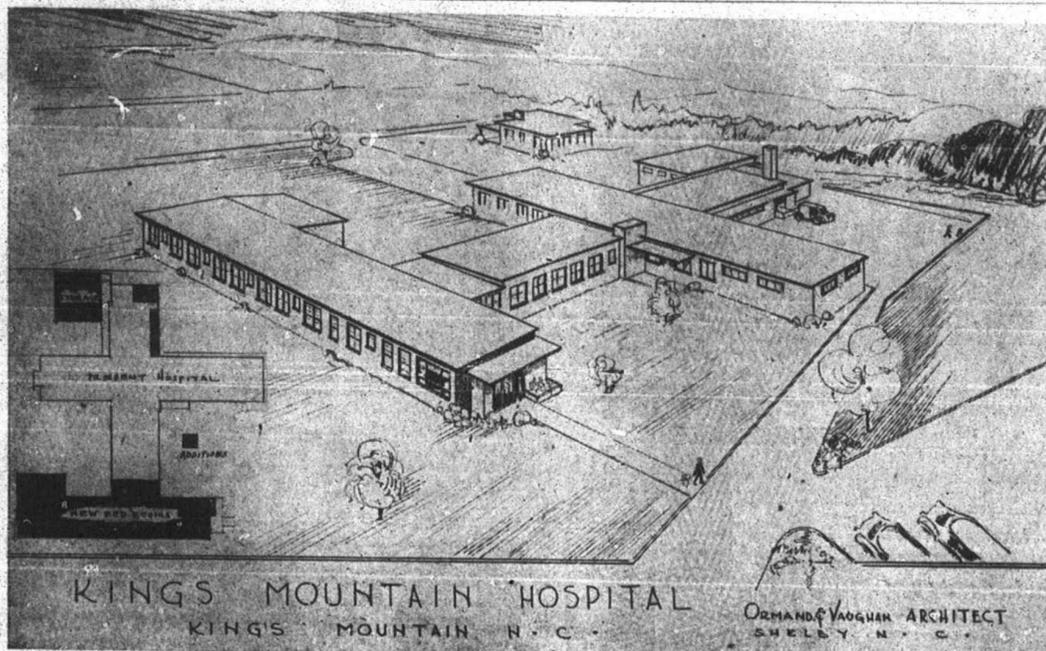


City Limits 7,206
The population is from the U. S. Government census report for 1950. The Census Bureau estimates the nation's population gain since 1950 at 1.7 percent per year, which means Kings Mountain's 1954 population should approximate 7608. The trading area population in 1945, based on nation board registrations at the Kings Mountain office, was 14,000.



ARCHITECT'S SKETCH OF EXPANDED HOSPITAL—Pictured above is a sketch of Kings Mountain hospital as it will appear after contemplated additions are built. The sketch shows the present building with new wing added to the front, new storage room at the back, added space for heating plant and expanded kitchen facilities. Inset at left of picture is a small scale drawing showing in shaded areas the proposed additions. Ormand & Vaughan, Shelby architects, began work Monday on the working plans and detailed specifications, they reported. Under the plans approved by the hospital trustees and State Medical Care commission, 14 beds will be added to the plant, making a total of 50. The business office will be moved to the new wing on the front, and the pediatric ward will also be housed in the new wing.

NLRB Election Is Scheduled At Foote Mineral October 6

Employee Vote Will Determine Union Issue

The National Labor Relations Board will conduct an election at Foote Mineral Company on October 6 to determine whether the United Steelworkers of America (CIO) will qualify as bargaining agent for Foote employees. The election was ordered following an NLRB hearing last Thursday at Gastonia and on request by Foote Mineral Company, J. E. Castle, Foote manager, said union representatives and management failed to agree on the question of whether some company employees are eligible for union membership. Specifically, the union representatives objected to participation of Foote employees classified as technicians. The company contended that the technicians are all hourly-rated employees, are non-supervisory, and are therefore eligible for union membership.



FAIR SCENES — Shown here are scenes from the Cleveland County Fair, which continues through Saturday in its 31st annual run. The pictures show the crowds, prize farm crops, household arts, and a midway entertainment feature — all among the features of the annual Cleveland County Fair.

Water Supply Is Diminishing

Local News Bulletins

KIWANIS MEETING
The Kings Mountain Kiwanis club will have its annual quiz night program, conducted by Robert Aldrich, of Greenwood, S. C., on Thursday night at 6:45 at Masonic Dining Hall.

BUILDING PERMITS
N. E. Chapman was issued a building permit September 16 by Building Inspector J. W. Webster to build a one story permit to Charlie Blalock to e-Alexander street, at an estimated cost of \$5,000. On September 20, Mr. Webster issued a permit to Charlie Blalock to erect a 3-4 room house on property located on Lackey street, at an estimated cost of \$12,000.

EPISCOPAL SERVICE
Rev. Floyd Finch, of Bessemer City, will conduct a morning prayer service for the newly organized Kings Mountain Episcopal mission Sunday morning at 9 o'clock at the Woman's Club, it was announced by Mrs. J. E. Castle.

