

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 8,465

Greater Kings Mountain area is derived from the special United States Bureau of the Census report of January 1966, and includes the 14,998 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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Clerk Rules With City In Cline Condemnation Action

Local News Bulletins

BROWNIES

Brownie Girl Scout Troop 32 will meet at the First Presbyterian church on September 14 at 7 p. m. Parents of interested second and third grade girls are asked to call Mrs. Jenny Maner at 739-2362.

SERMON TOPIC

"What About Christ?" will be the sermon topic of Dr. Paul Ausley at Sunday morning worship hour at 11 o'clock at First Presbyterian church.

TO WYOMING

Two local members of the CTR (Radio club) leave today (Thursday) for bear hunting in Wyoming.

DISCHARGED

Former Chief of Police Hugh A. Logan, Jr. was discharged Wednesday from Kings Mountain hospital where he has been a patient for several days.

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday totaled \$72.10, including \$88.70 from on-street meters and \$3.40 from off-street meters, the city clerk's office reported.

NEWCOMERS

The Kings Mountain Newcomers club will gather Tuesday night at 7:30 for a regular meeting at the Woman's club. Membership is open to any lady who has recently become a newcomer to the city.

BETA CHI CHAPTER

Area members of Beta Chi Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa will meet on Monday night at 7:30 in the Conference Room of Kings Mountain Savings & Loan Association.

DIXON SERVICE

Rev. Robert Wilson will return to his pulpit on Sunday at Dixon and Shiloh Presbyterian churches. He will preach at the Dixon church at 9:15 and at the Shiloh church in Grover at 11.

SQUAD BUSY

Grover Rescue Squad answered seven calls last week and were on standby duty for a funeral and softball tournament, a spokesman reported.

BAKE SALE

A bake sale Saturday beginning at 9 a. m. in front of Belk's will benefit Bynum Chapel A.M.E. Zion church.

FBI Agent Rotary Speaker

Charles S. Richards, special agent of the FBI, will be guest speaker at the Kings Mountain Rotary club's noon meeting on September 7th.

Mr. Richards attended West Point, graduating in Syracuse, N. Y., in 1965. He was college All American in basketball and also achieved the status of Academic All American. He played pro basketball with the St. Louis Hawks in 1965 and the Baltimore Bullets in 1967.

He embarked upon a career with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in July 1968. His first assignment was in Indianapolis, Ind., where he was domiciled in 1968 and 1969.

Mr. Richards was assigned to the Charlotte office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in 1969.

Legion Installs New Lights

New lights have been installed in the parking area of the American Legion Post 155 at cost of \$2,200.



SIGN OFF OF "BOOTS" — The photograph above is the final scene of "Boots", formerly called "Sign-Off", the Kings Mountain movie the product of four area disc jockeys. The motion picture is being produced by "Four Fellows". The last "shooting" took place at Royal Villa Saturday. From left to right, Tom Brooks, manager of the Royal Villa; Radio Station WKMT Manager Jones Bridges; Nashville artist Cecil (Wildwood Angel) Null; Jim Arp and Rob Wiesener, right, producer and writer. Setting for the picture is a radio station with disc jockeys in the major roles. (Herald Photo by I. G. Alexander)

First Baptists To Welcome New Pastor

Rev. Paul Riggs, new pastor of First Baptist Church of Kings Mountain, will preach Sunday morning as he begins his pastorate here.

Rev. Riggs comes from the Bethany Baptist church in Winston Salem, leading the church there for a period of eight years. He is a graduate of Gardner-Webb college, Limestone college, and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary.

A "dinner-on-the-ground" is being given Sunday by the congregation of First Baptist Church in honor of Rev. Riggs and his family, which includes Mrs. Riggs (Loudene), Cindy, Nancy, Billy, and Luanne.

The Riggs family are purchasing a home in Kings Mountain, but at the present are occupying the missionary house of First Baptist church.

Coker Returned For Trial

Police Chief Thomas McDevitt Monday picked up Elford Coker to face a preliminary hearing on a charge of raping a five-year-old Kings Mountain girl.

Coker was being held by Gaffney authorities after he was declared an outlaw and arrested by two citizens on the York-Cherokee County line in South Carolina.

