

## Population

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914  
City Limits 8,256

The Greater Kings Mountain figure is derived from the special United States Bureau of the Census report of January 1966, and includes the 14,990 population of Number 4 Township, and the remaining 6,124 from Number 5 Township, in Cleveland County and Crowder Mountain Township in Gaston County.

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CHRISTMAS PACKAGES TO VIETNAM — Girl Scouts of Troop 200 recently packed Christmas boxes for 15 local servicemen. From left to right, Verleen Ross, Connie Phifer, Belinda Stroupe, project chairman, Jane Yates, Anne Hunter Plonk, Susan Goforth, Linda Falls, Kay Patterson and Susan Fite. (Photo by Isaac Alexander).

## Girl Scouts Packed Gifts For Vietnam

Senior Girl Scouts of Troop 200 have helped take Christmas 1968 to U. S. servicemen in Vietnam by packing Christmas boxes for 15 local servicemen.

With Belinda Stroupe as project chairman, the Scouts met Thursday at the home of their advisor, Mrs. Charles Blanton, and assembled and wrapped the giftboxes for mailing.

Local merchants also had a hand in making Christmas brighter for area men in Vietnam. They donated a number of items on loan in the boxes, including wash cloths, socks, kool-aid, hard candy, ballpoint pens, shoe polish, and wash-dry towellettes. The Girl Scouts purchased other items: for example, plastic bags of various sizes to help offset the mildew problem servicemen are experiencing in that wet climate.

Said Chairman Belinda Stroupe: "The Senior Scouts are grateful to the merchants who helped with this project as well as the relatives of servicemen who provided addresses. We regret only that we were unable to obtain the names of all our local men serving in Vietnam."

Besides Miss Stroupe other members of Senior Troop 200 are Frances McGill, Susan Fite, Ava Spearman, Kay Patterson, Brenda Goforth, Susan Goforth, Linda Falls, Anne Hunter Plonk, Connie Phifer, Suzanne Amos, Ann Baird, Verleen Ross and Jane Yates.

## Maner, Rathbone Top Blood Donors

Bob F. Maner, Kings Mountain insurance man, became a member of the exclusive "six gallon" club of blood donors and Steve Rathbone, veteran Griffin Drug employee, joined the "five gallon" club at Monday's visit of the Red Cross bloodmobile.

Joining the "two gallon" club was Mrs. Bob Cox.

New members of the "one gallon" club are W. C. Ballew, Clyde R. Martin Calvin E. Payne and Mrs. D. M. Pouchak.

## Zoning Matter Settled By Board

Don Crawford withdrew his rezoning petition on his York Road property Tuesday night and the city board of commissioners honored his claim for approval of non-conformity use.

Mr. Crawford said a warehouse had been used as such prior to the city's adoption of the present zoning law in June 1966.

The city zoning board had twice recommended disapproval of the rezoning request.

Previously, Mr. Crawford had contended the zoning board, at its second meeting to consider his request, had not had a quorum and further that some appointees have expired terms.

## ARP Series Ends Tonight

Evangelistic services are continuing through this evening at Boyce Memorial ARP church.

Rev. Harold S. Mace, director of the ARP Conference Grounds at Flat Rock, is speaker for services which began Sunday. Tonight's service is at 7:30 p.m.

## 360 Days Given For Building Buffalo Project

Bidding specifications on the Buffalo Creek water project specify a 360-day completion date from award of contract.

Penalties per diem for "over-time" are \$500 for the general contractor, \$50 for the electrical contractor, and \$25 for the plumbing contractor.

Once bids are posted contractors may not withdraw them and the city has 45 days in which to accept them.

On Wednesday, final approval of plans from the Department of Housing and Urban Development still was awaited.

Mayor John Henry Moss said addenda to the specifications requested by HUD had been filed with the Atlanta regional office.

North Carolina state board of health approval of plans was received last week.

The project envisions a large water impoundment lake, treatment plant of four million gallons daily capacity, and more than seven miles of 24-inch water line.

