

### Cleveland's Population In 1968 Was Estimated 69,250 Persons

Cleveland County had a population of 66,948 in 1960 and an estimated population of 69,250 in 1968. The Cleveland County Health Department operates on a budget of \$180,509.90 during the fiscal year 1968-69. Of this amount, Cleveland County contributed \$151,661.90, the state \$27,148.00, and the federal government contributed \$1,700.00. This represents an expenditure, based on the 1960 census of \$2.73. By way of comparison, this figure ranges over the state from a low of \$1.57 to a high of \$6.88, with the state average \$3.03.

#### PERSONAL

The Health Department staff includes a Health Director who is a physician; five sanitarians; six nurses; one x-ray technician; one laboratory technician; four clerks; one dog warden (who receives his pay from the county direct), and a housekeeper.

#### VITAL STATISTICS

The Health Director is local Registrar of Vital Statistics. Last year there were 1470 births, 670 deaths, 27 stillbirths and 47 deaths of infants under one year old.

Of the total number of babies born last year, 98.5% were born in hospitals. This shows our mothers are getting the best of delivery services, but some are not taking advantage of pre-natal services, either from their own private physicians or our Maternity Clinics. Our infant death rate

is much too high and we have Well Baby Clinics, but often these services are not sought by these high risk families.

#### PRE-NATAL, PLANNED PARENTHOOD AND WELL BABY CLINICS

Each Wednesday morning, the Health Department conducts Mother and Infant and Planned Parenthood Clinics. These clinics are free and anyone who cannot afford to go to their family physician is welcome to come for these services. Last year women seeking pre-natal and post-natal care made 607 visits to our clinics. There were 491 visits made by infants to the Well Baby Clinic.

The Planned Parenthood Clinic, sponsored by the Health Department and Welfare Department, are providing information and contraceptives to indigent patients in the county. There were 880 visits to this clinic. The contraceptive agents — pills, intrauterine devices, etc., are provided free.

We have one midwife working in this county and she delivered ten babies last year. She cannot deliver a baby unless the mother has attended either our pre-natal clinic or a pre-natal clinic or she has permission from one of the local physicians or the health director.

#### COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL

The Health Department is

mainly concerned with the prevention and control of all communicable diseases occurring in our county. Our cases of these diseases have continued to decrease, possibly due to our concentrated efforts on immunizations.

We gave the following immunizations — 1911 — whooping cough; 2,242 — diphtheria; 2,363 — tetanus; 1,106 — smallpox; 1,961 — polio; 1,996 — measles; 115 — typhoid fever; 12 — cholera; 8 — typhus fever. We have had no cases of polio since 1965. Our immunization rate made 483 contacts urging parents to complete their children's immunizations.

#### TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL

We still have tuberculosis in Cleveland County, with eight new cases this year and two deaths. We have 45 active cases followed by P.H.N.'s and around 200 inactive cases that are x-rayed at stated intervals. The nurses supervise contact of active cases and all contacts are checked as recommended by the clinicians. Patients discharged from the Sanatorium are usually continued on drugs such as INAH and PAS and streptomycin for at least one year or as advised by the Sanatorium. Last year the nurses made 608 home visits to patients, contacts and suspects.

For the past year we have been giving the Tine (skin test) to all preschool children we examine. In all, this year we gave 2,190 tuberculin tests—288 not read — 1,875 negative — 27 positive — 6 were put on drugs and others x-rayed and found to be negative.

We have a monthly chest clinic with a clinician from Western North Carolina Sanatorium, Black Mountain, holding these clinics. Last year, 429 visits to the clinic were made by patients, contacts and suspects.

We have an x-ray unit in the Health Department and a Mobile X-Ray Unit that operates in the county. We x-ray at the Health Department each Monday, and other days by appointment. The Mobile Unit operates the first Friday of each month in Kings Mountain, and at the various industries when requested by the management. Last year, the X-Ray Department made 9,250 films (4" x 5") and 742 large (14 x 17) films.

#### DOG WARDEN

The dog warden sent 8 heads to the laboratory for examination and all were reported negative. Prior to the employment of the dog warden, we had 22 dog heads reported showing evidence of Rabies. Last year the dog warden made 2,585 visits and destroyed 1,598 stray and unwanted dogs.

#### ACTIVITIES OF THE SANITARIANS

The sanitarians inspect all public food serving establishments and see that they meet standard requirements of sanitation. They inspect the schools and school lunchrooms during the year to see that they meet all requirements. They made 607 visits to cafes, restaurants and other foodhandling establishments; 377 visits to meat markets and abattoirs; 25 visits to hotels and motels; 20 visits to hospitals, colleges and nursing and rest homes.

They also made 1,179 visits to check on sewage disposal and 838 visits to check private water supplies.

