

### Population

City Limits ..... 7,206

The population is from the U. S. Government census report for 1950. The Census Bureau estimates the nation's population just since 1950 at 1.7 percent per year, which means Kings Mountain's 1954 population should approximate 7980. The trading area population in 1945, based on nation board registrations at the Kings Mountain office, was 15,500.

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## Local News Bulletins

### ON HONOR ROLL

Vicki Jenkins, of Kings Mountain, a junior at Sacred Heart Academy in Belmont, was among eight students listed on the school's honor roll for the first six-week semester, according to announcement from the school.

### AT CONFERENCE

Miss Alice Averitt, city schools teaching consultant, attended the conference of state supervisors which convened Sunday at Southern Pines.

### CAKE SALE

Members of the Magnolia Garden club will conduct a pie and cake sale in front of Keeter's Department Store Tuesday morning. The sale begins at 9:30, a spokesman for the club said.

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The Open Gate Garden club will hold a cake sale Saturday beginning at 8:30 a. m. at C. E. Wardle Insurance Agency, a spokesman for the club announced Tuesday.

### BOOK WEEK

National Book Week ends November 20th, and the public is being invited to visit Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library here during the week, Mrs. Charles Dilling, librarian, said.

### TO CONFERENCE

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Blanton will attend the state Pharmacy conference scheduled for Chapel Hill on Sunday and Monday. Mr. Blanton is a vice-president of the North Carolina Pharmacy association.

### REVIVAL

Revival services at Victory Baptist church on Grover road begin Sunday night at 7 p. m. with services to continue throughout the week. Rev. Ray Barry is the visiting preacher.

### HOSPITALIZED

Everett W. (Buck) Bridges, desk sergeant with the Kings Mountain Police Department, entered Kings Mountain hospital Sunday for treatment of a sinus condition.

### STELLINGS NAMED

Ernest Sellings, of Charlotte, officer of the corporation which owns Joy and Dixie Theatres here, was elected a director of the Carolinas Motion Picture Owners association in annual convention this week at Charlotte.

### RE-ELECTED

Aubrey Mauney, of Kings Mountain, was re-elected Southern district representative on the executive committee of the North Carolina Lutheran Brotherhood in annual session this week at High Point. W. K. Mauney, of Kings Mountain, is a holdover member of the executive committee.

### ATTENDS CONVENTION

S. E. Tutor, manager of Joy and Dixie Theatres, attended the annual convention of the Carolinas Motion Picture Owners association held in Charlotte this week.

### FAIRVIEW LODGE

Emergent Communication of Fairview Lodge No. 339 A. F. & A. M. will be held at Masonic Hall Monday at 7:30 p. m. for work in first degree, Joe H. McDaniel, secretary, announced.

### METER RECEIPTS

Net receipts from city parking meters for week ending Wednesday at noon were \$184.99, according to Miss Grace Carpenter, of city clerk's office.

### Thanksgiving Breakfast Set

Boyce Memorial ARP church will hold its regular Thanksgiving morning service and breakfast. It was announced this week by the pastor, Dr. W. L. Pruvy. The service will be held at 7:30, with a breakfast to be served immediately following in the Sunday school dining room at 8 o'clock by Men of the Church. The committee in charge will include W. L. McMackin, C. L. Black, Oscar McCarter, W. G. Grantam, W. S. Fulton, Sr., Marvin Goforth, George Morrow and I. G. Patterson.

## Gold Mine Shaft Went Dry; Rain Of Little Help

In spite of Tuesday's welcome rain, Kings Mountain's water supply was still short this week. Though some water was being pumped into the York Road main reservoir from the new auxiliary reservoir on Davidson creek, the Gold Mine shaft, which had been the principal auxiliary source through two dry summers, was pumped dry last Thursday and has been pumped only intermittently and for short periods since.

City officials were hopeful that more rains would arrive to alleviate the shortage. Meantime, consumption remained at low levels. George Moss, water plant operator, said the daily average of consumption by city customers remains just short of 400,000 gallons per day.

The York Road reservoir water level, aided by the Davidson Creek pumpage and Tuesday's rain, was reported up about four inches, but city officials were not expected to rescind current restrictions on water consumption until heavy rain arrives.

