

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 14,800 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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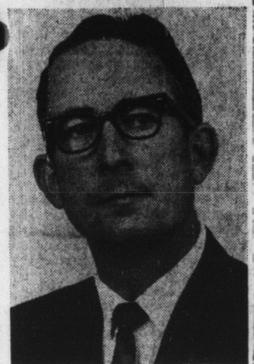
Kings Mountain, N. C., Thursday, June 27, 1968

Seventy-Eighth Year

PRICE TEN CENT

City's Tentative Budget Zooms To \$2,508,405

Hospital Campaign Pledges \$108,665



RESIGNS — Rev. James M. Holder, pastor of Oak Grove Baptist church since July 1, 1956, has resigned to become pastor of Midway Baptist church of Gaffney, S. C.

Oak Grove Pastor Resigns Post

Rev. James M. Holder, pastor of Oak Grove Baptist church, the past 12 years, resigned Sunday to accept the pastorate of Midway Baptist church of Gaffney, S. C. The Holder family will move from the Oak Grove community July 22nd and Mr. Holder will deliver his first sermon at the Gaffney church on July 28th. During the Holder pastorate at Oak Grove, the first full-time pastorate for the 500-member congregation in its history, a new parsonage was completed and work is underway on a new fellowship building. Rev. Mr. Holder, a graduate of Gardner-Webb and Lenoir-Rhyne colleges, came to the local church from First Baptist church of Whitnall, N. C. He also served pastorates in Surry County and at Fishing Creek Baptist church in North Wilkesboro. He is a native of Mount Airy. Mrs. Holder is the former Euzelia Hamrick. They are parents of two sons, Jimmy, age 12, and Joel, age four.

Pilot Hayes Flew 1,932 Missions

Lt. Colonel O. T. Hayes, Jr., who completes 28 years of Air Force service on July 1st, as a senior pilot flew a total of 1,932 missions in Korea and Germany during two wars for a total of 586 combat hours in a B-26. In a feature story in last week's Herald there was a typographical error reporting the number of missions as 132. Lt. Col. Hayes and his family are moving from Shaw AFB, Sumter, S. C., to the home of his mother, Mrs. Oliver T. Hayes, Sr., 211 Fulton street.

Mrs. McGraw Is Elected

Mrs. Thurman McGraw, director of food service at Kings Mountain hospital, has been elected president of the Carolina Branch of the Food Service Executives Association. Other new officers include Mrs. Eleanor Cowan of Mecklenburg school in Charlotte, vice-president; Jim Merrill, manager of Charlotte's Red Carpet Inn, secretary; and Miss Davia Smith of Laurinburg, director of food service at Scotland Memorial hospital.

Fishing Free BUT These Rules Apply

Fishing is free at the city's York Road and Davidson reservoirs. BUT, city officials point out, there are certain rules of the rod-and-reel game. They are: 1) A state license is required. 2) Fishing is permitted only from boats only. 3) Youngsters fishing must be accompanied by adults.

Mauney, Neisler Families Make Large Donations

Pledges totaling \$108,665 were announced today by George H. Houser, general chairman of the Kings Mountain hospital fund drive.

Initial gifts Co-Chairmen James A. Harry and Charles A. Neisler report \$100,110. This includes \$7 gifts totaling \$3,710 from hospital employees. John A. Cheshire, primary gifts chairman, reports \$6,355 to date and area gifts Co-Chairmen Carl P. Finger and J. Ollie Harris report \$2,200.

The Neisler Foundation has reserved the entry lobby, the Jacob S. Mauney family the surgery suite, and Kings Mill the passenger elevator. Thirteen rooms have been reserved as memorial by Kings Mountain families, churches, and clubs. Other memorials are available and information is available at campaign headquarters. Chairman Houser said, "Two weeks remain in this important drive and it is hoped that the goal of \$150,000 will be far exceeded." He asked that all cards be worked and reported as soon as possible.

GOP To Open Headquarters

Republican gubernatorial candidate Congressman Jim Gardner of Rocky Mount will cut the ribbon Saturday morning to open Cleveland County GOP Headquarters for Gardner in Shelby on East Marion street across from the Courthouse.

Dale Botkis, Gardner's campaign chairman in the county, said a coffee will be held from 9:30 until 11 a.m. and he invited friends, supporters and interested citizens to "meet the governor candidate."

Other candidates on the GOP county ticket, Paul Vogel, for county commissioner, and John Setzer and Joe Hartzell, for the county board of education, will also attend and are expected to make brief speeches.

Ed Henry Smith of Kings Mountain is chairman of the Cleveland County Republican Party.

Two services of communion will be observed at Sunday morning worship services at St. Matthew's Lutheran church, at 9 a.m. and at 11 a.m.

Hosiery Firm, Carolina Throwing Honor Employees For Longevity

Sixteen employees of Mauney Hosiery Mills received 25 year service pins and were among 175 employees honored for service of from five to 30 years at the company's first annual awards dinner Tuesday night at the American Legion Hall.

