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 Greater Kings Mountain 10,320
 City Limits 7,206
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Local News Bulletins

HOSPITALIZED
 Dan Huffstetler, general manager of Baird's Furniture Company, was admitted to Kings Mountain hospital Tuesday for treatment and observation.

MOOSE MEETING
 The regular meeting of Moose Lodge No. 1748 will be held Thursday night at the lodge on Bessemer City road.

IN SORORITY
 Miss Bety Prince daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Prince, of Shelby, former residents, was recently pledged to Delta Delta Delta sorority at Brenau college, Gainesville, Ga., where she is a member of the freshman class.

HAHBRIGHT REUNION
 Annual reunion of the descendants of Co. Frederick Hahbright will be held at Antioch Baptist church near Grover Sunday, Oct. 9, at 12:15. Dinner will be served and a program and business session will follow. J. Ollie Harris, secretary, announced. Bobby Hahbright, of Grover, is president of the clan.

ONE FIRE
 Kings Mountain Fire Department was called Sunday to the home of Johnny Houser, 304 Parker street, to extinguish a trash blaze which had ignited in a container located on the back porch of the residence, according to a report received from the department.

METER RECEIPTS
 City parking meter receipts for the week ending noon Wednesday totaled \$203.25, according to Miss Grace Carpenter, of city clerk's office. The street parking meters returned \$162.23, while the Cherokee parking lot meters returned \$43.02, she reported.

SCOUT PROGRAM
 Kings Mountain Girl Scouts will present a program at the Thursday night meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club. The program will be directed by Mrs. J. N. McClure, Kings Mountain Girl Scout chairman. The club convenes at Masonic Dining hall at 6:45.

ATTEND MEETING
 Franklin L. Ware, Jr., and Everette McVeilly of the Kings Mountain office of the North Carolina Employment Security Commission attended a meeting Thursday at the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill. The meeting was for employment security and industrial committee workers. Gov. Luther Hodges spoke to the group on "Economic Development in North Carolina," and pointed out the many assets offered new industries by the state.

Jean Hicks Nominee For FHA Office
 Jean Hicks, of Kings Mountain, will be a candidate for vice-president of the North Carolina Future Homemakers of America at Saturday's district meeting at Rutherfordton, it was announced this week by officials of the high school chapter.

Some 42 members of the Kings Mountain chapter are expecting meeting to support their candidate. Previously the chapter has sent out information on the candidate to other chapters in the district.

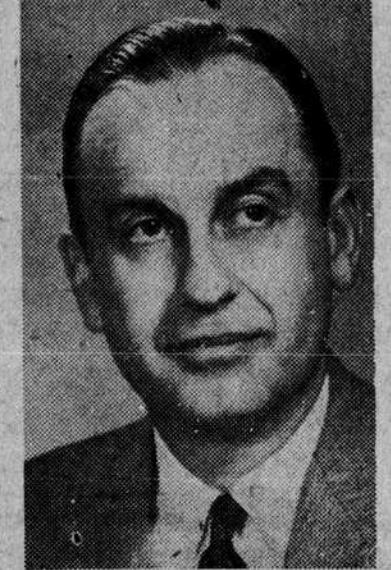
Miss Hicks was termed by her faculty advisor, Mrs. John Gamble, an outstanding student and leader in the FHA chapter. Miss Hicks is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hicks.

Nice Thief Returns Church's Guitar
 A thief who evidently had more conscience than musical ability has returned an electric guitar and guitar case stolen September 30 from the Parker Street Church of God.

Chief of Police Hugh A. Logan, Jr., stated the stolen articles were found early Wednesday morning near the church parsonage by Rev. W. E. Lankford, pastor of the church. The articles were evidently returned sometime Tuesday night by the thief, he said.

The guitar and case were two of several articles stolen by culprits who made a raid the latter part of last month on churches, cars, and a school.

McLarty, Barber Will Fill Pulpits



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Mauney To Head Girl Scout Drive

Goal of the Kings Mountain campaign is \$1,200. The area goal is \$19,243, it was announced by Mrs. F. A. Young, of Gastonia, council president.

Mrs. J. N. McClure is Kings Mountain Girl Scout chairman. In commenting on the fund campaign, local officials noted that the funds will be used to finance the work of the council, to develop and organize new troops, to provide training for volunteer adult leadership, to provide year-round programs in Girl Scout training in home-making, outdoor living, and citizenship.

Builders Buy Eight Permits

Crawford & Gantt, Inc., purchased building permits for eight residences to be constructed on Belvedere Circle and Waterson street last Friday.

The permits called for building of eight houses at \$6,500 each, the eight permits totalling \$52,000.

