

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320
City Limits 8,008

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Pastors Want Closed Sunday During Church Hours



WAVE WINS HONOR — Seaman Recruit Julia A. Floyd is pictured accepting from Captain John V. Smith the American Spirit Honor Medal awarded her during formal graduation exercises last Friday at the U. S. Naval Training Center at Bainbridge, Md. The medal is given by the Citizens' Committee for the Army, Navy, and Air Force to the men and women best displaying honor, initiative, loyalty and military bearing in basic training. Miss Floyd served as assistant recruit chief petty officer for Company 37 during her 10 week training and was Honor Woman of her company. (U. S. Navy Photo)

Local News Bulletins

BACK TO WORK

G. L. Wright, Kings Mountain Barber, returned to work Tuesday after undergoing an operation at Kings Mountain hospital.

WALKER HOME

Horace Walker returned home Sunday from Cleveland Memorial hospital, where he had undergone an operation, ten days previously. He is recuperating satisfactorily.

CITY TAG SALES

A total of 439 city automobile license tags for 1961 have been sold. City Clerk Joe McDaniel said Wednesday. The tags are on sale at City Hall at cost of \$1. Kings Mountain motorists are required to display them not later than February 16.

METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday at noon totaled \$36.30, including \$38.40 from on-street meters and \$7.90 from off-street meters. City Clerk Joe McDaniel reported.

COURT OF HONOR

Court of Honor for Kings Mountain district Boy Scouts will be held Thursday night at 7:45 at Central Methodist church, it has been announced.

TAX OFFICE OPEN

The Internal Revenue office in Shelby, N. C. will be open for assisting taxpayers in the preparation of their tax returns from 8:30 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. each Friday beginning January 20, until April 15, 1961. For appointments Telephone HU-7-6641.

LEGION DANCE

American Legion Post 155 has scheduled a dance for Saturday night to be held from 9 until 12 p. m. Music will be provided by Stogie Glenn and his band. Admission is one dollar per couple.

IMPROVING

Mrs. C. E. Nelsler, hospital, left Thursday at Kings Mountain Hospital for observation and treatment. She was said improved Wednesday afternoon by a family spokesman.

Julia Floyd Wins Honor At Bainbridge

Miss Julia Floyd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete D. Floyd, has won the American Spirit Honor Medal awarded to the outstanding WAVEL recruit at the U. S. Naval Center in Bainbridge, Md.

The Kings Mountain WAVE began her training three months ago. At the graduation review on Friday she received the top award and a certificate of honor. The award is presented annually.

The American Spirit Honor Medal goes to the WAVE adjudged the most outstanding during training period. The committee for the Army, Navy and Air Force said Miss Floyd's qualities best express the American spirit, honor, initiative, loyalty and high example to comrades.

Miss Floyd was also selected the Honor Woman of Company 37. The award is based on "superior display of aptitude manifested in assimilating the instruction, her demonstrated loyalty, attention to duty, dependability, aptitude for naval life, and the marked evidence of a real Navy careerwoman."

After 14 days leave with her family Miss Floyd will report for duty at the Naval Air Station at Corpus Christi, Texas.

GRASS FIRE

Kings Mountain Fire Department doused two grass fires this week, neither causing any property damage. The first was Thursday at 4:05 p. m. on Grace Street. The second alarm was sounded Saturday and the fire was at the corner of Alexander and Brice streets.

Jaycee DSA Award Will Be Made At Bosses Night Banquet Tuesday

Presentation of the Distinguished Service Award to Kings Mountain's Young Man of the Year will be featured at the annual Jaycee Bosses' Night Banquet to be held Tuesday at 6:45 p. m. at Kings Mountain's Woman's Club.

The award is made yearly to some Kings Mountain citizen, age 21 to 35, who has made outstanding contributions during the year to the general community welfare, has shown evidence of leadership ability, and evidence of personal and business progress.

Chairman of the award committee is J. Ollie Harris, Jr.

Charles Blanton C of C President

Members Name New Officers For 1961 Term

Charles Blanton, Kings Mountain druggist, was elected president of Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce at the membership meeting last week.

