

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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Some Phone Rates May Be Pared

Southern Bell Seeks To Broaden Base Perimeters

Some Kings Mountain and Grover telephone customers will get rate reductions if the North Carolina Utilities commission approves a current rate revision request of Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company.

According to announcement Tuesday by J. M. Wasson, vice-president and general manager, Southern Bell will expand its "basic rate area" in many communities, which will reduce mileage charges now assessed customers outside the particular exchange's base perimeter.

Southern Bell currently makes a mileage charge of 10 cents per month for each quarter-mile, or portion thereof outside the base perimeter.

In 1954, Southern Bell posted with the North Carolina Utilities commission a schedule in which rates were based on number of toll-free telephones serving a particular exchange. Now in category III, Kings Mountain nor Grover would jump to higher-rate Category IV until more telephones are added. E. F. Farris, Kings Mountain manager said.

Shelby would be in a new category, he said.

Utilities commission approval is required on the proposal, he added.

Mr. Farris said the only customers in Kings Mountain or Grover who would find their bills increased would be those who had paid less mileage charges (through measurement area) than they should have been paying. He said about 400 customers to the two exchanges would have mileage charges eliminated altogether, while some 647 would realize reductions, varying according to their location.

In addition to toll-free in-city service, Kings Mountain customers have free service to Shelby, Grover and Bessemer City. The Kings Mountain exchange lists approximately 2700 telephones.

In Cleveland County, Mr. Wasson reported, telephones in service increased by 281 percent from 1950 to 1955. The increase from 1955 to 1957 was another 20 percent.

Mr. Farris said gross receipts of the Kings Mountain exchange, including federal excise taxes, varies between \$17,000 and \$23,000 per month.

Legion To Elect On Friday Night

Annual election of officers of Otis D. Green Post 153, American Legion, will be conducted Friday night at the regular monthly meeting at the Legion Building.

Contests are involved only for commander and for membership on the five-man executive committee.

Commander Ray Cline and John Gladden are on the ballot for commander. Mr. Cline is completing his first term in the office.

For the executive committee, the official ballot lists ten candidates, including James Alexander, Wilbur (Mutt) Smith, Dick McGinnis, Bryant Wells, Carl Wiesener, Ross Alexander, Otter (Toby) Williams, Nelson Ledbetter, Hubert Aderholdt and Ray Sisk.

Nominees unopposed include: Eugene Gibson, first vice-commander; W. D. Morrison, second vice-commander; James Bennett, finance officer and adjutant; Wilbur Roark, sergeant-at-arms; Charles T. Carpenter, Jr., historian; and William Plonk, chaplain.

Study Course Set By Baptist Groups

A city-wide study course for Bible School workers in the Baptist churches will be held at First Baptist church on the evening of May 5, 8, 12, and 15.

The two-hour course will be held from 7 o'clock until 9 o'clock p. m. beginning Monday night, May 5, Mrs. Howard Ware announced.

It has been announced that the nursery will be open. Teachers in the various departments are Rev. Carl Greene, superintendents and secretaries; Mrs. W. B. Logan, intermediates; Mrs. Edwin Bobo, juniors; Mrs. Clarence Smith, primaries; Mrs. Carl Greene, beginners; and Mrs. Bill Hullender, nursery.

Registration Books To Open Saturday For May 31 Voting

Registration Pre-Requisite To Casting Vote

Registration books for the May 31 Democratic primary will open Saturday.

New registration is not required, but all persons who expect to vote in the county primary must be registered. Particularly interested in registering will be persons who have attained the legal voting age of 21 and citizens who have moved into the county since the November 1956 general election.

Persons who have changed residences within the county should transfer their registrations to the precincts in which they now reside.

County Elections Board Chairman Joe Mull said that the 28 registrars will be at the respective precinct polling places from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Saturday and for the subsequent two Saturdays, May 24 will be challenge day.

The following registrars will serve at area precincts: East Kings Mountain (City Hall courtroom) Mrs. Nell Crawford.

West Kings Mountain (Victory Chevrolet Company) Mrs. J. H. Arthur.

Bethware (Bethware school) Mrs. H. A. Goforth.

Grover (Grover fire station) Mrs. J. B. Ellis.

Waco, George Murray.

Carroll Died Of Hemorrhage

James Wardell Carroll, 38-year old Negro and a Foote Mineral Company employee, died last Friday of natural causes, not because of drinking poison liquor.

