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City Limits 7,193  
(Final Unofficial Census 1950)  
Immediate Trading Area 15,000  
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## Local News Bulletins

## Barnes Announces City Schools Faculty List For 1950-51 Term

### Eight New Faculty Members Are Listed

B. N. Barnes, superintendent of city schools, announced Thursday the faculty for the city school system for the 1950-51 term which opens September 5.

The faculty is complete with the exception of four elementary teachers and a public school music teacher, the latter position having been vacant for the past two years.

Mr. Barnes said he expects the remaining elementary department vacancies to be filled at the next meeting of the school board, which has the responsibility of electing teachers. He also said that he has high hopes of being able to employ a public school music teacher for the forthcoming term.

The faculty list to date lists eight changes from last year, including two teachers who have formerly been members of the city school faculty, Mrs. Catherine Fisher, third grade teacher, and Mrs. Margaret Wren Craig, who will teach high school English.

The six new teachers are Mrs. Ray F. Swink, of Bessemer City, and Miss Doris Stout, of Siler City, both in the elementary department; Jack Sink, of Thomasville, eighth grade, Miss Kittie Lou Sutton, Sparta, Tenn., high school math, Miss Mary J. Mallard, of Greensboro, Bible, and Miss Cornelia P. Cobb, of Raleigh, piano.

Other members of the faculty announced by Mr. Barnes follow:

**PRINCIPALS**  
Mrs. C. Q. Rhyne, West Elementary School.  
Mrs. J. H. Thomson, East Elementary School.  
Miss Willie McGill, Central Primary.

Rowell Lane, High School, and Central Grammar Grade.  
J. A. Gibson, Davidson High School.

**FIRST GRADE**  
Mrs. Pauline D. Harrill, Lattimore.  
Mrs. Macie L. Covington, Polkville.

Miss Ruth Beam, Shelby.  
Miss Marjorie Hord, Kings Mountain.  
Miss Jete Plonk, Kings Mountain.

Mrs. Victoria L. Logan, Kings Mountain.

**SECOND GRADE**  
Mrs. Carolyn Stockton, Gaffney, S. C.  
Mrs. Hester B. McSwain, Kings Mountain.

Miss Sybil Spratt, Nebo, N. C.  
Miss Carlyle Ware, Kings Mountain.

**THIRD GRADE**  
Miss Willie McGill, Kings Mountain.

**FOURTH GRADE**  
Mrs. Jeanette L. Mann, Kings Mountain.  
Mrs. Lettie S. Lackey, Kings Mountain.

Miss Annie Roberts, Kings Mountain.

**FIFTH GRADE**  
Miss Marie E. Lineberger, Lincolnton, N. C.  
Miss Margaret Goforth, Rutherfordton, N. C.  
Mrs. Helen Baker, Kings Mountain.

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## Orders Out For 66 Cleveland Men To Take Pre-Induction Physicals

A total of 66 Cleveland county young men have been mailed notices to take pre-induction physical examinations at the Charlotte Quartermaster Depot on August 17th, and similar notices will be mailed in the next few days to 100 more young men for examinations on August 24th.

The quota of 66 caused the board to dip into its available manpower pool virtually through men born in September 1927, Mrs. Clara Newman, clerk to the selective service board said. The August 24th call will cause the board to send for examination almost all men born in 1928.

Currently the board is ordering up oldest men first in the 19-25 age group.

Mrs. Newman said the men are ordered to report to the selective service office in Shelby for transportation by special bus to the Charlotte examination center.

Those found physically fit for service will have a minimum of 21 days before being ordered up for induction. Thus, no men will be inducted from this county via the draft board route prior to



**"B" GRID COACH—Jack Sink, above, of Thomasville, graduate of Lenoir Rhyne College where he played four years on a varsity team on the football team, has accepted a position as assistant coach at Kings Mountain high school. He will have charge of the "B" team program.**

### Jack Sink Signed As "B" Grid Coach

Jack Sink, varsity football player at Lenoir Rhyne College for four years, has been added to the coaching staff at Kings Mountain high school as assistant coach according to announcement by B. N. Barnes, superintendent of city schools.

