

New Year Greetings

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 14,990 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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American Legion To Award College Scholarship

Kings Mountain Jaycees Seek "Man Of '67"

Kings Mountain Jaycees are requesting nominations for Kings Mountain's Outstanding Young Man of 1967 who will be presented their Distinguished Service Award on January 16th, 1968. This award is presented annually by the local Jaycees to a young man, nominated by the community, who has made contributions to the Kings Mountain area.

All nominations must be made in writing and submitted to the Jaycees prior to January 5th, 1968. Any young man of the community is eligible provided that he be between the ages of 21 and 35 inclusive and will not have reached his 36th birthday before January 1, 1968. Nominations should be mailed to "D.S.A. Nominee, P. O. Box 303, Kings Mountain". The Outstanding Young Man of 1967 will be decided by a panel of local non-Jaycees and their decision will be announced at the D.S.A. Banquet on January 16th.

The award winner from Kings Mountain will be entered in the North Carolina state contest. The state winner will then be entered in the national competition, which annually chooses America's Ten Outstanding Young Men.

Farmers Can Sell Or Lease Cotton Acreage

Cotton farmers in Cleveland County can transfer their 1968 Upland Cotton Allotments by sale, or lease, to other farms in the county. An owner may transfer a cotton allotment to any other land in the county or State owned or controlled by him.

The terms of sales or leases are to be agreed upon by the farmers concerned. Transfers from a farm subject to mortgage or other lien must be approved by the lien holder.

Application for transfer of allotments by sale or lease for the 1968 crop must be filed with the County ASC Committee not later than January 2, 1968.

It is the responsibility of farmers who desire to sell or lease cotton from their farms, or who want to lease or purchase allotments for transfer to their farm, to locate other farmers with whom they wish to deal.

The County ASCS office will render as much assistance as possible in this matter. If a farmer has cotton to sell or lease, the county office will post his name, address, and amount of allotment on a bulletin board in the county office.

Top Teenagers To Be Named

Congressman Basil L. Whitener will be featured speaker at the annual Kings Mountain Optimist Club's Night Banquet Saturday night at the Optimist Club House.

Highlighting the event will be the presentation of trophies to the two Outstanding Teenagers of Kings Mountain for 1967. Whitener's talk will be centered around today's youth.

Special guests will be Senator and Mrs. Jack White, Representative and Mrs. Billy Mauney, Mayor and Mrs. John H. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Harmon, J. Ollie Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Rogers of Shelby, and the parents of the Outstanding Teenagers.

COMMUNION

Service of Communion will feature the morning worship service Sunday at 9:30 at Dixon Presbyterian church. Rev. James Mann, pastor, will deliver the morning message.

Dudley C. Hughes Dies In Vietnam

Reservist Died Early Saturday; Natural Causes

Seaman Dudley Carroll Hughes Jr., 21, of Route 2, died at 9:30 a.m. Saturday in Quang Tri, South Vietnam of apparent natural causes.

The Navy Reservist, who had spent one and a half years active duty, was the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hughes Sr. He was graduated from Kings Mountain High School in 1966 and was employed by the Margrace Plant of Massachusetts Mohair Flax Co. before entering service.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete pending the arrival of the body to Harris Funeral Home. Military rites will be held and burial will be at Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Seaman Hughes had been in active duty for a year and a half. Besides his parents, he is also survived by his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Biddix, and his paternal grandmother Mrs. Conrad Hughes.



DIES IN VIETNAM — Dudley C. Hughes Jr., 21, of Route 2, died Saturday morning in Quang Tri, South Vietnam, of apparent natural causes. Funeral arrangements are incomplete at this time. The Seaman was the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Hughes Sr.

Tax Listing Begins Jan. 2

Annual county and city tax listing will begin Tuesday, Jan. 2, and continue throughout the month.

J. Edwin Moore is tax lister for Number Four township and assistants are Mrs. Charles Ballard, Mrs. C. T. Carpenter and Mrs. Jack Hauser.

Listing will be in the courtroom of City Hall from 8:30 until 5 p.m. except on Wednesdays. Wednesday's schedule is from 8:30 until 12 noon.

