

Greater Kings Mountain City Limits 10,320 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.



YOUNG MAN OF YEAR PRESENTATION — Charles Dixon, right center, is presenting to Sam Stallings the Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce Distinguished Service Award for 1959. At left is Robert H. Goforth. Chairman of the Jaycee DSA committee, and at right is Bob Maner, Jaycee president. Both Mr. Dixon and Mr. Maner are previous DSA winners.

Local News Bulletins

NO FIRES City firemen received no alarms since last Wednesday. NO WRECKS City police reported Wednesday morning they logged no automobile accidents during the past week. HOSPITALIZED Hunter P. Neisler is convalescing at Kings Mountain Hospital where he underwent a surgical operation this week. KIWANIS CLUB Kiwanian Joe Austin, who is also a member of the Gastonia Toastmasters club, will conduct the program Thursday at the regular meeting of the Kiwanis club. The club convenes at 6:45 at the Woman's club.

SUPPER The Senior class of Bethware school is sponsoring a chicken pie supper Saturday from 5 until 8 p. m. at the school cafeteria. Plates are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

LEGION DANCE Otis D. Green Post 155, the American Legion, will sponsor a dance Saturday evening from 9 to 12 p. m. at the Legion Hall. It was announced by Commander J. T. McGinnis, Jr.

WEST P-TA Miss Alice Averitt, city schools teaching consultant, will present the program, "Reading for Every Child—Good Books", at Monday night's West school P-TA meeting. The group meets in the school auditorium at 7:30.

GIRL SCOUT MEETING The Kings Mountain Girl Scout Neighborhood will hold its regular meeting Tuesday morning at 10 a. m. at St. Matthew's Lutheran church. All Girl Scout leaders are invited to attend.

BUILDING PERMITS J. W. Webster, city inspector, issued a permit Friday to Haywood E. Lynch to build a one-story frame house on Blanton Street. Estimated cost of the 5-room structure is \$3,000. A permit was also issued to J. Wilson Crawford Tuesday to build a one-story brick veneer house on Meadowbrook Road. Cost of the 6-room residence is estimated at \$15,500.

641 TAGS SOLD A total of 641 city auto license tags had been sold through Wednesday at 3 o'clock, it was reported by Mrs. Grace Wolf, assistant city clerk. The number is slightly more than one-third the number sold in 1959.

TO INSTITUTE Mr. and Mrs. Martin Harmon will attend the mid-winter North Carolina Press Institute to be held at Chapel Hill and Durham Thursday through Saturday.

Stallings Named Young Man Of '59

Bumgardner Boy Hit By Car

Don Bumgardner, 14, was struck by a car Wednesday afternoon at 3:45 in front of Central High School when he ran from the front of a parked school bus into the path of an oncoming car.

The car was driven by Herman Queen. Bumgardner, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bumgardner, was taken to Kings Mountain Hospital.

Injury was listed as multiple bruises and contusions to his leg and hip.

\$16,000 In UF Donations Seen

Kings Mountain United Fund officials hope to complete the 1959 fund campaign Thursday night, with not less than 90 percent of its budget—or \$16,000—in hand or pledged.

Sam Stallings, campaign chairman, said Wednesday that last week's clean-up gathering indicated about one-third of the city's commercial establishments hadn't been contacted. In addition, he said one textile firm is meeting success while continuing the drive and reports are lacking from two other industries.

"We feel the clean-up will result in at least \$16,000, or 90 percent of the \$18,000 goal and we hope the final total will be even closer to the budget."

A meeting of the committee has been scheduled for Thursday night.

CORRECTION

Rev. Floyd Finch, rector of Holy Comforter Episcopal church of Charlotte, assisted in the recent groundbreaking at the site for the new parish house of Trinity Episcopal church. The Herald, through typographical error, reported it as Holy Comforter Lutheran.

Chamber Of Commerce Membership Dinner Monday; Kelly Will Speak

Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce will hold a general membership dinner meeting Monday night at 7 o'clock at the Woman's Club. It will be a ladies night event.

Paul Kelly, veteran assistant director of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development, will speak at the meeting.

Mr. Kelly, a veteran of over 30 years with the department, is regarded as an expert in directing activities attracting outside industries to North Carolina. He several times has been to Kings Mountain in recent years concerning possible location of industry here.

Arrangements committee for the program includes Bob Maner, Grady Howard, and B. S. Peeler, Jr.

Annual Award Is Presented For Sixth Year

Sam Stallings, general manager of Mauney Hosiery Company and Carolina Throwing Company, was named Young Man of Kings Mountain for 1959 at the annual Distinguished Service Award presentation banquet of Kings Mountain Junior Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night.

