

## Population

Greater Kings Mountain	21,914
City Limits (1966 Census)	8,256
City Limits (Estimate 1968)	9,300

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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# KM United Fund Drive Rated Most Perfect In State



**BOY SCOUTS AID HEART FUND EFFORT** — Boy Scouts in First Baptist Troop 92 are distributing posters in the downtown area inviting participation in the February Heart Fund campaign. Annual Boy Scout Week gets underway February 7th with special events for the various troops planned through Feb. 13th. Sunday is Boy Scout Sunday and Boy Scouts are encouraged to dress in uniform and attend church of their choice. Front row, from left, Robbie Bridges, Larry Hamrick, Jr., John Knox McGill, Billy Talbert, John McDevitt, Glenn Roberts and Ed Anthony; Second row, from left, Ricky Morrison, Monte Wilson, Don McDevitt, M. D. Phifer, Chris Laughter, Bo Maner and Steve Moore. Third row, from left, David Hullender, Frank Humphreys, Danny Bridges, Kenny Bridges, Ken Culbertson, Jr., and Billy Patterson. Scoutmasters Ken Pruitt and Jim Yarbo are not pictured. (Photo by Isaac Alexander).

## Tax Payments Swelled City Coffers Nicely

Ad valorem tax cash poured into city hall last weekend as many taxpayers made last-minute payments of 1968 levies before Monday's penalty date.

On one day the tax cash deposit was \$78,000.

The total 1968 tax payments during January totaled a round-figure \$106,000.

The heavy payments posed this tax picture Wednesday:

1968 levy payments to date \$201,069.68, or 84 percent of the total levy of \$238,457.

1968 levy payments represent 98 percent of the \$205,000 estimated to be collected during the 1968-69 budget year ending June 30.

Assessed valuation of the city for 1968 was \$28,051,153 divided as follows:

Real estate \$14,810,325, including \$11,255,275 in city residential lots and \$3,555,050 in city commercial lots.

Personal property \$12,272,215, including: merchandise in stock \$3,381,760; fixtures of merchants \$274,785; machinery not affixed to realty \$1,765,530; other personal property \$88,139.

Excess valuation from the State Board of Assessment \$968,613, including railroads \$255,163, telephone companies \$443,830, and electric power companies \$269,620.

Kings Mountain's levy was derived from a tax of 85 cents per \$100 valuation.

## 36 Applicants For PHA Units

There were 36 applicants Saturday morning who asked to rent public housing units, of which the Kings Mountain Public Housing Authority will build 150.

It was the first time applications to rent the units were received.

Executive Director Thomas W. Harper said about 30 percent sought elderly units, either individuals or couples, and that approximately half the applicants were White, the other half Negro.

Initial examination of the applications indicated that all applicants are qualified, on basis of family income and age or size of family.

Thirty of the units are being designed specifically for the elderly.

Mrs. Kenneth Roberts will be at City Hall to accept applications again Saturday morning from 9 a.m. to noon.

## Mrs. Grimes' Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Kitty Grimes, 41, wife of Ben Grimes, were held Saturday in Gainesville, Ga. Mrs. Grimes died suddenly at her home in Oxford, N. C., of a heart attack.

The Grimes family formerly lived in Kings Mountain, going to Oxford where Mr. Grimes is associated with Burlington Industries. He is a former superintendent of the Phenix Plant here.

Going to Gainesville for the funeral rites were Mrs. Henry Neisler, Mrs. Joe Neisler, Jr., Mrs. L. E. Hinnant, Mrs. John Plunk, Jr., and Mrs. James Herndon.

In Kings Mountain the Grimes family, which included four sons, was active in First Presbyterian church.

## Hospital Visiting Schedule Announced

Visiting schedules are "back to normal" at the local hospital, Administrator Grady Howard reports.

Mr. Howard said visiting had been curtailed since the incidence of flu in the area and now is allowed on this schedule: Daily from 10:30 until 11:30 a.m., 3 until 4 p.m., and 7 until 9 p.m.; Sundays from 2:30 until 4:30 p.m.

**CASHION WITH CITY**

Robert Cashion, a Kings Mountain native, has joined the city to work in the codes enforcement section of the workable program for community development. He has been recently employed in the budget department of the University of Maryland.



**UNITED FUND WINS DOUBLE HONOR** — Kings Mountain United Fund won two trophies, one citing the chapter for the best drive conducted among 77 UF organizations in North Carolina last year, in Greensboro Tuesday night. Flanking the larger trophy are W. Roger Soles, president of Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company, who made the award presentation and John A. Cheshire, local UF president. Shuford Peeler, right, 1968-69 campaign chairman, holds the permanent trophy won by the organization and presented to the best UF drive in the category, under \$500,000 contributions.

## Sump Is Speaker For UF Banquet

## Annual Meeting Monday Night At Country Club

Dwyer C. Sump of Charlotte, since 1957 executive director of Carolina United Community Services, will make the principal address at the annual meeting Monday night of the Kings Mountain United Fund.

Dinner will be served at 7 o'clock at the Country Club.

The recognition banquet will honor leaders in the 1968-69 campaign adjudged the best conducted over the state. President John A. Cheshire will preside and Mr. Sump will also conduct installation of new officers.

Shuford (Scoop) Peeler will be installed as president of the UF here for 1969-70 and Kyle Smith will be installed as campaign chairman succeeding Mr. Peeler who chairmanned this year's successful drive. Mrs. Vernon P. Crosby will be installed as secretary-treasurer of the organization. She succeeds Harold Coggins, the outgoing treasurer.

