

City Limits 7,206
The population is from the U. S. Government census report for 1950. The Census Bureau estimates the nation's population gains since 1950 at 1.7 percent per year, which means Kings Mountain's 1954 population should approximate 7824.

Local News Bulletins

BUILDING PERMIT
The city issued a building permit to Geneva Carroll on Monday calling for construction of a one-story dwelling at an estimated cost of \$500.

PLONK IMPROVING
C. S. Plonk, who returned to his home August 18 after an operation at Rex hospital, Raleigh, was reported recovering satisfactorily Wednesday morning.

MRS. PHIFER ILL.
Mrs. Campbell Phifer has been confined to bed since becoming ill last Friday. Members of her family said her condition was much improved Wednesday morning.

OPTIMIST CLUB
Regular monthly meeting of the Optimist Club will be held Thursday night at the Corner Cafe and 7:00, according to an announcement of Neal Grissom, president. All members are urged to attend, he said.

MISS STEWART ILL.
Miss Elizabeth Stewart, Herald society editor, has been confined to her home due to illness for the past week. The society department this week has been conducted by Mrs. Thomas Meacham.

ICE CREAM SALE
An ice cream sale will be held at Central Methodist church Friday and Saturday afternoons, beginning at four o'clock. The Senior Methodist Youth Fellowship group is to conduct the sale.

KIWANIS OUTING
Members of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club and their families will hold a picnic outing at Lake Montonia Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. Dinner will be served by Red Bridges, of Shelby.

PICNIC
A picnic for all school patrol boys will be held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the City picnic park, according to an announcement made by Chief Hugh A. Logan, Jr. All school patrol boys are urged to attend Mr. Logan said.

KINDERGARTEN
Jack and Jill Kindergarten will resume classes August 31, according to an announcement made this week by Mrs. Coleman Falls. Mrs. Falls said the faculty will be composed of three teachers, Mrs. J. C. Bridges, music, Mrs. C. D. Ware, play period supervisor, and Mrs. Falls, dancing and expression.

WEATHERS - DEDMON CLAN
Ross Grove Church in the north edge of Shelby will again be the place for the annual Weathers and Dedmon reunion to be held Sunday, August 29th, beginning at 11 o'clock. There will be old-time singing. All descendants, as well as relatives who have married into the families, are invited to attend and bring picnic baskets. Henry Lee Weathers, publicity chairman, said.

LIONS DIRECTORS
Directors of the Kings Mountain Lions club will hold their regular monthly supper meeting at Kings Mountain Country Club Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

Watchman's Shots Scare Off Thieves

Community Implement & Supply Company on Grover Road was burglarized around 4 o'clock Tuesday morning, according to Chief Deputy George Allen, of the Cleveland County Sheriff's office.

Entry into the building, Mr. Allen said, was made on the south side and was gained by breaking a window pane and raising the latch. Since only 24 or 25 cents in pennies was found to be missing, Deputy Allen theorized that the intruders, who were frightened away by two shots fired into the ceiling by a Negro night watchman, failed to accomplish their mission. It was thought, he stated, that the thieves sought implement parts.

Mr. Allen stated that the culprits, after the shots were fired, fled by car in direction of the South Carolina line. The break-in, according to Chief Deputy Allen, was thought to be a professional job, since no fingerprints were found.

Kings Mountain Suspension From Blood Program Looms

Chapter Officials Ask Emergency Bloodmobile Call

Kings Mountain Red Cross officials were taking steps this week to prevent suspension of the Kings Mountain chapter—and therefore Kings Mountain—from participation in the Red Cross regional blood program.

If the threatened suspension becomes final, Kings Mountain area doctors would have to depend on the once-familiar practice of emergency calls for volunteer blood donors or abandon transfusion-type treatment.

I. G. Patterson, Kings Mountain chapter chairman, was notified August 16 that suspension is considered by the Red Cross regional committee "because of failure of your Chapter during the year ended June 20, 1954, to maintain substantial compliance with your established and accepted quota requirements for blood procurement."

Mr. Patterson and Dr. P. G. Padgett, chapter blood program chairman, have asked for a stay of decision and have requested an emergency visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile, in the hope that the Kings Mountain community will secure sufficient donations of blood to return the Kings Mountain chapter to good standing.

Grady Howard, Kings Mountain hospital administrator and also blood recruitment chairman for the year just beginning, said suspension of Kings Mountain would be "very bad" for Kings Mountain hospital and its patients who require blood plasma and whole blood transfusions.

