

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320
City Limits 8,008

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WOMAN'S CLUB WINS AWARD - Mrs. George Houser, flower show chairman in the recent Women's club-sponsored floral fair, holds the garden award won by the Kings Mountain club at Monday's District IV meeting here of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs. Others admiring the handsome silver tray are from left,

Lady Democrats Name Mrs. White To Officer Post

By ANNE JAMES HARMON Mrs. Jack White was elected recording secretary of the newly organized Democratic Women's Organization of Cleveland County at a dinner meeting at the Governor's Inn in Shelby Monday night.

Other officers include Mrs. Warren Gamble of Shelby, president; Miss Charline Stamey of Fallston, first vice-president; Miss Sadie Lutz of Shelby, second vice-president. Mrs. John Elliott of Rt. 2 Shelby, treasurer and Mrs. P. D. Crowder, Jr. of Lattimore, publicity chairman.

Constitution and by-laws were adopted, and a board of directors, which upon completion will represent each of the 28 precincts in the county, was chosen. Members will serve on staggered terms of from one to four years.

No. 4 township representatives are W. Kings Mountain, Mrs. F. A. McDaniel, Jr. (two year term); Grover, Mrs. Alfred Collins, (four year term); Waco, Mrs. George M. Murray, (two year term). A director to represent E. Kings Mountain (a four year term) had not been obtained Monday night.

Mrs. Dan Lattimore, temporary president, presided and introduced Mrs. O. Max Gardner, whose husband, the late O. Max Gardner, served as governor of North Carolina from 1929-1933, and Mrs. Mary Lippford, vice-chairman of the Democratic party in Cleveland county.

Mrs. Lattimore stated that the aims of the organization are to further the work of the party and to get out the vote. She emphasized opportunity for service in this capacity in the new registration to be required in the county next spring.

"Each of us can work in her own precinct," she said. Reviewing the activities at a recent state convention of Democratic women in Raleigh, Mrs. Lattimore discussed briefly Operation Second Chance, a plan to

C of C Brochure Is Published

Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce has just published an up-to-date 27-page brochure giving detailed facts on Kings Mountain and the Kings Mountain area. Included are data on such items as temperature, rainfall, city, state and county taxes, city financial information, rate schedules for power, natural gas, and the community's public facilities, including Kings Mountain hospital, Jacob S. Mauney Memorial Library, secondary and college educational facilities of the area, prevailing wage rates, and recreational playgrounds.

Woman's Club Award Winner

Kings Mountain Wins District Garden Prize

By ELIZABETH STEWART

Kings Mountain Woman's club won a major award and both the Junior and Senior clubs won ribbons for pressbooks and yearbooks entered in competition with other clubwomen in District IV at Monday's district meeting here at the Woman's club.

Basis of the district President's Award to the Senior club was the recent Woman's Club-sponsored "Autumn Harvest", 60th annual floral fair. Previous winners of the silver tray have been the Spindale and Stanley Woman's clubs.

Kings Mountain Woman's club also copped a blue ribbon, first place award, for its yearbook and the Junior club won a blue ribbon for its pressbook. The Junior club also copped a red ribbon, second place award, for its scrapbook and received a certificate as a 100 percent club.

Mrs. James V. Callendo, Jr. of Stanley, district president, presented the awards following luncheon. The morning session, devoted to speeches and business, was held in Central Methodist church.

The over 150 clubwomen heard the state president Mrs. James M. Harper, Jr. of Southport at the morning session. Elaborating on the theme, "Let's Take Time",

J. O. Panther's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for James Oliver Panther, 76, were held Wednesday at 3 p.m. from Kings Mountain Baptist church.

Mr. Panther died Tuesday morning. For 53 years he operated Panther Shoe Shop in Kings Mountain. A native of Rutherford county, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George W. Panther. He was a member of Kings Mountain Baptist church. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Mamie Smith Panther; two sons, Herbert Norris Panther of Hickory and James Panther of Gastonia; two brothers, Charles Panther of Grover and Ben Panther of Gastonia; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Rev. Marion DuBose officiated at the final rites and interment was made in Sunset cemetery at Shelby.



ELECTED - George B. Thomason, lawyer and solicitor of Kings Mountain recorder's court, was elected vice-president of the Cleveland County Bar Association Monday. Joe F. Mull, Shelby attorney and Cleveland County recorder's court judge, was elected president succeeding Recorder's Court Judge Jack White of Kings Mountain.

