

# By-Pass Hearing Begins With Officials, Property Owners Present

## About 200 Attend

Tuesday's public hearing on the proposed Kings Mountain by-pass got underway on schedule at 1:30 P.M. at the Armory.

As of presstime Tuesday, a near capacity crowd of approximately 200 turned out for the hearing, including State Representative W.K. Mauney, Mayor John Henry Moss, State Sen. Ollie Harris news media representatives from Kings Mountain, Shelby, Gastonia and organizations.

Also on hand were many property owners from this area.

Highway Commissioners Roy Dedmon introduced special guests and stated that anyone who wished to speak would be given the opportunity.

The hearing was presided over by R.W. McGowan, Assistant Chief Engineer in charge of planning from Raleigh.

The proposed 12-million dollar stretch of pavement has been a department-approved fairway project for the past 12 years.



Public Hearing On Proposed Kings Mtn. By-Pass Had Big Turnout Tuesday.



10th District Congressman James T. Broyhill congratulates Mrs. Lynda Sparrow of Kings Mountain after she was re-elected Vice-Chairman of the Cleveland County Republican Party at the County Convention Saturday at the Courthouse.

Other officers re-elected were: Duane Robinson, Chairman; Mrs. Carolyn Hawks, Secretary; and Mrs. Ann Dysart, Treasurer. The convention made plans for the District Convention in Newton slated for October 30th. (Mirror Photo by Lem Lynch)

## Apartment Complex Underway

The Georgetown Apartments, 26 unit luxury housing complex under construction here is scheduled for completion by January 15th according to Fields Young of Shelby, builder and owner.

The two and three bedroom units will occupy approximately two acres of land on the west end of the city, and will face West King Street, Country Club Road, and Sharon Drive.

The apartments get their name from the Georgetown brick pattern by Kendrick. Building materials are being furnished by Lowes of Shelby. Such modern conveniences as garbage disposal units, heated swimming pool, club house, and carpeting will be featured.

The Georgetown units join the Gold Street Apartments, just completed by Fields Young Incorporated, as Kings Mountain's newest apartment complexes built at a total cost of \$550,000-\$600,000.

Builder, Fields Young said there hasn't been any commercial apartment units built here in a good many years, and after talking to a good many people, saw a need for apartments in Kings Mountain.

## Local Figures Confirm School Costs Up

North Carolina school units received \$459,159,222 from the state nine months school fund for the year 1970-71. That's an increase of nearly 9 per cent over last year.

Total state allocation to the Kings Mountain School unit amounted to \$1,531,613.09.

A breakdown of the total reveals that State funds in the general control category for Kings Mountain came to... \$23,181.00. This includes such items as salaries for superintendents, their travel and office expense, and the travel of attendance counselors.

Instructional service expenditures for the Kings Mountain unit totaled... \$1,262,621.95. This includes teachers wages, principals, and supervisors, as well as instructional supplies and clerical assistance.

State funds for operation of plants in Kings Mountain came to \$64,883.00. This includes telephones, fuel, water, janitor's wages, etc.

Compensation fees totaled \$174,953.14, including tort claims, reimbursement to injured school children, employer's retirement cost and employers social security cost.

The figures are based on an audit of the fund by the State Board of Education.

The nine months school fund includes the bulk of the state money allocated for public education.

The great majority of the State money in the fund is earmarked to pay teachers, principals, supervisors and school superintendents. During 1970-71, classroom teachers and principals received a total of \$349,801,574. Another \$3,202,483 went to supervisors and \$3,981,516 was paid to superintendents and assistant superintendents.

The average classroom teacher in North Carolina earned \$7,612 last year, \$589 more than the previous year. By comparison, the average teacher pay five

years ago was \$5,112, and in 1961 it was \$3,811. These figures do not include any supplement paid to teachers by local school units.

The average salary in 197-71 for superintendents in North Carolina schools was \$10,116 and the average for school principals was \$11,569. Superintendents had an average salary of \$15,836. Again these figures do not include any local supplements.

The number of classroom teachers and principals paid from the nine months school fund was 44,671 in 1970-71, as compared with 44,949 in 1969-70, which shows 28 less instructional positions were paid from this fund.

The nine months school fund also includes appropriations for kindergartens. During 1970-71 the kindergarten program was expanded by 10 additional centers over the eight pilot centers which were initiated during 1969-70. The total allocated to the kindergarten program was \$609,389.

