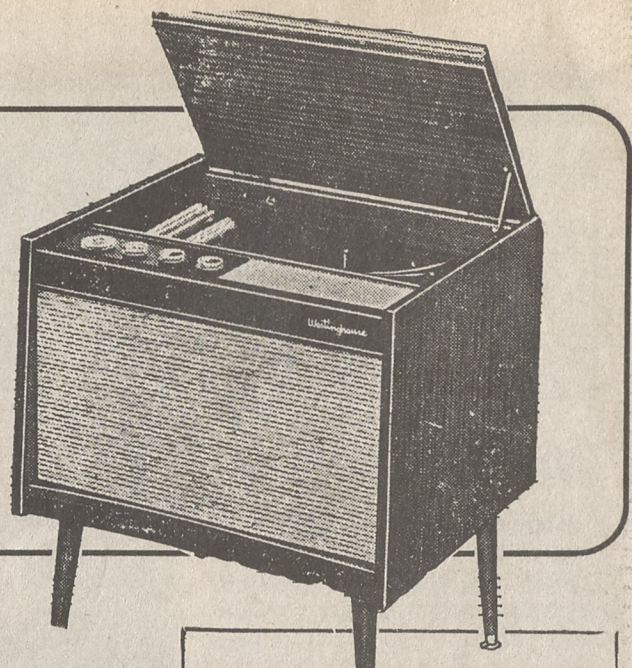


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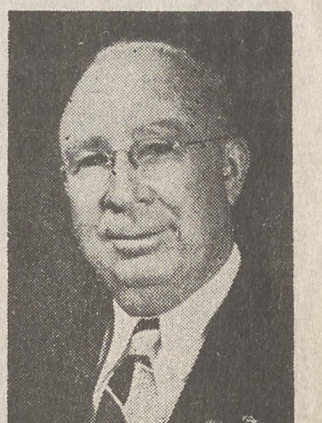
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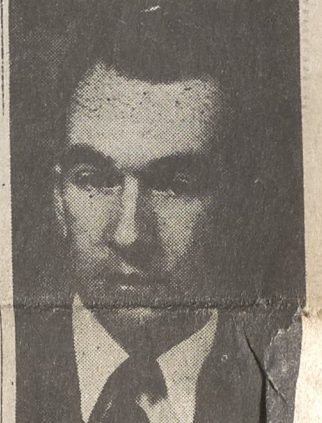
Mayor Candidacy First Of Season

Bridges Seeks Fourth Term At City Hall

Mayor Glee A. Bridges filed notice of candidacy for re-election Wednesday morning. The Mayor seeks election to a fourth term. His candidacy is the first in the forthcoming May city election and opens what, thus far, has been a late-starting political season. As of Wednesday, Mayor Bridges seeks a two-year term. It could be for four years, depending on whether the board of commissioners seeks to change length of city elective terms via act of the General Assembly. Mayor Bridges is completing his third term, and his second as full-time mayor. In his first term, he was a \$50 per month board chairman. Since that time he has devoted his full time to administering city operations. The Mayor has received for his services during his present term and noted that Kings Mountain area citizens contributed more than \$3,000 to this fund last year. Campaign committee chairmen will include Charles Blanton, retail business; Mrs. Jack White, who will superintend Heart Sunday activities; and Dr. D. F. Ford, professional. Industrial and employee chairmen are: W. B. Grimes, Burlington Industries; Dr. W. L. Mauney, Bonnie Cotton Mills; B. S. Peeler, Jr., Elmer Lumber Company; Jack Mercer, Ellis Lumber Company; W. M. Herndon, J. E. Herndon Company; Mrs. Clyde Kerns, Kerns Brothers; J. H. Patterson, Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company; Paul Lancaster, Kings Mountain Mica Company; Frank Burke, Lambeth Rope Corporation; James E. Amos, Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company; George H. Mauney, Mauney Mills and Mauney Hosiery Company; John C. Smathers, Park Yarn Mills; George H. Houser, Sadie Cotton Mills; Ralph Johnson, Slater Brothers; Mrs. George Thomason, Superior Stone Company; and Jack Hauser, Waco Sportswear. Chairman Bridges pointed out that diseases of the heart and blood vessels claim 800,000 lives in the United States annually, and effect another ten million annually. Heart trouble is by far the largest killer, claiming more than twice the total than cancer, its nearest competitor for the dubious honor. **SUNDAY DINNER** The International Affairs Department of the Woman's Club will serve Sunday dinner at the clubhouse beginning at 12 noon. Tickets are \$1.25 for adults and 75 cents for children. Advance tickets may be purchased from Mrs. David Cash, Mrs. Grady Howard, and at Stoupe Drug Co.