We have 29 dairies and one pasteurization plant in Cleveland County and the sanitarians made 423 visits and we examined 425 milk and milk product samples. Our milk survey rating this year was very good. Our milk sold to plants had a rating of 96. Our Pasteurization Plant had a rating of 97 and our enforcement rating was 98. This is evidence that our sanitarians have been doing excellent work in this area.

#### RODENT CONTROL

Rodent control is a big problem in our county. We have submitted a proposal for Rodent Control Program in our County, and this has been approved but federal funds have not been granted so far. Last year we made 29 inspections for rodent control problems.

Our three garbage haulers are continuing their work. We keep constant check on their activities to see that the work is carried out in the proper manner and to eliminate roadside dumps, whenever possible. Our sanitarians made 568 visits in connection with this activity.

Our Air Pollution Program is in full swing. Last year they collected 2,829 air pollution samples to determine sources of contamination and next year will be spent in efforts aimed at control.

#### SCHOOL HEALTH

Cleveland County has a school population of approximately 17,225 and 1,516 were examined by

### Mrs. Keeter's Brother Passes

Funeral rites for Rev. Ivon L. Roberts, 70, of Lake Junaluska, brother of Mrs. Tyree Keeter of Grover, were held Friday at 2 p.m. from Longs Chapel Methodist church in Lake Junaluska, interment following in Crawford Memorial Gardens near Canton.

A retired Methodist minister, Rev. Roberts died last Wednesday in Leesburg, Fla. after illness of three weeks.

Other survivors include his wife; one son; three daughters; two brothers and two sisters.

#### LABORATORY SERVICES

The laboratory department examined 255 water samples; 1,474 milk and milk product samples; 3,377 blood samples for syphilis; 400 blood counts and hemoglobins. Five feces samples were checked for parasites and 600 urinalysis were performed. We examined 15 gonorrhea smears and 5 darkfield for syphilis. We also examined 15 slides for Group "A" Strep with our new Dark-field Fluorescent Microscope.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES

The Public Health Nurses serve in the general clinic each day at the Health Dept. They also serve in the special clinics we hold each week—the Maternity, Well-Baby and Planned Parenthood, the two eye clinics held each month and the monthly Chest Clinic.

#### EYE CLINIC

The Lions Clubs of Cleveland County have sponsored an eye clinic for the past 14 years, and the State Commission for the Blind, and Dr. Gebel, our local Ophthalmologist held the clinics twice monthly. Anyone certified by the Welfare Department as being medically indigent can attend this clinic. If they cannot afford to pay for their glasses or prescriptions, the Lions Clubs of Cleveland County will pay for these. Last year, we examined 588 people in the clinic. Dr. Gebel also does the surgery on eye patients when it is indicated at the local hospital which helps relieve the transportation problem.

#### HOUSEKEEPER

Bessie Brown Berry is still on the job for over 29 years, keeping the department in order and helping the staff.

### Burton Assigned To Pleiku Base

PLEIKU, VIETNAM (AHTNC) — Road, Kings Mountain, N. C., was Army Specialist Four Ronald F. Burton, 18, whose mother, Mrs. Ethel B. Burton, lives at 202 York a helicopter crew chief.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD ENDING: DEC. 31, 1968

### CLEVELAND COUNTY MUTUAL BURIAL ASSOCIATION, INC., KINGS MOUNTAIN, N. C.

<b>BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1967</b>		<b>\$ 467.32</b>
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>		
1. Total assessments collected	\$1,488.80	
2. Number new members . . . . @ 25c	96.91	
3. Interest on time deposits, stocks, bonds	2,000.00	
4. Miscellaneous	3,585.71	
5. Total (lines 1 to 4 inc.)	5,171.42	
6. Net difference of advance assessments: (If your advances have increased since last report, this is a plus entry. If they have decreased, this is a minus entry)	Plus 54.00	
7. Receipts	3,639.71	
8. Total receipts	\$4,107.03	
<b>DISBURSEMENTS:</b>		
9. Salaries	None	
10. Collection commissions	None	
11. Miscellaneous expenses	\$ 169.79	
12. Total expenses (lines 9 to 11 inc.)	\$ 169.79	
(Must not exceed 30% of the amount shown on lines 1 and 3)		
13. Death benefits paid (No. 9) No. \$100.—6	600.00	
No. 200.—3	600.00	
14. Membership fees paid agents	None	
15. Refunds	1.60	
16. Total disbursements (lines 12 to 15 inc.)	\$1,371.39	
<b>BALANCE TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR</b>	<b>\$2,735.64</b>	
<b>ASSETS:</b>		
17. Cash on hand	\$ .02	
18. Bank deposit First Union National Bank, Kings Mtn. 238.71		
19. War Bonds First Union National Bank (Savings) 2,496.91		
20. Building & Loan stock	None	
21. Total assets	\$2,735.64	
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>		
22. Advance assessments	\$ 257.75	
23. Death benefits unpaid	None	
24. Expenses unpaid	None	
25. Total liabilities	\$ 257.75	
<b>SURPLUS</b>	<b>\$2,477.89</b>	

Number of assessments during year 4 Race W Membership in good standing at close of books 823.

