

## Population

Greater Kings Mountain City Limits 21,914  
8,256

The Greater Kings Mountain figure is derived from the special United States Bureau of the Census report of January 1965, and includes the 14,950 population of Number 4 Township, in Cleveland County and Crowder Mountain Township in Gaston County.

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# Mrs. Bunch, Owens In School Post Run-Off Tuesday

## ABC, Beer-Wine Vote Called Both Sides Spurring Activity

### Registration Books To Open For 12 Days

The city board of commissioners at a special meeting Friday formally called the June 13 election on question of legal sale of beer and wine for off-premises consumption and establishment of Alcoholic Beverage Control Stores.

Registration books will open Monday at all the five Ward polling places and will be open daily through June 3, pursuant to Senate Bill 197 recently ratified into law by the General Assembly.

Polling places are the same as for the May 23 school board run-off election and the officials will be the same.

Registrars will be at the polling places from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. during the registration period. Saturday, June 10, has been designated Challenge Day, when the books will be opened for public inspection and challenge.

Voting hours on June 13 will be from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Formal notice of the board resolution appears in the current edition of the Kings Mountain Herald.

## Lithium Union Voting Thursday

### Herman Urges All Eligibles To Cast Votes

Production and maintenance employees of Lithium Corporation of America, Inc., will vote Thursday in an election supervised by National Labor Relations board representatives, on whether they want to become a local union of the Oil Chemical and Atomic Workers, International union.

This is the fourth attempt to organize the nearby Lithium Corporation plant, but the first attempt by the Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers.

This union, however, was successful in winning a representation election at Lithium's St. Louis Park plant, Minneapolis, Minn., several years ago.

Previous organization attempts by other unions have been unsuccessful, the most recent by the AFL-CIO Steelworkers.

J. D. Herman, resident manager of Lithium and vice-president in charge of manufacturing, in letters to employees since April 28, consistently has urged all the 145 eligible employees to vote in order that "the outcome should be based on the wishes of every employee concerned."

Management, which opposes the organization effort, has conducted its electioneering campaign principally via a series of letters.

In the letter of May 15, management pointed out, "It will not do to assume that there will be no strike or trouble here. OACW called a strike lasting 10 weeks at our former St. Louis Park plant just 12 days after they took over. OACW has called strikes in the near-by states of Virginia, West Virginia, and Kentucky during recent months."

Voting will be conducted during the hours of 6 to 8 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.

### OPTIMIST CLUB

A film, "Airport Needs", will be shown at Thursday night's Optimist club meeting at 8 p.m. at the Optimist clubhouse. Tommy Bridges, member of the mayoral fact-finding committee on airport needs, will give the program, "The Best Investment We Ever Made."

## Dinner Honoring Anthony June 20

A community-wide dinner honoring Dr. J. E. Anthony, recently retired Kings Mountain physician, will be held at the American Legion building on Tuesday, June 20.

Announcement was made Wednesday by Mayor John Henry Moss and W. S. Fulton, Jr., Chamber of Commerce president. The City and Chamber of Commerce are co-sponsoring the event.

Dr. Anthony recently completed more than 55 years as a medical doctor, his full practice spent in Kings Mountain.

Tickets for the dinner, at \$2.50 per person, will go on sale June 1.

## Board Approves Beauty Course

The Kings Mountain high school cosmetology department has been fully approved by the North Carolina State Board of Cosmetic Arts.

Letter stating approval was received from Mrs. Iris H. Lawrence, chairman, who said that inspection of the facilities showed full state requirements respecting sanitation and equipment had been met.

Approval was effective April 12.