In a brief talk following his election, the new president suggested that the organization could lend its weight to a general project of cleaning, brightening and lighting the city and promised continued close cooperation with state and local governmental agencies in efforts to expand the industrial community.

"We want to establish an attitude of progress," Mr. Blanton said and added, "The Chamber of Commerce is concerned with the well-being of the town."

John Cheshire, Jr., retiring president, told the members that one of the major industrial needs of the community is diversification, and added that an apparent apathy on the part of citizens generally is partly responsible for ill-success in attracting more industry.

"This area has much to offer," he commented, "for our geography is very good from the standpoint of transportation, public facilities and other needs of industry."

He said the Chamber of Commerce needed to have in its files options of potential industrial sites and outlined several industry seeking efforts of the organization during the past year.

Treasurer Bob Maner reported bank balances of \$1565.

Other officers elected were Thomas A. Tate, vice-president; Fred Wright, Jr., second vice-president; and Bob F. Maner, secretary-treasurer.

Directors named included John Cheshire, Jr., Robert O. Southwell, Dorus L. Bennett, L. E. Hinant, John H. Moss, B. S. Peeler, Jr., and Wesley Bush.

Mr. Blanton is a graduate of the University of North Carolina school of pharmacy, a deacon of First Presbyterian church, and president of the Kings Mountain Merchants association. He is active in the Boy Scouts and other civic enterprises and a member of the Cleveland County Druggists association.

Committee appointments for 1961 were made at director's meeting Monday.

They include— Civic Improvement—L. E. Hinant, chairman, B. S. Peeler, Jr., Fred Wright, Jr., and Wilson Griffin.

Publicity—John H. Moss, chairman, John Dilling, and Martin Harmon.

Industrial Development—John Cheshire, Jr., chairman, John H. Moss, Ed Goter, and John Dilling.

Existing Industry & Merchants—Wesley Bush, chairman, Tom Tate, and R. O. Southwell.

Schools—Fred Wright, Jr., and Tom Tate, co-chairmen.

SQUARE DANCE CLASS An adult western style square dance class will be started Wednesday, January 18 at 7:30 p. m. at Shelby's National Guard Armory under the sponsorship of the Shelby Parks & Recreation Department. The twenty week course will be instructed by Louis Calhoun. Everyone is invited to participate in the class.

The nominee for the award is selected by a secret committee of judges from nominations posed by local citizens.

Mr. Harris has issued the invitation for nominations for some weeks. Deadline for nominations is January 15.

Harris asks that letters of nomination be signed, and the address of the writer given. The nomination should be accompanied by details supporting it.

Letters should be addressed to DSA, PO Box 627, Kings Mountain, N. C.

County Completes Water Line Payment

The county has completed remuneration of the City of Kings Mountain for the county share of the water line installed by the city to serve Waco Sportswear, Inc.

The county's check for \$3500 was received by the city Wednesday morning.

Tax Listing Pace Is Brisk

Annual city tax listing is going at a brisk pace. Conrad Hughes, Number 4 township tax lister, and M. H. Biser, city tax lister, say the pace has been brisk, almost without exception since opening day, January 3.

A lull developed Wednesday afternoon for the first time.

All citizens are required to list properties for taxes during the month of January, with the law providing penalties for those who fail to list on time or who fail to list at all.

The tax listers are on duty at City Hall courtroom Mondays through Fridays, from 8 a. m. to noon, and from 1 to 4:30 p. m. There is no listing here on Saturdays, as Mr. Hughes goes to Grover to accommodate citizens of the Grover area on Saturdays through January Mr. Hughes will be at Hambrick's Store.

A. A. Barrett, of Waco, is Number 5 township tax lister. He is listing Number 5 properties at Beam's Store.

In addition to listing their properties, farmers are required to make a crop report. Mrs. Ervin Hughes is handling the Number 4 township farm census.

Industries and businesses have been mailed forms for reporting inventories by Max Hamrick, county tax supervisor. These reports are confidential and are to be returned to the tax supervisor. It was noted in a letter accompanying the forms, that industries and businesses should list January 1 inventories at actual value. The county uses 32.5 per cent of actual value as the taxable valuation on inventories.