The city board, in a brief special session Tuesday morning, authorized some changes in the York Road reservoir dam raising — to conform to original 1928 plans for the building of the dam — City Clerk Joe Hendrick reported. The board agreed to pay A. P. Warlick an additional \$464.40. Mr. Warlick already held contract for raising the dam level four feet. The changes provide for certain reinforcements, Mr. Hendrick said.

Charlotte's Tuesday rainfall was reported at one-fourth inch, which some citizens thought comparable to the total falling here.

## Foot Changes Are Announced

Theodore J. Albrecht, of Brewster, Fla., has accepted the position of assistant mill superintendent at Foote Mineral Company and he and his family expect to move to Kings Mountain in the next few weeks.

Mr. Albrecht is a graduate of Michigan College of Mining and Technology.

Other changes in the maintenance department personnel at the plant include the appointment of Carl Wilson as mechanical foreman, Fred Thornburg as chief electrician, Laney Dett, murr, head of the welding section, George Franklin, working foreman in charge of piping, steam, and water services, and Ernest Maples, in charge of vehicle repair.

Mr. Maples is attending a two-week diesel engine school in session at Salisbury.

## Bethware School To Hold Festival

The Bethware school Parent-Teacher Association will sponsor a Fall Festival at the school Friday with doors to open at 5 p. m. Hot dogs, hamburgers, and other foods will be available to the public, and cake walks, a program in the auditorium, and square dancing are included in the program.

Proceeds from the festival will be used to purchase a school activity bus.

## Central Methodist Choir To Sing "The White Pilgrim" Sunday Night

The Central Methodist church senior choir, under the direction of Miss Bonnie McIntosh, will present a Thanksgiving cantata "The White Pilgrim" on Sunday evening at 7:30.

The 20-voice choir includes Ann Byers, Sue Dixon, Shirley Falls, Winifred Fulton, Dorothy Goforth, Jean Hicks, Mozelle Masters, Mary Alice McDaniel, and Mildred McDaniel, sopranos; Margaret Cole, Mrs. Baxter Payne, and Mrs. Y. F. Thronburg, altos; Jacob Dixon, Buddy Hayes, Phil Shore, Jr., and Arthur Walker, tenors; and Meek Carpenter, Ora Fulton, Earl Marlowe, Jr., and E. S. Peeler, Jr., basses.

The cantata, by Lewis Horton and Ruel H. Kazen, is written in folk-song style. Titles and central figure of the cantata point to a man named Elder Joseph Thomas, an itinerant preacher of a century ago. Little else is known of him except what the song reveals and that he always dressed in white. Miss McIntosh says, the latter fact giving the

## Lutheran Rites To Begin Sunday

### St. Matthew's Is Dedicated New Building

St. Matthew's Lutheran church will begin a nine-service, week-long series of festivities on Sunday, dedicating the new church building.

Dr. F. L. Cograd, of Salisbury, president of the North Carolina Lutheran Synod, will speak at Sunday morning 11 o'clock services, blessing the new church's altar and font. On Sunday evening, at 7:30, Dr. H. B. Schaeffer, of Leesville, S. C., former St. Matthew's pastor, will conduct a service blessing the entrance.

A service of especial interest to the community will be held Monday evening at 7:30, as ministers from five neighboring churches participate in "Community Night", and Dr. E. C. Cooper, retired Lutheran minister, reads the blessing of the pulpit and lectern. Taking part in the rites will be Dr. W. L. Pressly, Boyce Memorial ARP, Rev. Douglas Fritz, Resurrection Lutheran, Rev. Gordon Weekly, First Baptist, Rev. Phil Shore, Jr., Central Methodist, and Rev. P. D. Patrick, First Presbyterian. An open house and tea will follow this service.

Tuesday evening's service will feature blessing of the organ and bells, with Dr. C. K. Derrick, another former pastor of St. Matthew's, now of Atlanta, Ga., conducting the service, and with Ernest White, well-known New York organist, presenting a recital.

On Wednesday night, at 7:30, Rev. W. H. Stender, of Cameron, S. C., another former pastor, will give the service blessing the pews.