## Police Report 21 Arrests

The Kings Mountain Police Department investigated a two car accident on Oct. 8th involving cars driven by Mark D. Campbell, 24, of Kings Mountain, and George Corn, 54, of Shelby.

The Campbell car struck the car driven by Corn in the rear while both were traveling west on East King at Gaston St.

Damage to the Corn car was listed at \$345 and \$750 to the Campbell car. The police department reports the following arrests during the past week: 2 for driving under the influence, 8 for public drunkenness, 4 for speeding, 2 for assault on female, 1 assault on minor, 1 for driving after license revoked, 1 inspection violation, 2 on worthless checks, and 1 for resisting arrest.

## Busy Week For Rescue Squad

During the week of October 3rd to October 9th, the Kings Mountain Rescue Squad made 25 trips.

10 were to the Kings Mountain Hospital for transportation of patients, one trip to a doctors office, and 2 service calls. 1 stood relay for the Kings Mountain Hospital. The squad answered one wreck call, and directed funeral traffic twice.

One out of town trip was made to Duke Hospital in Durham. Stand-by-duty was conducted at the Community Center, The County Fair, and 2 Music Park Shows, 1 ballgame and the time trials of the National 500 Car Race in Charlotte.

The squad traveled 750 miles during the past week and stood 545 man hours on duty, trips, and meetings.

## School Board Announces Lunch Policy

The Kings Mountain City Board of Education has announced a free and reduced price lunch policy for all Kings Mountain school children unable to pay the full 30-35 cents.

Local school officials have adopted a family size and income scale to assist them in determining eligibility for free or reduced lunches.

Families falling within this scale or those suffering from unusual circumstances or hardships are urged to apply for free or reduced price lunches for their children. They may do so by filling in the application forms sent home in a letter to parents. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school.

Applications may be submitted any time during the school year.

Under the provisions of the policy, principals of the school will review applications and determine eligibility. If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the local official, he may make a request either orally or in writing for a hearing to appeal the decision.

Helen C. Logan of Box 192, Kings Mountain, has been designated as the hearing official.

## Mayor Attends Municipal Meet

Mayor John Henry Moss was in Durham this week attending the 62nd annual League of Municipalities convention.

The Mayor, who was back in Kings Mountain Tuesday for the hearing on the by-pass, is on the Resolutions Committee of the League. Also attending from Kings Mountain was Joe McDaniel, City Clerk.

## K.M. Calendar

### Pancake Supper

The Kings Mountain Rotary Club is having a pre-game pancake supper Friday night from 3 to 8 P.M. at the Kings Mountain High School Cafeteria.

Tickets may be purchased from members of the Rotary Club for \$1 each. Come enjoy a pancake supper, then help cheer the Mountaineers to victory over Shelby.

### Steak Supper

The Oak Grove Volunteer Fire Department will sponsor a steak supper at the fire dept., Sat. October 16th from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Delmonico charcoaled steaks will be served with salad, baked potato and all the trimmings. The charge for steaks will be \$2.50 each. Proceeds to go to the fire Department.

### Mirror Images Is

### New Society Feature

Ladies, don't miss Mirror Images, Sylvia Holmes' new society feature, making its debut in this edition of the Kings Mountain Mirror.

This week Sylvia writes about the Davis Cup tennis finals in Charlotte last weekend, a new presentation by the Kings Mountain Little Theatre, and the new Womens Golf Champion, Mrs. Arnette Robinson. Don't miss these interesting features on page 4.



John Cheshire, President of the Kings Mountain Country Club, presents a plaque to Ray Barns for outstanding service to the Country Club as green keeper. He was presented a check for \$500 made up from donations at the club, plus \$25 from the women golfers. The plaque and money were presented at a steak dinner at the Country Club Saturday Night.



Third Graders Tour Bank

Third grade teachers Mrs. J.B. Simpson and Jackie Blanton, at East Elementary, took their classes on a tour of local businesses last week as part of their social studies class. Here the students are being shown the vault at First Union National Bank by Mr. Marvin Teer and Mr. L.E. Hinnant.... Also pictured are Mrs. Belinda Roberts and Miss Jane Sanders, student teachers.

The classes also visited St. Matthews Lutheran Church, Central Methodist Church, where Mr. Bob Cashion played the organ for them. Then on to Plonk's Department Store where the youngsters greeted John and William Plonk. At Kings Mountain High, the students were given a tour of the campus by Glenn Harmon, who drove the bus.