

## POPULATION

City Limits (1940 Census) 6,574  
Immediate Trading Area 15,000  
(1945 Nation Board Figures)

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## Local News Bulletins

### MOWER ON DUTY

The new Allis-Chalmers tractor-mower, purchased by the city last month, arrived last Friday and was immediately put to use mowing excess grass along city streets. The tractor was purchased from E. F. Craven Company, Greensboro, low bidders on the machinery.

### METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week which ended Wednesday totaled \$133.30 according to a report from the office of S. A. Crouse, city clerk.

### BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits were issued at City Hall last week to Mrs. Sally Costner, on Wednesday, for construction of a one-room dwelling on Dilling street, \$500; to J. W. Cunningham, on last Saturday, for construction of a new four-room dwelling on Linwood road, \$2,000; to Nell Jackson, also on Saturday, for construction of a five-room dwelling on Waco road, \$2,500; and to Mrs. J. H. Garrett, on September 1, for construction of a barn on Floyd street, \$150.

### JOINT MEETING HELD

Members of the Kings Mountain Lions club were guests of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club at the Thursday night Kiwanis meeting at the Woman's Club. The joint session with the Kiwanians replaced the regular meeting of the Lions club, which would ordinarily be held on Tuesday night, September 13.

### ELECTED DIRECTOR

E. C. Bumgardner, of Greenville, S. C., son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hicks, of Kings Mountain, was elected a director of the South Carolina Clothiers association, in session this week at Myrtle Beach, S. C. Mr. Bumgardner is owner of Bumgardner's Men's Shop in Greenville.

### PUBLIC INVITED

First official chapel program at Central school will be held Friday at 10:20 a. m., with Rev. J. H. Brendall, jr., as speaker according to announcement by Rowell Lane, principal. The public is invited to attend.

### WEST SCHOOL TEACHER

Mrs. Bill Baker has joined the city schools faculty as sixth grade teacher at West grammar school, it was announced this week. In turn, Mrs. John Gamble, present sixth grade teacher, is now teaching the third grade at the school. The addition of Mrs. Baker to the faculty fills all vacancies in the school system, Superintendent B. N. Barnes announced.

### WO BOOSTERS

A. W. O. W. Boosters club meeting will be held at Spindale on September 16 at 7:30 p. m., it was announced this week. Kings Mountain members will leave from Center Service at 6:30 p. m.

### LEGION MEETING

Members of Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion will hold their regular meeting at City Hall courtroom Monday night at 7:30. Among other business will be a report of the Legion building committee.

### BLAKELY IMPROVED

W. E. Blakely, Kings Mountain postmaster, who has been receiving treatment at Memorial hospital, Charlotte, for the past week, was reported improved Wednesday night. There was some possibility that Mr. Blakely would be able to return home within a few days.

### BARNES'S SECRETARY

Mrs. Vernon Crosby is serving as temporary secretary to B. N. Barnes, superintendent of schools. Mr. Barnes said yesterday he hoped to fill the position on a permanent basis in the near future. The vacancy was created when Mrs. Grady Howard resigned the position to become teacher of high school commercial.

### TO HEAR MISSIONARY

Miss Ruth Gibson, returned missionary to South America, will speak at evening services at First Wesleyan church Sunday evening at 7:30, it was announced by Rev. J. W. Phillips, pastor of the church. Miss Gibson is from Gastonia.

## Beth-Ware Community Fair Opens Sept. 15

### Power May Be Off Sunday Afternoon

If the weather is fair on Sunday afternoon, the power will be cut off in order to complete work on installation of a new line from the Duke Power Company substation.

The announcement was made yesterday by City Engineer J. S. Evans, who said that in the event of fair weather, the power would be off from 2 p. m. to 4:30 p. m. "We are anxious to complete this job, which will give better power service in a number of areas now over-loaded," Mr. Evans said.

