

## Population

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320  
City Limits 7,206

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# Citizens Group Wants Second Kings Mountain Bank



**P-TA PLANNING COMMITTEE** — Pictured above are representatives of Kings Mountain Parent-Teacher Associations as they plan a District 2 meeting to be held here October 28. Seated, from left to right, are Mrs. Eugene Roberts, Mrs. J. P. Mauney, Mrs. Harold Crawford, and Mrs. J. B. Falls. Standing are Mrs. James Dover, Mrs. Otis Falls, Jr., Mrs. M. D. Phifer, and Mrs. Clyde J. Bridges.

## Local News Bulletins

**KIWANIS CLUB**  
Kings Mountain Kiwanians meet Thursday night at 6:45 at the Woman's club. Program for the meeting was not announced.

**PRAYER BAND**  
The Kings Mountain Prayer Band will meet Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Yates Smith, Jr. in the Pine Ridge community. Bob Hope will be the speaker.

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
Sunday is Promotional Day for the Sunday School and World Wide Communion Sunday at First Presbyterian church. The Session will meet at 10:30 a. m. to receive new members into the church.

**TEACHERS**  
Richard Culyer has been elected an assistant teacher to Pioneer Boys and George Thomason has been elected an assistant teacher in the Westminster Class at First Presbyterian church.

**LEGION SUPPER-DANCE**  
Otis D. Green Post 155 of the American Legion will host members and guests at a supper and dance on Saturday night. Chicken or fish dinners will be served from 5 until 8 p. m., and a dance will begin at 9 p. m. The plates sell for \$1 each and dance tickets are \$1 per couple.

**REUNION**  
The William and Susan Randle Reunion will be held Sunday, October 2 at the Bethlehem Fellowship Center. All relatives and friends are invited. Picnic lunch will be spread at 12:30.

**HEADS FLORISTS**  
Bill Talley, Gastonia florist, was recently elected president of the North Carolina Florists Association. Mr. Talley, associated with Talley's Florist of Gastonia, is married to the former Annie Lou Blalock of Kings Mountain.

## School Merger Trial Date Set

Trial of litigation to prevent the Number 4 Township school consolidation has been set to begin on November 29, J. R. Davis, city board of education attorney, said Wednesday.

Superior Court Judge Hugh B. Campbell of Charlotte, honored the request of Attorney Davis to fix a date for trial of the suit whereby some citizens in the areas to be merged seek to abrogate results of the May 14 election approving a merger of township schools with the Kings Mountain district.

## Now Who's This Firm Favoring?

Sensitive politicians, both Democrats and Republicans, could wax both pleased and wounded from the inscription on a truck seen in Kings Mountain recently.

Democrats, noted with some revulsion the red pick-up truck with a big "NIXON" emblazoned on the hood.

Then they got a pleasant tinkle as they continued to read: "Exterminating Company."

## Plan To Sell Mill Detailed

Details concerning the court petition for sale of Craftsputn Yarns, Inc., appeared this week in advertisements in the Wall Street Journal and Charlotte Observer.

According to the notice, the trustees in bankruptcy for the parent company, The Scranton Corporation and Hal Roach Studios, Inc., estimated that they would receive for the Kings Mountain firm about \$260,000 for sale of all outstanding stock to E. Stanley Marks, of New York City, would be buyer.

Contracts between the trustees and Mr. Marks, which have been agreed to, are subject to approval of federal court for the middle district of Pennsylvania.

According to the contract agreement, the fixed assets of Craftsputn Yarns are calculated at \$350,000 against book value of \$736,000, and accounts of Craftsputn to the parent company and of the parent company to Craftsputn are listed at zero. (Balance sheet at December 31, 1959, showed the parent company owed Craftsputn \$239,281 while Craftsputn owed the Scranton Company \$25,011.)

In the contract, the trustees agree to place \$100,000 in escrow for up to two years to provide protection to the buyer under covenants of the sellers.