Ten year service awards went to six employees and executives of Carolina Throwing Company, a 13-year-old throwing firm.

Honored for over 25 years of continuous service to Mauney Hosiery Mills were Ray Cline, James Greene, Myrtle Yarbro, Clarence Peele, Mrs. Sadie Peele, Kathleen Scism, Ray Smith, Virginia Smith, Edna Tindall, Carl F. Mauney, George H. Mauney, W. K. Mauney, Jr., Aileen McDaniel, Ossie Owens, Lorena Hill and Murphy Hill.

Receiving pins for 10 year service to the throwing firm were W. K. Mauney, Jr., Carl F. Mauney, Howard B. Jackson, Clinton Jolly, Toye Smith, and Grace McCall. Mrs. Howard B. Jackson accepted the award for her husband who was out-of-the-city on business.

The pins were presented by Dick Shaney, Mauney Textiles, Inc. personnel director. The (Continued On Page Six)



ON STUDY TOUR — Roger Smith, high school junior, will participate in a six weeks tour of France and Switzerland this summer under direction of the Foreign Language League.

Smith To Study 6 Weeks Abroad

Roger Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. De Vere R. Smith, will be departing July 8, for a six week study tour of France and Switzerland. He will be traveling and studying with a group of high school students from all parts of the United States. The group is under the direction of the Foreign Language League, and is one of many groups assigned to various European countries.

Each year the Foreign Language League organizes programs of a six week "Summer school abroad" for some 5,000 young Americans and their counselors and instructors.

The program for the group to signed will include three weeks which Roger Smith has been assigned will include three weeks in Orange, France, and three weeks in Chateau d'Oex, Switzerland, with weekend trips to Rome, Italy and Paris, France. Week day mornings will be devoted to three classroom periods of the French language and one classroom period of French culture and civilization. Afternoons will be devoted to excursions throughout the surrounding areas.

Roger first became interested in the program when his First Year French Teacher, Mrs. Tolly Shuford, provided information concerning the Foreign Language League, and encouraged him to apply for the program. A rising junior in Kings Mountain high school, Roger resides with his parents and sister, Danah, in the Crescent Hill section.

Five Legionnaires of American Legion Post 155 attended the 50th annual American Legion Department of North Carolina convention Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the White House Inn in Charlotte.

Attending were Commander Carl Wiesener, Joe H. McDaniel, Jr., Carl Wilson, David Delevie and John W. Gladden.

Burlington Boosts Wages

Wage employees of the Phenix Plant of Burlington Industries will receive a pay increase effective July 15, it was announced today by Jay Keeter, Plant Superintendent.

"The increase is the sixth in less than five years," Mr. Keeter said, "and is in keeping with the general industry pattern now developing."

Mr. Keeter added, "This increase, together with the Company's wage profit sharing plan and other improved benefits, serves to provide additional security for each of our employees. This upward wage adjustment is continuing evidence of the confidence and optimism that our company holds for the future."

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Minette Mills of Grover will close at 6 a.m. Saturday, reopen July 8th at 6 a.m. Kings Mills, Inc. will suspend operation Saturday night, reopening the following Sunday night at 10. Vacation bonuses will be paid employees based on length of service. Neisco Sales, Inc. and Pauline Plants will be closed from June 29th through July 7th and will make vacation payments to employees. Park Yarn Mills will suspend operation at 7 a.m. Saturday, June 29th, reopening at 7 a.m. on July 8th, announces John C. Smathers, general manager. Sadie Cotton Mills will be closed the full week and will make vacation payments based on length of service. Lambeth Rope Corporation on Phifer road will be closed for vacations the full week. Vacation payments will be made. Bonnie Cotton Mills will be closed the full week beginning Saturday morning at 6. Duplex International will be closed the full week for vacations, said Kyle Smith, executive of the firm.

Welfare Service Resumes Monday

Interviewing At City Hall Two Days Week

County welfare department service will be resumed here Monday.

In line with action of the county welfare board several weeks ago, the department will begin a two-day weekly interviewing service at City Hall.

The interviewer will be at City Hall from 8:15 to 4:30 Mondays and Wednesdays, Superintendent Hal Smith announced. Three interviewers, Mrs. Ruby Bridges, Miss Martha Breitenhirt, and Miss Barbara Mode, will staff the office on a revolving basis. Supt. Smith said the interviewing office will be an added service, with three field workers assigned to the Kings Mountain area. They are Mrs. Eloise M. Smith and Bill Eaker, currently on duty, and a new field worker to fill a vacancy. Supt. Smith said he hoped the new field worker would report out that the interviewing office would accept applications for four services:

- 1) public assistance in all categories;
- 2) the food stamp program;
- 3) medical assistance in all categories; and
- 4) eye certification to clinics.

