

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.

Committeemen Discuss Township Consolidation

ARP Church Buys New Plant Site



ELECTED — Gaither Ledbetter has been elected governor of Kings Mountain...

Members Vote 94-5 To Buy Edgemont Tract

Members of Boyce Memorial ARP Church voted by 94 to 5 Sunday to purchase property on which they intend to use eventually for the construction of a new church plant.

The property fronts on Edgemont avenue, west from Kings Mountain Hospital. It is bounded on the east by the Kings Mountain Country Club golf course, and on the west by the J. C. Smathers residence and other vacant lots.

Sunday's vote instructed the committee to purchase property from the R. S. Plonk Estate, Dr. Glenn Kiser, of Salisbury, W. J. Fullers of Greensboro, and Elmer Lumber Company.

May Day Fete Friday Night

Traditional May Day festivities at Kings Mountain high school will be held Friday night at 8 p. m. in the school auditorium.

Crowning of Gertrude Pearson, senior, as Queen, and presentation of the May court will feature the activities.

The program is under sponsorship of the "K" club.

Attendees and escorts include: Freshmen, Beverly Yarbro, Mike Dixon, Linda Bennett, Don Tigert, Sophomores, Mary Lillian Lewis, James Robbs, Marlene Weir, Jerry Wright; Juniors, Carole Plonk, Jimmy Blanton, Judy Earty, Jimmy Plonk; Seniors — Brenda McFall, David Plonk, Patsy Brooks, Graeme Reeves, Jean Allen and Maude Owens are maids of honor, flower girls include Barbara Plonk, Debbie Thornburg, Ann Sanders, Sandra Lynn, and Elizabeth Bunch. Trainbearers are Susan White and Tommy Gerberding. Nelson Connor is crownbearer, and Brenda Thornburg will crown the queen.

Douglas Burton and Paul Fulton will announce the festivities and dances will be by the physical education department.

Mrs. Phifer Heads P-TA

New officers of West School P-TA were installed Monday night at the regular monthly meeting. Miss Alice Averitt, teaching consultant, installed Mrs. Marriot Phifer as president; Wesley Bush, vice-president; Mrs. Gene Timms, secretary; and Mrs. J. C. Bridges, treasurer.

Prior to the installation program, Dr. Paul Nolan spoke on "Maturity Through Guidance and Health." Grady Howard presented the speaker, and Mrs. Harold Crawford, P-TA president, presided.

Rites Conducted For Mr. Parrish

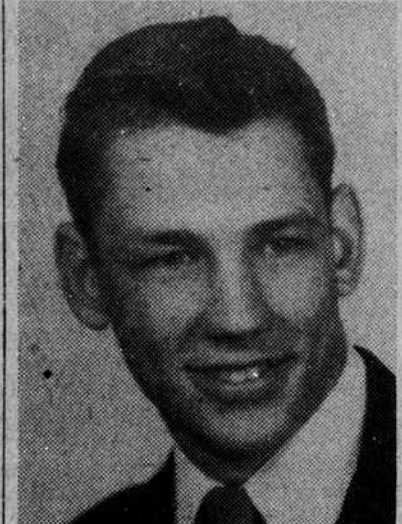
Funeral rites for Theodore Lawrence Parrish, 51, former Kings Mountain citizen, were held in Burlington at McClure Funeral Home Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Parrish, a supervisor for Burlington Industries in Burlington, died Sunday night at University of North Carolina Memorial hospital. He had been hospitalized for two weeks after suffering a brain hemorrhage. Mr. Parrish had lived in Burlington 16 years.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Parrish, of Kings Mountain, he is survived by his parents, his wife, Mrs. Winnie Bennett Parrish, a son, Sammy Parrish, a daughter, Mrs. Dorey Fowler, and four grandchildren.

Also surviving are five sisters, Mrs. Hugh Yates, Mrs. James Layton and Mrs. Daisy Barrett, all of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. Gaynelle Thrasher, Winston-Salem, and Miss Fannie Parrish, Salisbury, N. C.

Burial was in Elon cemetery, Burlington.



WINS SCHOLARSHIP — Dewitt Blanton, Kings Mountain senior at Western Carolina College, has won an assistantship for further study at the University of Mississippi.

Blanton Wins Scholarship

Charles Dewitt Blanton, Jr., senior at Western Carolina college, has been awarded an assistantship in the amount of \$1800 at the University of Mississippi for study next year.

Blanton, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Blanton, is a 1955 graduate of Kings Mountain high school, where he was president of the student body and a member of the National Honor Society.

