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## Election Day Five Months Away

# City's Political Pulse May Be Quickening

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Kings Mountain will hold its biennial election in October, and though the election is only five months away, there has been thus far little outward evidence of political activity.

However, the subject is cropping up in some conversations, usually in the vein, "Isn't this election year and who's going to run?" Generally speaking, it is anticipated that majority of the incumbents will seek re-election.

Mayor John Henry Moss himself has been non-committal.

Mayor Pro Tem Jim Amos says he's definitely running again for Ward V Commissioner.

Mr. Amos has been mentioned intermittently during

the past two years as a possible mayoral candidate. Mr. Amos says he is not a candidate for Mayor.

Terms of the six ward commissioners expire in October.

Other Commissioners are Ray Cline, Ward 1; Lloyd E.

son, Ward 3; Don McAbee, Ward 4; and M. C. Pruette, Ward 6.

The rumor mill has been grinding out the names of Ex-Commissioner Jonas Bridges in Ward 5, Ex-Commissioner Norman King and Clyde

Blackwell, a newcomer to the city political arena, in Ward 4; and Tim Pearson, also a newcomer, in Ward 2.

All the commissioners with the exception of Comm. Cline are completing their first term at City Hall.

Comm. Lloyd Davis said he

probably would offer for re-election.

Comm. Corbet Nicholson says it's a little early to announce.

There was some speculation from political observers that a recent inquiry into the sale for \$15 of a used city-owned mas-

ter cylinder to a city commissioner may have political overtones whether or not the matter surfaces at Tuesday night's regular city board meeting.

All the seats are up for grabs this election year.



Photo By Gary Stewart

SWC CHAMPIONS - Here's the Kings Mountain High baseball team which copped the Southwestern Conference baseball title this spring with a 14-4 overall record. Players include, first row, left to right, Scott Moss, Hal Glass, Shane Gibson, Steve Sisk, Kenny Battles and Darren Queen. Second row,

Steve Southwell, Scott Ledford, Monte Falls, Chuck Austin, Chris Johnson, Kevin Ford and Tim Spicer. Back row, John Yarbro, Tony Payne, David Lancaster, Dale Hartsoe, Richard Gillespie, Steve Lancaster and Kenny Falls.

265 Seniors

## KMSHS Finals Begin Sunday

Commencement exercises for 265 KMSHS graduating seniors will begin on Sunday with the baccalaureate at 8 p. m. in John Gamble Memorial Stadium.

Rev. Clyde Bearden, pastor of First Baptist Church, will deliver the sermon to the graduating class and other ministers of the community will participate on the program.

Rev. D. H. Lutz, pastor of El-Bethel-Hoey Memorial Methodist Church, will give the invocation; Rev. R. D. Lucas, pastor of Lawndale First Baptist Church, will read the scripture; Rev. Robert A. Wilson, pastor of Dixon and Shiloh Presbyterian Churches, will present the speaker; and Rev. W. L. Adams, pastor of Vestibule A.M.E. Zion Church, will pronounce the benediction.

The KM Senior High School

Girls Choir will sing "Lord Speak To Me" by Cain and "God Is My Song" by Ringwald.

Mrs. J. N. McClure will play Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance" for the processional and recessional of seniors. The congregation will sing the hymn, "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee."

The final exercises on May 30th will feature senior

students on the program. Lou Ann Blalock will give the invocation, Joel Cloninger, president, will be introduced by junior class representative Raymon Herndon, the KMSHS Senior Choir will sing "We May Never Pass This Way Again" with Brantley Mercier as soloist; "You'll Never Walk Alone" and "Parting Blessing." Linda McSwain, senior class representative, will present the members of the Class

of 1975 for presentation of diplomas by Principal J. C. Atkinson and Supt. Donald Jones, assisted by Elizabeth Eaker, Chief Marshal. Karla Russell, class treasurer, will present the class of 1975 gift to George H. Mauney, chairman of KM District School Board, accepting for the school. All class members will join in the School Song and Cindy Bridges, class secretary, will pronounce the benediction.

Senior Class officers are Joel Cloninger, president; Lou Ann Blalock, vice president; Cindy Bridges, secretary; and Karla Russell, treasurer. Senior sponsors are Mrs. Bill Bates, Mrs. Ben T. Go-forth, Allen Dixon, Mrs. Jacqueline Lavender, Mrs. Carolyn McWhirter, Mrs. Brenda Neal, Mrs. Jaquitha Reid and Cary Osborn.