On Thanksgiving morning, at 10 o'clock, Dr. Robert Roth, of Columbia, S. C., will bless the tower and steeple cross. On Friday evening, November 26, at 6:30, a supper and social will be held at the church for visiting pastors and local officials. On November 28, Dr. Walter H. Nau, Lenoir-Rhyne college professor and former supply pastor for St. Matthew's church, will conduct the morning 11 o'clock service, blessing the memorial windows. A service at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, November 28, will climax the series, with Dr. Voight Cromer, president of Lenoir-Rhyne college, formally dedicating the church building. An open house and tea will follow this service.

Dr. W. P. Gerberding, pastor of the church, is issuing an invitation to the public to attend any or all of the services.

### Girl Scout Drive Now Underway Here

Annual Girl Scout drive in the Kings Mountain area is under way this week. Goal of the campaign is \$1,000.

J. C. McKinney is treasurer of the fund drive, and contributions may be forwarded to Mr. McKinney at First National Bank.

The annual Negro Girl Scout drive has been completed, scouting officials reported Wednesday.



ORGANIST — Ernest White, New York organist, will present an organ recital at St. Matthew's Lutheran church here Tuesday night, as one of the several features of dedication rites for the new St. Matthew's church building.

## White To Play Tuesday Night

Ernest White, musical director of the Church of Saint Mary the Virgin, in New York, and research consultant on tonal design for Moeller Organ company, will present an organ recital at St. Matthew's Lutheran church Tuesday evening, as one of the feature programs of the church's dedicatory festivities.

The program will begin at 7:30 and will include the blessing of the organ by Dr. C. K. Derrick, a former pastor of the church.

Mr. White will play Bach's "Schmucke dich, o liebe Seele", Bach's "Partita: O Gott due frommer Gott", Sigrid Karg-Elert's "Legend of the Mountain", Cesar Martin's "Choral in B Minor", Fiocco's "Adagio", Kirnberger's "Herzlich dich mich verlangen", Handel's "Allegro moderato" (Concerto IV), and Pachelbel's "Prelude, Fugue and Chaconne".

Mr. White is a veteran of concert and radio organ recitals. During the first year of the New York World Fair he gave bi-weekly recitals from the Temple of Religion and continued them the following year from the Brooklyn Museum. He was formerly on the staff of Plus X School of Liturgical music, Bard and Swarthmore colleges.

### NEW TRAFFIC SIGNAL

The city electrical department installed a new traffic control signal at the corner of Cherokee and Gold streets last weekend. The installation was ordered several weeks ago by the board of city commissioners.



FEATURE SUNDAY SING — Don Huskey's Revelers, Atlanta, Ga., gospel song group, will be among the featured entertainers here Sunday for a Gospel Song Festival sponsored by the Second Baptist church Men's Bible Class. The program will be held at Kings Mountain high school auditorium beginning at 2 o'clock. Also on the program will be Jimmy Jones' Deep South quartet, also from Atlanta, and the Kings Mountain Pantomimers, who mimic the Sunshine Boys. The Kings Mountain group includes Palmer Huffstetler, Buddy Mayes, George Harris, and Eddie Goforth.

## Merchants Lay Further Plans For Yule Parade

The Kings Mountain Merchants association furthered plans for its Christmas parade, scheduled for December 8, at a meeting of the board of directors Tuesday.

Committees for the event were named as follows: floats, Fred W. Plonk and Sam Collins; bands, Joe Hedden; food for band members, J. C. Bridges and Paul Walker; lighting, B. S. Peeler, Jr.; Hubert McGinnis, Martin Harmon.

It was stated that a minimum of three bands are expected for the parade, in addition to other special features.

The Merchants association is also obtaining funds from churches and civic groups for the purchase of a permanent type Christmas scene to be displayed on the lawn of Jacob S. Mauney Memorial library. B. S. Peeler, Jr., is in charge of erecting the display.

## Lions Visited Grover Club

Members of the Grover Lions club were hosts to members of the Kings Mountain Lions club Monday night in another of several inter-club meetings in the zone.

The Grover club served a sumptuous turkey dinner and presented a program featuring an address by Dr. R. A. McFarland, retired minister of Gaffney, S. C., who discussed "Water", and suggested that attention to problems of supply are increasing daily.

Glenn Roundtree and Hunter Ramsey did the tail-twisting duties for the evening and managed to relieve majority of the Lions of both clubs of maximum fines. President Fred Cockrell, of the Grover club, presided, and Kings Mountain President Jacob Cooper thanked the Grover club for its hospitality. Dr. McFarland was presented by Paul Hambricht, who described the retired minister as a hobby astronomer and naturalist.