While real estate listings are automatically carried forward, the tax listers note that transfers during the last year should be noted.

Men between the ages of 21 and 50 are required to list for poll taxes.

Persons are required to report all personal property, including dogs, jewelry, automobiles, furniture and appliances, and other items of value.

Mrs. Whisenant, Near 100, Dies

Funeral services for Mrs. Dora Hullebrand Whisenant, who would have been 100 years of age on January 26, will be held at Gastonia's Loray Baptist church Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Interment will be at Antioch Baptist church near Grover. Mrs. Whisenant died Tuesday morning at 8:45 at Gaston Memorial hospital, where she had been a patient since suffering a stroke of paralysis.

Born January 26, 1861—slightly before the beginning of the Civil War—Mrs. Whisenant was the widow of the late Billie Whisenant. She was a daughter of the late Abraham and Julia Hullebrand of the Antioch community.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. C. W. Sanvis, Mrs. Joe Lynn, Mrs. Julia Crouch, Mrs. Bessie Smith, and Miss Jennie Whisenant, all of Gastonia, and two sons, Robert Whisenant, of Winston-Salem, and Vester Whisenant, of Grover City, Calif.

Also surviving are 25 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren, and 11 great-great grandchildren.

The body will remain at Carothers Funeral Home, Gastonia, until an hour prior to the final rites, when it will lie in state at Antioch church.

Mrs. Whisenant was a first cousin of W. D. Weaver, of Kings Mountain.

Board To Get Sunday Movie Resolution

BY MARTIN HARMON Complete non-commercial observance of Sundays in Kings Mountain during normal hours of church services is apparently a current aim of the Kings Mountain Ministerial association.

The issue of Sunday blue laws and commercial Sunday operations here came to the forefront again several weeks ago when owners of Joy Theatre asked relaxation of the city ordinance preventing movie house operation and, in the absence of action on the part of the city commission, began operating on Sundays in late December.

This week, following a resolution at Monday morning's ministerial association meeting, representatives of the organization furnished a list of 14 firms to the chief of police and Kings Mountain Merchants association, saying that the firms were operating during morning church services and asking that the firms be encouraged to close their businesses during regular church service hours.

The pastors, at a previous meeting, had adopted a resolution concerning the association's position on the Sunday movie issue, but its text was not available. It is to be presented to the city commission at Thursday night's session by a committee headed by Rev. J. W. Phillips. Rev. Thomas Droppers, secretary, said his instructions were not to release the text of resolution prior to its presentation to the commission.

It is the Herald's information that the resolution will deplore further commercial desecration of Sundays, with the minister's speaking as a group of ministers and individually, but not in behalf of their congregations.

Dr. Paul Ausley, who has just assumed the duties of president of the pastor's organization, said that Monday's action did not refer to the opening of movie houses on Sunday per se.

"Speaking for myself," he continued, "I don't feel I can ask one business to close without the others, but we do want business houses closed during church hours."

Charles Blanton, Merchants association president, said the directors voted to pass as information the ministerial association request to the 14 businesses by letter.

Rev. Mr. Droppers commented that the two resolutions do not necessarily represent complete unanimity of viewpoint on the part of all members. Some, he said, prefer stronger action, while others would prefer lesser action.

Public reaction to the Sunday movie operations has been "termed apathetic by several members of the city commission, theatre officials and other citizens."

The theater has been conducting its Sunday operation on a three-showing basis, with two showings on Sunday afternoon and another on Sunday evening, with doors opening at 8:45.

Eugene McSwain, theater manager, termed "last Sunday's crowds as good, with heavier afternoon attendance than in the evening."

Sunday's Joy booking is "Inherit the Wind", starring Spencer Tracy, Frederic March and Gene Kelly.

Two Frontiers, Says Speaker

The world today faces a double frontier in the opinion of Joe Godwin, Gardner-Webb college psychology professor.

Noting he was speaking "wholly without my academic discipline," Mr. Godwin told members of the Lions club Tuesday night that the two frontiers are 1) space and 2) learning to live with fellowmen in harmony, peace and friendship.

