

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 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 14,930 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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PRICE TEN CENTS

Housing Authority Employs Harper

PHA Names Tom Harper Top Officer

Thomas W. Harper assumed new duties Wednesday as executive director and secretary of Kings Mountain Public Housing, Inc.

The Kings Mountain Public Housing Authority unanimously elected Mr. Harper the executive officer Monday. In another action by the group, the directors moved retention of Hal S. Plonk as site negotiator if Mr. Plonk is agreeable to accepting.

Mr. Harper began work yesterday in temporary offices at his home, 503 West Gold street. He will travel to Atlanta, Ga., next week for a briefing from officials with the Housing Assistance Administration. According to Martin Harmon, acting secretary of the Authority, Harper's other duties will consist of step-by-step preparation toward the day when the "for rent" sign goes up 18 months hence.

A retired Air Force major and a University of Florida graduate, the new executive director and secretary is 45 years old. A native of Reserve, New Mexico, he is son of the late Dr. and Mrs. Charles W. Harper. The Harpers came to Kings Mountain in 1931 where Thomas W. Harper graduated from Kings Mountain high school in 1939. His tour of service duty has included as a pilot with the Troop Carrier Command from January 1942 to December 1945. A former Eastern Carolina AFROTC instructor, he returned to the USAF in 1951 with the R & Devel Command in Baltimore, Md., as Troop Carrier Commander in Europe, SAC Tanker Pilot and as a Major on retirement January 1, 1967 at Bunker Hill, AFB, Indiana.

Mrs. Harper is the former Maude Plonk, Kings Mountain native. The Harpers are parents of four children: Susan, a sophomore student at the University of Florida; Mary Lou, a high school senior; Tom, a high school freshman and Barbara, a fifth grader.



NOTES BIRTHDAY—M. L. Harmon, Sr., well-known Kings Mountain citizen, celebrated his 93rd birthday Tuesday. Mr. Harmon and his wife, the former Eunice Plonk, reside at 107 King street. They are parents of one son, Martin Harmon, Kings Mountain Herald Editor-Publisher.

Town Of Grover To Win Citation

Sunday Program At Postoffice Begins At 2

The Town of Grover has been named to receive a special "Citation of Merit" for a program of beautification around the Grover Post Office, Postmaster Fain Hambricht announced today.

A special presentation ceremony has been scheduled for Sunday, at 2 p.m. at Grover Post Office.

Mr. Hambricht said the certificate will be awarded by W. T. Martin, Postal Service Officer in behalf of the Post Office Department for cooperation in President Johnson's Natural Beauty Program.

Postmaster Hambricht will accept the award on behalf of the citizens of Grover and the Grover Womens club, Grover Lions club, Grover Optimist club, Antioch Community Center and a number of individuals who helped in the beautification effort.

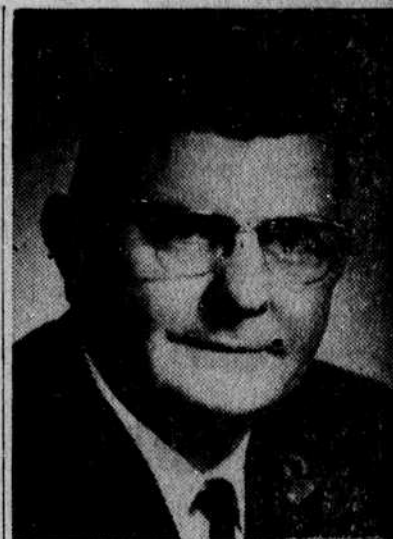
Congressman Basil L. Whitener will also be present and will participate in the ceremony. Mayor C. F. Harry of Grover will also be on the program, Postmaster Hambricht said.

After the ceremony, there will be "Open House" for a tour of the postal facilities, and refreshments will be served by the Grover Womens club and Sun Drop Bottling Co. of Gastonia.

Other participants in the program will be the Blacksburg high school band and the Kings Mountain high school band.

Atlanta Regional Director C. Banks Gladden said "only those communities which have made a concerted effort to improve the appearance of their post offices are recipients of the award."