Charles Dixon, a former DSA winner, made the presentation to Mr. Stallings, citing his long-term work in civic, religious and charitable affairs of the community, for his work with the United Fund and efforts to retain an employment branch in Kings Mountain.

Mr. Stallings replied, "I don't know what to say, I don't think I deserve it, but I certainly do appreciate it."

Prior to the presentation, William F. Jonas presented honorary memberships to the organization to Jonas Bridges, of Radio Station WKMT, and to Martin Harmon, Kings Mountain Herald editor. Mr. Jonas cited the recipients for their long-term and continuing aid to the Junior Chamber of Commerce in its various projects.

Tuesday night's affair was also Bosses' Night for the Jaycees. The group heard an address by Robert Maxwell, secretary of the Cherryville Chamber of Commerce, on "Business."

"Everyone wants to win," Mr. Maxwell said, but asked, "How much is each willing to put in to winning?"

"You can't let John do it, because it won't be done." He praised the Piedmont Carolinas as an area where the vast majority cooperate to make business and progress and he declared, "Man is born to serve others. If he doesn't, he isn't really living."

Mr. Stallings is chairman of the board of stewards of Central Methodist church, a former preacher.

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FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. J. Vernon Phillips, Sr. of Gaffney, S. C., injured in an automobile accident recently in Charlotte, has been discharged from Memorial hospital there and is recuperating at her home in Gaffney, S. C. Mrs. Phillips is a sister of Miss Fanny Carpenter, Troy Carpenter, and Clarence Carpenter of Kings Mountain.

Monday's dinner will be the first full-dress general membership meeting of the organization. The dinner will be free to members and their wives.

John Cheshire, Chamber of Commerce president, will preside at the Monday evening meeting. Martin Harmon will present Mr. Kelly.

City Garnishees For Overdue Taxes

London Buying Half-Interest In Drug Firm

Lawton (Woody) London, of Cherryville, has made arrangements to purchase a half-interest in Stroupe Drug Company, and assumed management of the firm Monday.

He said the firm name will be changed to Medical Pharmacy, Inc.

W. H. Houser, Jr., of Cherryville, is the other member of the corporation. Mr. London said he is purchasing the quarter-interest of L. S. Stroupe and another 25 percent from Mr. Houser.

Mr. London is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawton London, Jr., of Cherryville. A registered pharmacist, Mr. London was graduated from the University of North Carolina in 1949 and spent two years in the army, serving in Korea. Since, he has served as pharmacist at Mooresville, Concord, and Lincolnton. His wife is the former Barbara Branch, of Mooresville. They are members of the Baptist church.

The Londons expect to move here in the near future.

Mr. Stroupe, who opened the drug firm five years ago, said, "I appreciate very much the patronage and loyalty of Kings Mountain citizens, to the firm, to my family and me. We have many friendships here which we cherish very much."

Mrs. Tidwell's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Effie Franklin Tidwell, 69, wife of Freddie Tidwell, were held Sunday at 3 p. m. from Kings Mountain Baptist church, of which she was a member.

Mrs. Tidwell died Saturday morning in the Kings Mountain hospital after an illness of several years. A Kings Mountain native, she was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Franklin.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are two daughters, Mrs. J. T. McGinnis of Kings Mountain and Mrs. Robert Cabaniss of Shelby; and two sisters, Mrs. Vada Hilton of Winston Salem and Mrs. Alice Wandsbach of Gastonia. Two grandchildren also survive.

The final rites were conducted by Rev. Marion DuBose and interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Hunter Allen, Floyd Thornburg, S. A. Blanton, Arthur Sanders, Boyce Ware, and Harry Wilson.

Mrs. Bennett's Rites Thursday

Funeral rites for Mrs. Rejena Lynch Bennett, 87, will be held Thursday at 2:30 from Harris Funeral Home Chapel, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mrs. Bennett succumbed Tuesday at her home on Deal street following an illness of several months. A native of Gaston county, she was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lynch. She was the widow of Joseph Wilson Lynch who died in 1952. She was a member of Grace Methodist church.

Survivors include one son, Grady Bennett of Bessemer City; four daughters, Mrs. J. B. Ellis of Grover, Mrs. Ed Queen of Shelby, Mrs. Boyce Gault, and Mrs. Laura Harmon, both of Kings Mountain, and three sisters, Mrs. C. F. McGregor of Gastonia, Mrs. M. M. Creamsman of Union, S. C., and Mrs. R. T. Bennett of Bulls Gap, Tenn. Also surviving are 17 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

The final rites will be conducted by Rev. B. L. Raines, pastor of First Baptist church.

Jaycees To Host District Meeting

Kings Mountain Jaycees will host to the District 3 meeting of the North Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce here next Wednesday, January 27th.