### Fulton To Preach For Week Here

Rev. C. Darby Fulton, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., will preach at a week's series of services at First Presbyterian church here beginning September 18 and continuing through September 25, it was announced this week by the pastor, Rev. P. D. Patrick.

Dr. Fulton, secretary of World Missions of the Presbyterian church of the United States, was born in Japan, the son of two missionaries who served under the Presbyterian church's Executive Committee of Foreign Missions for 46 years.

Dr. Fulton, himself spent eight years as a missionary to Japan, from 1917 to 1925, before returning to America as a secretary of the Executive Committee on Missions. His duties have also taken him to China and Korea, South Africa, Mexico, and Africa.

"Dr. Fulton is recognized as one of the greatest missionary statesmen and ablest preachers of our day," Mr. Patrick said in making the announcement. "Our church is fortunate in having Dr. Fulton visit us, and I am sure his messages will mean much to not only the members of our church but the community as well."

### Junior Chamber Plans Jet Model Plane Show

The Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce will stage a model air show for jet planes here on Thanksgiving Day, November 24th, according to announcement at the meeting of the organization held on Tuesday night at the Woman's club.

Ralph Spearman and Joe Hedden were named as co-chairmen of the event. W. P. Fulton, Wilson Griffin and Bill Page were named to a ticket committee.

Tickets for the event are now on sale. Admission price is one dollar.

The club heard a report from Faison Barnes on the quarterly board meeting of the state organization.

Miss Nan Jean Gantt, student this summer at Plunk School of Creative Arts, Asheville, gave a reading of a one-act play.

Tom Davidson, manager of the A & P store here, was welcomed by Bill Fulton as a new member.

## Florida Storms Have Penchant For Clothes Of Former Citizen

Though it might appear that Florida's mild and balmy temperatures would make clothes purchases lighter on a year-round basis, due to the lack of need for over-coats and other heavier cold weather wear, it isn't necessarily true.

Particularly is this the situation with Mrs. C. E. DeFries, the former Melba Settlemire, of Kings Mountain, now home visiting her family. It happened in the Florida hurricanes.

Last year, Mrs. DeFries had sent some clothes to the laundry which operated a sub-station near her home, but did the work at the Pensacola plant. Pensacola got the brunt of the 1948 blow, and Mrs. DeFries laundry went with the wind.

Warned of the approaching storms this year, Mrs. DeFries decided not to take any chances. Instead, she got a wet wash at a local laundry near her home at Eglin Field, then brought them home to

### Fair To Feature Many Exhibits, Midway, Rides

The Second Annual Beth-Ware Community Fair will officially open next Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock with a record number of entries anticipated for the many ribbons and prizes being offered.

Opening day ceremonies will be held at 1 p. m. next Thursday, and the fair will continue through Saturday night, September 17.

Friday's program will include an exhibition and judging of livestock on the grounds, plus a farm machinery demonstration at 2 p. m.

Six riding devices will be operated to delight the young folk by R. C. Lee Riding Devices, Inc., and concessions and shows will be operated by J. M. McIntyre Amusement company. Citizens of the Beth-Ware community will operate lunch and drink stands.

In a statement yesterday, Myers Hambricht, manager of the fair which is being sponsored by the Beth-Ware Progressive Club, said "everything is virtually ready for an exceptionally good fair."

"We are deeply appreciative of the cooperation we have received from participants, friends and well-wishers, and, with the fair to go on as scheduled this season, it should be an excellent one from all standpoints. Reports from department directors indicate that the competition will be keen in the various departments."

Other officials of the Beth-Ware fair are Willis Harmon, assistant manager, John Rudisill, secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Lamar Herndon, assistant secretary, and Boyd Harrelson, Wayne Ware, Lamar Herndon, Charles Goforth and Ted Ledford, directors.

Department organizations include:

Agriculture — Boyd Harrelson, J. S. Ware, Hugh Falls and L. E. Champion.

Horticulture — Wayne Ware, Cameron Ware, Frank Ware, and Russel Putnam.