The emphasis on aesthetics should make our post office a more pleasant place to visit and do business, Postmaster Hambricht commented. It should be emphasized that our project was begun to enhance the appearance of the area and we hope that others in the community will be encouraged to make Grover more attractive.



SPEAKER — Congressman Basil L. Whitener will participate in Sunday ceremonies at Grover to be culminated by presentation of a citation to the community for a beautification project at Grover Post Office.

Rites Thursday For Former City Employee

Emory C. Nicholson, 64, former superintendent of public works for the City of Kings Mountain, died Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 at his home, 808 N. Weldon street, in Gastonia.

Funeral rites will be held Thursday at 3 p.m. from the Chapel of Harris Funeral Home. Rev. Fred King will officiate at the final rites, and interment will be in Mountain Rest cemetery.

The family will be at the home of Mr. Nicholson's son, Corbet Nicholson, 901 Henry street here. Mr. Nicholson served as the city's superintendent of public works from 1953-60. He was also formerly employed by the City of Winter Park, Fla.

Other survivors include his wife, Mrs. Alice Jarrell Nicholson; a son, J. B. Nicholson, of Dallas; four daughters, Mrs. Lamar James of Cornelia, Ga., Mrs. Wayne Patterson of Gastonia, Mrs. Howard Roberts of Lowell and Mrs. Raeford Holt of Panama City, Fla.; a brother, Ernest Nicholson of Lincoln; and four sisters, Mrs. Elsie Coward of Gastonia, Mrs. G. B. Taylor and Mrs. Maude Spivey, both of Clarksville, Ga., and Mrs. Floyd McIntyre of Gainesville, Va. Also surviving are 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

P-TA SUPPER
West School P-TA will sponsor a hamburger - hotdog supper Friday night with serving from 5 until 7 p.m. Mrs. Jack White, chairman of the committee on arrangements, said homemade cakes and pies will also be on sale.

No Progress Report In Lithium Walkout

No progress announcement has been made concerning talks aimed at ending a walkout at the Lithium Corporation plant in Bessemer City.

The walkout began last Thursday when members of the Chemical and Atomic Workers Union, AFL-CIO, walked off their jobs. The union became bargaining agent for the workers last May and negotiations toward an initial contract were going on.

Bloodmobile Returns On Monday For Visit; 150-Pint Goal Aim

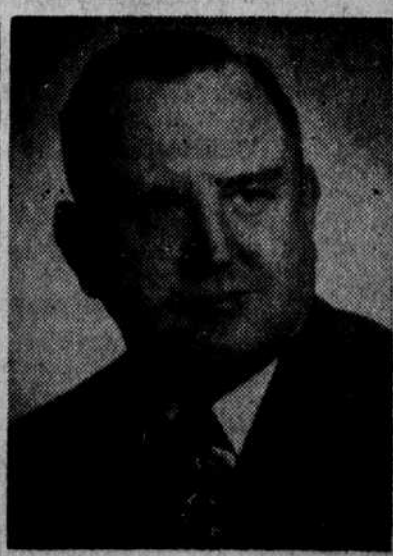
The Red Cross bloodmobile will return to Kings Mountain for a one-day visit on Monday.

Donors will be processed from 11 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. at the National Guard Armory.

Goal of the collection is 150 pints of blood, Mrs. Charles Mauney, publicity chairman for the Kings Mountain Red Cross Chapter said.

Mrs. Mauney noted that "the fine cooperation of participating chapters assisted in collecting blood for heart surgery made it possible for the Regional Blood Center to provide 3,260 pints for 238 heart surgery cases. In Cleveland County there were 12 cases, comparing with Greensboro and Gaston County. Mecklenburg County reported a total of 56 cases. Ninety-eight cases were performed at Charlotte Memorial hospital, Mrs. Mauney continued.

BUILDING PERMIT
D. H. Smith was issued a city building permit Tuesday to build a one-story brick veneer house on Pineview street at estimated cost of \$12,000.



MEMBER — George W. Mauney, cotton broker and chairman of the Kings Mountain hospital board of trustees, has been named to the city zoning commission to succeed the late L. L. Benson. Mayor John H. Moss has announced.



