

Population
City Limits 7,193
(Final Unofficial Census 1950)
Immediate Trading Area 15,000
(1945 Ration Board Figures)

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Sixty-First Year

Kings Mountain, N. C., Friday, July 7, 1950

Established 1889

PRICE FIVE CENTS

Dr. Phillip Padgett To Construct Clinic

Local News Bulletins

TO SING SUNDAY
Miss Frances Summers, Kings Mountain soprano, will be special soloist at morning services at the Boyce Memorial A.R.P. church Sunday at 11 o'clock, according to announcement this week.

BUILDING PERMITS
Building permit was issued at City Hall last Friday to E. C. Martin for construction of a garage on Wells street. Cost was estimated at \$200.

PRIVILEGE LICENSES
Owners of business firms in Kings Mountain are being reminded that 1949-50 privilege licenses expire on June 30. New city licenses are required to be purchased during the month of July. Penalties apply after July 31.

HAMBRIGHT REUNION
Annual reunion of the descendants of Col. Frederick Hambright will be held Sunday at noon at Antioch Baptist church. Those attending are asked to bring picnic baskets.

METER RECEIPTS
A total of \$151.74 was collected from the city's parking meters Wednesday according to a report from City Clerk S. A. Crouse.

TO CONVENTION
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Harmon left Thursday afternoon for Asheville where they are attending the annual convention of the North Carolina Press association at Grove Park Inn.

Variety Marks Court Session

Some 24 cases were heard in regular weekly session of City Recorder's court held at City Hall Wednesday afternoon with Judge W. Faison Barnes presiding.

Six defendants were found guilty of public drunkenness.

Other defendants were arraigned on various assortment of charges, ranging from improper use of a spotlight to non-support of illegitimate children. In all, some 14 different charges were made.

Iva Jane Roberts requested a jury trial on a charge of illegal possession of whiskey.

Edward A. Smith and Tom H. Crawford were ordered to pay costs of court and make the checks good on separate charges of passing worthless checks.

Will McCoy, of Gastonia, was found guilty of larceny of a dog and was taxed with costs of court.

Edmund Fields, of Detroit, Michigan, was found guilty of driving without an operators license and improper use of a spotlight and was taxed with costs of court.

Josephine Branch, of Spartanburg, S. C., and Bessie Lee Oats of Bessemer City, were taxed with court costs after conviction on charges of driving without a license.

Louis H. Scott, of Charleston, S. C., was found guilty of reckless driving and was taxed with costs of court.

John Wells, Negro, was given a suspended sentence of 12 months on a charge of non-support of illegitimate children and was ordered to pay \$10 per week to the clerk of court for support of his family and to pay costs of court.

Lula McCurry forfeited a bond of \$20 on charges of public drunkenness and using profane language.

Grady Robinson (of Winnsboro, S. C.), was taxed with the costs of court after conviction on a charge of driving without an operators license.

Jess Willard Abee drew a nolle prosequere verdict on a charge of forcible trespass.

Earl E. Beam was fined \$35 and costs on a charge of reckless driving.

Bill Roseborough, of Gastonia, was fined \$5 and costs after conviction on a charge of speeding 55 miles per hour.

Fred Roberts, convicted on a charge of assault on a female, was taxed with costs of court.

Robert Short and Bessie Short were found guilty of "public nuisance" and each was taxed with costs of court.

Leon M. Cathern was taxed with costs of court on conviction of a charge of using an improper muffler.

Plans Received For Ten-Room Medical Clinic

Dr. Phillip G. Padgett, prominent Kings Mountain physician, has purchased the lot on W. King street now occupied by the James Roberts residence and expects to erect a 10-room medical clinic on the site in the near future.

Dr. Padgett recently purchased the site, which fronts 65 feet on West King street and is 250 feet deep, from W. K. Mauney and D. C. Mauney, and he received preliminary plans for the 10-room clinic on Thursday morning from Van Wageningen and Cothran, Shelby architects.

Dr. Padgett said the building will be of Roman brick and glass construction in modernistic style. The dimensions will be 47 feet wide by 60 or 65 feet deep, and it will be recessed from the street by a minimum depth of 23 feet and a maximum depth of 32 feet. The remainder of the lot at the rear of the building will be cleared for parking area, and the front yard will be sown in grass and landscaped.

The 10-room clinic will include four treatment rooms, a waiting room, physio-therapy room, auxiliary waiting room, consultation room, laboratory, and X-Ray room.