Dr. McFarland noted many scientific facts about water, pointing out that three-fourth of the earth's surface is covered by water, that the world's wettest place is Northern Island of the Hawaiian group with an average rainfall of 429 inches annually, and that the driest place is northern Chile, with an average rainfall of four-tenths of one inch per year. He said the United States has an average rainfall of 30 inches annually, with the Carolinas getting 40-54 inches each year, Washington state 150 and Utah very little. He described the sun as the great "water carrier", taking up water by evaporation for re-distribution through rainfall, snow and hail, and he declared that the working of the tides plus salt of the oceans keep the world's water supply constantly purified.

He pointed out that New York City uses 900 million gallons of water daily, but that this total is

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## Walkout At Lithium Slows Work On Processing Plant

### Citizens Plan Thanksgiving Holiday Menu

Kings Mountain citizens were preparing this week for the annual Thanksgiving holiday season.

Majority of churches were planning special programs for the season, and grocers were increasing inventories with Thanksgiving menu items.

Meantime, school children and teachers were looking forward to the long weekend holiday which will begin with the end of regular schedules next Wednesday.

Retail store personnel were also anticipating a one-day respite, prior to the beginning of the Christmas shopping season rush.

Central Methodist church will present a Thanksgiving cantata Sunday evening at 7:30, and St. Matthew's Lutheran church will start Sunday a nine-service church dedication series which will continue throughout the week and the Thanksgiving weekend, with one service scheduled for Thanksgiving morning. Boyce Memorial ARP church will again hold its traditional Thanksgiving morning service and breakfast.

Sportsmen are also anticipating the day, a traditional heavy day in the field with rifle, gun, and hunting dog.

Football in nearby cities will also be on the day's menu. Some Kings Mountain fans will journey to Asheville where two high school stars, Ken Cloninger and Dewitt Blanton, will play with the East team in the annual Optimist Bowl game.

## Mauney Files Counter Appeal

Paul Mauney, defendant in a civil suit whereby the city has taken condemnation action to obtain a sewage treatment plant site, filed a counter appeal in Gaston Superior Court last Friday.

The city had previously appealed the decision of a three-man appraisal board awarding Mr. Mauney \$6,500 for 2.56 acres of land lying north of Highway 74.

Mr. Mauney's attorney, George Thomasson, said that the counter appeal petition contends that the amount of the appraisal team award was inadequate rather than excessive as the city contends.

Mr. Thomasson said the next civil term of Gaston Superior court is scheduled to start December 6, but that the city and Mauney actions have not yet been docketed. He did not know, he said, whether the suits would be heard in the December term.

Members of the appraisal team were Wray A. Plonk, Kings Mountain, and Hoke Coon and F. J. Noblett, both of Bessemer City.

## School Trustees Discussing North School Building; Site Undecided

The Kings Mountain school board discussed two proposed sites for location of a north elementary school building at its regular monthly meeting Monday night and on Wednesday afternoon at 4 p. m. continued the talks. No decision between the two sites was made but Superintendent B. N. Barnes reported that he was instructed to meet with state school board officials to seek approval of a building program.

Mr. Barnes said that a bare quorum was present Wednesday and the members continued the site discussion without taking action.

The proposed sites, both listed in a survey team report of July 7, are: Fulton property, located at the corner of Walker and N. Candler streets and Stowe property, located south of McGinnis street between Ramseur street and N. Piedmont ave. The survey report listed the Stowe site as "much more desirable" since it is near the center of pupil population for this section of town.



ELECTED — George B. Thomason, above, attorney and solicitor of Recorder's court, was elected secretary of Cleveland County Bar Association at an association dinner held recently at Fallston Woman's Club.

## Little Theatre Play Postponed

Postponement until December 9-11 of the Little Theatre play, "Act Your Age," previously scheduled for Friday and Saturday at the Woman's Club, was announced Wednesday by Mrs. M. A. Ware, director.

Mrs. Ware said the play was postponed because of illness of members of the cast. The three-act comedy will be presented at 8 p. m. each evening. Admission will be 25, 50, and 75 cents.