He is majoring in chemistry and mathematics at WCC, and is president of the newly-organized student affiliate chapter of the American Chemical Society. He has been consistently named to the Dean's List and the honor roll, and is a member of Alpha Phi Sigma, national honorary scholastic fraternity. Last fall he was chosen for "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities."

Contests Held At Bethware

The annual reading and declamation contests sponsored at Bethware school by the P-TA were held on Monday night.

First place in the girls' division went to Norma Blackwood and winner of first place in the boys' division was Charles Wright. Tina Falls placed second, with Jan Yarbro placing third in the girls division. Hershel Wright placed second in the declamation division with Mike Lovelace placing third.

Also participating in the contests were Betty Jo Evans, Jean Hamrick, Norma Spearman, and Glenn Lovelace. Judges were Mrs. Garland Still, Kings Mountain, and Mrs. Claire Leonhardt and Mrs. Earle Cornwell, Shelby.

Cat's Litter Slightly Mixed

Isaac Ray of E. Ridge street has one for Ripley.

He reports that his household cat gave birth to four kittens and an opossum last weekend.

Mr. Ray says that he discovered the cat with her offspring Monday morning when he unlocked the tool shed back of his house. He says that the cat was placed in the shed Saturday night and had not been out, nor had anyone entered the shed until he opened it Monday morning.

The cat doesn't seem to know the difference in the litters and the opossum, said Mr. Ray. "She is taking good care of them all."

Kings Mountain Kiwanians To Hold Annual Ladies Night Thursday

Kings Mountain Kiwanians will hold their annual ladies' night banquet Thursday night at 7 o'clock at the Woman's club, and advance reservations indicate a capacity crowd.

John C. Smathers, chairman of the ladies' night committee, said they anticipated the program would attract a large number of members, their wives, and other guests.

Combining a novelty entertainment act and performances by a singer-trumpet player, the program will feature a full presentation of highly skilled acrobatics and juggling on unicycles and roller skates by a team of professionals who have appeared on "The Ed Sullivan Show" and "The Big Top."

Billed as Foster & Harris, the team will present "Fantasy on Wheels." Miss Mary Jo Andrews, whose act has met with success in the leading supper clubs and hotels throughout the country, will sing and play the trumpet.

Miss Andrews, who has just finished an engagement at the famous Brown Hotel in Louisville, Ky., is an honor graduate of the University of Georgia where she held scholarships in voice and trumpet.

Candidate List Set With 20 Seeking Seven Elective Jobs

No "Gag" Rule On Dentists, Official Says

Dr. D. F. Hord, Kings Mountain, dentist who is leading the effort to obtain fluoridation of the city water supply, reported receipt of a letter from an official of the North Carolina State Dental Society this week in which the official branded as false allegations in an article in the April 23 Herald that the American Dental Association has a "gag rule" on its members.

The letter, from Andrew M. Cunningham, executive secretary of the North Carolina Dental Society, follows:

"Thank you for your letter of April 23 enclosing the article clipped from the KINGS MOUNTAIN HERALD, of April 23, 1959, which charges among other things that Section 20 of the Principles of Ethics of the American Dental Association 'inhibits a dentist from expressing himself publicly if he disagrees with his Society's position.' The implication, of course, is that this section of the Principles of Ethics operates as a 'gag rule' on members of the Association.

"Section 20, entitled 'Health Education of the Public' reads as follows: 'A dentist may properly participate in a program of health education of the public involving such media as the press, radio, television and lecture, provided that such programs are in keeping with the dignity of the profession and the custom of the dental profession of the community.'"

"One of the duties of the Judicial Council of the American Dental Association is 'to provide advisory opinions regarding the interpretations of the Principles of Ethics.' In 1957 this official body of the Association issued the following advisory opinion on Section 20:

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Lions Nominate Edwin Moore

Edwin Moore, Patterson Grove farmer, has been nominated to serve as president of the Kings Mountain Lions club for the year beginning July 1.

Other nominees include Martin Harmon, first vice-president; Lawson Brown, second vice-president; Hal S. Plonk, third vice-president; Odus Smith, secretary; John Talley, Lion tamer; Jonas Bridges, ball twister.

Nominees for two-year terms as directors are A. B. Mikell, W. D. (Bill) Bennett, and Eugene Gladden. Holdover directors, with one-year terms remaining, are Grady Yelton, Charles Ballance and Sam Weir.

Members of the nominating committee were J. W. Webster, chairman, Dr. N. H. Reed, and Eugene Timms, all past-presidents.

The club heard a program on employer-employee relationships at the Tuesday night meeting.