AT INSTITUTE
J. E. Castle, manager of Foote Mineral Company, is attending a meeting of the American Institute of Mining Engineers at San Francisco, Calif. He will return this weekend.

OPTIMIST MEETING
Regular meeting of the Kings Mountain Optimist club will be held at New-South Restaurant at 7 o'clock Thursday night, it was announced by Neal Grissom, president.

ARP BALLY DAY
Boys Memorial ARP Sabbath School will observe annual Rally Day on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. A special program has been arranged by Mrs. Lewis Hovis, a large number of children will participate, and special emphasis is being placed on attendance on Sunday.

Leone Patterson Takes School Post

Miss Leone Patterson has accepted the position of secretary to the Dean of Students at the Presbyterian Assembly's Training School, Richmond, Va., and will assume her new duties Friday. She is the daughter of Mrs. J. M. Patterson, of Kings Mountain, and has held a position in the offices of Coca-Cola Bottling Co., Gastonia.

Gold Mine Shaft Is Being Pumped At 192-Foot Mark

Water continues in critically short supply in Kings Mountain. In spite of curtailed consumption, the water level of the city reservoir on York Road continues to decline at a rate of three-quarters per inch per day, and the city's main auxiliary source—the Gold Mine shaft supply — is delivering much less than its former total of 400 gallons per minute. Mayor Glee A. Bridges said the city was pumping the Gold Mine shaft at the 192-foot depth Wednesday, which is only eight feet from the bottom of the line. Additional pipe, on order, has not yet been received, but the Mayor said he hoped it would arrive Thursday.

However, there was some question as to the effectiveness of lowering the pipe, since the flow subsides with the increased load of pulling the water to the top of the shaft. Sunday and Monday showers were of short duration and had no effect on the city supply, and sunny skies Wednesday offered no rain prospects.

Both streams serving the York Road reservoir are completely dry, the Mayor said. He added that the Davidson creek, where the city is constructing an auxiliary reservoir has a good flow but that contractors building the new dam, now 25-feet high, say tapping this stream now would bring the dam construction to a halt. The dam specifications call for a height of 60 feet, at a width of 300 feet at the base, tapering to 40 feet at the top.

Consumption of city water continued at the totals being used since restrictions were imposed. Continued On Page Eight

Woman's Club Will Be Hostess To District Meeting Wednesday

The Kings Mountain Woman's Club will be hosts to the annual meeting of District IV, North Carolina Federation of Woman's Clubs, Wednesday in the newly renovated and expanded Woman's club building. Theme of the program, which begins at 10 a. m., is "Your Self Discipline, Understanding, and Faith Will Light the World." After the morning session and luncheon, reports from committees will be heard and presentation of honor awards to clubs will be made. Mrs. P. E. Hendricks, publicity chairman of the Kings Mountain club, said Tuesday that persons desiring tickets for the luncheon should contact Mrs. Jacob Cooper, phone 310. Registration is requested by Friday, Mrs. Hendricks added.



SEAL SALE CHAIRMEN HERE — Paul Walker, left, and Grady Howard, right, will serve as chairmen of the Kings Mountain Christmas seal sale campaign for 1954, it was announced Wednesday by Dr. D. F. Ford, chairman of the Cleveland County Tuberculosis association. Funds derived from the seal sale are used to combat and prevent tuberculosis.

Trustees Decline Survey Discussion

Correct Addresses Asked Of Guessers

Mystery Farm guessers should be sure they supply the Herald with their correct mailing addresses. Two Joy-Dixie theatre passes mailed to lucky guessers of last week's Mystery Farm No. 3 were kicked back by the post-office with "not found" notations. One has been delivered in person.

Report Lists Possible Sites For New School

The Kings Mountain city district board of school trustees declined to discuss a state school house planning board survey team report in the presence of a Herald reporter at the regular meeting of the group Monday night at Central school. The survey report recommends the construction of an elementary school building in the north section of town, it is understood, and specifically locates two suggested areas. The local board also has an area or two in mind, it is also understood.

Officially, School Board Chairman A. W. Kincaid said the report was not discussed at the regular meeting because of absence of one trustee. During discussion of the matter of whether to take up the report at the meeting, the group agreed not to release the text of the recommendation until options on the lands involved are obtained. A three-man survey team, appointed by the state board, made a survey of the Kings Mountain schools on July 7 and the report was received here around August 15. Chairman Kincaid said on receipt of the report he had appointed Superintendent B. N. Continued On Page Eight

Ed Goter, Foote mining engineer and acting manager in the absence Wednesday of Mr. Castle, said the NLRB election will be conducted during the hours of 6:30 to 8:30 a. m. and between 2:30 and 4:30 p. m. on October 6, with NLRB officials in charge, and with both company and union representatives on hand. Mr. Castle informed employees of Foote's election request in a letter dated last Friday, and subsequently cited in a Saturday letter federal legal restrictions prohibiting intimidation or coercion of any person involved in the forthcoming election.