He suggested that people today live in the most dangerous period in history, due to the shrinking of space and atomic weapons. However, he expressed optimism that a world conflict will not erupt on grounds that both the United States and Russia know that an atomic war would be one of mutual extermination.

He added that he preferred to use the Chinese definition of the word crisis, in describing the present situation, as "an dangerous opportunity."

Mr. Godwin was presented by George Thomasson.

Local Share Of Armory Fund Must Be Deposited By June 1

Club Re-elects Carl Mauney Other Officers

Carl F. Mauney, president, and other officers of Lake Montonia Club, Inc., were re-elected Tuesday night at the annual meeting of stockholders held at City Hall.

Elected as three-year directors were J. Pat Tignor, Cleveland county, and Howard Whisenant, Gaston county.

Other officers re-elected to one-year terms are Walter Carroll, Gastonia, vice-president; James Wilson, Jr., Gastonia, secretary-treasurer; and George Houser, Kings Mountain, assistant secretary-treasurer.

Holdover directors are Arnold Kiser and George H. Mauney, Kings Mountain, and R. Lee Spencer and Charles Pearson, Gastonia.

Reports of officers and committee chairmen showed the club enjoyed an active year.

President Mauney commented on the capital improvements, including extensive re-paving of roads, improvements to the caretaker's dwelling, and improvements to the pavilion. He predicted an active year in 1961.

The secretary-treasurer's report showed membership income for 1960 at \$5,185, including 150 regular members, 26 child memberships, and 15 associate memberships. Expenditures totaled \$7,140, including \$4,313 for capital improvements.

President Mauney said there is considerable demand for lots at Lake Montonia and invited any who might wish to sell a lot to list them with himself or any of the officers.

Aaron Moore's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Aaron Moore, 81, of Blacksburg, S. C., father of Cleve Moore of Kings Mountain, were held last Wednesday afternoon from Hopewell Baptist church of Blacksburg, interment following in the church cemetery.

Mr. Moore died suddenly at Cherokee County Memorial hospital last Monday after a brief illness. He was a retired farmer and textile worker and a life long resident of Cherokee County. He was a member of the Hopewell church.

Surviving, in addition to his son, are a daughter, Mrs. Daisy Pierce of Randalman; one half-brother, Ed Moore of Blacksburg; and two half-sisters, Mrs. Freeman Stinson of Graham and Mrs. Edna Pruitt of Hillsboro. Also surviving are 16 grandchildren and 33 great-grandchildren.

KIWANIS MEETING

Thursday night's meeting of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club will be featured by the club's 1960 achievement report, which will be presented by John Cheshire, Jr. The club convenes at 6:45 at the Woman's Club.

Tate Is Kings Mountain Chairman For Annual March of Dimes Drive

Thomas A. Tate, secretary-treasurer of Home Savings & Loan association, will serve as Kings Mountain area chairman for the annual March of Dimes campaign, it was announced this week by Joe Mauney, of Shelby, county co-chairman.

Goal of the county campaign is \$20,000 for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

Mr. Tate pointed out that the figure is higher than in some past years and for good reason. Cleveland County suffered a polio epidemic in 1960, counting 41 cases, almost half the total of 86 in North Carolina.

The March of Dimes Campaign furnishes funds for the treatment of infantile paralysis victims. Currently, eight Cleveland County



RE-ELECTED—Carl F. Mauney, president, and other officers of Lake Montonia Club, Inc., were re-elected for a second one-year term at the annual meeting of stockholders Tuesday night.

Sunday Law To Get Airing

The city's ordinance banning Sunday commerce is expected to be the principal item of business on Thursday night's city commission agenda.

Representatives of the Ministerial association are expected to present a resolution outlining the pastor's position on the issue which has come to the forefront again through decision of Joy Theatre to begin showing motion pictures on Sundays.

Otherwise, Mayor Glee A. Bridges said, the pre-meeting agenda appears routine and brief.

A public hearing has been scheduled on a request by Fred W. Plonk for re-zoning of the lot at the corner of Kings and Waterson streets, and City Clerk Joe McDaniel will present to the commission a list of street improvements for confirmation.

