

### 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.

## Local News Bulletins

### ON DEAN'S LIST

Dick Hunnicutt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold R. Hunnicutt, was listed on the dean's list for the past quarter at Belmont Abbey. He ranked in the top 10 in a class of 90.

### LICENSE OFFICE

Cleveland County's driver's license bureau will be closed on July 3 and 4, it was announced by Vernon Stroud, driver's license examiner.

### YELTON ILL.

Grady Yelton, city superintendent of public works, was receiving examinations for a suspected kidney ailment at Gaston Memorial hospital Wednesday.

### METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday at noon, totaled \$118.64, City Clerk Joe McDaniel reported. Included was \$19.18 from off-street meters and \$99.46 from on-street meters.

## Mrs. Ross, 78 Died Wednesday

Mrs. Elizabeth Ross, 78, wife of William A. Ross, died Wednesday afternoon at 12:13 at her home at 813 Second Street after several year's illness.

A native of Cleveland County, Mrs. Ross was a member of Second Baptist Church.

She was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William McClure.

Surviving in addition to her husband are six sons, Yates, Elmer, Johnny, William, Richard, and Thomas, all of Kings Mountain; five daughters, Mrs. J. A. Lybrand, and Mrs. John Queen of Kings Mountain; Mrs. Lander Mincey, Gastonia; Mrs. Lloyd Mitchell, Shelby; and Mrs. James Campbell, Charlotte.

Also surviving are 40 grandchildren and 48 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. from Second Baptist church. The body will lie in state at the church 90 minutes before the services. Rev. Albert Hastings, Rev. C. C. Parker, and Rev. Flay Payne will officiate, and interment will be in Mountain Rest cemetery.

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## Legion Juniors Win 14 to 6 Advancing To Third Round

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### Juniors To Open Against Newton Here Thursday

BY NEALE PATRICK

With their bats blazing as hot as the weather, the Kings Mountain juniors handed Forest City their elimination papers by a 14-6 tune Tuesday night, and will begin proceedings against Newton in another best-of-five series here tonight.

The first game of the quarter-finals set with Newton is carded for City Stadium Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The two teams will shift to Newton Friday night, and then come back here for the third contest Saturday night. Newton finished its second round action one night earlier than did Kings Mountain, disposing of Shelby in the fourth game of the set Monday.

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The Otis D. Green Post kids pounded 13 hits, including a pair of seventh inning homers, to bounce Forest City in the sudden-death fifth game at Shelby Tuesday night. Sid Franklin cracked a grand-slam homer and Jerry Morris a two-run clout in the big "lucky" seventh when K. M. poured over seven runs to turn the game into a rout.

Jerry Wright gained the victory, his fifth against one defeat this season, although he turned over the mound chores to Bobby Biddix in the eighth inning. It might be noted, however, that Jerry was more the victim of the sweltering heat than of the Forest City bats.

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### Merger Vote Bid May Be Posted

Indications are that Number 4 Township school districts may present request to the board of education to call an election on the question of merger with the Kings Mountain school district Friday.

Normally, the county board of education convenes on Monday, but J. Horace Grigg, county schools superintendent, said the meeting will be advanced to Friday at 2 p. m. due to the July 4 weekend holiday.

Several weeks ago, chairman of the several district committees agreed to a plan of government for the merged district which would guarantee representation to the full district, and it is reported that several district committees have approved the plan.

Under the proposal, board of nine persons would govern the merged district, with the number to be reduced to five as Kings Mountain district members' terms expire.

The county board is empowered to call an election on the merger question on petition of three of the four districts effected. The four are Grover, Bethware, Park Grace and Compact.

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Mr. Gore's surgeons at University of Pennsylvania hospital told his family that Mr. Gore apparently is experiencing no heart pains.

Prior to the operation, Mr. Gore suffered increasingly frequent severe pain which normally prescribed drugs were not alleviating.

The Philadelphia surgeons, Drs. Kirby and Johnson, performed an operation to open a partial blockage of the aortic valve. The surgeons employed the mechanical heart-lung machine, better known as the "substitute heart" which does the work of the heart while the surgeons are doing their corrective work.

Young Gore said his father's operation required four hours. Mr. Gore suffered from intractable angina pectoris, Dr. John C. McGill, his Kings Mountain physician said.