Gerberding Speaker For Friday's World Community Day Service

Dr. W. P. Gerberding, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church since 1951, will be the speaker at World Community Day services Friday at 3:30 p.m.

The service, will be held in St. Matthew's church. Dr. Gerberding will use the subject, "Nation Building".

Mrs. C. T. Carpenter, Jr., publicity chairman, said that an invitation is extended to all families of the community to attend. World Community Day is one of three annual observances sponsored by churchwomen nationwide.

Born in Fargo, North Dakota, William Passavant Gerberding attended the Chicago schools, Thiel College of Pennsylvania and Chicago Lutheran Seminary. He holds the Master's and Doctor's degrees from Thiel. Before coming to Kings Mountain he held pastorates in Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, North Dakota and St. Paul, Minnesota.

Actively interested in civic affairs, Dr. Gerberding was first president of Little League baseball, served on the recreation commission which the swimming pools were built here, headed the Red Cross drive one year and was Kiwanis club president in

Rites Conducted For Bryan Hord, Rural Carrier

Funeral rites for William Jennings Bryan Hord, 61, rural mail carrier for 28 years, were held Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Kings Mountain Baptist church, of which he was a member.

Mr. Hord succumbed suddenly Wednesday night. He had attended mid-week prayer services, suffered a heart attack at his home about 9:30. He served on the board of deacons at Kings Mountain Baptist church and was long active in the work of the church.

A native of Cleveland County, he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joe S. Hord.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Jessie Lee Whitesides Hord; one son, Joe L. Hord, and one daughter, Mrs. Thomas P. Baker, both of Kings Mountain, and four grandchildren. Also surviving are five brothers, George B. Hord, Fred Hord, Ned Hord, all of Kings Mountain, Roy Hord of Charlotte and Joe B. Hord of Maxton; and four sisters, Miss Marjorie Hord, Mrs. D. G. Littlejohn and Mrs. J. K. Willis, all of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. P. N. Mauney of Shelby.

Rev. Marion DuBose officiated at the final rites and interment was made in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Halloween Carnivals Set

Spooks and goblins will be on the prowl Thursday night as traditional Halloween activities are planned by Kings Mountain young folk.

Carnivals, under sponsorship of Parent-Teacher Associations, will be held at four Kings Mountain schools, East, North, Park Grace and West schools will open cafeterias for the serving of hot dogs and other refreshments at 5:30 p.m. A variety of room entertainment is planned at the four schools beginning at 6 p.m. There will be no Halloween festivities at Grover and Bethware schools. The annual fall festival at Grover was held last Friday night.

Young folk will also go trick or treating, as customary.

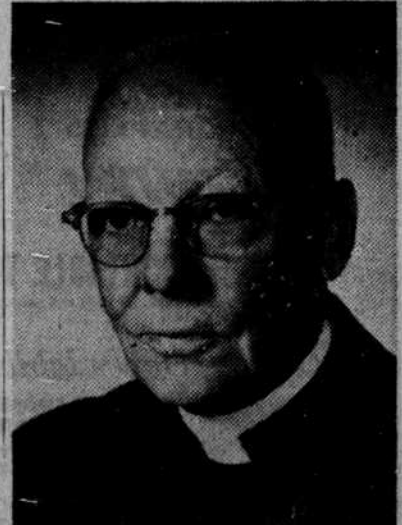
Mrs. Hubbard's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Mabel Nutt Hubbard, 82, were held Sunday at 2:30 from Central Methodist church of which she was a member.

Mrs. Hubbard died Saturday morning in the Kings Mountain hospital.

Survivors include her daughter, Mrs. J. N. McClure, and two granddaughters, Misses Nancy and Joan McClure.

Graveside services were held in Middleboro, Ky. Monday. Rev. Howard Jordan, Central Methodist pastor, officiated at the funeral rites.



SPEAKER - Dr. W. P. Gerberding will be the speaker at World Community Day services Friday, November 1, at St. Matthew's Lutheran church.

1954. He was president of the Western Conference of the Lutheran Church for seven years and a member of the Board of World Missions of the United



MANUFACTURER IN MAJOR EXPANSION - Ground was broken recently for a 33,000 square foot addition to Duplex-Shannon, Ltd., a new firm resulting from the merger of Kings Mountain's Shannon, Ltd., and New York's Duplex International. Pictured at the construction site with the

initial Shannon plant in the background are Mayor Glee A. Bridges, Sandor Teschler, secretary and executive vice-president for manufacturing of the merged firm, and J. Wilson Crawford, president of Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce. (Hubert Carlisle photo).

