

Greater Kings Mountain 10,320
City Limits 8,256

This 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 1963.

Jordan, Whitener, County Democrats Are Winners

Christmas Opening Event Set

Choral Festival On November 25; Santa To Come

Kings Mountain and Number 4 Township will have a unique Christmas-opening this year.

It will be the Kings Mountain 1966 Christmas Carol Festival, an event of the evening of Friday, November 25, and expected to feature a 1000-voice group of singers, including church choirs, ensembles and soloists.

The carol festival is under sponsorship of the Kings Mountain Merchants Association, with President Charles E. Dixon, Allen Jolley, and Mayor John Henry Moss as co-chairmen.

The singers will perform — and lead community-type singing — from a platform in the parking area of South Battle ground avenue, and other highlights will include:

- 1) Awarding of a trophy to the retail store adjudged to have best-decorated store windows.
2) Lighting for the first time of Christmas street lights in the business section.
3) A pre-Christmas visit by Santa Claus, who will arrive by helicopter.

Family Of Five Injured In Wreck

Eddie Pinson, age 10, of route 1, Grover, died early Wednesday night in a Charlotte hospital after receiving injuries Wednesday afternoon in a three-vehicle collision at the intersection of East King and Carpenter streets.

Mrs. Wynemo Pinson of Route 1, Grover, and her four children received injuries late Wednesday afternoon in a three-vehicle accident at the intersection of East King and Carpenter Streets.

One child, Eddie Pinson, was transferred to a Charlotte hospital. He suffered a broken jaw and lacerations of the head and neck, investigating officers reported. He was also given artificial respiration at the scene.

Mrs. Pinson also was given artificial respiration. She was still unconscious late Wednesday at Kings Mountain Hospital.

Timothy Pinson and Angele Pinson were admitted to Kings Mountain Hospital. Timothy suffered a broken leg and laceration of the mouth and Angele suffered laceration of the leg. Another child, Christine Pinson, was released after being treated for minor injuries.

Investigating Officer David Corn said that reports given him indicated Mrs. Pinson, driving a 1961 Ford station wagon, drove north on Carpenter St. into the path of a 1966 Dodge truck driven by James Powell, of Rt. 1, Lawndale, which knocked the car into a 1958 Mack truck driven by Wilson Henry Sutton, of Sharon, S. C. Both truck drivers escaped injuries.

Corn estimated damages as \$1200 to the Ford, \$1000 to the Mack truck and \$1800 to the Dodge.

No charges have been filed, pending further investigation.

Rites Conducted For Ben Bridges

S & L Executive Former Member Of City Board

Funeral rites for Ben Hudson Bridges, 43, secretary-treasurer of Kings Mountain Savings & Loan Association the past 13 years, were held Friday at 4 p.m. from St. Matthew's Lutheran church, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mr. Bridges died last Wednesday night at 10:45 p.m. in the Kings Mountain hospital following several months' illness.

He was a native of Kings Mountain, son of the late Ben Hudson Bridges, Sr. and Lillie White Bridges.

A graduate of Catawba college with a degree in business administration, he was a veteran of World War II Infantry service in Europe, was a Prisoner of War. He was a former director of the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club, a Mason and a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran church where he served on the church council.

He was also a director of Kings Mountain Savings & Loan Association. In lieu of flowers the family has designated memorial gifts to St. Matthew's Lutheran church.

He is survived by his wife, the former Kathleen Morgan; three sons, Ben Hudson Bridges, III, freshman at Catawba college in Salisbury; and William Douglas and Jacob Morgan Bridges, both of the home.

Electing to three terms on the board of city commissioners from 1957-63, he did not seek re-election to a fourth term when he and his family occupied a new residence on Chestnut Ridge road outside the city limits. He served as mayor pro tempore during the Bridges Administration.

