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### Population

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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## College Students Receiving Degrees

### Kings Mountain Has Many Names On Diploma Lists

A large number of Kings Mountain college students are completing undergraduate work and junior college courses at colleges throughout the nation this week.

Among them: Mrs. Andy Passamani, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul A. Lancaster, will receive the bachelor of science degree in commerce Sunday from Winthrop college where she was an honor student and a member of Beta Alpha and Kappa Delta Pi honorary fraternities. She completed undergraduate work in July 1955 and began teaching in Clevenger Business college at Sumter. She is employed by Shaw Air Force Base at Sumter, S. C. Mrs. Passamani is the former Miss Bette Lancaster.

Miss Sarah Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Jackson, received the bachelor of science degree in business education from Montreat college Monday where she was a member of the college chorus, on the staff of the "Sun Dial," college yearbook, a class officer, on the dean's list, and active in other campus activities.

Miss Jane Ormand, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ormand, was graduated from Lees-McRae Junior college Monday. She was a member of the Young Democrats club, the Sullivian sorority, the Ontario staff, the girl's basketball team, the Christian council, the Bobcat Tales staff, Phi Theta Kappa, and the women's athletic association.

Don McCarter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar McCarter, who graduated from Lees-McRae Junior college, was president of the student body, member of the Green and Gold Masquers, the Monogram club, football team, Delta Psi Omega fraternity, the Christian council, Phi Theta Kappa fraternity, the Demosthenians, the choir, the student-faculty se-

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**PRINCIPALS IN CLOSE RACE** — Basil Whitener, left, trailed Ralph Gardner by 428 votes in latest returns from last Saturday's 11th district Congressional race. Gardner failed to attain a clear majority. Whitener has the choice of decision to call for a second primary. He has until five days after the June 6 official canvass of the votes to reach a decision. Final totals gathered by the Associated Press show Gardner had 19,654. Whitener had 19,226, and Hugh Wells 4,013 in the seven-county district.

## Gardner Margin Said 428 Votes

### Basil Whitener Pondering Call For Runoff Race

Runner-ups in statewide and district primary contests will have until five days after June 6 to call for a second primary. State Board of Elections Chairman Raymond Maxwell told the Kings Mountain Herald by telephone Wednesday afternoon.

However, Mr. Maxwell added, no state office runner-up should await the deadline, due to the virtual physical impossibility of printing and distributing ballots to the 100 county election boards.

Local interest in the second primary conjecture hinges principally on the prospects of a June 23 run-off for the 11th district Congressional seat being vacated by Rep. Woodrow W. Vines.

According to the Shelby Star

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## Early, Miss Arnette, Mauney Win Honors; 74 Seniors Get Diplomas

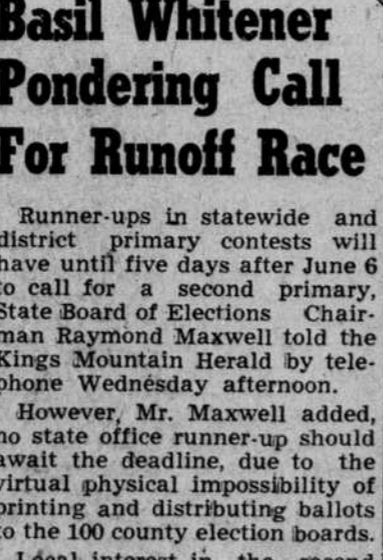
Robert Early, Jacqueline Arnette, and Flem Mauney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mauney, Baush & Lomb Honorary science award and national merit scholarship corporation, certificate of merit.

Jacqueline Arnette, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Arnette, Kiwanis citizenship medal and Danforth award.

William Greene, son of Mrs. Ruby Greene, Davis declamation medal.

Robert Early, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Early, First National Bank spelling medal and Plonk

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**TO FILL PULPIT** — Demouth Blanton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Blanton, will fill the pulpit at morning services Sunday at First Baptist church. Mr. Blanton is in the pastoral care department of Baptist hospital, Winston-Salem, and will return to Southeastern seminary next fall to continue study toward a degree in theology.

### City's Dirt Streets Now Getting Oiled

Mayor Glee A. Bridges announced Wednesday that oiling work on all of the city's dirt streets should be completed today. This work was started last week.

Mayor Bridges added that only one coat of oil has been authorized by the city board of commissioners, and that the streets should not be used until the oil is dry. Using the streets before they are dry will cut the effectiveness of the oil he said.

The largest portion of the oiling was done in the Linwood and Crescent Hills sections of the city.

## Democrats Favor Incumbents; Huffstetler Constable Victor

### Carpenter's Tax And Court Books In Order

Accounts of the City Tax Collector and Recorder's Court Clerk Clarence E. Carpenter were in good order, auditors for A. M. Pullen & Company, of Charlotte, told the city board of commissioners at a special session May 23.

The accounting firm was reporting on an interim audit of these accounts for the current fiscal year through April 15, covering the period Mr. Carpenter, now on leave of absence, handled the work of these two offices this year.

The accountants reported that the recorder's court accounts "balanced to the penny" and reported that an average of \$14.67 in the tax office accounts.

Auditor Hewitt noted, "It is possible I could have made a mistake in my adding machine entries, but I would not advise spending the money to recheck all those figures."

Mr. Carpenter was present for the session, which also found the auditors criticizing heavily the city court's "credit" system on collection of fines and court costs.

Mr. Carpenter remarked, "I never liked the credit system, but the judge has authority to authorize it in any individual case."