Coach Sink is 21 years of age and is a native of Thomasville. He is a graduate of Lenoir Rhyne. He will teach an eighth grade and will be in charge of the "B" football squad which will play a regular schedule of games this season.

Coach Sink is currently a member of the North Carolina Finishing Co., baseball team which was engaged in play last week in the state semi-pro baseball tournament. Outcome of the tourney was unknown here.

Mr. Barnes did not say whether the new coach would be available next week for the start of football practice, which is scheduled to get underway on the field on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

The new coach was a member of the North Carolina All-Star baseball team in the Boys' All-Star game in Charlotte in 1946. He was a second baseman at that time. He was also a member of the Lenoir Rhyne baseball team.

Coach Sink was a guard on the strong Lenoir Rhyne college football teams of the past four years and comes here highly recommended Mr. Barnes said.

### Bell Business Office To Close Saturdays

Beginning Saturday, the business office of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company will be open only five days weekly, Monday through Friday, according to announcement made to subscribers this week.

"The closing of our business office on Saturdays instead of on Wednesday afternoons has been decided upon after giving full consideration to good customer service and the welfare of our employees," the announcement stated.

Office hours will be 8:30 a. m. to 5 p. m., Mondays through Fridays.

### Bankrupt Claims Hearing Set For Thursday

Hearing to consider the matter of claims against Kings Mountain Narrow Fabrics, Inc., bankrupt, and other related matters will be considered at a hearing in Charlotte next Thursday afternoon at 4:30 according to notice from R. Marion Ross, referee in bankruptcy.

According to the notice, the following matters will be heard and passed upon by the court:

1. The confirmation of the proposed settlement between Harold R. Hunnicutt, trustee in bankruptcy of the above-named estate, and Carhal Factors, Inc., in which Carhal Factors has agreed to withdraw its claim against the bankrupt in the sum of \$17,883.44, on condition that 3770 yards of tape in the possession of Carhal Factors as security for advancement made to the bankrupt before bankruptcy be released to Carhal Factors, and upon the further condition that the trustee in bankruptcy will pay over and deliver to Carhal Factors the sum of \$2,334.78 which was received by the trustee through collection of certain checks for goods manufactured and sold prior to bankruptcy, invoice for which was assigned to Carhal Factors as security for advancement made by Carhal Factors prior to bankruptcy; and upon the further condition that the said trustee will release and discharge Carhal Factors from any and all claims of every nature and kind.

2. Controversy over alleged lien on 1947 Chevrolet 1 1/2-ton Truck, the title to which is in the possession of Mrs. Margaret Hunnicutt, whereby Mrs. Hunnicutt proposes to pay over to the said trustee in bankruptcy the sum of \$500 and retain said truck.

3. The preferred claim for labor filed by Jas. R. Riley, former president of the bankrupt company, for \$600, is challenged by the trustee in bankruptcy and will be heard at the above meeting.

4. Preferred claim filed by R. H. Peasley will be heard. The trustee denies the priority of this claim.

5. The petition of J. R. Davis, attorney of Kings Mountain, for compensation in the sum of \$500, for representing the bankrupt, will be considered and passed upon.

6. The petition of C. R. Jonas, attorney of Lincolnton, N. C., for \$1,000 as compensation for representing the said trustee in this proceeding, and expenses in the sum of \$100.

7. The petition of Harold R. Hunnicutt, trustee in bankruptcy for \$712.41 as commissions, and expenses in the sum of \$158.25.

8. The petition of Fred E. Upchurch for the allowance of the sum of \$500 for auditing work done for the trustee.

### Reception Friday At Masonic Hall

A reception honoring state Eastern Star officers will be held at the Masonic Hall on Gold Street Friday afternoon according to invitations issued last week.

