Population

Greater Kings Mountain City Limits

Limits figure is from the United States census of 1950.

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Neil O. Johnson To Manage Foote

Local News Bulletins

HAS OPERATION

John Rudisill, principal of Bethware school, underwent an operation Wednesday morning at Charlotte Memorial hospital.

LIONS DIRECTORS

Regular monthly meeting of directors of the Kings Mountain Lions club will be held Thursday night at 7 o'clock at the office of Dr. N. H. Reed.

LIONS TALK PROJECTS

Members of the Kings Moun tain Lions club held an informal meeting Tuesday night, discussing a series of possible projects and charitable plans for the New Year.

BUILDING PERMIT

Building Inspector J. W. Webster issued a building permit Thursday to T. F. Bridges to erect a house on Sipes street, at an estimated cost of

METER RECEIPTS

City parking meters retur-ned \$252.76 for the week ending noon Wednesday, December 21, and \$236.50 for the week ending Wednesday, December 28, according to Gene Mitchem, city clerk. Off-street meters accounted for \$48.76 and \$52.52 of this total and street meters brought in \$204 and \$183.98, he reported.

Negro Injured In Holiday Shooting

A pre-Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Pink Crawford on U. S. 29 South of Kings Moun-Hill Returns tain last Saturday morning resulted in the shooting of a colored man and the arrest of another To Silver Dollar Negro and his wife. According to a report by Sher-

According to a report by Sheriff Haywood Allen, a group of Negroes had gathered at the home for some holiday festivities Friday night. During the course of the party, Mrs. Georgia Rice Bert and her husband, Varnell Bert got into an argument.

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Mrs. Bert went into the home

of Mrs. Crawford and got a gun. She was trying to get a shot at her husband when the gun went off and the bullet struck G. R. Adams, another Negro, in the right chest, the sheriff said.

Adams is in Kings Mountain Hospital recovering from his wounds, Mr. and Mrs. Bert were arrested and charged with assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill. Both are free under

The Sheriff said the trial is Adams' condition is not thought to be serious.

Prizes Await Winner Of 1956 Baby Derby

Who will be Kings Mountain's first 1956 new arrival? Whoever it may be, time will only tell, but several Kings Mountain firms are ready to salute the new arrival with gifts.

A complete list of the firms and gifts awaiting the first stork passenger are listed on

page 6 section one. Rules for participation in the stork derby contest are:

1. Winning baby must be born in this area. 2. Parents must be residents

of this area. 3. Exact time of birth must be specified in writen statement by attending physician. 4. All applications must be received at the Herald by Jan-

5. In the event of a tie, award will be distributed at the discretion of the committee in

Delaware Man **To Assume Post** At Foote Plant

Neil O. Johnson, curently techmanager of Foote Mineral Com-

pany's Kings Mountain division. Mr. Johnson's appointment was confirmed late Wednesday afternoon by John Donahey, of Philadelphia, Pa., chief of public relations for Foote, by telephone to the Herald.

Mr. Johnson is a graduate of Colorado School of Mines, married and has a daughter. He will succeed James E. Cas-

Chemical Company, Chicago. Mr. Johnson is expected to

E. R. Goter, assistant general ing manager since the resignation of Mr. Castle.

Police Aided 71 Needy Families

ason, Chief Hugh A. Logan, Jr., anounced Wednesday.

Many used toys were collected by the police and fire departments, and repaired for distribu-

Many business firms donated This project was one of several the camp superintendent. that were conducted by civic and

H. A. Hill, well-known restau-

Mr. Hill, who owns the building and equipment, will continue to use the establishment's familiar trade name. Mrs. Hill will be as-

sociated with him in the operation of the business. During the past year, Mr. Hill has been insimilar work in Gastonia and Charlote. He operated Silver Dollar Grill for eight years prior to his leasing it to the Lublaneski's.

GAMBLE AT HOME

John E. Gamble, who has been a patient at Kings Mounospital since becoming ill several weeks ago, returned to his home on W. Mountain street Tuesday.

