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Greater Kings Mountain City Limits	10,320
	7,206

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Legion Juniors Face Forest City

Local News Bulletins

LIONS DIRECTORS
Directors of the Kings Mountain Lions club will convene at 7 o'clock Thursday evening at Radio Station WKMT, President Edwin Moore has announced.

KIWANIS CLUB
The Kings Mountain Life Saving Crew will provide a demonstration for members of the Kiwanis club at the civic club's regular Thursday night meeting. The club convenes at 6:45 at the Woman's club.

FAIRVIEW LODGE
The Masons of Fairview Lodge 339 AF & AM are requested by the Master T. Frank Ballard to meet in a body for service at the Grace Methodist church Sunday night, June 28, at 7 p. m.

INTER-CITY AA
An inter-city Alcoholics Anonymous meeting will be held at Belmont Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at Belmont's East school auditorium. It will be the Belmont chapter's first inter-city meeting since its organization.

TO CONVENTION
Dr. Nathan H. Reed, Kings Mountain optometrist, will fly to Dallas, Tex., Saturday, where he will attend the annual convention of the American Optometric Association. His office will be closed through Wednesday.

NO LEGION DANCE
Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, has cancelled the previously scheduled Saturday night dance. Post Commander J. T. McGinnis, Jr., said the dance was cancelled due to Saturday night's upcoming home Legion Junior baseball game with Forest City.

AT MEETING
Mrs. M. H. Biser and Mrs. David Hamrick represented the Women's Society of Christian Service of Central Methodist church at the Western North Carolina Conference held at Lake Junaluska last week.

FROM CONVENTION
Mr. and Mrs. George Thomasson have returned from Albany, N. Y., where they attended the Jaycee Convention; took a vacation trip with the R. G. Bargars of Jamestown through Canada, and visited in Williamsburg, Va. Mrs. Bargar is the former Jeanne Griffin.

TWO FIRES
City Fireman Farr said Wednesday the department received two calls last week: one to douse a fire in a tree house in wooded area on N. Watterston street last Saturday at 1:45 p. m. and another to douse an automobile blaze which flared up after a wreck on W. King street Sunday night at 8 o'clock.

BUILDING PERMITS
City Inspector J. W. Webster issued a permit Tuesday to Paul Ware and R. H. "Doc" Burton to build a one story block structure on Waco Road to be used as a grocery store. Estimated cost is \$4,000. A permit was also issued to J. Wilson Crawford to build a five-room, one story brick veneer house on Katherine Avenue at an estimated cost of \$10,000.

Royal Restaurant Has New Managers
Sale of Gateway Restaurant by Rex Boone was announced this week, and the firm is being operated as Royal Restaurant, the former name of the business. Mrs. Dora Hamrick and Mrs. Mary Spearman are preparing food, and the firm, which is conditioned and located on Shelby road, also caters to private parties, civic club and bridge club gatherings. The private dining room will accommodate 75. The restaurant will be open from 6:30 a. m. to 10 p. m., the management announced. Dinner music Sunday will be provided by Adele Jenkins, of Falls ton.

Juniors Shared First-Round Lead; Won Eight

BY NEALE PATRICK
Kings Mountain's title-sharing Legion juniors open the second round of play in Area Four here Thursday night, meeting the Forest City entry at 8 o'clock in City Stadium.

The game will be the first of the best-of-five series in the second round of play. The second game will be played in Forest City on Friday night, and the third game returns to Kings Mt. on Saturday evening.

Subsequent games will be played next week, depending on the outcome of the first three. If a fourth game is necessary, it will be played at Forest City on Monday night, and the fifth and deciding game, if needed, will be played at a site to be agreed upon between the two clubs.

Admission prices to the games during the elimination series have been raised to 75 cents for adults and 35 cents for children. The raise is in effect throughout the Area Four at a uniform rate, as ordered in the meeting of officials here Sunday.

Kings Mountain tied for the top spot in the Southern League A during the first round, with a record of eight wins and four losses, a mark matched by Mt. Holly-Pawcreek, which defeated Gastonia, 10-4, on Tuesday night to move into the deadlock.