Livestock — J. C. Randall, Ted Ledford, Paul Hermann, Harold Herndon, William Watterson, Herman Goforth, Jack Ware and John Phifer.

Farm Machinery — Joe Craver, Lewis Hovis and Lyman Champion. Woman's Department — Mrs. Hal Morris, Mrs. Frank Ware, Mrs. Lyman Champion and Mrs. J. S. are.

### Square Dance Next Thursday

The Kings Mountain Woodmen of the World will sponsor a square dance, to be held at Arcadia Skating Rink, next Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

Hämrick's String Band will supply the music and a large attendance is anticipated. Admission will be 60 cents per person.

"We are looking for a large attendance," one member of the organization said. "The cooler weather makes the evenings ideal for square dancing."

hang on the line. Though this part of Florida didn't get the full brunt, the winds reached a velocity of 70 miles per hour, and tore off a big piece of the DeFries' roof. And, of course, the laundry hanging on the line was blown to none-knows-where.

But troubles had not ended when Mrs. DeFries arrived home a week ahead of schedule.

On Tuesday, Mrs. DeFries' car was parked in front of the Settlemire home on W. King street. The brakes either gave way or loosened, and the driver-less car plunged down the street until it found a resting place against a friendly telephone pole. The damage included a broken water pump, damaged fender, bent bumper and cracked axle. Luckily, the car hit nothing else.

There must be some truth to the old saying that misfortune is a good passer.



CHURCH LOCAL PEOPLE HELPED BUILD—Shown above is the Itayado Presbyterian church at Kobe, Japan, built jointly by funds provided from the membership of the church and the Kings Mountain First Presbyterian church. The local church contributed \$4,000 to the building fund and it was matched by the Japanese members. The new structure replaces the church destroyed during the war.

### Central Gridders End Heavy Drills

Kings Mountain high school's football warriors took a holiday Friday from the heavy drills of the past three weeks and started looking forward to polishing up work next week, in readiness for the opening game in Hendersonville next Friday night at 8 p. m.

Pre school practice sessions began for the grid candidates on August 15. After the first week of drills here the team moved to Brevard college for a week of drills that included scrimmage sessions with the Fayetteville and Lumberton high school teams. Remainder of drills have been at City Stadium.

Some 50 boys have reported for practice at one time or another, according to an estimate by Coach Everette Carlton, with many quitting the strenuous grind. Latest to leave the camp were Harold Rinehardt, promising guard candidate, and Jack Sims, another guard. Gene Welch, another guard candidate, was reportedly ordered by his physician to give up the game.

New candidates reporting this week included Guy Fisher, husky first year guard prospect, Douglas Falls, backfield, and Bob Crawford, blocking back returnee from the 1948 squad reserves.

Coaches Carlton and Don Parker have been using a first string backfield consisting of Richard White at tailback, Delvin Huffstetter at fullback, Bryan Ware at blocking back, and Jim Cobb at wingback. White saw action in most of last year's games. Huffstetter was the 1948 second string fullback who fractured a wrist early in the season, and Ware a line reserve who saw little action last year. Cobb is a new player, is fast, and is a promising runner.

The first team line for practice sessions to date has included Bob Jackson and Don Flowers at ends, Jack Crouch and Charles Mauney at tackles, Don Cashion and Roger McDaniel at guards and Curtis Wright at center.

Charles Shytle and Gerald Valentine have been outstanding in defensive work to date for the second stringers. Shytle has been working at safety, is a tackle candidate. Valentine, a tackle, is a line-smashing player who also gets his share of tackles. Both are first-year men. Other candidates at the positions include:

At end — Johnny Kiser, Paul McGinnis, James Staggs, Raymond Goforth, Jim Crawford.

At tackle — Jack Moss.

At guard — Jake Hord, Dicky McMakin, Robert Davis.

At center — Bob Hüllerder.

