



Members of the Kings Mountain Rescue Squad, assisted by the Bethlehem Volunteer Fire Department worked frantically Saturday morning at 2:45 a.m. to free two youths who were trapped in the wreckage above. Trooper B. W. Propst of the Highway Patrol was the officer on the scene and he reported that the driver of the car, Jimmy Wray Huskins, 20, of York, S.C. was traveling south on RP 2245 at a rate of speed "too

fast for conditions" when his 1965 Mercury left the right side of the highway and struck a tree. A passenger in the auto, Steven L. Passmore, 20, of 2020 Midpines was dead on arrival at Kings Mountain Hospital. Huskins was also taken to Kings Mountain Hospital with severe injuries. Both occupants were trapped in the vehicle for about an hour before freed by the rescuers. (Photo by Lem Lynch)

90-Day No Meter Trial Proposal Made

A committee appointed by the mayor a few weeks ago to study a request by the chamber of commerce and the merchant's association to eliminate parking meters from the downtown area offered its findings Monday night at city hall.

The committee, chaired by Ray Cline, commissioner of Ward 1, said in its findings that the city should experiment with a 90 day trial period to evaluate how well Kings Mountain can do without parking meters.

Results of the study undertaken by the committee will be on the agenda of the city board of commissioners Monday night. The board will discuss the mer-

its of the findings and hopefully a decision will be made.

Cline's committee said in its report that a 90 day trial period would certainly give a good indication of the merits of "no meters." The committee also will ask the board for a 2 hour parking limit to be enforced during the trial period.

Another problem that had been brought before the city board previously by the chamber of commerce and merchant's association concerned a garbage pick up problem in the central business district. It was decided in the report that pick ups will be increased to 3 per week for this area. Businesses not complying with

"good sanitation practices" will be sent a warning letter. A second offense would lead to a fine being imposed.

As far as the matter of traffic problems, the Mayor, the Chief of Police and two committee members will study further on the situation and experiment with several procedures.

The members of the committee studying the downtown problems were Ray Cline, chairman, J. C. Bridges, Jim Downey, W.S. Biddix, Charles Blanton, Don Jones, Jonas Bridges, Tom McDevitt, Lewis Dellinger, Roscoe Wooten, John McGinnis and Larry Hamrick.

Redevelopment Adopts Working Resolutions

The Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission met in its regular monthly session Tuesday morning and discussed and adopted four resolutions required by law in operating a program of renewal.

The first resolution concerned restrictions and reuse requirements for prospective buyers of land for redevelopment. Properties affected by this resolution are located in the central business district.

Resolution two was a matter of the methods and justifications of the sale of redevelopment lands. The redevelopment commission requirements under this resolution are to advertise for the sale of the land and to sell the land to the highest bidder with the buyer meeting redevelopment rules for building. This also includes the type and kind of business to be erected in a specific area. All bids will be sealed and taken in an "open and competitive" condition.

The third resolution discussed was that of the disposition package. This package follows the route of redevelopment from inviting bids to the final contract. All procedures included are required by federal law to be followed.

The final resolution was for providing an "amendatory contract" between the City of Kings Mountain and the federal government. The original contract called for the city to contribute \$37,000 for the purposes of redeveloping in the R-84 plan. R-84 is the downtown redevelopment project number. As amended, the city's share will be cut to \$7000 with the agreement that the city will do work for the redevelopment commission in the future on the redevelopment project.

The commission also talked over the matter of the Bonnie Mill parcel and the problem surrounding the Duke Power station on that property. The station serves the Mur-Glo Mill but the ceasing of operations by North American of Gastonia, Lessors of the mill, there have made the matter uncertain. The station was to be moved by Duke Power but cannot be moved until some agreement can be made.

North American's lease expires on October 15, 1973 but no action can be taken by the redevelopment commission until negotiations and agreements have been reached by North American and the mill's owners.

No Results From Hearing

Arthur G. Garland, an official with Park Yarn from the Charlotte office, told the MIRROR, this week that the hearing concerning Ray Bill Oliver and his brown lung claim has not yet had any results.

Garland reported that a hearing was held in the Mecklenburg County Courtroom in courtroom 7 last week. At the hearing, two doctors testified before a commissioner of the State Industrial Commission and reported their findings. Both physicians, Dr. Landis and Dr. Alexander, were described by Garland as "experts in the field of chest ailments."

Dr. Landis had examined Oliver at the request of the insurance carrier for Park Yarn, Liberty Mutual. He told the Commission that in his medical opinion, Oliver suffered from pulmonary emphysema and not byssinosis or "brown lung." Dr. Alexander concurred with Landis. Alexander also dwelled on the semantic differences of various lung and chest ailments.

The hearing commissioner requested a copy of the hearing and the doctor's reports as well as Oliver's medical files for further deliberation. According to Garland, the commissioner will study the claim and report his findings in the near future.