"During the past year, patients at Kings Mountain hospital have used an average of slightly more than one pint of blood per day," Mr. Howard said, "and with increased use of blood in treating numerous illnesses, a return to the once-used call method of obtaining blood donors would not satisfy the demand at all."

Mr. Howard added further, "The supply of blood at the regional bank in Charlotte is quite low, for in recent months we have not been allowed to store any blood—in advance of demand—here, as is customary when the regional bank's blood stocks are sufficient."

Mr. Patterson and other Red Cross chapter officials were confident this week that the regional blood procurement committee will schedule an emergency visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile for Kings Mountain in the immediate future.

"However," Mr. Patterson noted, "the emergency visit will be our last chance to prevent suspension. Unless blood donations are heavy, Kings Mountain will be off the list."

Kings Mountain has plenty of company in the list of communities facing suspension. Only last week, Gastonia responded to an emergency call for blood to prevent suspension from the blood program.

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday noon totaled \$145.78, according to report of City Clerk Joe Hendrick.

Hospital Trustees Approve Plans For Kings Mountain Addition

Plans for the major addition to Kings Mountain hospital, approved August 18 by members of the county hospital board of trustees, were dispatched to the State Medical Care commission at Raleigh Tuesday.

The plans are subject to approval of the state agency, but hospital officials and state agency representatives have been conferring on the plans during their formulation and approval is expected, Grady Howard, hospital business manager, said.

The architect's drawings call for construction of a new wing running east-west and fronting on West King street, the wing to include eight private rooms, one ward of four beds, an obstetrical suite, nursery, necessary service units, a lobby and business office. The new lobby and business office will replace the present lobby and business office, with this space to become two private

Emergency Polio Donations Invited

Kings Mountain officials of the Cleveland County chapter, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, reminded area citizens of the current emergency fund appeal and invited contributions.

Though no formal campaign for emergency funds is being made, the county chapter hopes to obtain a minimum of \$500 for the emergency fund.

Charles Neisler, Kings Mountain co-chairman, suggested that contributions be forwarded to him, to Co-Chairman George Thomasson, or to Ollie Harris.

Heavy incidence of polio this year has depleted the funds of the National Foundation, which provides treatment and care of polio victims.

Bethware Fair Catalog Ready

Bethware Progressive club was expecting a large crowd of exhibitors, program advertisers, and other supporters of the Bethware Community Fair at the annual pre-fair barbecue Wednesday night at Bethware school cafeteria.

The official catalog, with premium list, rules and regulations, is ready for distribution and includes full information on the forthcoming seventh annual event. Copies may be obtained from Stokes Wright, fair secretary.

Dates for the fair, to be conducted on the grounds and in the buildings of Bethware school, are September 15-16-17-18. (Statement on today's editorial page that the fair is September 8-11 is incorrect.)

Department directors and assistants, as listed in the premium list catalog follow: Agriculture—J. S. Ware, director; Willis Harmon, Charles Goforth, Joe Craver and Lamar Herndon.

Horticulture—Cameron Ware, director; Wayne L. Ware, Jr., Frank Ware, and Edwin Moore.

Farm and machinery—Lewis Hovis, director; Lyman Champion, Walter Garrard, Holland Dixon.

In the women's department, headed by Mrs. Eugene Patterson, director, Mrs. Hal Morris and Mrs. Frank Ware, are the following divisions:

Canned fruits and vegetables—Mrs. Earl Morris, Mrs. Clem Wright, Mrs. Frank Herndon, and Mrs. Will Watterson.

Preserves, jellies and jams—Mrs. Dale Volebracht, Mrs. Carl Falls, Mrs. Edwin Moore, Mrs. Frank Hamrick.

Pickles, relishes, and meats—Mrs. Tom Hamrick, Mrs. H. A. Goforth, Mrs. Lamar Herndon, Mrs. Perry McSwain.

Pantry and dairy supplies—Mrs. William Bell, Mrs. Dewitt Randle, Mrs. Claude Harmon, Mrs. Wray Whitsnant.

Household arts department—Mrs. J. S. Ware, Mrs. Ted Ledford, Mrs. Hugh Dover, Mrs. William Wright.

Flower department—Mrs. Charlie Blalock, Mrs. Floyd Queen, Mrs. Floyd Herndon.

