

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 14,500 population of Number 4 Township, and the remaining 6,124 from Number 5 Township, in Cleveland County and Crowder Mountain Township in Gaston County.

Plans Jelling For KM Nursing Center

HUD Official Here For Conference

100-Bed Facility Is Envisioned By Corporation; Meeting Monday



WINS GOD AND COMMUNITY AWARD - Girl Scout Frances McGill, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. John C. McGill, received her God and Community Girl Scout award Sunday at Boyce Memorial ARP church. Shown making the presentation is Kings Mountain Girl Scout Neighborhood Chairman, Mrs. Charles Blanton, Miss McGill, a member of the ARP troop, has studied under the leadership of her pastor, Rev. Thomas Richie, to earn the top scouting honor. (Photo by Steve Martin)

Inundation Of Three Houses At Buffalo Site Is Discussed

Reid Brookins, representative of the Atlanta office of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) was in town this week reviewing the Kings Mountain Water Project with city officials.

HUD has approved the planning, engineering and feasibility studies for the project and federal approval of \$450,000 to \$500,000 in grants is contingent upon approval of the proposed \$3 million bond issue.

The city has assured HUD officials that construction of the project will begin eight months after the federal grant is approved. The water project is eligible for up to 50 percent in federal grants.

Three homes, presently occupied, will be inundated by construction of the dam on Buffalo Creek and the subsequent impoundment of water, said Mayor Moss. Mr. Brookins was conferring with officials in regard to relocation of the homes, said Mayor Moss.

The city will formally submit an application Monday to the Local Government Commission asking approval for a voter referendum on the question of issuing \$3 million in water bonds to finance the Kings Mountain Water Project.



KNIGHTS OF MUSIC HERE SATURDAY - The 19-piece orchestra, "Knights of Music", will play for Saturday night's American Legion dance from 9 until midnight at the American Legion Hall. Dick Buse, Pittsburg Plate Glass Company executive, of Shelby, and consulting service manager, is organizer of the band which numbers members from the two Carolinas and musicians who have been masters themselves. They play "Sounds of the Great Bands" from the 1940's including the music of Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey, among others. Mr. Buse, who does not play a musical instrument, conducts the orchestra. The couple's only event is sponsored by the American Legion for benefit of its current building program.

American Legion Is Building \$59,000 Home

American Legion Post 155 is building a one-story addition to the Post home on East Gold street at estimated cost of \$59,000.

Construction is already underway. Clarence Morrison is contractor.

A city building permit was issued this week to Mr. Morrison.

The club building will be located on East Gold street between Gold and King streets.

Director of the newly-formed Kings Mountain Convalescent & Nursing Center, Inc., will hold their initial meeting Monday night at 7 p.m. in the conference room of Kings Mountain Savings & Loan Association.

Joe Smith, chairman of the mayoral committee to investigate the feasibility of such a facility, announced plans for the meeting in a progress report to the city board of commissioners Tuesday night.

First item of business will be to call in subscriptions of stock in order to obtain funds for purchase of the proposed site location on Spies street, behind Kings Mountain hospital.

Second item on the agenda is the election of officers.

Officially chartered by the state earlier this month, the corporation committee has invited a state official to discuss state requirements for such a center at Monday night's meeting.

Mr. Smith said the committee envisions a 50- to 100-bed facility, financed by private funds and open to all ages, not just the elderly.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kerns, also members of the board of directors, have purchased a five-acre tract from M. Elmer McGill as a means of reserving the site for the new facility, Smith reported to the commission. In turn, said Smith, the lot will be purchased by the corporation.

Smith said an architect has not been employed, but that two sets of drawings, both voluntarily submitted, are in the hands of the committee.

Tentative plans call for carrying out construction in two phases. The first phase would include a 50-bed facility, with the necessary provisions for recreational, kitchen and office space to serve the 100-bed facility. The second phase would be the construction of a 50-bed addition.

All rooms in the facility will be private or semi-private. There will be no wards. The center will provide a two-fold purpose: provide both nursing and convalescent care.

Bob Powell, also a member of the director's group, was also present at the commission meeting.