Frank Maner Rites Thursday

Funeral services for Mr. Frank Garrett Maner of Wilmington, N. C. will be held Thursday at Watson Funeral home in Rockingham, N. C.

Mr. Maner died Wednesday morning.

He is survived by one son Mr. B. F. Maner owner of B. F. Maner Insurance and Realty Company of Kings Mountain and three grandchildren.

Whitener Discusses Problems At Shelby Lions Club Meeting

SHELBY — In a speech delivered Tuesday night before the Shelby Lions Club, Congressman Basil L. Whitener (D-NC) discussed some of the problems confronting the American people as they approach 1968.

The war in Viet Nam, heavy Federal expenditures for domestic and national security programs, and the increase in crime and other forms of disrespect for discipline and law and order are among the more serious matters with which we must deal," he said.

Whitener also urged that maximum effort be made by the nation to support the American military commitment in Viet Nam. He told Shelby Lions that maximum military and diplomatic effort must be exerted to bring about a victory over the communists.

Anything less than full diplomatic and military victory in Viet Nam invites further aggression.

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Power Problem Solves Itself Christmas Day

Seems as if Kings Mountain has its electrical quirks too—even on Christmas Day.

From around 10:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Christmas Day, the city electrical department was hampered by calls from area residents complaining that their power was going on and off and their Christmas turkeys would never get done that way.

Hunter Allen, Superintendent of the Electrical Department, was called in to assist in the problem. Seems like the electrical department couldn't find out just what was wrong, so they called an engineer from Southeastern Engineering in Charlotte to try and find the problem.

At first it was thought that it was a circuit breaker, and the electrical crew eventually isolated the problem until they were down to two circuits on north Piedmont.

However, they never did find the problem—it solved itself. Unbelievable? Sure it is. However, it is true. As far as the engineers of the electrical department are concerned, it was just a short that just burned itself clear. However, the public finds that just a little too much to believe.

"Was it an overloaded circuit," some people asked. "No," said Hunter Allen. "I know that it will be hard for the public to believe that the problem worked itself out, but that's what happened." "It's the first time we have ever had a fault of that type," continued Allen. "Look's like we are getting like the big city."

Most residents had their power fully restored within an hour.

KIWANIS MEETING

Rev. Jack Cooke, chaplain of Carolina Freight Carriers in Cherryville, will be guest speaker at Thursday's Kiwanis club meeting at 6:45 p.m. at the Woman's club.



DISCUSS SCHOLARSHIP — Kings Mountain Schools Superintendent David Jones (center) discusses with American Legion officials Carl Wiesener (left) and Josh Hinnant the scholarship the local organization will award a deserving KMHS student. (Photo by Steve Martin)

Mrs. E. R. Goter's Rites Conducted

Funeral services for Mrs. Edward R. Goter, 88, were held Saturday, December 23 from Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Jamestown, North Dakota.

Mrs. Goter died Tuesday, December 19th at Central Dakota Nursing Home in Jamestown.

She is survived by her three sons, Edwin R. Goter of Kings Mountain; Mr. Emil C. Goter and Reinhold J. Goter of Woodworth, North Dakota; and five grandchildren.

Mr. Edwin Goter attended the funeral.

Interment was held in Trinity Lutheran Church Newhome cemetery.

Water Department Drains Pipes

Freezing temperatures Friday and Saturday forced the city water department to drain the auxiliary overground pipe to protect the pipe from freezing and bursting.

The pipe is being leased from the U. S. Army and great care must be taken to see that it is not damaged.

However, with the steadily rising temperatures of Christmas Day, the pipes were again connected and normal operation was resumed.

LEGION MEETING

Because of the New Year's Day holiday Monday, American Legion Post 155 will not hold the regular monthly meeting. The Post will meet on Monday, January 8th, at 7 p.m.

Mrs. McAbee Rites Friday

Funeral services for Mrs. Annie K. McAbee, 75, will be held Friday at 4:00 from the Second Baptist Church. Rev. George Julian and Rev. Elbert Hastings will officiate at the final rites.

Mrs. McAbee died Tuesday afternoon at 1:45 in the Kings Mountain hospital after a three-day illness. She was a native of York County, South Carolina, a member of the Second Baptist Church, and the widow of Mr. William Preston McAbee.