Ham, Petition No Subterfuge, Say GOP Leaders

There was no subterfuge by Cleveland County Republicans in offering Cleveland County Fairgoers an opportunity to win a country ham and, concurrently, to petition Charles R. Jonas to seek the governor's office, GOP leaders wrote the Herald this week.

The Republicans, Ed H. Smith and Bob F. Maner, of Kings Mountain, and Roy Dysart, of Shelby, stated that the Herald was wrong when it reported last week that a Kings Mountain citizen declined to sign for the ham because a chance at the prize was predicated on his signing the petition that Mr. Jonas offer. Copies of the registration blank for the ham were produced, and they contain merely blanks for the registrant's name, address, telephone number, and a notation as to whether the registration wished, or did not, to receive Republican literature.

The leaders noted that they personally pointed out to GOP booth callers that the ham chance did not require signing of the petition, and said that 4500 signed the ham, while only 1000 petitioned Mr. Jonas to seek the governorship.

Text of the letter follows: (Cont. on Page 2, Section B)

\$3,000 To Date For United Fund

Chairman Robert O. Southwell, of Kings Mountain United Fund, said Wednesday that cash and pledges currently about \$3,000 or slightly more than 15 percent of the slightly more than \$19,415 goal for 1964.

"Reports from solicitors have been sparse," Chairman Southwell said, "but a check with division chairman reveals that soliciting work is well underway." Phenix plant of Burlington Industries has completed its work, with the total from plant and employees approximately \$1,000, Mr. Southwell said, and other industries are just beginning their solicitations.

He also said that business area solicitations "are not more than ten percent complete." He had praise for school reports totaling about \$400 from Kings Mountain high school, North and East schools.

"We'll not be able to complete the campaign as quickly as I had hoped," Mr. Southwell said, "but I have been gratified at the initial response and the work now underway."

WINS PRIZE

Mrs. Ernest Bobbitt of Gastonia, formerly of Kings Mountain, claimed a \$50 gift certificate Monday at the circulation department of the Gastonia Gazette. Mrs. Bobbitt is now eligible to compete for the "dream home" being displayed in a Gastonia parking lot and being given away in a prize drawing.

Two Firms Post Wage Increases

Burlington, Lambeth Upping Pay Scales

Employees of two Kings Mountain textile firms will receive wage increases soon.

W. B. Grimes, Jr., manager of Phenix plant of Burlington Industries, said Wednesday Burlington hourly-rated employees here would receive an increase averaging five percent to be effective November 4.

Thomas F. Burke, manager of Lambeth Rope Corporation, said his firm will increase hourly-rated employees about five percent, with final decision on details and effective date to come "within the week."

A spot survey of other textile firms here revealed few firm decisions concerning the wage increase trend which Burlington launched last week. J. P. Stevens Company followed suit, and numerous other firms also have announced upward wage adjustments.

Mauney Mills, Inc., Bonnie Mills Company, Mauney Hosiery Company, Carolina Throwing Company, and Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company posted wage increases a month or more ago, and indications were that these firms were not considering additional increases. George H. Mauney, of Mauney Mills noted, "We slipped ahead of them a bit." He reported an eight percent increase last month.

Duplex, Shannon, Ltd., posted an across-the-board raise September 1. Sandor Teschler, executive vice-president, was out-of-town and unavailable for comment on the new wage trend Wednesday.

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IN WHO'S WHO - Dianna Neal, ASTC senior, has been elected to membership in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities."

Dianna Neal In "Who's Who"

Miss Dianna Neal, Kings Mountain senior at Appalachian State Teacher's college and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Neal, has been elected to membership in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

A home economics major, Miss Neal has served as president and vice president of the Home Economics club, secretary of Chi Lambda Chi, member of the Rho-dodendron staff, the National Education Association, the Student Residence Association, the House Council, delegate to the NCHCA annual meetings and to the spring workshops for college

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Duplex-Shannon Trebling Space Of Plant Here

By MARTIN HARMON The former Shannon, Ltd., recently merged with a New York firm to become Duplex-Shannon, Ltd., has launched construction of a major addition which will triple the firm's present 16,000 square feet of floor space to 48,000.