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Missionary Says India Won't Team With Communists

"None of us believe Nehru will work too closely with the Communists," Dr. B. L. Hamilton, ARP missionary to Pakistan for the past 32 years, said Sunday in a sermon at Boyce Memorial ARP church.

Presently home on leave Dr. Hamilton, father of Mrs. John C. McGill of Kings Mountain, outlined the work of the ARP church in the Pakistan mission field, and also outlined the political-economic-religious background of the enmity between India and Pakistan.

Major problem is religion, he said, which resulted in the separation of Pakistan from India, with strong hatred between Mohammedan and Hindu. Part of the trouble is economic, he added, with India threatening to cut off the Pakistan water supply.

Against this background of unrest, he said, the ARP church maintains its Pakistan mission, which in addition to teaching the Christian religion, also maintains a school and hospital. He added, however, that Pakistan is friendly to missionaries, in contrast to the attitude of India. Nehru, however, Dr. Hamilton added, though Moslem socially and politically, does not paramount the religious issue. He said the land reform propaganda of the Communists naturally appeals to the masses of India's citizens.

The ARP mission field in Pakistan now numbers 29 preachers and elders, as compared to three when the field was opened, and the school population is now 2,175 as compared to 67 when the school opened more than 30 years ago, the missionary reported. He also noted that the Christian community is 20 percent literate, as compared to Pakistan's 12 percent literacy.

Pakistan's mission presbytery is now predominantly self-supporting, he reported.

Moose Charter Rites Are Set

Institution ceremonies for the new Kings Mountain lodge, Loyal Order of Moose, will be held on Sunday, September 12th, at 2:30, according to announcement made today by Warren Reynolds, who has been serving as chairman of the charter campaign committee.

The exercises will be under the direction of Pilgrim Harold Isenhour of Hickory, while the address of the occasion will be made by Past Supreme Inner Guard of the order, Samuel Petrea of Concord.

Hundreds of Moose and Moose dignitaries from all over the Carolinas are expected to be present for the occasion, which will mark the institution of the 77th Moose lodge in the Carolinas, now numbering more than 28,000 members.

Ritual exercises for the new lodge will be conducted by the all-star ritual staff from the L. 500 member Moose lodge at Hickory, while the Hickory quartette will also render the odes of the order.

Following the Institution exercises and the initiation, officers of the new lodge will be installed into office by Governor Stewart Lingerfelt from the 1000 member Moose lodge at Morganton.

The local campaign has been under the assistance of Membership Director P. J. McGivern, of the Moose, while applications will still be received by Warren Reynolds, local chairman for the next few weeks. Already over 125 have been enrolled as charter members, Mr. Reynolds said.

Howard Smith Gets Postal Appointment

Howard S. Smith has replaced W. Demouth Blanton as indefinite substitute city carrier at Kings Mountain postoffice effective August 18, it was announced by Postmaster W. E. Blakely.

Mr. Smith, a Republican, is a World War II veteran. Postmaster Blakely said the new carrier was appointed from the civil service eligible list.

Dr. Moll Flays U. N. Partition Of Palestine

Dr. Edwin Moll, Lutheran church official in Jerusalem, declared the partition of Palestine had made poverty-stricken refugees of 872,000 Arabs and established a fertile field for Communism.

Dr. Moll spoke at a union service sermon at Central Methodist church Sunday evening. Strongly criticizing the Lake Success, N. Y., action of the United Nations in 1949, Dr. Moll said the situation in Jerusalem is not favorable to America and he urged financial support of Protestant efforts there to relieve Arab refugee suffering he termed "wast."

Supporting his charge that the United Nations had acted unfairly, Dr. Moll declared the Arabs had a prior claim on Palestine of 1400 years' possession.

Dr. Moll said end-point relief efforts amount to approximately eight dollars per year for each Arab family, taking the form of a daily milk ration for undernourished children, the ill, and pregnant mothers. He further noted that a dinner for three in a New York restaurant had cost him ten dollars.

He said the late Arab king, Abdullah, three weeks prior to his assassination, expressed amazement at the Protestant Christian willingness and effort to help the refugees.

Dr. Moll, one time British army officer, fought at Gallipoli and later accomplished General Allenby into Jerusalem. He studied for the ministry in America, subsequently served large churches in this country, then became a specialist in foreign mission work for the Lutheran church.

A guest here of Dr. W. P. Gerbering, he also preached the sermon at St. Matthew's Lutheran church, Sunday morning.

Two Injured In Wreck Monday

Two persons were injured painfully in an accident on Waco road outside the city limits Monday morning.