Another statement in the advertisement shows that Craftsputn has shown net losses in every year since 1954, with the exception of 1956, when the company recorded a net profit of \$51,437. In 1959 the company's net loss was \$132,546.

Hearing on the sale petition has been scheduled in federal court in Scranton for 2 p. m. October 7.

Harold Phillips, member of the executive committee in charge of Craftsputn operations, said he understood Mr. Marks is a New York attorney.

Pending the hearing and subsequent action by the court, if any, Craftsputn will continue to operate as it has been, J. J. Levy, one of the trustees, said last week. The firm manufactures yarn and has been maintaining a five-day and six-day work week.

## RALLY DAY

Dixon Presbyterian church will observe Rally Day during the Sunday School hour on Sunday. A special program has been planned, according to Superintendent Thomas Humphries.

## District P-TA To Meet Here October 28th

Kings Mountain parents and teachers will be host to District Two of the North Carolina Parent Teacher Association on Friday, October 28.

Mrs. Fred Rash of Lenoir is director and Mrs. Jacob Mauney of Kings Mountain is vice-director. Eleven counties and over 18,000 members make up District 2. These include: in addition to Cleveland, Ashe, Avery, Burke, Caldwell, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Watauga, and Yancey.

Plans are well underway for the event. Mrs. Harold Crawford is chairman and Mrs. Eugene Roberts is co-chairman of the planning committee from the various school P-TA organizations. Mrs. Crawford asks that all local parents and teachers who plan to attend the conference make reservations with her by October 18.

## Blood Deficit Is 175 Pints

Kings Mountain area citizens have a 175-pint blood-giving deficit for the period beginning July 1, Mrs. O. W. Myers, Red Cross blood program chairman, said Wednesday as she announced the forthcoming October 7 visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile.

Mrs. Myers pointed out that blood quotas are based in amount of blood used, which means that Kings Mountain citizens in four months, have used 175 more pints of blood than donated by local area citizens.

The Bloodmobile will be at the Woman's Club on October 7, anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain.

Mrs. Myers continued: "Because Kings Mountain has a blood program, ALL citizens have access to blood in event of illness or accident without necessity to find donors whose blood matches that of the patient, nor are they faced with having to pay the high cost of blood when it is purchased from private blood banks.

"We have not been carrying

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## \$50,000 Could Bring 100-Employee Firm As New Industrial Citizen

\$50,000 could get Kings Mountain a 100-employee industry.

J. Wilson Crawford, president of Kings Mountain Business Development, Inc., told the board of directors of Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce Monday that a reliable Eastern firm, founded shortly after the Civil War, wants to move to the South and desires to lease a building of about 23,000 square feet.

Mr. Crawford said he had conferred with officials of the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development and that they indicated the state's Small Business Development Corporation might supply up to two-thirds of the money required to construct a building. In turn, Mr. Crawford estimated

# United Fund Drive To Begin

## Officials Plan Concentrated One-Week Effort

Kings Mountain's second United Fund campaign will begin Monday in what officials hope will be a one-week successful fund-raising drive for \$17,000.

Bob Maner, president of the organization and ex officio chairman of the fund-raising campaign, said Wednesday final plans for the solicitation will be mapped at a kick-off meeting Thursday night at 8 o'clock at City Hall.

"We hope to wrap up the campaign as quickly as possible. Campaign solicitors will call on business and industrial firms Monday and Tuesday of next week, and we hope to report a week later that the campaign is successfully completed."

Concurrently, Mr. Maner announced a 15-man team will conduct the campaign to provide funds for eight civic, service and charitable organizations.

They are J. C. Bridges, Wesley Bush, J. Ollie Harris, W. S. Fulton, Jr., Charles Neisler, Charles Blanton, Jonas Bridges, Clyde Whetstone, Tom Trott, Grady Howard, Bill Parsley, Jerry Ross, Dr. George W. Plonk, Robert H. Goforth and Sam Weir.

