

## Population

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320  
City Limits 8,008

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## City May Annex Area In Gaston

### Local News Bulletins

#### P-TA TO MEET

Park Grace school Parent-Teacher Association will hold an organizational and get-acquainted meeting at its initial meeting of the school year Monday night at 7 o'clock in the school auditorium.

#### ARP SPEAKER

Rev. Joseph S. Kellermann of Charlotte will lead the temperance study Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. at Boyce Memorial ARP church, according to announcement by Mrs. W. L. McMackin, WMS secretary in charge of the program.

#### FREE OYSTERS

The Kings Mountain VFW Post 9811 will have an oyster stew at the post home Saturday night from 7-9 p.m. Old members and prospective new members are invited for the free servings.

#### KIWANIS CLUB

Mr. Sossman, a nuclear physicist, will give a talk concerning the civilian application of atomic energy at Thursday's Kiwanis club meeting. The civic club convenes at 6:45 p.m. at the Woman's club.

#### LEGION AUXILIARY

American Legion Post 155, the American Legion Auxiliary, will meet Thursday night at 7:30 for the regular program. Mrs. Glee A. Bridges will be hostess at her home. Mrs. Hubert Aderholdt, president is arranging the program.

#### SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens will gather for a regular meeting Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Woman's Club, it was announced by Mrs. O. W. Myers, member of the Woman's club committee which sponsors the program.

#### METER RECEIPTS

Parking meter receipts for the week ending Wednesday totaled \$194.20, including \$125.50 from on-street meters, \$50 from over-parking fees and \$18.70 from off-street meters, City Clerk Joe McDaniel, Jr., reported.

#### NO FIRES

There were no fire calls recorded by the city fire department during the past week.

#### TO CREDIT CLINIC

Mrs. Luther Joy, Merchants Association secretary, and Mrs. Dewitt Neal, credit manager of Sterch's, attended the Consumer Credit Clinic in Charlotte Wednesday.

#### FRANCHISE CHECK

Kings Mountain received from the N. C. Department of Revenue this week a check for \$1,102.75 as its quarterly share of the franchise duties paid by utilities companies throughout the state.

#### LEADERSHIP CLASS

Women of First Presbyterian church will hold a leadership training class for new officers at the church Monday night at 7:30.

## Powell Rebate At \$34,258

The City of Kings Mountain's share in the 1962 Powell Bill funds to 413 participating municipalities will be \$34,258.48.

The allocation of \$7,629,882.79 in Powell Bill funds was announced Wednesday by the State Highway Commission. The funds are distributed annually to qualified cities and towns for use in non-highway system street work within their corporate limits. Checks to the individual municipalities will be mailed from Raleigh the latter part of this month in order that they will reach municipalities by October 1.

Powell Bill allocations are based on a formula using the population and street mileage in the municipalities and the total allocation for this year represents an increase over 1961 of \$273,187.55. The six largest allocations this year were Charlotte, Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Raleigh, Asheville and Durham. The Town of Grover's allocation is \$2,702.04.

## Board Approves Move On Request Of Developer

The city limits of Kings Mountain could be extended in the near future.

The Kings Mountain Board of Commissioners agreed Thursday night to advertise the annexation of part of a proposed 24-lot housing development in the Linwood area.

The decision was made at the request of J. Wilson Crawford, the developer. He stated that 10 of the lots are inside the city limits and that the other 14 are outside. He presented maps of the proposed development.

The extension would be in the area of the present Boyce Street in the Linwood section.

At the next regular meeting of the commission a public hearing will be held on the matter.

#### Other Action

In other action taken by the commissioners the rezoning from residential to business lots facing King Street between Tracy and Candler Streets was approved.

The commission voted to cancel delinquent water and light accounts in the amount of \$209.06, delinquent gas accounts in the amount of \$99.07, and a \$12.50 overcharge on the Lloyd Davis Street Assessment.

In other business, the commission decided to advertise unpaid Street Assessments on Stone and Goforth Streets, and to advertise the rezoning of two adjacent parcels of land on King Street at the Deal Street intersection.

The vote was unanimous for the paving of Fourth Street from Cranford Drive to the deadend. This action followed the acceptance of an improvement petition.

The commission voted to proceed to alleviate the drainage situation at the country club. The transfer of a taxi franchise from Ben Sessoms to Bill Whetstone was also approved.

Mayor Dixon was instructed to confer with City Ice and Coal Co. about the dust which comes off the coal and settles on the nearby houses.

## Imperial Shows Open Monday

Imperial Shows will bring a mammoth fair to Kings Mountain Monday under sponsorship of the Kings Mountain Optimist club for the benefit of the civic club's Boys Work Program.