Four Injured In Sunday Wreck

Scott Hovis, 7 month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Hovis of Landing street, is in satisfactory condition at Kings Mountain hospital following an auto accident Sunday night in which he sustained a broken leg and head injuries.

Also injured in the crash on W. King street at the intersection with Goforth street, were Henry P. Hovis, Mrs. Hovis, and Edgar B. Horn.

Mr. Hovis sustained chest injuries and a fractured rib; Mrs. Hovis, a broken leg, bruises, and cuts on the right arm; and Mr. Horn, lacerations of the right leg.

Property damage was also high, both cars being demolished. Police investigators stated on their report Horn was going east on King street and driving a 1954 Ford while Hovis headed west on King street. Hovis was driving a 1952 Ford.

Hovis attempted to make a left turn onto Goforth street, turning in front of the oncoming Horn car. A head-on collision resulted. Hovis was charged with failure to yield the right of way and Horn was charged with speeding 55 m. p. h. in a 35 m. p. h. zone.

Mark Bird, Area Folk's Ancestor, Had Furnace Now National Shrine

ANCESTOR OF MANY CAROLINIANS HONORED BY HISTORIC SITE DEDICATION IN PENNSYLVANIA.

ELVERSON, PA. — In 1778, Mark Bird lost his southeastern Pennsylvania iron empire and moved to Rutherford County, N. C. In 1938, his Hopewell Furnace became a National Historic Site. A new Visitor Center will be dedicated at the Site on Sunday, June 28. Invitations have been received by many Bird descendants living in North and South Carolina.

Legion Cops Welfare Award Second Year

Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, captured the state department's W. Coburn Alexander award for the second consecutive year at the department convention held in Greensboro last weekend.

The Alexander award, a huge trophy, is given to the state post adjudged most active and effective in child welfare work.

Post Commander Ray Cline commented, "The Post gets the honor, but credit should go to the Post Auxiliary, who did the bulk of the work." Mr. Cline said the Auxiliary, working through the Kings Mountain Red Cross and the Cleveland County Welfare department, along with Legionnaires compiled the winning record in child welfare work for the second consecutive year.

A large delegation of Legionnaires attended the Greensboro convention. Among them were Mr. Cline, Commander J. T. McGinnis, Adjutant Joe McDaniel, Jr., David Delevie, George Hull, Clyde Sanders, Bill McSwain, Glee A. Bridges, Charles E. Dixon, Earl Stroupe, Clyde Whetstone, C. T. Carpenter, Jr., and Robert Goforth.

Mr. Cline said a departmental ruling nullified last year's vote which would have consolidated the 30-odd district department into 15 districts. Otis D. Green Post 27, which includes Cleveland and Rutherford counties. The departmental commander ruled that the 1959 convention resolution was unconstitutional on grounds it was improperly phrased, failing to identify the amendment the resolution would have changed.

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Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company will suspend operations Friday, July 3, and will resume on Wednesday, 8. Vacation pay is contemplated but not yet finally detailed, it was stated.

Mauney Mills, Inc., Bonnie Cotton Mills, and Mauney Hosierey Company will take a week's surcease, closing on June 26th and resuming on July 6th.

Phenix Plant of Burlington Industries will suspend at 10 p. m. July 2 and resume at 10 p. m. July 8. A vacation bonus is contemplated.

Sadie Cotton Mills will suspend July 3 and resume on July 13. Carolina Throwing Company, Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company and Waco Sports Wear, Inc. will operate on regular schedule.

Craftsman Yarns, Inc. will suspend operation for July 4 only.

UNDERWENT OPERATION
Marshall Gore, Sr., Kings Mountain service station operator, underwent delicate heart surgery at University of Pennsylvania hospital, Philadelphia Wednesday at 12:00 noon. A family spokesman announced Wednesday afternoon the surgery was completed and Mr. Gore "came through it okay." He said word had just been received, but he had no doctor's comment as yet.

Bondsman Hayes Infers Collusion

Hayes Wants Daytime Man At City Hall

A scheduled informal, non-official budget session at City Hall Tuesday night turned into an official session in which the commission heard Ernest Hayes, Kings Mountain businessman and professional bondsman, tell the commission he wanted a city employee to serve as his daytime bonding representative.