Raines Accepts Baptist Charge

First Baptist Church Calls Edenton Man

Rev. Bomar L. Raines, pastor of Edenton's Rocky Hook Baptist church the past six years, will become pastor of First Baptist church here June 1.

The local church has been without a pastor since Rev. Aubrey Quakenbush resigned a year ago to become pastor of First Baptist church of Clinton.

Mr. Raines announced his resignation at the Edenton church Sunday, Rocky Hook Baptist church is the largest rural church in the state.

Rev. Mr. Raines, who has served pastorates in the Laurens, Saluda, and Waccamaw associations, has led in numerous building and remodeling programs including the building of a new parsonage, two educational plants, and the relocation and building of a church containing both sanctuary and educational units.

A 25 room educational unit has been constructed during his present pastorate at cost of \$40,000, with 75 percent of the indebtedness erased.

Son of Rev. and Mrs. Luther H. Raines of Long Creek, S. C., the new minister, 44, is a graduate of Long Creek Baptist Academy at Westminster, Furman University at Greenville, and Southeastern Baptist Seminary at Wake Forest. He did graduate work at Duke University, and also attended New Orleans Seminary.

Mrs. Raines, the former Nora Chamblie of Anderson, is a graduate of Winthrop college. They have four children, Margaret, 17, Karen, 16, Henry, 14, and Broadus, 10.

Members of the pulp committee included W. F. Laughter, chairman, Mrs. A. W. Kincaid, Mrs. John Gamble, W. F. McGill, Fred Weaver, W. B. Logan and Alton Ivey. Serving as alternates were Mrs. Baxter Wright, Mrs. R. G. Whitsnant, Paul Cole, and James White.

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Still Says Dodger Demise Hard Work

"How does it feel to be a gentleman candidate?" The reply by Garland E. Still, erstwhile master of the printed political barb, replied, "It's hard work."

Then he explained: "With printed circulars I could leave them at 14 or 15 public places and they spread like wildfire. Without them, I must try to talk to each individual voter."

Mr. Still has thus far not used his broadsides as he has in previous campaigns beginning in 1951.

Otherwise, along the mayoral candidate front, Mayor Glee Bridges says he's taken a lot of teasing on the political jag whereby patrolman A. D. Kimbrell signed a warrant indicting him for swimming in the public water supply. Both Patrolman Kimbrell and Mayor Bridges acknowledge that some folk took the joke seriously.

Other details of the joke were quite valid. Patrolman Kimbrell did borrow the Mayor's canoe and the Mayor did get dunked.

Fluoridation, Tenure Votes Up Interest

The filing period for Kings Mountain's elective city and school offices ended Monday with the candidate list cut at 20 for seven election positions.

It meant — with May 12 election day less than two weeks away — that Kings Mountain citizens can concentrate completely on the four elections they will help determine. These include:

1) The election to fill the office of mayor and five ward commissioners at City Hall which has attracted 17 candidates.

2) The election for a six-year term to the school trustee post J. R. Davis is vacating.

3) The election to determine a) whether a mayor will be elected for a two or four-year term and b) whether the commissioners will be elected for two or four-year terms.

4) The "informational" voting whereby the citizens will reaprove, or rescind, their action of two years ago in ordering the commission to fluoridate the city water supply. While the election has no legal status, members of the present administration unanimously have committed themselves to abide by the May 12 result.

Politicking remained outwardly quiet, though the subject was increasing as a conversation piece and candidates were getting callouses on their hand-shaking palms.

Again, registration was brisk in the five wards last Saturday, as on the first registration day the previous week, an indication that the citizens may be keeping their political thoughts to themselves but are intending to make the biennial trek to the polls in droves.

In the City Hall race, only the contests in Wards 1 and 2 are sure to be decided on May 12, as the election laws grant second-runners right to call for a second voting if the leader doesn't obtain a clear majority in Round 1.

These wards find only two candidates seeking office. In Ward 1, incumbent Ross Alexander is opposed by C. H. (Cat) Houser. In Ward 2, incumbent Boyce H. Gault is opposed by A. Dewitte Cornwell.

Largest group of candidates seeks the Ward 5 commission seat, where R. Coleman Stroupe, the incumbent, is challenged by Charles E. Blacklock, Roy J. Brown, and Curtis V. Gaffney.

In Ward 3, incumbent Luther T. Bennett faces the challenges of T. J. (Tommy) Ellison, veteran of four previous terms as Ward 3 commissioner, and C. Glenn White, one-time member of the city board of education.