Building Inspector J. W. Webster said it was the largest number of permits he had issued at one time in Kings Mountain.

Mr. Webster also reported issuance of a building permit Monday to T. F. Bridges for the construction of a brick residence on Sipes street at an estimated cost of \$8,000.

HAYES IN HOSPITAL

City Commissioner O. T. Hayes, Sr., is reported in serious condition at Gaston Memorial hospital, following a heart attack he suffered Sunday.

Girl Scouts To Sell White Canes For Benefit Of Blind On Weekend

Girl Scouts of Kings Mountain will conduct the annual Kings Mountain Lions Club street sale of White Cane badges this weekend.

Each year, the Lions Clubs throughout the state join forces with the North Carolina State Association for the Blind to sell badges to raise funds to help the 11,600 blind residents of North Carolina.

Chief of Police Hugh A. Logan, Jr., and Hal Ward have been named by Dr. Blake McWhirter, chairman of the drive, to head the street sale.

Pulpit Changes Are Announced; Sides Returns

Two Kings Mountain Methodist churches will have new pastors soon, as a result of assignments announced at the close of last weekend's annual Western North Methodist conference held in Charlotte.

At Central Methodist church, Rev. James B. McLarty, pastor of Mooresville's Central church, will replace Rev. P. L. Shore, Jr., Central Methodist pastor for the past three years. Rev. Mr. Shore will become the pastor of First Methodist church, Hendersonville.

At El-Bethel Methodist, Rev. J. M. Barber, who has been serving as pastor of the Jonesville Methodist church, was assigned to this pastorate, succeeding Rev. Boyce Huffstetler, now on a leave of absence from the conference to continue his education at Emory university.

Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr., was returned to Grace Methodist church for a second year.

Rev. Mr. McLarty, son of Rev. E. K. McLarty, retired Methodist minister, is a graduate of Duke university and was accepted into the conference in 1950. He has held pastorates at Trinity church, Asheville, at Marion and First church, Belmont, and served as a navy chaplain during World War II. He and Mrs. McLarty have three children.

Rev. Mr. Barber is a brother of S. T. Barber, member of the El Bethel church, the Herald was informed.

Rev. Mr. Shore will conduct his final church services on Sunday, with a communion service scheduled on Sunday morning. He said his family would move to Hendersonville next Tuesday.

MEETING TUESDAY

The Kings Mountain Lions Club will hold its regular monthly meeting Tuesday night at 7 o'clock at Masonic Hall, the Rev. Douglas Fritz, program chairman announces.

Mountain Men Turned Tide Here 175 Years Ago Friday

Friday, October 7, is the 175th anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain, considered by eminent men of the day and by historians since as the turning point for the American colonies in their battle to win independence from Great Britain.

The anniversary will be celebrated Friday morning at 11 o'clock at a memorial service at Kings Mountain National Military park. The Kings Mountain Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, of York, S. C., will conduct the program and has invited DAR chapters from throughout the area to attend. Many DAR members from Kings Mountain, all descendants of Revolutionary War colonial soldiers, and other citizens are expecting to attend.

Kings Mountain National Military Park, which became a federal installation by Act of Congress March 3, 1931, contains 4,012 acres, including the ridge on which Col. Patrick Ferguson, commander of British forces, lodged himself in an unsuccessful effort to repulse the band of backwoodsmen who attacked him on the afternoon of October 7, 1780.

Here is the summarized account of the Battle of Kings Mountain, as it is contained in a brochure published by the United States Department of the Interior: "Pushing northeastwardly through the cold night rain, the expedition forded Broad River at sunrise in the continuing down-pour. But by midday on October 7 the rain had ceased, and as the frontiersmen neared Kings Mountain their scouts confirmed Ferguson's position there. Quickly the mountain leaders devised a final plan of attack which was to surround the ridge upon which Ferguson camped and gradually to close in from all sides.

"After dismounting and passing through Hambright's Gap, some three-quarters of a mile west of Kings Mountain, the frontier detachments moved rapidly into their preassigned positions around the ridge. Seeking cover in the wooded ravines, the Whigs advanced, and Campbell and McDowell hurriedly passed through the gap at the southwestern end of the ridge, taking their positions respectively on the southeastern and eastern slopes. Selver formed along the western slope, while Shelby took positions on the northwestern slope. Meanwhile, the other Whig detachments were forming along the bottom of the ravine leading around the northern and northeastern base of the ridge.