Chairman Maner expressed confidence that the \$17,000 goal will be met.

"Several industrial firms, which did not participate in last year's campaign have stated they will participate this year," Mr. Maner said.

Many industrial firms have made available to their employees a payroll deduction plan of giving.

Eight participating organizations will benefit from the campaign, including Kings Mountain chapter of the American Red Cross, Jacob S. Mauney Memorial library, Kings Mountain high school band, Davidson school band, Cleveland County Life-Saving and Rescue Squad, Inc., Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and the City Recreation commission.

Under the United Fund plan of operation, participating organizations receive funds based on approved budgets. Last year, the budget of \$18,000 was 78 per cent met.

By combining several fund-raising campaigns into one, the United Fund eliminates several fund-raising efforts.

## Lions Enjoy Picture Trip

Members of the Kings Mountain Lions club took a picture trip to Europe and the Middle East Tuesday night.

Miss Mary Nolan, last year a teacher at an army school near Stuttgart, Germany, presented colored photos of scenes in Germany, France, Italy, Lebanon, England, Liberia and Tangier.

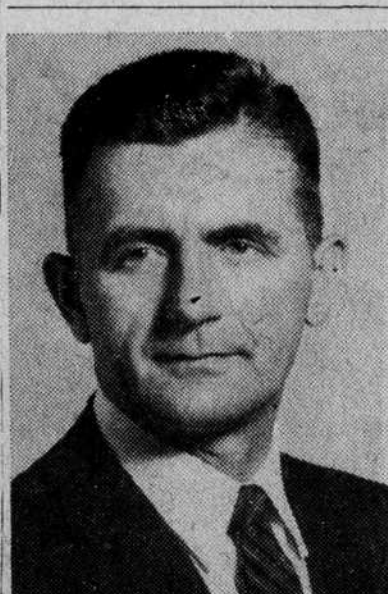
Miss Nolan is a member of the North School faculty.

Guests at the meeting included A. V. Nolan and Jerry Munson.

## SERVICES

Church services during the month of October will be broadcast each Sunday morning from First Presbyterian church. Dr. Paul Ausley, pastor, will bring the messages.

# Opening Of Fair Marred By Rains



**PROMOTED** — W. F. (Bill) Laughter has assumed the duties of personnel manager of Neisler Division, Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company, succeeding Joe Austin, who has joined Burlington Industries.

## Mohair Promotes Bill Laughter

William F. (Bill) Laughter, Kings Mountain native, has been promoted to personnel manager of Neisler division of Massachusetts Mohair Plush company.

Mr. Laughter, previously the firm's supervisor of outside maintenance, assumed his new duties last week. He succeeds Joe Austin, who resigned to accept a position with Burlington Industries. Mr. Austin was temporarily assigned to Burlington's Crumerton plant for a three-month period.

Mr. Laughter has been with the Mohair firm for more than four years. Previously, he was associated with Marlowe's, Inc., and was onetime secretary of the Kings Mountain Merchants association. During World War II, he served as an air force pilot, flying both bombers and transports with the Eighth Air Force and transports with the transport command.

Mrs. Laughter is the former Martha Sue Littlejohn. They have four sons, Donald, Stanley, Christopher, and Steven Laughter. The Laughters are members of First Baptist church.

## Gavin Visits Kings Mountain

Robert L. Gavin, Republican candidate for Governor, visited Kings Mountain briefly Saturday and made a quick hand-shaking tour of the uptown business district.

The Kings Mountain visit was one among many in the county, as the Lee County Republican brought his campaign to Cleveland County.

Local Republicans set up a card table at the First Union National Bank corner, for the distribution of Gavin-for-Governor buttons and other Republican campaign literature. Mr. and Mrs. Don Hambricht manned the booth.

Accompanying Candidate Gavin on his county tour were Pietz Sasse, county Republican chairman, and Mrs. Earle Moore, county Republican vice-chairman.