His pastor, Rev. Charles Easley, officiated at the final rites. Directors of Kings Mountain Savings & Loan Association were honorary pallbearers. They included J. Roan Davis, Dr. L. P. Baker, Dr. John C. McGill, C. Glenn White, Boyce Gault, George Lewis and Clyde Kerns.

Active pallbearers were Mayor John Henry Moss, Glee Edwin Bridges, Carl F. Mauney, George H. Mauney, Charles Mauney, Carl Finger and Gus Kiser.

Regular meeting of North school Parent-Teacher Association will be held Tuesday night at 7:30 in the school auditorium.

David Paul Putnam, 34, Suffers Fatal Heart Attack; Rites Held

Funeral rites for David Paul Putnam, 34, were held Monday afternoon from First Baptist church, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mr. Putnam, route supervisor for Holsum Baking Company of Gastonia the past 12 years, succumbed suddenly Saturday about 4 p.m. of coronary thrombosis. Mr. Putnam suffered the heart attack while golfing with a brother and friends at a Cherryville golf course.

He was a native of Cleveland County, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Putnam of Kings Mountain. A member of Patterson Grove Baptist church, he was a member of the board of deacons and active in the Brotherhood organization. Because of building under way at the Patterson Grove plant, the funeral was held in First Baptist church with his pastor, Rev. Richard Plyler, and Rev. J. J. Thornburg, a former pastor, and Rev. James Holder, pastor of the church.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Putnam, and two children, David Paul Putnam, Jr., 10, and David Paul Putnam, III, 7.

Deputy Sheriff Paul Byers, 56, Dies Suddenly

Funeral rites for Deputy Sheriff Paul A. Byers, 56, of Grover, were held Wednesday at 3:30 from Grover's First Baptist church of which he was a member.

Byers, 15-year veteran with the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department, died suddenly Monday about 12:30 p.m. in the front yard of his residence. A doctor summoned to the scene attributed death to a heart attack.

Son of Mrs. Mattie Moore Byers of Grover and the late William Rufus Byers, the deputy had a heart ailment that hospitalized him at Oteen Veteran's hospital on Sept. 30. There a Pacemaker was permanently affixed to his heart to regulate heart action. He had been back at his role as a deputy since Oct. 10 and was apparently in active health until the sudden attack Monday.

A native of Cherokee County, S. C. he had lived most of his life in Grover. He was active in the Grover Lions club, the Grover Rescue Squad, and was a veteran of World War II. Prior to his appointment as a deputy in 1951 he had been constable of Number Four Township.

He died on the birthday anniversary of his mother. Surviving in addition to his mother are his wife, Mrs. Frances Price Byers; two sons, Roger Byers of Shelby and Richard Byers of the home; one daughter, Karen Byers of the home; four brothers, W. D. Byers and Marvin Byers, both of Kings Mountain; Evans Byers of Las Vegas, Nev.; and Delbert Byers of Ellenboro; and two sisters, Mrs. Vance Falls of Gastonia and Mrs. Clarence E. Smith of Kings Mountain.

Rev. Fred Crisp officiated at the final rites, and interment was in Grover cemetery. Pallbearers were members of the Cleveland County Sheriff's Department.

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Members of Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, voted unanimously at the recent November meeting to build a major addition to the post building on East Gold street.

Floor plan for the new south wing is posted at the Legion and Lockwood Green, Spartanburg, S. C., architectural engineering firm, is completing plans and specifications.

The addition is to include entrance hallway, offices, quarters for the Legion Auxiliary, lounges, a conference room and other facilities.

Commander Clinton Jolly said a building fund campaign will be launched at the Veterans Day meeting Friday night.

He said it is anticipated bids will be taken and construction begun early in 1967.

By ELIZABETH STEWART The city commission Tuesday night, over loud objections of Ward 5 Comm. O. O. Walker, awarded contracts on a garbage paker and 30 closed containers at cost of \$14,251.05.

Low bidder for the paker, a Heil Mark III model, and 11 eight cubic yard containers, six 6 cubic yard containers and 13 two cubic yard containers was Quality Equipment Company of Charlotte.