## Junior Woman's Club To Promote Sale of Standard Garbage Cans

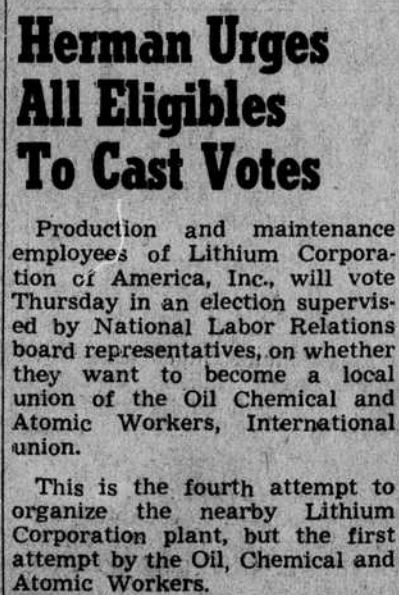
Kings Mountain's spring clean-up campaign is officially underway.

Clayton Kelly, publicity chairman for the beautification project, said this week that during the month's campaign the city again will dispose, on call, of citizens and business firms, heavy debris and junk.

Mr. Kelly reminded the city ordinance governing proper garbage disposal and junk cars will be enforced and that the ordinance information will be made available to every citizen and distributed door-to-door in pamphlet form within the next few days.

He also said another phase of the clean-up effort will be to encourage all citizens to purchase covered garbage containers for their homes during a promotion headed by the Junior Woman's club. "For a very few pennies you can get your garbage cleaned up," said Kelly.

Mr. Kelly noted that a third phase of the city-wide beautification project is to encourage citizens to be active in the coming year.



MAY QUEEN — Jo Bridges, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bridges, will reign as May Queen at traditional May Day festivities May 19th at Kings Mountain high school.

## Jo Bridges May Queen

Jo Bridges, high school senior and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bridges, will reign as May Queen at traditional May Day festivities Friday, May 19th, at 8 p.m. in the school gymnasium.

The festivities will feature the theme, Fantasy in May.

Miss Bridges, active in a number of school activities, is co-editor of the student newspaper, The Mountaineer.

Sandy Mullinax will serve as maid of honor on the May Court and senior attendants will be Barbara Plonk and Mary Beth Ramsey. Junior attendants will be Beverly Hamrick and Nancy Rayfield. Sophomore attendants will be Cathy Carroll and Cathy Hardin and freshmen attendants will be Cindy Carroll and Debbie Timms.

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SCHOOLS SUPERINTENDENT HONORED — B. N. Barnes, retiring after 40 years service in the school system, receives an honorary copy of the Milestones Kings Mountain high school yearbook, which contains an appreciation for his many years of service as Superintendent of Schools, Larry Burton (shown left), business manager of the Milestones, made the presentation, with Editor-in-Chief Judy Morrison (shown right). Mr. Barnes, also retiring after 20 years as president of the Western North Carolina High School Activities Association, was accorded a rising vote of thanks at a recent meeting of the association. Mr. Barnes was commended as "one who never neglected his responsibilities in rendering decisions with patience and foresight." (Photo by Isaac G. Alexander).

## "Drys" Making House-To-House Survey Of Voters

By MARTIN HARMON

With the June 13 referendum on question of legalizing sale of wine and beer for off-premises consumption and establishing Alcoholic Beverage Control stores now fact, proponents and opponents are increasing their activity in an effort to get enough favorable votes in the ballot boxes.

The operational format of both groups will be similar.

Both groups will make an effort to get as many of their "faith" registered to be eligible to vote on June 13.

Both groups will utilize communications media of all kinds, newspaper and radio, leaflets, brochures, and posters, speaker cadres and cash to promote their positions.

At "wet" (Committee for Legal Control) headquarters, 119 South Battleground avenue, a large coffee urn is maintained for visitors. "Facts" are available to any who want them. A meeting for leaders was held Monday night and a "Committee of 50" formed.

The "drys" — Committee Opposed to the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages — have been meeting each Wednesday night, first at the First Baptist church, now at the National Guard Armory. Already a house-to-house survey — with the twin aim to get a definite sampling on sentiment and to make some conversions of the waverers and undecideds — is underway.