I hereby certify that the information given in the foregoing report is true and correct to the personal knowledge of the undersigned.

Secretary-Treasurer J. Ollie Harris  
Street address 108 S. Piedmont Ave.  
City Kings Mountain, N. C.  
Telephone number 739-2591

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME this 6th day of January, 1969.

Elizabeth C. Roberts  
Notary Public  
My commission expires 12-2-1970

**CURRENT OFFICERS OF ASSOCIATION**

President Bennett J. Masters  
Vice-President John L. White  
Secretary-Treasurer J. Ollie Harris  
Directors Abbie W. Harris, N. M. Farr, T. J. Ellison, Martin Harmon, Jane Hambricht

**DEATH CLAIMS PAID**

Name of Deceased	Address	Date of Death	Amount
Elbert J. Dyke	Kings Mountain, N. C.	3/1/68	\$100.00
Harvey C. Smith	Kings Mountain, N. C.	3/20/68	100.00
Mrs. Katie C. Gibson	Rt. 3, Kings Mtn., N. C.	5/12/68	100.00
Mrs. Pansey Worthen	Kings Mountain, N. C.	5/31/68	200.00
Mack D. Camp	Rt. 2, Kings Mountain, N. C.	6/21/68	200.00
Mrs. Marjorie Phillips	Kings Mountain, N. C.	8/22/68	200.00
Mrs. Mattie Dyke	Kings Mountain, N. C.	8/31/68	100.00
Mrs. Anna Williams	Kings Mountain, N. C.	8/31/68	100.00
Mrs. Mary P. Bobbitt	Kings Mountain, N. C.	12/16/68	100.00

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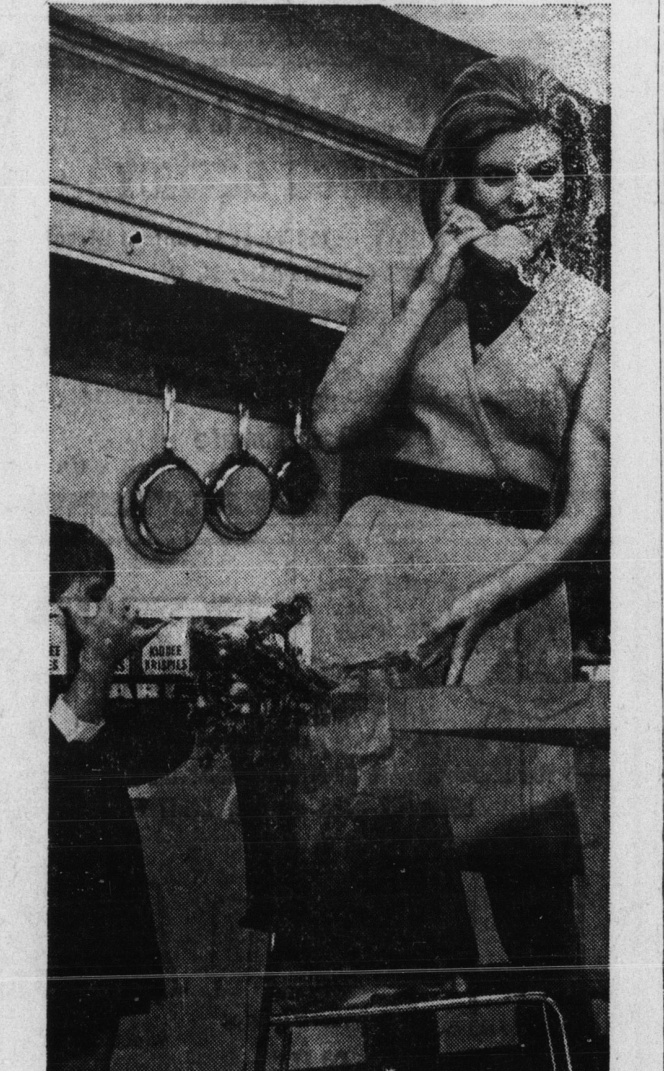
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— No. 1 —  
"The Detective"  
— No. 2 —  
"Psychout"

ON WED. MOVIES RUN IN REVERSE ORDER

### STOCKHOLDER'S MEETING

The annual meeting of stockholders of Kings Mountain Savings & Loan Association will be held at 2 p.m. February 11th in the director's room of the association on West Mountain street.

Secretary-Treasurer  
**RUBY H. BAKER**

1:30-2:6

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**Kings Mountain Savings & Loan Association**  
P. O. BOX 746 KINGS MOUNTAIN, NORTH CAROLINA 28066

# Notice

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### Applies Monday, February 3

ON

## Unpaid 1968 Taxes

# City Of Kings Mountain Tax Department