

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 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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Four New Enterprises In Kings Mountain Announced

Four To Create Jobs For 120

By MARTIN HARMON

Four new enterprises are locating in Kings Mountain with indicated aggregate of new jobs 120. A fifth is listed "probable" if a quarter-million gallons of water daily can be assured. Announcement was made by J. Ollie Harris and L. E. (Josh) Hinnant, co-chairman of the Mayor's industrial committee. The four are: 1) Alcan Aluminum Corporation, Cleveland, Ohio, a sub-division of Aluminum Limited of Canada, which will fabricate corrugated siding and accessories, specialized trim sections, and a complete line of roofs for mobile homes and recreational vehicles. 2) Frederickson Motor Lines, of Charlotte, which will build a terminal on York Road. 3) Southland Corporation of Texas will build and operate two of its 7-11 stores (groceries) on properties acquired but not yet announced. 4) Kamp grounds of America, Inc., of Billings, Montana, has optioned a 22-acre tract on I-85 to build and operate a combination campground-motel facility.

ALCAN
Alcan's Mobile Home Service Center, President Eric A. Trigg has confirmed, will be dedicated Monday, December 4, at the Mauney Building, 311 Childers street, which has been leased to house the operation. Equipment is now being installed and public open house will be held on Saturday, December 9. President Trigg stated, "This is the first Alcan operation in North Carolina and we look forward to a long and pleasant association in your state."

George Poggen, currently in the industry-marketing department in Cleveland, will be plant manager, and the firm expects to employ local area citizens for its operations. The Mauney Building has 23,000 square feet of floor space.

FREDERICKSON
William G. Frederickson, senior vice-president of the motor lines firm, said a 15-acre tract on York Road has been acquired from J. Wilson Crawford. The tract addresses the property of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Dixon on the east side of the road. Mr. Frederickson said construction plans are not yet complete.

SOUTHLAND CORPORATION
Robert Neill, son of the late Kings Mountain banker B. S. Neill, and representative of Lat Puseer & Associates of Charlotte, locators of commercial and industrial real estate, negotiated the 7-11 Stores transaction. The Corporation, he said, is the forty-seventh largest company in the world, and operates 4000 stores. The pick-up and convenience stores will not be built near existing large food stores. Contract for construction of one has already been executed and building will begin within 60 days. The grocerias will be of colonial type architecture. Southland has an outlet in Gastonia but Mr. Neill said, "There is nothing now in Gastonia to compare with it."

KAMP GROUNDS
Mr. Neill also managed the Kampgrounds of America arrangements. J. Wilson Crawford is owner of the tract on I-85, which is within the city limits. The industrial committee co-chairmen in a joint statement said, "We are obviously most elated at the conclusion of these arrangements which will bring these new industrial and commercial enterprises to Kings Mountain."

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Committee Is Named To Find \$100,000 For KM Hospital

Amount Needed To Build New Wing To Plant

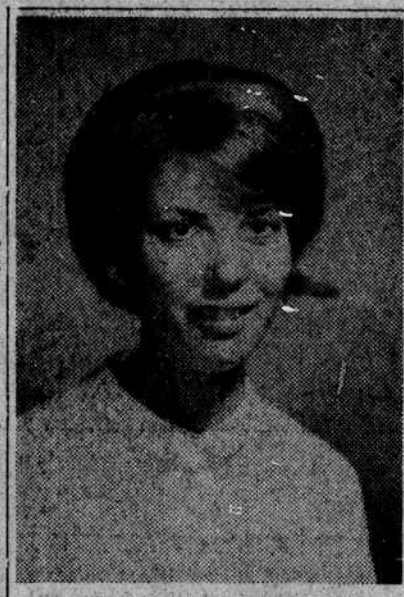
The county commission has named a four-man committee to investigate ways and means whereby it can legally appropriate \$100,000 to augment insufficient bond monies to construct and addition to Kings Mountain hospital. The committeemen are George W. Mauney, president of Kings Mountain hospital, Joe Hendrick, county manager, C. C. Horn, county attorney, and Max Hamrick, county auditor. The action followed presentation of hospital needs for bed space and other facilities at the hospital and question by Attorney Horn of legality of such an appropriation minus a bond election.