Action by the commission was by vote of 4-1, Walker casting the dissenting vote. Walker's motion to award contract to the low bidder for a paker only and to require merchants to buy the containers died for lack of a second.

The new motion was made by Ward 2 Comm. W. S. Biddix and seconded by Ward 4 Comm. Norman King, both of whom said they believed the city should provide the equipment and commented "this will be a step in the right direction in our efforts to clean-up the downtown area."

Sheriff Allen Top Vote-Getter Among Victors

Democrats retained all Cleveland County offices Tuesday by easy margins.

Winning totals ranged from 2 to 1 to better than 2.5 to 1. Incumbent Sheriff Hayward Allen was elected to his fifth consecutive four-year term. Incumbent Cleveland County Commissioner member B. E. (Pop) Simmons was elected to a full four-year term on the board as was newcomer C. A. (Charlie) Greene. Incumbent Cleveland County Board of Education members also won re-election easily.

Sheriff Allen won, 6,010 to 2,305, over Republican Everette Goins, carrying 26 of the county's 28 precincts. The only two precincts which gave Goins a majority were Mulls (124-118) and Casar (152-70). Allen's best precinct was Shelby No. 2 where he received 728 votes to Goins' 204.

Simmons, a candidate for the first time after being appointed in 1964 to fill an unexpired term, led the ticket by a slight majority in the county commission race. He polled 5,468 votes to Green's 5,420. Pierce Cassidy, former county Republican chairman, ran-third in the contest for two seats on the board. Cassidy received 2,896 votes and his running mate, Sam Proctor, polled 2,493.

Incumbent Robert (Bob) Cabaniss led the school board ticket with 6,051 votes. His total was the best showing of any opposed county candidate. Cabaniss is the newest member of the board, now serving his first two-year term on the board. The other five Democrats who were re-elected have served more than one term.

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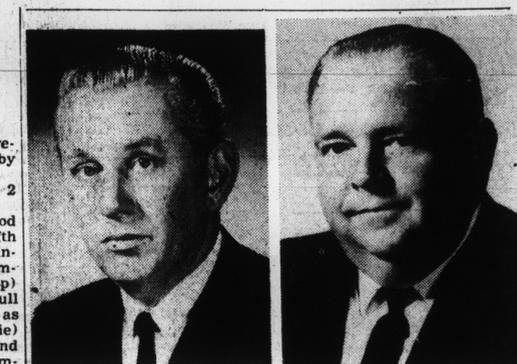
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RALEIGH-BOUND — State Senator Jack H. White, left, was re-elected Tuesday to a second term, and W. K. Mauney, Jr., was elected to the North Carolina House of Representatives. It is the first time in many years — if ever — two Kings Mountain citizens have served at the same time in the General Assembly.

Kings Mountain Duo To Legislature

Kings Mountain, perhaps for the first time in history, will have two members in the 170-member North Carolina General Assembly in the persons of Senator Jack H. White, re-elected, and Representative Nominate W. K. Mauney, Jr., elected.

Other Democratic candidates for the State House in the districts comprised of Cleveland and other counties also swept to victory, winning in all the counties.

The vote totals: For 29th district (Cleveland-Gaston) senate — Senator White 17,609; Marshal Rauch 18,427; Kelly Dixon (R) 11,325.

For 43rd district (Polk, Rutherford, Cleveland) representative — Mauney 13,220; Rep. Robert Z. Falls 13,187; William B. Harrill 13,056; Col. Harry Bedell (R) 7,485; James E. Dooley (R) 7,569; A. Hobart Greene 7,657.

W. K. Mauney, Jr., 1071, Rep. Robert Falls 971 and William D. Harrill 929 over Col. Harry Bedell 436, James Dooley 462 and Hobart Greene 440.

