

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320
City Limits 7,206

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SEVEN CHARITY, CIVIC GROUPS MAY PARTICIPATE

Kings Mountain's United Fund organization officials will consider first requests for inclusion in the initial fund-raising budget at a meeting Thursday night at the office of Warwick Insurance Agency.

Representatives of five civic and service organizations have been invited to attend the Thursday night meeting. The five organizations are Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library, Cleveland County Rescue squad and City Recreation commission.

Wesley Bush, secretary of the United Fund, said the directors have scheduled regular Thursday night sessions until the initial pre-campaign work is complete. Meantime, a committee is drafting a Constitution and by-laws.

He said two other organizations have been invited to join in Kings Mountain's first aggregate fund-raising effort for charitable and civic purposes. They are the Red Cross and the Kings Mountain school band. Representatives of these groups will be invited to a subsequent meeting to discuss budgetary needs.

B. F. Maner, a member of the city recreation commission, said that this group will enter a request for \$2,000, not for operating expenses but for a fund to build a city recreation building. It is anticipated, he said, that money will be placed in a sinking fund and added thereto as regularly as possible until sufficient monies are available to construct a building.

This is Kings Mountain's first effort to consolidate fund-raising campaigns.

Numerous industries and commercial firms have said they would cooperate in the effort by offering employees payroll deduction on contributions, officials have reported.

BARNES GIVES SCHOOL PROCEDURE

Teachers in the Kings Mountain City Schools system will report for duty Monday morning, August 31 for what Supt. B. N. Barnes termed Teacher Orientation Day.

Mr. Barnes said Wednesday, this day will be comprised of such activities as explanation of school philosophy, policy, procedure, and requirements; organizational patterns, including scheduling, grading system; distribution to teachers of supplies, equipment, class rolls, and textbooks; and the issuance of state and local curriculum guides and record books.

Teachers will be on a full day duty August 31, Mr. Barnes said.

Tuesday, September 1, will be Teacher-Pupil Orientation Day. Mr. Barnes further explained. All pupils will report to their assigned schools for assignment to rooms and classes; for the issuance and procurement of textbooks and supplies; for a review of the daily schedule; and for the assignment of lessons.

All pupils are requested to bring \$1.50 for school child insurance and in the elementary grades \$1.50 for school fees.

Parents of first grade pupils will be expected to present a birth certificate. This is required before a child can be enrolled in school. The certificate will be returned to the parent immediately. All first graders must have polio vaccinations before they can enter school. A recent general assembly act requires that the parents or guardians of children between the ages of two months and six years have them vaccinated. The law has been effective since March 31.

In addition to polio vaccinations, vaccinations for diphtheria, smallpox and whooping cough are required.

Tuesday will be a full day for teachers, but not for pupils, Mr. Barnes said. It is thought that pupils in grades 1-8 will be dismissed shortly after 10:00 a. m., depending upon the length of time required to complete the activities listed. High school students will probably be kept until 12:00, he said.

Wednesday, September 2, will be a full school day for teachers and pupils alike, with the exception of first graders who will be dismissed at 12:00 noon.

All cafeterias will be in operation Wednesday and it will be counted as a regular school day.

TRASH ON STREETS CAN COST \$10 FINE

Citizens in cleaning their lots of trash, leaves, tree limbs and other debris, should not pile them on streets or sidewalks — on pain of being hauled to city court and paying a fine of \$10 plus costs, or take a ten-day tour in jail.

The city last week adopted an ordinance making the piling of debris on streets and sidewalks a misdemeanor, subject to the prior-named penalties.

The ordinance was unanimously adopted.



SUCCESSOR — Robert Nathan Parrish, retired grocer and long-time Kings Mountain citizen, died last Thursday. Funeral rites were conducted on Saturday.

Parrish Rites Held Saturday

Funeral services for Robert Nathan Parrish, 80, were conducted Saturday at Kings Mountain Baptist church, with interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

A retired grocer and a Gaston county native, Mr. Parrish had lived in Kings Mountain almost all his life. He was a son of the late Frank and Annie Gouble Parrish. He succumbed at Kings Mountain hospital last Thursday of a heart attack. He had been a patient for several days before his death and was undergoing examination to determine whether he would undergo an operation for another ailment.