Hospitalized as a result of the accident are Mrs. Sarah Stepp, who suffered a fractured right hip and multiple bruises and lacerations, and Mrs. Bessie Mae Davis, with multiple bruises and lacerations.

Patrolman O. R. McKinney, of Shelby, investigated the accident, which took place at 8:10 a. m. Monday. He reported that Robert Franklin Davis, 19, of 410 N. Hill street was driving a 1951 Chevrolet north on Waco road at 35-40 miles per hour and was rounding a curve when a bug blew into his eye, causing him to lose control of the vehicle. The auto ran off the road and struck an embankment, he said.

The driver was uninjured and his mother, Mrs. Davis, and his grandmother, Mrs. Stepp, who were passengers in the car, were taken to Kings Mountain hospital.

Rites Conducted For Miss Howell

Funeral services for Miss Mary Elizabeth Howell, 72, were conducted Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Bethlehem Baptist church, with the pastor Rev. R. E. Robbins, officiating, assisted by Rev. W. G. Camp.

Interment was made in the church cemetery. Miss Howell, who lived with her nephew, Lee Howell, in the Bethlehem community, died at 4 a. m. Sunday morning in Kings Mountain hospital after an extended illness.

Surviving are 17 nieces and nephews. She was the daughter of the late John and Roxana Howell.

Three Piano Teachers Ready For New Term

A full staff of piano teachers—one for each white school building—has been made available by school officials this year.

Mrs. Martin Harmon will again be the teacher at West Elementary and Mrs. Tommy Owens will be back at East school. Miss Elizabeth Ann Good, of Cliffside, was authorized in July to teach piano at Central school.

Parents desiring their children to study piano should contact the teachers at the schools Tuesday morning. Supt. B. N. Barnes said. Tuition will be the same as last year, \$10 per month for two one-half hour lessons each week.

City And Park Grace Schools To Begin New Term Tuesday

Grover School Opens Thursday; Faculty Listed

Grover school will open Thursday morning for the 1954-55 term with a complete 17-member faculty, Principal W. F. Powell said Wednesday.

Mr. Powell said the school would operate from 8 a. m. to 1 p. m. daily for several weeks, and added that he anticipated an enrollment of from 450 to 500 pupils. He said the school cafeteria would open on the first day of school.

Faculty of the primary and elementary departments includes: First grades—Mrs. Edith R. Jones, Hickory Grove, S. C., and Mrs. Marguerite Powell, Grover.

Second grades—Mrs. Patsy Whitesides, Gaffney, S. C., and Mrs. Nell Biser, Kings Mountain.

Third grades—Miss Dorothy Mechling, Shelby, and Mrs. Desie Cox, Shelby.

Fourth grade—Mrs. Elizabeth Allen, Gaffney, S. C.

Fifth grade—Miss Piccola Blalock, Kings Mountain.

Sixth grade—Miss Dorothy McCraw, Gaffney, S. C.

Seventh grade—Miss Lowell Ellis, Gaffney, S. C.

Eighth grade—Mrs. Margaret Crocker, Grover.

High school faculty members are: W. F. Powell, principal and teacher of math.

Miss Beth Putnam, Waco, English.

Mrs. Mary Ann Hauss, Shelby, home economics.

Don Cheek, Shelby, social science and physical education.

Paul Hambright, Grover, vocational agriculture.

Circus Tickets Now On Sale

Members of the Kings Mountain Lions club put tickets on sale this week for the Kelly-Morris Circus, which shows here under Lions club sponsorship on Saturday, September 11.

The three-ring circus will present two performances, both matinee and evening.

All members of the club have tickets for the circus, at \$1.10 for adults and 50 cents for children. The circus will set up at Plonk Showgrounds on Grover road.

Christmas Opening Here December 1

Directors of the Kings Mountain Merchants association set December 1 as the official opening of the 1954 Christmas shopping season in Kings Mountain and laid plans for a mammoth Christmas opening parade at a meeting Tuesday afternoon.

Committee in charge of the opening event includes Sam Collins, chairman, Fred W. Plonk, Ross Alexander and Yates Harbison.

The committee members reported considerable interest among merchants for a parade. The directors discussed without action a plan to increase the flow of credit information to all members.

Retirement Law Changes Voted

A Kings Mountain man remarked on the street recently to a retired citizen, "Well, I signed up today and I feel free as a breeze."

