

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 1966, and includes the 14,990 population of Number 4 Township, and the remaining 6,124 from Number 5 Township, in Cleveland County and Crowder Mountain Township in Gaston County.

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Nol Pros Taken In Horvath Suit

Industrialist Pays Court Costs \$49,000 Accounts

Charges on tax and issuance of worthless checks against Ernest Horvath, president of Masmco, Inc., were nol prossed in Cleveland County Recorder's court Tuesday.

Mr. Horvath had completed settlement of the accounts with the North Carolina Department of Revenue Monday. Phillip Hege, county collector for the department, said the defendant had settled tax accounts totaling more than \$49,000.

The Monday payment, the clerk of the court said, totaled \$10,098.28.

Mr. Horvath was assessed with the costs of court.

Masmco, Inc., formerly Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company, operates two textile plants here, Margrace and Pauline plants of its Neisler Mills division.

The Horvath interests purchased the Neisler division December 15, 1955.

City Hall Office Closed Saturdays

The City Hall office will be closed Saturday and on future Saturdays.

The city office is now open from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Monday through Friday.

The new Monday - Friday schedule was effective this week. The City Hall office was formerly closed on Wednesday afternoons but open Saturday mornings.

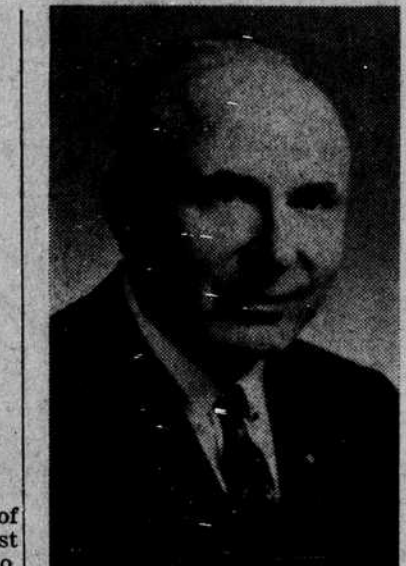
Charter Change Bill Introduced

House Bill 1399, which would amend the Kings Mountain city charter to provide that Kings Mountain registration and voting schedules comply with state election schedules, was introduced by Representative W. K. Mauney, Jr., on June 21 and was referred to the House Calendar committee.

Rep. Mauney said Monday he was not sure he could obtain action by the committee, though several of its members had assured him they would endeavor to obtain favorable action.

All new bills in both House and Senate go to calendar committees once these committees are appointed - customarily in the waning days of legislative sessions.

The bill would make registration hours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., challenge day hours from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and voting day hours from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.



ASSUMES DUTIES - Rev. D. B. Alderman has assumed new duties as minister of Central Methodist church. He comes to Kings Mountain from Wilkesboro.

Rev. Alderman Assumes Duties

Rev. D. B. Alderman assumed his duties as minister of Central Methodist church last Wednesday, June 21st, at some 200 Methodist ministers of the Western North Carolina Conference moved to their appointments for the new conference year 1967-1968.

He comes to Kings Mountain from the Wilkesboro Methodist church, Wilkesboro, N. C., having joined the annual conference in 1948 and having served as student supply from 1944 until 1948, a total of 23 years in western North Carolina.

Having attended Young Harris college, receiving his A.B. degree from High Point college and B.D. degree from Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, he is a native Georgian, but states that "North Carolina is home after twenty-three years in the ministry and a great state."

Too, he said that the Gastonia District "gave him a real feeling of being homesick, having served the Stanley Methodist church before moving to Wilkesboro."

Rev. and Mrs. Alderman have two daughters, Mrs. George C. Pratt of Raleigh and Miss Sherylene Alderman of Wilkesboro.

Elden Cooke East Principal

Elden Cooke, 36, has been employed by the city board of education to succeed Robert M. Kennedy as principal of East Elementary school.

