



**In A Cloud Of Dust...**

A crew of city workers using heavy equipment went to work Monday morning, but it was a tearing down job, the object being the old Bonnie Mill offices at the corner of Cherokee and Gold.

The vacant property will be cleared and according to redevelopment plans - rebuilt by private interests. (Mirror Photo)

### Property Ready Soon

## Old Bonnie Demolition Phase Of Redevelopment

The old Bonnie Mill offices at the corner of Cherokee and Gold Streets was demolished Monday morning, completing another phase in the redevelopment program for downtown Kings Mountain.

According to Joe Laney, outgoing Redevelopment Director, the 38,000 square feet of land on the site will be prepared for resale and private development. The zoning will be commercial, and according to Laney, there is enough space for several retail buildings or a complex. He says the topography of the site can be put to advantage with the construction of a two-story building, suitable for businesses with a large stock of merchandise.

The Redevelopment Commission is shooting for May 1st to have the property ready for resale. There is still, said Laney, a matter of Duke Power moving the transforming station near the site, and the re-routing of a main sewer line which goes across the property.

The Redevelopment Director is also shooting for May 1st for the completion of the mini park on Mountain Street, which has been shaping up recently. Some green park benches are on order and should be here soon. Everything for the fountain is ready except for a submersible pump.

When the park is completed, ceremonies will be held at which time the park will be dedicated to the city. Laney pointed out that when the project is finished, the Redevelopment Commission will be out of it altogether.

The County would again like to express its thanks to the owner of the sites that the containers are on as they have made this property available as a public service. Margrace Mill, on State Road 2263 (On left going to Midpines); or 4/10 mile from the Kings Mountain City Limits on Road 2263.

## County's Fourth Disposal Area Placed Near Margrace

The Cleveland County Health Department announced this morning that with the support of the County Commissioners, the fourth Forty Yard Container has been placed in the County for the disposal of trash and garbage. The new site is in the Midpines area and is located 9/10 mile from

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## School Board Favors Pay Increase

The Kings Mountain City Board of Education reviewed some budget changes for the 1972-73 year Monday night, including a 5 percent salary increase for all locally paid personnel, including secretarial, custodial, maintenance, etc. employees. There will be a change in the base salary of cafeteria workers from \$1.60 per hour to \$1.65. The 5 percent increase is in line with the other school systems in the county.

The Board approved a supplemental budget for Driver Training for salaries to be sent to Raleigh for approval.

The Board also approved continuance of the pilot Life student accident insurance coverage, with rates of \$2.50 for students and \$2.25 for teachers. There are now approximately 3,100 students protected by the insurance.

The board agreed to adopt a resolution asking that the Kings Mountain schools be exempt, as a public institution, from paying a building permit fee. The board was reportedly charged with a permit for a metal building behind Central School, which hasn't been done in the past.

## Young Republicans To Meet

There will be a Young Republican Organizational Meeting Saturday night at 7:30 at the Cleveland County Republican Headquarters in Shelby.

Speakers will be W. W. "Duke" Dickson from Gastonia, who is the Tenth District Republican Chairman, and Brent Kincaid from Lenoir, N. C., who is Congressman James T. Broyhill's campaign chairman.

Anyone who is interested in the Young Republicans is invited to attend the meeting.

## New Film Probes America

"Lost Generation", the latest release from World Wide Pictures, will be shown on Wednesday, April 26th, at the First Baptist Church, Kings Mountain.

Directed in Eastmancolor, "Lost Generation" utilizes multiple screen images and a probing documentary style to investigate attitudes of dissent, violence, the mood of America, and the answers that can be found by this generation as they face the decisions of life. According to the Reverend S. L. Lamm, pastor of the church, the opinions of both young and old, urban and rural, rich and poor, are brought to the screen as the camera focuses on people of various backgrounds throughout the Nation. Location shots were filmed in Alaska, the Southern states, on the farms and in the small towns of mid-America, and in the dying Haight-Ashbury hippie district of San Francisco.

The feature-length film, which includes special appearances by Billy Graham, Art Linkletter, and Jack Webb, was described by one reviewer as a "moving film that calls on us to make a decision about how much we want to get involved in the troubles of our times. It is a relevant story that demands our immediate attention." "Lost Generation" will be shown once at 7:30 P.M., with no admission charge. The public is cordially invited.

## Shields Blasts Two County Commissioners

J. Don Shields, Cleveland County Coordinator of Emergency Services, has leveled a stinging attack on County Commissioners Fritz Morehead and Phil Rucker for, as he put it, being "harassed for four years by Mr. Morehead and two years by Mr. Rucker".