Horvath Names J. W. Milam **To Sales Post**

J. W. (Mike) Milam, former Kings Mountain citizen, has been named sales manager for the upholstery and drapery fabric sec-tions of Massachusetts Plush Mohair Company's Neisler division. Ernest Horvath, president, announced the appointment Wed-

nesday.
Mr. Horvath announced that that George Weber, former secretary-treasurer of Neisler Mills Company, assets of which were nical representative of Hercules obtained by Horvath interests in deNemours, Wilmington, Del., would continue as chief adminishas been appointed general trative officer in the New York selling organization and would have full charge of yarn sales. Allan Julian, former president

of the sales company has retired. Mr. Milam has been on the New York company's sales staff since pionship. January 1949. Prior to that time, Mr. Milam was associated with Plonk Brothers & Company and tain's first city directory. in World War II as a naval officer and majority of the incumbents ing city offices. Wreck injuries from Bridges Administration I. tle, who resigned in October to rating in the Pacific ocean areas join International Mineral and and when released held the rank of lieutenant-commander.

In Kings Mountain, Mr. Milam join Foote next week, Donahey was active in Central Methodist church, the Kings Mountain Lions club and Kings Mountain Mermanager of the Kings Mountain chant association. He is a former plant, has been serving as act. president of the Lions and Merchants organizations.

Butler Escapes, Still At Large

Bill Butler, Kings Mountain

Butler, one-time cafe operator here, had been convicted for isbeen sentenced to 10-months on the roads.

Two other prisoners were with items to be auctioned off to raise the men, Gene Allen of Spindale, money for the food and clothing. has been recaptured, according to

Cleveland County authorities needy families of the Kings lok-out for Butler and for Lonnie Mountain area at Christmas. (Carswell of Morganton, who es-

caped with him. Both Allen and Carswell were convicted for violation of the pro-

hibition laws. of his 10-month sentence when he months:

escaped, the superintendent re-

half-holiday on January 11.

Financial firms will also be closed on January 2, a legal holiday, and will also close at noon on next Wednesday, January 4. The Kings Mountain Herald will operate on regular schedule. Drug stores will also be open on regular schedule.

Building & Loans Paying Record High Dividends Totaling \$46,403

Kings Mountain's two building | during 1955. loan associations have declared year-end dividends on savings ecounts totaling \$46,403.64.

Officials of both Home Building & Loan association and Kings Mountain Building & Loan association termed the six-month declaration "new records." Home Building & Loan associa-

tion dividends on savings accounts will total \$26,756.09, A. H. Patterson, executive vice-presi-dent, said Wednesday. He noted the payments for 1955.

Baxler; Herald to build new building on South Piedmont; Minthat dividend checks on full-paid stock would be mailed this weekend, while dividends on optional savings accounts would be credited. The December 30 payment brings to \$51,211.55 the total of dividends paid by the association 926.43.

Ben H. Bridges, secretary-treasurer, of Kings Mountain Building & Loan association, said his firm would pay dividends at De. resigns city clerk post, Joe Mccember 30 totaling \$19,647.56. Of Daniel acting clerk; Theatre manthis total, \$10,037.53 will go to ager asking for Sunday movies: holders of full-paid shares, while Kiwanis to hear Billy Joe Pat-\$9,610.03 will be added to the action; Building and loan elects counts of optional shareholders. White, Summer as new directors; The December 30 payment of Welch baby dies of suffocation; Kings Mountain Building & Loan Rites to be held for Rev. C. R. Kings Mountain Building & Loan

Both associations declared dividends at the rate of three percent.

Books Are Closing Santa Claus Pay Reached On Eventful Year

Neisler Sale, Sunday Movies, Prosperity, City Politics Among Top Kings **Mountain Area News Events of '55**

Kings Mountain will close out son seeks Ward 2 post: Mrs. the books Saturday at midnight Lynch will not offer; Gene Mit-

on a news-filled year. Powder division of E. I. DuPont the purchase of Neisler Mills, one-time happenings, while others new offices; Woman's Club fashwere continuing situations.

> Sale of Neisler Mills to Horvath textile interests.

of was for many years manager of City politics, featuring the retory census job progressing; is Dixie-Home Store here. He served election of Mayor Glee A. Bridges Wright, Pearson and Hayes seek

High employment throughout Expansion of the mining industry, including opening of the new ton in Ward 1; Ford is third can-Lithium Corporation of America didate in Ward 4; Henry Neisler plant, launching of operations of named president of country club; Carolina Mines, Inc., and en- Phone service maintained as trance into the lithium field here CWA walkout continues; Bill

south of Kings Mountain. Cut-on of city natural gas ser-

The year brought its share of good deeds and bad deeds, pleasant events and tragic ones.

death of area citizens, including Ledford enters Ward 4 contest; The Kings Mountain police department distributed toys, food and clothing to 71 needy families and clothing t and four people were killed in a head-on crash on the road since Easter observance; church sersuing worthless checks and had become the Highway 29 by-pass.

church Well-known citizens removed Butler when he escaped. One of the men, Gene Allen of Spindale, has been recaptured according to vin Plonk, J. W. Layton, A. E Cline, S. S. Weir, O. T. Hayes, Sr. and Mrs. C. T. Cornwell, Former other organizations to aid the have been notified to be on the citizens claimed by death included W. F. Thomson, Mrs. J. R. Carswell, of Morganton, who es- Cline, Herbert J. Plonk, and Miss Katie Garrett.