The appeal to the commission follows receipt of a letter early this month from the state Medical Care commission that the Kings Mountain facility could expect no federal funds under the Hill-Burton Act within the foreseeable future, certainly not by February 1969, when the \$500,000 bond authorization for Kings Mountain, voted in 1964, will expire.

President Mauney presented the case for Kings Mountain hospital and said Kings Mountain officials have been encouraged to draw plans for the addition and held out hope a federal matching grant would be approved. Dr. Joseph Lee, hospital staff president, described the overcrowded conditions and the limited surgical, emergency room and X-ray facilities. Architects Beverly Freeman and Joe Bennett, of Freeman & White, specialists in hospital architecture, outlined the cut-down plans for a two-story east wing which would add up to 36 beds, a new operating room, renovated emergency room and other ancillary facilities—estimated to cost \$768,816.

President Mauney said the hospital has some funds for construction in hand, via gifts, has been told by private foundations some help will be given. "We think we can do the job with \$100,000 additional," he declared. The commissioners voiced complete sympathy with the Kings Mountain situation. Commissioner Coleman Goforth commented, "This is our responsibility, too. I know you folk don't expect a check this morning, but we believe a promise of one year from now would tickle you good."

Mr. Mauney replied, "It surely would."



MISS DIANNE DIXON



MISS REBECCA BURTON



MISS PATTIE STEFFY

Three Students Win Degrees

Three Kings Mountain students were among the 260 graduates who were awarded associate degrees and diplomas at the 67th annual commencement of King's college, Saturday night in Charlotte's David Owens Auditorium. Associate in Science degrees were conferred upon Dianne Dixon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Dixon, Route 3; and Rebecca Jane Burton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Burton, 108 Wells street. A diploma was awarded to Patricia Elaine Steffy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Steffy, 206 South Gaston street.

Associate in Science degrees are conferred upon those students who have successfully completed the two-year courses in the fields of business administration and secretarial sciences, and diplomas are awarded upon the successful completion of one-year study. The commencement address was delivered by Dr. Lawrence A. Allen, chairman of the Department of Library Science at the University of Kentucky, who discussed the results of creativity under the title, "Learning to Live Under Water." A highlight of the commencement program was the conferring of an honorary diploma by M. O. Kirkpatrick, president of the college, upon Allen Sims, former Kings Mountain project, declared.

"We're Going All The Way," Biddix Tells Group At Water Study Meet

By MARTIN HARMON
"We're going all the way with the big project and it's now in the hands of the voters." Kings Mountain Mayor Pro Tempore W. S. Biddix made the statement Tuesday night at a public meeting on the county water system at the county courthouse. He replied to a statement by George Rawlins, engineer for N. Pease Company, that he understood Kings Mountain was not planning full development of the Buffalo Creek project now. The 75-minute session also produced: 1) Re-statement by Mr. Rawlins that the best plan for a water service to rural areas is via Kings Mountain development of the Buffalo project for service to the western section of the county and service to the northern and western portions by Shelby. 2) Statement by Mr. Rawlins that rural service could be provided, on basis of 20 customers per mile, for a \$5 monthly minimum charge, this projection based on a 50 percent federal subsidy.

Resurrection Ground-Breaking On December 3

The congregation of Resurrection Lutheran church announces plans for groundbreaking services for an educational fellowship wing of the church to be held on Sunday, December 3, at the 11 o'clock morning worship hour. Speaker for the occasion will be the Rev. Brady Faggart, executive director of Lutheridge in Arden, N. C. and former secretary of Christian Education of the North Carolina Lutheran Synod.