The Bessemer City man was principal of Newton high school the past school year. Previously, he was principal of Harding Elementary school in Dallas 1965-66 and from 1961-65 was a member of the faculty of Bessemer City high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooke and their three children will continue to live in Bessemer City.

A graduate of East Tennessee State University with B.S. degree, Cooke holds a master's degree from Appalachian State Teachers' college in Boone. His wife taught the past school year in the Gaston school system.

Former East Principal Kennedy and Mrs. Kennedy are moving to Due West, S. C., where Mr. Kennedy will be associated with Erskine college.

City Is Next On Sewage Grant List

Nursing Center Goal Is \$100,000

Legion Convention To Be In Raleigh

Dixon Church Sets Homecoming

Dixon Presbyterian church congregation will observe Homecoming Day at services on Sunday.

Most City Firms To Close Tuesday

Usually all Kings Mountain business establishments will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th, including retail and financial firms, City Hall offices, and the Kings Mountain post office.

Wilder Suffers Vascular Spasm

Rev. James M. Wilder, pastor of Kings Mountain Baptist church, is a patient at Kings Mountain hospital where he is responding well to treatment for a vascular spasm he suffered early Tuesday.

Mrs. Weaver's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Georgianna Moss Weaver, 83, widow of William David Weaver, were held Sunday at 2:30 p.m. from First Baptist church of which she was a member.

Penley Drama Set Saturday

The drama, "I Dreamed I Searched Heaven For You," will be presented Saturday night at Penley's Chapel Methodist church on Cherryville road.

Medical Group Honors Anthony

The Cleveland County Medical Society met in regular monthly session on Monday, June 19th at the Kings Mountain Country Club with Dr. A. W. McMurry, president, presiding.

Legion, Montonia, Country Club, Davidson Park Parties on July 4

Kings Mountain area citizens will salute the birth of independence in various celebrations planned throughout the community Tuesday.

Ring of church bells at 2 p.m. will begin a community-wide celebration sponsored by American Legion Post 155.

Appalachia Work Slowed Approval Of Local Grant

The federal Water Pollution Control Administration regional office at Charlottesville, Va., is working again on the Kings Mountain sewer system grant application, D. L. Coburn, of the state Stream Sanitation committee said Wednesday.

The state committee approved Kings Mountain's \$387,500 grant application last year.

Mr. Coburn said processing of Kings Mountain's application had been delayed by the Appalachia project which took priority.

Appalachia project funds would have reverted to the general treasury if unspent at July 1.

"We couldn't afford to lose these funds for they were badly needed," Mr. Coburn commented.

The state stream sanitation committee had a federal water pollution control allocation for the current fiscal year which ends Friday sufficient to approve 16 grant applications.

Next five steps in bringing to fruition Kings Mountain's estimated \$1,300,000 sewer system expansion, which includes doubling of the capacity of the McGill creek plant, serving the eastern portion of the city, and building of a new plant to serve the western portion of the city, include:

1) Proffer of a formal grant offer from the federal agency.

2) Approval of plans and specifications.

3) Inclusion of an addenda in which the specifications will provide wage scales by contractors supplied by the United States Department of Labor.

4) Advertising for and receipt of bids.

5) Review and approval of bids by federal agency.

Citizens of Kings Mountain voted borrowing authority of \$1,300,000 early in 1966.

Industry Holiday One Day To Week

"Signers of Liberty" To Be Rebroadcast

WBTB Charlotte will televise Ed H. Smith's award-winning historical documentary, "Signers of Liberty", as a July 4th special program on Tuesday night at 9:30 via Channel 3.

The program features the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence and their fates. Don McDaniel is producer-director and Dick Taylor will be narrator.

The George Washington medals honor was recently presented to Smith and WBTB for the historical documentary in which television networks, motion picture companies, individual studios and public relations departments of industries competed.

Smith also wrote the television program of 1965, on the Battle of Kings Mountain.

A Kings Mountain native, Smith writes for the Herald an historical column, "This Week in Tar Heel History", featured on the editorial page.

