

Population
City Limits 7,193
(Final Unofficial Census 1956)
Immediate Trading Area 15,000
(1945 Ration Board Figures)

QUEEN CITY BUYING BUS TERMINAL SITE

Local News Bulletins

CARLTON CALLED
Everette Carlton, Kings Mountain high school coach, has been ordered to report for physical examination February 7th preparatory to return to active duty with the Marine Corps. Mr. Carlton is scheduled to report for duty at Quantico Marine base on March 7th, provided he passes the medical examination.

PASTOR TO MOVE
Rev. Vance Daniel, pastor to a new mission Lutheran church here, will move here next Tuesday. The Daniel family will occupy a new home recently completed on Meadowbrook Road.

WIDENING STREET
The city's street department is widening Gold street, in the block between Cherokee street and Piedmont avenue, to its fullest possible width. The work is being done, City Administrator M. K. Fuller, said, to facilitate increased traffic on Gold street.

BREAKS ARM
Paul M. Neisler, Sr., suffered a broken right arm Tuesday morning when he fell on the icy back steps of his home on Gaston street. Mr. Neisler was still suffering considerable pain Thursday.

COOPER IN HOSPITAL
Jacob M. Cooper underwent a minor operation Tuesday morning at Mercy hospital, Charlotte. His condition is described as satisfactory and he expects to return to his home over the weekend.

PARKING MONEY
A total of \$140.65 in revenue was collected from the city's parking meters Wednesday according to a report by City Clerk S. A. Crouse.

STORY HOUR
Regular story hour for children through the fourth grade will be held at Jacob S. Mauney Memorial library Friday afternoon from 4 until 5 o'clock. Mrs. Grace Whisman will serve as story teller and Mrs. Luther Cansler is the hostess. All children are urged to attend.

TAG SALES
A report from City Hall shows that a total of 794 vehicle license tags had been sold through noon Thursday. Tags must be displayed in vehicles February 1st according to city ordinance.

Man Arrested Here For Texas Officers
A Kings Mountain man was arrested Monday on a fugitive-from-justice warrant issued by El Paso, Texas, police officers. Major L. Wilson, 22, of Cora street, was arrested around 10 p. m. Monday by Officers G. K. Camp and D. H. Street of the Kings Mountain police department.

Next Wednesday Deadline Day
Next Wednesday is deadline day. It is the final day for listing taxes, the final day for paying 1950 city and county tax bills without penalty, the final day for purchasing city and state auto license plates without danger of prosecution for not having them, and for employers the final day for filing final reports on withholding and social security taxes for 1950.

Lions To Conduct Annual Broom Sale For Blind February 1, 2, 3
Members of the Kings Mountain Lions club will conduct a broom and door mat sale here next Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 1, 2, and 3. George Houser, chairman, announced this week.

Horn Outlines Proposed County District Set-Up

County Attorney C. C. Horn announced the tentative arrangement of county districts in a bill he is drawing to change the county government set-up.

Under the proposed change, the board of commissioners will be increased to five members, with the members to be elected from particular districts.

Mr. Horn said the tentative plan calls for the following districts:

1. Number 6 Township, 2. Number 4 and 5 Townships, 3. Number 9 and 10 Townships, 4. Number 8 and 11 Townships, 5. Number 1, 2, 3, and 7 Townships.

Mr. Horn said the proposal, as based on the 1950 unofficial census, would make each district approximately equal in population.

The districts, according to the proposed plan, would limit only a person's offering for office. Under the proposal, all citizens would have the privilege of voting for one candidate from each of the five districts.

The bill will be presented to the county board of commissioners for its approval at the February meeting. It will be introduced, as approved, in the General Assembly by the county's legislative delegation, who have indicated that they favor the proposed changes.

Ten Local Men Are Inducted
Ten Kings Mountain area men were among the Cleveland County group inducted into the army at the Charlotte Induction center last Friday.