Kelly Dixon, Kings Mountain builder and Republican candidate for the 11th district Congress seat, also accompanied Mr. Gavin on his Cleveland tour and presented him to Kings Mountain citizens.

## INSTRUCTION

Jim Bally of Asheville and Roy Rogers of Atlanta, representatives of the American La France Company, were visiting Kings Mountain Firemen this week to give instructions in the use of the new fire truck.

## Big Crowds Logged In Opening Day

It rained again, dampening for the fourth consecutive year the opening of the annual Cleveland County fair.

However, fair officials reported that Tuesday's out-pouring of people attending on opening day was very good, in spite of the fact that early evening rains forced cancellation of the Tuesday night rodeo events.

Fair officials admitted they were praying for sunshine Wednesday morning, as the rain continued, but Mrs. Rush Hamrick, Jr., fair publicist, said officials agreed that, if rain had to come, Wednesday was the best day for it.

Wednesday crowds are customarily smallest, regardless of the weather, for the five-day event.

Tuesday's opening found Betty Pezor, the television "home economist, getting top attention. She was the star of an exhibit of the Cleveland County Poultry council.

The fair continues for the big push with the rodeo nightly at 8 p. m., with Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers billed for a Friday night 9:30 performance, and with big car races on the bill for 2:30 Saturday afternoon.

Friday will be school day for Kings Mountain and Shelby children, with admission tickets given free by the fair.

The James E. Strates shows and rides fill the mile-long midway.

Judging results announced Tuesday showed that Bethware high school placed third in school booth exhibits. Theme of the Bethware exhibit is "America Is Blest, Natural Resources."

It was announced that W. T. Weir, of Kings Mountain, showed the grand champion Hereford bull in the livestock exhibits.

Terry Sanford, Democratic candidate for Governor, is scheduled to visit the fair Friday. He is due to arrive at Shelby Airport about noon and will be transported to the fairgrounds by helicopter.

## IN COLLEGE

Robert Neil Munson, 709 Groves street, Kings Mountain, is among 598 freshmen enrolled at St. Olaf college, Northfield, Minn., according to announcement by the college.

## Democratic Coffee, Nixon Speech, Johnson Shelby Speech Upcoming

Kings Mountain and Cleveland County are witnessing more general election politicking than they have in many years.

1) Numerous Kings Mountain and Cleveland County women will go to Charlotte Thursday for a coffee, at which they will meet Mrs. John P. Kennedy, mother of the Democratic presidential candidate, and Mrs. Lyndon Johnson, wife of the Democratic vice-presidential candidate.

2) Republican women of the area will go to Charlotte Monday night to hear Republican Presidential candidate Richard Nixon and, as particularly, according to Mrs. Earle Moore, of Shelby, county Republican vice-chairman, to participate in "Pat Week" October 3-10, in which they are promoting Nixon's wife "for First Lady."

3) Senator Johnson himself will come to Shelby October 10 for a major address as a feature of the 11th Congressional district rally of Young Democrats.

Meanwhile, members of both parties were trying to remember when a Republican gubernatorial candidate had invaded long-



**LEADS SERVICES** — Rev. W. R. Echols of Rock Hill, S. C. is beginning a week of evangelistic services next week at Boyce Memorial ARP church.

## Echols To Lead ARP Services

Dr. W. R. Echols, pastor of Neely's Creek ARP Church of Rock Hill, S. C., will begin a week of special services Monday at Boyce Memorial ARP church.

The visiting minister will speak at evening services Monday through Friday at 7:30 p. m., at a special children's service at 10 a. m. Saturday, and at both Sunday services next week.

Dr. W. L. Pressly, Boyce Memorial pastor, commented on the services: "A rich experience awaits us as we look forward to this week of spiritual enrichment. Mr. Echols is one of our best ministers, having served the church in many ways."

