

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 8465

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 Township in Gaston County.

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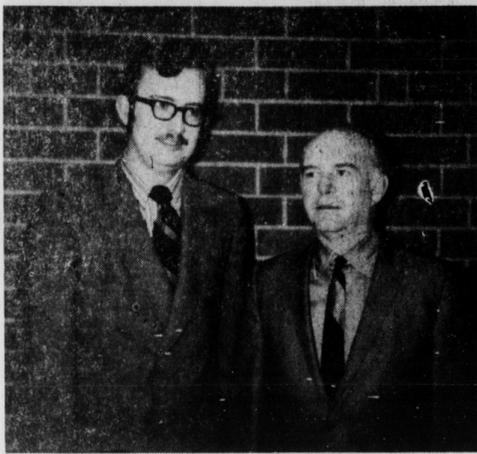
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Kings Mountain, N. C., Thursday, March 11, 1971

Eighty-Sixth Year

PRICE TEN CENTS

Five Incumbents Seek Re-election; Kelly Dixon Files



JOINS OXFORD MILLS MANAGEMENT TEAM — James Rish, left, and William Mason, right, have joined Oxford Mills in Kings Mountain. Mr. Rish as controller and Mr. Mason as assistant plant manager. Mr. Mason, a native of Canada, has moved to Shelby. Mr. Rish, who comes from Atlanta, Ga., has located in Kings Mountain.

Rish, Mason Are Officials At Oxford

Joe Machnik, Plant Manager of Oxford Knitting Mills in Kings Mountain, has announced the addition of two new members to the company's managerial team: James Rish and William Mason.

Mr. Rish joins Oxford Knitting Mills as Controller. He was recently transferred from Oxford's home office in Atlanta, where he served as a member of the corporate accounting staff. A graduate of Georgia State University, Mr. Rish holds a Masters Degree in Business Administration. At Oxford, he assumes the responsibilities of the accounting and payroll departments.

Mr. Rish and his wife, Judy, have purchased a home on North Candler street here. Both are members of First Baptist church.

Oxford also welcomes Mr. Mason as Assistant Plant Manager. A native of Canada, Mr. Mason studied industrial engineering at the University of Toronto, and later worked in the knitwear and apparel industry in a variety of staff and managerial functions for over twenty years. Initially as an Industrial Engineer, his responsibilities covered work measurement in a multi-plant knitwear company followed by an added responsibility of Production Control Management in the same company.

In the 1950's, Mr. Mason moved his family to the United States where he continued working in the knitwear industry in a consulting capacity, and eventually as a Senior Engineer with Bertrand Frank Associates.

Mr. Mason, his wife and family have recently relocated to this area and are residents of Shelby.

Oxford Knitting Mills is a Division of Oxford Industries, Inc., which is a diversified manufacturer and distributor of apparel and dieting and copying equipment. The Atlanta based firm has annual sales of approximately 138 million dollars primarily in apparel.

Rites Conducted For Mrs. Price

Funeral rites for Mrs. Eva Hawkins Price, 69, were held Saturday, February 27th, at First Baptist church, with the Rev. Robert Mann and Rev. Olin Heffner officiating.

Interment was in Bethlehem church cemetery near Marion.

Mrs. Price died February 25th in the Kings Mountain hospital after several months illness.

She was daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Augusta Hawkins. She made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Summers, 915 Sharon Drive.

Surviving, besides her daughter, are her brother, Walter C. Hawkins of Asheville; and two sisters, Mrs. A. M. Reel and Mrs. H. E. Randolph, both of Forest City.

Ex-Mayor Seeks Ward 5 Seat, Opposing Shipp

By MARTIN HARMON

No city office will go begging for the next two years due to lack of candidates in the May 11 election.

Five incumbent city commissioners have filed for re-election. The five were joined by former Mayor Kelly Dixon, who filed Wednesday afternoon for the Ward 5 commission seat being vacated by Mrs. Maude R. Walker. Mr. Dixon's candidacy creates a contest for the position, which is also being sought by Howard Shipp.

Incumbent candidates are Ray W. Cline, Ward 1; W. Seimore Biddix, Ward 2; T. J. (Tommy) Ellison, Ward 3; Norman King, Ward 4; and James J. Dickey, Ward 5.

Comm. Cline, completing his fifth term, is a veteran employee of Mauney Hosiery Company. He is a navy veteran of World War II, member of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and a Moose life member. He is a member and past commander of the American Legion and also a past district commander of the Legion. Mrs. Cline is the former Elizabeth Huffstickler. They have three sons, three daughters, and 21 grandchildren.

Comm. Biddix, completing his third term on the commission, is a representative of Sturdivant Life Insurance Company. His company has twice honored him as "man of the year" and for the past three years he has been president of the key producer's club. He is Sunday school superintendent and trustee of East Gold Street Wesleyan Methodist church, a Mason, Legionnaire and air force veteran of World War II. Mrs. Biddix is the former Marie Howe. They have five daughters and five grandchildren.