They included: Kenneth Robert Childers, Floyd Lee Hardin (of Grover), John David Fisher, Woodrow Brown, Edward William Humphries, Dan Brevard Lall, John Archie Bolin, Jr., James Lewis Farris, Marshal Eugene Camp, and Jesse Ralph Carpenter, (R-2, Cherryville).

Next induction call on the Cleveland County board is for February 19, when the county board will furnish 55 men for induction into the army.

Card Party Is Scheduled At Club
The Kings Mountain Country Club social committee will present a free bridge-canalasta party at the club on Thursday evening, February 1, at 8 o'clock, according to announcement this week by Mrs. George Houser.

Jones Emphasizes Civil Defense Need



WOUNDED — Sgt. Billie B. Blanton is receiving treatment for a wounded foot at Fort Bragg. Sgt. Blanton sustained the wound in Korea on January 7, when another soldier's gun accidentally discharged.

Sgt. Blanton Suffers Wound

Sgt. Billie B. Blanton, well-known Kings Mountain man and army veteran, suffered a wound in the foot in Korea on January 7 and is now receiving treatment at Fort Bragg.

Members of his family visited him over the weekend and report that he is recuperating satisfactorily.

Sgt. Blanton was wounded three days after arriving in Korea on January 4. Sgt. Blanton was helping another soldier disengage a jammed rifle, when the rifle accidentally discharged, wounding Sgt. Blanton in the foot.

Sgt. Blanton arrived at Fort Bragg Saturday, after returning to the United States on January 17. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Blanton.

Masons To Hear Dr. Caldwell

The Grand Master of Masons in North Carolina, Dr. Wallace E. Caldwell, of the University of N. C. faculty, Chapel Hill, will be the guest speaker at the Annual Ladies Night banquet of Fairview Lodge 339, A. F. & A. M., in the Masonic Dining Room on Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Other Grand Lodge dignitaries attending will include Herbert M. Foy, of Mt. Airy, Deputy Grand Master; Dr. Chas. H. Pugh, of Gastonia, Junior Grand Deacon; and George D. Washburn, of Shelby, District Deputy Grand Master.

In keeping with its time-honored custom the Lodge will have as its special guests all the Masonic widows. There are now 17 of these ladies in Kings Mountain. They will be introduced by John H. Floyd, Past Master.

Defense Head Says Nation Can Be Bombed

"At any hour of any night, the Russians could wipe out any city of the United States with the atomic bomb," E. Z. Jones, North Carolina director of civil defense told an audience of 150 Kings Mountain citizens Tuesday night.

As proof of good reasoning, Mr. Jones, an army major during World War II, said air force officials had told him, "No American bombing mission in World War II was stopped short of its mission by enemy action." He pointed out that this was true even though the Germans had already developed air defense to a high degree of perfection.

He also pointed out that Russia could bomb this country on a one-way flight, with bombers similar to the U. S. B-29. "The Russians could unload on any city, then bail out, and be interned for the duration at Grove Park Inn," he said.

By such statements, Mr. Jones made out a good case for the current need for a civilian defense organization throughout the state and the nation, integrated, he said for the one major aim of civil defense: to minimize the effect of enemy action.

The organization could be used in peacetime emergency, he noted, but added that this was not the primary aim.

He compared civil defense to an insurance policy. "Just because we have insurance, we don't go around wanting the house to burn down," he pointed out. "But if it does burn, that insurance proves invaluable."

The individual, he said, can do his part in civil defense in two ways, by selling the need for civil defense and by volunteering for duty.

He reported that the Mayor of Cologne, Germany, told him that that city had evacuated 240,000 persons during the heavy bombing raids of World War II. Then he asked, "Could we do it?"

He pointed out that there are four major means in which an enemy could attack the United States, by bombers, missiles, submarines, or sabotage, and he further noted that the Communists in this nation are doing everything they can to discourage civil defense.