He was a member of Kings Mountain Baptist church and a Redman.

Mr. Parrish was twice married. His first wife, Panthea Jeanette Price Parrish, died in 1920. To this union was born seven children, three of whom survived.

He was subsequently married to Mrs. Etta Harmon Parrish, who survives.

Also surviving are eight children, Howard Parrish, Washington, D. C., Mrs. Perry Parrish, Crumpton, Mrs. J. C. Crenshaw.

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Mrs. Gantt Died Tuesday

Mrs. Marjorie Tate Gantt, former resident of Shelby and sister of Earl Gantt of Kings Mountain, succumbed in Lexington Tuesday after an illness of two years.

Mrs. Gantt, who was 35 at the time of death was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Tate Gantt of Shelby.

In addition to her brother, survivors include: her husband, John Gantt, a son, Ronald, and a daughter, Debbie, all of the home; four other brothers, Thomas T. Tate of Shelby, Floyd Tate of Greenville, S. C., Melvin Tate of Altavista, Va., and Clifford Tate of Gastonia; two sisters, Mrs. Faye Allen of Shelby and Mrs. Jack Dale of Cherryville.

Funeral services will be conducted from the Lexington First Baptist Church of which Mrs. Gantt was a member. Burial will be in Shelby's Sunset cemetery. Time of services is indefinite.

County Selling Realty To Satisfy Tax Judgements On '55 Delinquents

Cleveland County, in an effort to clean its old tax books, is now in process of auctioning properties of certain delinquent taxpayers to satisfy the old tax bills.

A group of these real properties was sold Monday and another group is scheduled for sale Monday, August 24, at noon at the steps of the county courthouse.

This type of sale—an auction to satisfy final judgments on tax liens—is different from the customary September sale for taxes. The sale is of the actual property, in which a purchaser can pick up the real estate if he proves high bidder.

There is one loophole to those looking for realty bargains: While the properties are being sold to satisfy judgments on 1955 taxes, in all likelihood taxes for years prior and since are also owed. Thought would pass to the purchaser immediately, the title would not be clear until all the aged tax bills were satisfied, both county and city, if the property is within a municipality.

Once upon a time, the law specified that a county or municipality could not actually sell a piece of property for taxes until ten years had elapsed. Then the law was amended to five years.

It has since been amended to three years.

Ralph Tucker, assistant county tax collector, said Wednesday that the effort to clear the tax books is proving beneficial. After judgment is obtained, the property owner is sent a registered letter notifying him that sale of his property is imminent. Of a group of ten parcels of real estate scheduled for sale the recent Monday, only five went on the block — the owners have previously satisfied the judgments.

Of the ten parcels booked for sale on August 24, three are located in Number 4 township. They include:

1) Several lots owned by Glenn Carroll in Block "A", Plonk & Herndon property.

2) Property of the Arthur Davis Heirs, on Watterson street, Kings Mountain.

3) Lot of James W. Carroll, lot No. 4 in the Paul Camp sub-division.

One piece of Kings Mountain property was sold at the August 17 sale. Woodrow Brown was high bidder at \$21.50 for a lot on Watterson street belonging to Corine Borders Sealy.

J. B. Ellis, high bidder at \$24.28, bought a lot belonging to the Grover Cooperative Potato House in Grover.

Pupil Assignment Plan Is Adopted

Error Reported In Petition On School Merger

An inadvertent error in the petition for the proposed merger plan of No. 4 Township schools to Kings Mountain City Schools board was reported to the board Tuesday by chairman Fred W. Plonk.

Mr. Plonk said that, according to the present wording, citizens of the Oak Grove Community are under the impression they are being left out of the consolidation movement.

Examining the merger petition, to be signed by district committeemen from: Bethware, Park Grace, and Compact schools and presented to the county commission, the board found the petition reads that the districts are contained only in No. 4 Township.

A. W. Kincaid, board member, suggested the error in wording be brought to the attention of J. R. Davis, school attorney, and the petition be amended to read "and a part of No. 5 Township" thus alleviating the misunderstanding and including Oak Grove community.

The board agreed that it was the original intention that all the current Bethware school district be included in the merger plan with no part to be excluded.