In his Friday letter to employees, Mr. Castle said, "The Foote Mineral Company voluntarily agreed to this procedure since there was no legal compulsion to do so. The Foote Mineral Company believes that the claim of the union organizers that they represent a large majority of the employees of the Foote Mineral Company to be an imaginative fantasy." In his letter of last Saturday, Mr. Castle closed "The election is on October 6th. Let no one threaten you, frighten you, coerce you, intimidate you. Stand up as a Free American Citizen, vote as you think right. Do not fear the NLRB or the CIO or the Foote Mineral Company. Talk and exchange views with everybody. There is no law against that."

Off-To-School List Now 142

Addition of nine students to the area's off-to-school list for the 1954-55 term brings to 142 the number of students now attending or leaving soon for colleges, universities, prep schools, nursing, trade, and specialty schools. Total listings of off-to-school students last year was 109, less by 33 than the figure for this year. Norma Lee Sipes has enrolled at Greenville General Hospital School of Medical Technology, at Greenville, S. C., for the coming term, and Darrell Austin, Gene Welch, and Cleveland Yawn are attending Western Carolina college, at Cullowhee.

Joan Cranford, Lois Ann Spald and Helen Greene are students at Kings Business College, Charlotte, and Herman Greene and Boyce Wells are attending Howard's Business college, at Shelby. Juanita Lovelace has entered Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in Charlotte, and Ray Cline has enrolled at the University of Alabama.

County Fair Attracts Crowds

Five Are Named To City Zoning Adjustment Body

The city board of commissioners in special session Tuesday night, appointed a new zoning adjustment board, bought a truck, and contracted to rent two major pieces of equipment on an option-to-purchase basis. Appointed to the adjustment board were Ben H. Bridges, named chairman, Coleman Stroupe, John B. Mauney, Mrs. George Houser, and Bill Jonas. The appointments occurred after J. W. Webster, city building inspector, had informed the Mayor earlier in the week of a zoning violation involving Mr. Stroupe.

The board accepted low bid on a half-ton truck for Cemetery Superintendent Sam Suber from Smith Chevrolet Company, Gastonia, at \$1,178.29. The bid was low among three. Sullivan Motors Cherryville, offered a truck at \$1,285, and Plunk Motor Company, Kings Mountain, offered a truck at \$1,295. The board entered into a rental-purchase agreement with North Carolina Equipment Company for use of a Quickway ditch-digging machine and a paving spreader. The city is to pay a rental fee of \$500 per month for the two pieces of machinery, with the rentals to apply to the purchase price of the equipment should the city decide to buy. The purchase price of the ditch-digger is \$15,458.50, while the paving spreader lists at \$16,034.25. Public Works Superintendent E. C. Nicholson said Wednesday the city anticipates buying the equipment in the Continued On Page Eight

Mail Sack Contained Parcel That Jumped

Kings Mountain postoffice uncovered an unusual piece of mail Wednesday morning when emptying one of the mail sacks. It jumped. Examination showed a handsome bullfrog had made the trip along with several articles of parcel post.

Assistant Postmaster George Hord was displaying the traveler, which had a 4-5-inch-long leg. Had there been a dozen frogs, there would have been a tasty frog legs entree on the dinner table, but Mr. Hord reasoned one pair was insufficient and freed the frog near the Herald office, guessing Mr. Frog would head for the nearest water at the Bonnie Mill pond. There was no bill for postage due.

Resurrection To Build Manse

Ground-breaking ceremonies beginning a parsonage for Resurrection Lutheran church will be conducted after morning services Sunday, it was announced this week by Rev. Douglas Fritz, the pastor. Church members will form a procession to the site — Crescent Circle southwest of the church building — and officers and organization leaders will participate in the ground-breaking rites. The church plans to build a seven-room brick veneer parsonage at estimated cost of \$15,000.

Three Days Left For 31st Annual County Feature

Cleveland County's 31st annual fair opened Tuesday with large crowds thronging the gates on opening day, and with the fair pace gaining in momentum for the remainder of the five-day billing ending Saturday night. Friday will be Kings Mountain school day, when all Kings Mountain school children will be admitted free. The schools will suspend at noon, as is customary. More space is provided this year for cultural, agricultural and industrial exhibits, and many Kings Mountain Jaycees are manning the Cleveland County Fair's grandstand concession booth this year, with proceeds to be devoted to expanding Kings Mountain's city recreation plant. All the customary inventory — sandwiches, cold drinks, smokes, and sundries — is being offered for sale, and the Jaycees also have available for rental 425 pillows, made by Jaycee wives from material furnished free by J. E. Herndon Company. James E. Strates shows fill the huge midway while one of the main attractions at the exposition has been the World Championship Rodeo, staged for the first time in the Carolinas. The first rodeo performance was a sellout when on Tuesday afternoon Burr Andrews of Clarksville, Texas Continued On Page Eight