Architect's drawing of proposed new home of Kings Mountain Savings & Loan Association

KM Savings Firm To Build New Home

Plans for the building of a \$165,000 savings and loan "home", the association's fifth since 1907, were announced this week by officials of Kings Mountain Savings & Loan Association.

Secretary-Treasurer Joe Smith said the firm will be moved across the street to Cherokee and Mountain, what is now the city parking lot across from Fulton's Department Store.

"We expect to be in our new building by the summer of 1968," said Smith.

Announcement of the firm's plan to build a modern facility with drive-in window service and adequate parking facilities are part, Mr. Smith said, of the firm's 60th anniversary year celebration.

Architects were authorized to proceed with working drawings and specifications this week. Construction is expected to begin in mid-1968.

The proposed structure, of brick and prestressed concrete and glass, will approximate 40 by 65 feet interior dimensions on two floor levels. A drive-in window, night depository, and a mezzanine with community-director's room combination to be available to civic groups are included. A home planning area will also be incorporated, said Mr. Smith.

Top Teens To Be Named

Who will be Kings Mountain's Outstanding Young Teenagers of 1967?

The Kings Mountain Optimist club is receiving nominations through November 8 for "Outstanding Teenager" awards to be presented to two young people of the community.

Winners of the 1966 awards were Donna Crawford and Chuck Sparks, high school students. Other past winners were Reta Phifer and Larry Patrick (1963), Phillip Bunch and Carolyn Jones (1964). Unfortunately there were no nominations in 1965.

This year the winners shall receive a handsome trophy plus a savings bond — the runners-up shall receive gift certificates.

Nominations should be forwarded to Rev. Frank Shirley, 611 (Continued On Page Eight)



HONORED — Aubrey Mauney has been honored by Roanoke college of which he is an alumnus.

Roanoke College Honors Mauney

Aubrey Mauney, retired president and general manager of the Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company, Kings Mountain, N. C., has been awarded the new Roanoke College Medal for "his devotion to the work of the Lutheran Church in America, and for his contributions to the development of Scouting."

The awarding took place Saturday, October 28 at a special Honors Convocation, a major event in the 125th Anniversary Celebration of the founding of the liberal arts college in Salem, Va.

Speaker for the Convocation was Henry H. Fowler, Secretary of the U.S. Treasury. He is also the honorary chairman for the year-long celebration. Scientists, writers, theologians, and teachers are among the world renown visitors scheduled to make appearances on the Roanoke College campus during the celebration.

A Roanoke College graduate, Mauney spent most of his career as a textile executive, joining the Kings Mountain Manufacturing Company in 1938. He retired in 1966.

Mauney was national president (Continued On Page Eight)

City Orders Traffic Light

An eight-way traffic light has been ordered by the city and will be installed at the US 74-Country club road.

The actuated-type light will cost approximately \$1500. Mayor John Moss said the traffic light is "much needed" and that it will be installed by city crews as soon as it arrives.

ARP Series Begins Monday

Special services will be held at ARP Church beginning on November 5. There will be a morning meeting at 11:30 and an evening meeting at 7:30. The meetings will continue through November 12 at 7:30 p.m.

Rev. Roy E. Beckham, of the Centennial ARP Presbyterian Church will be the guest minister.

Rev. W. F. Monroe of Gaffney, S. C., first called pastor of Temple Baptist church who served from 1947-51, will fill the pulpit at Homecoming Day services Sunday at the church.

A note-burning service at 2:30 p.m. will highlight the day's activities. The service will mark the first time the church has been debt-free since its beginning in 1945. Following the special ceremony, a program of singing will be held.

Picnic lunch will be spread on the church grounds at 1 p.m. Former members, former pastors, and friends of the church are invited to participate with members of the congregation in the day's event.

Mr. Monroe, also a former pastor of Grover's First Baptist church, is serving as pastor of East Gaffney Baptist church.

Temple Baptists Set Note-Burning

First Pastor To Deliver Sunday Sermon

Rev. W. F. Monroe of Gaffney, S. C., first called pastor of Temple Baptist church who served from 1947-51, will fill the pulpit at Homecoming Day services Sunday at the church.

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SPEAKER — Rev. W. F. Monroe will fill the pulpit at Homecoming Day and Note-Burning services Sunday at Temple Baptist church.



