

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 8,465

... 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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Eighty-Third Year

PRICE TEN CENTS



MOBILE SCREENING UNIT — Lions Club officials from throughout the county gathered in Boiling Springs to inspect the mobile screening unit that will be utilized throughout the county to detect eye defects in school-age children. They included, left to right, Gene Putnam of Grover, Tommy Turner of Casar, Henry Ghigo of Shelby Community Club, Charles Mack of Boiling Springs, Everett Lewis of Fallston, Hubert Lane of Shelby, John Ed Davis of Shelby and the Rev. W. C. McKinney of Lawndale. Davis is overall chairman for the project.

Lions Free Clinics To Begin Tuesday



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Delbert Dixon Is Re-Elected

Delbert Dixon has been re-elected as Captain of the Kings Mountain Rescue Squad for the coming year. Other officers are First Lieutenant Raymond Galloway and Gene Champion; Second Lieutenant Charles Peterson and Bob Hope; Sergeants Bud Ware and Everett Grigg; Corporals Earl Hollifield and Smiley Myers and Rev. Frank Shirley, chaplain. Captain Dixon, in the annual report, said the volunteer organization made 1,143 calls during 1971. Car wrecks accounted for 203 trips. Other calls included 26 blood relays, six shootings, seven cuttings; patient transportation, 231; service calls, 20; house calls, 39; dead-on-arrival calls, 13; funeral traffic, one; false alarms, 22; drowning, at Lake Norman, one.

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Eye, Measles Mobile Units To Visit Schools

A mobile screening unit for detection of eye defects in pre-school children and measles vaccination clinics for pre-schoolers and all elementary students through grade six are operating in the county during the month of January.

The Lions club will operate the free mobile units in this area at East Elementary school on Tuesday, at West Elementary school on Wednesday, at North Elementary school on January 21 and at Grover school on January 24th.

In addition, teams of doctors and nurses from the Cleveland County Health department will conduct a measles-rubella program in the schools for children from kindergarten age through age 12 and will make available at no cost a new one-dose vaccine that gives protection against Red Measles and German Measles at the same time. It has never been given in the schools before.

By action of the 1971 General Assembly all children must receive measles vaccine before the age of two. Those children under 12 who have not received the Red Measles vaccine must do so now.

On Monday, school children received parent permission slips and information that explains the vaccine and its use. Parents are asked to complete the form and return it immediately to the schools.

Measles vaccine clinics here will be held on January 26th at East and West schools and on January 27th at Bethware, West, Compact and Grover schools. Children will be delighted to learn that jet injector guns will

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Death Rate Per Mile Driven Is Record Low On Tar Heel Highways

North Carolina had the lowest death rate per miles traveled in the state's history during 1971.

This was the report of officers of the two county - Lincoln and Cleveland - area of District 6 of the North Carolina Highway Patrol.

First Sgt. E. T. Vanhoy noted that District 6 realized a reduction from 40 to 31 in the number of deaths in the rural area of the two counties. Vanhoy said injuries were about the same and there was an increase of 137 accidents.

"We realize that 1,764 accidents and 858 injuries in Cleveland and Lincoln Counties should be reduced and can be with all persons sharing their part toward

safer travel," said the sergeant. The drinking driver continued to be a tremendous problem on the roadway during 1971. Sgt. H. A. Lane reported, and Sgt. A. S. Butler reminded that the patrol arrested some 1500 persons during the year in this district for driving under the influence and over 50 percent of the fatal accidents involved alcohol.

The average breathalyzer reading was (.14).

Efforts to keep the motoring public aware of the traffic problems and keeping our roadways safe for travel paid off during 1971 as the state realized the lowest death rate per miles traveled in the state's history, added the patrol officers.

Codes Compliance Performance Good

Schools Want Half Sales Tax Take

Jones, Mauney To Recommend Joint Request

Schools Supt. Don Jones and Board Chairman George H. Mauney will recommend to the board of education Monday night that the local board join with Shelby and the county in asking the county commission to earmark 50 percent of one cent sales tax receipts in 1972 for the schools.

This is the major item on the agenda for the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the school's administration building. Supt. Jones will also make a recommendation for a community and school personnel evaluation study which he says will give school patrons a chance to better express their views and a report from the policy committee on attendance (Phase 1) will be given.

The board will also discuss hiring of a part-time psychologist in conjunction with Shelby and county schools and in cooperation with the Cleveland Mental Health Clinic.

Date for the 1972 commencement will be set.

Brain Tumor Fatal To Rich

Funeral services for Marshall (Red) Rich, 23, were held Monday in Newport, Tenn.

Mr. Rich, former city employee with the electrical department, died in Newport last Thursday of a brain tumor. According to information received by friends here, he had survived only a few days, after beginning to suffer severe headaches.

He would have been 24 on February 8. He was employed by a Newport painting contractor.

Surviving are his wife, Beverly J. Rich, two sons and a daughter, and his mother, all of Newport.