Coker was serving a term in a South Carolina prison for armed robbery when he escaped and allegedly raped the girl while a fugitive.

Cansler Resale September 22

Resale auction of the Mrs. George Cansler Estate property is scheduled for September 22nd at the Cleveland County Courthouse in Shelby.

The property is being sold under order of the Superior Court to settle the Cansler Estate in an action brought by Diana Cansler Wohlford and Miss Karen Cansler, against Mr. and Mrs. Luther Cansler.

In initial bidding for the property C. M. Sheffield raised bid by the Kings Mountain City Schools for the property fronting on West Mountain and West King streets. His bid was \$2,150.

The bid by second-bidder Billy Joe Sipe for Tract II, seven lots on West King, total fronting 196 feet, was \$1,110.

J. A. West of Horn & West is commissioner.

It's Fair Time; 25th Event Opens

Bethware Fair Gates Open Wednesday At 4

The 25th annual Bethware Community Fair opens next Wednesday for a four-day run. John O. Patterson, president of the fair, said it would again feature R. C. Lee rides, family entertainment and numerous exhibits.

As in the past, several local businesses will offer registration for free prizes in the exhibit hall, located inside the gymnasium.

The Oak Grove and Bethlehem Volunteer fire departments will again be in charge of the dunking machine and concession stands and the Bethlehem Fire Department will be in charge of parking.

Roxanne Bell will serve as Queen of the Fair.

The fair gates will swing open at 4 p. m. Wednesday and the days activities will include games and contests for children and a drawing for prizes at 9:30 p. m.

Children's Day will be observed on Thursday from 1 p. m. until 6 p. m. Judging in all exhibits and departments will be held that day, also, and more drawings for prizes will be held at 10 p. m.

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AREA GRADUATES OF CLEVELAND TECH — The seven Kings Mountain area adults pictured above graduated recently in Adult Graduation Classes at Cleveland Technical Institute in Shelby. From left to right, front row, Barbara Jennings, Eula M. Frazier and Willie Mae Goode. Back row, from left, Doris Pruitt, Lucille Eaker, Guynetha Falls and Janice Hoyle. (Herald Photo by I. G. Alexander)

Royster Oil Agrees To Sell Gamble Property

Negotiations by the Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission for the Royster Oil Company property at the corner of Mountain and Battleground are expected to be finalized Monday.

Gene White, director of the commission, told members of the commission Tuesday that owners of the property have agreed on a purchase price for the 4,090 square foot property, which was the home of Gamble Service station for many years before the recent death of Ted Gamble.

Bob Bradley, attorney, was drawing up plans for the contract yesterday which were to be presented to D. W. Royster family on Monday for their signatures.

Foote Taps J. C. Walker; Others Promoted

Several staff promotions are announced by Foote (Mineral Company's Kings Mountain Operation.

J. C. Walker has been selected to fill the position of Operations Manager at the Kings Mountain Operations.

Mr. Walker is a graduate of the University of Tennessee with a B.S. degree in Chemistry and also did graduate work in Industrial Management. He came with the Company in 1955 at the Knoxville, Tennessee facility and progressed there in a number of assignments.

In 1964, he transferred to the Corporate Office at Exton, Pennsylvania as Manager of Quality Control. Shortly thereafter, he was promoted to General Superintendent in the Exton Plant Production Operation. In 1967, he assumed a similar position at the Sunright Operation in Duffield, Virginia until September of 1970 when he was promoted to Operations Manager. In 1971, additional responsibilities for the Kimballton, Virginia Operation were assigned to him.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker and their two children have located in Kings Mountain and are residing at 809 Princeton Drive. Their daughter, Ginger, will enter Eastern Tennessee State University at Johnson City, Tennessee this fall and their son, Steve, will be a sophomore at Kings Mountain High School.

Harry L. Miller has been selected to fill the position of Mine Superintendent at the Kings Mountain Operations.

Mr. Miller is a graduate of Texas College of Mines and Metallurgy, El Paso, Texas, with a B.S. degree in Mining Engineering. He joined the Company in 1968 as Project Manager — South Portal at Kimballton, Virginia. He worked in several mining areas of the U.S.A. along with foreign jobs in Canada and Israel. Mr. Miller spent several years with American Zinc Company in both Colorado and Mexico.