Dr. Padgett said he hopes to be able to begin construction of the clinic by early fall.

Two In Violation Of Security Law

Two Kings Mountain men were found guilty of violating the North Carolina Employment Security law, in hearing before Magistrate Lee Roberts Thursday.

Jessie G. Ledford had prayer for judgment continued on payment of the costs and condition that he refund the commission \$25.

Millard L. Metcalf had prayer for judgment continued on payment of the costs and refund of \$19 to the commission.

Charges preferred by T. L. Whitley, of Gastonia, commission claims deputy, were that the two men violated the law by drawing unemployment compensation while gainfully employed.

Each was charged with drawing one week's unemployment compensation during a period of employment at Herndon Spinning company.

Metcalf plead guilty, and Ledford plead nolo contendere.

Coman Falls Tournay Champ

Coman Falls defeated Amos Dean to win the Kings Mountain Country Club handicapp golf tournament.

Champion Falls advanced to the finals with victories over Dr. P. G. Padgett and Pat Horvath.

Runner-up Dean advanced to the finals of the event by defeating Jacob Cooper one-up on 19 holes. Cooper had defeated Clyde Lindsay and Mr. Dean had eliminated Robert Allen in other first flight matches.

Results of the other flights were not available.

LODGE MEETING
A stated communication of Fairview Lodge No. 339 A. F. & A. M. will be held Monday night July 10 at 7:30.

Annual Independence Day Holiday Was Celebrated Quietly Here

Kings Mountain observed Independence Day with little fanfare Tuesday.

It was a holiday for the majority of Kings Mountain citizens and those who didn't invade the beaches and mountains, found other means of occupying themselves in the free hours.

Local recreation spots did brisk business, with Lake Montona's swimming area well-crowded, and some golfers admitted they "overdid" it.

Others busied themselves with a variety of home duties, catching up in the cleaning and yard-maintenance departments.

Few business establishments were open for the day, with the exception of service stations. Drug stores operated on abbreviated hours.

Stores opened again Wednesday morning, and uptown traffic was somewhat brisk, as house-



METHODIST YOUTH CARAVAN—Pictured above is the Methodist Youth Caravan team which is to arrive in Kings Mountain July 15 for a week's visit at Central Methodist church. They are, first row, left to right, Frieda Morgan, counselor, and Martha Roberts; second row, Phoebe Burns, Gene Henderson, and Annette Aiken.

Cotton Blooming In Spite Of Weevil

Boll weevil or not, some cotton is blooming in the Kings Mountain area.

Doc Willie Evans, colored farmer who lives on the R. G. Flork farm on the York highway brought the first cotton bloom to the Kings Mountain Herald office this week.

On Tuesday, L. H. Carroll, Route 2 farmer, brought in No. 2. Mr. Carroll farms the Steuart property near Dixon Presbyterian church.

Evans said he hadn't dusted his cotton and didn't have "too much boll weevil," Carroll said he had dusted and sprayed his crop and that the boll weevil was "pretty bad."

Workers with Intermediates will be Frieda Morgan, Annette Aiken, and Martha Roberts.

Workers with Seniors and Young People will be Phoebe Burns and Gene Henderson.

Frieda Morgan, counselor, is a senior at Greensboro college. She has been working in the nursery department at Grace church in Greensboro for the past year and a half. She was a student delegate to the W. S. C. S. Conference in Cleveland, Ohio. For her life's vocation she has chosen religious education. Her hobbies are reading to small children, and hiking. She serves as Caravan leader.

Annette Aiken, of Madison, Ga., will be a senior at Georgia State College for Women at Milledgeville next year. She is treasurer of the Wesley Foundation and secretary of the health club at her college. After getting her B. S. in Health Education, she plans to teach and later go into social service work. She will work with the Community Service commission also while here.

Martha Roberts, is a second semester Junior at Miss. State College, majoring in social studies in the school of education. Active in the Wesley Foundation and the local church, she was elected secretary of the Y. W. C. A. for the year '50-'51 school session at Miss. State, and is a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha social sorority. She will work with the World Friendship commission.