Recently Dr. and Mrs. Echols spent a year of study in Scotland.

Dr. Pressly invited the community to join in the fall series of services.

## '60 Tax Discount To Drop Saturday

Friday will be the final day to pay 1960 city and county tax bills and obtain a one percent discount.

The pre-payment discount rate drops to one-half of one percent on October 1.

M. H. Biser, city tax supervisor, noted that 1960 taxes are due October 3. If paid during October, one-half of one percent discount is allowed.

## CLARIFICATION

The John Gladden listed in last week's court record is John C. Gladden of 201 Lackey Street, not John W. Gladden of 213 Parker Street.

## Union Trust Asked To Put Branch Here

BY MARTIN HARMON

A group of Kings Mountain citizens has invited Union Trust Company of Shelby to establish a branch bank in Kings Mountain.

The group met at Bonnie Mills Company office Wednesday morning and W. K. Mauney, spokesman, said that considerable interest was expressed in the establishment of a Union Trust branch here. He added that Union Trust Company's board of directors is to consider the invitation at a meeting next Tuesday.

Clyde L. Stutts, president of the Shelby bank, and J. O. Lutz, board chairman, declined comment other than to verify the fact that Kings Mountain citizens have asked Union Trust to consider seeking establishment of a Kings Mountain branch.

Mr. Mauney, a director of First National Bank's Kings Mountain branch, declared that "Kings Mountain needs competitive banking."

He further commented that policy changes since the merger of Kings Mountain's First National Bank into First National Bank of North Carolina has meant a restriction of banking function, rather than expansion.

"Before the merger, it was stated that one of the principal advantages of the merged bank would be raising of the legal limit of lines of credit. Now it appears impossible to establish a line of credit at all," Mr. Mauney said.

He added that First National Bank appears to decline to grant any credit without collateral, whereas the former First National Bank issued lines of credit, on signature, up to \$30,000.

It was explained that the local group seeks a branch bank, not merely a depository.

Approval for establishment of a branch bank must be obtained from the state banking commission and from the federal deposit insurance corporation, it is understood, with the state banking group having authority to specific requirements for the establishment of a branch.

Mr. Mauney, Kings Mountain industrialist, is secretary-treasurer of Mauney Mills, Inc., and an official of the Bonnie Mills Company and Nuway Mill, of Cherryville.

Union Trust Company, with eight branches in Cleveland and Rutherford counties, had assets on June 15 of \$16,663,778. It showed capital stock of \$400,000, surplus of \$211,648, undivided profits of \$200,000, and reserves of \$282,423.

Union Trust, headquartered in Shelby, also has branches in Bolling Springs, Ellenboro, Falls-ton, Forest City, Lawndale, Rutherford, and Spindale.

## Mrs. Hord's Father Passes

Funeral rites for Herbert B. Rhyne, 83, of Shelby, father of Mrs. Horace Hord of Kings Mountain, were held Wednesday at 3 p. m. from Beulah Methodist church of which he was a member.

Mr. Rhyne succumbed Monday night in the Kings Mountain hospital after an illness of several months.

A native of Cleveland County, he was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bunyan Rhyne and a prominent farmer of the Beulah community near Shelby.

Surviving in addition to his daughter are his wife, Mrs. Ada Goode Rhyne; three brothers, Claude Rhyne and Charles Rhyne, both of Shelby, and Robert Rhyne of Gastonia; and two sisters, Mrs. J. R. Killian and Mrs. M. E. Smith, both of Shelby. A granddaughter, Mrs. Don Carpenter of Bessemer City, and a great-grandson also survive.

The final rites were conducted by the Rev. H. O. Huss. Interment was in the church cemetery.

## RAINBOW MEETING

Kings Mountain Rainbow Girls who plan to attend a district meeting Monday in Gastonia should contact Mrs. D. E. Tate. The meeting will honor the Grand Worthy Advisor of North Carolina Rainbows.