The commission unanimously voiced its endorsement of the plans and pledged its support in working toward the project's fruition.

Local News Bulletins

YOUTH MEETING - Youth groups of Dixon Presbyterian church will meet Sunday night at 6:30 at the church for organizational meetings. Leaders of the Pioneer group are Mrs. James Childers, Mrs. Calvin Humphries and Mrs. Carveth Wells. Leaders of the Senior High group are Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Humphries.

CROSBY ELECTED - Steve Crosby, son of Mrs. Vernon P. Crosby and the late Mr. Crosby, has been elected president of the Senior High Youth Fellowship of First Presbyterian church. Other officers are Andy Neisler, vice-president; Olivia Morris, secretary-treasurer; and John Ballew, program chairman.

TO PRESBYTERY - Dr. Paul Ausley, pastor, and Elder Harry Page represented First Presbyterian church and Rev. James Mann, pastor, and Elder Dan Stewart represented Dixon Presbyterian church at the Fall meeting of Kings Mountain Presbytery Tuesday at Union Presbyterian church in Gastonia.

AT CHAPEL HILL - Roger D. Putnam, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Putnam, and Billy R. Wease, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill W. Wease, have registered for their first year of professional pharmacy studies at the University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy in Chapel Hill.

McAbee Rites Thursday At 4

Funeral rites for James Russell McAbee, 53, of 804 Second street, will be held Thursday at 4 p.m. from Second Baptist church of which he was a member.

Rev. George Julian, Rev. Alford Hastings and Rev. W. H. Edmond will officiate at the final rites, and interment will be in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mr. McAbee died Monday at 2:50 p.m. in the Kings Mountain hospital after suffering a heart attack two hours earlier. He was a native of South Carolina, owned and operated Mack's Grocery on Piedmont Avenue. He was son of Mrs. William Preston McAbee of Kings Mountain and the late Mr. McAbee.

He is survived, in addition to his mother, by his wife, Mrs. Josephine Beam McAbee; four sons, Tommy, Don, Kenny and Danny, all of Kings Mountain; and four daughters, Mrs. Sue Holmes, Mrs. Brenda Foster, Misses Sheryl and Wanda Faye McAbee, all of Kings Mountain; two brothers, Sam McAbee of Grand Blanc, Michigan and Brooks McAbee of Kings Mountain; a sister, Miss Grace McAbee of Goodrich, Michigan; and three grandchildren.

Jones To Speak To Kiwanians

Schools Supt. Donald Jones will be guest speaker at Thursday night's Kiwanis club meeting at 6:45 p.m. at the Woman's club. Mr. Jones will use the subject, "A Look Through the Windshield of Kings Mountain City Schools." The new superintendent comes to Kings Mountain from Asheville where he was principal of Lee Edwards high school. He and his family reside at 509 West Mountain street.

Biennial Celebration Recommended

The city commission, upon recommendation of Mayor John Moss, passed a resolution Tuesday night recommending that the Kings Mountain Battle Celebration, the October celebration commemorating the Revolutionary War Battle of Kings Mountain, be held every two years beginning October 1968.

In another action, the board recommended establishment of a reasonable budget that would be easily met and prorate it on a percentage basis agreeable to the several sponsors.

Celebrations held in 1965 and 1966 attracted thousands of citizens to Kings Mountain.

Full text of the recommendation follows: "The city commissioners and mayor have evaluated the Kings Mountain Battle Celebrations and desire to make the following recommendations.

"We believe that the Kings Mountain Battle Celebrations of 1965-66 meant much to the Kings Mountain area citizens. Our historical heritage is most valuable to each of us. It is something that no other city can purchase or develop as a natural asset.

"Therefore we recommend that the Chamber of Commerce, Merchants Association, the Industrial Association, D.A.R., American Legion to the VFW, the American Legion Auxiliary, Kiwanians, Lions, Rotary, Optimists, Jaycees, Woman's club, Junior Woman's club and any other community organizations join together and sponsor the Kings Mountain Battle Celebration every two years beginning in 1968 on a regional scale on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nearest the date of October 7.

"We propose to establish a reasonable budget that will be easily met and be presented on a percentage basis agreeable to the sponsors.