"In view of Kings Mountain's growing demand for water and the recent dry season, the city regards the 360-day completion date as imperative," Mayor Moss commented.

The project is estimated to cost \$3.38 million.

Land acquisition for the lake site is underway.

## Welfare Office Being Moved

The Cleveland County Welfare board is moving the interviewing office here from City Hall basement to the Community Action Agency facility, it was announced by Haj D. Smith, county welfare director.

The office is located in the Fulton building, with entrance from Cherokee street.

An interviewer will be in the office on Mondays from 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

## Blanton, Griffin To Workshop

Charles Blanton, representing Kings Mountain Drug Company, and Wilson Griffin, representing Griffin Drug Company, will attend a three-hour workshop on "The 1969 Preceptor in North Carolina" on Sunday at the Institute of Pharmacy in Chapel Hill.

The North Carolina Academy of Practical Instructors in Pharmacy is sponsoring the workshop. Both Kings Mountain pharmacists are members of the Academy which is an organization of practicing pharmacists who are interested in promoting the training of pharmacy interns in their community or hospital pharmacies.

## Mrs. Barber's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Virgie Barber, wife of Harold Barber, were held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock from the Chapel of Harris Funeral Home.

The Rev. J. C. Lane, pastor of Grace Methodist church, officiated at the final rites and interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mrs. Barber died Sunday at 5 p.m. at her home at 2900 Cleveland avenue after several months' illness. A native of Gaston County, she was daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William N. Turner. She was a member of Grace Methodist church.

Besides her husband she is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Henry Kennedy, Sr. and Mrs. Allen Chapman, both of Kings Mountain.

## Federal Economy Hits K M Park

Military Park Superintendent Ben F. Moomaw announced today that, effective November 15, the Kings Mountain Visitor Center will be operated on a reduced schedule of five days per week, eight hours per day, Wednesday through Sunday.

In the past, the Visitor Center has been operated seven days a week.

These actions have been brought about as a result of limitations on filling of permanent positions in the Federal Government, Superintendent Moomaw said. The Revenue and Expenditure Control Act of June 28, 1968, (P.L. 90-364), requires that only three out of each four permanent vacancies in the Federal agencies by the Bureau of the Budget result in further limiting the filling of permanent vacancies to seven out of ten.

The days on which the Visitor Center will be closed were selected after careful consideration of the visitor patterns within the park, Moomaw said. There are less regional and interstate (and foreign) visitors to Kings Mountain Military Park on Monday and Tuesday than on other days during the week, he pointed out. Superintendent Moomaw said that during the period that the Visitor Center is open a full complement of services will be provided. These involve the museum



VETERAN'S DAY OBSERVANCE — Monday morning at 11 o'clock was the 50th anniversary of Veteran's Day. Kings Mountain Mayor John H. Moss (above) places a memorial wreath to Kings Mountain's war dead in Veteran's Park of Mountain Rest cemetery, as other citizens look on. The mayor led the brief ceremony. Rev. Charles Easley, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church and president of the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association, delivered memorial prayers of invocation and benediction. Participating in the ceremony were representatives of American Legion Post 155, American Legion Post 155 Auxiliary, Frank B. Glass Post 8611 VFW, Ministerial association and city officials. (Photo by Paul Lemmons)

# City Will Develop Eastern Mountain Rest Cemetery Area



EDUCATION WEEK OBSERVANCE UNDERWAY — The 10 plants of the Kings Mountain district school system are calling attention to American Education Week with open house, special programs and exhibits this week. Kings Mountain Mayor John H. Moss signs a proclamation designating the week November 10-16 as American Education Week as Title I Director Don Parker, left, and Schools Supt. Don Jones, right, look on. (Photo by Isaac Alexander)

## Cash In Hand For \$36,000 Improvements

The city commission voted Tuesday night to spend an estimated \$36,000 on development of the eastern portion of Mountain Rest cemetery.

Ralph W. Johnson, engineer on the staff of W. K. Dickson and Company, outlined plans for the development which calls for opening of two streets, paving and widening some existing streets, drainage, water arrangements, and widening of the Dilling street gate passage.

