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Greater Kings Mountain	10,320
City Limits	7,206
The figure for Greater Kings Mountain is derived from the 1955 Kings Mountain city directory census. The City Limits figure is from the United States census of 1950.	

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Local News Bulletins

HOSPITALIZED

J. T. Malcolm, superintendent of Lambeth Rope Corp., is improving after being admitted to Kings Mountain hospital Sunday for treatment and observation.

DISMISSED

Corian Falls, Kings Mountain businessman, was dismissed from Charlotte Memorial Hospital Sunday and has returned to his residence here. Mr. Falls is reported to have recovered nicely from a chest operation, and is able to be out of bed.

TICKETS AVAILABLE

Mrs. Edith Carrigan, Union Bus station manager, said Wednesday that she has tickets for the ice hockey games in Charlotte February 13, 14, and 16. Mrs. Carrigan reported the tickets were priced at \$1.50 and \$1.75 and are reserved seats. Box seats, costing \$2 each may also be ordered.

WINDOW BROKEN

A window in the front of C. J. Gault's grocery on Piedmont avenue was broken out last Wednesday night, according to police reports. Damages, which were covered by insurance, were approximately \$135. Police say that a group of small boys were seen in the vicinity prior to the vandalism.

COURT OF HONOR

Boy Scout Court of Honor will be held at City Hall courtroom Thursday evening at 7:45. At the same hour a Cub leader's training course will be conducted at Central Methodist church. Announcements came from Piedmont Council headquarters, Gastonia.

AT GARDNER-WEBB

Arnold Bell and Jack Crouch, of Kings Mountain, are among 35 new students enrolled for the second semester at Gardner-Webb College, according to an announcement by Mrs. Dorothy W. Harrick, registrar.

METER RECEIPTS

City parking meters returned a total of \$167.60 during the week ending Wednesday at noon. On-street meters returned \$140.35, while the off-street parking lot meters returned \$27.25.

ROBERTS BETTER

James (Soup) Roberts, who recently underwent an operation at Charlotte Memorial hospital, was reported improved Wednesday. Members of his family expect him to be released from the hospital on the weekend.

Jaycees View KM-Valdese Film

Coaches Shu Carlton and John Gamble presented the films of the Kings Mountain - Valdese championship football game before the Kings Mountain Jaycees at a regular meeting Tuesday night.

President Bill Jonas reported that some 35 members were present for the meeting. A report on the District Jaycee Meeting held at Shelby Monday night was given also. Jonas reported that 22 members of the Kings Mountain club attended this meeting.

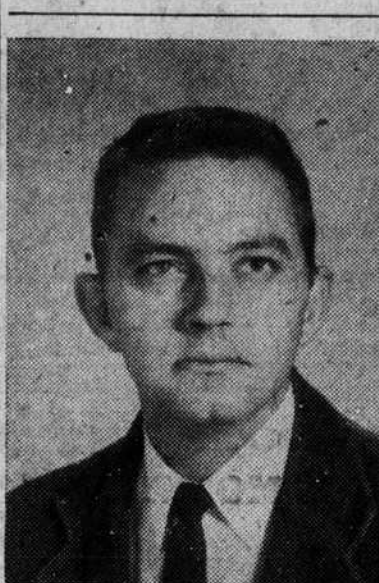
Coaches Carlton and Gamble commented on and pointed out the key plays of the championship game, which Valdese won 14-6. Carlton also reported that all of Kings Mountain's football games will be filmed next year. A movie camera and other equipment were recently purchased by the high school athletic department for this purpose.

Ash Wednesday Service Scheduled

St. Matthew's Lutheran church will begin its annual series of Lenten services Wednesday, February 15, Ash Wednesday, with an evening service at 7:30.

Dr. W. P. Gerberding, pastor, said that the rite of Holy Communion would be administered at the Ash Wednesday service and that Sunday evening services will also be held during Lent.

Annual Boy Scout Banquet Monday



NEW OFFICIAL — William F. Young, of Bessemer City, joined the staff of Home Building & Loan association on February 1. He was recently named assistant treasurer of the association.

19 Students "Straight A"

Nineteen Kings Mountain high schoolers were "Straight A" students during the first semester, according to report from Bobby Cashion, of the National Honor Society.

Fifteen students found nothing but "A" marks on their report card for the recent six-week period.

