

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320
City Limits 7,206

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Foote Anticipates Curtailed Lithium Operations In '59

Local News Bulletins

NO BUILDING PERMITS

City Inspector J. W. Webster issued no building permits during the October 23-29 period.

HOSPITALIZED

Miss Willie McGill, who suffered a broken leg in a fall at her home, is a patient in Gaston Memorial Hospital. Her condition was reported satisfactory by members of her family.

WINS PRIZE

Cadet Vernon Carson, freshman at Clemson college and son of Mrs. Lawrence Lovell of Kings Mountain, won first place in a contest recently to name the Air Force newspaper. The winning name was "ROTC Review" and first prize is a jet airplane trip.

NAME OMITTED

The name of Joyce Plonk was inadvertently omitted from last week's published list of tenth grade students at Kings Mountain High School making straight A's on all subjects during the first six weeks term.

BAPTIST FORMER

Dr. C. A. Kirby, former pastor of Gaffney's Cherokee St. Baptist church, will serve as supply pastor at First Baptist church here beginning Sunday. Mr. Kirby was pastor of the South Carolina church for 30 years.

BROADCAST

Sunday morning worship services during the month of November will be broadcast by WKMT from Grace Methodist church, the pastor, Rev. W. C. Sides has announced. Mr. Sides will also be the devotional speaker for the WKMT morning program the week of Nov. 3.

TO HICKORY

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kincaid, Mrs. Wanza Davis, Miss Kattie Lou Sutton and Miss Helen Logan represented Kings Mountain chapter 123, Order of the Eastern Star, at the workshop held in Hickory Saturday.

TO JOIN GRAYSON'S

Mrs. D. R. Hamrick will join the staff of Grayson's Jewelry Friday, it was announced by T. W. Grayson, owner.

SERIOUSLY ILL

Mrs. J. E. Aderholt is in critical condition at Kings Mountain hospital, following a stroke of paralysis she suffered last Friday. She had not regained consciousness Wednesday.

NEED GIFTS

Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion Auxiliary, is inviting interested citizens to give Christmas gifts to veterans at hospitals at Oteen, Durham, Fayetteville, and Salisbury. Boxes for gifts are being placed in Dellinger's and Keeter's.

Gregory To Enter Baptist Hospital

Rev. John Gregory, Kings Mountain minister, will enter Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem Sunday where he is tentatively scheduled to undergo a heart operation Tuesday.

Mr. Gregory said doctors had asked him to report to the hospital for the necessary treatment prior to the operation.

The former Nazarene pastor has what has been diagnosed as a "hole" in the heart.

Mr. Gregory said that he wished to acknowledge the many kindnesses and other gifts from friends. A fund was started some time ago by Frank Rippey, a friend of the minister, when funds were depleted due to Gregory's long illness.

AEC Contract Expires May 1, Chairman Says

Foote Mineral Company now anticipates reduced rate of production of its lithium operations in the summer of 1959, Gordon H. Chambers, board chairman said this week in a letter to stockholders.

Mr. Chambers informed the stockholders that the contract for lithium hydroxide with the Atomic Energy Commission expires on May 1, 1959, and that the commission does not presently intend to negotiate for further supplies.

Lithium Corporation of America's AEC contract does not expire next May 1. However, Manager Dick Neilson said he was not a liberty to divulge the expiration date.

Economic impact on the community is not expected to be exceptional from a curtailment of lithium production at Foote's plant here. Foote currently employs 127 hourly rated persons and some 40 executive personnel.

Already, plans are being carried out to claim other minerals in the Foote diggings, including beryl, mica, feldspar and quartz.

John Donahay, public relations director, said here last week that the result of Foote's reclamation of mineral by-products might mean up to 50 additional employees.

Research on methods of reclaiming these by-products is directed by Dr. James Mitchell.

Lithium Corporation is currently employing 150 persons.

Other major lithium producer is American Potash Company.

Mauney To Head Kiwanis Club

George H. Mauney, director of Mauney Hosiery Mills, Inc., will serve as president of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club in 1959.