Fair-goers who like a wide variety of entertainment will have a choice of 26 major rides and shows, Harold Phillips, member of the supporting club, said yesterday in making the announcement.

The fair will open Monday at 1 p.m. on grounds adjacent to Slater Mills off York road. The fair will run through Saturday.

There will be the usual concessions, plus fireworks and other fairfun, Mr. Phillips noted. Kings Mountain Optimists were busy readying for the fair this week as posters were being distributed and ride tickets offered for sale.

There will be no admission charge to the fairgrounds. Local Optimists will use the funds in their program of boys work, chief of which is the Midget football program it sponsors in the community.

## Annual Meeting Of UF Thursday

Annual meeting of the Kings Mountain United Farmers, Inc., will be held at the new building of the Central National Bank church Thursday night at 8 o'clock, it was announced by Bob Maner, past president.

All member-contributors to the fund are invited to attend the meeting. Agenda for the annual meeting includes a budget session, reports by officers and election of officers, and directors for the coming year.

Officers of the organization are: B. W. Gillette, president; J. O. H. Harris, vice-president; W. S. Fulton, Jr., secretary; and Tom Burke, treasurer.

#### NO PERMITS

No building permits were issued by city officials during the past week.



**DISCUSS DDD CUT-ON PLAN** — Jack Barham, left, plant supervisor, and Floyd F. Farris, manager, discuss the upcoming Kings Mountain cut-on for direct distance dialing, firmly scheduled for January 6. Mr. Barham will not be here for the cut-on. He leaves Sunday for Thailand, where he is joining International Telephone & Telegraph Company.

## Kings Mountain DDD January 6

### Youth Sunday Set At Resurrection

Resurrection Lutheran church will observe Youth Sunday in evening vesper services Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

Members of the Luther League of the church will have charge of the program, "People of God." Young people on the program are Peggy Plonk, Robert Plonk, Susan Plonk, Truett Moore, Johnnie Moore, Butch Gibbons, Connie Dixon, Joyce Dixon, Becky Dunn, Kenny Plonk, Donna Eaker, Sandra Huffstetler and Ricky Henson.

## Barham Going To Thailand

Jack Barham, plant supervisor for Southern Bell Telephone Company here since the conversion months ago for local citizens, is going to Thailand in December, 1959, to join International Telephone and Telegraph Company in a Far East assignment.

Mr. Barham will be superintendent of telephone plants in Bangkok, Thailand. He leaves for Thailand Sunday.

"Although this new assignment is a challenge, I deeply regret leaving Kings Mountain, the friendly atmosphere of the community, our friends and our church," Mr. Barham said.

In Kings Mountain, the Barhams attend St. Matthew's Lutheran church. Mr. Barham is a Kiwanian, member of its board of directors. He is past president of the high school P-TA.

A qualified paratrooper, he is a veteran of World War II, having served with the U. S. Army Infantry in the Asiatic Pacific Theater. He has been awarded the Purple Heart, the Philippine Liberation Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Good Conduct Meritorious Medal. He is a Captain in the North Carolina National Guard, member of Headquarters and Headquarters Company 130. He is also a Legionnaire.

Mrs. Barham is the former Helen Query of Concord. The Barhams have two children, Judy and Jack, Jr.

Mr. Barham's family expects to join him in Thailand within the next few weeks.

## Veteran Textile Superintendent Clarence L. Jolly, 55, Succumbs

Funeral rites for Clarence Lafayette Jolly, 55, well-known Kings Mountain citizen, were held Monday at 4 p.m. from Central Methodist Church of which he was a member.

Mr. Jolly died suddenly Monday at 6:30 p.m. of a heart attack at his home.

A native of Caldwell County, he was the son of Mrs. Cora Parker Jolly of Kings Mountain and the late James C. Jolly. He was superintendent of Long Shoals Manufacturing Company of Lincoln, going to Lincoln from Neisler Mills Division of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Orange Barrett Jolly; two sons Clinton Jolly of Kings Mountain and Clarence Jolly, Jr., of Charlotte; three daughters, Mrs. Robert Boyd of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Kenneth Eber of Bessemer City and Mrs. Jeanne Cause of Henderson; and 11 grandchildren.

## Bell Announces CutOn For New Long Line Service

Kings Mountain's 3800 telephone subscribers will be able to dial their own long distance calls beginning January 6, 1963.

E. F. Farris, manager of Southern Bell's Kings Mountain exchange, said that Direct Distance Dialing or DDD is the latest type telephone service available and will eventually be in use in all Southern Bell exchanges.

"Our local people are busy installing equipment and making the necessary changes in preparation for the cut-over," Mr. Farris said Wednesday. He noted that DDD enables telephone users to dial their own station-to-station calls to most places in the United States. Operators will continue to handle person-to-person calls, and calls from coin telephones.