Coroner J. Ollie Harris said autopsy by Dr. C. Russell, Cleveland Memorial hospital pathologist, revealed that death was due to a cerebral hemorrhage.

Carroll died at his Tracy street residence after friends had brought him home. He had worked at his regular job Friday.

Funeral rites were conducted Tuesday at Mt. Zion Baptist church, where Carroll was a member, with burial at Bynum's Chapel church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mattie McGill Carroll, his mother, Mrs. Geneva Carroll, four daughters, Willette, Carolyn, Hazel, and Helen Carroll, three brothers, William Carroll, Kings Mountain, Henry and Thomas Carroll, both of Salisbury, and five sisters, Mrs. Lucille Dargan, Charlotte, Mrs. Odessa Coleman and Mrs. Catherine Jordan, both of Milwaukee, Wis., Mrs. Ollie Mae Gardner and Miss Marie Carroll, both of Kings Mountain.

Gill & Brown Funeral Home was in charge of funeral arrangements.

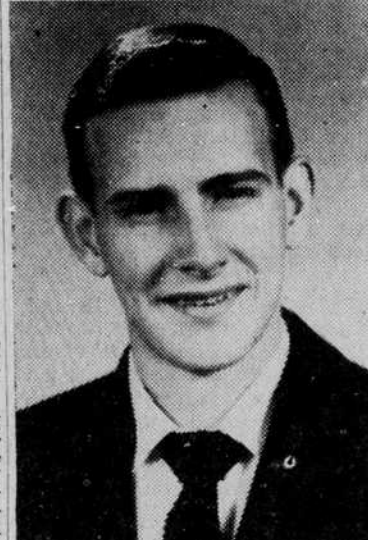
Fun, Frolic, Comedy, And Music Will Feature Jaycee Minstrels

Kings Mountain Jaycees will stage Jaycee Minstrels of 1958 Friday and Saturday evenings at Central school auditorium. Both performances will begin at 8 p. m.

D. D. (Salty) Saunders, chairman of the Jaycee committee in charge of the production, said the upcoming blackface minstrel show is shaping nicely. Full rehearsals were scheduled for Wednesday night and again on Thursday night.

Profits from the production will be given to the city schools band. Stars of the 1958 minstrel will be Edmond Charles E. Dixon, Otis Falls, Jr., Yates Harbison, Jim Lybrand, Joe Bill Cornwell, Raymond (Whistle) Goforth, and Luo Falls. I. Ben Goforth, Jr., will serve as interlocutor.

Specialty acts will include a Charleston dance number from "the roaring twenties". Musical specialties will include



WINS SCHOLARSHIP — Wayne Mayhue, Kings Mountain high school senior, has been awarded a \$3,000 college scholarship by Firestone Textiles, Inc. He expects to enroll at N. C. State College.

Mayhue Wins Scholarship

Wayne Mayhue, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pink Mayhue of 820 Cleveland Avenue, has been awarded an A. G. Myers scholarship for \$3,000 by Textiles, Inc. of Gastonia, where his mother is an employee.

The scholarships are presented annually to children of employees by the company.

Mayhue, a senior at Kings Mountain high school, plans to attend State college next year. He was a marshal at graduation exercises last year, an honor awarded for scholastic achievement. He also attained Eagle Scout rank, the highest rank in boy scouting.

May Fellowship Service Friday

Kings Mountain's community-wide May Fellowship Day program will be held Friday night at 7:30 p. m. at Resurrection Lutheran church.

The annual observance is sponsored by the Kings Mountain Council of United Churchwomen, an interdenominational organization of women representing all churches in the community.

Showing of the film, "A Place to Live" by Rev. Douglas Fritz, and presentation of special music by the children's choir of Resurrection church will feature the program. Mrs. Robert Rosberg is program chairman and other members of the program arrangements committee are Mrs. Charles Ballance, Mrs. Earl Ledford, and Mrs. Doris Bennett.

Mrs. Earl Ledford will conduct a brief devotional prior to the showing of the film.

A fellowship hour will follow the program which is expected to be attended by a large number of citizens representing virtually all churches in the community.

Other programs sponsored annually by the local council of churchwomen are World Day of Prayer and World Community Day.

Music Week Programs Set

Kings Mountain city schools musicians will observe National Music week, May 4-10, with a series of programs and radio broadcasts.