Elections Group Meets Wednesday

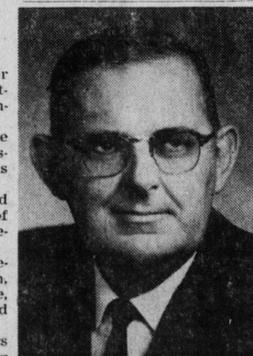
The city commission's elections committee is expected to meet next Wednesday, Mayor John Henry Moss has stated.

Members are Commissioners T. J. Ellison, chairman, Ray W. Cline and Norman King. Under new state legislation, the city has until January 31 to file with the state board of elections choice of options on conducting future city elections, beginning in the fall of 1973. If no choice of options is filed, the conduct of the city elections will be under the management of the county elections board.

School Pupils To Take Holiday

Kings Mountain school pupils will take a holiday next Wednesday.

It will be a working day for teachers who will hold "Evaluation Day", said Supt. Don Jones.



SEEK RE-ELECTION — North Carolina Agriculture Commissioner Jim Graham, left, has filed for re-election to a third term in the Council of State position and N. C. State Representative Robert A. (Bob) Jones, right, of Forest City, has announced he will seek re-election to a third term in the N. C. House of Representatives representing the 40th District of Cleveland, Rutherford and Polk Counties.



DIRECTOR — John L. McGill has been re-appointed to a five-year term as a director of the Kings Mountain Housing Authority. He was also re-elected chairman.

PHA Tells 23 To Pay Or Go

John L. McGill was re-elected chairman of Kings Mountain Public Housing Authority at the Tuesday meeting of the board, following Mr. McGill's re-appointment by the city commission Monday night.

Brooks R. Tate was re-elected vice-chairman. Other members are Carl Wilson, William Orr and Martin Harmon.

Director Tom Harper reported to the board he had addressed letters on December 28 to 23 tenants that, unless arrangements were made prior, they would be evicted for rent delinquency after January 28.

He said seven of the tenants had made payments since the letters were issued. By unanimous vote of the board, the director was authorized to proceed per the December 28 notices.

Chairman McGill commented he felt the delinquency total a small percentage of the 200 occupied housing units.

Building Permits To Timberlake

Timber Lake Builders, Inc., have purchased six city building permits for the construction of five-room homes on Morris and Waters streets.

The homes are estimated to cost \$12,500 each. They are to be built at 215, 217, 219 and 221 Morris street and 319 and 321 Waters street.

Luke W. Hoyle has bought a mile-perimeter zoning permit for building a duplex at 4466 Margrace road, while Guy W. Waters has bought a trailer permit for installation at 217 Brice street.

Mile-perimeter zoning permits were purchased by Michael E. Brown for Mica Mine Road and Richard McKee for 207 South Roxford road.



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Laughter Says 107 Upgraded; 20 Houses Razed

By MARTIN HARMON
Of 373 letters addressed to home owners during 1971 pointing out non-compliance items with city building codes, 107 resulted in bringing the residences into compliance.

An additional 20 houses were razed. These figures were given by Woodrow Laughter to the city commission as he detailed 1971 activities of his office as city building inspector and codes enforcement officer.

Mr. Laughter reported the following breakdown in the \$3,303, 518 purchase of city building permits during 1971:

- 1) Single family dwellings (86) \$1,516,669.
- 2) Apartment units (126) \$1,315,838.
- 3) Trailers (5) \$58,850.
- 4) Industry (8) \$196,045.
- 5) Commercial (17) \$195,173.
- 6) Additions (26) \$35,210.
- 7) Repairs (14) \$21,798.
- 8) Access buildings (16) \$4,735.

The office also issued 36 mile-perimeter zoning permits and 280 permits for water, sewer and gas taps.

He told the commission Kings Mountain is still short on housing and said condemnation of derelict structures could not proceed faster "until the people have some place to move".

Goforth Says No Immediate Plan

Garrison Goforth, agent for the Marvin Goforth Estate and for his sister Miss Mae Sue Goforth, said Wednesday he and his family have no immediate plans for development of their property as a shopping center.

The 15.72 acre twin tract was rezoned by the city commission from residential designation to general business designation Monday night, after approval of the request by the zoning board. None appeared to oppose the rezoning request.

When the petition was presented, Mr. Goforth indicated plans for a shopping center.

Mr. Goforth commented, "Negotiations with the original developer fell through. Since members of the family have discussed potential for the property and have decided to survey and divide it."

In other actions Monday night, the commission:

1) Reappointed John L. McGill to a five-year term as a director of Kings Mountain Public Housing Authority, as Mayor John Henry Moss and Commissioners Norman King and T. J. Ellison complimented Mr. McGill and other members of the commission for their work in providing 200 housing units and

2) Authorized employment of Michael Jenkins as a city policeman on recommendation of Chief of Police Thomas McDevitt and the police review board.

Yarbrough's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for John Wesley Yarbrough, 93 of Gastonia, father of Tom B. and Richard Yarbrough of Kings Mountain, were held Saturday morning from Carothers Funeral Home in Gastonia, interment following in Steele Creek Presbyterian church cemetery.