"What would you do if a bomb (Cont'd on page eight)



HERE FRIDAY — Charlie (Choo Choo) Justice, UNC and Washington Redskins star, will play with the Carolina Clowns cagers here at Central gymnasium Friday night against the Kings Mountain Stars in a game being sponsored by the Mountaineer Club. A telegram received yesterday from Coy Carson, Clown manager, read: "Justice will be with us Friday." The game is scheduled to begin at 8 p. m. with a preliminary event between the Kings Mountain high school "B" team and the "Phantoms" to get underway at 6:30 p. m.

H. C. Wilson Scout Head

The annual meeting and Scout-Parent banquet of the Kings Mountain District, Boy Scouts of America, will be held at the Masonic Hall on Tuesday, February 6th, at 7 p. m. according to an announcement by H. C. Wilson, new district chairman.

Mr. Wilson succeeds Ollie Harris, who filled the unexpired term of Rev. W. H. Stender, as chairman. Mr. Harris is the new vice-chairman of the organization.

Other new officers include Dr. N. H. Reed, secretary - treasurer succeeding Charlie Blalock.

J. H. Patterson is the new commissioner of the group and neighborhood commissioners this year are Rev. T. L. Cashwell, Jr., Rev. T. W. Hager, Harold Hunkin, and L. Ben Goforth, Jr.

The remainder of the 1951 organization follows: Organization and Extension — L. E. Abbott, chairman, Dr. D. F. Hord, C. D. Ware, Paul Mauney, Arnold Kiser.

Leadership Training, Buck Earley, chairman, C. D. Ware, Broadus Moss, Junior Wilson, M. L. Holcomb, Ralph Hullebrand.

Finance — Dr. Phillip Padgett, chairman, George Mauney, Arnold Kiser, J. C. McKinney, Buren Neill, Jr., B. S. Feeler, Jr.

Herald Is Winner Of Contest Award

Editorial Page Adjudged Best Among Weeklies

The Kings Mountain Herald was adjudged to have the best editorial page among weekly newspapers in North Carolina in the 1950 newspaper contests of the North Carolina Press Association.

Governor W. Kerr Scott announced and presented the awards at the annual Duke University dinner of the Mid-Winter Press Institute, held last Friday night at Durham.

The weekly newspaper contests were judged by officials of the Lee Memorial Journalism Foundation of Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va., who based their decisions on each issue published by newspapers entering the contests during the final quarter of 1950.

In the editorial page division, the Franklin Press was adjudged second-place winner, with the Northampton County News taking third. Special mention was accorded the Marion Progress, the Valdese News and the Mt. Airy News.

In the semi-weekly contests, the Cleveland Times, of Shelby, was given special mention in local news coverage and in the editorial page divisions.

Prior to the announcement of the press awards, the Herald received from the judging officials an interim report of critique, in which the Washington and Lee officials praised the editorial page as "good." "Its appearance is excellent and editorials are well-written and expressive," the critique read.

It also stated, "The paper reports news of all community activities with balance and objectivity," and noted, "The Herald regularly prints enough sports copy to fill up a regular sports page. Publication of complete statistics of high school games was excellent, as well as unusual for the weekly field."

For its award in the editorial division, the Herald received a handsome bronze plaque, with engraving noting the Herald's award.

City Has Completed Water Line Jobs

The City of Kings Mountain has completed currently approved water line projects in three areas of the city, City Administrator M. K. Fuller said this week.

The city has installed six-inch water lines in Linwood road, in the Burlington Mill village, on Canster street and in Crescent Hill.

Two King Street Lots Purchased By Bus Company



NAZARENE PASTOR — Rev. C. E. McKenzie, elder in the Church of the Nazarene, is the new pastor of the First Church of the Nazarene here. Mr. McKenzie, formerly pastor of First Church of the Nazarene, of Concord, succeeds Rev. Harry E. Crump, who has accepted a call to serve as pastor of First Church of the Nazarene in Rock Hill, S. C.