Ken Jenkins, cemetery superintendent, told the board the inventory of grave sites in the cemetery's developed areas total 252 two-grave plots, 12 four-grave plots and 17 six-grave plots.

As of October 31 the city's cemetery fund totaled \$50,065. Under terms of state law, half of the receipts from plot sales must be used for permanent upkeep of the cemetery. Opinions of the attorney - general have been that this fund can be used only for capital outlay expense, such as the commission plans.

It is anticipated that regular city crews will do much of the work at what Engineer Johnson termed "a considerable saving to the city."

In other actions, the board: 1) Accepted bid from Grinnell Company, Charlotte, of \$3.16 per linear foot for 2350 feet of 12-inch water pipe. Johns Manville bid \$3.09, but for only 1650 feet of pipe. Hajoca Corporation bid \$3.32.

2) Accepted bid from Neal Hawkins, at \$6.90 per ton of asphalt, for repaving Lynn street, West Mountain street, and Church street.

The board voted to invite bids for:

1) A police car, subject to trade-in of 1964 Chevrolet;

2) A 1.5 ton truck.

3) Paving of Cherokee street from Dickson street to Dead End.

4) Paving of North Goforth street, from King to Dead End.

5) Transformers for a power substation to serve Oxford Industries.

The board approved a petition for installing curb-and-gutter on Tracy street, from King to Morris, transferred \$30,000 (as budgeted) from the utilities account to the neighborhood facilities fund, and granted a taxi-driving permit to Paul H. Roberts, on a 90-day probationary basis.

The board voted to purchase a police car for immediate delivery from the state. Chief Tom McDevitt said a car would not be immediately available unless the Town of Spruce Pine did not accept the lone car on hand.

### DIXON SERVICE

A member of the faculty of Davidson college will fill the pulpit at Sunday morning worship services at 9:30 a.m. at Dixon Presbyterian church.

### METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending Tuesday were \$78.80, including \$62.50 from on-street meters and \$16.30 from off-street meters.

## Education Week Visits Are Invited

School personnel were rolling out the red carpet this week for visitors at the 10 plants during American Education Week, which began Monday.

Parents received letters from their child's teacher with an invitation to visit the classroom and school during the week and special programs were underway at the 10 plants of the district system.

Mayor John Henry Moss on Monday signed a proclamation stating the week November 10-16 is American Education Week in Kings Mountain, urging all citizens "to examine more closely the existing and projected programs of our schools, as well as their own efforts to ensure the highest quality education for all."

Ten window exhibits in downtown store windows point to the modern equipment teachers are using to teach youth and the programs and work of children from elementary to senior high level.

Department store personnel are assisting in the program by wearing lapel buttons reading, "Have you visited your school this week during American Education Week?" Two taped five-minute speeches by Supt. Donald Jones are being played via Radio Station WKMT daily with an invitation from the superintendent to citizens to attend open house at the various school plants.

The theme of American Education Week this year is "America Has a Good Thing Going—Its Schools." Sponsored annually by the National Education Association, The American Legion, the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, and the U. S. Office of Education, AEW will emphasize each day of the week specific contributions the school makes to society: Sunday, Nov. 10: "Stimulate Moral and Spiritual Values"; Monday, Nov. 11: "Strengthen the Nation"; Tuesday, Nov. 12: "Aspire to Quality Teaching"; Wednesday, Nov. 13: "Provide Equal Opportunity"; Thursday, Nov. 14: "Foster Life Long Learning"; Friday, Nov. 15: "Promote Economic Prosperity"; and Saturday, Nov. 16: "Strive for Healthy Personality Development."

"We invite all citizens of the area to join in this service," said Rev. Charles Easley, pastor of the minister's group.

Larry Milstead will be soloist for special music. Thanksgiving anthems will be sung by choirs of First Presbyterian, First Baptist and Resurrection Lutheran churches with Donald Deal directing and Mrs. J. C. Bridges at the organ.