Mr. Yarbrough died in a Gastonia hospital Thursday morning. He was a native of Blenheim, S. C., son of the late Alfred and Sarah Hood Yarbrough. His wife, Ada Trull Yarbrough, died five years ago.

He was a retired carpenter. Other survivors are seven daughters, Mrs. Fred Beatty, Mrs. Joe Beatty, and Mrs. James Coley, all of Gastonia, Mrs. R. E. Humphries, Mrs. Sara Newman and Mrs. Hettie Jones, all of Charlotte, and Mrs. Carl Johnson of Greenwood, S. C.; two sons, John W. and Alfred Yarbrough, both of Charlotte; 29 grandchildren and 29 great-grandchildren.

He completed his duties at the Grover road plant Dec. 31.

The son of the late McLean Campbell and Maggie Black Campbell, he graduated from Rutherford high school and David son college.

After graduating from Davidson in 1928, Campbell taught school and coached football and basketball for five years, then was an inspector in the construction department of the North Carolina Highway Department. Mrs. Campbell, the former Elva

Board Authorizes More Clinic Space

Health Group Needs Space, Less Noise

The city commission Monday night authorized Mayor John Henry Moss to work out details for providing the county health department more space at the community center.

Richard Steeves, director, and Mrs. Frances Webb, county health nurse, had outlined the services provided at the Friday morning clinic and the need for more space.

The clinic offers baby care, immunizations, tuberculin tests, and other services.

Over an eight-week period, the two nurses staffing the clinic saw between a low of 30 and high of 68 patients. "Many, particularly the elderly, are accompanied by others which makes our 18 x 23 office particularly small and overcrowded and over-noisy," Mrs. Webb declared.

Mr. Steeves remarked that 15 minutes of work there would make anyone a candidate for a migraine headache due to the noise.

Mrs. Webb outlined utilization of a large room to be partitioned into six which would provide water (now now available) alleviate noise.

Mayor Moss said he appreciated the interest in serving Kings Mountain which the health department is providing and added the hope longer clinic schedules can be maintained.

\$17,000 HEW Grant To North

The U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare announced Monday approval of a \$17,000 grant through the Education and Handicap Act to North Elementary school for a vocational awareness program, only one of its kind in North Carolina.

Principal Richard Greene said some 45 fourth, fifth and sixth graders will participate in the program.

The program, according to Greene, will acquaint students with various types of occupations, field trips to area plants and the simulation of various types of job situations at school like carpentry and working with small tools.

Funds provide for equipment, in-service training for the staff members and for a newly-hired vocational coordinator, Richard Hamrick, of Shelby.

Walker Improving From Pneumonia

A. K. Walker, manager of Quality Sandwich Company, hospitalized with double pneumonia since Christmas Eve, is improving, his mother said yesterday.

Mr. Walker remains a patient in the Kings Mountain hospital.

30-Year Veteran H. L. Campbell Retires As Superior's Cashier

Herman L. Campbell has retired after almost 30 years as a cashier at Superior Stone here.

Campbell, 65, a native of Rutherford, N. C., joined Superior Stone in May of 1942, only a few years after the company was founded. He completed his duties at the Grover road plant Dec. 31.

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CO-CHAIRMAN — William L. (Bill) Plonk, dairy farmer, has been named co-chairman of Lt. Gov. Pat Taylor's campaign for governor in Cleveland County.

Plonk Is Named To Taylor Team

Lt. Gov. Pat Taylor announced Saturday night in Charlotte the appointment of Beverly E. "Buck" Lattimore of Shelby and William L. "Bill" Plonk of Kings Mountain as co-chairmen of his campaign for Governor in Cleveland County.

This is the first in a series of announcements concerning Taylor's Cleveland County Campaign. Announcements of a 15-man campaign steering committee, precinct campaign committees, the opening of a campaign headquarters and visits to the county by the candidate will be forthcoming.

In announcing the appointment of Lattimore and Plonk, Taylor noted that he "was extremely pleased to have two men of their calibre, wide background, and political experience to handle his local campaign."

Lattimore, 23, of 515 Mauney Ln., Shelby, has been active in local Democratic Party affairs for the past several years. Lt. Gov. Taylor, emphasizing his interest in the participation of young people in the political process, noted that Lattimore is one of the youngest men in the state to manage or co-manage a campaign.

Lattimore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Lattimore of Rt. 3, Shelby, is a graduate of Crest High School and earned his B.A. degree in Government, graduating with honors, from Wofford College (1970). From 1967-70 he was a member of U. S. Senator Fritz Hollings' (D-S.C.) staff. During the 1968 campaign he served as a Youth Coordinator in Hollings successful re-election campaign. Hollings appointed Lattimore a U. S. Senate Intern and he served in Washington during the summer of 1969.

Mr. Lattimore served as a State Senate Intern in the office of Sen. Jack White of Kings Mountain during the 1969 legislative session. During the 1970 campaign, Lattimore was office manager of Cleveland County Democratic Headquarters. At present,

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