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Hendrick Rehired In County Post

He Was County's First Manager From 1964-68

Former Cleveland County Manager Joe Hendrick of Lumberton, city clerk and treasurer of the City of Kings Mountain, was rehired as county manager Tuesday morning in a three-to-one vote by the county commissioners.

Hendrick, now city manager of Lumberton, was approved for a \$21,111 annual salary by the board. An increase of approximately \$9,000 per year from the salary he made in 1968 as the county's first County Manager. He expects to move back to Shelby around the middle of October.

The former county manager, a native Shelbiana, resigned on November 18, 1968, to become city manager of Lumberton. He served as Cleveland County's first county manager for almost four years.

Comm. J. D. Turner made the motion to rehire Hendrick, seconded by Robert Hubbard. Comm. Fritz Morehead cast the single opposing vote.

Hendricks, 44, is also a former finance director and city clerk of Melbourne, Fla. The county has had two other county managers since Hendrick, both serving for short periods.

He is a graduate of Shelby high school and attended Lenoir-Rhyne college. Mrs. Hendrick, the former Mary Anne Teale, is also a former Shelbiana. They have one son, Joe Jr., age 15.

The Shelby Star's Lou Neal, reporter covering the County Commission meeting Tuesday, wrote: Commissioner J. D. (Doc) Turner, who made the motion to rehire Hendrick, said, "I know we've been hurting a long time. I have been working and hunting myself a long time. About the time we would find somebody and agree on it . . . something would happen. I want it understood in this motion that the new board members (commissioners-elect) were in on all the interviews and they have been consulted about this."

Turner also pointed out that he wanted it "understood that there's no politics in this . . . this is the best man in my opinion."

Morehead said: You say the other board agreed . . . they agreed on others . . . they would agree on anybody this board said.

"Joe Hendrick was at home in Cleveland County and he left home on his own . . . I'm not sure Joe Hendrick did a good job . . . I figure he'll do some of the things (he did before) again . . . I think the board would have done well to call in a new man."

Morehead further pointed out that certain policies of the county . . .

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COUNTY MANAGER—Joe Hendrick has been rehired as Cleveland County manager, a position he held for four years before moving to Lumberton in November, 1968.

Commission Okays Bond Vote

The Cleveland County board of commissioners Tuesday morning gave the Kings Mountain city schools the go-ahead for a December 9 bond election.

Supt. Donald Jones said the commissioners unanimously approved the \$2.5 million bond vote.

The city schools are seeking funds to build a new junior high school, an auditorium at Kings Mountain High School and improvements at elementary schools.

Supt. Jones said persons who have voted in past county elections would not have to register for the election. New voters may register at the county elections office in Shelby. Jones said the school system is also trying to persuade the county elections board to open the books on certain dates in Kings Mountain.

Drama Again Sunday 7:30

"I Dreamed I Searched Heaven For You" will be repeated at Christian Tabernacle in Britain Village, Shelby, Sunday night at 7:30 p. m.

The drama was presented to an overflow crowd last weekend. The cast of 50 is composed of Tabernacle members.

A spokesman said that church groups of 20 or more are invited to call 487-8667 for seating accommodations.

Cline Attorneys Have Indicated They May Appeal

Kings Mountain won the condemnation hearing on the Ambrose Cline property hassle Friday in district court.

Superior Court Clerk Ruth Dedmon ruled that the city go ahead with condemnation proceedings but Cline's attorneys hinted that they will appeal the case to Superior Court.

The city contends it needs 100 acres of Cline's property to provide a spillway in case of flooding. Cline's attorney contended that the lake project was unnecessary, stating that Kings Mountain is currently selling water to Bessemer City and to outside industries.

W. K. Dickson, engineer for the city's lake project, told the court that the Cline land is necessary for completion of the project, citing the need for a spillway.

Another witness for the city, Bernie Cheatwood, a professional appraiser, said that Cline had refused several offers by the city. In October of 1969, the city reportedly offered Cline \$65,500 for the property and home. Later, the city offered \$32,000 for the property alone and promised to build a dike to protect the home.