Following is a monthly summation of the major headlines appearing in the Kings Mountain Butler has served about 30 days Herald during the pret 12

Cut on date for natural gas scheduled for January 14; 143,694 visitors sets military park record here during 1954; Lithium Corporation about ready to begin operations of new plant; J. C. Bridges installed as Kiwanis president; Majority of Kings Mountain Sition effective January 15; Harretail stores will be closed next ris, Neisler named Red Cross next Monday, January 2, in ob- chairmen; New Lithium plant beservance of a delayed New gins operations, expect annual Year's holiday, dictated by the payroll of \$1 million; First Nafact New Year's Day comes on tional Bank president sees good year in 1955; Burlie S. Peeler, Jr., date brings field to 20; Telephone All stores will be open for the named Jaycee Young Man of full day on Wednesday, however. Year for 1954; First big snowfall MAY-The retailers will resume their in years blankets Kings Mouncustomary Wednesday afternoon tain area; Central Methodist Church opens educational building; Neisler leases Double Shoals mill; Merchants elect Sam Collins president; City gas service inaugurated: Stroupe Drug to open; Many activities scheduled for benefit of polio drive; DAR Chap-Creek; Weir named acting postmaster in Kings Mountain, FEBRUARY-

Merchants may organize Industry Development firm; Kings Mountain area job total is at 18month peak; Gas customers now total 20; Dr. W. L. Pressly heads library board; Jaycees invite civic club aid for recreation; Retailers hold annual banquet; Carpenter reports city tax bills 83 per cent in before penalty date; Hendrick

city office; Negro officer wounds

Sammy Boyce following attack;

Bridges, Fulton, and Grantham

Fire levels Bethware church; JUNE-

cham is named city clerk; Dr. Some of the major events were Harbison and Dr. McMurray open ion show set; Recreation body Among the major news events asks civic clubs to accept plant expansion tasks; Gault Brothers begin new building.

Patterson and Ellison seeking The high school football team's re-election; Red Cross sets goal of yearly wages. winning of the conference cham- of \$5,220 in 1955 campaign; Tutor may ask for Blue Law vote; The Sunday movie issue. Foote Mineral to appeal trial Publication of Kings Moun- examiner's ruling in "unfair labor practice" dispute; City direcryville; Blue law matter set for and candies in addition to the May 10; Hospital addition bids to- cash bonuses. tal \$191,019; Collins opposes Fulof Basic Atomics, Inc.
Opening of the U. S. 29 by-pass Webster seeking school post; Quinn youth dies in Hawaii plane crash; Phone communications situation unchanged as strikers stay out: Kings Mountain Hospital audit for 1954 shows profit; A. W. Kincaid files for re-election; Paul Numerous accidents resulted in Lions to conduct Broom-mat sale

Kings Mountain preparing for ly vices, holidays feature celebra-Fire destroyed David's Baptist tion; City may adopt curfew ordinance; proposed law would restrict those under 16; Wright favors free curb, gutter with Powell cash; A&P building to begin soon; City thinks gas revenues for 1955-56 will total \$93,953; Salk polio vaccine to be given here April 22, 483 children to get serum; Examination for postmaster is called by civil service; Bell, Greyhound strikes effect local residents; Myers enters Ward 2 race; Mrs. Jacob P. Mauney is chairman of cancer appeal; Olland Pearson, candidate for mayor, lists platform; City board checking on legality of curfew law; Mauney Hoisery starts expansion; Ward system in school voting may be scrapped, board approves change proposal of Mrs. Lynch; Three more candidates file, contests exist for all posts at city hall; City curfew law ruled not legal: Lathem resigns recreation post; School board re-elects Barnes for two years; Air Force orders Dr. James H. Lane to duty; Dr. Nolan to join Hendricks; Doug Salley named city recreation director; Lloyd E. Davis seeks Ward 2 post, new candistrike enters 46th day. Mayorial candidates total 4 as

