

# Grover Hopes To Hook Onto KM Water Line

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Editor

The town of Grover hopes to soon take steps to hook onto the Cleveland County water line in order to have a backup water system in emergency situations.

Parts of the city were without water last week when the town's water main burst. It was not discovered until the water tank was almost empty and, according to Commissioner Ronald Queen, Grover almost had a water "crisis."

Mayor Bill McCarter said a county water line is within "15 to 20 feet" of Grover's main line at Elm Street. "The county ran it down here as a service (when it installed a line to Eaton Corporation) and all we have to do is connect it," McCarter said.

Cleveland County's water in that area is supplied by the City of Kings Mountain. McCarter said he has talked to Kings Mountain Mayor John Moss about the possibility of Grover tying onto the line, and Moss has promised to bring it before the Kings Mountain City Board, which will set the water rates.

"What it would mean is that we would use Kings Mountain water in an emergency," McCarter said. "If we had a fire at a big building, we would drain our 100,000 gallon tank in a matter of minutes. Last week, the tank was almost dry before we knew the line was broken."

McCarter said the town could install an altitude valve on the pressure regulator and set the valve to automatically let Kings Mountain water in during an emergency situation.

Queen, who is in charge of the water department during emergencies, asked McCarter to urge Kings Mountain and/or the county to act quickly because "I don't want to see another emergency."

In other matters at the town's regular monthly meeting Monday night, the board:

\*Discussed naming a new recreation committee, consisting of three Grover residents and two outside-the-city residents, to make suggestions to the board on how the city can help furnish and maintain facilities for youth athletic teams in Grover.

Larry Crocker, a Grover resident and a volunteer in youth programs, said Grover is in a position to sponsor one district and one state baseball tournament this summer, but the Minette Mill park, which is leased by the city, is in need of repairs.

Crocker said the town hopes to sponsor nine baseball teams next summer, and is currently sponsoring six basketball teams, which play at the Grover School gym.

There has been concern in the past that many players in the Grover leagues live outside the city limits, but Crocker suggested charging a registration fee and charging outside city players a higher fee than inside city players.

"Although some players live outside the city, most of them go to Grover School," Crocker noted. "The kids shouldn't be penalized because of where they live. It can be worked out to where they kids living outside of Grover will pay their share."

Crocker suggested that a com-

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mittee, which should include one town councilman, be named to work with the Kings Mountain School System in scheduling basketball games at the Grover gym, and work with church softball teams in scheduling the use of the Minette baseball field, and to bring recommendation to the town council on how the city can best serve the youth.

"The committee members should look at all matters with an open mind and should be willing to be a working committee,"

Crocker said.

The board agreed to take nominations for committee members during the month of January, and select the committee at the February board meeting. Any persons wanting to nominate a committee member may do so by notifying Town Clerk Gloria Horton.

\*Agreed to lease an unused 1955 Chevrolet fire truck to the Chestnut Ridge Volunteer Fire Department, which is in the process of building a new fire station

on Chestnut Ridge Church Road.

McCarter was given the authorization to have the town's attorney draw up a contract with Chestnut Ridge, which will pay all legal fees. The town reserved the right to request the truck in emergency situations.

Charles Fite, chief of the Chestnut Ridge Department, said the lease of the truck will be a "tremendous help" in his department getting started. The department organized more than

two years ago and has had several fund-raising projects to earn money to build a station.

Fite said he anticipates the station's completion by the end of February or early March.

\*Heard a December arrest report from Police Chief Mike Brown. It included four driving under the influence, one driving while license suspended, one driving without a license, one speeding, one unauthorized use of conveyance, and eight warnings.

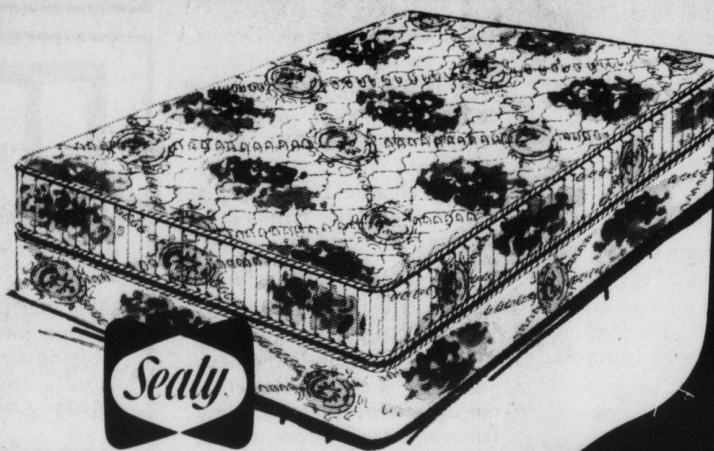
\*Accepted the resignation of school crossing guard Jackie Bennett, who has moved out of the school district. She will continue to work the crossing at Grover School until a replacement is found.

\*Approved maintenance work on the town's police car.

\*Approved lettering of the new Grover Police Department, shelving for the department's storage room, and erection of a Mercury vapor light for the outside of the building.

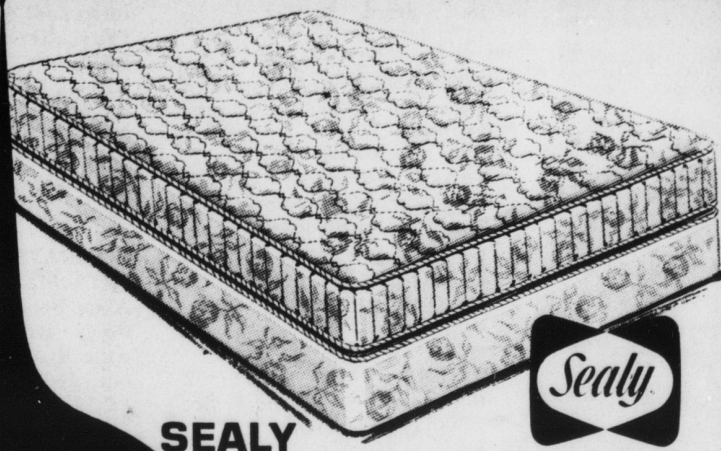
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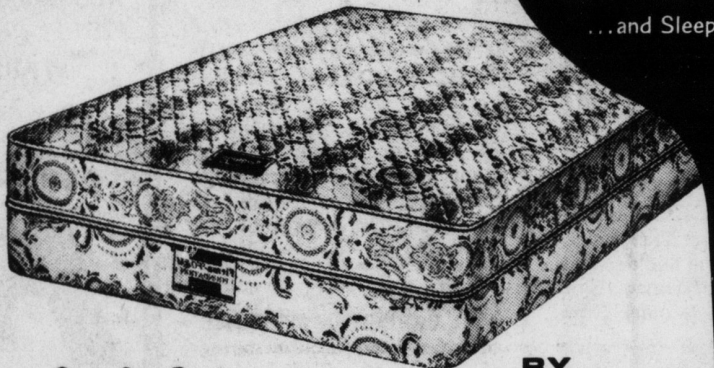
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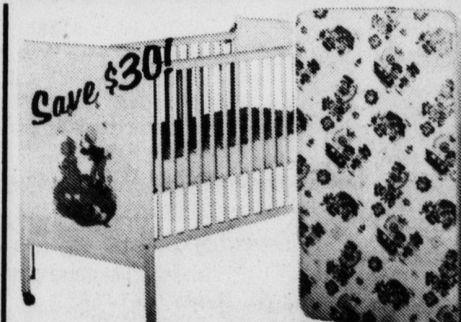
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