Comm. Ellison is the commission veteran and is completing his 18th year of service. He served from 1947-51, 1953-57, and from 1961-71. He is owner of Ellison's Grocery. He is a Mason and a member of Grace Methodist church, and past chairman of its board of trustees. Mrs. Ellison is the former Roberta Ballard. They

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IRA Taps Mrs. Simpson

Mrs. James B. Simpson, East school reading teacher, was elected president of the North Carolina Council of the International Reading Association at the Council's three-day meeting last weekend at White House Inn, Charlotte.

Mrs. Simpson, president-elect, will plan next year's spring conference to be held in Raleigh, and will preside over the conference in 1973. She will succeed former Kings Mountain teacher, Richard Culyer, as president. Mr. Culyer is now a member of the Reading Department staff of Appalachian State University at Boone.

Youth Rally Set Saturday

Macedonia Baptist church of Route 2, Grover road, Kings Mountain, will conduct a youth rally Saturday night, March 13, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Guest speaker will be a Christian pharmacist speaking on drugs and drug abuse.

Youth will "Sing Along With Joy" and following the service there will be a time of fellowship and refreshments.

All youth are invited to attend, said Rev. L. D. Scruggs, pastor.

GOSPEL SING

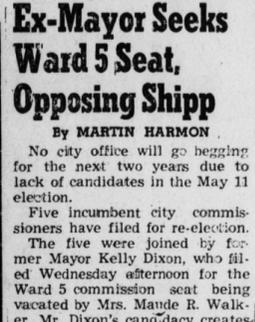
Plymouth Baptist church will sponsor a Gospel Sing beginning at 2 p.m. Sunday with the Bridges Family of Shelby and the Psalmists Quartet of Gastonia to be featured. The interested community is invited to participate, said Rev. Ansel Center, pastor.

Schoolmen, Legislators To Talk About Pending Educational Bills

Area legislators will meet with members of the county's three school boards — Kings Mountain, Shelby and Cleveland County boards of education Monday morning for a 7:30 a.m. breakfast at Royal Motor Inn Restaurant.

The group is expected to discuss educational bills in the legislature and school board members will be given opportunity to discuss educational needs with them, said Supt. Donald Jones.

Expected to attend are Senator J. Ollie Harris, Senator Marshall Rauch, Rep. Bob Falls and Rep. W. K. Mauney Jr. along with members of the three boards and superintendents of the three systems.



RAY W. CLINE



W. S. BIDDIX



T. J. ELLISON



NORMAN KING



JAMES J. DICKEY

Sewer-Use Law Hearing Is Set

The city commission Tuesday night called a public hearing for March 23 on a proposed sewerage ordinance.

Commissioner James J. Dickey, chairman of the city sewage committee, told the board his committee, the city engineer and industry representatives, along with officials of the state Department of Water and Air Resources Commission, had been working for six months to obtain a sewerage ordinance "with which everyone can live."

"To all I say 'thanks' for what I consider a very good ordinance proposal," Comm. Dickey commented.

Col. W. K. Dickson, city engineer, reported that the Department of Water and Air Resources had approved the ordinance. The Colonel commended the work and spirit of cooperation of the city committee and industry representatives.

Macedonia Sets Revival Series

Macedonia Baptist church will hold revival services each evening March 21-26 at 7:30 p.m. with Rev. Guy E. Johnson, evangelist.

Mr. Johnson is a graduate of Gardner-Webb college of Boiling Springs, N. C., Furman University, Greenville, S. C., and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has conducted revivals in thirteen different states, and he has organized and built several churches. At present he is pastor of Main Street Baptist church, Spindale, N. C.

Mrs. Dunn's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Margaret Amanda Dunn, 64, of Clifton Forge, Va., formerly of Kings Mountain, were held Monday afternoon at 3 p.m. from First Presbyterian church, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Dr. Paul Ausley officiated at the final rites.

Mrs. Dunn died Saturday at 10 a.m. in a Staunton, Va. hospital. She was daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John E. Osment and a member of Kings Mountain's First Presbyterian church.

Surviving are her son, James Dunn, of Clifton Forge, Va.; her sister, Mrs. Robert E. Farley of Covington, Va.; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

LUTHERAN TOPIC

"Do All Things Work Together For Good?" will be the sermon topic of Rev. Charles Easley at Sunday morning worship services at 11 o'clock at St. Matthew's Lutheran church. Rev. Easley is continuing a Lenten theme, "Serious Questions For Serious People."

Holland Case Proceedings Are Halted

Preliminary hearing for Bruce Douglas Holland, 18, charged with possession of marijuana, has been continued in 27th Judicial Court until Thursday, March 18th.

Judge Robert Kirby of Cherryville halted the trial Thursday after the defendant told the court three persons had offered to pay his fine and get the charges reduced to a lesser offense if he would accept the blame for the incident that resulted in charges against himself and three other persons.

Judge Kirby ordered an investigation into the allegations made by Holland, Lt. David Corn of the Kings Mountain police department said.

