

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 14,890 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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635 Rally To Support Of KMHS Principal Atkinson



GRADUATE — Debbie Brown, recent graduate of Massey Fashion Institute in Atlanta, Ga., was winner of the Gold Medal Award in fashion designing.

Designer Award To Debbie Brown

Debbie Brown, daughter of Belk Manager Bill H. Brown and Mrs. Brown, has completed her studies at Massey Fashion Institute in Atlanta, Ga. and was graduated with honors.

Miss Brown, also elected to "Who's Who in American Junior Colleges and Universities", won a Gold Medal Award in design at the 1972 Awards Banquet at Regency Hyatt House in Atlanta. Her entry was among four winners among 73 contestants. Judging the entries were designers Ann Fogarty of New York, Kasper of Joan Leslie, Will Smith of Shanghai and Tjan, Ltd., and fashion director Sol Kent of Rick's in Atlanta. The winning students were interviewed by WQXI-TV and modeled their entries.

The Kings Mountain student spent one quarter of her studies at Massey Junior college in London, England and also participated in the New York Fashion Study Tour.

Miss Brown was on the President's List and Dean's List while a student at Massey.

Legion Post Tops Goal

The American Legion, Department of North Carolina headquarters in Raleigh indicates that Kings Mountain Post No. 155 has conducted a highly successful membership drive.

Bruce McDaniel, commander of the post, has received a letter from Department Adjutant J. Carroll Wilson reporting that Post No. 155 has exceeded its Legion Membership Incentive Goal for 1972. The Legion Adjutant expressed congratulations and thanks to the post leaders and membership workers for their effort.

A statement of high praise for the local post was issued by Charles B. Hodson, of Chapel Hill, department commander of the American Legion.

Commander Hodson said, "The membership of every Legionnaire makes it possible for the American Legion to maintain service for the sick and disabled in hospitals. Memberships make possible all the Legion programs, such as care for needy children, baseball, Boys' State, Boy Scout troops, oratorical contests, community service, law and order, and all the others. I am proud to congratulate Post No. 155 upon this notable achievement."

Post Commander McDaniel explained that "Reach Out—It's

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Dobbins' Child's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Patricia Diane Dobbins, 11-months-old, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 p. m. from Temple Baptist church with Rev. Frank Shirley officiating.

Graveside services were held Wednesday afternoon from Bethel Baptist church cemetery in Rutherford county.

The child died unexpectedly Friday in Hendricks-Durham-Lee Clinic.

Surviving are her mother, Mrs. Diane Dobbins; and her grandfather, Roy Dobbins, of 110 Lark street.

Construction On Foote Plant Now Underway

Construction began last Thursday on the projected new Foote Mineral Company plant.

Fiske-Carter Construction Company, of Spartanburg, S. C., is contractor and grading of the site near the present Foote works is underway.

Completion of the new plant is scheduled for late December, according to Howard Broadwater.

The plant will produce spodumene lithium ore of low iron content for one of their principal customers, a ceramics manufacturer.

Mr. Broadwater declined to relate size or cost of the new facility nor the name of the ceramics manufacturer, with the inference these items are trade secrets.

Foote originally announced last October it was phasing out its Sunbright, Va., operation and that a completely new plant would be constructed here.

Foote's home offices are at Exton, Pa.

Clinics Set For Pre-Schoolers

Clinics for pre-school children will begin on April 11th at Bethel school from 1 until 2:30 p.m. Similar clinics are slated at the same time on April 13th at North school, April 14th at East school, April 19th at Grover, and April 20th at West school.

Registration forms are being distributed at the various elementary plants and via the superintendent's office. Parents are asked to complete the forms, giving the child's complete record of vaccinations, birth certificate and physical examination by the family doctor.

Bank Taps Hugh Johnston

Hugh W. Johnston of Gastonia, president of Royal Villa Motor Inn of Kings Mountain, was elected chairman of the board of Carolina State Bank at the first annual stockholder's meeting held Monday.

Johnston is a real estate developer who has extensive real estate holdings and business interests in this area. He succeeds R. Glenn Powell, president of Powell Oldsmobile-Cadillac, Inc. as board chairman at the new bank.

