Red Cross has issued an urgent appeal for type O- blood because of a critical shortage. Red Cross officials ask that all O-donors donate at the Kings Mountain visit. Because of the urgent need, additional personnel will be on hand to process Kings Mountain area donors quickly.

A two and one half day supply of all blood types is needed to meet the needs of patients in the 101 hospitals in the Carolinas region, said Johanna Gillespie of the Cleveland County unit. Normally, collections are balanced by blood type with patient needs.

However, because of traditionally low summer collections, type O- reserves have been tapped for the past several weeks in order to fill the patient needs. Approximately six percent of the population has O- type blood, yet type O- is used by 12 percent of the hospitalized patients. Type O- can be substituted in cases of emergency. Also, the region needs approximately 70 units of type O- pediatric packs each day to meet transfusion needs of area infants.

The Red Cross states that type O- donations are urgently needed next week to restore the blood supply after the Labor Day weekend.

"We're asking all persons to come to the bloodmobile Tuesday at First Baptist Church and help ease this critical shortage," Ms. Gillespie said.



ANGELA CROTTS

Bethware Fair Opens Monday

Gates will swing open on the 1986 Bethware Community Fair Monday, Sept. 1. The fair continues through Saturday, Sept. 8, at midnight.

Bethware Progressive Club is sponsoring the 39th annual Fair which will reflect the ever-advancing agricultural, commercial and industrial trends in the area and for the 28th consecutive year offers cash prizes to winning exhibitors. This is the second year the Fair will run six days on the grounds of Bethware School. There is no admission.

Angela Crofts, Bethware 5th grader and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Crofts, is Queen of the Fair.

Opening Day on Sept. 1 will feature games and contests for children, midway rides and shows plus a big drawing for prizes at 9:30 p.m. Family Night is Tuesday, Sept. 3, with a price of \$6 for unlimited rides and the fair opening at 6 p.m. Judging of all exhibits will take place on Wed., Sept. 3 and the Fair will open at 6 p.m. McLaury's Magical Moments will perform at 7 p.m. on the midway Thursday, Sept. 4, which is Family Night, offers unlimited rides for \$6 ticket. Special events are also planned on

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Grover Postmaster Returns

R. Fain Hambricht, Postmaster of Grover, has returned to his duties following a five year absence.

Postmaster Hambricht was on leave of absence from his post while serving as President and Resident Officer of the 22,000 member National League of Postmasters in Washington, D.C. His duties while there included representing Postmasters nationally before top postal management, Congress and other Administrative officials.

One of his many ac-



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complishments while in Washington, was to have enacted into law a bill giving Postmasters adverse action appeal rights to the Merit Systems Protection Board, rights previously available only to veterans.

The League National Convention recently limited National Officer terms to four years of service.

Hambricht said that, "I will miss the excitement of Washington, but look forward to being with my many lifetime friends in Grover, that I have also missed."