Phoebe Burns, of Linville, Ala., has finished her sophomore year at Alabama College. In 1948 she was president of the M. Y. F. and Sub-District. At college she was a member of the Wesley Foundation and on various committees. She has been to Intermediate MYF camps and to MYF assemblies, also the Cleveland conference. Her hobbies are playing the piano, tennis, painting modern art, and swimming. She is majoring in Home Economics and plans to either be a teacher or a home demonstration agent. She will be the recreation leader, and (Cont'd on page ten)

Some 10,000 persons attended the show at Charlotte's Freedom Park.

Tommy Baker also took the following firsts:
Class A open, speed of 103.45 miles per hour.
Class B open, speed of 126.76 miles per hour.

He also tied for second place in Class D Open, flying his model plane at 138.6 miles per hour. Again a coin toss was in his favor, as he won over Allen Carter of Reidsville.

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Wives replenished holiday-depleted larders, and visited the department stores for clothing items to foil hot weather. Then the commerce ceased at noon.

The holiday was about ended Thursday morning, though textile employees of seven of the city's plants would not report for work until Monday morning.

Pre-holiday Monday was highlighted by local interest in the outcome of the Lincoln-Taylorville Legion baseball game, which resulted in elimination of the local Juniors. Telephones of Legion Baseball officials here and the Herald rang consistently as local fans sought reports on the game won by Lincoln, 4-0.

The holiday was a quiet one, according to report of Chief of Police N. M. Farr. Major accident marring the long holiday weekend was the tragic death of Marvin Randall last Saturday.

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Marvin Randall Killed By Train Here Saturday

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Central Methodist church for Marvin O'Dell Randall, 35, of route 2, Kings Mountain, who was instantly killed here Saturday afternoon around 2:10 p. m. when he was struck by a northbound freight train while he stood in the track awaiting passing of a southbound train that was moving through town at the same time.

Rev. Roy Swink, pastor of El Bethel Methodist church, officiated. He was assisted by Rev. A. S. Elliott, of Cherryville, and Rev. T. W. Fogelman. Burial was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Cleveland county Coroner J. Ollie Harris, of Kings Mountain, who was among numerous witnesses to the accident, ruled the death accidental. He said that Mr. Randall apparently never saw the northbound train; Southern Railway Extra Freight No. 6138, as he stood in the center of the track waiting for the southbound freight to clear. His body was hurled into the side of the southbound freight by the blow.

The fatal accident took place at the Gold street rail crossing, near the heart of the Kings Mountain business district. The train was delayed for some thirty minutes.

Conductor of the freight was listed as K. Adams and the engineer was J. C. Mauldin. Both are from Greenville, S. C.

An employee of Quality Sandwich Co. here, Mr. Randall was a native of Cherryville. He had been a resident of route 2 for the past five years. A veteran of World War II, he married the former Miss Annie Belotte, of Paris, France, in Paris while serving in that theatre of operations.

Survivors include his wife and two children, Annie and Brenda Kay, his parents, Quincey C. and Leola Thornburg Randall, and two brothers, Olin and Quincey Randall, of Cherryville, and two sisters, Mrs. James Franklin, of Cherryville, and Mrs. Ida Dillon, of Winston-Salem.

Active pall-bearers were A. K. Walker, Hal Whisnant, W. W. Byers, L. A. Ware and Hugh Dover and Furman Sellers, of Shelby.

Guard Unit Arrives At Fort Jackson

FORT JACKSON, S. C. — Members of the Headquarters & Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 120th Infantry Regiment joined some eight thousand other members of the 30th "Old Hickory" Division of the North Carolina-Tennessee National Guard Sunday for important maneuvers at Fort Jackson, S. C.

The Kings Mountain unit made the trip to Fort Jackson in good order, according to staff officers, and has already begun what many observers consider the most significant Guard training since World War II.

Major General John Hal Manning of Raleigh, commanding the 30th division, called upon the officers and men of the Kings Mountain unit to make the most of this month's training opportunity.

"While all of us hope that conditions in the Far East will grow no worse," General Manning said "we must prepare ourselves for any eventuality."

Although Guardsmen are primarily concerned with military training, their off-duty hours will be pleasantly spent. Theatre, post exchange, and swimming facilities are available, and softball and golf tournaments have been scheduled by the division special services officer.

Also indicative of its value as a community-progress booklet is the fact that the Kings Mountain Merchants' association has purchased 400 of the booklets for use as a publicity medium for the city.

The booklet is handsomely printed on heavy book paper, with a heavy gold board cover.

Particularly outstanding is the excellent photographic treatment given to Kings Mountain's major industrial plants, its recreational facilities, churches and public buildings.