Charles Ballance, city schools band director, said this week.

The broadcasts, to be made via Station WKMT will include: Monday, 5:05 to 5:30 p. m., music by the high school mixed chorus.

Wednesday, 5:05 to 5:30 p. m., music by piano pupils of Mrs. Martha Harmon and Mrs. Musa Marto.

Friday, May 9, 5:05 to 5:30 p. m., concert by the city schools band.

On Tuesday night, the band will present its annual spring concert at Central auditorium, and on May 9, Mrs. Harmon's pupils will be presented in annual spring recital.

701 Persons In This Area Seeking Work

The Kings Mountain branch of the North Carolina Employment service remained one of Kings Mountain's busiest "businesses" during the past month.

Manager Franklin L. Ware, Jr., said the Kings Mountain branch office report for the month ending April 25 showed that 701 persons are actively seeking work, upped by 117 new applications during the period.

He reported total weeks of unemployment compensation claims at 2,393, for an average of approximately 598 per week.

He said approximately 30 persons exhausted their 26-week unemployment pay benefits during April.

The branch office filled 29 of 35 job openings reported during the four weeks.

Currently, the branch is serving two "spot points," which occur when as many as 20 employees of a firm are temporarily laid off. The two "spot points" are at Pauline plant of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company and at Slater Brothers. Slater Brothers has been operating for several weeks on a week-on, week-off basis.

Lions Continue Broom Sale

The Kings Mountain Lions club's annual broom sale for benefit of the blind will continue through Saturday.

Richard Barnett, co-chairman of the civic club's project, said Wednesday, "The sale has met with a good response and we hope to post the sold-out tag by Saturday."

He reported sale thus far of some 45 dozen household brooms, in addition to a quantity of commercial-type brooms and whisk brooms.

Mr. Barnett said some members of the sale committee found it impossible to handle their house-to-house sales assignments last weekend and would complete them this weekend. He also said members of the club will vend the brooms on the business district streets during the weekend.

"This year's broom is improved in quality and is a good buy at \$1.50," Mr. Barnett commented.

The whisk brooms sell for 75 cents.

Profits from the brooms — all manufactured by blind persons at Industries for the Blind in Greensboro — are used by the Lions club here to aid the blind and others with defective vision.

Chairman Barnett asked all club members to complete their work and balance accounts for brooms not later than Monday.

Church Plans Budget Slash

First Baptist church deacons have proposed a 27 percent slash in the church budget for the current fiscal year. The total recommended reduction on the \$78,968 budget is \$29,445.

Mimeographed copies of the recommended changes were mailed to church members this week.

Cuts are recommended in each of the four budget divisions, including paring of the missions budget from \$20,354 to \$15,657; the administrative budget from \$20,309 to \$13,701; the operational budget from \$13,305 to \$10,165; and the building fund budget from \$25,000 to \$10,000.

Mission cuts would reduce the anticipated \$1,500 contribution to Gardner-Webb college to \$750 and would wipe out anticipated contributions of \$250 each to Mars Hill and Wake Forest colleges.

Myers' Dress Shop To Close Saturday

Myers' Dress Shop, the second floor ready-to-wear department of Myers' Department Store, will close at the end of business Saturday, Mrs. O. W. Myers announced this week.

The main floor department will continue in operation, with Mrs. Tom Trotter, ready-to-wear department saleslady, joined the main floor sales force.

O. W. Myers, owner of the firm, announced in January the firm would liquidate its inventory and close. He said the main floor operation would continue "a few more weeks."

Myers' Department Store has been a leading business citizen of Kings Mountain for the past 20 years.

Hospital Auxiliary Elects Officers

Service Awards Are Presented 20 Pink Ladies

Volunteer hospital workers received service awards from Kings Mountain Hospital Auxiliary at the annual meeting of the women's organization Tuesday.

The auxiliary also heard committee reports and elected new officers, including Mrs. W. L. Mauney, president; Mrs. W. P. Gerberding and Mrs. J. B. Keeter, co-chairmen of the pink ladies division; Mrs. Carl Mayes, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Arthur Sprouse, recording secretary-treasurer.