Junior marshals are Elizabeth Eaker, Chief; Tommy Bridges, Jane Campbell, Donald Carroll, Penny Greene, Karen Hambricht, Perry Hambricht, Kathleen Mauney, Barry Poston, Sam Robinson, Ann Rowell, and Cindy Swofford.

Class motto is "Keep your head to the sky"; class colors are red and white; class flower is the red rose; and class song is "We May Never Pass This Way Again."

tious meals daily for lunch and Mrs. Moss also has breakfast piping hot for 190 hungry youngsters when they report to classes. Principal James Scruggs said the school's breakfast program began three years ago with 60 students and has grown to 190 this year.

Some of the younger children brought gifts they had made at school and home, and many potted plants.

Grover P-TA took the occasion Monday night at the regular meeting to present Mrs. Moss a handsome silver tray as an appreciation gift.

The Moss family resides in the Mt. Paran Community and are active in Mt. Paran Baptist Church.



MRS. DEWITT MOSS



REV. CLYDE BEARDEN

## ACT Resolutions

# Calendar Approved

KM Board of Education Monday night approved a school calendar for 1975-76 incorporating several of the suggestions presented in the form of a lengthy resolution by the Association of Classroom Teachers.

Calling for a duty-free lunch period and at least one period each day for professional use other than teaching, clerical assistance and record keeping to relieve teachers of paper work so they could spend more time on instruction, and work-days spread out over the entire year and a longer spring break were among the 15 resolutions taken from two teacher polls during the year.

The board received the resolutions without action but representatives of ACT who attended the meeting noted that many of the suggestions were implemented earlier in the year.

No monetary request was made.

"We are aware of present economic conditions", said ACT, "and believe that the needs of Kings Mountain children must be pointed out and it is our hope that these resolutions will strengthen the position of our administration and board in their efforts to achieve adequate educational opportunities for our boys and girls."

Other requests were that carpet be installed on the floors of primary rooms to facilitate instructional activities; additional involvement in the method and manner in which instructional monies are spent; that scheduling of extensive in-service workshops and organizational meetings on extended term workdays be kept to an absolute minimum. When in-service workshops are scheduled they should be kept on a

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GROVER MAY QUEEN- Angela Bell was crowned Queen of Grover School's annual May Day Monday as students danced around a traditional May Pole in the sixth annual event. Members of the Court were Tammy Bolton maid of honor; Lisa Hambricht, flower girl; Philip Cook, crownbearer; and Della Fortenberry, Lisa Heafner, Arjuana Curry, Charlotte Logan, Agnes Littlejohn, and Dawn Hambricht, attendants.

## Harmon Tribute By School Board

Kings Mountain Board of Education voted a resolution of appreciation to the late Martin L. Harmon, Jr., Editor-Publisher of the Kings Mountain Herald 1945-74, at Monday night's regular meet-

ing. The board also forwarded letter of commendation to Cecil Gilliatt of Shelby, recently elected president of the National School Boards Association.

## At Commencement

# Diplomas To Three

Three Kings Mountain area students are among the large number graduating from colleges and universities this season.

Jane Wallis Yates, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh W. Yates, Kings Mountain, received her Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy Sunday in commencement exercises at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Yates, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Yates, and Louis E. Kirby attended the commencement program, and were guests of a luncheon given by the Pharmacy department for parents and guests.

Cynthia Alexander Wood, daughter of Postmaster and Mrs. Charles L. Alexander and wife of Larry Wood, was graduated with B. S. in Intermediate Education Sunday from Gardner Webb College at

Boiling Springs. Mrs. Wood minored in music. The Woods reside here where Mr. Wood is a counselor with the KM District School System.

Connie Marie Phifer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Marriott D. Phifer, of Kings Mountain, received the A.B. degree in elementary education from Erskine College, Sunday.

Miss Phifer, a 1971 graduate of KMSHS, was a member of

Chi Lambda Sigma and the Dean's List while at Erskine. South Carolina Attorney General Daniel McLeod gave the commencement address as South Carolina's oldest four-year denominational college closed its 136th year.



JANE YATES



CONNIE PHIFER



CINDY WOOD

## This Is Marie Moss Week

## As Students Give Gifts

Marie Moss has served a quarter million lunches during her 18 years tenure as lunchroom manager at Grover School.

This week is "Marie Moss Week" at the elementary school as the students are lavishing her with presents as they visit the lunchroom.

Retiring at the end of this school year, Mrs. Moss says she looks forward to keeping house for her husband, Dewitt, and her family of two children. She also expects to enjoy her flower garden.

Mrs. Moss joined the Grover staff after serving 10 years on the lunchroom staff of Blacksburg Schools.

The 500 students and faculty at Grover are served nutri-