Kings Mountain Chapter, U. D., and Bessemer City Chapter No. 263, N. C. O. E. S., are joint hosts for the event and officials have announced that the general public has been invited to attend.

Arnold W. Kincaid, of Kings Mountain associate grand patron, and Mrs. Maude Baynor Foy, associate grand matron, of the state chapter are to be honored guests of the reception.

The event is to begin at 5:30 p. m. Friday and will continue for two hours. Many other prominent state and local officials are expected to attend.

### Joyce Falls Opens Shop In Grover

Miss Joyce Falls is announcing this week the opening of a beauty shop in Grover.

The new firm is modernly equipped and is located over Grover Cleaners.

The business will be operated under the trade name of Joyce Beauty Shop. It was formally opened on Thursday with an open house.

Miss Falls is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Craig Falls.

## Lions Members Hear Stickley, District Head

Members of the Kings Mountain Lions club heard an interesting address Tuesday night by John L. Stickley, of Charlotte, governor of Lions district 31-B.

Mr. Stickley made an inspirational address in which he paraphrased the meaning of the word "Lion", as compared to the customary definition of "liberty, intelligence, our nation's safety."

Mr. Stickley remarked that he preferred to use the several letters for something else which "we are sometimes prone to forget."

He suggested the "L" stand for liberality of time and talent. "It is easy enough to write a check," he stated, "but it is not as easy to give a part of ourselves, and this is the most important." He illustrated his contention by relating the story of the 57-cent gift which launched the Temple Baptist church in Philadelphia, and later the now-great Temple University plant.

The "I" of Lions should stand for ideals, he said, pointing out that not individual or organization is "worth a tinker's damn," unless he is an idealist. The "O" he added, could well mean opportunity and the opportunity for service. "If we can't leave the world a little better for having been here, we will have lived in vain," he declared.

Changing the emphasis to the negative, he contended that the "N" might well mean neglect—a warning against neglecting the opportunities "which always surround us."

The "S", he said, could mean satisfaction, "not necessarily success," he said, for "success does not mean satisfaction." Satisfaction comes, he declared, with the sense of accomplishment of a job well done.

Mr. Stickley commended the club on its record of service to the community and for Laetianism, and urged the members to review its opportunities in an effort to continue, and to improve on, its service record.

He was presented by Rev. J. H. Brendall.

### High Grid Drills Start Tuesday

Coach Everette Carlton announced this week schedule for football practice for candidates for the 1950 high school team, which is to get underway on the field at City Stadium on Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Uniforms and equipment will be issued at the gymnasium on Monday morning at 9:30 a. m., he said, with a meeting of all candidates set for 3 o'clock Monday afternoon at the gymnasium.

Beginning Tuesday the drill schedule will call for twice-daily sessions on the field, at 10 a. m. and 3:30 p. m. until the opening of school.

Some 45 players are expected to report for uniform issue on Monday.

Coach Carlton mailed letters to members of the squad this week informing them of the drill schedule and of the addition of Coach Sink to the staff. Coach Don Parker will also be back to round out the three-man staff.

Coach Carlton is expected back in town Saturday after attending the coaching schools at Chapel Hill and Lenoir Rhyne College, Hlekyro, last week and the Greensboro coaching school which started Monday.

Fride Ratterree, Kings Mountain citizen, also attended the coaching schools with Coach Carlton and will probably assist in the opening phases of practice. He is to report back to Lenoir Rhyne around September 1st when the college's pre-season drills are to begin.

Opening game of the 10-game 1950 schedule is slated for City Stadium on September 8th against Dallas high school.

Coach Carlton urged full attendance at all pre-school drill sessions and pointed out that only four weeks remain before the opening game.

### Philbeck Convicted On Knifing Count

Gus Philbeck, 29-year-old Cherryville textile worker, is under \$500 bond until he completes payment of a fine after conviction in Recorder's court Monday on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon.