Mr. Hayes thinks the fact that Corbett Nicholson, city gas superintendent and also a professional bondsman, is closely connected at City Hall and, as gas superintendent, maintains an office there is questionable competition and inferences of collusion.

Mr. Hayes said Wednesday, "This (Mr. Nicholson's) main interest is bonding, lending money and paying fines. The Mayor makes all kinds of excuses, but nothing is done about it. It appears to me that Mr. Nicholson has a pension at the taxpayer's expense."

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Henson Named Police Officer

In a special session Tuesday night, the city board of commissioners:

- 1) Employed Garland Henson as a city policeman on recommendation of Chief Martin Ware and Police Commissioner Luther T. Bennett.
- 2) Heard a request from J. E. Herridon, Jr., for a new water line to provide sufficient pressure to serve a water sprinkler system. No action was taken.
- 3) Approved installation of curb-and-gutter on Benfield Road, from N. Piedmont avenue to the city limits, and on Dilling street, from Parker street to E. King, if and when funds are available.
- 4) Authorized Mayor Glee A. Bridges to retain an engineer to map air-conditioning of City Hall.
- 5) Approved order of 1800 city auto licenses for 1960.

Hungry Thieves Raid Deal Pool

Unidentified vandals, apparently hungry, raided the Deal street Swimming Pool Monday night carrying off an estimated \$65 worth of loot.

Taken were 42 bags of potato chips, and popcorn, a box of headache powders, 200 pennies, 60 bars of candy, and one clock radio.

National Guard Gets Top Rating At Encampment

Kings Mountain's National Guard Unit walked away with top honors in the two weeks of summer encampment which ended Sunday.

The 71 members of Company D racked up the highest score of any company-sized unit in the state, as they ranked high in appearance of personnel, military courtesy, appearance of quarters, and general conduct.

The company, headed by Captain Humes Houston, only became a member of the 105th Engineer Battalion of the 30th Infantry Division on April 1 and converting of the infantry into an engineer company is described in a separate account written by a member of the Guard which appears elsewhere in the paper. He also describes the two-week camp.

The 105th, which also includes Shelby, Charlotte, Belmont, Lincolnton, and Statesville, was judged the most outstanding battalion-sized unit in the entire division and took top honors in the annual 30th Division parade. Lt. Col. William E. Moss commands the battalion.

Captain Houston expressed pleasure at the record achieved by the Kings Mountain group during the encampment.

Mrs. Hord's Rites Thursday

Funeral rites for Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth (Miss Sally) Hord, 76, of 117 Fulton street, will be held Thursday at 4 p. m. from Temple Baptist church, with interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Widow of Robert Hoyle Hord, Mrs. Hord succumbed Wednesday morning at 5:30 in the local hospital following a week's illness. A native of Cleveland County, she was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Styers and was a member of Temple Baptist church.

Mrs. Hord is survived by two sons, Jerry of Portsmouth, Va., and Robert O. Hord of Cleveland, Ohio; four daughters, Mrs. Eunice Falls, Mrs. Elizabeth Kirby, both of Greensboro; Mrs. Earl Ledford, Kings Mountain; and Mrs. Inez Spencer of Winston-Salem; one brother, Winfield Styers, Kings Mountain; three half brothers, Fred M. Bridges and Sinclair Bridges, both of Shelby, and Charles Bridges, Kings Mountain; and two sisters, Mrs. Bud Oates, York, S. C., and Mrs. Charles Hord, Gastonia. Also surviving are 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Rev. Jack Weaver, Rev. Bomar L. Raines, and Rev. H. G. McEroy will officiate.

Union Service At ARP Sunday

Sunday night's union service will be held at Boyce Memorial ARP church with Dr. W. L. Pressley, the pastor, to deliver the sermon at 8 p. m.

Five church congregations join in the summer schedule of services, and visitors are welcome. Special music will be presented by the church choir.

Astronomy Club Is Organized

The Cleveland Amateur Astronomy club was organized Monday night at the home of Banks Cashion on the Oak Grove road.