Making all "A's" for the semester were:

Ninth Grade — Peggy Black, Bobby Early, David Plonk, Martha Houser, Mickie Lynn, Don Tignor, DeWayne Caldwell, Jean Allen.

Tenth grade — Polly Page, Shirley McDaniel, Sherry Kelly, Linda Biser, Frances Williams, Norma Kay Hendrick, and Mary Frances Bridges.

Eleventh grade — Peggy Joyce Reynolds and Doris Sellers.

Twelfth grade — Peggy Gunnells.

Making all "A's" for the recent six-week term were:

Ninth grade — Peggy Black, Bobby Early, Mickie Lynn, Becky Ormand, Don Tignor, Carolyn Walker and Richard McDaniel.

Tenth grade — Sherry Kelly, Frances Williams, Norma Kay Hendrick, Diane Cansler, and Ann Falls.

Eleventh grade — Peggy Joyce Reynolds.

Twelfth grade — Peggy Gunnells and Barbara Bridges.

Safety Group Re-Elects Cansler

Luther Cansler, paymaster of Neisler Mills, has been recently re-elected to the board of directors of the Blue Ridge Safety Council.

The Council, which is sponsored by the North Carolina Industrial Commission, has as its primary purpose the promotion of safety in the industrial plants throughout its seven county area. The counties embraced by the council include Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln, Burke, Rutherford, McDowell and Polk.

Mr. Cansler has served as a director of the council for the past three years.

H. L. Parker of Marion, N. C., was elected as chairman of the organization at the recent meeting.

Jaycees Offering Stock For Sale In State Development Corporation

Kings Mountain Jaycees are offering stock this weekend in the North Carolina Business Development Corporation.

The stock sells for \$10 per share and will be used to foster new and expanded industry in North Carolina. Wilson Griffin, chairman of the sale project said.

The Jaycees through the state have agreed to sell some \$200,000 of stock in the Corporation. To date more than \$800,000 of the \$1,000,000 of stock authorized by the state charter has been sold by Governor Hodges and his staff.

The million dollars, in combination with other funds that can be secured from members of the Corporation (up to \$10 million) would raise the per capita income

Boyles To Speak At Father-Son BSA Event

Alfred Boyles, publicity director of "Horn in the West," will make the principal address at the annual father-and-son Boy Scout banquet Monday night.

The annual banquet for the Kings Mountain district will be held at the Woman's club, beginning at 7 o'clock.

Tickets are now on sale at \$2, entitling the purchaser to a dinner for himself and his son or another boy.

Mr. Boyles will speak on "The Scoutmaster." He is himself a

FUND DRIVE

The annual Kings Mountain district Boy Scout fund campaign will begin Tuesday morning, following Monday night's father-and-son banquet. Drace M. Peeler, chairman, said yesterday. Goal of the fund drive is \$2,000.

former Scoutmaster.

Other participants on the program will be Charles K. Bryant, of Gastonia, president of the Piedmont council, who will bring greetings from the council; Aubrey Mauney, district commissioner, who will discuss "Out Scouting Record;" Drace M. Peeler, finance chairman, who will discuss the current financial campaign for the district; and Rev. James B. McLarty, who will outline the new four-year Scouting program "Onward for God and My Country."

Eagle Scout Jimmy Blanton will lead the group in repeating the Scout Oath and in the Scout Benediction. Rev. P. D. Patrick will give the invocation.

Booth W. Gillespie is chairman of the Kings Mountain district.

22 From Here In Band Clinic

Twenty-two members of the Kings Mountain school band will participate in a band clinic Thursday under the direction of James C. Harper, famed Lenoir bandmaster.

The Kings Mountain musicians will join others from Shelby, Cherryville and Gardner-Webb college in the all-day clinic at Shelby high school auditorium. After the all-day work session, Kings Mountain director Joe Hedden said, the 75-piece band from the four schools will present a concert at 8 p. m.

Attending from Kings Mountain will be Flen Mauney, Billie Mabry, Mason Hughes, Rose Malcolm, Judy Early, Mary Freeman, Louise Owens, Georgianna Moss, Edward Blanton, Bill Sanders, Carol Barber, Larry Carpenter, Louis Crawford, John Ruddsill, Roger Blackwell, Gary Joy, Mac Lennon, Jim Pressly, Kenneth Roberts, Charles Blanton, Don Hord, and Nick Smith.