Mr. Gore had previously undergone heart surgery at Emory University hospital, Atlanta, Ga., when certain chest arteries were tied off to relieve pressure on the partially blocked aortic valve.

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## Citizens Taking July 4 Holiday Or Planning It

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In fact, some were already enjoying a holiday as several textile plants were idle this week. Others won't suspend operations until this weekend, with vacation time following Saturday's Independence Day holiday.

Retail store employees, however, were looking forward to a busy Independence Day, as majority of Kings Mountain retail firms are to be open for business on Saturday, with the holiday to be taken on Monday, July 6. Many Kings Mountain firms are staging sales promotion for the weekend, beginning Thursday and continuing through Saturday.

Exceptions to the Saturday work plans are the city's three financial institutions. First National Bank, Kings Mountain Savings & Loan association and Home Savings & Loan association will be closed Saturday, but will be open for business on Monday.

City Hall offices will conform to the retail merchant schedule, being open for regular hours Saturday and not opening again until Tuesday morning.

The employment service office will be closed Friday and Saturday.

Many Kings Mountain folk are already enjoying beach and mountain resort fun, while others have been content to plan to spend vacations at home.

Home entertainment includes two July 4 picnic outings. Grover Development club is holding its annual July 4 celebration, with Lt. Gov. Luther Barnhardt to address the group and a full day of activities planned. Lake Montonia club is also holding its annual picnic outing.

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## Employment Picture Here Looks Good

The Kings Mountain branch of the state employment service enjoyed one of its better months in June, Manager Franklin L. Ware, Jr., said this week.

During the four-week period ending June 25, only 966 persons applied for unemployment compensation benefits, first month in many that the total was less than 1,000. In June last year the total was over 3,000.

Otherwise, Mr. Ware reported the employment service married 80 persons with employment, against 107 job openings. In addition, four persons found employment out-of-town.

With 136 new applications for jobs, including some high school graduates just joining the labor market and other school students seeking summer work, the total number seeking work here was 465 at June 25.

Mr. Ware said an increase in construction activity has upped employment and said he anticipated a further increase in this category. Meantime, majority of the textile employers are in good shape order-wise, and are adding to employment scrolls.

## Hospital Praises Second Baptists

WINSTON-SALEM.—The work of the Second Baptist church of Kings Mountain is attracting interest of Baptists all over North Carolina.

Recent reports from Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem show that the church made a tremendous increase in its annual contribution to the care of the needy sick at the institution this year, giving 500 per cent more than it did last year. The offering for the hospital is given each Mother's Day. With this money from the Baptist churches of the state, the hospital is able to finance an extensive program of care for the needy sick which amounts to 40 per cent of its total work.

Because of this unusual record in giving, Rev. Albert R. Hastings, who has been pastor since the fall of 1958, was asked to outline the plan of work which makes it possible for such an accomplishment.

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## Brown Assumes Davidson Duties

Lawson Brown, former high school principal, began his new duties as superintendent of Davidson County schools Wednesday.

His family remains here briefly but expect to join Mr. Brown in Lexington in the near future.

City schools Superintendent B. N. Barnes said Wednesday that a replacement for Mr. Brown, now for William George, resigned North school principal, has been employed.

He added that several applications for the positions are in hand and that he anticipates board of education action in the near future, probably within the next week.

## Jane Yates, 6, Will Be Featured In T-V Movie Of Polio Foundation

BY ELIZABETH STEWART

Six-year-old Jane Yates, crippled since birth, is an active first-grader who likes the bicycle, hoola-hoop, and particularly wants to learn to skate.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Yates, have high hopes her ambition will be realized, although the youngster is without a right hand and wears a leg brace.

"Jane's a remarkable little girl," Mrs. Lewis Bulwinkle, executive secretary of the Gaston chapter, National Infantile Paralysis Foundation, said Wednesday, "and the way she has helped herself should be inspiration for others who have had similar ailments."

Mrs. Bulwinkle was speaking at the Yates home where the youngster was being photographed by representatives of the National Foundation who are including the story of her fight against birth defects in a new March of Dimes movie which will be nationally televised this year.