The actual breaking of ground will take place at 12 noon as the congregation recesses from the church for this official act. All officials of the church and its auxiliaries will participate in the service. Rev. David L. Castor, in announcing the special service, issued an invitation to the community to join the Lutheran congregation in the groundbreaking ceremonies.

KMPHA Plans Are Approved

All phases of The Kings Mountain Public Housing Authority's development program has been approved by the Atlanta regional office of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and was forwarded to Washington, D. C. November 15th. Meantime, Thomas W. Harper, executive secretary of Kings Mountain Public Housing, Inc., reported receipt of a check for \$17,738, the budget for project development for the three-month period beginning November 1, 1967.

The regional office of the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development has approved 150 low-rent housing units for Kings Mountain. Housing units authorized are financed by sale of bonds, payment guaranteed by the United States government.

Yule Lights Are Installed

Christmas lights in the downtown business district will be turned on for the first time Thursday (tonight), Merchants Association President Glee E. Bridges said yesterday. Turning on of the lights will signal the opening of the Christmas shopping season. Store windows were being decorated by individual merchants yesterday. One group of new lights to be installed on Railroad avenue had not arrived from the factory this week as city crews were putting the finishing touches to the lighting on downtown streets, Mr. Bridges said. President Bridges said that retail merchants are open six-days-a-week to accommodate Christmas-season shoppers.

Thanksgiving Activities Here Are Varied Menu

Kings Mountain citizens prepared this week for a traditional Thanksgiving Day holiday. The diet promised to include numerous turkey dinners, treks to football games, church attendance at special Thanksgiving season services and rambles through the woods with hunting dogs and guns, an ill omen for rabbit and squirrel. Six Kings Mountain area churches plan Thanksgiving Day services. At five of the six, traditional early morning breakfasts will be served by Men of the Church or Brotherhood organizations. Men of First Presbyterian church will serve the traditional Thanksgiving Day breakfast to the congregation from 7 until 9 a.m. Thursday morning. The Service of Holy Communion will be celebrated on Thanksgiving Day at Trinity Episcopal church at 10 a.m. The offering will go to the Episcopal Child Care Service of North Carolina located in Charlotte. Men of Central Methodist church will serve breakfast from 6 until 8 a.m. with the worship service to follow in the church sanctuary at 8 a.m. Rev. D. B. Alderman, minister, will conduct the service of worship. At St. Matthew's Lutheran church a 10 a.m. Thanksgiving service will be held. Rev. Charles Easley, pastor, will deliver the Thanksgiving message, "Thanksgiving and Three Taverns."

Resurrection Lutheran church congregation held a congregational covered dish supper and Thanksgiving service Wednesday night during the mid-week prayer service. Rev. David L. Castor, pastor, led the service of worship. Men of the Brotherhood of Kings Mountain Baptist church will serve a Thanksgiving breakfast Thursday morning from 7 until 8:30 a.m. The worship service at 9 a.m. will be led by Rev. James Wilder, pastor. Chestnut Ridge Baptist church held a service of worship on Wednesday night with Rev. Mitchell Pruitt, pastor, leading the service. First Baptist church congregation held a service of worship on Wednesday evening. Rev. Robert Mann, pastor, conducted the service.

A Thanksgiving Day service will be held at Boyce Memorial ARP church at 7:30 a.m. with breakfast to follow at 8 a.m. Men of the Church will serve the traditional meal. The annual Carolinas Carrousel Thanksgiving Day parade in Charlotte will attract numerous folk. Nancy Rayfield, Kings Mountain Princess from Kings Mountain high school, will appear in the parade and its attendant festivities. Masters of the skillet in Kings Mountain homes have been busy this week perfecting Thursday dinner menus. Turkey will be a favorite, local grocers reporting that the price of the big bird is quite favorable for any budget. Thanksgiving Day will not be a holiday for all, as majority of (Continued On Page Eight)