RUNNING—Mayor Glee A. Bridges has filed notice of candidacy for re-election. He is completing his third term, having been first elected in 1953.



CHAIRMAN — J. C. Bridges is serving as chairman of the 1959 Heart Fund drive in the Kings Mountain area. Donations include funds for research to prove techniques in treating ailments.

Bridges Heads Heart Campaign

J. C. Bridges, chairman of the Kings Mountain area heart fund drive for 1959, announced Wednesday his soliciting organization for the February campaign.

Mr. Bridges said the soliciting organization is virtually complete and noted that Kings Mountain area citizens contributed more than \$3,000 to this fund last year. Campaign committee chairmen will include Charles Blanton, retail business; Mrs. Jack White, who will superintend Heart Sunday activities; and Dr. D. F. Ford, professional. Industrial and employee chairmen are:

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NOT RUNNING — J. R. Davis, veteran school trustee, said yesterday he won't seek re-election. Mr. Davis will complete ten years of service on the board of education in May.

Davis Retiring From School Post

J. Roan Davis, veteran member of the city board of education, will not seek re-election, he said today. Mr. Davis will complete this year, his tenth year on the five-member education board. He said, "I've been on the board long enough. The Kings Mountain attorney became a member of the board by appointment in 1949, replacing A. H. Patterson, who resigned to become a member of the city board of commissioners. Mr. Davis was elected in 1953 to the six-year term he will complete in May. School board positions, since 1957, have been open to any citizen of the city school district. A 1955 General Assembly act scrapped the ward system formerly in vogue. The six-year term was retained. Mr. Davis is the only term expiring this year.

Students Make 'A' Grades

Thirty-three high school students made the "A" honor roll for the third six-week period just ended. Honored by the National Honor Society of Central high school at a party Tuesday night were the following:

- NINTH GRADERS** — Sarah Hicks, Billy Ramsey, Rhea Lineberger, Gail Morrison, Dianne McDaniel, Kay Cansler, Sandra Bumgardner, Linda Bennett, Carol Goter, Brenda Herndon, Jane Houser, and Sara Rose Lennon.
- TENTH GRADERS** — Margaret Jackson, Mary Lillian Lewis, Billy Jones, Sue Jean Wright, Mary Ellen Stroupe, Martha Sue Welch, Glenda Stroupe, Marshall Gore, Nancy Hovis, Susie Kesler, and Patty Huffstetler.
- ELEVENTH GRADERS** — Jimmy Plonk, Beatrice Moss, and Carole Plonk.
- TWELFTH GRADERS** — Bobby Early, Gerrie Pearson, Mary Frances Bridges, Virginia Wallace, Martha Houser, Graeme Reeves, and Mickey Lynn.

Political Rumor Mill Beginning To Grind Out A Few "Probables"

There were two city political developments this week. 1) Mayor Glee A. Bridges filed for re-election. 2) School Trustee J. R. Davis announced he would retire at the end of his present term in May.

Otherwise, the political rumor mill was beginning to grind in what has been a late-starting biennial city election season. Though all the incumbent city commissioners are expected to seek re-election, none have made formal announcements. Ben H. Bridges, mayor pro tempore, has been toyed with the prospect of seeking the mayor's seat, but hasn't yet decided. Friends think he'll seek to retain his Ward 4 commission seat.

Indications were this week another familiar name will be on the ballot as mayoral candidate. Garland E. Still, former mayor and five-time candidate for the office, was reported ready to file again. Mr. Still was mayor in 1951-53, and lost to Mayor Bridges in a run-off two years ago.

Textile Men Here Indicate They Won't Follow Cannon



BETHWARE OBSERVES HOMECOMING — Kim Cashion, center, above, will reign as queen of the Bethware High School Homecoming celebration Friday. She is shown with her court for the program at the halftime of the Bethware-Lattimore basketball game that night. Other girls in the court, left to right, are: Rose Falls, Faye Bolin, the queen, Jeanette Hamrick, and Carolyn Whetstone. Boys who will serve as escorts are shown on the back row. In the same order, Tom Goforth, Paul Dover, Glenn Harrison, and Arnold Huntsinger. Coach Powell will serve as escort for the queen. (Herald Photo by Pennington Studio)

Several Say They Favor Love Proposal

Incomplete check of Kings Mountain textile manufacturers indicates a wait-and-see attitude concerning last week's announcement by Cannon Mills that this firm will raise its minimum wage to \$1.25 per hour on February 15.