In addition to the section on the bank itself (which includes an up-to-the-minute June 30, 1950, statement of condition along with a photograph of the statement of June 30, 1950), are sections devoted to "The City," "Industry and Agriculture," "Recreation," "Public Buildings," "Churches," and "Transportation." Point is made of the accessibility of Kings Mountain to the outside world by all modes of travel, and considerable attention is given to the Kings Mountain National Military Park.

One interesting premise claimed in the booklet is that Kings Mountain is an ideal place to live, as evidenced by the fact that the two local building and loan associations have financed more than 500 homes during the past four years.

The section on the bank itself

Word Received Here From Three Kings Mountain Folk In Japan

Two B. & L. Dividends Total Over \$18,000

Semi-annual dividends paid last week by Kings Mountain's two building and loan associations totaled \$18,185.31.

Announcement of the dividend payments were made by A. H. Patterson, secretary-treasurer of Home Building & Loan association, and by J. C. Lackey, secretary-treasurer of Kings Mountain Building & Loan association.

Dividends paid to shareholders of Home Building & Loan association totaled \$10,813.23, including \$7,304.24 paid to holders of full-paid stock, and \$3,508.99 on optional savings shares. In addition, Home Building & Loan also listed dividend payments during the six-month period ending June 30 on maturing shares and withdrawals totaling \$2,871.

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Tax Pre-Payments Total \$35,408.35

Pre-payment on 1950 city tax bills totaled \$35,408.35, through the close of business Wednesday, according to report of S. A. Crouse, city clerk and treasurer.

Though the budget for the coming year has not been finally set, the tentative tax rate is \$1.80 per \$100 valuation and the pre-payments are expected to approximate one-third of the levy for the 1950-51 fiscal year just beginning.

Tax bills for 1950 may still be discounted, though the discount rate dropped from two percent to one and one-half percent on July 1.

Tribble Building Bought By Webb

W. H. (Bill) Webb, of Shelby, bid \$6,015 for the Tribble building and fixtures on West Mountain Street, sold at public auction Monday by Frank R. Summers, executor and commissioner of the Tribble estate.

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Reaction Given To Korea War By Local Folk

At least three Kings Mountain citizens are in the Tokyo area of Japan, jump-off spot for the United States' forces in their efforts to repulse the invasion of the South Korean Republic by Communist North Korea.

They include Capt. O. T. Hayes, Jr., 2nd force pilot, Mrs. Pauline Williams, wife of army Sgt. Clark H. Williams, and Miss Marion Arthur, civic service employee attached to the army in Tokyo.

Word from Capt. Hayes—World War II combat veteran—was received by his family last weekend, after he had called his wife at Shreveport, La.

At the moment, Capt. Hayes, stationed at Johnson Air Base, about 25 miles from Tokyo, was busy training pilots and up to that time had done no combat flying.

In a letter dated June 26, day after the outbreak of hostilities in Korea, Mrs. Williams wrote the Herald to suspend mailing of her paper, as her husband has been ordered back to the United States for reassignment.

Miss Arthur also wrote her parents on June 26th. She wrote that first evacuees from Korea were arriving in Japan "with little more than the clothes on their backs. She added that service personnel already been alerted and that civilian personnel had been restricted as to travel. Resorts, she added, looked up for holiday vacationists, had been ordered to cancel all reservations in order to accommodate evacuees from Korea.

Otherwise, Kings Mountain citizens continued to watch the Korean developments—which have looked anything but good—with concerned interest. The local national guard company left for a two-week encampment at Fort Jackson, S. C., last Sunday morning, and many wondered if the encampment would end in the scheduled two weeks.

Local members of the organized reserve were conscious of a possibility of call to duty and some invaded attics and trunks to check old uniforms for size.

No merchant here was using the war scare as a side to pushing sale of his commodities, as one auto dealer did in a city in the East.

In general, the attitude here was much the same as it was throughout the nation: concerned waiting for future developments.

Two Youths Tried On Liquor Charges

Two youths, caught on June 21 by Kings Mountain police officers, were tried in regular weekly session of City Recorder's court here at City Hall June 26 on charges of transporting liquor.

The boys—Robert Bell, 19, and Bobby Dean Goforth, 19—were picked up on June 21 around 2 a. m. by Officers W. G. Ellison and P. A. Hawkins. The officers "bumped" the youth's vehicle to a stop on East Gold street. Fourteen gallons of whiskey