SENATOR MARSHALL RAUCH



SENATOR JACK WHITE

Rauch And White To Seek Reelection

Two Senators Say They'll Offer Again

By MARTIN HARMON
State Senators Jack H. White, of Kings Mountain, and Marshall Rauch, of Gastonia, will seek reelection, they said Wednesday. "Yes, I plan to run again," Senator White, two-term veteran said. "I am very definitely running again," Senator Rauch, seeking a sophomore term declared. "I have already made some campaign plans. The two represent the Gaston-Cleveland (29th) senatorial district. Nominated in the Democratic primary of May 1966, Senator Rauch led and Senator White placed in a six-man field, winning clear majorities in the first primary. Senator White is a Kings Mountain lawyer and former judge of Kings Mountain recorder's court. He is currently a member of a study commission on the problems of local government. The commission is to report its findings to the General Assembly next session. Senator White is a graduate of Wake Forest college and Wake Forest law school. Senator Rauch lives in Gastonia, owns and operates Pyramid Mills in Bessemer City, manufacturers of textile specialties. He is a former Gastonia city commissioner, was a star basketball player at Duke University. Both senators are army veterans of World War II.

Funeral rites for John Harvey Mabry, 89, retired Kings Mountain grocer, were held Saturday at 3 p.m. from Boyce Memorial ARP church of which he was a member. Rev. Thomas Richie, assisted by Dr. W. L. Pressly, officiated at the final rites, and interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery. Mr. Mabry died Thursday at 2:25 p.m. in the Kings Mountain hospital following several year's illness. A native of Gaston County, he was son of the late Mr. and Mrs. David Mabry. Mr. Mabry was twice married, to Bessie Hayes Mabry, who died in 1918, and to Mrs. Bertie Delahay Mabry, who died in 1957. Surviving are his son, Hoyle Mabry, of Kings Mountain; two daughters, Mrs. John White and Mrs. Hazel Bumgardner, both of Kings Mountain; a sister, Mrs. Venie Eskridge of Rock Hill, S. C.; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Active pallbearers were Paul Ham, James Crawford, W. S. Fulton, Jr., W. L. McMaekin, T. Lewis Hovis and Franklin Ware.

Group Will Discuss Issue With Official

Joe Vale, executive director of the Industrial Association of the Greater Kings Mountain Area, said this week a group of citizens will go to Raleigh December 1 to discuss with the secretary of the Local Government commission the proposed Buffalo Creek water project. Mr. Vale said Secretary W. E. Easterling granted the appointment for the morning of December 1 at 11 a.m. He said several industrialists and perhaps others interested citizens will attend. BAPTIST TOPIC
Rev. James M. Wilder will use the sermon topic, "The Man Who Forgot" at Thanksgiving Day services at Kings Mountain Baptist church.

Saturday Final Day To Register For \$3,000,000 "Water Bond Vote"

Saturday is the last day to register for the December 5 water bond issue election. Registration for the past two registration Saturdays has been negligible, a check with registrars revealed yesterday. Mrs. Ruth Bowers reported one new voter logged his name in Ward 3. C. L. Black gave the same report from Ward 1. Mrs. Paul Patterson, reporting from Ward 5, added one new voter's name and enrolled a transfer from Ward 2. Citizens at the polls on December 5th will determine whether \$3 million in bonds will be issued to finance the Kings Mountain Buffalo Creek Water Project. Citizens registering for the first time must have been citizens of North Carolina for one year and of the city for three months. Voters who registered to vote in the spring municipal election and in the June 13 ABC referendum are eligible to vote December 5th and need not re-register. The five city polling places are Ward 1 at City Hall courtroom; Ward 2 at the American Legion; Ward 3 at East school; Ward 4 at First Wesleyan church fellowship hall; and Ward 5 at the National Guard Armory. Books will be open from 9 a.m. until sunset, Saturday, Dec. 2 is Challenge Day.