Moose To Aid Disaster Victims

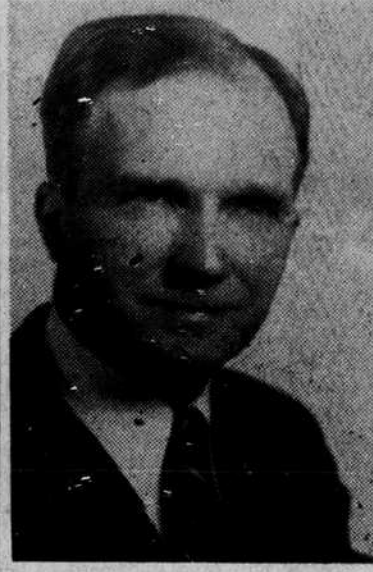
The Kings Mountain Moose Lodge will collect old clothing this weekend to be sent to the hurricane disaster areas of North Carolina.

Lodges throughout the state are participating in this project, which is under the direction of the Moose Hurricane Relief Committee.

There are four drop-off stations in Kings Mountain, where clothing may be left. These are Arthur Cornwell's Grocery, Center Service Station, Gaffney's Barber Shop, and East King Esso Station. Residents of Bessemer City may leave their donations at Froneberger's hardware store.

Anyone who can not drop the clothing at one of the drop-off stations may call 1274 after 3 p. m., and someone from the Moose Lodge will pick up the clothes.

Warren Reynolds, governor of the Kings Mountain lodge, said that this clothing will be distributed to residents of the hurricane hit areas at no cost whatsoever to them.



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Dr. Stone is an able and outstanding man, "Mr. Patrick said, "and we extend a cordial invitation to the public to hear his address here Sunday evening.

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Prince, Harbison, Alexander Top Postmaster Examination

Garnishee Action "Response" Good; Drive Continues

Termed "response" good to 50 garnishee actions, taken last week to force payment of delinquent tax bills, City Tax Collector Clarence E. Carpenter Wednesday urged other delinquents to visit the office to make arrangements to pay their accounts and thus to avoid garnishee action.

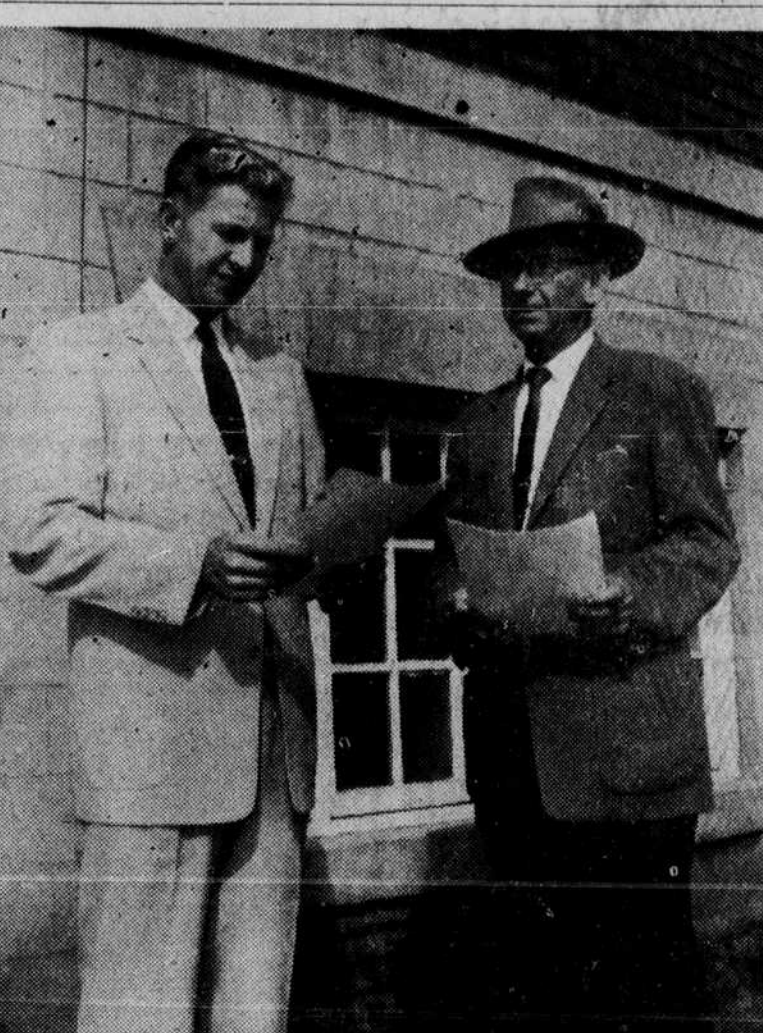
Large number of the 50 on whom garnishee actions were taken have already paid their accounts, Mr. Carpenter added. Many said they'd just neglected to pay them and the tax collector added he was very grateful for their actions and attitudes.