BOY SCOUTS RECEIVE AWARDS—The three Cub Scouts, pictured above, recently earned their Webelos badge, highest honor in Cub Scouting, in ceremonies at Boyce Memorial ARP church. From left above, Cubmaster Paul Fulton presents the awards to Danny Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ward; M. D. Phifer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marriett Phifer, and Claude Suber, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Suber, Jr. Fathers of the Scouts are pictured with their sons. The Webelos Badge is equivalent of the Scout Tenderfoot badge. The Cub Scout Peak is sponsored by the ARP church. (Photo by Steve Martin)

"Cubby Hole" Of Drug Firm First Office

Incorporated on January 31, 1907, Kings Mountain Savings and Loan Association has come a long way from its humble beginnings when its affairs were conducted in a cubby-hole of F. L. Carpenter's drug store.

Now observing its 60th anniversary, the association has enjoyed the fair winds of prosperity, the ill winds of war and depression, has come through in greater strength, now finds itself as a new peak of its service to Kings Mountain area citizens.

An old cancelled savings pass book, among the association's valued relics, and issued on February 2, 1907, to George V. Patterson (now of Gastonia) lists the association's first officers and directors and its first constitution and by-laws.

The first president was J. M. Patterson, one time Kings Mountain grocer and also associated in Kings Mountain Cotton Oil Company. Other officers were W. A. Ridenhour, vice-president; C. A. Dilling, second vice-president; and the aforementioned F. L. Carpenter secretary-treasurer.

The original board of directors included the officers, H. F. Peterson, Dr. B. R. Hunter, N. F. Watterson, H. T. Fulton, F. L. Floyd, W. T. Bradford, Dr. J. C. Patrick, and I. Ben Goforth, Sr. Mr. Goforth, the retired mail carrier, is the lone survivor of the original directorate.

Still another Patterson pass book (issued August 2, 1913) is in the association files. By this date F. L. Floyd had succeeded Mr. Dilling as second vice-president, but Mr. Dilling remained a director. By this date, too, Wiley H. McGinnis had become secretary-treasurer.

Meantime the association had had another secretary-treasurer, M. Elmer Herndon, now of Charlotte, having succeeded Druggist Carpenter, S. A. Crouse recalls. Thus the association has had only six secretary-treasurers. J. C. Lackey succeeded Mr. McGinnis in 1937 and in turn succeeded by Ben H. Bridges, Jr., current secretary-treasurer. Joe Smith succeeded the late Mr. Bridges.

The association has had only three presidents: J. M. Patterson, 1907-1914, A. E. Cline, 1914-1939, and W. K. Mauney, completing his 28th year as president.

The association has operated in four different uptown locations, beginning with the Carpenter drug store building, followed by (Continued On Page Eight)

Water Is A Must

Registration books for the December 5 water bonds referendum will open at five polling places in the city on Saturday, November 11th.

Results of the election will determine whether \$3 million in bonds will be issued to finance the cost of the Kings Mountain Buffalo Creek Water Project.

Registration books will be open on three consecutive Saturdays, November 11, 18 and 25. Saturday, Dec. 2, will be Challenge Day.

Voters who registered for the referendum on ABC stores June 13 are eligible to vote in the water bond election and do not need to re-register. W. E. Easterling, secretary to the Local Government Commission, told the Herald via telephone from Raleigh Wednesday.

Mr. Easterling said that voters who registered to vote in the spring municipal election are also eligible to vote.

Books will be open for the registration of voters not theretofore registered.

Citizens registering for the first time must have been citizens of Kings Mountain for a six months period.

This newspaper supports the projected bond issue and believes it will be approved.

Buffalo is the closest major source of water to Kings Mountain and Kings Mountain is near posting the "out" sign of its water supply.

Water was being pumped from Davidson Lake Wednesday morning and the water level was down to 13 foot, according to report of Public Works Supt. Grady Yelton.

The city will renew this month the loan of 200 tons, five miles or more than 17,650 feet of eight-inch pipe, borrowed from the Army Corps of Engineers of Thomasville, Ga., in April to avert an acute water shortage.

Procession at full speed ahead on fruition of the Buffalo Creek project is dictated.