Mr. Farris gave these instructions for direct distance dialing: If your call is in the 704 code area, simply dial "1", then the code for that area and the telephone number. A partial list of cities you can dial direct is in the front of your telephone directory. Special equipment records the called number and times the length of the conversation. As soon as you finish dialing an operator will come in on the line and ask for your number. After that, the operator will leave the line and you will hear the distant telephone ring. The equipment also computes the bill automatically, Mr. Farris added.

"This new system will definitely mean faster and better long distance service and is only three months away for local citizens," Farris added.

#### CHURCH SCHOOL

The area leadership training school for Presbyterian and ARP churches in Kings Mountain Presbytery is scheduled Sept. 30th through Oct. 3 at Gastonia's First Presbyterian church. Four courses will be offered and an adult workshop.

#### LIONS CLUB

Kings Mountain Lions will gather for their regular meeting Tuesday night at 7 p.m. at the Woman's club. Program for the evening was not announced.

## School Board Hears Plea Of Davidson PTA Delegation

### Lambeth Rope Renews Water Line Request

Lambeth Rope Corporation has renewed a request that the county government assist in building a large water line to its plant.

The request received little encouragement at Monday's meeting of the county board of commissioners. Comm. Chairman Knox Sarratt said the money would have to come from the general fund, already hard pressed. No money is available this year, he added.

Representatives of Lambeth asked the county to appropriate some \$900 from tax funds to help provide the large line. Manager T. F. Burke said the plant is not operating at full capacity because it has insufficient water. Lambeth, with another office in Bedford, Mass., manufactures woven narrow fabrics and webbing. Water is a vital part of its processing.

Lambeth, outside Kings Mountain, secures its water from the city through a three-quarter inch pipe. A six-inch line lies about 335 feet from the plant, however. Lambeth wants the county to pay for sufficient six-inch pipe to connect to this line.

Burke said his company will pay for the pipe if the county will reimburse it from future funds.

Lambeth made a similar request in May, with a slightly different proposal for securing more water. The request was taken under consideration because no money was available from the 1961-62 budget, commissioners said.

The county has previously given financial assistance in laying water lines to J. W. Wood Co., Dicey Fabrics, Inc., and Waco Sportswear. It reimbursed Massachusetts Mohair about \$15,000 on a water line in 1958.

It has also promised to provide \$15,000 for Minette Mills in Grover for help on a water system "when the money is available."

Sarratt said this morning that each request for water line assistance must stand on its own merits, and that a factor in the board's decision would be the company's contribution to the county in taxes.

The commission must consider if county water line assistance will mean that a plant puts more taxes in the county's coffers, he said.

Burke was accompanied by W. K. Mauney of Kings Mountain, a yarn supplier.

Lambeth previously sought help from the Kings Mountain City commission, which referred the problem to the county government.

## Two Are Injured In Accidents

Accidents involving automobiles and resulting in injuries to two people were investigated by city policemen this week.

Saturday local officers were summoned to Waterson street to investigate an accident that injured Burlin Barnes. It was found that Barnes had been struck by a vehicle driven by Joe Harvey Davis, 515 Belvedere Circle.

Barnes had stepped into the street while backing up with his lawn mower in the process of mowing his lawn. Injuries to Barnes were listed as non-serious.

Mrs. Ila Janette Jones, 309 Parker St., was hospitalized Sunday when struck by a vehicle operated by Mrs. Helen K. Jennings. Mrs. Jones was leaving the car when it rolled back and struck her.

Although hospitalized, her injuries were not reported to be serious and she is listed in good condition in K. M. Hospital.

Also Sunday Forest Reid Dyer, 205 E. Kings St., was charged with reckless driving after the car he was driving struck a vehicle operated by Dora Dettman Bridges, Gastonia.

The wreck occurred when Dyer's car skidded into the Bridges car and damaged it an estimated \$400. Damage to the Dyer car was \$50.

## Rites Conducted For Dr. Ramsey

### Physician Dies Following Attack Suffered Monday

Funeral rites for Dr. William Lee Ramsey, 62, prominent, well-known Kings Mountain physician since 1928, were held Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock from First Presbyterian church.

Dr. Ramsey suffered a heart attack about 9:30 Monday morning, shortly after arriving for the day at his Cherokee street office. He was rushed to the hospital where he died about 12:30. A Kings Mountain native, born June 20, 1900, he was the son of three late Harvey Lee and Susan Ormand Ramsey. He was active in the social, civic and religious life of the community.

Educated at Westminster Preparatory School, Davidson college and the Medical College of South Carolina, Dr. Ramsey was past chief of the Kings Mountain hospital medical staff. He was a member of the medical staffs of Cleveland County and Gaston County hospitals, the Cleveland County Medical Society, the N. C. Medical Society and the American Medical Society.