Clinician Harper is the veteran director of the Lenoir school band, which has copied many national championships. The Lenoir band has won top ratings in North Carolina music contests since 1933. He is currently president of the American Bandmasters association.

ON DEAN'S LIST

Miss Sarah Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Jackson, is among 30 students on the first semester dean's list at Montreal college where she is a member of the senior class.



SAFETY AWARD — Neil O. Johnson, Foote Mineral Company's Kings Mountain plant manager, left, is shown accepting a safety plaque from T. P. Hensler, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company safety engineer, denoting 500,000 accident-free operating hours at the local plant. Both men were high in their praise of Foote employees for establishing this fine safety record, and Hensler complimented the company for its increasing work in the field of safety.

Foote Gets Award For Safety Record

The Kings Mountain plant passed a safety milestone Friday when T. P. Hensler, safety engineer for Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, presented Neil O. Johnson, plant manager, with a plaque signifying 500,000 accident-free man hours.

Mr. Johnson in accepting the award said, "This is an outstanding record and one we can all be proud of. By comparison, in 1954, we had 22 lost-time accidents, which cost those injured approximately \$3,000 in lost earnings for their families. I should like to point out, however, that this award is just one step toward our goal for further achievements. It is our objective to receive a plaque for 1,000,000 man-hours of safe operations at this time next year."

Auto Tag Deadline Is Next Wednesday

With next Wednesday the deadline for showing out-of-date city auto licenses, city officials anticipate a rush of tag buying this weekend.

Assistant City Clerk Joe McDaniel said 686 tags had been sold through Tuesday, far short of the estimated 1200 vehicles owned by in-city residents.

The tags cost \$1. Penalty is provided for failure to purchase and display the tags by the February 15 deadline, also the final day for using 1955 North Carolina license plates.

Mr. McDaniel said police would begin tagging cars for failure to show new license immediately after the deadline.

Honor Society Inducts Four

The Kings Mountain Chapter of the National Honor Society inducted four seniors as members of the Chapter on Wednesday, February 1, 1956.

Those inducted were Kathryn Ware, Jackie Arnette, Derice Weir, and George Harris.

The requirements for membership into this society are ranking scholastically in the upper third of the class for the entire high school career; having an A average on conduct with no grade lower than B; and being favorably rated by at least half of the society members, and four of the faculty members on character, service, and leadership.

Other society members are Bob Cashion, Gary Allran, Flen Mauney, Harold Jackson, Butch Houser, Donna Cheatham, and Carolyn Brown.

Scouter To Speak To Kiwanis Club

Dr. Roswell C. Long of Charlotte will be the guest speaker at the regular weekly meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club Thursday night at 6:45.

Dr. Long will speak on "Forward to God and Country." The speaker has been associated with Scouting for many years, and is the holder of Scouting's highest award, the Silver Beaver Award. Dr. Long has been active in the Blue Ridge Scouting Council, and is very well known to Scouters throughout this area of the state.

Special guests for this Boy Scout Week program will be the Scout Masters of the various Kings Mountain troops.

MAUNEY IMPROVED

D. C. Mauney, who is a patient at Charlotte Memorial hospital, was reported improved this week. Mr. Mauney suffered a wrenched back about two weeks ago.

William Ford Assumes Duties As Neisler General Manager

Board Defers Electric Rate Action For Study

The board of city commissioners postponed, for investigation and report, discussion on electrical rates at last week's regular monthly session.

Otherwise, the commissioners adopted a ordinance to penalize parents of children who shoot air rifles in business and residential areas, returned George Thomason the vacant post of recorder's court solicitor, and ordered the city's tax operator permit law enforced with Chief of Police W. A. Logan, Jr., named inspector.

Mr. Thomason went back to the recorder's court job Monday on a fee basis. He will be paid \$3.50 per guilty verdict. Minimum costs of court will be \$18.10. Several months ago the board vacated the position on the grounds it did not have sufficient funds to pay a salary. At the time, the late Commissioner O. T. Hayes objected to the fee basis employment of a solicitor.

Air rifle restrictions were suggested by Mayor Glee A. Bridges, who told the board that all the window panes at the Deal street swimming pool were out and that many complaints had been received by him and by city police of mayhem caused by air rifle shooting. Under terms of the ordinance, a child's parents will be subject to a fine of \$5, plus court costs, if his child violates the ordinance.