Auditor Hewitt suggested the commissioners confer with Judge Jack White to see if this "credit system" could be eliminated. Board members and Police Chief Hugh Logan, Jr. were dubious. The city's jail space is limited and not designed to house prisoners for long stopovers.

In other discussion concerning the interim audit, the Pullen auditors recommended several procedural changes in maintaining tax office records which were approved by the commissioners. Particularly, the board changed procedure with reference to "back taxes." Taxes more than three years old will be labeled "back taxes," and record-keeping on these accounts consolidated. The auditors said it would be a better system and would save auditing expenses. In addition, the board instructed the Mayor (at his request) to push collection of these old accounts.

### EARLY COMMUNION

St. Matthew's Lutheran church will hold a special Communion Service at 9 o'clock Sunday morning, especially arranged for those who were unable to attend last Sunday, particularly college students and parents.

## Principal's Post Resigned By Lane

### Central Official Plans To Study For Ministry

Rowell Lane, Central School principal for the past eight years, is resigning his position to enter a Baptist Seminary this fall.

Mr. Lane revealed these plans in an interview Wednesday morning. He had notified the City School Board of his resignation plans by letter Tuesday.

The letter to the school board had not expressed the reason for Mr. Lane's resignation, and the board members accepted the resignation reluctantly.

Mr. Lane said Wednesday that he had been pondering his decision for 25 years and had almost resigned two years ago for the same reason.

He added that the 1955-56 school term was the best school year he had experienced since his return to the teaching profession following World War II. He expressed his gratitude to Supt. B. N. Barnes, the school board members, and to the students for their fine cooperation during his stay here.

A native of Bostic, Mr. Lane graduated with a B. S. degree from Wake Forest College in 1937. He returned to Wake Forest



**RESIGNS** — Rowell Lane, Central School principal, announced Wednesday that he is resigning this position to enter a Baptist Seminary next fall. Lane has served as principal of the local school for the past eight years.

in 1948 to obtain his MA degree. He came to Kings Mountain from Marion High School in 1948, succeeding J. E. Huneycutt as principal of Central School.

He is a veteran of World War II, having served four years and eight months in the U. S. Air

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## Edwin Moore, Bumgardner Renominated

Cleveland County Democrats liked its current governing bodies and officials, they showed Saturday, as they handed incumbents clear-cut majorities in the Democratic primary.

In addition, the county's Democrats honored the same long familiar, as they gave Ralph Gardner, son of the late governor, a large majority over both his two opponents for the 11th District Congressional nomination. Hugh Wells, also of Cleveland, placed second, and Basil Whitener, the Gaston entry ran third.

In Number 4 Township, Incumbent Constable C. A. (Gus) Huffstetler spreadeagled a field of seven candidates to win renomination by a clear majority.

Elections Board Chairman J. W. Osborne said the primary action on Saturday was marked by peace and quiet. When the board sat Tuesday morning for the official canvass, it received no complaints. There were only minor corrections to the unofficial returns gathered Saturday night.

The county's Democrats renominated Hazel B. Bumgardner of Kings Mountain, Zeb V. Cline of Shelby, and John D. White, route 1, Lawndale, as candidates for county commissioner. All posted reasonably easy victories.

In District 1, Cline defeated George V. Leukhardt 6367 to 2210. Bumgardner defeated J. D. Harmon, in District 2, by 5233 to 3029, and in District 4, White defeated B. P. Jenkins, Sr., 4652 to 3375. Voting for commissioner was county-wide for the first time since 1950.

Register of Deeds Dan W. Moore withstood the challenge of Wilbur W. Wright, 5837 to 3035, and all five incumbents of the county board of education were renominated. The unofficial vote totals were: B. Austell, 6474; Edwin Moore (of Kings Mountain) 5913; C. D. Forney, Jr., 5710; Walter Davis, 5709; and W. H. (Coot) Lutz, 5632. The lone challenger Dr. Richard Maybin trailed at 5017.

In No. 5 Township at Waco, Joe R. Barrett posted 124 votes for constable, against runner-up Lemuel Beattie's 94. Jack R. Page had 40, giving Beattie the opportunity to ask for a run-off, which he must do by Monday.

### STATE TICKET

As they did in county races, Cleveland Democrats liked the incumbents for state office nominations. Governor Luther Hodges swamped three other opponents here as he did in state-wide balloting. L. Y. Ballentine, for Commissioner of Agriculture, Charles G. Gold, for Insurance Commissioner, and Senator Sam J. Ervin.

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## Funds Sought For Library Books; Library Tag Sale To Be Saturday

Saturday will be "Library Tag Day" in Kings Mountain.

Similar to poppy sales by the American Legion and the Lions club's White Cane sale, the fund-raising effort will find Kings Mountain Girl Scouts inviting citizens to purchase a library "tag" for any amount the donors wish to pay. Proceeds will go to the Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library Book Fund.

Mrs. W. L. Mauney, in charge of the Tag Day sale, said that Kings Mountain's library is sorely short of books in view of the city's population and 1955's heavy circulation total of 20,771.

The library numbers among its stacks only 5,000 volumes of all kinds of books, including encyclopedias and other reference works.

Mrs. Mauney noted that the city's 1955 population was over

10,000 and added that total circulation of books in 1955 included 7500 among children.

"Only \$200 was spent for new books in 1955, which does not compare to the needs," Mrs. Mauney stated.

The library operates on a small budget. It receives \$1200 annually (which takes care of salary requirements), from the city and county governments and another \$300 income from teacherage rentals. Book money must be derived from outside sources, Mrs. Mauney said.

She said the library board hopes to net at least \$500 in Saturday's tag sale.

Jacob S. Mauney Library was given to the city in 1947 by children of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jacob S. Mauney.