Al Manno, of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company, termed the \$1.25 minimum "preference" and said his company has no immediate plans to follow Cannon's lead. W. K. Mauney, of Mauney and Bonnie Mills, said, "We want to pay higher wages, but two of our three mills lost money last year." (Mr. Mauney heads the NuWay Mills at Cherryville.) Mr. Mauney said, however that he favors federal adoption of a \$1.25 minimum wage, a proposal advanced several weeks ago by J. Spencer Love, president of Burlington Industries. Mr. Love has said Burlington won't follow the Cannon lead at this time.

Mr. Mauney noted that yarn manufacture is a "one process" operation, whereas weaving concerns, like Cannon, produce a wide variety of products of variable cost.

W. K. Mauney, Jr., of Mauney Hosiery Company, Inc., and Carolina Throwing Company, said wage increases are contemplated. He, too, said he favored federal wage legislation to raise the minimum wage to \$1.25 per hour, but added he didn't want to be a trail blazer on a voluntary basis as Cannon has done. He noted that many Mauney Hosiery employees work on piece rate basis and that wages vary according to an employee's productivity.

The Herald was unable to contact other manufacturers, but learned that Shelby textile firms have expressed no inclination to follow Cannon.

There has been trade talk of a general wage raise through the industry, but the talk was for the third quarter. Textile buying is usually less brisk in the second or spring quarter, industry sources relate.

City Tag Sales Increase To 1093

Sale of city auto license tags totaled 1093 Wednesday, City Clerk Joe McDaniel reports. He added, "We've got about six boxes of 100 each still need to sell by February 15."

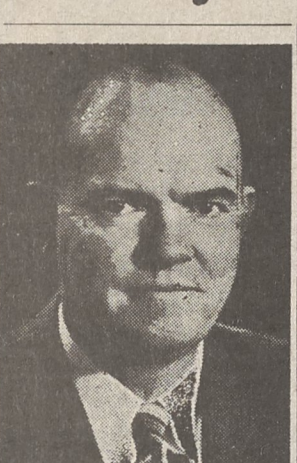
Mr. McDaniel based his estimate on sales of 1958 tags. The city has pointed out that city ordinance requires not only purchase but display of the tags and that the ordinance will be enforced, with penalties to be assessed motorists who don't display the tags on their cars by February 15, deadline for displaying the North Carolina license tag, too.

Scarlet Fever Not Epidemic

Four cases of scarlet fever have been reported in Kings Mountain since January 1, two of them in the same home, but Dr. J. P. Mitchell, county health officer, says there appears little danger of an epidemic. It was once three weeks.

Dr. Mitchell said that new drugs used in treatment now restore the patient to health within a few days and he noted that the incubation period for scarlet fever is not more than a week. "An exposed person will have scarlet fever within a week, or he won't have it from that exposure," Dr. Mitchell said. Jimmy and Susan Littlejohn were reported Wednesday as "nearly well" by their physician, Dr. Paul Hendricks.

Fruit Grower Cameron Ware County Young Farmer Of '58



CHAIRMAN — Fred W. Plonk has been named Kings Mountain area Boy Scout chairman for the coming year.

Fred W. Plonk Scout Chairman

Fred W. Plonk is the new chairman of Kings Mountain Boy Scouts, and Fred J. Wright, Jr., will serve as fund campaign chairman.

Other newly-named officers are C. D. Blanton, vice-chairman, and Dr. N. H. Reed, secretary. W. B. Grimes will serve as co-chairman of the fund campaign.

Chairman Plonk called attention to the fact that February 8-15 is National Boy Scout week and listed several activities which will co-incide with the launching of the annual fund campaign. Sunday will be Boy Scout Sunday, and next weekend Boy Scouts will take over reins of the city for one day, as Boy Scouts serve as mayor, city commissioners, and other official posts.

On February 12, the Kiwanis club will be hosts to Boy Scouts of the city for the annual area Boy Scout banquet.

KIWANIS MEETING Regular meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club will be held Thursday evening at 6:45 at the Woman's Club. Program for the meeting wasn't announced.

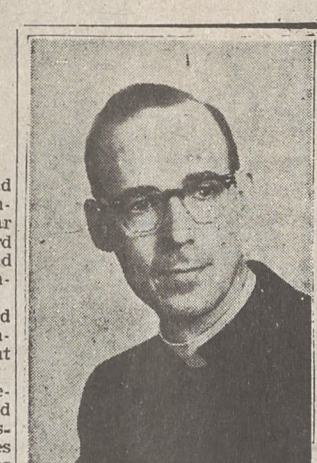
Kings Mountain Farmer Wins Jaycee Award

Cameron Ware, Shelby road fruit grower, is Cleveland County's Young Farmer of the Year and winner of the annual award given by the Kings Mountain and Shelby Junior Chambers of Commerce.