Members of the cast include Becky Tutor who is cast in the role of Angie, Billie Gibbons as Jerrie, Mrs. Franklin Pethel who portrays Cora, H. L. (Red) Feinster, Jr., who plays Archibald Hoffenflugel, Jeff Wells, as James Matson, and Winifred Fulton, as Helga.

Peggy Mauney plays Sandra Stone and Elsie, Donna Cheatham is the Western Union messenger, and Dr. P. G. Padgett is cast in the role of Commander Stone.

## Wesleyans Hold Meeting Monday

Regular bi-monthly ministers meeting of the western district of the Wesleyan Methodist church will be held at First Wesleyan church, with Second Wesleyan as co-hosts, on Monday.

Rev. Hoover Smith made the announcement and listed two sessions, with Rev. Carl W. Johnston, of Spartanburg, S. C., the guest speaker at each. On Monday at 10:30 a. m., he will speak on "Thanksgiving" and at 2 p. m. he will talk on "Solving Problems of the WYPS".

Rev. Johnston is general president of the national WYPS organization.

A missionary play by members of First and Second congregations will be presented to the WMS section, he said.

## Merchants Suspend Wednesday Closings

Merchants will be open all day next Wednesday and will continue the full six-day week schedule through Christmas.

By-laws of the Kings Mountain Merchants association, amended several months ago, now provide that the customary Wednesday half-holiday be suspended on the Wednesday immediately preceding Thanksgiving.

Under present rules, the merchants will be open all day Wednesdays through Christmas and will resume their Wednesday afternoon closings on December 29.

The merchants will be closed December 25 and 26, but, in another change voted by the membership, will be open on New Year's Day.

## Pickets Also Interfering With Pit Work

An undetermined number of construction workers were out on strike at Lithium Corporation of America's now-building Bessemer City processing plant this week, in what management termed a wildcat strike.

Labor trouble was also reported at Lithium's Murphy-Houser mine near Cherryville, where ore-digging operations are underway. Pete Heavener, delivery man for Plonk Oil Company, said he was turned away Monday from the Houser mine by pickets. However, he returned Tuesday, he said, and made his deliveries.

A Lithium spokesman Wednesday said that the difficulties at the plant — located about equidistant between Kings Mountain and Bessemer City — involved workmen for Hicks & Ingle, a Charlotte piping firm, a sub-contractor for Southeastern Construction Company, which holds the contract for building the seven-million dollar plant. When the piping crew walked out, union members of other sub-contractors, principally electricians, as well as some non-union carpenters, honored the picket lines.

Herald Reporter Lafayette Meacham visited the Lithium plant gate Tuesday and talked to the three pickets then on duty in rainy weather. They gave their names as W. Eugene Allen, Kings Mountain, Bun Martin, Grover, and Scott Hall, Murphy. They gave various reasons for the strike including 1) desire for increased wages, and 2) desire for a closed shop. The pickets also said further information on the strike could be obtained from a Charlotte telephone number, which the Herald called Wednesday.

J. L. Allen, who answered the telephone, said a Mr. Dixon, who was directing the Lithium strike, was in Plymouth, J. L. Allen stated only that the strike involved an American Federation of Labor union, that the strike was against Southeastern Construction Company, not Lithium Corporation, and that the trouble at the Houser pit had no connection with the plant walkout.

Lithium office manager Fred Dixon doubted that the labor difficulties are unconnected. He said that Lithium Corporation temporarily laid off employees mining ore at Indian Creek on November 5 and that W. Eugene Allen, one of the Lithium plant pickets, was among the Indian Creek crew laid off. Mr. Dixon said the layoff was ordered because ore-mining operations had got ahead of the construction schedule and to await road and bridge building work in the Indian Creek area.

Pete Heavener said he was stopped at the entrance to the Houser pit area Monday by about 20 pickets, who "cussed and raised Cain and appeared to be a bunch of drunks". Mr. Heavener said he was advised not to enter the pit area by one man, who told him he didn't know "what would happen if I went in". When he and Fred Price, another delivery man for Plonk Oil, made their Tuesday deliveries, they drove on through without incident, except that some of the pickets shook their fists at them. Mr. Heavener related.

The Gastonia Gazette reported Tuesday the following statement from G. A. Munson, Lithium's

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