## Two Employed As Policemen

The city commission employed two men as patrolmen Tuesday night, on recommendation of Chief of Police T. M. McDevitt.

They were sworn Wednesday afternoon and will be on duty Thursday.

They are: Thomas F. King, 25, 1209 West Gold street, son of Officer Ellis King. Patrolman King has been a lieutenant with Cleveland County Rescue Squad. His wife is the former Patricia Lewis, and Madison Maxwell Hunter, 22, 505 West Parker street, recently discharged from four years army service including a tour of duty in Vietnam.

Don McGinnis is sale chairman.

Members of the Kings Mountain Lions club are conducting their annual Thanksgiving - Christmas season fruit cake sale.

The Lions again offer the Claxton fruit cakes, both light and dark at \$3 each.

Proceeds are used for sight conservation work and other Lions club projects.

## November Letting For 161 Project

### Graves Are Found On Cline Property

City Attorney Jack White informed the city commission Tuesday night a small graveyard with an apparent 12 graves has been located on the Buford Cline land needed for the Buffalo Creek lake site.

Thus far identity of the plot has not been established. Grady Yelton, superintendent of public works, thinks it is likely an Indian plot.

The commission passed a resolution to advertise, as required by law, projected removal of the plot.

## Thanksgiving Service Set

Dr. T. Furman Hewitt, Gardner-Webb college faculty member, will deliver the Thanksgiving message at Kings Mountain's first annual community-wide Thanksgiving service November 27th at 7:30 p.m. in Central school auditorium.

Plans for the program are well underway by members of the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association which is sponsoring the service.

"We invite all citizens of the area to join in this service," said Rev. Charles Easley, pastor of the minister's group.

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## Cansler Street Letting Is Due In February

By MARTIN HARMON

The N. C. Highway 161 improvement project to the South Carolina state line is scheduled for contract letting this month, W. W. Wyke, district engineer, said Wednesday.

He added the Cansler street improvement project within the city is scheduled for contract award in February.

In both instances, he reported, some right-of-way is still to be acquired.

"On 161 we were going for 84 feet overall, but dropped back to 60 feet," Mr. Wyke said, adding, "right-of-way acquisition seemed to become more difficult the closer the properties were to Interstate 85."

Some right-of-way is still required on Cansler street. Plans call for widening, curbing and guttering Cansler from Waco Road south to Gold street.

### SHILOH SERVICE

A member of the faculty of Davidson college will fill the pulpit at Sunday morning worship services at 11 o'clock at Shiloh Presbyterian church in Grover.

## Train-Car Accident Proves Fatal To Evans Cousins, Grover Youths

David Harold Evans and Randy Glenn Evans, 16-year-old cousins of route 1, Grover, were killed at 8 a.m. Friday on their way to school when their car was struck by a southbound freight train near Harold Evans' home.

Randy had driven to Harold's to pick him up for school. They were both juniors at Blacksburg high school.

The wreckage pinned one of the youths and the other was thrown into nearby bushes.

Funeral services for Harold Evans were held at 3 p.m. Saturday from First Baptist church of Grover with the Rev. U. A. McManus, Jr. and Rev. Leonard Thomas officiating. Interment was in the Grover cemetery.

Harold Evans was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Enoch Evans of Grover. He was a member of the Grover First Baptist church and a guard on the Blacksburg Wildcat's football team.

Other survivors include three brothers, J. L., Roger and Kenneth Evans, all of the home; two sisters, Mrs. Jerry Hamby of Grover and Miss Catherine Evans of the home; his maternal grandmother, Mrs. J. C. Robinson of Grover; and his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Evans of Grover.

Funeral rites for Randy Evans were held Sunday at 3 p.m. from Blacksburg Church of God with the Rev. John Gilbert and the Rev. W. J. Hodges officiating. Interment was in Clingman Memorial Gardens in Blacksburg.

Randy Evans was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Glenn Evans of route 1, Grover. Other survivors include a sister, Miss Judy Dale Evans of the home; the maternal grandmother, Mrs. John White of Blacksburg; and the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Evans of Grover.