Mr. Mauney, currently first vice-president of the Kiwanis club, will assume the office in January, succeeding John Cheshire.

He and other 1959 officers were named in recent club balloting. John Smathers, currently second vice-president, was elected first vice-president.

Charles A. Neisler was elected second vice-president.

Directors elected were William R. (Bill) George, I. Ben Goforth, Jr., Ben Grimes, Dr. D. F. Hord, Robert M. Kennedy, Hunter R. Neisler, and Harry E. Page.

Kiwanis To Hear State Official

Lt. Gov. Luther Barnhardt, of Concord, will address a three-club meeting of Kiwanians at Hotel Charles in Shelby Thursday evening.

Clyde Nolan, of Shelby, program chairman for the inter-club meeting, said he anticipated a large crowd from both Kings Mountain and Gaffney, S. C.

Lt. Gov. Barnhardt was elected to the office in 1956.

While his address will be non-political, Mr. Barnhardt is among those mentioned as a candidate for governor in 1960.

How To Reach Your 95th Birthday; Mrs. Miller Says, "Be Temperate"

BY MARTIN HARMON

"What do you want to know?" Mrs. C. P. Miller asked.

How to live to be 95 years of age, came the repertorial answer.

"Well, I'll tell you," Mrs. Miller replied brightly. "Eat well, sleep well, work well and don't drink anything but water and milk."

Somebody interposed, "Not even any coffee?"

"Oh, I might let him have a little bit, but not much."

Mrs. Miller, who observed her 95th birthday anniversary October 23, was speaking Sunday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joe Neisler, 1931 before guests started arriving for a three-day delayed birthday party, given by her children.

Mrs. Miller's formula for longevity which she boiled down to the dictum, "Be temperate in all things," obviously has been the correct one for her. Her bright eyes, quickness of mind, hearing and sight belie her 95 years.

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MINISTER—Rev. Harold S. Mace, of York, S. C., will conduct a series of services beginning Monday at Boyce Memorial ARP church.

ARP's Schedule Service Series

Boyce Memorial Associate Reformed Presbyterian church has scheduled a series of services beginning Monday and continuing through November 9, with services nightly through Friday, a children's service on Saturday morning and two concluding services on November 9.

Minister for the series will be Rev. Harold S. Mace, pastor of York, S. C., ARP church.

Special music will be a feature of all the services, the pastor, Dr. W. L. Pressly, announced.

The chancel choir will sing under the direction of Mrs. N. F. McGill, choir director and organist. On Wednesday morning the youth choir under the direction of Ben H. Goforth and Mrs. G. E. Gamble, will sing, and on Saturday morning the carol choir, directed by Mrs. Kenneth McGill, will sing.

Evening services will be at 7:30, the Saturday service at 10 a. m.

Rev. Mr. Mace's sermon topics will be:

Monday, "The Son of Perdition."

Tuesday, "Christ's Unlimited Compassion."

Wednesday, "Heaven."

Thursday, "God Plus Man."

Friday, "Have Gospel — Will Travel."

Saturday morning, "Children's Message."

Sunday, November 9, morning, "The Argument of the Empty Tomb"; evening, "God's Love Story."

"Rev. Mr. Mace is a young man who speaks interestingly to both children and adults," Dr. Pressly commented.

Hallowe'en Programs Set

Schools in the community will hold their annual Hallowe'en carnivals Friday night.

At each of the schools, the entertainment is under sponsorship of the Parent-Teacher associations, with food being served in the cafeterias and contests open in each of the classrooms.

At West School, the doors will be open from 5 until 7:30 p. m., with supper being served during these hours. Games and contests will begin in the classrooms at 6 o'clock.

East School's carnival, featuring a popularity contest, will be held from 5 until 7 p. m. North School's carnival will also be held at the same time.

Most schools are beginning early because of the Shelby-Kings Mountain football, also on Friday night.

Grover school will begin its program at 5:30 p. m.

The traditional activities will begin at 6 p. m. at Park Grace, with various activities being planned, a P-TA official said.