In the backfield — Barry Short, (wing), James Downey (full), Dickie Webb (tail), Fred Tate (blocking), Don Bumgardner (full), Walter Griffin (full), Jack Rhea (wing.)

### City Commissioners To Meet Wednesday

Regular September meeting of the city board of commissioners will be held next Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 at City Hall.

No special business was as yet listed on the agenda on Thursday, other than the presentation of regular monthly reports and other routine business matters.

## Speculation Rife On Sheriff's Race As Allen Resigns

Announcement Wednesday that Haywood Allen had resigned as chief deputy to Sheriff Hugh A. Logan to accept a position with Lutz-Yelton company of Shelby brought immediate speculation among political observers concerning next spring's primary election when county Democrats will nominate their candidate for sheriff.

Sheriff Logan is completing his first term in office and, though making no official announcement, doesn't mind admitting that his name will again be on the ballot. The rumor mill has had Chief Deputy Allen, former member of the Kings Mountain police department and son of former Sheriff I. M. Allen, as a possible candidate for the top office. Mr. Allen, himself, has made no public statements regarding the matter.

Many point out that Mr. Allen would hardly run against his "boss" for the past three years, but others point out just as strongly that politics is full of the unusual.

City Commissioner Hal Ward, former highway patrolman and now a Kings Mountain business man, is known to be interested in making the race. He ran second to Sheriff Logan in the 1946 primary in a five-man race and declined to call for a second primary.

Deputy Allen's resignation becomes effective October 1. He will be succeeded by Fred H. Grigg, native of Number 9 township and has served 11 years on the Shelby police force.

## Blind-Aid Broom Sale Successful

Members of the Kings Mountain Lions club proved to be successful broom salesmen last weekend, according to incomplete reports from the salesman received by Sam Weir, club president.

Gross sales totaled more than \$800. Mr. Weir said, including sales of brooms at \$1.50, and sale of rubber door mats at \$2.25.

Proceeds from the broom-and-mat sale go to aid the blind. Major portion of the money goes to Guilford Industries for the Blind, an industry operated solely by blind persons, while a minor portion is retained by the local club for use in community blind work.

Among the leading salesmen of the club were Sam Stallings, Deven King and G. C. Kelly.

One Lion broom salesman reported, "Selling the brooms was the easiest job I ever had. People were most cooperative. Those who hadn't heard the good purpose of the sale were quick to buy when they found out that the money would aid the blind."

Mr. Weir urged that members who haven't yet made their reports attend to the matter as quickly as possible.

## City Street Signs Are Being Re-Painted

Street signs of the city are going to get a new coat of paint.

Already re-touched are the street signs on King street, and the city expects to continue the job until all the street signs are plainly visible again.

## Kings Mountain Symphony Society To Begin Fifth Membership Drive

The Kings Mountain Symphony Society will begin its annual drive for memberships in the North Carolina Symphony Society next week, it was announced yesterday by Mrs. Paul Mauney, chairman.

Organization of the membership was underway this week, and Mrs. Mauney announced that B. S. Neill would again serve as treasurer of the campaign.

The forthcoming membership drive will be the fifth conducted in Kings Mountain by the local unit of the organization, and has as its principal purpose the bringing to Kings Mountain of the North Carolina Little Symphony for two concerts, one a public concert for the community, and the other an afternoon concert for school children. The latter is free and this phase of the symphony's activities has brought commendation throughout the state.

In explaining the advantages of membership in the Symphony Society, Mrs. Mauney said, "A Symphony Society member may attend every concert sponsored by the Society throughout the state. For the price of just one concert, you may hear every adult program during the entire season."

The record of the North Carolina Symphony last season was also cited by Mrs. Mauney. During the fourth annual tour the Orchestra traveled three times across the state, a total of 6200 miles, to play 30 concerts. This included 73 special concerts for children, an appearance before the General Assembly in Raleigh, and programs for the fishing communities of the Outer Banks at Hatteras.