All directors of the bank were re-elected at the stockholder's meeting. They include Alfred P. Aldridge, Jr., W. Eugene Hunter, Jerry L. Frye, Dr. George E. Prince, John C. Houser, Daniel C. Gunter, Manuel E. Kane, Charles W. Costner, Jr., and Rock F. Zammiello and R. Glenn Powell.

John Houser, native of Grover, was re-elected president and chief executive officer of the bank. C. Spencer Allen was named vice president and Joe M. Pace was named loan officer.

Carolina State Bank, which opened for business on October 18, 1971, now has total resources of more than \$3 million, ten employees, 936 stockholders and more than 2,400 accounts.

CITY BOARD
The city commission will convene Monday night at 7:30. Agenda for the meeting is incomplete.

Firemen Are Busy: Cotton Fire, Mobile Home, Rock Group's Van

An early morning fire Monday completely destroyed mobile number 28 in the Dixie Trailer Park on West Gold Street.

A spokesman for the city fire department said the trailer was owned by Warren Reynolds and occupied by Danny Parton.

According to the spokesman, a neighbor spotted the blaze around 1:05 a. m. and called the fire department. The trailer was destroyed by the time firemen arrived.

Parton was not at home at the time. Cause of the fire is not known.

City fireman answered two other calls during the past week which resulted in heavy damage. Friday at 5 p. m., an undetermined fire damaged part of 350



OPTIMIST ORATORICAL CONTEST WINNERS — All five entries in the annual Kings Mountain Grover-sponsored Oratorical contest won handsome trophies Thursday at the Kings Mountain Optimist club. Glen Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Roberts of Kings Mountain, and Preston Short, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Short of Grover, were declared the top winners from the two clubs and received a trophy and a \$25 savings bond and participated in the district contests Sunday at East Lincoln high school. The students composed their own speeches on the topic, "Our Challenge—Involvement" with Ronald Nannay as vocational guidance counselor. Judges were Oren Wyatt of Shelby, Hugh L. Smith of Bolling Springs and Margaret Jordan of Gastonia. The winners, from left to right, Reggie Perkins, Ricky Morrison, Preston Short (Grover first place) Glen Roberts, (Kings Mountain first place) and Larry Ayers. (Herald Photo by Jim Belt)

Magistrates Get Bulwinkle Memo

Four Methods Arrestee Can Be Released

Chief 27th Judicial District Court Judge Lewis Bulwinkle has issued a memorandum to magistrates in the district, reminding them there are four ways a person awaiting trial may be released from custody.

Bulwinkle said that many people think they have only two choices when they are being held pending trial: 1-Pay a bond fee; or 2-Remain in jail until the case is disposed of.

The memorandum pointed out, however, that there are four choices: 1-Release on own recognizance; 2-An unsecured bond; 3-A cash bond; and 4-A secured bond.

Bulwinkle told the magistrate that defendants are entitled to be told by a judicial officer, who has no financial stake in the matter, what alternatives are available for his release.

The memorandum also pointed out that it is the magistrate's duty to the defendant to see that bail is not excessive.

The judge said that magistrates should not release on their own recognizance or upon an unsecured bond one who:

1-Is not a resident of North Carolina; 2-Is charged with a felony, assault on an officer or obstructing, resisting or delaying an officer; 3-Is known to have failed, without good cause, to appear in court; 4-Appears to have

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Six Students On Dean's List

Six Kings Mountain area students at Appalachian State University are listed on the dean's list for the winter quarter.

They are Rickey Dean Camp, a junior; Gloria Diane Greene, a senior; Charles Andy Greene, a senior; Roy Lee Huffstetler, a junior; Nancy Darnell Reynolds, a junior; and Terry Wayne Spencer, a junior.

To qualify for the honor a student must maintain a B average on at least 15 quarter hours of work with no grade below C.

L/Cpl. Bunch Has Surgery

Lance corporal Johnny Bunch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Bunch of Kings Mountain, underwent surgery Tuesday at Camp Lejeune, N. C.

Bunch is reportedly doing fine. Cards and letters may be mailed to Lance corporal Johnny Bunch, Ward 14, U. S. Naval Hospital, Camp Lejeune, N. C.

Sunrise Rites Are Planned

Community-wide Easter Sunrise Services will be held at 6 a. m. on April 2nd in Memorial Park of Mountain Rest cemetery under leadership of the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association.