Still is last minute entrant: First Baptist buys Davis property Cherokee street lot is sold for \$10,000; School board candidates have no opposition; Kings Mountain cancer fund drive goes over the top; Pilot plant knitting operations will begin at Craftspun ters to unveil marker at Long Yarns: Bridges, Patterson, Ellison, Grantham re-elected; Collins upsets Fulton as Bridges is landslide victor; Bobby Early, spelling champion, is off for Washington; Ledford may ask for runoff election; Hayes is top man; Lions elect Gene Timms president; Legion elects W. D. Morrison commander; Polio vaccination program is halted; Tho mas Howard Jenkins dies of auto mobile accident injuries; Hayes Ledford vie for votes in board runoff: Merchants ready for Dol lar Day; City board holds its first meeting; School Board renames Kincaid chairman; Grover Graduation services for 16 seniors set; Guard Unit sets open house; Hayes wins Ward 4 commissioner seat; Mayor's job may be full-time; Chief Logan's fate in doubt; Kings Mountain High isters oppose movies on Sunday; George W. White first to file for School graduation to begin; Telephone strike ends workmen re-

Carolina Mines to launch operafile notices for re-election, Pear-Continued On Page Eight

starts June 1.

turn to jobs; Dog quarantine

\$45,000 Here

Kings Mountain's manufactur-ing plant operators, playing Santa Claus to their workers, put at least \$45,000 into circulation in the city last week.

Burlington's Phenix plant paid \$6,000 in holiday bonuses to its Craftspun Yarns paid bonuses

totaling \$3,000; while Sadie Mills paid a two per cent of yearly wage bonus.

Mauney Mills handed out approximately \$7,000, while Mauney Hoisery bonuses amounted to about \$8,500, and the other Mauney plant, Bonnie Mill, paid out some \$3,300. These bonuses amounted to two and four per cent Kings Mountain Manufacturing

Company employees collected some \$5,000 in holiday bonuses; while the workers at Horvath's Neisler Division plants received approximately \$7,500 plus other gifts from the owners. Many of the other plants gave gifts of turkeys, hams, blankets

75 Families Got Christmas Aid

combined efforts of the Kings Mountain Jaycees, Moose Lodge and American Legion Post church. The club convenes at 6:45. made Christmas a happier affair for 75 families this year according to a report made by K. E. Morrison. Morrison, one of the officials

in the "Buy-a-can-leave-a-can" Pete Barkley, local grocer,

matched dollar for dollar all cash week. donations received. Morrison said merchandise. Grocery stores, toy stores and

lief drive sponsoring clubs would like to operate. extend their thanks to every citi-

New Year Shooters To Be Here Dec. 31

zen in the two cities who helped

make the drive a succes

The New Year will come in ple, with a bang in Kings Mountain. Cherryville will journey to Kings of our people within the limits of Mountain this year to welcome the finances of each mill. Our

the arrival of 1956. carrying out this old German ple who contribute to its success. tradition for many years, will be here on December 31 from 11:30 1956 we will get better acquaintuntil noon. They will probably ed with each other and with our shoot on Railroad avenue, D. M. mutual problems and that each Black, one of the group's spokes- of us will earn and merit confimen, said.

Sidney A. Beam, who will soon be 83 years old, will be the speech lies a Happy, Healthy and Proscryer again this year. Uncle Sidperous New Year." ney has been crying the New Year chant for 64 years, and has W. P. Bumgardner not missed a year since 1908.

ing their old muskets and chant- Oxford.

ing a greeting to the coming year.

Kings Mountain fire depart-

ment answered one call this week to extinguish a grass fire Monday on Dilling street. | way.

Tax Listing Chore To Begin Tuesday



Grier, pastor of the ARP church and will enable all of us to disof Greenville, S. C., will address pense with the long waits which members of the Kings Mountain are sometimes necessary when Kiwanis club at their Thursday the tax lister has to go over each night meeting at Masonic Dining Hall. Dr. Grier is the former president of Erskine college and well-known in Kings Mountain, having many times filled the pulpit of Boyce Memorial ARP

Horvath Writes **Neisler Workers**

The president of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company, new owner of Neisler Mills, addressed a message to each employee last