The district meeting will be convened at the Woman's club at 7:30 p. m. Jaycee President Bob Maner said in making the announcement.

Clubs which are expected to be represented include those from Bessemer City, Shelby, Forest City, Rutherfordton, Spindale, Mount Holly, Gastonia, Lincolnton, and Polk County.

Grover, Compact Plans Meet To Discuss Merger Petition



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Former Citizen Writes Textbook

James Throneburg, formerly of Kings Mountain and now a teacher at St. Luke's Episcopal school in New York's Greenwich Village, has recently completed copy for a general science textbook to be published by D. C. Heath Company.

Mr. Throneburg's text is designed for use in the seventh and eighth grades.

A teacher at the New York private school for the past four years, Mr. Throneburg wrote the text on assignment by the Heath Company, schoolbook publishers.

Mr. Throneburg is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Y. F. Throneburg of Kings Mountain. He was graduated from Kings Mountain high school, Duke university, and did graduate work at Columbia university, New York. During a summer in Europe he did research work at Florence university, Florence, Italy. He is a navy veteran, having spent 17 months in the South Pacific.

School Board Approves Plan

Kings Mountain City Schools Board Monday night unanimously approved and authorized distribution in the city administrative district of the petition calling for the establishment of a special consolidated school bond district and bond vote to furnish funds for the construction of the proposed consolidated high school for No. 4 Township and sections of adjacent townships.

The petition was circulated in the rural areas of the proposed district last week and progress, according to a report by Supt. B. N. Barnes, is good.

Seven hundred names, 10 per cent of the qualified voters in the proposed district, are needed on the petition. When the names are obtained, the county school board will ask the county board of commissioners to call the special school bond election.

Hill Lowery, chairman of the school merger committee, thinks the petitions will be ready for presentation to the county education board at its regular monthly meeting February 1, Mr. Barnes reported.

J. W. Webster and Mrs. Lena McGill were appointed as a committee to supervise the distribution of the petitions to key points in the city and to superintend canvassing.

In other action the board: 1) Let a contract to Pied Piper Exterminating Company for termite control work at East Elementary School for \$315. The company also submitted a renewal contract for both East and West Elementary schools for \$50.

2) Voted to allot money for repair or replacement of band instruments in both colored and white school systems. Mr. Barnes was appointed to supervise the program.

3) Heard report from Supt. Barnes that the city school system is working on the equipment for science, mathematics, and music.

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Bethware, City Are Circulating Vote Request

BY DAVID BAITY

Petitions calling for the establishment of bounds of a consolidated area school district and a bond election for funds to build a high school plant to serve the new district have been distributed among residents of the Bethware and Kings Mountain school districts.

Compact school committeemen have not yet started circulation of the petition through the colored community serviced by Compact school, however, Roy Bell, a committeeman, said Wednesday the group plans to meet Saturday and the distribution will start then.

The Grover community will have its questions answered by County School's Superintendent J. Horace Grigg and Kings Mountain City Schools Supt. B. N. Barnes at a meeting of the Grover Community Development Council next week, according to Mrs. John Gold.

The petitions will then be started in circulation.

Bethware citizens are canvassing house-to-house to obtain names for the petition. School committeemen and other citizens are conducting the campaign. Although no estimate of the number of petitioners could be given, Mrs. Hill Lowery said she feels the program is progressing.

The petition was released in Kings Mountain Tuesday and is being circulated. J. W. Webster, a school board member, said Wednesday he did not know how many names had been obtained yet, but feels there is a great interest in the consolidation plan here.

The petition must be signed by 10 per cent of the qualified voters in the special school bond district before the county board of education can ask the county board of commissioners to call for a special school bond vote.

Present plans call for a \$1,100,000 bond issue proposal for a new consolidated high school plant. Existing school plants will be improved to meet the needs of the new district.

New Gas Rates Up Slightly

The city board of commissioners has adopted new gas rate schedules which will be reflected in February 1 billings to customers.

With little comment, the board adopted "the revised rate schedule recommended by Joe Register, city gas engineer with Barnard & Burk."

The new schedules are designed, on basis of present consumption, to return \$4,715 annually, all but \$99 of the rate increase the city has accepted through compromise agreement with Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Corporation. Initially, Transco had sought from the Federal Power commission rate increases approximating \$7800 per year.

All schedules are raised slightly.

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Dr. Jackson Develops Technique Said Major Medical Breakthrough

Dr. Benjamin T. Jackson, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Davis, of Kings Mountain, is credited as the developer of a new medical technique for studying the growing animal within the mother.

The development of the technique is described as a major breakthrough in experimental surgery.