Bethware's annual carnival will feature a minstrel to be staged in the auditorium at 7:30 p. m. with men of the community and students to participate. Food will be served in the lunchroom beginning at 6 p. m. and games and other attractions will feature room entertainment.

Democrats Attend Rally At Marion

A number of Kings Mountain Democrats went to Marion Wednesday for the 11th Congressional district rally.

Among them were Mrs. J. E. Lippford, vice-chairman of Cleveland County Democrats, Mrs. J. H. Arthur, Mrs. F. A. (Pete) McDaniel, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ormand, Conoror J. Ollie Harris, Wilson Crawford, J. W. Webster and Lawson Brown.



NONOGENARIAN — Mrs. C. P. Miller, mother of two Kings Mountain citizens observed her 95th birthday last Thursday. She was honored Sunday at a reception.

Illegitimates On Welfare Aid Only 9.9 Percent

"The parents are guilty of an illegitimate act, not the child", Jack Hoyle, county welfare superintendent, told members of the Kings Mountain Lions Club Tuesday night, as he gave statistics on welfare payments to county citizens and aid to illegitimate children.

Mr. Hoyle said estimates are there are probably 2,000 illegitimate children in Cleveland county, of whom only 197, or 9.9 percent are receiving support from the county welfare department.

He noted that average payments are \$19 per month, adding that illegitimate children represent only 17 percent of all children now receiving welfare aid.

Mr. Hoyle said he regarded legislative efforts to handle the problem, thus far, have been aimed merely at symptoms and not the cause, which is human behavior, a difficult field to legislate.

He said that the department has used sterilization law, and has terminated payments where a mother continues illicit relations, in an effort to prevent unjustified increase of payments.

But he continued, "An illegitimate child gets just as hungry and cold as any other."

Of the estimated 2,000 illegitimate children in the county, Mr. Hoyle said about 500 are White and 1500 Negro.

Four new members were welcomed. They are Ben T. Goforth, Frank Little, John Talley, and H. M. Broadwater. Mr. Broadwater transferred to the club from the Big Stone Gap, Va., Lions club.

Visitors included Rev. A. R. Hastings, pastor of Second Baptist church.

John Smathers' Father Logs 99th Birthday

CANTON — John B. Smathers, a pioneer citizen of this section and one of the oldest men in the county and the state, observed his 99th birthday October 23.

The day, which he had intended to spend quietly at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Fred Trull, was a busy one as friends streamed in all day to see the grand old man of the mountains.

He obviously had a grand time. Mr. Smathers, despite the years, is still alert, enjoys the radio, reads some as his eyes will permit and is still interested in the activities of the community. He dresses himself, goes to his meals, and enjoys visits from friends.

He is the oldest Mason in Haywood county, if not in the entire state, having joined in 1884, which makes him a 74-year Mason. Almost a quarter century ago the local lodge presented him with the 50-year membership award. He is also the oldest member of the Morning Star Methodist church where he was an active official for a number of years, and is now an honorary trustee. He has attended the annual Old Folks Day Service at the church for more than 60 years.

Mr. Smathers is a native of the Dutch Cove section where he was a successful farmer, orchardman and stock raiser until he retired several years ago. He makes his home with two of his daughters, Mrs. Taylor Harden and Mrs. Trull who reside here. Another daughter, Mrs. Horace Coffey lives in Houston, Texas, and he has three sons, John of Kings Mountain, Quinton and McLain of Canton; fourteen grandchildren, a number of great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

His son John and Mrs. Smathers were among the many visitors here for the birthday celebration.

Community Day Plans Underway

Annual World Community Day program of the Kings Mountain Council of United Churchwomen will be held at Central Methodist church fellowship hall November 7th at 3:30 p. m.

Mrs. M. D. Phifer, spokesman for the churchwomen, said all women of the community are urged to collect yarn and yardage as a project and bring the items with them to the service. These gifts will go to refugee mothers awaiting settlement, Mrs. Phifer pointed out.

The offering, Mrs. Phifer noted, will assist women in the South Sea Islands in training for community development and in supporting educational work of churchwomen for peaceful world relations.