At least one other Sunrise service is planned. Congregations of Dixon and Shiloh Presbyterian churches will gather in Grover for a Sunrise Service to be followed by breakfast at the Shiloh church and an early-morning worship service. Rev. Robert Wilson will deliver the Easter sermon.

Rev. Wilder's Mother Passes

Funeral rites for Mrs. Emma Pool Wilder, 90, of Raleigh, mother of Rev. James M. Wilder of Kings Mountain, were conducted Wednesday at 1 p. m. at Mitchell Funeral Home in Raleigh with the Rev. James F. Heaton officiating.

Interment was in Mount Moriah cemetery.

Other survivors include her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Wilder, and three grandchildren.

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93 Citizens Registered In Township

Names of 93 new voters were added to the registration books Saturday at the four Kings Mountain area precincts on first of three registration days.

Busies: polling place was the Grover Rescue Squad where Mrs. J. B. Ellis logged the names of 36 new voters.

Placing second was the West Kings Mountain precinct at the Army where Mrs. J. H. Arthur registered 32. Mrs. Nelle Cranford logged 19 names at City Hall, the East Kings Mountain polling place, and Mrs. J. A. E. Conner registered six new voters at Bethel school.

The polling places will be open again Saturday from 9 a. m. until 6:30 p. m. and again the following Saturday at the same hours for the purpose of registering new voters.

It costs nothing to register and no literacy tests are required. New voters or new residents in the county must get their names on the books to vote. However, anyone who already is registered to vote in a general election need not register. Mrs. Cranford pointed out that 18-21 year-olds are eligible to vote in the first primary, but only if they are registered. Some 17-year-olds also can vote in the primary—if their 18th birthday comes before the Nov. 7 general election. Anyone can register who is a U. S. citizen, who is at least 18 by the date of the Nov. 7 general election, and who has been a resident of this state for at least one year and of his precinct for at least 30 days.

Year-round registration is open at the Cleveland County Board of Elections office in the court house Monday through Friday from 8 a. m. to noon and from 1 to 5 p. m.

Five Building Permits Issued

Five building permits were issued during the past week by Woodrow Laughter, city building inspector.

In addition a perimeter zoning permit was issued to Foote Mineral Company.

Permits were issued to: Henry Clippard, 827 First street, for a \$100 metal utility building.

Herman Bolin for remodeling a building for a nursery at 705 Ramsey, estimated cost \$400.

Charlie Blalock for remodeling the garage apartment at 511½ West Mountain street, estimated cost \$50.

Howard N. Robinson, Jr. for building a residence at 102 North Francis street, estimated cost \$13,637.

C. W. Vaughan for a workshop-storage building at 701 Stone street.

METER RECEIPTS

City parking meter receipts for the week ending Tuesday totaled \$115.50, including \$88.40 from on-street meters, \$18.75 in fines, and \$8.35 from off-street meters.

Carroll Child's Rites Conducted

Funeral services for Larry Dale Carroll, 6, who was killed Friday in an automobile wreck in Tuncum, N. M., were conducted Tuesday at 2 p. m. at Mitchell Funeral Home in Kings Mountain by the Rev. M. J. Moose.

Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

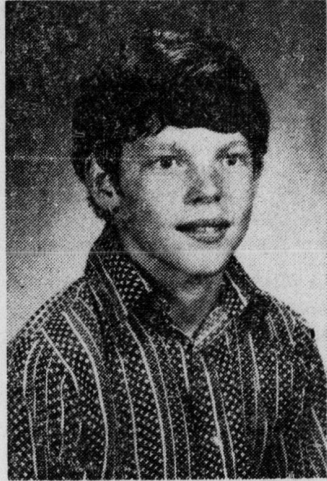
He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Carroll.

Surviving other than his parents are his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Carroll of Kings Mountain; and his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Eunice West of Spartanburg, S. C.

Rev. Eugene Land will be the evangelist.

Rev. Land is a graduate of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and the pastor of the Second Baptist church.

The pastor, Rev. L. D. Seruggs, invites the public to hear Mr. Land along with gospel music, solos, duets, quartets, and choir members in a special musical under the direction of Miss Pam McCall.