Mr. Ware received the award at a joint meeting of the organizations held here Tuesday night at the Woman's Club. Mayor Glee A. Bridges presented the award and described the honor winner as a successful grower of "apples, peaches and grapes". Mr. Ware operates Mountain View Orchard. He is currently president of Bethware Progressive Club and a department chairman of both the Bethware and Cleveland County fairs.

Also a feature of the award night meeting was an address by Henry Simmons, vice-president of the agriculture division of Wachovia Bank and Trust Company. Mr. Simmons declared the South is one area of the nation which does not produce agricultural products at capacity, though he lauded progress of recent years and predicted glowing agricultural health by 1975. He noted that the nation is

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PASTOR — Rev. George T. Moore, recently returned missionary to Liberia, has accepted the pastorate of Resurrection Lutheran church. He will arrive here Tuesday.

Moore Accepts Lutheran Call

Rev. George Truett Moore, a Lutheran missionary recently returned from Liberia, has accepted the pastorate of Resurrection Lutheran church. He will arrive here Tuesday and will begin his duties on Wednesday.

City's Partial Blackout Not Due To Enemy Threats, Penny Pinching

The West Kings Mountain nightly blackout, begun January 23, has no connection with civil defense, threat of enemy action, nor indicative of a city economy wave.

And the blackout may end Thursday, if weather doesn't prevent plane take-offs from Indianapolis, Ind., airport, nor landings at Charlotte's Douglas. Cause of the blackout is a faulty transfer regulator control in the Westinghouse regulator on the big transformer which powers the street lights in the business section and West Kings Mountain. The blackout area, Electrical Superintendent Hunter

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Local News Bulletins

LODGE MEETING Regular communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF&M will be held Monday night at Masonic Hall, according to announcement by T. D. Tindall, secretary. Special business will be conducted.

ROTARY CLUB Graeme Reeves, Kings Mountain exchange student, will address the Kings Mountain Rotary club at their meeting Thursday at 12:15 at La Royal Restaurant. The program has been arranged by Thurman Warlick.

COURT OF HONOR Court of Honor for Kings Mountain district Boy Scouts will be held Thursday night, February 12, at 8 o'clock at Central Methodist church educational building.

ON DEAN'S LIST Miss Martha Judy Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob M. Cooper, has been named to the first semester Dean's List — scholastic honor roll — at Lenoir Rhyne college, Hickory. Miss Cooper is a freshman at the college.

ON HONOR ROLL Miss Anita McGinnis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul McGinnis has been named to the first semester Dean's List — scholastic honor roll — at Lenoir Rhyne college, Hickory, where she is a senior.

LEGION DANCE Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, will hold a dance at the Legion building Saturday night. There will be both round and square dancing, beginning at 9 o'clock.

TO CONFERENCE Mayor Glee A. Bridges will go to Chapel Hill Thursday, where he will attend the Governor's Conference on Occupational Health.

Honor Society Inducts Members

Three seniors at Kings Mountain high school were inducted recently into the National Honor Society.

They include Carolyn Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker; Martha Houser, daughter of Lloyd Houser, and Don Tignor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Audrey Tignor. Participating in the exercises were Mrs. Clarence Plonk, Jr., who was the speaker, and Mrs. James Logan, who presented the music. Both are former members. Mrs. Plonk (the former Julia Pollock) is the only sophomore student ever to be inducted into the organization.

Members of the society who presented the program were Bobby Early, David Plonk, Gertrude Pearson, Mickie Lynn, and Peggy Black. Mrs. Josephine E. Weir is the faculty advisor.

Kings Mountain S&L Meeting Tuesday

Annual meeting of shareholders of Kings Mountain Savings & Loan association will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the offices of the association.

Ben H. Bridges, secretary-treasurer, said principal business will include election of directors and presentation of officer reports on 1958 operations.

One directorship has been vacant since the death of R. L. Mauney.

Jaycees Schedule Sunday Paper Drive Kings Mountain Jaycees will conduct a paper drive Sunday afternoon from 2 until 5 o'clock p. m.

Citizens may leave their bundles of old newspapers on the curb in front of their residences and members of the organization will conduct the pick-up.

"We invite the community to participate in the drive," a spokesman said. The Jaycees use the funds from the drive to support regular projects.



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