In the president's report, Mrs. Carl Mayes pointed out that 78 members of the pink ladies division of the auxiliary serve regularly at the hospital and have volunteered a total of 12,100 hours duty since the group's organization in May 1956. Pink lady co-chairmen Mrs. W. G. Grantham and Mrs. Howard Jackson announced eight awards to women for first 100 hours duty, eight awards for first chevrons (200) and two awards to women who won their second chevron (denoting 300 hours service).

Mrs. S. T. Cooke, chairman in the Negro division of the auxiliary, reported that her group had volunteered a total of 2,500 hours duty at the hospital.

Grady Howard, Kings Mountain hospital business manager, announced winners of pins including Mrs. J. P. Cook, 124 hours; Mrs. Ben T. Goforth, 110 hours; Mrs. Ralph Goforth, 125 hours; Mrs. J. T. McGinnis, Jr., 115 hours; Mrs. David Mauney, 105 hours; Mrs. Iva Lee Pearson, 100 hours; Mrs. Wilhelmina Sprouse, 127 hours. First chevron awards went to Mrs. Fay Bennett, 201; Miss Naomi Edens, 202; Mrs. W. P. Gerberding, 243; Mrs. L. Ar-

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Vote-Seekers Beginning To Stir; County Primary Only Month Away

Activity among candidates for Democratic nominations to county offices is expected to increase this weekend, as registration books open for the month-distant primary.

Already, campaign literature, including window placards and personal cards, are beginning to appear in public places and some candidates are already making the rounds toward getting acquainted personally with as many voters as possible.

Particular attention this voting season is focused on contests for the board of county commissioners, where four incumbent commissioners face challengers, on the three-man race for the House of Representatives nomination, and on the two-person for county treasurer.

All these primary contests are county-wide, meaning that all Democratic voters have the opportunity of helping to decide them.

Prime interest in the Kings Mountain area is devoted to the District II county commission contest, where Carl P. Finger, the incumbent, is opposed by J. Broadus Ellis, Grover businessman, and A. Barnett, Waco contractor-farmer. Thus far, the campaigning has been quiet, though Mr. Barnett has made at least two visits to Kings Mountain in pursuit of votes.

Another county-wide race finds George B. Thorasson, Kings Mountain lawyer and solicitor of city recorder's court, vying with Jack Palmer, Jr., Shelby mortician, and Earnest A. Gardner, Shelby lawyer and former House member, for the House of Representatives nomination, and on the two-person for county treasurer.

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Local News Bulletins

NO COURT

Judge Jack White's inability to attend City Recorder's Court Monday caused the session to be postponed until next Monday in City Hall courtroom. Judge White was involved in legal proceedings in Shelby.

CAKE SALE

A cake sale at Phifer's Hardware will be sponsored Saturday morning by the Young People's organization of Boyce Memorial ARP church beginning at 8:30 a. m. The money earned by the project is earmarked for summer camp expenses.

JOINS DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT

Meek A. Carpenter, formerly plant chemist at Foote Mineral Company here, has assumed the duties of process engineer at Douglas Aircraft Company's Charlotte division. The Carpenters have moved to Charlotte, where they live at 152 Perrin Place.

LOW BIDDER

Propst Construction Company, of Concord, was low bidder at \$758,326.38 for grading and paving of U. S. 74 between Kings Mountain and Shelby and Crouch Brothers, of Mooresville, was low bidder for moving of buildings at \$17,538. It was announced Tuesday by the North Carolina Highway commission. The low bids are to be reviewed by the commission next week.

BOARD MEETING

The city board of commissioners will meet at 8 o'clock Thursday night at City Hall to open bids previously invited for water pipe to serve the new industrial plant being built on Waco Road. Mayor Glee A. Bridges said bids have been invited for both asbestos-cement pipe and cast iron pipe in diameters of 10 and 12 inches.

MAY DAY PROGRAM

The North Elementary school fifth grade class of Miss Margaret Goforth will present a May Day program in the school auditorium May 7 at 1 o'clock. Parents and friends of students are invited to attend.

KIWANIS CLUB

Tyree W. McIntosh, Jr., of Gastonia, representative of Akers Motor Lines, will speak on "Safety-A Frame of Mind" at the regular Thursday night meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club Thursday night at 6:45 p. m. at the Woman's club.

TO CLINTON

Rev. Aubrey Quakenbush and family moved Thursday to Clinton where he will assume the pastorate of the First Baptist church. Mr. Quakenbush resigned his Kings Mountain post Sunday, April 6.