

5 Year Improvement P. W. R. Program Outlined

Preliminary plans for Kings Mountain's five year improvement program were completed last week. Mr. James H. Hough, representative of the Federal Works Agency Public Works Bureau, with headquarters in Charlotte, N. C., worked with City Manager St. L. Insley in completing the preliminary plans and estimates and set each project up in proper form for filing under the Federal Works Program, provided to take up the slack of unemployment when the defense program begins to slow up. The summary of the projects proposed include a total of eight separate projects, and if these projects were completed Kings Mountain would be on par with many cities two and three times its size.

Under the program, it is worked out all sections of Kings Mountain in which sewers are not now available would be provided with sewers, also with water mains of sufficient size for fire protection as well as make service available to areas not now enjoying this service.

The largest item in the program proposes street improvements on a city-wide basis. It is contemplated that every street now open and on the city map would be improved with concrete curb and gutters and concrete side walks and suitable widening of the road way either with tar and gravel or some more permanent type of surfacing. Several extensions to the street systems are then proposed which would connect convenient streets and facilitate the movement of traffic through Kings Mountain. These extensions will also be improved in the same manner as other streets.

Another proposed project would provide Kings Mountain with a modern sewerage disposal plant, in which all sewerage now being disposed of through four separate disposal tanks would be directed to the one plant and when treated through this plant all gas, steam and air would be eliminated. The plans for this contemplate a normal growth of Kings Mountain for the next fifteen years, and provision will be made for additions to the plant to take care of Kings Mountain future growth for many years to come. Also in connection with this is a plan to improve water service throughout Kings Mountain, and looking forward to the expected growth a 500,000 gallon steel steel storage tank and tower is proposed to be erected somewhere in the downtown area so as to provide additional water storage and a freer flow of water through the mains in the business section and the congested area surrounding it where fire hazards are considered to be the greatest. At present the concrete tank located on the north side of the Cherryville Highway more than a mile from the business section is the only source of supply throughout the town, which means that water must travel from a mile and a half to two miles through the mains to reach certain sections. If the new tank is erected it would be of such height to equalize it with the present tank, thus keeping the present tank in use, thereby giving Kings Mountain two or three days water supply on hand and provide ample water for fire protection under any conditions.

Garbage and rubbish disposal has always a problem, a modern incinerator is contemplated. The location of which would perhaps be on the west side of town and far enough from the city limits and residential developments to avoid any objection because of smoke or odors from the burning rubbish and

other combustible materials. The incinerator plans make provision for a chamber for the cremation of dead animals.

Items in the program which will be of especial interest to all citizens of Kings Mountain, as well as nearby communities, will be the proposal for establishing a recreation center; plans for which include a modern, reinforced concrete swimming pool with a filtration and recirculating system, which would keep the water in the pool pure at all times; a modern bath house with individual steel lockers; shower, baths and dressing rooms; a new building for the picnic grounds provided with Dutch ovens, tables and etc.; tennis courts; horse shoe courts and other facilities for recreation.

It is also proposed that the entire cemetery together with some additional land landscaped and surfaced drives and walks provided. This plan, if carried out, would give Kings Mountain one of the most beautiful cemeteries in this part of the state. Cemeteries are frequently neglected but the plans for improvement in this respect would make it "a place of the dead," a place where the loved ones left behind could find consolation in the beauty of the surroundings of their beloved dead.

Kings Mountain would outwardly stand itself as the progressive community. It is if the proposed program of improvement is carried out, and no doubt growth would be immediately accelerated and new business attracted, which would be of great benefit from many angles. The new athletic stadium with the other recreation facilities proposed would put Kings Mountain well in advance of most towns its size and it is hoped that the entire program can be gotten underway during the five-year period setup by the Federal Works Agency.

New York, Nov. 10.—Hugh Cameron, 62, a familiar figure to the theater for more than 40 years, died of a heart ailment yesterday in his room at the Phipps Hotel.

Youth Council Elects Chairman

At a meeting of the Youth Council, Central Methodist Church, held Tuesday evening at the home of I. Ben Gubert, Jr., the following committee chairmen were elected: World Friendship, Mark Carpenter; Recreation and Leisure, James Griffin; Community Service, Bill Throckmold; and Worship and Devotion, Marion Arthur (for the Hispaworth League) and Elizabeth Neill (for the Senior Episcopal League). Cheryl Primer was re-elected as Publicity Dept. and James

Throckmold Appointed Assistant Pub. Dept. Chairman

The Council decided that beginning Nov. 22, open house will be held in the church basement each Saturday evening at 7 o'clock for the entertainment of the young people. As a project the Council elected to get a bulletin board to be placed in the church annex for youth announcements and posters. Buster Payson and H. S. Peeler, Jr., are in charge of this.

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