Philbeck allegedly cut Paul Brown, Negro, with a knife last Saturday.

## Citizens' Group, Southern Bell Officials Discuss Service, Rates

### No Commitment Made Concerning Dial Service

W. Faison Barnes, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, which is circulating a petition opposing requested rate increases for local telephone service until service is improved, said Thursday that 43 persons have signed the initial petition and that the petition was to be circulated among members of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club Thursday night.

The petition reads: "We, the undersigned citizens and residents of Kings Mountain, North Carolina, and subscribers to telephone service through the Kings Mountain exchange, wish to express our concern about the proposed increases in telephone rates and charges which have been requested by the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company.

"Our present telephone service leaves much to be desired in view of the fact that we still have a manually operated switchboard despite the fact that practically all of the towns in this area have a dial telephone system. Even with our present manually operated system, we believe that our telephone service could be greatly improved. We, therefore, believe that under the conditions which now exist, we are not getting what we are paying for even under the present rates. In view of this state of affairs, we should like to go on record as opposing any increase in telephone rates until we have a dial system, or until our present system is improved."

The petition is jointly addressed to the North Carolina Utilities Commission and to Southern Bell. On June 24th, the company presented testimony to the commission, asking rate increases for the whole state. A future hearing by the commission will be open to persons and groups wishing to offer testimony opposing the increase.

### Hospital Unit Seeks Enlistees

Lt. Col. Craig Jones, of Shelby, commanding officer of the 311th Station Hospital which was alerted for active duty this week, has announced that the unit has been authorized to recruit additional personnel.

Dr. Jones said that the unit needed some enlisted personnel and nurses and was especially interested in signing former medical corps men.

However, he stated, the unit will accept high-caliber veterans regardless of "MOS" number.

Dr. Jones also said that the Shelby recruiting office has been instructed to enlist some men with no prior service for duty with the group.

"This type of duty, with a station hospital, is desirable and we're trying to fill up the unit with Cleveland County men and women in order to make it more desirable," Dr. Jones said.

The unit expects to leave within the next "month or so" he said.

### JAYCEES TO MEET

Members of the Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce will hold a picnic supper at El Bethel Methodist church next Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. Supper will be served by ladies of the El Bethel church.

### Impact Of Korean War Indicated In Local Unemployment Figures

Indicative of the impact of the Korean war in Kings Mountain, is activity in the North Carolina Employment Service office.

The report on Kings Mountain area employment at the end of May read "uncertain" and changed to "virtually full" at the end of July.

There was also a big drop in unemployment compensation during the period, according to Mrs. Little Boudin, of the Kings Mountain office.

For the week ending August 4th, claims for unemployment compensation dropped to 236. Recent high was 721 for the week ending June 9.

In general, Kings Mountain industry has already gone into "high gear" from the production standpoint, with several plants operating on a three-shift-per-day, six-day week.



**MISSING IN ACTION—No additional information has been received here concerning Pvt. Rufus G. Huffstickler, reported missing in action in Korea since June 20. Pvt. Huffstickler is the first Kings Mountain casualty in the Korean war.**

### No More Word On Missing Man

Other than a letter confirming the telegram message that Pvt. Rufus G. Huffstickler was missing in action in Korea, no further word has been received concerning the Kings Mountain soldier.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stacey Huffstickler, received the confirming letter from the war department last Saturday. It stated that Pvt. Huffstickler was serving with a Cavalry unit at the time he was reported missing on June 20, 1950.

His family last heard from Pvt. Huffstickler in a letter dated May 7. Mr. Huffstickler assumed his son had been transferred to the Cavalry unit following that time, for he had previously been serving with an anti-aircraft unit.

Pvt. Huffstickler's father served for more than 10 years in the army, including service in World War I and almost four years in China and Japan. Mr. Huffstickler was in the East from 1924 to 1928, serving with the 15th Infantry, most of the time stationed at Tientsin on the Manchurian border. At the time, General George Marshall, former chief of staff, was a colonel in the 15th infantry.