More movies are to be made at East School Thursday morning at 10 a. m. Parents of children enrolled in Mrs. Macie Covington's first grade last year are asked to be present for the picture taking. Mrs. Bulwinkle requested. A classroom scene will be included in the sequence show as will the pictures made when Jane's treatment began at Orthopedic Hospital in Gastonia.

Research in birth defects, a major target of the March of Dimes this year, is closely allied to work already done by the National Foundation, scientists on the work of the living cell. Mrs. Bulwinkle said. Medical research offers hope in solving birth defect problems, and pictures will include other children suffering from the three faces of crippling. Besides birth defects, other areas of March of Dimes activity are polio, arthritis, and virus diseases.

In addition to Jane, the Yates family includes Charlene, an 11th grader, and Eric, a high school freshman.

## Luther Barnhardt Speaker At Grover

The Grover Community Development Council is completing plans this week for a big July 4th community-wide celebration, according to announcement by Charles F. Harry, III, publicity chairman.

Lt. Governor Luther Barnhardt will make the principal address at 11 a. m. on the Grover school grounds and a picnic lunch will also be served.

Mr. Harry noted that a feature of the morning activities would include numerous contests including speech contests, sack races (men and women), greasy pole climb, and foot races.

In the afternoon the Minette Mills Softball team of Grover will play a doubleheader with Knowles Electric of Atlanta, Ga.

The annual affair is expected to attract a large crowd from Grover and surrounding communities, Mr. Harry said.

Festivities officially get underway at 9:30 a. m. Monday. State Senator Robert Morgan of Shelby will introduce Lt. Governor Barnhardt.

"We invite the community and others to participate in this old time community picnic," Mr. Harry continued, and he added, "We anticipate large crowds from the Grover area will want to join us in this Independence Day celebration and annual holiday gathering."

The Grover Community Development Council has led numerous projects in Grover since its organization and also sponsored the July 4th picnic last year with large crowds joining the Grover citizens in the fun and activities of the day.

Members of the Council who helped plan the event were W. Fred Cockrell, Mrs. Ralph G. Fort, Frank Royster, Mrs. Lois Gold, and Holmes Harry.

## Garmon Assumes Methodist Post

Rev. H. D. Garmon, pastor of Rutherfordton's First Methodist church the past five years, has assumed pastorate duties at Central Methodist church.

Mr. Garmon succeeds Rev. James B. McLarty who has gone to Concord as a result of changes made at the recent Western North Carolina Methodist Conference.

The Garmon's are residing at the Teacherage until painting is completed at the parsonage on E. Mountain street.

Mr. Garmon was educated at High Point college and Emory University. He is married to the former Lucille Torrains, native Charlottean. The Garmons have three children, Amelia, age 16; Russell, age 13; and Brenda Gorman, age 7.

## Evans Displays First Cotton Bloom

Ed Evans, Negro farmer of route 1, has displayed the first cotton bloom this season.

"We've got cotton knee high," Mr. Evans remarked when he brought his bloom to the Herald office on Monday.

The first cotton bloom was reported last year about July 4th.

## Nicholson Says Charges By Hayes Are Erroneous And Misleading

Corbet Nicholson, city gas superintendent and licensed bondsman, said this week that charges concerning his bonding sideline by Bondsman Ernest Hayes were "very misleading."

Mr. Hayes charged that Nicholson gets preferred treatment on the bonding business by City Hall conferees. He also said Mr. Nicholson did much of his work during hours he is on duty as gas department superintendent.

Mr. Nicholson, in his statement to the Herald, said:

"In a recent issue of the Kings Mountain Herald, and at a called board meeting on the night of June 23rd, Ernest Hayes made statements concerning the activities of the bonding business that were very misleading. Such statements as the fact I was neglecting my duties as Gas Supt. of the city of Kings Mtn., I would like to say that since I have been on this job, I have never neglected a call day or night. I do have working hours, but I stand by at all times for emergency calls. If any citizen will truthfully say that I have not been punctual making calls, I would like for them to give me a ring or call the Mayor or any board member and tell them about it. I would welcome any such accusations.

"What work I do as a professional bondsman is done after or before my working hours. However, my work as Captain of the Cleveland County Life Saving Crew is a gratis job (free). I stand by on Saturday and Sun-

## State Official To Make Address At July 4 Fete

The Grover Community Development Council is completing plans this