County Commissioner B. E. Simmons 982 and C. A. Greene 927 over Pierce Cassidy 502 and Sam Proctor 491.

Board of Education Incumbents J. D. Ellis 1068, Bobby Austell 1026, Buford Cline 1041, Bobby Cabiness 1036 and C. D. Forney, Jr., 1030 over Marvin McCurry 485 and John Setzer 486.

Re-elected without opposition were J. Lee Roberts, veteran Democratic justice of the peace, and Charles W. (Rockey) Ford, veteran Democratic constable.

Hubert Pinkney Harmon, 47, of Newport News, Va., Cleveland County native, was found dead Tuesday morning at his apartment in Newport News.

Son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Harmon of Kings Mountain, he was a veteran of World War II.

He is survived by a son, Larry Harmon of Shelby; a brother, Claude Harmon of Kings Mountain; and two sisters, Mrs. T. E. Wilson and Mrs. R. M. Dover, both of Kings Mountain. Also surviving are two grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements, which are incomplete, will be announced by Harris Funeral Home.

Among nonagenarians voting were Capt. B. Meek Ormand, 97, and M. L. Harmon, Sr., 92.

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Republican leader Bob Maner (Continued On Page Eight)

Jordan Margin 96,000; Whitener Tops Young

U. S. Senator B. Everett Jordan and 10th district U. S. Representative Basil L. Whitener won re-election Tuesday.

Senator Jordan, appointed to succeed the late Senator W. Kerr Scott, won election to his first full term in 1960. During the recent 89th session, Senator Jordan ranked 32nd among the 100 senators in seniority, served as Democratic chairman of the committee on rules and administration, and was a member of committees on agriculture and forestry, public works, and the joint committees on the library and on printing.

In 1965, he was chairman of the committee for the inauguration of President Lyndon B. Johnson.

With 2057 of the state's 2181 precincts reported, the Senator led John Shallcross, GOP standard-bearer from Smithfield, by about 96,000 votes.

Rep. Whitener, with two counties (Iredell and Alexander) in his district, held a lead of 11,683 votes over W. Hall Young, Avery county Republican. The win was a handy one for Whitener, as he won majorities in six counties, losing only to Young in Avery.

All precincts had been reported but one in Avery. Whitener had round-figure margins of 800 votes in Iredell and Catawba, 500 in small Alexander. However, his victory was only by about the 22,000 votes he defeated Young of his majority are attributed to his home county of Gaston and Cleveland.

Rep. Whitener is completing his fifth term in Washington, and serves on the House Judiciary and District of Columbia committees.

In the other lone state-wide race, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court easily defeated the GOP's Hugh Monteith.

Election Sidelights

Bill Brown, Bell's manager, was the final voter at the Armory. It was nearly 6:30 and unknown to Brown, was worth a winning wager to a citizen who said, "I'm sure glad to see you, pardner, get in that door." The wager: more than 700 would vote at West Kings Mountain. Mr. Brown was Number 701.

Fireman Plato Heavener proved best guesser of the vote total at East Kings Mountain precinct. He predicted 475 voters would vote Closing hour came after Mrs. Lucille Elliott voted. She was Number 472. Election official Mrs. Ruth Thomason had guessed 480, Herald Editor Martin Harmon 497.

Placing ballots in their respective boxes were Jim Page, West Kings Mountain, Harold Shepard, East Kings Mountain, Mrs. Helen R. Earl, at Bethware, Cameron Ware, member of the county elections board, was the last voter recorded at Bethware.

There were several write-in ballots at West Kings Mountain. Everet Jordan and wrote in ex-Governor Terry Sanford, another wrote in E. D. Wilson as a GOP vote against Supreme Court Justice I. Beverly Lake, and yet another listed Shelby Lawyer John Mahoney (a Democrat) as a GOP vote against Superior Court Judge B. T. Falls, Jr. At Bethware, a voter wrote in GOF leader Bill Babb against Constable Charles W. (Rocky) Ford

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