Mrs. Shipman's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Ira Shipman, life-long resident of Kings Mountain, were held Monday at 3 p. m. from St. Michaels Lutheran church of Doraville, Ga.

Mrs. Shipman, who had gone to Atlanta, Ga., to spend Christmas holidays with her son, Ernest L. Shipman and family, entered the hospital on Christmas Day and succumbed last Saturday.

She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law; two grandchildren, Ernest Shipman, Jr., and Miss Leslie Shipman; and a sister, Mrs. S. R. McGirt of Matthews.

The Rev. Eldor Richter officiated at the final rites and interment was in Crest Lawn cemetery.

PERMIT ISSUED

A permit was issued to J. Wilson Crawford Tuesday to build a one-story house on Sharon Drive. Estimated cost of the six-room residence is \$13,000.

Victims are receiving treatment at the Asheville Orthopedic center, at a cost of \$120 per day. Two of the patients are from Kings Mountain.

It was noted that, while a portion of the funds go to the national organization, that the National Foundation has in the past year returned \$3500 to the county chapter for use in defraying treatment expenses.

Mr. Tate is a member of the Kings Mountain Rotary club, a director of the Kings Mountain Merchants association and a deacon of Kings Mountain Baptist church. He was recently elected vice-president of the Chamber of Commerce. His wife is the former Janet Hord.

Kings Mountain National Guard officials have been notified that the local share of funds for the proposed Kings Mountain Armory must be on deposit in Raleigh by June 1.

Present timetable calls for advertising for bids on April 1 and contract awards on May 1.

In addition, the North Carolina National Guard requires deeds covering a site of minimum of five acres.

Sgt. Charles Wilson, of the Kings Mountain company, said Wednesday the gap between a proposed armory and an assured one is a minimum of \$13,400.

Local share of funds which must be in Raleigh by June 1 is \$25,000.

Cost of adjacent required acreage to the armory site, which has been made available for purchase, is \$7500.

Meantime, the city board of Commissioners has committed the city to an expenditure of \$20,000 for the armory.

Still uncommitted on funds is the county board of commissioners.

Sgt. Wilson said he will present the armory case to the city commission at Thursday night's session and will revisit the county board of commissioners, in quest of a firm commitment at their mid-month meeting Monday.

The county commission has discussed the armory appropriation several times in recent months and its members have indicated sympathy to the requests of both National Guard and city officials.

Sgt. Wilson said inability to supply local funds might mean loss of the armory, for which federal appropriations were made last summer.

City officials have long professed interest in the building of an armory, looking not only to housing for the National Guard company, but as a needed facility for public functions.

Lennon Attends Bank Conference

CHARLOTTE — Announcement is made effective immediately of the appointment of L. D. Brooks as Executive Vice President in charge of the Charlotte Field Office of First Union National Bank.

In making this announcement, Carl C. McCraw, President, stated, "Mr. Brooks has given outstanding service to the banking industry as former president of the North Carolina Bankers Association and through his dedication and devoted efforts to education through the American Institute of Banking, which courses he taught as an instructor for five years. Since joining First Union National Bank in 1945, Mr. Brooks has distinguished himself and the bank by his keen perception of the services rendered by the bank and the needs of the public we serve. It is a great pleasure for me to announce the appointment of Louis Brooks as Executive Officer in charge of the Charlotte Field Office."

This announcement is made in conjunction with the Executive Field Officers Statewide Management Forum now in session at the bank's General Office in Charlotte. Each office of the bank in the 11 cities served by First Union National Bank operates as a community bank through which the strength of a vast statewide banking institution.

R. S. Lennon of the Kings Mountain bank is in Charlotte for the conference continuing through Wednesday.

Lorri Ann Smith Said Doing Well

Lorri Ann Smith, two month premature daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith who won the 1961 Baby Derby, is in satisfactory condition at Kings Mountain Hospital.

The infant, who weighed in at three-pounds and five ounces at birth, is still resting in an isolate, standard procedure for premature births.

Dr. John McGill, attending physician, gave the report Wednesday afternoon.