Pvt. Huffstickler is a member of an "army" family, being a second cousin of the late Capt. Clyde Huffstickler, who was captured by the Japanese at the fall of the Philippines in 1942.

### Funeral Held For Leone Ware

Funeral rites for Leone Ware, 63, well-known Kings Mountain farmer, were held Monday afternoon from El Bethel Methodist church, with interment following in the church cemetery.

Mr. Ware died Saturday afternoon about 3:30, when he was stricken with a heart attack while shopping at Crawford's Market.

A native of Cleveland county, Mr. Ware was the son of the late Marcus and Eliza Herndon Ware. He was a member of Bethlehem Baptist church.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Lula Ware, two sons, Guy Ware, of Kings Mountain, and M. R. Ware, of Kannapolis, a brother, Edwin Ware, of Newland, and a sister, Mrs. Angie W. Rudisill, of El Paso, Texas. Also surviving are four grandchildren.

The funeral rites were conducted by Rev. Ray Swink, El Bethel pastor, assisted by Rev. J. G. Winkler, and Rev. T. W. Fogleman.

Active pallbearers were Paul Ware, Robert Ware, Buford Ware, George F. Ware, George Ware and Otto Williams.

### Petition Against Rate Increase Being Circulated

A group of Kings Mountain businessmen and officials of Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company discussed the requested rate increase for Kings Mountain subscribers and service problems Wednesday morning, but no conclusions were reached.

Specifically, representatives of the company noted objections of the businessmen to current service received on the local exchange, and promised full efforts to improve it, but the company representatives did not commit themselves concerning possible installation of dial service.

In turn, the businessmen did not commit themselves to cease opposing the company's requested rate increases.

Present at the meeting were H. Y. Alexander, Charlotte district manager, C. E. Cox, district traffic manager, and W. C. Adams, Gastonia district manager, representing Southern Bell, and Wilson Crawford, Kings Mountain Merchants association president, Mayor J. E. Herndon, F. H. Summers, W. Faison Barnes, president of the Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce and secretary of the Merchants Association, Ollie Harris, representing the Lions club, G. A. Bridges, and Martin Harmon.

Discussion first centered around the matter of service complaints, including time lag between connections and disconnections, inability to ring successive numbers without time lags, and other problems, all leading up to the request for dial service.

Mr. Alexander explained that company policy on the installation of dial systems depended on two factors: (1) available space for installation of additional manual "positions," and (2) obtaining of dial equipment, which, he said, was being received much behind current demand.

He said space requirements caused the recent dial installations at Shelby and Gastonia, and now posed a pressing problem at Lincolnton. He indicated that space is not a present problem at the Kings Mountain exchange, which he reported, had increased in number of subscribers during the past 10 years from 399 to 1,566. He also added that the company now has on file 383 applications for phone service here.

"The big expansion here and elsewhere has taxed our resources in both manpower and material, as well as our finances," Mr. Alexander declared. He also pointed out the economic loss by jinking "good equipment," stating that none of the equipment of the local exchange is over 10 years old.

He said 83.1 percent of the phones in the state are now dial-type.

Mr. Crawford's question, "Is dial installation planned, or scheduled, and if so when?" was not directly answered.

Responding to several service complaints presented by Mr. Summers, Mr. Bridges and others, Traffic Manager Cox said a recent survey here showed "Answering by the operators appeared good, ringing poor." He emphasized that the survey was recent and could not be considered to cover a long period of time.

This brought a question from Mr. Barnes concerning the present equipment, which does not ring automatically, but the company representatives contended the current equipment is better than that in the local exchange prior to the fire several years ago. That equipment rang numbers automatically.