The taxi operator permit law requires cab operators in the city to obtain a permit to drive a cab within Kings Mountain. In turn, his permit, when issued, is required to be displayed in his cab. Chief Logan said the city taxi operators favored enforcement of the law.

Mayor Bridges named Commissioners Sam Collins and W. G. Grantham and City Clerk Gene Mitcham and/or Assistant Clerk Joe McDaniel to make a study of electrical rates, particularly as they affect commercial customers. The Mayor has contended some commercial customers are buying power from the city below cost. The committee is to report at a subsequent board session.

The board voted to install a



NEISLER MANAGER — William (Bill) Ford, of Chapel Hill, assumed the duties of general manager of Neisler Mills division of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company on Monday.

Webb To Head Duke Fund Drive

DURHAM—R. Halbert Webb of 402 W. Mountain st., Kings Mountain has been appointed to head the annual campaign for funds for Duke University in the Kings Mountain area.

This will be one of more than 200 similar campaigns to be conducted throughout the United States, beginning February 10, in areas where former Duke students live in concentrated numbers. It is part of the annual Loyalty Fund drive, through which the University's alumni give each year for the general support of the University.

In announcing the appointment of Mr. Webb, Duke President Hollis Edens stated: "The financial needs of Duke, as is the case with almost every privately supported college and university in America, are constantly pressing. Unrestricted funds are needed, not simply to sustain existence, but to assure the highest quality in our educational activities. Alumni and friends, through the annual giving program, must be relied upon to supply these funds, and the importance of their endeavors in this connection can hardly be over-estimated."

Mrs. Ford is a native of Chapel Hill. They have four children, Gail, 13, Billy, 11, Michael, 5, and Horace, 2.

The Fords expect to establish residence here after the close of the present school term, Mr. Ford said.

Dimes Campaign Far Below Quota

Charles Dixon, co-chairman of the Kings Mountain March of Dimes campaign, reported Wednesday that the fund drive is lagging far behind the \$5,000 quota.

Dixon said that only \$2,550 of the quota had been raised through Wednesday morning, and that the Kiwanis Club radio auction to be held Wednesday afternoon was the only large project remaining on the campaign list.

The co-chairman is also asking that anyone who has not turned in their donations, call 419 and he will see that the money is picked up. Dixon added that the campaign will be closed out this week.

Ware President Of ARP Men's Group

M. A. Ware was elected president and N. F. McGill program chairman of Boyce Memorial ARP Men of the Church at their Monday night meeting.

The supper session was in honor of the church choir, Martin Harmon stated appreciation of the group for the work of the choir and Mrs. N. F. McGill, choir director and organist, stated her appreciation for the support of the men's group.

Following dinner, the group saw a film "Strange Gods of India," presented by John Cheshire.

Neisler Joins Concord Firm

Henry P. Neisler has accepted a position with Randolph Mills, of Concord. He assumed his new duties February 1.

Mr. Neisler is in charge of fabric developing and designing at the Concord firm, duties similar to those he has managed at Neisler Mills here.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Neisler, Sr., he is a graduate of Davidson college, class of 1949. He is president of Kings Mountain Country Club.

Mr. Neisler expects to continue to maintain his residence here.

ASC MEETING

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Congressional Candidates Oiling Machinery For Primary Campaign

Political activity in the 11th Congressional district race for the Democratic nomination was slight outwardly during the past week, with exception of statement by Judge J. Will Pless, of Marion, that he won't be a candidate.

Meantime, Ralph W. Gardner, of Shelby, came home from Washington to occupy a house and open campaign headquarters, and Hugh Wells, also of Shelby, placed advertising in newspapers of the county to promote his candidacy.

Local level Democratic primary tickets will be short. Democrats will nominate five county commissioners register of deeds, a state representative and state senator, and five county school board members. Kings Mountain township citizens will nominate magistrates and a constable.

All the incumbents are expected to seek re-election.

The primary will be conducted on May 26.

Kings Mountain B & L Meeting Is Tuesday

Annual meeting of stockholders of Kings Mountain Building & Loan association will be held at the office of the association Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, according to an announcement by Ben H. Bridges, secretary-treasurer.

Stockholders will elect directors for the coming year, will hear reports of officers on 1955 operations and conduct other business as may be required.

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