The reference was to retirement under the federal social security program, broadly expanded by Congress, in which majority of Kings Mountain area citizens, as well as those throughout the nation, have a stake.

Numerous citizens of the area, already retired and approaching the permissible retirement age of 65, have followed with interest the work of Congress on social security, which resulted in increase of benefit payments averaging \$6 per month for retired persons, and brought other groups under the retirement program.

Another important change for retired persons was a new provision permitting retired people age 72 to earn any amount they can or wish, without any penalty. The former "free earnings" age was 75.

Increased benefit checks are expected to be paid in October for the first time. President Eisenhower, on Tuesday, was expected to sign the bill into law momentarily.

The retired worker now getting the minimum \$25 a month will get \$30, and the man getting the maximum of \$85 a month will find his check increased to \$98.50. The average increase is \$6 a month.

Those retiring in future years will get even more. The maximum will go up to \$108.50, but to qualify for that rate, an employee must continue working for at least six quarter-years after next Jan. 1 at a salary of at least \$4,200 a year.

For workers making that much or more, the new bill will add \$12 to the annual social security tax effective Jan. 1. The 2 per cent tax on workers and employers, now collected only on the first \$3,600 of salary, is extended to the first \$4,200.

The increases will go also to beneficiaries. A widow and one child now getting \$37.60 a month will get \$45, and those getting \$127.60 will get \$147.80.

The minimum for a single survivor—a widow, for instance—will go up to \$30 a month from the present \$18.80, but where the monthly payment now is \$30 it will go up only to \$33.80.

The law extends the program also to cover farm operators, farm employees making more than \$100 a year from one employer, self-employed profes-

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Grades 1 to 4 At East School On Shift Basis

City and Park Grace school students, estimated at 2,300, will return to classes Tuesday morning at 8:30 o'clock for the 1954-55 school year.

No afternoon classes will be held on opening day. On Wednesday, cafeterias will begin lunchroom programs and a full day is scheduled for all students excepting first graders and the first four grades at East Elementary school.

A full staff of teachers is expected to be on hand to greet the returning summer vacationists Tuesday but classroom space will again be short.

The new four-room addition at East school has not been completed and temporary measures will be taken to accommodate students there.

Superintendent B. N. Barnes reports that double sessions for eight classes at East school—Grades 1 through 4—are planned, with four classes to attend.

FIRST GRADERS A child must have reached his sixth birthday on or before October 15 in order to enter school Tuesday. Superintendent B. N. Barnes reminded parents yesterday.

The state attorney general has ruled that a child born on October 15, 1948, is qualified to enter school this year.

City schools regulations also require that no child will be enrolled in the first grade without a birth certificate and that each child must be immunized against whooping cough, small pox and diphtheria before enrollment.

Some 275 first year students are expected to enter the city schools' ten first grade sections Tuesday.

Morning sessions and four to report at 1 p. m. for afternoon classes.

The temporary arrangement will be continued until the addition is completed and accepted by the school board, he said. Contractor Frank D. McCall has assured school officials the building will be ready soon, he added.

Mr. Barnes also said that in order to safeguard students at East school, and to not interfere with construction, it will be necessary to keep students off the grounds while they are not in class or under the supervision of their teachers. "This means that children coming to school will be expected to come directly into the school building at the designated hour and those leaving for home will be expected to leave the grounds immediately after they are dismissed," Mr. Barnes said.

During the temporary operating schedule, students in grades one through four may use the cafeteria, if they desire, or they may eat at home, he added. Students in grades five through eight will be expected to eat at school, either purchasing lunch at the cafeterias for twenty cents or bring their own lunches. When the new building is occupied, all students will be expected to eat at the school lunchrooms, he said.

The new Negro elementary school building has not been accepted by the schools, Mr. Barnes reported. State officials have failed to approve the building due to installation of a boiler that did not meet contract specifications and all Negro students, grades one through 12, will begin the term in the old Davison building. Principal J. A. Gibson said yesterday that the school will again operate with no noon recess, with students being required to bring lunches or purchase them at the school cafeteria.

Mr. Barnes reported that West and Central buildings will be in

Miss Medlin Named To College Faculty

Miss Mary Medlin, of Kings Mountain, has accepted a position as teacher in the commercial department of Brevard college and will assume her duties September 5.

Miss Medlin, daughter of Mrs. Rosa Medlin, is a 1953 graduate of Lenoir-Rhyne college. She was teacher of commercial subjects at Newland high school during 1953-54.

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