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Cashion, Harris Win In Primary



ELECTION DAY-Rev. Gene Land, pastor of Second Baptist Church, casts his vote in the May primaries Tuesday. Only about 30 percent of registered voters in Cleveland County turned out at the polls. Run-offs are likely in county and state contests.

Cloninger Loses In Judge Race

Cleveland County commissioner Joyce Cashion and Senator Ollie Harris, both of Kings Mountain, led their races in Tuesday's primaries at which Cleveland County voters ousted incumbent commissioner Coleman Goforth and approved \$18 million bonds for water plant improvements and the construction of a pump station in the Cleveland County Water District.

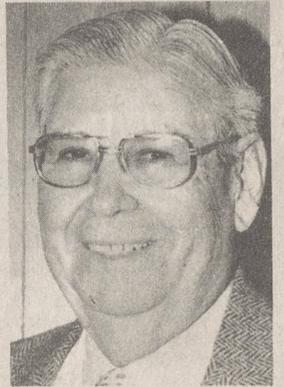
Senator Harris' victory extended his electoral success for the 19th year. The Kings Mountain mortician was first elected to the North Carolina Senate in 1971.

Kings Mountain and Cleveland County voters voted for Harvey Gant and Jesse Helms for U. S. Senate and Cass Ballenger for U. S. House as 30.7% of registered voters went to the polls. In Cleveland County, voters gave Gant 4,389 votes and John Ingram 2,297 and placed Mike Easley in third place. Barely missing enough votes for the Democratic U. S. Senate nomination former Charlotte Mayor Gant appeared headed for a runoff with Brunswick County District Attorney Easley.

Kings Mountain attorney Scott Cloninger lost his bid for election as a 27-B Judicial District judge.



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fall from Republicans John Carter of Lincolnton, Dr. John Forrester of Stanley and Mary Lou Craig of Gastonia.

Republicans nominated Dennis Bingham and Dr. John Claytor Jr. for the two seats open on the county board of commissioners and they will face Cashion and the winner of the Democratic runoff June 5th in November.

A runoff election can be held See Election, 15-A

With the expected hiring of an architect in June, City Council is taking steps to renovate the old Postoffice downtown as the new Kings Mountain Law Enforcement Center at a price tag which could run up to a half million dollars in the next three or four years.

City Engineer Tom Howard said that three architectural firms are submitting requests for proposals to design the facility. They are Architectural Planning Associates of Charlotte, Woolpert Associates of Charlotte and Martin, Boal, Anthony and Johnson of Shelby and Charlotte.

Howard said that the city council will be asked to budget the architectural design work in the upcoming budget and the construction costs in the 1991-92 fiscal year budget. "We're looking at 1993 as possible opening of the facility, depending on available funds," he said.

Old Post Office Work Could Cost \$500,000

The architect selection committee is chaired by Commissioner J. D. Barrett, retired KMPD police chief; Commissioners Fred Finger and Al Moretz; Chief of Police Warren Goforth, City Manager George Wood and Howard, who serves as coordinator.

The architects are being asked to provide a design that will be functional and yet maintain the historical features of the building, in an agreement signed by Council with the U. S. Postoffice recently.

See Post Office, 3-A

Schools Meeting Monday

A report from the K-5 reorganization committee is on the agenda for Monday night's board of education meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Administration offices on Parker Street.

John Goforth, chairman, will make the report. No action is expected from the board.

Shirley Brutko, West School parent, said two members of the reorganization committee met with West School parents and teachers after Tuesday night's PTO meeting in an informational session which two school board members attended. Mrs. Brutko said parents will attend Monday's meeting to hear the report from the committee and seek answers to rumors they have heard about possible closing of both West and East Schools and building of one large grammar school as compared to balancing the ratio of students with redistricting. "Many of us don't know exactly what the options are and we are encouraging all parents to find out by attending all meetings of the school board," she said.