Our Face Red: Mohair Asks \$350,000 (Not \$3,500,000) In Neisler Action

Amount of damages sought in the federal court civil action whereby Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company charges Neisler Brothers, Inc., and individuals connected with the firm with failure to deliver patents is \$350,000.

The Herald incorrectly reported last week the damages sought at \$3,500,000.

The erroneous figure was given by Thomas Rhodes, of Asheville, clerk of federal district court, when he read the complaint to the Herald.

The Herald regrets the error.

F. Thomas Miller, of Charlotte, attorney for defendants, was quoted by the Shelby Star as saying the Massachusetts Mohair allegations are denied.

Mr. Miller on Wednesday was attending a convention at Boca Raton, Fla., and not expected to return to his office until Monday.

J. H. Thomson, named as a defendant in the action, said he did not know whether an answer had yet been filed and added he understood defendants have 20 days in which to file an answer to the charges.

Massachusetts Mohair, successor owner to Neisler Mills, Inc., charged that defendants failed to deliver, per sale agreement, two patents instrumental in the manufacture of "a coile fabric".

Neisler Mills, Inc., was sold to Massachusetts Mohair in October 1955.

Citizens Will Vote Tuesday In Biennial General Election

Only One GOP Name Appears On Ballots

Cleveland County citizens will go to the polls Tuesday for the biennial general election.

Voting is not expected to be heavy, as only the state ballot lists opposition. Richard C. Clarke, Jr., Republican, is challenging Senator B. Everett Jordan, Democrat, who holds the office by appointment of Governor Hodges. Jordan succeeded the late W. Kerr Scott.

A proposed amendment to the North Carolina Constitution has received much conversation. The amendment, if ratified, would expand authority of justices of the peace to handle tort or damage civil actions up to amounts not exceeding \$200. Present provisions grant justices of the peace this authority only in actions involving not more than \$50.

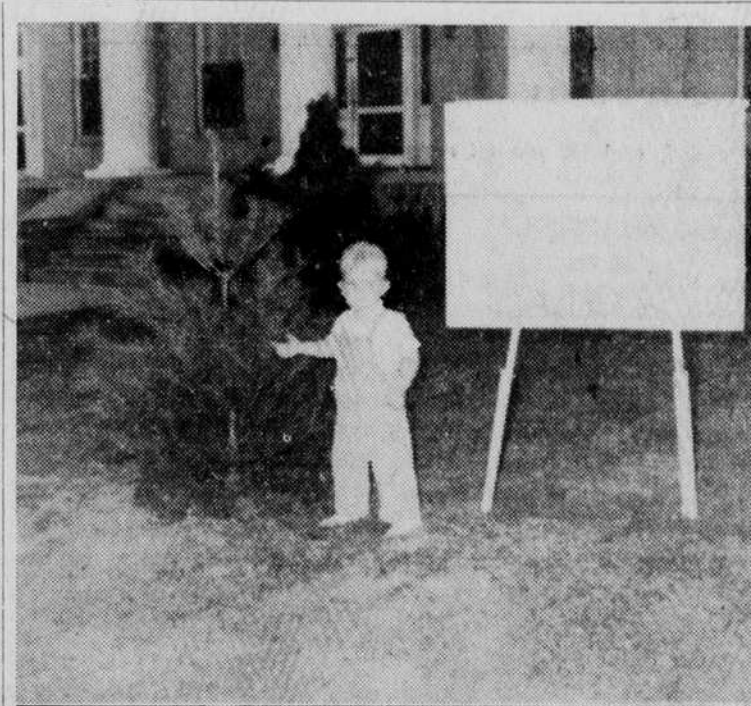
Otherwise, voting will be a lackluster matter, as the GOP side of all tickets are blank.