Surviving are her two sons Sam McAbee of Grand Blanc, Michigan and Brooks McAbee of Kings Mountain; one daughter, Grace McAbee Huffstickler of

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Winner Must Be Dependent Of Member

Kings Mountain American Legion Post 155 announced today it will give a \$2,000 scholarship, payable \$500 per year for four years, to a deserving student.

Post 155 Commander Carl Wiesener and Scholarship Committee Chairman L. E. (Josh) Hinnant made the announcement.

The student must be a son, daughter or legal dependent of a member of Post 155.

He must have been accepted by the college of his choice prior to March 15 of said school year.

There must be evidence of financial need. Parents must file a confidential financial statement to the scholarship Committee. Forms may be secured from the Kings Mountain High School Guidance Department.

The Scholarship Committee will weigh such information in terms of total family income, number of dependents, outstanding medical expenses, number of other dependents in college and other information that might point to definite financial need, Legion officials said.

The student must possess qualities of good citizenship as demonstrated through his personal and social assets as rated by his high school teachers.

The student should be a well-rounded individual as demonstrated through his participation in extra curricular activities such as:

- 1) Church Activities
- 2) Athletics
- 3) Clubs
- 4) Scouts
- 5) Civic Participation

The student must have the recommendation of his high school principal. The scholarship winner will be named by Superintendent David Jones, KMHS Principal James Atkinson, Guidance Counselor Fred Paschal, and the Post 155 Scholarship Committee.

The student must meet the academic requirements at the college of his choice in order to receive the scholarship.

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Headlines Tell 1967 Top Stories

Old Year 1967 is fast running out of days, and the "babe" 1968 is just around the corner.

Kings Mountain will close out the books Sunday at midnight on a news-filled year, a year which will be remembered by local folk as one of the most prosperous in the city's history.

As the strains of "Auld Lang Syne," traditional harbinger of a bright new year, are played Sunday night, Kings Mountain area citizens can look back on 1967 and see most had their share of fun, happiness and sadness.

Some of the major events of the year were one-time happenings while others were continuing situations, as newspaper headlines reveal a busy Kings Mountain history in waning year '67.

The city's economic prospects 1967 appeared good, a spot survey of area industrialists revealed in early January. Their opinions proved correct as the past 12 months proved a good year for mercantile manufacturing and home construction.

WITHOUT TRYING to put them in order of importance, the Herald Staff has come up with these "tops" of 1967.

Belk's Department Store was robbed of an estimated \$10,000.

Friends of Charlie Wells, slain robbery victim at Park Inn G-11, started a reward fund in search of the killer.

Water, or should we say lack of water, took over the spotlight. The declaration of the Buffalo area as the watershed for Kings Mountain was in January and the bill was passed just this month.

Eight hundred persons petitioned for an ABC, Beer and Wine election, which was conducted, but turned down on June 13.

B. N. Barnes ended 40 years of association with Kings Mountain High School on June 30. Donald Jones was later named as Barnes' successor as Superintendent of the City Schools system.

A 150-UNIT Kings Mountain Housing Project was approved, a goal of \$100,000 was sought for a nursing center, and the new Central Methodist Church was completed.

Over 4100 students greeted the opening day of school. Teresa Jolley replaced Reta Vollbracht as Miss Kings Mountain; Joan McClure was runner-up in the contest held at Kings Mountain High School.

A \$302,680 grant was reserved for a City Community Center.

Bethware's 20th annual Fair was held in September.

J. E. Anthony, Kings Mountain's Senior medical doctor, succumbed.

Four new enterprises announced they would build in Kings Mountain. City School Board approved an increase for the athletic program at Central Junior High.

Funds Seeking Killer; Mrs. Gamble In District Post; Mayor; City Should Aid Private Sector; Clyde Sanders Rites Conducted; Tar Heel Queen Will Cut Ribbon; Water Picture; Davidson Lake Level Up; Mine Pumpage Steady; First Union's Open House to be Tuesday; Declaration of Buffalo Area as Watershed is Sought; Schools Offering Adult Education; Ervin, Agencies Aid Water Effort; Crowds View New Building at First Union Open House; Allen's Florist in New Shop.