A steering committee meeting was held Tuesday night, budget work initiated. The "drys" are asking the churches to supply campaign funds of not less than 25 cents per member. (Left-over funds, if any, will be donated to the Hebron Colony, an alcoholic rehabilitation center near Boone.)

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MOSS ADMINISTRATION I BECOMES MOSS ADMINISTRATION II — Members of Moss Administration II took the oath of office in swearing-in ceremonies Thursday morning at City Hall courtroom. Administering the oath to elected officials was Magistrate J. Lee Roberts, at far right. From left to right, Ward I City Commissioner Ray Cline, Ward II City Commissioner W. S. Biddix, Mayor John Henry Moss, Ward 3 City Commissioner T. J. Ellison, Ward IV City Commissioner Norman King and Ward V City Commissioner O. O. Walker. Commissioner Biddix, commissioner who polled the highest number of votes in the biennial election, was named mayor pro tem. (Photo by Paul Lemmons).

## Administration Sworn; Biddix Mayor Pro Tem

Ward 11 Commissioner W. S. Biddix was named mayor pro tem as the first official business of Moss Administration II following swearing-in ceremonies Thursday at City Hall.

Mr. Biddix led in votes cast for the five ward commissioner posts in the May city election.

In other actions: the board named the same depositories for city funds, including First Union National Bank, First Citizens Bank & Trust Company, Home Savings & Loan Association and Kings Mountain Savings & Loan Association and retained all city employees and department heads.

After taking the oath of office for the second term as mayor of Kings Mountain, Mayor John Henry Moss called for "total development of Kings Mountain." In reviewing major projects underway, he said:

"As we embark on another two years of community service to the citizens of Kings Mountain we express extreme gratefulness for your confidence in our pro-

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## James C. Atkinson KMHS Principal

### Madison County Principal Named To Vacancy Here

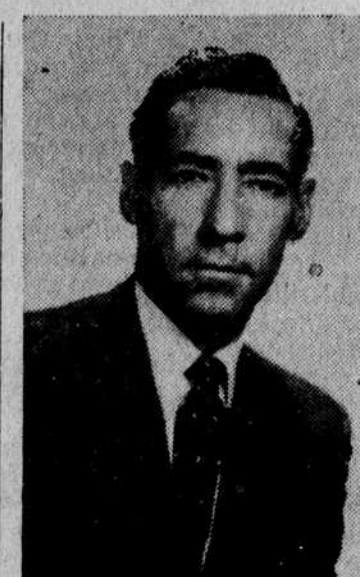
James C. Atkinson, principal of Madison-Mayodan Senior high school the past five years, will become principal of Kings Mountain high school about July 1.

Mr. Atkinson was elected by the city board of education on Monday to succeed Glenn R. Brookshire, who was not a candidate for re-election this year. Mr. Brookshire resigned to accept a position with the State Department of Public Instruction.

A graduate of Western Carolina college, Class of '50, Atkinson completed work for his master's degree at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro in 1958 and completed additional graduate work at the University at Chapel Hill.

He was a teacher in the Wentworth Schools of Rockingham County for one year, was teacher and coach at the Mayodan high school for seven years, served as principal of the Mayodan Elementary school for two years, as principal of the Madison-Mayodan Junior high school for one year and was re-employed by the Mayodan board of education for the coming year as principal of

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PRESIDENT — Rev. Wayne Ashe, pastor of Macedonia Baptist church, has been elected president of the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association for the coming year.

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## Run-Off Rules No Different From May 9

Kings Mountain school district citizens will return to the polls Tuesday to elect a member of the board of education from the outside-city district.

The contest is between Mrs. Kelly (Bernice) Bunch, housewife, and Alex D. Owens, farmer and landscaper. Mrs. Bunch polled 506 votes, Mr. Owens 469. Bill Babb was the third-place finisher at 457 votes.