Paul W. Owens Lodge Master

Paul W. Owens was installed as Master of Fairview Lodge No. 339, A. F. & A. M. on December 29, succeeding Arnold W. Kincaid.

Mr. Owens was installed, along with the following officers for 1951, by Past Master Kincaid.

D. E. Tate, Senior Warden; G. W. White, Junior Warden; J. C. Keller, Treasurer; Paul W. Walker, Secretary; Boyce Gault, Senior Deacon; Glee A. Bridges, Junior Deacon; Emmett Ross, Steward; T. T. Moss, Steward; and J. A. Walker, Tyler.

Drive At \$1,290 March Of Dimes

Contributions by Number Four Township citizens to the 1951 March of Dimes campaign totaled \$1,290 Thursday, according to report of Sam Stallings, campaign chairman.

Mr. Stallings said the financial campaign to aid the fight against infantile paralysis was progressing well, and he expressed confidence that the \$6,000 quota would be met.

"Some committees have already turned in more funds than last year, while others are still working," Mr. Stallings said.

He added that few reports have yet been received from the industrial division, but that indications are that donations in this division will be good. Also not reported, and not due until next week, is reports from the schools division.

Queen City Coach Company has completed arrangements for the purchase of two lots in the 100-block of West King street for purported erection of a bus terminal.

Sale of the two lots, from the Maud Eunice Hord Estate and from Fred W. Plonk and Hal S. Plonk to the Queen City Company, was confirmed by the owners Tuesday.

Total cost of the property to Queen City was \$15,500, the company agreeing to pay \$8,000 to the Maud Eunice Hord estate for a lot 75 feet by 158 feet, and \$7,500 to Fred and Hal Plonk for the adjoining lot, which is 64 feet by 158 feet.

Meeting in special session Wednesday morning, the city board of commissioners, which has been active in urging the bus company to make provisions for a suitable terminal here, unanimously approved the site for erection of a terminal.

Just how quickly Queen City will be able to utilize the property for a terminal is a question, in view of the current building freeze on commercial construction.

However, Mayor J. E. Herndon, who has been in constant touch with Queen City officials for the past several months in an effort to speed action on a bus terminal site, expressed the opinion that the federal government would approve the erection of a terminal as necessary to the public welfare.

News of the purchase of the property will be welcomed by Kings Mountain area citizens who use inter-city buses for transportation. Since February 16, 1950, Kings Mountain has been a flag stop for buses. Bridges Auto Parts on West King street is a receiving station for bus express, but bus patrons have had to secure schedule information from Shelby or Gastonia terminals.

Efforts to secure a terminal site have been in the news during the past year. At request of the city board of commissioners, Utilities Commissioner Edward H. McMahan held an informal hearing on the matter here, and the city administration had anticipated seeking a Utilities Commission order requiring the bus operators to provide terminal facilities.

In talks with Mayor Herndon and others J. H. Quattlebaum, Queen City traffic manager, has indicated that his company anticipates building a bus station here comparable to one the company has recently completed at Wadesboro.

Schoolmen Cite Pupil Draft Policy

City school officials called attention this week to current selective service policy, whereby the induction of men under 20 years of age may be postponed, provided the young man is making satisfactory grades on a full course of study.

County Board Will Send 200 Men For Army Physicals February 28

The Cleveland County selective service board has been ordered to furnish 200 men for pre-induction physical examinations on February 8.

The call is by far the heaviest yet received by the county board and is indicative of the heavily-increased demand for men by the army.

Currently eligible for induction are single men in the 19 to 25-year age groups. The men have been called by inverse age order, which means that available men from 21 to 25 have already been called, or are awaiting induction, except those found physically or otherwise unfit for army duty.

After taking a pre-induction physical examination, a registrant found fit for duty has a minimum of three weeks prior to induction. This means that the men examined on February 8 would not be inducted prior to March 1.