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Polls Open 6:30 A.M. - 7:30 P.M.

ABC Referendum Tuesday

By TOM McINTYRE, Editor, Mirror-Herald
very close. Both factions have worked equally as hard getting Kings Mountains out to register, but neither has made any great public appeals to vote for or against the issue. The registration books indicate 1,164 new voters registered for this special election Mar. 18, raising the total count of voters to 4,128. Mrs. Betty Mercier of the Kings Mountain Elections Board, said, "That official figure might be off one or two because we found a couple of names listed twice, but the overall count will not be affected to any great degree." Just how many local voters

will go to the polls next Tuesday is open to conjecture, according to many residents who remember the ABC referendum back in the 1960's. The special election next Tuesday, unlike the '60's election, was forced by petition bearing 25 percent of the total number voting in the last municipal election. This was possible under a 1969 General Assembly session law. Voters next Tuesday will be handed two ballots. Number one is for or against an ABC package store. Number two is for or against sale of off-premise malt beverages and unfortified wine. In this election voters could pass both issues, defeat both issues, or pass one and defeat the second. Voters should note that the two ballots given them next Tuesday will read "For" in the first block and "Against" in the second block. All of the ballots will run this way without being alternated. The polls open Tues., Mar. 18 at 6:30 a. m. and close at 7:30 p. m. As in other elections, voters will cast their ballots at polling places in their respective

wards. Polls, registrars and judges by wards are: Ward one (City Hall): Nell Cranford, registrar - Margaret White and John White, judges; ward two (American Legion Post): James Adams, registrar - Mrs. Fred Dixon and Mrs. Humes Houston, judges; ward three (East School): Mrs. Dick Ware, registrar - Peggy Hord and Mrs. Roy Pearson, judges. Ward four (North School): Francis White, registrar - Annie Murphy and Clyde Blackwell, judges; ward five (Armory): Becky Cook, registrar - Matoka Campbell and Katherine Wilson, judges; and ward six (KM Senior High): Betty Spears, registrar - Alma Sellers and Audrey Dickey, judges.

OFFICIAL BALLOT NO.
Special Election
City of Kings Mountain,
North Carolina
MARCH 18th, 1975
LIQUOR CONTROL STORES

Instructions

- 1. To vote for or against the establishment of municipal liquor control stores, make a cross (x) mark at the left of your choice.
2. If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it to the registrar and get another.

VOTE FOR ONE

- FOR MUNICIPAL LIQUOR CONTROL STORES
AGAINST MUNICIPAL LIQUOR CONTROL STORES

Thomas L. Bennett

THOMAS L. BENNETT, Chairman
Kings Mountain Board of Elections

OFFICIAL BALLOT NO. 2
Special Election
City of Kings Mountain,
North Carolina
March 18th, 1975
(OFF PREMISE) SALE OF
MALT BEVERAGES AND
UNFORTIFIED WINE

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. To vote for or against off premise sale of malt beverages and unfortified wine, make a cross (x) mark at the left of your choice.
2. If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it to the registrar and get another.

VOTE FOR ONE

- FOR (OFF PREMISE) SALE OF MALT BEVERAGES AND UNFORTIFIED WINE
AGAINST (OFF PREMISE) SALE OF MALT BEVERAGES AND UNFORTIFIED WINE

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For Public Housing Units

City Applying For Solar Heat Demonstration Grant

Chamber Bylaws In Mail

The combined members of the Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association will soon receive a set of revised by-laws for the merged operations.

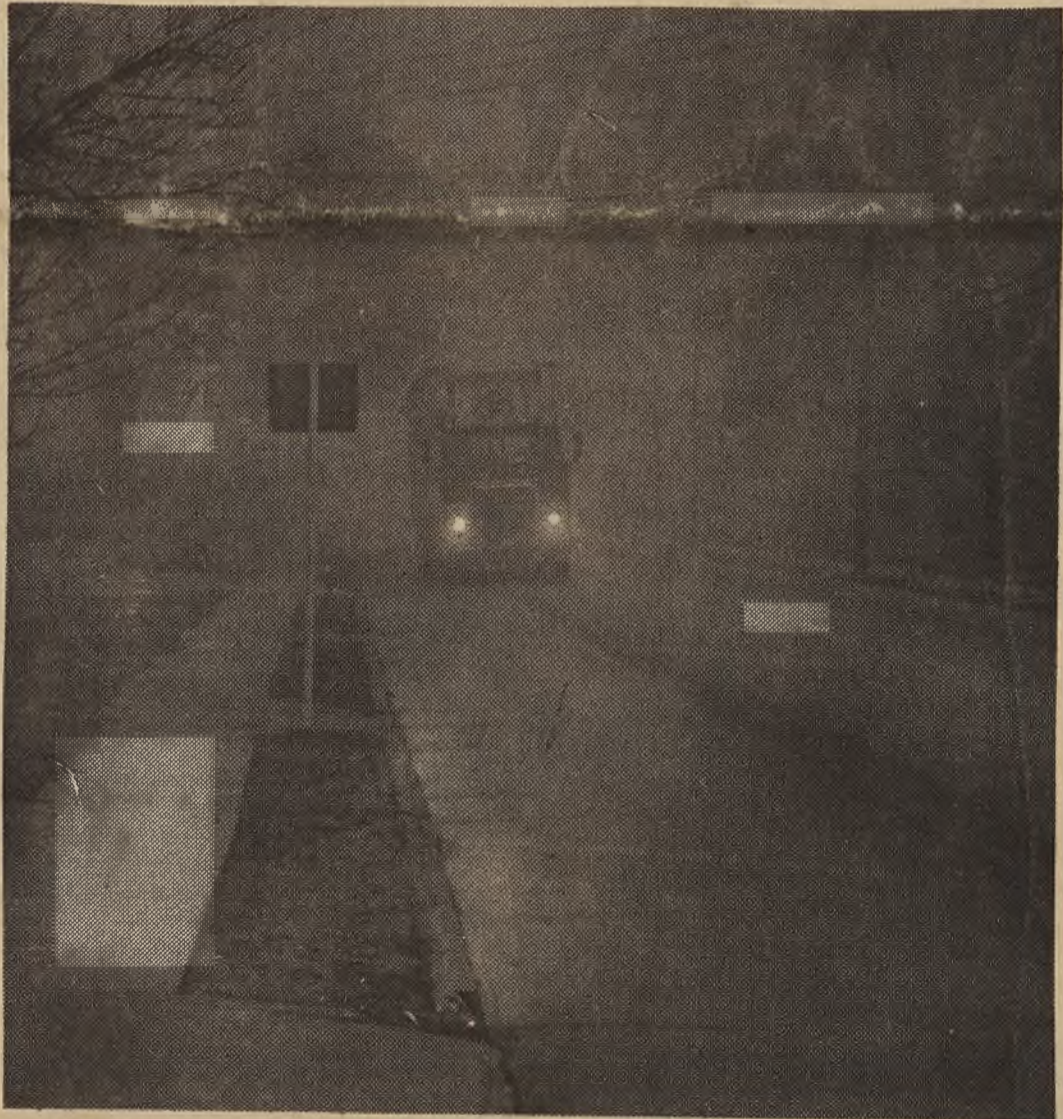
Also the membership will receive the nominees to serve as directors for the coming year.