"We believe the Battle Celebration can be an event that will place Kings Mountain in the historical spotlight and develop an appreciation for our city by the thousands that visit and share in our American heritage and history."

Wyke: Early Remedy To Traffic Problem

The city commission Tuesday approved the advertisement for bids on a new car for the police department, a front end loader for the sanitation department and 4,292 feet of pipe for reconstruction of a 30 plus year old sewer line which runs from Phenix street to Cleveland Avenue.

Mayor John Moss reported that he had conferred with District Highway Engineer W. W. Wyke concerning the need for a traffic study at the intersection of West King street and Country club road. He said Wyke promised a solution to the traffic problem at an early date.

The mayor noted that traffic safety signs have been placed on many streets of the city, including children playing, stop signs and no parking signs. In addition, streets have been marked and center lines drawn.

Susan Anthony Has 13th Birthday

Susan Anthony, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Anthony of Kalamazoo, Michigan, celebrated her 13th birthday Friday. Granddaughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Anthony, Susan and her parents have been visiting Kings Mountain relatives since the death last Tuesday of Dr. Anthony.

Mrs. Sellers Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Grace McDaniel Sellers, 60, wife of George Sellers, were held Wednesday at 11 a.m. from First Baptist church of which she was a member.

Rev. Robert Mann, assisted by Rev. Mitchell Pruitt, officiated at the final rites, and interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mrs. Sellers died suddenly Monday morning at 10:30 at her home on route one. She had been in declining health the past eight months.

A native of Cleveland County, she was daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Whitney McDaniel. In addition to her husband, Mrs. Sellers is survived by one son, Bobbie Keith Sellers, of Columbia, S. C., formerly of Kings Mountain; one daughter, Mrs. Gene Dixon, of Sumter, S. C., formerly of Kings Mountain; a brother, John McDaniel of Kings Mountain; three sisters, Mrs. Edna Lanier of Charlotte, Mrs. Clyde Setzer of Lenoir and Mrs. Lawrence Burton of Morganton. Also surviving are four grandchildren.

Mrs. Jolly Legion Speaker

Mrs. Clarence L. Jolly, Sr. will give a report of her trip to the national convention of the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary at Boston, Massachusetts, at the Monday night meeting of the American Legion at 7 p.m.

The meeting has been advanced from Friday night to Monday. Refreshments will be served following the program.

Scouts Plan Two Day Event

A training course for Junior training leaders of Boy Scouts will be held Saturday and Sunday at the Alex Owens farm south of Kings Mountain.

The training course will begin at 2 p.m. Saturday and will be concluded at 6 p.m. Sunday. Junior leaders from all troops in Cleveland County are invited to participate and Jim Yarbro of Kings Mountain and Bill Elder, district scouting secretary, are heading up plans for the event.

The Sunday session will feature a Show-And-Do by adult Scout leaders under the direction of Joe Hartsell. All adult Scoutmasters and leaders are invited to take part in the Sunday activities from 10 a.m. Sunday until 6 p.m.

Stadium Dedication Friday, Memorializes Late Coach

Former Coach Chastized Self For Player Error

A front page headline in the Herald September 26, 1957, 10 years ago this week, was entitled, "Coach Chastizes Self For Errors, Thinks Team Coming Along Nicely."

The article was a report by then-football coach John Gamble to the Kings Mountain Lions club as he reviewed for the civic club the KMHS team's 1957 record.

He had praise for his charges and some criticism of himself and his staff.

Coach Gamble said he blamed himself and his staff for some of the mistakes which cost the loss of the West Mecklenburg game and noted, "We don't blame the players when we haven't told them something. We blame ourselves. We only blame the players when they make mistakes against which they've been warned."

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LATE COACH - John Gamble Memorial Football Stadium, named to honor the late football coach, will be dedicated at formal opening Friday night. Mr. Gamble was KMHS head football coach before stricken with multiple sclerosis.

Stadium Fund Now \$88,647 Reports Harry

Cash-on-hand and pledges to finance the cost of John H. Gamble Memorial Football Stadium now total \$88,647.70.