Ernest V. Horvath wrote his that \$125 was received and that new employees in a letter accom- zens to list their personal pro-Barkley added another \$125 in panying their pre-Christmas paychecks "I think you should know more

the grammar school in both about the new owners of the Kings Mountain and Bessemer mills, People generally fear and City were coperating with the distrust things or other people three clubs in this Christmas re. that are unknown to them. I would like to tell you something Morrison added that the three about ourselves and the way we

> "I. We own and operate a number of textile mills in Maine, Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and we have been in this business for a great many years. "2. We know that no mill can be successful without the complete cooperation of all its peo-

"3. It has always been our The New Year Shooters from policy to improve the conditions added. policy has been to share the suc-These shooters, who have been cesses of the mill with the peo-"It is our sincere hope that in dence in the other. Let me wish you and your fami

Uncle Dock Shull is another Will Be Ordained

old-timer with the shooters. Uncle Dock says he has been firing be ordained as a Baptist miniswith the group for the past 63 ter at a special ordination ser- of the company's incorpor vice on Sunday afternoon at 3 will be manager of the local The Cherryville shooters travel o'clock at Oakview Baptist fice. The company will special-throughout Gaston County and its church, according to announce- ize in personal loans ranging surrounding area each year fir- ment by the pastor Rev. C. E. from \$10 to \$100, Mr. Sides said.

Rev. E. O. Gore, a former pastor of the church, will present the charge to Mr. Bumgardner, who has been called to fill the pulpit at Gamble Hill Baptist church, anew church on Gastonia high

City and county tax listing will get underway here Tuesday at City Hall, with the city having adopted a new method of tax listing designed to save time for citizens. City Tax Supervisor C. E. Carpenter said this week special tax listing forms are being mailed to both individuals and business firms. It will be possible for the

City Will Mail

Forms In Effort

To Speed Work

blanks, sign them, have them witnessed and return them to City Hall either in person, or by "We feel the new system will be of much help to many people

citizens to fill in their own

item on the long form," Mr. Carpenter stated. He said the system has been used with success in Mecklen-

burg County. Conrad Hughes, tax lister for Number 4 Township, will be at City Hall too, in order that citizens may do both listing jobs at one time.

The listing will be underway from 8:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. daily except Saturdays, throughout the month of January. On Saturdays, Mr. Hughes will be at Carley Martin's store in Grover to accommodate citizens in the Grover area.

The tax listing officials noted that state law requires all citiperty for taxes, including autos, dogs, cameras, furniture, radios, television sets, jewelry and other valuables while business firms are required to report their inventory, equipment additions, fixture additions and other as-

Realty is already on the tax books. However, transfers should be noted as should new construction, it was noted.

The law also requires that men between the ages of 21 and 50 list for poll taxes The word of the tax listing of-

ficials was, "List your property early.' "It's always hard to prevent last-minute jam-up,"

Loan Firm Plans **Opening Here**

A new loan and finance company, Local Loan and Finance Company, Inc., has amnounced plans for opening an office in Kings Mountain. The new firm will be located

at 146 Mountain street, in the building formerly occupied by Whitley Fabric Company. The exact opening date has a seen anounced, but it is exact the exact the seen anounced. William P. Bumgardner will firm will open next week Ford Sides, Jr., of Shelb

Other incorporators of the company include Mrs. G. F.

Deadline Saturday For Award Nominees

Sides and Mrs. Frances Bridges,

both of Shelby.

ber of Commerce "Young Man of The Year" award, Ed Smith, chairman of the project, said yesterday.

Mr. Smith said several nominations have already been re-

Kings Mountain's "Young Man of the Year", as chosen by a secret committee of citizens. The award will be made and announced next month.

Community Ready For Traditional Welcome To Bright New Year '56 Old Man 1955 is fast running | The year 1955 will be rememout of days, and the babe 1956 bered by local folks as one of is just around the corner.

throughout the nation, Many parties and other festivities on the local secne are scheduled. The Country Club is planning a buffet supper and party to begin at 9 p. m. December 31 and hog jowl, as well as traditional innumerable private parties are Sunday dinner fare, following

the most prosperous in the city's Festivities celebrating the new history, and high hope is being arrival are being planned held for 1956. Peace, prosperity and health will be the wishes of the day, and

many local tables will bear the traditional black-eyed peas and New Year Days church service.

Saturday will be the last day for filing nominations for the Kings Mountain Junior Cham-

The Jaycees annually honor Nominations should be filed

with Mr. Smith in person, or via mail, to Postoffice Box 109, Kings Mountain.