In Ward 4, incumbent Ben H. Bridges is being challenged by Ex-Commissioner Paul W. Ledford and J. Clyde Gladden.

Again, the Mayor's race is claiming top interest and observers report that each of the three candidates are hard at work in an effort to corral votes. Mayor Glee A. Bridges, seeking a fourth term, is opposed by ex-Mayor Garland E. Still (1951-53) and David L. Saunders, who served on the commission in 1947 by appointment.

In the race for the lone school board position, all the candidates

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6 p. m. Saturday Closings Set

Kings Mountain merchants set the holiday closing schedule at a meeting recently of officers and directors.

They also set closing hours for weekdays at 5:30 p. m. and voted to remain open until 6 p. m. on Saturdays.

In discussing holiday closing the merchants took these actions: July 4th — Stores will be open on Saturday, July 4th, but will close Monday, July 6th. Stores will remain open the Wednesday afternoon preceding the holiday and close the Wednesday afternoon afterwards.

Labor Day — The stores will observe the Labor Day holiday. Thanksgiving — Stores will be

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Jaycees To Honor Ladies Tuesday; New Officers Will Be Installed

The annual ladies' night banquet of the Junior Chamber of Commerce will be held Tuesday night at 7 p. m. at the Woman's club.

Installation of new officers for the coming year will be a feature of the event. Wives of members and presidents of the various civic clubs will be special guests.

Jonas Bridges, manager of Radio Station WKMT, will present an entertainment program of humorous recordings of radio oral lapses and miscues. President George Thomason said, Clyde Tomblin, district vice

All Adjacent Districts Attend But Park Grace

By MARTIN HARMON

School committeemen of three county school districts discussed ways and means of consolidating into the Kings Mountain city administrative district with Kings Mountain school officials at a meeting at Bethware school Tuesday night.

Of the four adjacent county school districts likely to be effected by the proposed consolidation, only Park Grace district was unrepresented.

Bethware and Grover representatives expressed enthusiasm for joining the Kings Mountain district and Compact representatives contented themselves with questions concerning possible effects on Compact school.

Hill Lowery, chairman of the Bethware district committee, was named chairman of the meeting and J. H. Grigg, county school superintendent, aided by B. N. Barnes, Kings Mountain superintendent and legal procedure requisite to consummating the educational marriage.

"If there ever was a time, now's the time", Mr. Grigg commented, as he outlined the necessary procedures.

He said petitions must be filed to the county school board by a majority of the district committees outside the district (Kings Mountain) they wish to join. Favorable action by the county school board would result in an election on the question of amalgamating and on paying the 20 cents per \$100 supplemental school tax in vogue for more than two decades in the Kings Mountain district.

In turn, Kings Mountain's board of education would have to approve the applications for amalgamation and hold an election of its people to determine whether they wished to honor the desire of adjacent areas to consolidate. On favorable vote the Kings Mountain district would have complete supervision of its new area, excepting operation and maintenance of buses.

Three of Kings Mountain's five education board members were present and left no doubt on the attitude of the Kings Mountain board. J. R. Davis, Fred W. Plonk, and Arnold W. Kincaid expressed full approval of the consolidation proposal.

Discussed by the group were many technical phases concerning the consolidation.

Supt. Barnes told the group he felt a ward system should be arranged whereby all areas of the expanded district would be assured representation and he reviewed the arrangement whereby East Kings Mountain schools were consolidated with Kings Mountain district.

After Mr. Barnes had explained the elective method of the East Kings Mountain consolidation, John Gold, of Grover, commented "I think that would be agreeable."

Mr. Grigg said the territory to be added to the Kings Mountain district now has 1801 school pupils with a taxable valuation of about \$9,000,000. Kings Mountain district has 2340 pupils with a taxable valuation of about \$11,000,000.

Also discussed was possibility of building a new high school plant to accommodate pupils in the consolidated district. Mr.

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Pregnant Women Do Get Fluoride

Dr. Kenneth McGill, Kings Mountain physician, said this week he retains fully his position in favor of fluoridating the public water supply and also noted that he has learned doctors do prescribe fluorides for expectant mothers.

City Commissioner Ben H. Bridges asked Dr. McGill this question at the recent public hearing on the question after Dr. R. N. Baker had said that a baby's teeth are formed prenatally and that fluorides in the diet of an expectant mother would assure the baby's having better teeth.

Dr. McGill said, "I was mistaken on stating that fluorides are not included in Vitamin mineral preparations for expectant mothers. I have found that Lederle Laboratories, one of the leading pharmaceutical houses, has included calcium fluoride in its pre-natal capsule."

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