George McGill Clan President

George McGill of Wallace, was elected president of McGill's of Gaston at the clan's 28th annual reunion at Bethel church arbor near here Wednesday.

Miss Jean McArver was elected vice-president and Miss Ava Ware was re-elected secretary-treasurer. Miss Willie McGill is the clan's permanent historian.

Assembling for picnic dinner were more than 100 descendants of John Thomas McGill who heard an address by Dr. Laura Plonk, a member of the clan, and director of the Plonk School of Creative Arts of Asheville.

Noting that she now speaks only on two subjects, "Spirituality and Education," Dr. Plonk based her address on St. John, stating that this book of the Bible was not written to any sect, race or group but to everyone of all ages.

"In John, all of us are commanded to love others and it is difficult to attain," she commented.

Dr. Plonk described "the inimitable trio" as truth, which she defined the search for God, goodness, which she defined as God within individuals, and beauty, which she defined as the transcendent harmony that resolves discord.

She defined the "spirit" as "the hidden and invincible loveliness of all people." The spirit, she said, "keeps us patient and calm."

Declaring that more people are destroyed by praise than by criticism, Dr. Plonk offered the thought that the practical test of spirituality is in dealings with others. She said a person should always ask if a trade or deal is beneficial to the other fellow. If he doesn't benefit the other fellow, the trade should not be made, she declared.

Declaring that "success lies in victory of the human spirit over human thought," Dr. Plonk concluded with a challenge to her listeners.

"Live for something, do good, and aim high. Write your name in love and mercy and your good deeds will shine as the stars," she concluded.

Prior to Dr. Plonk's address Bible reading, the parable of the prodigal son, and Peggy Plonk read the parable of the good Samaritan.

William Lawrence Plonk, president, welcomed the clan and presided over the session. Dr. W. P. Gerberding, pastor of St. Matthew's church, opened the reunion with prayer, and Miss Ava Ware gave the minutes of last year's session. Mrs. Isaac McGill gave the nominating committee report, which was unanimously adopted.

Miss Willie McGill gave the vital statistics report. Members who died during the year were R. A. McGill, Arthur McGill, and Mrs. Jessie McGill Goodman.

The nominating committee for next year will include William Spake, Col. Roy Wolfe, and Mrs. R. P. Anthony, Jr.

Grover, Compact, Bethware Schools To Open Wednesday

Swiss Student Dassen Arrives Here Thursday

Pierre Dassen, the 17-year-old Swiss lad who is Kings Mountain's second exchange student, will arrive in the community Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Plonk, the boy's "adopted" parents for his stay here, will meet young Dassen at 6:30 a. m. in Charlotte and accompany him to their home here.

The boy bringing the youth from Geneva, Switzerland, to America docked in New York Wednesday and Dassen was traveling via bus to Charlotte.

The lad will finish his schooling at Central High school where he will be a senior when the fall term opens next month. He has written the Plonks that "I'll be a little stray because of bad English, but I am sure I will be happy in Kings Mountain."

Graeme Reeves, a New Zealander, was this community's first visitor last year in the American Field Service International Scholarship Program. He lived with the P. G. Padgett family and graduated this spring from the local high school.

The Kings Mountain AFS committee, of which Mrs. Charles Alexander is chairman, will honor the Swiss youth at an informal get-together Sunday at 5:30 p. m. at the P. G. Padgett home on Piedmont avenue. Members of the schools and their families are being invited to meet the new student at this time. Mrs. Alexander said.

The exchange student comes to Kings Mountain under community-wide sponsorship.

Bethware Sets Annual Barbecue

The Bethware Community Fair Barbecue will be held Wednesday, August 26 at Bethware School on Shelby Road. The event will be staged at 6 p. m.

This marks the twelfth year of the community outing. The barbecue is the annual kickoff to the Bethware Community Fair.

The fair will be held September 16-19 this year.

Tickets for the barbecue were distributed this week by Stokes Wright, secretary of the Bethware Progressive Club, sponsoring organization.

Additional tickets for guests and friends may be secured by contacting Mr. Wright at his room 3 home or by phoning 793-R-2 and making reservations, he said.