Republicans Run Strong Here

Split Ticket Voting In KM Makes State Races Close

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Voters in Kings Mountain and Cleveland County flocked to the polls yesterday, contributing to the nationwide landslide victory for President Nixon, but ticket splitting was prevalent, making the state races almost a toss-up between Democrats and Republicans.

Richard Nixon ran way ahead of George McGovern in the county, a total of 13,658 to 4,964 for McGovern. Congressman Jim Broyhill ran better than 2 to 1 over his opponent Paul Beck in Cleveland County.

Republicans were running surprisingly strong in this traditionally heavily democratic county as the votes rolled in Tuesday night. Republican Jesse Helms was running ahead of his opponent Nick Galifianakis with 53 percent of the vote for Helms. That was with 33 percent of

the vote counted. Democrat Skipper Bowles began with a slight early statewide lead, as well as here in the county, a lead which diminished, and as the votes came in late Tuesday night the race was virtually a tie as of press-time. Holshouser ran neck-and-neck with Bowles here.

One Democrat, candidate for Lieutenant Governor, Jim Hunt, ran well ahead of his opponents and was declared an

early winner in that race. The Council of State races and the constitutional amendments ballots were among the last to be counted, and the results were not available early this morning as we went to press.

The big news early today seemed to be the race for Governor of North Carolina with Hargrove Bowles and Jim Holshouser locked in a real cliffhanger, and the surprisingly strong vote for Holshouser in Kings Mountain and the county.

Unofficial Tally Of KM Voting

HOW KINGS MOUNTAIN VOTED IN THE MAJOR RACES	West	East	Bethware	Grover
PRESIDENT:				
Richard M. Nixon (R)	1101	717	520	275
George S. McGovern (D)	397	230	78	101
John Schmitz (A)	18	14	11	0
U.S. SENATOR:				
Nick Galifianakis (D)	681	422	180	161
Jesse Helms (R)	817	496	416	213
U.S. CONGRESS				
James T. Broyhill (R)	1054	648	489	257
Paul Beck (D)	411	218	108	116
GOVERNOR:				
Jim Holshouser (R)	?	450	402	200
Skipper Bowles (D)		527	207	175
Arlis Pettyjohn (A)				
LT. GOVERNOR:				
James B. (Jim) Hunt (D)	?	549	238	144
John A. Walker (R)		381	353	169
Ben McLendon (A)				1

Groundbreaking Held For 65 Bed Nursing Home

Ground breaking ceremonies were held Monday at 10 a.m. for the long awaited Nursing Home in Kings Mountain. This was the result of five years of planning and work on the part of many citizens who realized the extreme need for this facility. Cecilis Inc. of Spartanburg will build and operate this 65 bed home.

The directors of the Kings Mountain Convalescent and Nursing Home, Inc., who include Dr. John C. McGill, Carl Mauney, Bob Powell and Ollie Harris, appointed Mr. John L. McGill in January of this year to spearhead this effort to get this construction started. The governing board of the corporation to sell is composed of Joe Smith, President, Clyde Kerns, Vice-President, and Nancy Kerns, Secretary/Treasurer.

McGill a retired druggist has been working on this project for the past 10 months. Several delays were encountered, mainly the dissolution of an earlier agreement that the local corporation had made with South Carolina Homes of Care; South Carolina Homes of Care had agreed earlier to construct a nursing home in Kings Mountain. It was determined that this company was not going to honor this agreement. Another delay was brought about by the North Carolina Health Department regulation that a Certificate of Need be issued. This required a public hearing before the Cleveland-Lincoln-Gaston Health Planning Group. This certificate was approved last month. Cecilis, Inc. of Spartanburg the hold-

ings company for MGR now operates nursing homes in Rock Hill, Shelby, Newberry, Tryon, Columbia, and Spartanburg.

The Ground Breaking was attended by several interested citizens, local officials, and health care people. The ceremony was highlighted by remarks of Rev. Pascal Waugh, Mr. McGill, and Mr. Joseph Smith, who is president of the local corporation.

Cecilis purchased all the assets of Kings Mountain Convalescent and Nursing Homes some few days ago and will be the sole owners of the facility which is located on Sipes Street one block behind the Kings Mountain Hospital.



Mayor John Moss and the Board members of the Kings Mountain Nursing and Convalescence Center as well as representatives from Cecilis Associates were present Monday morning for the groundbreaking ceremonies for the new nursing home. The structure will be located a block behind the Kings Mountain Hospital on Sipes Street. David Little, executive director

of Cecilis Associates told a crowd of spectators at the event that the building will have 60 beds and will also have adequate room for any future expansion. Speakers for the groundbreaking ceremony were John McGill, Joe R. Smith, Hon. J. Ollie Harris, David Little and Mayor Moss. Rev. Charles Edwards had the invocation and Rev. R. P. Waugh offered the prayer of dedication. (Photo by Rodney Dodson)