On the matter of calling successive numbers, Mr. Cox advised:

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### Highway Traffic Is Very Heavy

It will come as no particular news that traffic on U. S. 74 and 29 is quite heavy, as this stretch of road is frequently mentioned as the most heavily traveled in North Carolina.

However, a traffic check made by the State Highway department Monday showed that more than 7,000 vehicles traveled Battleground Ave. (U. S. 29) during a 24-hour period, and that more than 6,500 traveled on King street (U. S. 29 and 74) during the same period.

The meters showed more than 14,000 axle crossings on Battleground and more than 13,000 on King. Two meter clicks represent one auto.

### MASONS TO MEET

A stated communication of Fairview Lodge No. 339 A. F. & A. M. will be held Monday, August 14, 7:30 p. m.

### BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits were issued at City Hall during the past week to J. Tracy McGinnis, for construction of a new six-room house on Simes street, \$5,000; to Hubert McGinnis, addition of a new front to store building on Mountain street, \$500; and to W. H. Harmon, for construction of a poultry house, \$100.

### HULLENDER REUNION

The annual Hulleander reunion will be held Sunday at the John Foster home, seven miles north of Kings Mountain, it was announced this week by John Foster and A. B. Morrow, reunion co-sponsors. Among relatives expected to attend is a group from Birmingham, Ala., and all members of the clan are urged to attend the reunion.

### PARKING MONEY

The parking meters in downtown Kings Mountain collected \$155.15 for the week which ended Wednesday at noon, according to City Clerk S. A. Crouse.

### Hickory Juniors Here Saturday

Kings Mountain and Hickory are scheduled to ring down the curtain on the 1950 baseball season here Saturday night with a game between the 1951 American Legion Junior baseball "prospects". The game is scheduled to get underway at 7:45 p. m.

The two teams met in Hickory on July 29th with Kings Mountain coming out on top 5-4 on a four-hit pitching job by Southpaw Fred Kiser.

Pink Ware and Houston Black have been coaching the team for the past month.

New players added to the team roster include Dean Payne, Dean Huskey, James Abernathy and Kenneth Roberts.

Vernon Smith, scrappy little second baseman and outfielder, was dropped from the team this week. He will be ineligible to play next year.

Final practice session of the season is slated for Friday afternoon at City Stadium. The group underwent a lengthy drill on Wednesday afternoon.

With the pitching corps well rested the coaches have a pick from a staff including Kiser, Darvin Moss and Dealis Burton, left handers, and Bob Wells, Charles Painter, and Doug Eubanks, right handers, for duty in the finale.

Don (Chubb) Cobb, veteran catcher, is expected to handle the receiving duties along with Bob McFall. Both are left-handed hitters.

Infielders out for the team include Jim Kimmell, Ollie Harris, Frank Platt, Don McCarter, Charles Mullax, Dewitt Guyton, Abernathy and Roberts.

Outfielders battling for berths include Bob Huskey, Ken Spencer, Earl Maddox, Richard Smith, Jimmy Williamson, Gerald Valentine, Payne and Dean Huskey. Admission for the game is 25 and 50 cents.

### Herndon, Bridges Join Air Force

James E. Herndon, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Herndon, and Wilson Bridges, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bridges, enlisted Thursday in the Army Air Forces. Both were to leave Thursday night for Kelly Field at San Antonio, Texas. Both are applying for officer training. Mr. Herndon in the air force finance department, and Mr. Bridges for navigator's duties. Mr. Herndon is a graduate of Davidson college and completed a year of graduate work at the University of North Carolina last spring. Mr. Bridges is a graduate of Georgia Institute of Technology and for the past year has been working at Ideal Machine Shop in Bessemer City.

### Two Polio Cases Are Reported Here

Dr. F. G. Padgett reported two cases of infantile paralysis here this week.

The victims are Herndon, 23, who lives on North Alexander street, and Billy Stagg, 18, who lives on West Edge street.

Dr. Padgett said both cases are mild, and that he anticipates no long-term ill effects for either patient.