Price of additional tickets is \$1.50.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Virginia Pratt Hambricht; three daughters, Mrs. H. F. Westmoreland of Charleston, S. C., and Misses Jean and Joanne Hambricht of the home; seven sisters, Mrs. H. V. Herndon, Mrs. Charles Whitsart, and Mrs. B. O. Weaver, all of Kings Mountain; Mrs. A. N. Sifford of Clover, S. C., Mrs. E. D. Houser of Charlotte, and Mrs. R. L. Barber of Greenville.

Rev. George T. Story officiated at the final rites and interment was in Woodside Cemetery in Clover. Deacons of the church were active pallbearers and bankers from surrounding towns were honorary pallbearers.

Hall Tells How It Happened, As President Signs Bill Enabling His Fiancee To Enter United States

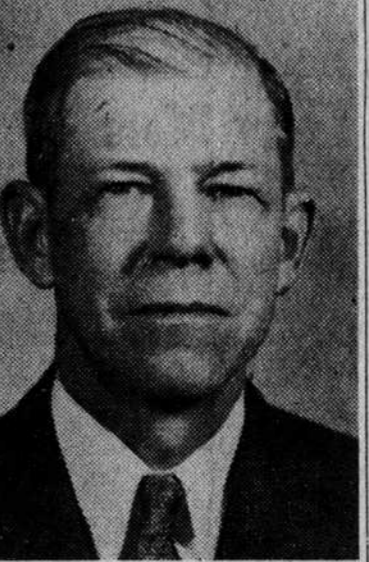
(Ed Note: President Dwight Eisenhower signed into law Senate Bill 1104 Tuesday — a private bill to enable a Korean girl to gain entry into the United States to marry Bob Hall, former Mineral Company mining engineer. The President's signature culminated a sequence of events beginning February 19 when Senator James E. Murray, of Montana, introduced the bill. In the story below Mr. Hall details the story of his courtship which seems en route to the traditional happy ending.)

BY BOB HALL

Although there were a series of events that guided my fiancée Jae Seun and I together, they are unimportant in that we did meet and find a great, deep and sincere love that has withstood the test of time, distance and loneliness.

To begin with Jae Seun was transferred to the 16th Ordnance Co. during Sept. 1955, where she took over the duties of clerk-typist in the motor pool. Four months later she was promoted to the orderly room of this Company and has been there since. Among her duties are clerk-typist, ex-officio interpreter-translator, and also she handles personnel relations.

I was ordered into the Far East



RITES HELD — Funeral for James Day Hambricht, Clover, S. C., banker and former citizen, were held Tuesday in Clover.

Mr. Hambricht's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for James Day Hambricht, 60, prominent banker, S. C., banker and former Kings Mountain citizen, were held Tuesday at 4 p. m. from Clover's First Baptist church.

Mr. Hambricht died of a heart attack last Saturday.

Born January 6, 1899, in Cleveland County, Mr. Hambricht was the son of the late G. F. and Eliza Welis Hambricht. He was educated in the Kings Mountain schools and at Tusculum College in Greeneboro, Tenn., then joined the bank of Sharon, S. C., and had been associated with the bank of Clover the past 30 years. He became president of the bank in 1943.

Hambricht was active in both church and civic affairs. He was a deacon in the First Baptist church, a member of the board of school trustees, and a former state chairman of the Agriculture Stabilization Committee in Columbia. He had farming interests in addition to his activity in the banking field.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Virginia Pratt Hambricht; three daughters, Mrs. H. F. Westmoreland of Charleston, S. C., and Misses Jean and Joanne Hambricht of the home; seven sisters, Mrs. H. V. Herndon, Mrs. Charles Whitsart, and Mrs. B. O. Weaver, all of Kings Mountain; Mrs. A. N. Sifford of Clover, S. C., Mrs. E. D. Houser of Charlotte, and Mrs. R. L. Barber of Greenville.

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All Township Schools Have Straight Term

Summer vacations for Cleveland County school children will end next Tuesday and school bells will ring Wednesday morning for the beginning of the 1959-60 term at Bethware, Grover, and Compact schools in the county system.

Only an abbreviated schedule will be held on opening day. Regular classes will get underway on Thursday, August 27. Teachers at all schools will report for work on Tuesday.