A veteran of World War I, he was a Legionnaire and charter member of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club. He was an elder emeritus of First Presbyterian church.

He had practiced medicine here since July 1928.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Christine Rhine Ramsey; a son, William Lee Ramsey, Jr., freshman at State college; and a daughter, Carol Ramsey, a high school student. A sister, Miss Sarah Ramsey, also survive.

Dr. Paul K. Ausley officiated at the final rites and interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Charles Ballard, Charles Blanton, Harry Page, Bob Maner, Robert Goforth and Hall Goforth. Honorary pallbearers, Kings Mountain doctors and elders of the church, were Dr. J. E. Anthony, Dr. J. C. McGill, Dr. Kenneth McGill, Dr. P. G. Padgett, Dr. Paul Hendricks, Dr. Thomas Durham, Dr. George Plonk, Dr. Craig Jones, Dr. Robert Baker, Dr. D. F. Hord, Dr. N. H. Reed, B. M. Ormand, J. H. Thomson and R. G. Plonk.

#### DISCHARGED

L. E. (Josh) Hinnant, Kings Mountain banker, was discharged Tuesday from Charlotte Eye, Ear, and Throat hospital. Although he is not yet able to return to work, he is continuing to improve. He re-entered the hospital for treatment of a post-operative infection in his eye.

## Nicholson Resigns To Superintend Bessemer City Gas, Water Utilities

Corbet Nicholson, superintendent of the city gas department since 1957, is resigning, effective Monday.

Mr. Nicholson will assume new duties as superintendent in charge of the gas and water department of the Town of Bessemer City.

He first joined the city gas department in 1954. His father, E. Nicholson, was then superintendent of public works. He now lives in Florida.

Mayor Kelly Dixon was in Laffie Creek, Michigan attending a week's federal defense school Wednesday and Mayor Tom J. E. (Zip) Rhea could not be reached for comment. However, Mr. Nicholson has indicated in his resignation to the mayor's post.

Bessemer City only last December opened its gas department. John Gaddy is superintendent of utilities and Nicholson will join him in the public works program.

Nicholson, 37, is captain of the Cleveland County Rescue Squad. He is a Legionnaire.



**SUCCUMBS** — Dr. W. L. Ramsey died Monday of a heart attack at the age of 62. Funeral rites were held Wednesday.

## State Officials Here Thursday

D. J. L. Pierce, Director of the Division of School Planning of the N. C. Department of Public Instruction, and Dr. Dwayne Gardner, his assistant, were in Kings Mountain Thursday to confer with local school officials on the proposed new high school.

Meeting with Supt. B. N. Barnes and high school principal Harry Jaynes, the state officials discussed the educational program planned for the new school. "It is necessary to plan the curriculum for the school before the architects can go ahead with their plans," Supt. Barnes said. "The purpose of this conference was to discuss this educational program."

Supt. Barnes and the state officials said that the decision as to curriculum must be made so that the architects will know what exact type of school to plan.

Prospective locations for the new high school on Phifer Road were not discussed.

Supt. Barnes and the architects had traveled to Raleigh the previous Thursday to confer with state officials on where to place the building on the site.

"The state engineers will have to study the plans further before reaching any decisions," he said.

"This will come later. Presently we are working on the educational plans for the new school and Dr. Pierce and his staff are offering us all the assistance we might need in this area."

#### Special Teacher

Mrs. Hester Bingham McSwain, an elementary teacher here until her retirement, was elected to teach one of the system's special education classes.

Supt. Barnes reported to the board that he had requested from Raleigh an additional high school teacher, and that indication was that Kings Mountain would get two.

This has been anticipated and one additional teacher was hired at the beginning of the school year. One more teacher will be hired.

Music teachers, Mrs. Thelma Hambricht, Grover, and Mrs. W. Wray, Bethware, were granted use of the respective schools for giving piano lessons.

Admission to the Bethware eighth grade was granted Stanley Dixon, son of Bethware teacher Mrs. Ann P. Dixon. He had been granted a release from the Cleveland County Schools.

The board agreed to purchase for \$100 a car from the Federal Surplus Property Agency in Raleigh to return bus drivers from Bethware to Central.

Supt. Barnes informed the board of the imminent departure of Mrs. Gaynell Lail who assists Mrs. Wanza Davis in the superintendent's office.

Bob Maner was present at the meeting in connection with his request that commissions on this school's insurance be divided. Representatives of the present carrier, C. E. Warlick Agency, were not present and the board scheduled the matter for a later meeting.



**RESIGNS** — Corbet Nicholson, superintendent of the city gas department, has resigned to accept a similar position in Bessemer City.