The charges were made by Shields in a report to the County Board of Commissioners and the citizens of Cleveland County, a written report of which was released to the press.

"I regret our county has gotten to the point this report is necessary," Shields began, "however, with all the misinformation being given out I am forced to make these reports."

He charged the two commissioners with having as their main goal his dismissal.

Shields said he would be willing to sacrifice his position if the two commissioners would resign from office.

Said Shields, "The only way I have been able to tolerate all this harassment is the other three commissioners being so great and all the people who call me telling me what has been said and encouraging me to 'hang in there' that I am needed, and also I love doing this for our county."

Shields said he feels some of his rights have been violated by Morehead and Rucker.

er, "I have a right as a department head to be able to present my programs to the Commissioners who are supposed to have an open mind, to hear all the facts, weigh them against other needed programs and then take action."

"As is my custom," said Shields, "I have not responded to their attacks; I had been hoping they would let off their hot air and stop. I do not believe they will stop. I must now defend myself and my agency from these attacks."

In concluding his report, Shields pleaded for support of the county's emergency service programs.

## School Broken Into

A classroom was ransacked and a small amount of petty cash was taken when East Elementary School was broken into Monday night.

The vandalism was reported Tuesday Morning by Mr. Allison. An investigation by police discovered that the building was entered on the north side through a window in the lady's restroom.

A drink box and towel machine had been broken into, and \$1.50 to \$2.00 was taken, plus other small amounts unknown.

## Students To Walk For Pollution Control

Several people in the Kings Mountain, Shelby, and Bolling Springs area will participate in a pollution control walk Saturday, April 22.

The walk will consist of students from Kings Mountain High School, Shelby High School, Gardner Webb College, and some parents of the students. The 24 mile walk will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the court

square in Shelby where the walkers will proceed to the Kings Mtn. City Limits and then back to the courthouse.

All members are very concerned about the pollution problem surrounding us, and would welcome help in anyway. Anyone who might like to walk with the group or would like to help sponsor the walk and make pledges for each mile walked should

call Sharon Sanders at 739-3710, or Tonda Conner at 487-5579. Each person needs a sponsor and any help will be greatly appreciated. All donations will be sent to the Cleveland County Air Pollution Control Center.

## Nick Smith Challenges Morgan For Job

Nicholas Arthur Smith, 33, a Kings Mountain native is running for the office of Attorney General of North Carolina on the Republican ticket in the May 6th primary.

Smith, currently at Chapel Hill, is a teacher at N. C. State and Duke University. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Smith of 303 Battleground, in Kings Mountain. He is married to the former Carolyn Walker of Kings Mountain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker of Benfield Road.

They have three children.

Smith has graduate degrees in Law and Anthropology, and is a former Assistant Solicitor of Durham County. Smith attended UNC, got his law degree from Tennessee, and a degree in Anthropology from Duke.

The youthful candidate has championed the cause of the Indians at Pembroke State College. He wants the Attorney General's office to place stronger emphasis on law enforcement.



NICK SMITH  
... Wants Attorney General's Job

## Audition Response Good

About 200 applicants, male and female, turned out for public auditions for the movie "Sign-Off" being produced by Four Fellows Inc., of Kings Mountain, and planned for filming here this Summer.

According to Carl Wiesener, Jr., a spokesman, part seekers came to the Friday and Saturday public auditions at the Royal Villa from as far away as Greensboro, and even Nashville.

The company was pleased with the turnout, and hope to begin casting from the applicants shortly.

## Helms Makes Brief Stopover

Jesse Helms, Republican for the U. S. Senate from North Carolina, made a very brief campaign stop in Kings Mountain Saturday.

Helms, a conservative broadcasting executive from Raleigh, was to beat the Royal Villa at 1:30 p.m. and the press was invited. When the local press arrived, Helms had already gone. There was a conflict in schedules, and the candidate had to rush off to Waynesville.

Nevertheless, Helms was here Saturday, following a morning of campaigning in Shelby.

Bill Schmidt of Shelby, Helms' campaign manager, said the candidate would probably return to campaign in Kings Mountain following the May Primary.



**Prize Pony!**

Renee Bailey, 9, getting her pony ready for last Saturday's horse show. See inside Photos. (Mirror Photo by Lem Lynch)



**Spring Fever . . .**

Donna Dunn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Dunn of Bake Street, finds fascination in a dandelion, growing on a warm Spring day in April. (Mirror Photo by Lem Lynch)