The three-candidate race on May 9 attracted 1459 voters in the eight ward polling places, with 1420 recorded as validly marked in the school trustee race.

On May 9, Mrs. Bunch was the leader in four wards, Mr. Owens in three, where the margins were narrow for each in all wards except Grover. Here Mrs. Bunch led both candidates by 67 to 9, a margin of 58 and 19 more than her leading margin.

Obvious efforts of both candidates are to garner Babb votes at Bethware, where Mr. Babb "Grover-ed" his opposition 201 to 39, a margin of 162 votes.

Both candidates acknowledge they have been busy contacting voters.

The winner will succeed H. O. (Toby) Williams, retiring after his first six-year term.

Polls will open at 7 a.m. and close at 6 p.m.

Voting places are:

Ward 1 — City Hall.

Ward 2 — American Legion building.

Ward 3 — East school.

Ward 4 — First Wesleyan Methodist Fellowship room.

Ward 5 — National Guard Armory.

Park Grace — Park Grace school.

Bethware — Bethware school.

Grover — Grover Rescue Squad building.

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## City Officials Win Reelection, Raises Same Day

Members of the city administration, all of whom were re-elected May 9, had pay raises authorized the same day.

The City of Kings Mountain municipal officials pay bill, Senate Bill 220 introduced by White of Cleveland on April 6, was ratified into law May 9.

Ratified on May 12 was House Bill 776, introduced by Mauney of Cleveland, to empower the county commission to appoint and set the pay of an assistant coroner.

The Kings Mountain pay bill, effective July 1, provides that the mayor will be paid a salary of \$8500 per year (formerly a maximum of \$6000 and a minimum of \$600) and that each commissioner will be paid \$900 per year (formerly \$25 per month, provided the commissioners attended the one regular meeting).

## Legion Chief To Speak Here

Robert W. Davis, commander of the North Carolina Department of the American Legion, will make the principal address at second annual Memorial Day services here.

Mr. Davis, a Salisbury attorney, will speak at services to be held at Memorial Park of Mountain Rest cemetery on Sunday, May 28, at 2:30 p.m.

The services are under sponsorship of the Kings Mountain VFW and American Legion posts, the Legion Auxiliary, Kings Mountain Ministerial association, and City of Kings Mountain.

## 200-Member Class To Graduate May 29

Commencement exercises for Kings Mountain high school's 200-member class of graduating seniors will begin on Sunday, May 28th, with the baccalaureate sermon.

Diplomas will be awarded in final exercises Monday, May 29. Both programs will be held at 8 o'clock in Kings Mountain high school gymnasium.

## Mountaineers Win Crown, Invade Wilkes Central For Playoff Tilt

By MOODY HAMRICK Herald Sports Editor

Coach Bob Hussey's Kings Mountain Mountaineers defeated Lincolnton at City Stadium Tuesday night, 12-0, to capture the Southwest Conference baseball championship.

By virtue of the win the Mounties earned the right to meet undefeated Wilkes Central, Northwest Conference champ, Friday night at eight o'clock in Wilkesboro for the bi-conference championship.

The winner Friday night will play the champion of the Piedmont Conference next Friday night, May 26th, for the association crown.

North Rowan has already captured the title in the North Piedmont loop, but the South Piedmont division is in a three-way tie between Asheboro, Concord, and Statesville. Tournaments this week and next will determine the winner and the team that will meet the victor of the Kings Mountain-Wilkes Central game.

Going into Tuesday's game the Mountaineers had assured themselves of at least a tie for the Southwest Conference crown by virtue of a 3-2 victory over Belmont Monday night in that city.

Up until last Friday night the locals were in a three-way tie for the loop title with Chase and East Rutherford, but both of those clubs lost in loop encounters Friday night while the Kings Mountain - Belmont clash was being rained out. Thus, the Mounties took over leadership of the league and on Monday night assured themselves of a co-

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