Unopposed and sure of election on Tuesday are these Democrats: Eleventh district U. S. Congressman Basil L. Whitener, District Solicitor B. T. Falls, Jr., Senator Robert Morgan and Senate Candidate R. L. James, House Candidate Jack Palmer, Sheriff Haywood Allen, County Solicitor Bynum Weathers, County Judge Rueben L. Elam, Coroner J. Ollie Harris, County Commissioners Knox Sarratt, Fitzhugh Rollins, John White, Mal Spangler and Commissioner Nominate J. Broadus Ellis.

On the township ballot C. A. (Gus) Huffstetler, Democrat, is unopposed for another term as constable of Number 4 Township.

The polling will be conducted in this township at the customary polling places: East Kings Mountain, at City Hall; West Kings Mountain, at Victory Chevrolet Company; Bethware, at Bethware school; and Grover, at the Grover fire station.

The polls will be open from 6:30 a. m. to 6:30 p. m.



UN DAY PROJECTS — Parks Neisler, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Neisler, is shown pointing to the tree which was planted at Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library last Friday as a UN Day project. Another project, conducted by the Women's Club, was the distribution of literature on United Nations Day. In bottom photograph, left to right, are three club members, Mrs. Charles T. Carpenter, Mrs. John Cheshire, and Mrs. Charles Blanton who distributed the pamphlets on downtown streets. Mrs. Haywood E. Lynch, Women's club president, was chairman of this community's observance.



(Herald Staff Photo by David Baily)

Harley Dixon Is Ordained

Rev. Harley Dixon, of Kings Mountain, was ordained a Baptist minister in recent ordination services conducted by Rev. Norman Brown at Bethlehem Baptist church.

Mr. Dixon, a graduate of Furman University in Greenville, S. C., is attending Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky. and serving as chaplain of Ormsby Village in Anchorage, Ky. He is a Kings Mountain native and a member of the Bethlehem church.

The ordination sermon was delivered by Mr. Brown. Rev. James Holder made the charge to the candidate and presented a Bible to Mr. Dixon.

Serving on the ordination council of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association which met on Saturday, August 30, to examine



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Business And Trade Publication Writers Tour Foote Operations

Editors and writers for several trade publications visited Kings Mountain and Sunbright, Va., last week end for an inspection of Foote Mineral Company's lithium producing operations.

Arriving here by train Thursday, the writers spent the day inspecting the Kings Mountain works, where spodumene ore is extracted by open pit mining and refined, before shipment by rail to Sunbright, Va., where it is manufactured into lithium hydroxide.

Neil Johnson, manager of the Kings Mountain operation, explained mining methods and outlined the company's long-range plans for mining the lithium bearing ore.

On Friday, the group went to Sunbright and was given a similar tour, both through the company's limestone mine and through the large multi-building

Band Uniform Fund At \$2,000

Contributions to the Kings Mountain school band uniform fund reached the half-way point this week.

Director Charles Ballance reported cash-in-hand at \$2,000, just half the \$4,000 needed to re-outfit the band membership.

Mr. Ballance said absolute minimum needs are 41 band uniforms, four majorette uniforms and one drum major's outfit.

He said three more uniforms split out during the trip to the UNC-Wake Forest game last Saturday.

The uniforms, purchased in 1938, have been the dress of all succeeding band members. They have reached the point of no return on patching, band parents report.

Mr. Ballance said some soliciting committees have not yet reported. Principal one is the committee inviting contributions from business firms.

In the near future, the band will sponsor a motion picture in cooperation with the Joy Theatre.

Weir President Of Band Boosters

Sam Weir, Kings Mountain merchant, was elected president of the Band Boosters Club Monday night.

J. W. Webster was elected vice president.

Mr. Weir replaces Eugene Roberts and Mr. Webster replaces J. H. Patterson, both of whom had resigned.

The Booster club members enjoyed a covered dish supper, discussed progress of the band uniform fund drive, and saw motion pictures of the band as it performed in Bristol, Tenn., Va., recently at the Southeastern Band festival.

OPEN HOUSE

Dr. and Mrs. Paul K. Ausley have invited members of the First Presbyterian church congregation to call at the manse Thursday evening from 7 until 9 p. m. The Ausleys moved here Tuesday and the minister will deliver the morning message at the church on Sunday.