Purpose of the club, according to Mr. Cashion, is for a general discussion and study of Astronomy and related subjects as telescope making. The group meets the first Wednesday of each month at the Cashion home, and other interested citizens are invited to join.

City Expenditures Likely To Drop

Mayor "Grounded" On Wednesday

Mayor Glee A. Bridges, licensed pilot and jeep operator, was flying less than low Wednesday.

In fact, he was in a borrowed car from his son, J. C. Bridges. He has sold his old familiar Bridges Airport sign to Warren Ellison, former city policeman, but is scheduled to pick up a new, enclosed model Thursday. Meantime, he's sold his airplane, too.

"I'm getting a little ripe to fly," the Mayor laughed.

Local Students Enroll At King's

Seven students from Kings Mountain are among the 140 freshmen who enrolled at King's Business College in Charlotte for the summer term. Mary Lou Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wright, Cora Jane Hayes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Hayes, Barbara Gamble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Gamble, and Betty Sue Kirby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Stowe, all are taking the General Business Course.

Joseph Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Campbell, and Billy Crawford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Crawford, are both taking the Junior Accounting Course.

Martha Houser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Houser, is taking the Advanced Secretarial Course.

Sinclair Ads To Feature Park

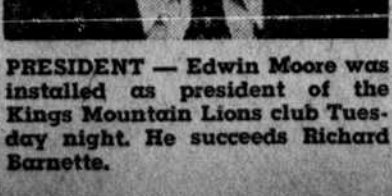
Kings Mountain National Military Park will be featured by Sinclair Oil Company in its July American Conservation series published in Time, Newsweek, Saturday Review, and National Geographic Magazines.

In color, the full page feature calls attention to Kings Mountain as one of the South's most scenic vacationlands and bears the caption: "Visit Kings Mountain — where the Mountain Men Made You Free." It is complete with picture of eight area citizens who posed for photographers on the top of the ridge near the park reservoir. Park Historian Sherman Perry is costumed as a Redcoat and Irvin (Tootie) Allen, Jr., wears the costume of a mountain man. Also pictured are Mrs. Wesley Bush and small son, Mrs. Perry and small daughter, Billy Gene Neisler, and Park Superintendent, Ben Moopaw.

Sinclair features a unit of the National Park Service each month in its advertisements and the summer series is devoted to the Parks as an accompanying article describes the typical historic spots and vacation areas. The Hermitage at Nashville, Tenn., was featured several months ago.

The Park feature will appear in the July 20 issue of Time Magazine, the July 13th issue of Newsweek Magazine, the July 18th issue of Saturday Review, and the July issue of National Geographic Magazine.

County Board Member Moore Says Merger Would Mean Better Schools



PRESIDENT — Edwin Moore was installed as president of the Kings Mountain Lions club Tuesday night. He succeeds Richard Bonzotte.

Edwin Moore, member of the county school board, outlined proposals and hurdles to a Number 4 township school merger for his fellow Lions at Tuesday night's meeting.

Mr. Moore said the Number 4 merger would put the Kings Mountain system on a par with that of the Shelby district, with each having about 24 percent of school population of the county. The remaining 52 percent would be in the county district.

Mr. Moore told the club that some of the folk he'd talked with in the Bethware Community have reservations about the 20-cent school tax supplement (per \$100 valuation) which the merger requires. To a question on Bethware's feeling, Mr. Moore commented, "Bethware is like a peninsula, and I don't know how it's swinging today." Mr. Moore resides in the Bethware district.

Mr. Moore made these points:

- 1) His home is closer to schools

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Former Resident Honored In Florida

Cyrus T. Falls, former Kings Mountain resident now of Dunedin, Fla., has made quite a record in church attendance.

Mr. Falls, who now attends the Dunedin Methodist church, has a 46-year perfect attendance record. He was honored by the Good Fellowship class of which he is a member.

The class of which Mrs. John Cooke is teacher and Mrs. Thomas Ingram is president, agreed to call the first Sunday in June "Anniversary Day" in Mr. Falls' honor.