PRELIMINARY Watershed Study will begin Monday; Spangler DSA Banquet Speaker; Church Moderator Here on Sunday; Gulf Sulphur-Lithium Corp. Merger Proposal Details Given; Petition Seeks Kings Mountain Liquor Referendum; Buffalo Lake Land Offered; Peeler Young Man of 1966; Spangler Praises Area Assets; George Mauney Wins Scouts Award; 800 Reported to have Signed Liquor Vote Petition; Garbage Grounds, Clean-Up; Air Pollution Groups Named; How Much Salary for City Fathers?; Mothers' March to be Thursday; House-to-House Invitations for Liquor Vote Petitions; Committee Now Promoting Private Convalescent - Nursing Center Here; Church At School Program Begins.

APRIL Mauney Pushing ABC Vote Bill; Drys Organizing; Mayor Moss Files for Re-election; Kings Mountain Fire Out; Crowder's Still in Flames; City Board Acts to Augment Supply of Raw Water; Four Incumbents File; Guyton Challenges Ellison; Cansler Street Project Approved; Kiwanis Talent Show Thursday; Keeter, Mauney, Maxey, Timms, Tate Head C of C Committees; Adequate Auxiliary Raw Water Supply if Assured; Barnes Ending 40 Years With School on June 30; Hinnant Succeeds Alexander at Bank; 60 Re-elected on Saturday; Moss, Biddix, Cline, King Opposed for Re-election; Buffalo Creek Project Plans Expected Within Month; 12 Candidates Seek 7 Posts; Filing Date Passes Monday; Military Rites for Pearson, 23, Vietnam Casualty, Held Wednesday.

JANUARY Belk's Robbery Loss \$10,000; Officials Support City Water Effort; Juan Curry Wins 1967 Baby Derby; Savings and Loan Association '66 Dividends Near Half-Million Mark; Friends of Slain Robbery Victim Start Reward

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MARCH Incorporation of Nursing Center Voted; Buffalo Watershed Now Feasible; \$8500 For Mayor; Commissioner \$75; Philbeck Brothers Badly Injured in Train-Auto Crash at Grover; HUD Approves Water Project Preliminary In-

quiry; Shaney Challenging Walker for Ward 5 Commission Seat; Easter Seal Child is Cage Expert; Full Priority Approval for \$388,500 Sewer Grant; Over 100, Not over 200, PHA Dwelling Units Here; Babb Candidate for School Post; Morrison Proffers Property Gift for Buffalo Creek Water Project; 649 Names on Liquor Vote Petition Authenticated; Owens Candidate for School Post; Fulton Elected C of C President; Sunrise Services Sunday at 6 a.m.; Pupil Assignment Plan is Same as in Current Year; Pastor Association opposes Legal Liquor Referendum; Mauney Delays Liquor Vote Bill, Wants City's Approval.

MAY Biennial City, School Elections to be Held Tuesday; ABC, Beer-Wine Election to be Conducted June 13; Auxiliary Water Will Enter City Mains By Saturday; Ellison, Walker Easy Victors; Run-Off in School Race; Downtown Mall is being planned; Lithium Union Election May 18; "Wets" Issue Statement of Aims and Have Opened Downtown Office; Mrs. Bunch, Owens in School Post Run-Off Tuesday; ABC, Beer-Wine Vote Called Both Sides Spurring Activity; Lithium Union Voting Thursday; James Atkinson KMHS Principal; Commander Davis Will Speak Here; Alex Owens Defeats Mrs. Bunch; 20 to Receive Diplomas Monday; Garland and Alala to Open Here.

JUNE 150-Unit Kings Mountain Housing Project Approved; Drys Increase Tempo of Drive; Cornerstone Laying Sunday at New Central Methodist; Area Students Receive Degrees; Board Interviewing for Superintendent; Citizens Vote "No" in ABC, Beer, Wine Election; "Drys" Meet Wednesday; Herald's Hamrick Sports Director; Gibson Selected; Donald Jones Named Superintendent; Education Board Names Asheville; Board to Meet Bi-Monthly; Clean-up Drive is Extended; Five-Day Week at City Office; City is Next on Sewage Grant List; Nol Pros Taken in Horvath Suit; Nursing Center Goal is \$100,000; Industry Holiday One Day to Week; Dixon Church Sets Homecoming.

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