Census 2,000,000: KM Babies Help

Julie Anne Yarbro and Lisa Marie Hambricht, born two minutes apart Monday morning and delivered by the same doctor at Kings Mountain hospital, helped push the U. S. population past the 200 million mark. The nation marked the milestone Monday at 11:04 a.m. when the demographic counter, the census clock, at the Commerce Department Building in Washington, D. C. showed the U. S. had officially joined Communist China, India and the Soviet Union as the only nations with more than 200 million residents. The births of the two baby girls at Kings Mountain hospital were the only new additions to Cleveland County's population. Dr. John C. McGill was the attending physician. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Yarbro arrived at 7:45 a.m. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Hambricht of Grover arrived at 7:47 a.m.

John Mabry's Rites Conducted

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Women Endorse Water Bonds

Members of the Kings Mountain Woman's club have joined other civic organizations in unanimously endorsing the city's \$3 million water bond issue. Mrs. Don W. Blanton said the club had passed a resolution endorsing the Buffalo Creek project.

Rotary Club Sets Benefit

Kings Mountain Rotarians will sponsor a pancake supper for benefit of the Kings Mountain high school Chorus on Wednesday, November 29th. Supper will be served from 5 until 7:30 p.m. at B & B Restaurant. Tickets are available from Rotarians at \$1 per plate.

Board Discusses Central Projects

The city board of education Monday night discussed installation of a floor covering for dressing room areas at the Junior high school gymnasium and construction of a covered walk at the school. No action was taken because of lack of a quorum of members present. Other members of the board were to vote via telephone poll. Estimated cost of the marble flooring is \$1,625 or 55 cents per square foot (floor space is 3,000 square feet) Supt. Donald Jones told board members George H. Mauney and Alex Owens. Supt. Jones showed the two samples of the Luminol covering. The product, which resembles a ceramic tile, is in liquid form. The projected covered walk from the Central building to the bandtower and side entrances would cost approximately \$3,073 for steel and aluminum materials. Supt. Jones also showed the group samples of the gold drapery material to be used in the renovated auditorium. The material was purchased from Margrace Plant of Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company at cost of 75 cents per yard. The superintendent (Continued On Page Eight)

Mosses To Attend Baseball Meeting

Mayor and Mrs. John Henry Moss will fly to Mexico City Saturday to attend the annual meeting of the major and minor leagues of professional baseball. Mayor Moss is president of the Western Carolinas League. Noting that the Western Carolinas operated as a six-team loop last year, Mayor Moss said I hope I can return from the Mexico City meeting with a ten-team league and certainly no less than eight. "Projected expansions of the major leagues to 12 clubs will increase the need for baseball training grounds," Mayor Moss added. "Future Ruths, Mantles and Koufaxes cannot develop their potentials without playing the game." The Mosses expect to return Wednesday.

City Must "Show Cause" For Future Water Pipe Loan, Renewals By CD

With water levels in the city reservoirs still falling, Kings Mountain is at the point of rationing water, Superintendent of Public Works Grady Yelton said Wednesday. Meantime, the city has been granted another 120 days usage of the five miles of pipe which it has on loan from the army. However, the state civil defense agency has asked what the city is doing for permanent solution of its water problem. William M. Hodges, director, wrote Mayor John Henry Moss, "At your convenience it is requested that you give us a statement as to the permanent solution to your water problem. We cannot assure you that the government will extend this agreement. We need to know approximately when you will have this problem solved." The renewal of the pipe loan is to March 22, 1968. "We hope and expect to have a favorable answer to the state Civil Defense Agency in the early evening of December 5," Mayor Moss stated. "A favorable vote of citizens for the water bond issue will enable us to reply that Kings Mountain will have its water problem solved permanently on completion of construction of the Buffalo Creek project, which will be on or about July 1, 1969." On rationing, Mr. Yelton said he would recommend least stringent measures possible but added, "If the reservoir levels continue to fall, I'll have no other choice but to inform the commissioners that usage must be cut." Meantime, he urged citizens to use water sparingly.