A group of commissioners are to be appointed to appraise the property and the Cline attorneys said that after they're appointed, the case will be appealed. The attorneys hinted that they'll also appeal the price set by the commissioners.

The Buffalo Creek project, which will take up over 1,700 acres of land, will contain approximately 11 billion gallons of water and will be able to pump over 20 million gallons per day.

Craven, Herndon Glenn Spurling Commissioners

Commissioners to appraise the value of land owned by John D. Cline required for the Buffalo Creek water project have been appointed by the clerk of Superior Court, Mrs. Ruth Dedmon.

Mrs. Dedmon said that Joe Craven, Will Herndon and Glenn Spurling have been appointed to appraise the 104.49 acres owned by Cline.

The commissioners first view the property in question then set up a meeting date. Following the meeting, the group has ten days in which to make a report to the Superior Court clerk, said Mrs. Dedmon.

A hearing for the condemnation of 106.52 acres owned by Ambrose Cline, which is also being sought for the water project by the city of Kings Mountain and set which was for Tuesday has been continued, Mrs. Dedmon said. No date has been set for the hearing.

C. F. Flowers' Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Clarence F. (Hershey) Flowers, 59, designer with Nelson, Inc. for 34 years, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock from Harris Funeral Home Chapel.

Rev. Perry Huffstetler officiated at the final rites and interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Mr. Flowers died Monday morning in Cleveland Memorial hospital at Shelby after illness of two weeks.

He was a native of Gaston County, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. William B. Flowers. He was a veteran of World War II, serving as a staff sergeant in ordnance in Italy and Africa for three years.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Nell Batty Flowers; one sister, Mrs. Cecil Biddy Dallas; and three brothers, Leonard Flowers of Louisville, Ky., Durwood Flowers of Belmont and Coyt Flowers of Stanley.

Active pallbearers were Fred Finger, Jim Dickey, Charlie Moss, Kelly Patterson, Walter Harmon and Ralph Arrowood.

Honorary pallbearers were Henry Neisler, Jack Hulleider, Paul Mauney, R. H. West, F. A. McDaniel and Tom Roberts.

Legion's First Golf Tournament Will Also Feature Dinner-Dance

Fifty-two Legionnaires will tee off at 8 a. m. Saturday morning on the Country Club golf course for Post 155's first annual golf tournament.

The 18-hole event is a first for the local Post and the day's events will be culminated at 7 p. m. with an awards banquet followed at 9 by a dance at the American Legion Building.

Adjutant Joe McDaniel said prizes will be presented to holders of low gross and low net at the award's banquet. "The Blue Velvets" will play for the dance from 9 p. m. until 12 p. m. for Legionnaires and their guests.

The event will also include presentation of door prizes, said Mr. McDaniel.

The team captains and tourney members include: Team I: Dick McGinnis, captain; Linbergh Dixon, Jim Blacklock and Robert Wright.

Team II: Brian Bickley, captain; Dick Shaney, Curtis Gaffney and Jim Long.

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Team IV: Joe McDaniel, captain; Bruce McDaniel, Bob Davies and Junior Clary.

Team V: Stonewall Jackson, captain; Charles Hampton, Furman Wilson and Boyce Wells.

Team VI: Jim Alexander, captain; Cecil Bailey, Sewall Laughridge, and Lawrence Adams.

Team VII: Snooks McDaniel, captain; Carl DeVane, Whitley Bowen and Rhea Barber.

Team VIII: Bob Smith, captain; Gene Timms, George E. Bowen and Harold Ramsey.

Team IX: Walt Harmon, captain; Ben T. Goforth, Carl F. Wilson and Ray D. Crocker.

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Team X: Jay W. Powell, Jr., captain; Jay W. Powell, Sr., Gene Gibson and Clinton Jolly.

Team XII: Clyde Whetstone, captain; Jack Arnette, Lou Sabetti and Bill Wyers.

Team XIII: James H. Lewis, captain; George W. Wilson, Paul R. Carson and G. M. Huffstickler.

Team XIV: Charles Dixon, captain; Bob Cox, Kenneth Hamrick and Robert Wall.

Alternates are Zip Rhea, Fred Wright, G. M. Huffstickler and Charles Ballard.