Fund Treasurer Charles F. Harry, III said Wednesday this figure represents interest accruing in the amount of 1072.88.

The Stadium Fund's bank balance as of yesterday was \$1570, Harry noting that other funds had been transferred to the schools. Total expenses, including miscellaneous expense of \$77.39, totaled \$70,250.31. The balance of the \$88,647.70 represents some pledges outstanding.

The community will be invited to inspect the new facility, built by public subscription, on Friday night when the Kings Mountain high school Mountaineers play East Rutherford high school of Rutherford at 8 o'clock.

Parking areas at the high (Continued on Page Eight)

Park Historian Assumes Duties

James J. Anderson, a native of Morganton, has been transferred to Kings Mountain National Military Park from Cape Hatteras to replace Historian Franklin D. Pridemore, who was transferred to Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park, Marietta, Georgia.

Mr. Anderson was born January 3, 1932 and graduated from Morganton high school in 1950. After 4 years in the Air Force he attended Appalachian State Teachers college and received his degree in 1958. He taught for two years in the North Carolina School for the Deaf and subsequently at Florida School for the Deaf at St. Augustine, Florida.

He entered the National Park Service in 1962 as Historian at Castillo De San Marcos National Monument at St. Augustine and the last two years as Historian at Wright Brothers National Monument and Fort Raleigh National Historic Site. He is married to the former Patricia Hollifield of Morganton. They have 3 children - Susan, 8; Bill, 3; and Joe, 9 months.

Telephone Clinic Plans Jelling

A free telephone clinic to be sponsored by the Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce will be held on October 19-20.

Announcement was made by C. of C. President Bill Fulton who said that merchants are urged to return the information questionnaire sent them. The clinic is open to anyone who desires to learn about telephone courtesy, said Mr. Fulton.

The clinic will be held in the Burlington Mills office here at 2 p.m. October 19 and October 20.

Merchants Pass Two Resolutions

Kings Mountain Merchants Association board of directors passed two resolutions at a recent meeting.

1) Directors voted to recommend that the Kings Mountain Battle Celebration be held every three to five years, not annually.

2) Directors voted wholehearted endorsement of plans for the Kings Mountain Mall, Inc. and the downtown beautification project.

Glee E. Bridges, president, presided.

MASONS TO MEET

An emergent communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF&AM for work in the first degree will be held Saturday morning at 4:30 a.m. at Masonic Hall, according to announcement by T. D. Tindall, secretary. Breakfast will be served.

Early Rites Friday At 3

Funeral rites for Augustus Lee Early, 71, of 411 Cherokee street, will be held Friday at 3 p.m. from First Nazarene church, interment following in Bethlehem Baptist church cemetery.

The body will remain at Harris Funeral Home until 2:30 Friday. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 7 until 9 Thursday evening.

Rev. C. L. Bost will officiate at the final rites.

Mr. Early died Wednesday morning in the Kings Mountain hospital after several months illness. He was a native of Gaston county, retired employee of Mass Mo's Neisler Division.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lillian Summitt Early; four sons, Steven Early, Charles Early, Alfred Early, all of Kings Mountain; a brother, Lloyd B. Early of Kings Mountain; a sister, Mrs. Claude Tisdale of Marietta, Ga. and eight grandchildren.

Give-Away Item: Old-Grover Church

The congregation of St. Peter's church of Grover is offering the old building, which was formerly the sanctuary, free to anyone who will move it from the premises.

Albert Smith, spokesman for the congregation, said a new church plant has been built adjacent to the old building.

"Anyone interested in the old St. Peter's building can have it free by securing a pastor and board of deacons and moving the building", said Smith.

Mr. Smith can be reached by telephone in Grover 937-7187.



POSTAL SERVICES WEEK - Five postal employees and Postmaster Charles Alexander, at far right, are pictured with Mayor John Moss on launching of a full week of Postal Services Week which will culminate with a Postal Day Thursday (today) when special services will be rendered. From left, Lela Franks, Stanley Forrester, Oliver Tate, Bill Laughter, Mayor Moss, Bill Watterson and Postmaster Alexander. (Photo for the Herald by Steve Martin)