Persons may arrange to pay their old tax bills on piecemeal basis, he noted, if they make arrangements prior to garnishee action.

Otherwise, the tax collection drive will continue in a new direction. This week, Mr. Carpenter said, he is preparing letters to be directed by registered mail to realty owners on whom tax certificates are held through 1953. Mr. Carpenter said the North Carolina Machinery act, covering real estate tax liens, directs the registered letter procedure.

After receipt of the letter, the delinquent has two weeks to pay the account, or to protest it, before judgment against the property is docketed by the Superior Court of Cleveland County.

Mr. Carpenter noted that payment of the accounts would save the taxpayers time, trouble, and money.



DISCUSS BAPTIST BUDGET — Rev. A. T. Quakenbush, left, the pastor, and Byron Keeter, chairman of the Budget committee, discuss the 1955-56 budget of First Baptist church. The church membership approved the recommendations of the budget committee on September 28. The budget is a record one, calling for raising during the coming year of \$66,474.

First Baptists Adopt \$66,474 Budget For Year

Members of First Baptist church last week adopted a record budget for the church year beginning October 1.

The budget, approved at prayer meeting on September 28, calls for total expenditures of \$66,474 which compares to the \$60,150 budget for the year ending September 30. During the year, the actual contributions totaled \$61,700.

Largest figure in the new budget is \$24,000 for the First Baptist church building fund. Otherwise, the church expects to spend \$12,290 for missions, an increase of about ten percent, \$15,764 in administrative expense, an increase of 19 percent, and \$14,380 in operational expenses, representing a 20 percent increase. It was noted that the weekly budget requirements will be \$1,277.57.

The budget had been prepared by a church budget committee, including Byron Keeter, chairman, Mrs. J. C. Bridges, Mrs. Harold Coggins, Eugene Roberts, Dr. D. F. Ford, Mrs. Yates Harbison and Rev. A. T. Quakenbush.



IN HONOR GROUP — Gene Raymond Welch, senior at Western Carolina college, has been elected a member of the National State Teachers honor society, Alpha Phi Sigma. Mr. Welch is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Welch, of Kings Mountain.

AT BOONE

Charles J. Shytle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shytle, has enrolled in the sophomore class of Appalachian State Teacher's college, Boone. Shytle, who recently completed a tour of duty with the navy, is married to the former Miss Rita Gamble. They have a young daughter, Debra Ann.

Ministers Will Present Petitions Opposing Sunday Movies Thursday

Presentation of petitions seeking reconsideration of its July blue law amendment action is expected to take top billing Thursday night at the regular October meeting of the city board of commissioners.

For the past three weeks, members of the Kings Mountain Ministerial association have been circulating the petitions through majority of the community's churches and several confirmed Wednesday their plans to present them to the board members on Thursday night.

Several ministers, among them Rev. W. C. Sides, Jr., pastor of Grace Methodist church, and Rev. Howard Cook, pastor of Second Baptist church, reported response "good" to the petition effort.

Specifically, the ministers object to the board's action—which they charge was without sufficient public notification — in amending the city ordinance to permit the showing of motion pictures on Sunday.

Mayor Glee A. Bridges declined to predict what action, if any, the board might take. He noted

that two commissioners, W. G. Grantham and O. T. Hayes, Sr., are ill, though he said he expected Mr. Grantham to be able to attend Thursday night's meeting. Mr. Grantham is recuperating from a recent operation. Mr. Hayes is a patient in Gaston Memorial hospital, receiving treatment for a heart condition.

Mayor Bridges said the agenda would otherwise be short and routine.

Public hearing has been advertised for the Thursday night meeting on a request of a property owner for re-zoning of a portion of West King street, near Nolan's Grocery, to permit erection of a business establishment.

In addition, Mr. Bridges said the board would be asked to authorize publication of advertisement for public hearing on a group of street-paving assessments.

The commissioners will convene at 8 o'clock in City Hall courtroom.

By-Pass Work On Schedule

Actual construction work, preparatory to opening to traffic, is virtually completed on the U. S. Highway 29 by-pass from Archdale Farms to the U. S. 74 intersection.

J. D. Peek, assistant division engineer of State Highway commission at Shelby, said Blythe Brothers, the contractors, informed him Tuesday the final treatment or "seal coat" would be applied by Thursday. A week or two will then be required to complete cleaning up operations, shaping of shoulders and other similar type work.

The highway department will then install necessary road markers and signs and the road will be ready for opening to traffic.

Mr. Peek said that Division Engineer Ed Kemper's estimate of three weeks ago that the by-pass would be opened to traffic about October 22 "wont miss it much."

After the road has been opened to traffic for about a year, it will be topped with another "seal coat."