Announcement of the merger and the expansion was made this week by Sandor Teschler, formerly president of Shannon and now secretary and executive vice-president in charge of manufacturing of the new firm.

Mr. Teschler said the new firm hopes its additional 33,000 square feet of floor space will be completed and machinery in operation soon after January 1. Present employment of 80 is expected to double.

Duplex-Shannon manufactures double-knit fabrics. Majority of the production is wool goods, with a small amount of synthetic fibres being woven.

Roy Bates Construction Company, of Gastonia, which built the initial plant on Mitchell street early in 1961, is contractor for the addition. The company went into production here in May 1962.

President of the merged firm is Paul Lazare, former official of Duplex International.

Confirming the merger, President Lazare noted the merger was effected in the summer but that confirmation had been withheld previously "in order to avoid confusion on the part of customers, some of whom were buying from both companies."

Mr. Lazare said the merger was effected to create a stronger merchandising unit and to effect manufacturing cost savings.

Other officers of the new company are: Andreas Gal, formerly Duplex president, executive vice-president in charge of merchandising; Suzanne Gal, head of styling; Oliver Lazare, treasurer; John Chambers, formerly vice-president of Shannon Sales Corporation, vice-president.

Sales, administration and purchasing for the new firm will be co-ordinated at the former Duplex location at 1407 Broadway, New York. All manufacturing will be in Kings Mountain when the expansion is completed.

J. Wilson Crawford, president of Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce, was elated at the expansion. He commented, "Shannon, Ltd., in its comparatively brief period here, has made a valuable and diversified addition to the industrial community. News of the merger and expansion is most welcome and we wish our friends at the new Duplex-Shannon, Ltd., continuing and increasing success."

Mayor Glee A. Bridges commented, "Congratulations to Mr. Sandor Teschler and the other officers of the newly merged corporation. The city wishes the new firm expanding success."

Wade Hartsoe's Father Passes

Funeral rites for Wade H. Hartsoe, 73, of York, S. C., father of Wade H. Hartsoe, Jr. of Kings Mountain, were held Sunday at 3 p.m. from York's First Baptist church, interment following in the Rose Hill cemetery.

Mr. Hartsoe died Saturday morning in the Divine Saviour hospital of York. He was a retired superintendent of York Mills Plant No. 2 and was a member of the First Baptist church of York and a Mason.

Other survivors include five daughters, Mrs. Alex Wilson of Hickory, Mrs. Harry E. Detwiler of Charlotte, Mrs. Earl White, Mrs. John Howe, and Mrs. Lawrence Landers of York, S. C.; and four other sons, Max and Kenneth Hartsoe of York, North Carolina; and James Hartsoe of Bowling Green and James Hartsoe of Lenoir.

Also surviving are six sisters, Mrs. Ethel Pearson of Roanoke Rapids, Mrs. Keith Brewer, Mrs. Macie Ivey, Mrs. Mary Hamill and Mrs. Emice Lee Arthur of Weldon, and Mrs. Grace Whitlow of Mooresville; and one brother, Joseph Hartsoe of Weldon, and 20 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Rev. Horace Story officiated at the final rites, assisted by Rev. Tom Holroyd and Rev. Wayne Ashe.

Palbearers were Charles Nunn, Lamar Cloninger, George Vaughn, Ch Res Craig, H. D. Brook and D. William King.

Postman J. Wiley Blanton Winner Of Award For Improvement Idea

J. Wiley Blanton, veteran Kings Mountain letter carrier, has received a certificate of award and cash award of \$55 for a suggestion he made in 1958 which has been adopted by the Postoffice Department.

Postmaster Charles L. Alexander said it was the first time in the history that a facilities improvement suggestion by a Kings Mountain postman has been adopted for nation-wide use.

Previously, W. Donald Crawford, of the Kings Mountain post-offices staff, won approval of a suggestion for facilitating local postoffice work.

Mr. Blanton proposed that a screen frame be built to place in

the bottom of street mail receptacles to permit water to drain through and thereby not damage the mail. During the interval Mr. Blanton made the suggestion and the post office approved it, three other postal employees (unidentified here) made similar suggestions and they received similar awards.

Mr. Crawford won approval of a suggestion to provide here an extra wheeled float or truck for facilitating the handling of mail from the postal ramp to the interior. Use of the extra float, Postmaster Alexander said, saves time by eliminating hand-handling of both incoming and outgoing mail sacks.