Mrs. Dillingham Passes At 97

Mrs. Emma Ferguson Dillingham, 97, of Asheville, former resident of route 1, Grover, died Wednesday morning.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of funeral arrangements which are incomplete.

Mrs. Dillingham was widow of Josh Dillingham. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Ervin, of Asheville.

Central Plant Renovation Started

Renovation work at Central Junior high school got underway Monday, Supt. B. N. Barnes said this week.

T. C. Strickland, Jr. of Shelby is the contractor for improvements to floors, stairways, hallways, bathrooms and classrooms. Cost of the project is \$134,900.

The original school building was constructed in 1925 with an addition in 1937. The current renovation project is the major improvement work on the building since its construction.

Neely Rites Held Wednesday

Funeral rites for Moffat James Neely, 78, of Clover, S. C., father of Knox Neely of Grover and Mrs. Louise Black of Kings Mountain, were held Wednesday at 4 p.m. from Oakdale Presbyterian church, interment following in the church cemetery.

Mr. Neely was brother of Mrs. Minnie Lockridge of Kings Mountain. Other survivors include a son, five daughters and a sister.

Vacation Pay For Majority Of Employees

Majority of Kings Mountain area textile employees will enjoy a week's holiday, a survey of the industry shows, during the week of July 4th.

Many firms will make vacation payments.

A few firms said Wednesday their holiday plans are not yet set, pending determination of their customer needs. Some firms plan to close only a day or two during the holiday week.

To be closed the week of July 1-10 will be Minette Mills of Grover. R. L. Payne, personnel director of Phenix Plant of Burlington Mills, said this firm will close July 2-8 and will pay bonuses of two and four percent to eligible employees.

Sadie Mills will be closed the full week, according to announcement by George Houser, and will make vacation payments based on length of service.

Mass Mo, Inc. will be closed July 1-10 and will make vacation payments to employees.

Kings Mill, Inc. will suspend operations Friday at 10 p.m., reopening next Wednesday at 6 a.m. Bonuses will be paid employees based on length of service.

K Mills will be closed the week of July 4th, though some first shift employees may work, pending determination of their customer needs. Vacation bonuses will be paid based on length of service.

Park Yarn Mills will be closed Monday and Tuesday, General Manager John C. Smathers said, operating on regular schedule the remainder of the week.

Lambeth Rope Corporation will suspend operations at 11 p.m. Saturday, reopening on July 10th. Vacation payments will be made.

Pauline Plant of Mass Mo Inc. will be closed the week of July 1-10. Vacation payments will be made to employees.

Lithium Corporation of America's Bessemer City plant will be closed on Monday.

Mauney Mills will be closed from Friday through next Friday, said George H. Mauney. Bonuses will be paid employees based on length of service.

Ideal Hosiery Mill will be closed the full week of July 4th.

Footo Mineral Company will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th.

Lions Install New Officers

Kings Mountain Lions club officers for 1967-68 were installed Tuesday night by Glenn Pyatt, of Bessemer City, governor of District 31-C.

Mr. Pyatt told the Kings Mountain club "active Lions are happy Lions" and he commended the club on its record during the recent past years.

New President Howard Bryant assumed the gavel from retiring President Hal S. Plonk and told his fellow members, "Goals are required - realistic goals - but there must be goals."

Other officers installed were: William Lawrence Plonk, first vice-president; Marion L. (Willie) Williams, second vice-president; Ray Holmes, third vice-president; Sam Parker, secretary; Joe R. Smith, treasurer; Rev. Robert Haden, tail twister; Sam Weir, assistant tail twister; and Donald McGinnis, Lion tamer.

New directors are Fred Withers, Bill Moss and Rev. David L. Castor. Hal S. Plonk is an ex officio member of the directorate.

ON DEAN'S LIST

Laura Page, June graduate of Meredith college at Raleigh, is among students at Meredith on the dean's list for completion of second semester work with a high academic standing. She is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Page.