The school board, which voted last year not to close East School and appointed a special reorganization committee to study options to achieve racial balance, has indicated it would be ready for recommendation. See Board, 2-A



KM TEACHER OF THE YEAR-Theresa Briggs, Grover Spanish teacher, third from left, won the Kings Mountain Teacher of the Year Award at Tuesday's Service Awards banquet at KMSHS Cafeteria. Larry Allen, right, Associate Superintendent, KM Teacher of the Year for 1989 Susie Bridges, and Dr. Bob McRae, Superintendent, congratulate the winner.

Briggs KM Teacher Of The Year

Theresa Briggs, K-2 Spanish teacher at Grover School, is Kings Mountain District School's Teacher of the Year.

The annual Service Awards banquet Monday night at KMSHS Cafeteria also honored KM Junior High School Principal Jerry Hoyle as Principal of the Year and Carl Champion, the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club, and McDonald's of Kings Mountain, as "Special Friends."

Jim Potter accepted the plaque for the Kiwanis Club as the civic

club cited for leadership in numerous community drives for the school, including the building of the new Neisler Natatorium. Bill Sherwood accepted the McDonald's plaque as the business cited for co-leadership with Kiwanis of the "Terrific K's" program. Champion, president of Champion Landscaping, was cited as the individual who asked "no credit but has given his all in promoting Kings Mountain schools for many years."

Hoyle was cited for his leadership

role in the transition to the middle school concept this fall where he will serve as co-principal of grades 6-8 with Central Principal Glenda O'Shields. Briggs was cited for her leadership of the new Spanish program in the elementary grades. Supt. Bob McRae introduced all eight system-wide teachers before presenting the winner by a Spanish introduction.

Other Teachers of the Year in the school district were Brenda Wright, Kindergarten teacher at Bethware; Kay Jolly, first grade teacher at

East; Beth Hembree, 5th grade teacher at North; Susan Denton, 4th grade teacher at West; Van Canipe, 6th grade science and social studies teacher at Central; Grace Costner, math teacher at KM Junior High; and Lisa Olson, art teacher at KM Senior High.

Plaques also went to Paulette Kaylor, who works in the finance office at KM District Schools, Office Support Person of the Year; Shirley Hawkins, North School cafeteria manager, Food Service Employee of the Year; Betty Moss,

Teacher Assistant of the Year; Everette Grigg, Maintenance Employee of the Year; Andrew McClain, Custodian of the Year; Judy Ford, Bus Driver of the Year; Beulah Carroll, Instructional Support Person of the Year who was cited for her work as a dropout counselor at the Junior High.

Retiring employees have racked up more than 250 years of service to the school, McRae said as he in-

See Awards, 11-A

Street Widening Project Should Be Completed

Weather permitting, city and state crews expect to complete the big widening and street improvements project this week on Cleveland Avenue except for paving.

City Engineer Tom Howard said the state has installed eight gabions on the creek that runs under Cleveland Avenue and is finishing up curbing and will then begin paving of Cleveland Avenue.

The street widening project has

been a project of city and state crews for several weeks. Howard said that city electrical crews moved the stoplight and relocated the electrical poles down Cleveland Avenue. Two contractors were hired by the city to trim and remove trees which took about a week's work, he said. Crews from the city water department relocated several water lines and relocated water meters. The city public

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KM Sports Hall Of Fame Banquet Scheduled May 24

The third annual Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce Sports Hall of Fame banquet and induction ceremony will be held Thursday night, May 24, at 7 p.m. at the Kings Mountain Community Center.

Tickets are \$10 each and include the dinner and induction ceremony. They may be purchased at the Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce, McGinnis Department Store, C&S Mart, Sagesport, Western Auto, Kings Mountain Herald, Plonk Brothers; and from



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Perry Champion, Mearl Valentine, John McGinnis, Carl Champion,

Gary Stewart, Dr. John McGill and Denny Hicks.

Three men will be inducted. They include Don Parker, who was head boys basketball coach at Kings Mountain High School for 24 years; Charlie Ballard, star pitcher at Kings Mountain High, Lenoir-Rhyne College and in the professional ranks; and George Harris, star quarterback at KMHS and Duke University.

Guest speakers will be Buzz See Hall, 12-A