Dr. Jackson is the husband of the former Jean Davis and is on the staff of the Medical College of Virginia.

A news story by Fletcher Cox, Jr., in a Richmond newspaper details the new technique.

The news account follows: "A major breakthrough in experimental surgery has been accomplished at the Medical College of Virginia, it was learned today."

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Rites Thursday For Mrs. Beach

Funeral services for Mrs. Edith Stine Kincaid Beach, 78, will be held at First Baptist church, Bessemer City, Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Mrs. Beach, who lived at the home of her son, Arnold W. Kincaid, 921 Church street died at Kings Mountain hospital Monday night at 9 o'clock after a brief illness.

Born May 27, 1881, Mrs. Beach was a daughter of the late William and Sarah Palmer Stine. She was twice married, first to Samuel Calhoun Kincaid, who died in 1930, and subsequently to Merritt A. Beach, who died several years ago.

Surviving, in addition to her son here, are two daughters, Mrs. B. V. Taylor and Mrs. Rhea Lewis, both of Bessemer City, two sisters, Mrs. Pearl Gross, Hendersonville, and Mrs. Amanda Weatherall, Glendale, Ore., nine grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. Also surviving are four step-children, Mrs. Edith Hawkins, Hudson, Zernie Beach and Wayne Beach, both of Gastonia, and J. C. Beach, of California.

The body will be at Sisk funeral home until an hour prior to the final rites.

She was a member of First Baptist church, Bessemer City. The rites will be conducted by Rev. A. A. Bailey, the pastor, assisted by Rev. George Willis and Rev. B. L. Raines. Burial will be in Bessemer City Memorial cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Floyd Noylett, F. W. Lowe, Dwight Matthews, Hoke Coon, A. F. Bridges, and E. C. Sisk.

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday at noon totaled \$114, including \$101.75 from on-street meters and \$13.25 from off-street meters. City Clerk Joe McDaniel reported. In addition, \$39 was received from over-parking fees.

The board tabled for investigation:

- 1) Request of H. R. Parton for sewage service on Carpenter street;
- 2) Request for fire hydrants in several areas, awaiting report from Fire Chief Pat Tignor; and
- 3) Request of Jake Summers for a taxi franchise.

The board voted to charge-off \$147 in utility bills deemed uncollectible and voted to install a street light at the Deal street pool.

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Papers Issued For Over 50 Delinquents

The city has instituted garnishment proceedings against more than 50 delinquent taxpayers, City Tax Collector J. W. Webster said Wednesday.

Under state law, the city (or any state governmental agency) may garnishee wages for the payment of delinquent taxes. The law specifies that not more than ten percent of a person's wages per pay period may be garnisheed.

The tax collector began garnishment proceedings after the city commission had passed a resolution approving the collection effort last Thursday. Mayor Glee A. Bridges had told the board the tax collector was ready to proceed and asked an approving resolution.

One commissioner laughed, "Isn't this about the third time we've passed this resolution?" The Mayor replied he wanted a renewal.

Mr. Webster said further garnishments would be instituted as quickly as the papers can be drawn.

The delinquencies represent old tax accounts on personal property.

"We regret the necessity of garnishing wages for taxes," Mayor Bridges said, "but these taxpayers have been contacted repeatedly in an effort to clear the records."

Mayor Bridges had told the city commission last week that about \$20,000 is outstanding on the city's books in delinquent personal property taxes.

Minor Miscues Will Cost Less

The city commission last week voted a bargain rate to motorists submitting to routine traffic offenses, but increased to \$5 the penalty on those who fail to purchase and display city auto tags by the February 15 deadline.

The action on minor traffic violations means that a person arrested for such an offense will have to pay \$7.30, just half the former amount. The change was adopted on recommendation of Recorder Judge Jack White and Chief of Police Martin Ware.

Mayor Glee Bridges asked for the increased penalty on non-tag buyers.

The board approved several street improvements petitions, with the usual "if and when funds are available" contingency, among them:

- 1) Paving of an 18-foot road on one block of Juniper street;
- 2) Installation of curb-and-gutter on Henry street, from Katherine to Rhodes.
- 3) Installation of curb-and-gutter and paving of Henry street, from Katherine avenue to Woodside drive.

The board also approved request of George McClain and other S. Cherokee street citizens for installation of a dead-end sign at the end of the street and for straightening of the street. It was explained that the present road-bed is not on the right-of-way.

The board accepted deed for a 50-foot right-of-way to extend Sims street to Hillside Drive and approved, when funds are available, paving of Sims extension to Hawthorne road. Mayor Bridges said the city would lack budgeted funds for pipe purchases to cut the road and the board agreed to reimburse him for advancement of funds necessary for this purchase.

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