



HALLOWEEN AT GROVER INDUSTRIES-Brenda Moss, Dot Batchler, Selvia Brown and Debbie Myers dressed up for Halloween at Grover Industries.

Phillips

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"I want to emphatically say that the mayor, the city commissioners, the city attorney nor the administration had anything at all to do with the sentence in these cases.

"The procedure that we went through was the right way. Our own city investigation took place along with the State Bureau of Investigation. After the investigation was over with the matter was turned over to the district attorney and he, in turn, turned it over to the Grand Jury for an indictment or non-indictment.

"After the Grand Jury decided on indictment, the judge made the sentence and as far as I know no com-

missioner ever set foot in Shelby the whole time this was going on.

"I just wanted the public to know that neither the commissioners, the mayor nor the administration had anything to say about this matter, one way or another during the whole process."

Phillips asked City Attorney Mickey Corry if he had any further comments. Corry, who released a formal city statement, praised the investigation by city police, city auditors and the SBI, which resulted, he said, in two convictions and the full restitution of public funds to the city. Citizens should be grateful that errors were found and money returned and the bookkeeping system corrected with computers," he said.

Neither the Mayor or any city commissioner commented. City Manager George Wood read the prepared statement from Council.

After the meeting, Wood said that the city probe of missing funds is over.

City

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hours Monday night to discuss the case, the Kings Mountain City Council issued a statement to the public detailing the missing money.

According to City Council's statement read in open session Monday night, the investigation also uncovered a practice in the utilities department in which some employees allegedly were given cash reimbursements on personal utility bills in lieu of overtime pay.

According to City Council's statement read in open session Monday night the four women-Grace Wolfe, Judy Harmon, Margaret Wilson and Dianne Dellinger-told investigators that "a former supervisor had approved this as payment in lieu of overtime pay. This could not be substantiated with any written documentation and was not approved by the city council at that time. The District Attorney's office reviewed the evidence and authorized the city to seek restitution. The city has sought restitution for the approximate amount believed to have not been paid and has received, or will receive, the following amounts from four former employees: Mrs. Grace Wolfe, \$17,931.18; Mrs. Judy Harmon, \$10,396.12; Mrs. Margaret Wilson, \$6,864.61 and Mrs. Dianne Dellinger, \$1,169.90.

According to investigators, no other employees

were involved, no other charges will be made and the investigation is over.

Harmon pleaded guilty last Wednesday in Cleveland Superior Court to one count of embezzlement of \$25,820.00 while she was a city employee between May 6, 1986 to June 30, 1988, and under terms of the judgment handed down by Judge J. A. Booker, she paid the full amount to the court system by Thursday noon and received a five-year suspended sentence.

Dellinger pleaded guilty on Oct. 19 to three counts of embezzling \$36,324.54 in city funds while she was an employee between May 4, 1984 and Aug. 4, 1988. Judge Charles Lamm Jr. ordered Dellinger to repay the money in monthly payments over a five year period after she made a \$5400 payment and will pay another payment in December.

"The computerized billing and collection system installed in September 1988 prevented this type of activity from continuing," said the Council statement. In addition, the city's auditors have been instructed to give further recommendations to improve internal accounting procedures and the city will implement any and all such recommendations to further guard against such activity in the future."

Corry took the opportunity to praise the investigative efforts of the police and SBI, aided by city auditors. "This is like getting money back you didn't know you had. These are public monies and the city is doing our best to recoup as much as possible."

Election

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Buckeye Fire Company.

Houston is a retired employee of Kings Mountain Drug and Cornwell Drug Co. and a retired officer in the N. C. National Guard.

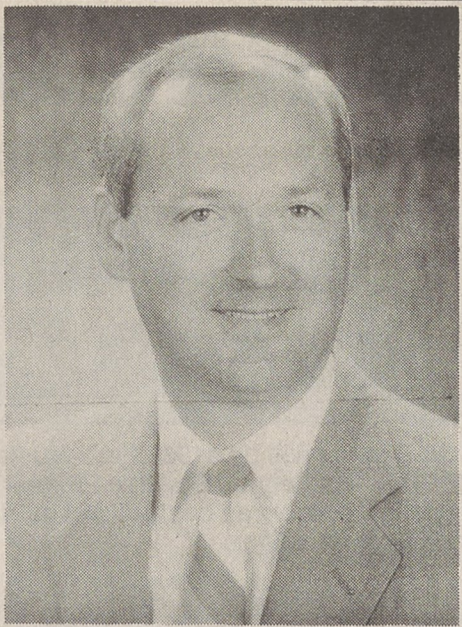
Incumbent Fred Finger in District 5 was the only clear winner at the polls on Oct. 10 and narrowly won reelection to another term. He received a strong challenge by newcomer Marshall Camp.

City Elections Board Chairman Becky Cook is predicting that Tuesday's election will attract a bigger turnout since voters will also be deciding three seats up for grabs on the Kings Mountain Board of Education and that race has attracted eight candidates.

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Tuesday
November
7th**



**Ronnie
HAWKINS**
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PD. Pol Adv.

ATTENTION

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK EACH AND EVERYONE OF THE 277 VOTERS THAT VOTED FOR ME.

I WOULD LIKE TO ASK EVERYONE OF YOU TO CAST YOUR VOTE FOR HAROLD PHILLIPS IN TUESDAY'S ELECTION.

VOTE
HAROLD
PHILLIPS
COMMISSIONER
DISTRICT 6

GILBERT HAMRICK

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Revival Services Scheduled

Rev. David Philbeck, pastor of First Baptist Church of Rhodiss, will be evangelist for revival services Nov. 8-11 at Macedonia Baptist Church.

Services will be at 7 p.m. nightly.

Special music will be featured and a nursery will be provided.

Rev. Bill Miller, interim pastor, said the public is invited.

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IT'S TIME

FOR
A
CHANGE



**ELECT
SCOTT
NEISLER**
District 5
Commissioner
pd pol adv.

HOLIDAY TRAVEL



Melissa

Want to visit Grandma's house for turkey and pumpkin pie over Thanksgiving? Well, unfortunately those "cheap" airfares are now about as plentiful as the meat on a turkey after the holiday!

If you are planning holiday travel, today is the day to make your travel arrangements to insure those low fares. October and November are traditionally the airlines' busiest reservations time. More people fly during the Thanksgiving period than any other time. The advance purchase fares offered by most airlines represent great travel bargains. But the airlines limit the number of seats available on the flights you might want, however, they will be in the higher priced category. Remember that most of these "Maxi-Saver" fares are highly restrictive with minimum stays and advance purchase requirements. Most tickets at these fare levels are also non-refundable.

Holiday season is also peak season for the cruise lines. You won't find any bargains in this type of travel since the cruise lines have a tendency to charge a holiday supplement. Even at these higher prices, cabin space is difficult to find this late in the year. The holidays give families the opportunity to travel together and popular island vacations in Nasau, the Caribbean and Hawaii also are booked up early at peak season prices.

Do not give up! We will always try our best to find exactly what you are looking for in the travel market. Our computers have direct access into the airlines and have access to last seat availability. We are also in direct communication with a number of wholesale tour operators who might still have a space left at that resort destination you have in mind.

Give us a call and we will search for that holiday trip you might be looking for at a price you can afford!

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