Available only at the central office in the county office building near Shelby will be child welfare applications, adoptions and foster home care applications, and juvenile court business. (On January 1 this function of the welfare department becomes the province of the district court, Mr. Smith added.)

Mr. Smith commented that the interviewing service eliminates double record-keeping which he described as the principal administrative problem when a branch office was operated here.

Heavener Wins Radio Clio Award

Jim Heavener, Kings Mountain native who is associated with WCHL Radio in Chapel Hill, accepted the "Clio", the radio advertising industry's counterpart to the movies' "Oscar" and television's "Emmy" Wednesday night during the annual awards presentation in New York City's Lincoln Center.

The "Clio" was presented to Heavener for production of a commercial for Norwood Brothers Ezzo Servicenter. The spot was judged to be the best station-conceived and executed commercial among all market sizes, large and small. Only 17 "Clios" were given nationally among all radio stations of all sizes. Heavener had commercials nominated as finalists in two categories, the only person or station with more than one nomination.

More than 2,000 industry leaders attended the white tie affair in New York City.

Mr. Heavener and his wife and family live in Chapel Hill. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Plato Heavener of 816 Cleveland Avenue.

Horn Car Stolen Recovered Quickly

An auto of Floyd Horn, 106 West Mountain street, was stolen about 11:30 p.m. Tuesday night. Horn, officers said, saw his car stolen, called police and gave chase himself in another auto. The thief was foiled by a nearby gas tank. He abandoned at Babb's Garage on Shelby road, where it was recovered.

County and city officers are continuing investigation.

Atlantic Aviation Corporation has announced the appointment of W. Barry Smith of Kings Mountain as Assistant Director of Advertising and Public Relations. Smith will specialize in high performance aircraft, primarily the Grumman Gulfstream II and the Hawker Siddeley DH 125 business jets. Atlantic Aviation leads the world in sales of both aircraft, as well as for Beech Aircraft Corporation. Smith had been an aviation specialist with the public relations firm of Mel Adams & Associates in New York City, handling various aviation accounts, before joining Atlantic. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in aerospace engineering from North Carolina State University and is currently completing a Master of Business Administration degree at New York University. He is son of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Smith of Kings Mountain. He and his wife, Susan, will make their home in Newark, Delaware.

Water Surcharge Deferred; Wage Boosts For All

By MARTIN HARMON

The city commission Tuesday tentatively adopted a 1968-69 budget of \$2,508,405 and tentatively set an ad valorem tax rate of 85 cents per \$100 valuation, same rate for the fourth consecutive year.

Of the 85 cents, five cents is the special tax for the recreation program.

The budget estimate is up \$58,450 over the budget of \$1,927,955 for the year ending Saturday.

The increase is attributable to: 1) Expected increased demand for utilities; 2) Increased tax collections due to a \$2,255,220 estimated increase in taxable valuations; 3) A carryover surplus of \$264,000; and 4) Indicated imposition of a 90 percent water rate surcharge effective September 1.

It had been the original intent of the commission to impose the water surcharge July 1. Because plans are not yet complete and construction and bond amortization costs are not yet known, Mayor John Henry Moss said, imposition of the surcharge was deferred. Hopefully, the Mayor added, these unknowns will be lower than anticipated and a surcharge of less than 90 percent can be imposed.

Mayor Moss said, in presenting the proposed budget, that it provides for a continuing program of progress and service, wage and salary increases of approximately five percent for all employees, a \$370,000 appropriation for capital outlay with all departments sharing, full provision for debt service including first payment for the new and expanded sewage system now under construction, a minimum wage of \$1.60 for hourly rated employees.

The big revenue items anticipated are: water and sewer system \$310,000; electric and power system \$536,000; natural gas system \$470,000; and ad valorem taxes \$215,750.

Powell aid street funds are anticipated at \$45,500.

In addition to capital outlay, the following departmental operational expenditures are anticipated: administrative \$50,580; cemetery \$14,557; street \$134,169; sanitary \$18,742; police \$95,127; fire \$36,175; general \$121,021.

Anticipated utility fund operational expenses are: water and sewer \$103,764; electric and power \$341,870; natural gas system \$328,725.

Bonded indebtedness of the city at July 1 will be \$1,370,000, including \$370,000 in "old" debt (1954) at interest rates of 2 and 2.5 percent, and \$1,000,000 in "new" debt, representing recent issue for the sewage system project.

Tuesday the board adopted an interim appropriation ordinance enabling the city to operate for the period from July 1 until the (Continued on Page Six)

Majority of Textile Employees Holiday Next Week For Fourth

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.

At least one plant—Carolina Throwing Company—expects to "run all week due to production requirements," said Charles F. Mauney, general manager of the throwing firm.

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

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COMPLETES "A" RECORD
Joan McClure, who graduated this month from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro with degree in music, is one of 33 students at UNC-G who made all A's on courses completed during the second semester of the regular school year.

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