Carl DeVane, chamber president, said "we expect the members to report back by the end of this month on the bylaws and director nominees. The bylaws must be approved before the directors can be elected and the directors must elect officers prior to the annual meeting.

That meeting has been scheduled for Mon., Apr. 21 at 7:30 p. m. at Kings Mountain Country Club.

Those nominated as directors of the combined organizations are Lyn Cheshire, Ragan Harper, Charles Mauney and Max Mayhue for terms to expire in 1976; Charles Alexand-

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A FOGGY GRIND - Early Tuesday morning the fog settled in on Kings Mountain and scenes like this one with a truck straining up E. King St. were common. Vehicles materialized from the mists like ghosts following haloed headlight beams.

Set For Friday Night Barnes Auditorium Dedication Ceremony Is An Entertainment

Dedication ceremonies of the B. N. Barnes Auditorium at Kings Mountain Senior High will be held Fri., Mar. 14 at 7:30 p. m.

The 1,000-seat theater is named in honor of the former Kings Mountain District Schools superintendent.

"We've planned a somewhat different dedication ceremony," said Supt. Don Jones. "We'll have the usual welcoming talk and some informational dialogue, but that's where the usual routine ends."

Jones said the program, which will blend visuals with sound, live performers singing, dancing, playing musical instruments, was designed to "showoff the auditorium to give the public some idea of what can be done of an entertainment nature here."

Members of the school faculty, band, chorus and student groups will be working with private citizens from the

community to put on the show.

The dedication program will be the initial use of the new facility. The junior high ninth grade and senior high Blazer Bands will perform in concert there Tues., Mar. 18 and early in May The Kings Mountain Arts Council, KM Little Theatre and Performing Arts Guild of Rutherford County will present two performances of "Carousel" on the 35 by 70 foot stage.

"We've sent out invitations to a large group of people and we do have some free tickets available to anyone in the community who wishes to attend Friday's program," Jones said. "We will give the tickets on a first come, first serve basis."

"We want the public to make full use of the Barnes Auditorium in the future," Jones said. "It is an ideal place for programs of a creative nature and could be a cultural center for our community."

KM Schools Employ 15 Under Job Bill

Whitener, Reginald Lovelace, J. K. Brooks, Luther Ware, Benjamin Brown, Issac Patterson, William Childers, Robert Costner and Mark George.

The two employed in clerical duties are Delane Guyton and Diana Allen. The school food service employees are Mary Greene, Scott Owens and Jack Bennett.

The employment will last through the remainder of the school year.

Kings Mountain is filing application for a demonstration grant for solar heat designing and installation in homes constructed by the local housing authority.

"We're one of the first communities in the United States to file such an application," said Mayor John H. Moss. "And if approved Kings Mountain would be one of the first with homes heated by solar heat."

The application is being made to the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, D. C. Technicians feel solar heat is the most economical, most advanced method of home heating in America.

Mayor Moss said should the grant be approved the local housing authority's architects, Tomberlin and Associates of Atlanta, would work closely with HUD in designing the solar heat system to be installed in the public housing here.

Tom Harper, housing authority director, expressed interest in the system particularly for the units designed for senior citizens.

Bloodmobile Visit Tuesday

The Red Cross bloodmobile will visit Kings Mountain Senior High School Tuesday in a visit sponsored by the Future Homemakers of America, Key Club and Distributive Education Clubs of America.

A trophy will be presented to the club at KMSHS with the most donors.

Donors will be processed from 10 until 4 and all citizens are encouraged to "give a pint of blood."

Only 17 and 18-year-old students are eligible to become donors and 17-year-olds only eligible if parents sign a consent form, said a spokesman.