Lt. Corn, investigation officer, said the judge made no ruling on a motion by defense attorney, C. A. Horn, to reopen charges against Devere Rogers Smith, Jr., 18, and James Edward Mauney, 20, both of Kings Mountain.

State Agency Has Approved Proposed Law

In other actions the city passed a resolution formally calling the biennial city and board of education elections for May 11 and referred to the city attorney for review a power contract proposal from Duke Power Company.

The commission also:

- 1) Received bids from Ronnie Turner Construction Company of Casar, \$7976.70, and A. P. White & Sons, Charlotte, \$17,906, for water and sewer lines to serve DeRose Industries in Kings Mountain Industrial Park in Gaston County. The low bid was higher by \$699 than the amount approved by the Gaston County board of commissioners for the project and the Mayor was instructed to confer with Gaston officials concerning letting the bid.
- 2) Passed a resolution transferring to the debt service fund \$27,500 from the water bond account, the amount representing interest earned on bond account certificates of deposit.
- 3) Referred to a study committee a proposed agreement between the city and the Division of Inland Fisheries, Wildlife Resources Commission.
- 4) Passed a resolution extending the date of beneficial occupancy of the Buffalo Creek water treatment plant from March 11, 1970, to March 1, 1971.
- 5) Passed a resolution commending the City of Shelby on its being named an All-American city.
- 6) Called public hearings for April 13 on re-zoning petitions of Aubrey Mauney and of Hal S. and Fred W. Plonk, both of which have been approved by the zoning board.

Wildlife Group Named by Moss

Mayor John Henry Moss announced appointment Tuesday night of the Kings Mountain Wildlife committee, as previously authorized by the city commission.

Members include City Commissioner Norman King and W. S. Biddix, George Ruppe, Eugene Goforth, J. Pat Tignor, K. E. Morrison, Howard Bridges, C. T. Dixon, Eugene McSwain, Joe Lee Woodward, Jackie D. Barrett, Rev. Robert McDowell, Ben Brown, and James Simpson.

Troop 92 Clean-up Advance Guard; City-Wide Committee Is Appointed

By MARTIN HARMON

Boy Scout Troop 92 has volunteered its services in the upcoming city-wide clean-up campaign and, in fact, has already gone to work on the project.

Members of the troop appeared with their Scoutmaster Jim Yarbro and Troop Committeeman Bob Maner at the city board of commissioners meeting Tuesday night to volunteer their services.

John Knox McGill, speaking for the troop, told the commission his troop would like to "police up" the area in vicinity of the intersection of US 74 and West Mountain street and volunteered to maintain the area where the Girl Scout monument replica is located on a permanent basis.

Subsequently, Scout McGill handed Mayor John Henry Moss a list of abandoned cars the Scouts had compiled in an around-town survey.

Scoutmaster Yarbro then commented, "We're here to sympathize, not criticize. We're here to

Rites Conducted For J. N. Gamble

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Dr. Paul K. Ausley officiated at the final rites.

Active pallbearers were Bob Maner, Hall Goforth, Joe Thomson, Henry Neisler, Bill Grissom and Herman Campbell.

Mr. Gamble, retired textile worker, died Monday morning at 10 a.m. in Sylacauga, Ala., where he was visiting his son and family. Mr. Gamble had been in ill health for several months.

McDaniel Dies Of Suffocation

A 45-year-old Gaffney, S. C. man, Clyde W. McDaniel of 405 Oakley St., was killed about 12:15 p.m. Saturday when the roof of a house he and two other persons were tearing down on Waco road collapsed on him.

Cleveland County Coroner M. D. Walker said McDaniel was apparently standing outside the house when the roof fell and pinned him under it. He said McDaniel, his son, Don, and brother-in-law Earl Sanders, all of Gaffney, were tearing down a house on the Waco Road by hand. Walker said the man had apparently removed the bracing from the walls, causing the roof to fall.

Walker reported the man died from suffocation from the weight of the roof on his chest.

Kings Mountain police, rescue squad and a wrecker worked to remove McDaniel from the debris but he was dead on arrival at Kings Mountain hospital at 12:35 p.m.

Dr. Padgett's Mother Passes

Funeral rites for Mrs. Tilden R. Padgett, 89, of Forest City, mother of Dr. P. G. Padgett of Kings Mountain, were held Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock from Forest City's First Baptist church with the Rev. Dillard Mynatt officiating.

Interment was in Cool Springs cemetery.

Mrs. Padgett died Monday at 9:30 p.m. at her home. She had been in declining health for several years.

VFW, Auxiliary Meeting Monday

Members of Frank B. Glass Post 9811 VFW and Auxiliary will hold regular meetings Monday night at 7 p.m. at the Post Home on Grover road.

Supper will be served following the meetings.

DIXON SERVICE

Sunday evening worship services will be held Sunday 7:15 p.m. at Dixon Presbyterian church with Rev. Robert Wilson to deliver the message.

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