EAGLE SCOUT — Kim Kimmell of Newberry, S. C., grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ware of Kings Mountain, is recipient of the Eagle Award, highest honor in Boy Scouting.

Kim Kimmell Is Eagle Scout

Kim Kimmell, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Kimmell of Newberry, S. C., former residents, was recently presented the Eagle Scout award at St. James Lutheran church in Newberry, S. C.

At the annual Sports Award Banquet of Gailman Jr. high school, which was held March 17, he received the "Tiger" trophy for football, which symbolizes leadership and hustle. He also was presented the "Best All Around" trophy for basketball. The football team, of which Kim was the quarterback, had a perfect 8-0 record. The basketball team, also undefeated, won the conference title and two invitational tournaments, winding up with a 14-0 record. Kim, an eighth grader, is a straight 'A' student.

He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Ware of Kings Mountain and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kimmell of Monroe, N. C.

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Orr Contends Public Agencies Firms Segregated

By GARY STEWART

Kings Mountain High School Principal Jake Atkinson, who has been criticized by some citizens since a race riot at the school a month ago, drew support from other citizens at Monday night's monthly meeting of the board of education.

However, the school board, city hall and downtown businessmen were criticized by William Orr, a Negro who is chairman of the school advisory committee.

Several citizens, both black and white, attended the meeting but only a few persons took the time to comment on the recent disturbance at KMHS.

Jim Amos, chairman of a group supporting Atkinson, gave the board a petition containing 635 names of persons stating that Atkinson is the man to head the high school.

Amos, who spoke only briefly, told the board that "I and 635 others feel that Mr. Atkinson is the man to help us do this job. But he can't do it alone."

The petition asked that all citizens support Atkinson and "pray that race will not be an issue in Kings Mountain again."

At least two members of the "concerned parents", who circulated petitions seeking Atkinson's ouster, were present at the meeting but did not talk.

Orr, who was late arriving and was asked by board chairman George Mauney if he had anything to say, said "I'm not concerned about the principal. You could bring any principal here and he would have the same problem."

"I lay fault on the system that requires blacks to file a report with the federal government in order to get decent jobs. Blacks are the last hired and first fired."

"Downtown Kings Mountain," Orr continued, "is one of the most segregated towns in North Carolina. Go downtown and look at how many blacks are employed there. And city hall is a segregated institution. They promised to have blacks working there."

Orr told the board that black teachers with master's degrees have not been able to get jobs in Kings Mountain. Superintendent Don Jones defended the board by telling Orr that the black teachers with master's degrees haven't applied for jobs here.

"You first must wake up," Orr told the board. "Do your duty. Place more black teachers in Kings Mountain High School."

"The best kids in North Carolina go to Kings Mountain High School, both black and white," Orr continued. "We're at fault. Don't fault these kids or the principal. He's been here only three years."

Orr also said that "white students have been taught that they're superior to blacks. If I had been taught that I was superior, I'd go out here and think it too."

Orr added, "You can't push them any further."

Orr also said that he has had reports of teachers kicking kids. "This brings on our trouble," he said. The board denied this.

Orr sat down at this point but later took the floor again and asked "how many board members send their children to private schools?" At that point Jim Herndon raised his hand, indicating that he has kids in a private school.

"Our problem is hatred," said Orr. "We want the kids but with the adults. There's too much hatred between black and white. The white man must learn to love the black man and the black man must learn to love the white man. Until you wipe this hate away, we'll have trouble," he said.

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Band Concert Thursday 7-45

Annual Spring Concert by the Kings Mountain high school band and Freshman Band will be held Thursday evening at 7:45 p. m. in Central school auditorium.

The bands will play selections from the state band contests in which they participated recently. Donald Deal is band director. There is no admission charge to the concert.

Grace and Macedonia Choirs Sing Easter Cantata Sunday Afternoon

Combined Choirs of Grace United Methodist and Macedonia Baptist churches will sing the Easter Cantata, "No Greater Love" by John W. Peterson Sunday afternoon at 5 p. m. at Grace United Methodist church.

Miss Pam McCall is directing the cantata and Pianist will be Larry Rollins. Both Miss McCall and Mr. Rollins are students at Gardner Webb college.

Thirty choir members will present the program, to which the interested community is invited to attend.