Opening day Wednesday will be filled with book distribution and collection of book fees. Principal James Scroggs from the Grover system said. He listed these fees as standard for elementary students: grades one through three, 50 cents; grades three through six, 60 cents; grades six through eight, 70 cents. The insurance fee for the year is \$1.50 per pupil and the supply fee for the elementary student is \$1.25 per pupil, he noted.

At Grover school, Mrs. Donald Croft of Shelby is the only new member of the faculty. Mrs. Croft who will teach in the high school, taught last year in the Cherryville schools.

At Bethware, R. G. Franklin of Marshall has assumed the principalship, and three new teachers have joined the high school faculty. Mr. Franklin received his bachelor of science degree from Western Carolina college at Cullowhee and earned his master's from Peabody college in Nashville, Tenn. He and his family reside here on Phifer road.

Coy Froneberger joins Bethware as social studies teacher and high school girls' physical education instructor. He is a graduate of Appalachian State Teachers' college. The home economics department will be under supervision of Mrs. McKinney of Forest City, and Mrs. Betty Jones, a native Clevelander, will teach high school English.

Principal L. L. Adams reported no new additions to the Compact school faculty.

West Auditorium To Be Classroom; No Central 4th

Kings Mountain City Board of Education approved Tuesday evening a student assignment plan closely akin to the plan used during the last school term.

Students are assigned to the same schools they attended last year, except for certain exceptions. Pupils who have completed the seventh grade at North school and the sixth grade at East and West schools are assigned to the Central school plant.

Other exceptions include the removal of the fourth grade from Central school, and other assignments according to geographical location in the city.

Full text of the assignment plan follows:

Children are assigned to the same schools they attended last school year. Pre-school children are assigned to the schools in which they are registered. The following exceptions are made to this assignment:

1. Children having satisfactorily completed the 7th grade at the North School and the 6th grade at East and West Schools are assigned to Central School.

2. Children in grades 1 through 6 living on Railroad Avenue north of Gaston Street intersection, Clinton Drive, Hill Street, Gillespie Street, Baker Street east of railroad, Cherry Street, Walnut Street, Bennett Drive, First Street, Second Street, Cleveland Avenue and east of Cleveland Avenue, Owens Street, Bennett Street, York Road and all territory east of York Road who have been attending or have registered at Central School, West School or North School are assigned to East school. This year's 6th grade pupils who attended Central School last year are not included in this exception. They are re-assigned to Central School.

3. Children grades 1 through 7 living on Childers Street and north of Childers Street who have registered or last year attended Central School, West School, or East School are assigned to North School.

4. Children grades 1 through 6 south of Childers Street and west of railroad who have registered or last year attended Central School, East School, or North School are assigned to West School.

5. There will be a 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th grade at Central School. Children in these grades who have registered or attended Central School, East School, North School, or West School last year who live in the east side and east of Gaston Street are assigned to the East School and those living on the west side and west of Gaston Street are assigned to the West School unless assigned to North School by exception no. 3.

The Board realizes that transfers will be necessary to adjust the teaching load between the schools and reserves the right to change individual assignments to meet this need.

Also approved by the board was an organization plan of the elementary schools for the 1959-60 school year.

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Football Season Tickets On Sale

Season tickets to the Mountaineers' six home football games this fall year on sale this week in the principal's office at Kings Mountain Central High School.

The ticket for the six home games on the Mountaineer schedule sells for \$6 and will entitle the bearer to the same seat at every contest through the season. The season-ticket plan was started here last year and proved popular with local football fans.

Cost of the season ducaits is the same as if the purchaser bought a ticket for a dollar in each game. The important item in the season ticket is that the holder will be assigned the same seat for the half-dozen games at City Stadium.

The home schedule this year includes four Southwestern Conference games and two non-league contests.

Kings Mountain's home slate, by the dates:

September 4—Bessemer City.
September 11—Forest City.
October 2—Shelby.
October 9—West Mecklenburg.
October 23—Lincolnton.
November 6—Belmont.

(*)—designates Conference games.

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BRIDE-TO-BE PAK — Bob Hall, former Mineral Company mining engineer, is pictured with his bride-to-be, Jae Seun, who is en route to the Far East to marry him.