Awards to businesses and manufacturing firms in the area for high accomplishment in the campaign will be made by President Cheshire.

Mr. Sump is a graduate of Wayne State University, Michigan, with bachelor's and master's degrees. In Michigan he served as executive director of Highland Park Community Center for three years, as United Fund area representative for two years and as executive director of the Greater Michigan Community Chest.

## KM Cablevision Stalled By FCC

KM Cablevision, Inc., has been stalled, at least momentarily, by a ruling of the Federal Communications Commission, President Jonas Bridges said Wednesday.

Under the FCC ruling a station located within 35 miles of a metropolitan area can transmit programs from only five channels—including those from the metropolitan area. Charlotte, 30 miles distant, has four stations—two regular frequency and two ultra-high frequency.

"I don't believe we could obtain many cablevision subscribers when offering them only one new channel," Mr. Bridges commented. KM Cablevision had intended to provide a minimum of ten, perhaps 12.

Mr. Bridges said he and his firm are checking further into the situation, hoping to find some relief from the FCC ruling, perhaps by appeal.

Another item which would have effect on the future of the entire cablevision industry is a suit pending before the United States Supreme Court in which television writers seek royalties on programs transmitted via cablevision.

## Bloodmobile Here Monday; Vicky's Heart Operation Scheduled Tuesday

Vickie Williams, six, has entered Charlotte Memorial hospital for a series of tests to determine whether she can withstand open heart surgery to correct an abnormality since birth.

If so, Dr. Francis Robeck, Charlotte heart specialist, will perform the operation on Tuesday.

Kings Mountain area blood donors are asked to "give a pint of blood for Vickie" at Monday's visit of the Red Cross bloodmobile from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the National Guard Armory.

Vickie requires 20 pints of whole blood for the operation and Blood Program Chairman Larry Hamrick says he anticipates the need will be met.

According to relatives of the youngster, Vickie has a 50-50 chance of surviving the operation and if she does, her chances of living a normal life thereafter are good.

A "blue baby", who weighs only 30 pounds, Vickie tires easily now. She attends Sunday School when health permits at Bethlehem Baptist church. She is daughter of Mrs. Minnie Williams of the Bethlehem community.

The operation, if carried out successfully, could enable the pretty blue-eyed blonde to begin first grade in the fall.

Funds for the operation, expected to cost \$5,000, are being supplied by the Heart Fund and the Crippled Children's Fund. Because of Vickie's health, Mrs. Williams has been unable to work. The family requests donors to give blood in Vickie's name at the bloodmobile visit Monday.

## KM Group Scored 9.7 Of Ten Points

Kings Mountain Unjited Fund was cited for conducting the most perfect drive in North Carolina during the year and won a second trophy for the best drive conducted in the category "under \$100,000" in the state from Jefferson Standard Broadcasting Company.

The top awards were presented at Jefferson Standard's fifth annual campaign achievement celebration dinner Tuesday night at Jefferson Standard Country club in Greensboro.

Accepting the awards from the local organization were John Cheshire, president, and Shuford Peeler, Jr., campaign chairman. Other local people attending were Mrs. Cheshire, Mrs. Peeler, W. Donald Crawford, campaign leader in 1966-67, Mrs. Crawford, Kyle Smith, incoming campaign chairman for 1969-70, and Herald reporter Elizabeth Stewart.

W. Roger Soles, president of Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company, presenting the awards, noted that from a possible score of 10 points on the year's drive Kings Mountain scored 9.7, showing a gain in per capita giving and in total participation.

It is the first time Kings Mountain has been so honored and the first UF group to receive double honors. The trophy for the best drive is a traveling trophy. It becomes a permanent possession when a UF organization wins it three years in a row. The other award is a permanent trophy and is one of three presented. Other two trophies went to the community raising \$500,000 or more; the Greater Greensboro chapter which raised \$1,362,730; to the community raising less than \$500,000, the Greater Hickory chapter which raised \$186,248.

In the "less than \$100,000 category", Kings Mountain conducted its drive for the second year in one day and raised a total of \$30,029, a 43 percent increase from the previous year and 13 percent over subscription of goal. The Kings Mountain chapter, among 70 reporting, had the highest score on the rating sheet and was adjudged the top winner.

The 1968 honor roll of volunteer campaign leaders in the North Carolina United Community Services were from Alamance County to Yancey and more than 200 representatives attended the banquet.

"The outstanding achievements are based on a well defined criteria," said Carolinas United President Victor Bryant, Jr. He said the winners reflected organization and development of a team. Mr. Bryant presented the President's Cup for most improved United Fund to Moore County which until this year had no experience in fund raising.

Kings Mountain UF President John Cheshire said he was elated with news of the double honor to Kings Mountain United Fund and expressed appreciation to all the volunteers who helped make the fund drive successful.



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## Mrs. Campbell's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Elva Hutchinson Campbell, 57, wife of Herman L. Campbell, Superior Stone Company executive, were held Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. from First Presbyterian church of which she was a member.

Mrs. Campbell died suddenly Friday night at 9 p.m. at her home at 408 E. King street. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

The Campbells had lived here since 1942.

Mrs. Campbell was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Travis Hutchinson. She was active in First Presbyterian church and in the Kings Mountain Woman's club.

A native of Florence, S. C., she graduated from Cooran School of Art, Washington, D. C.

Besides her husband whom she married in 1937, she is survived by two sons, Joseph M. Campbell of Shelby and Herman L. (Sandy) Campbell, Jr. of Crestview.

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## Haas Memorial Rites Sunday

Memorial services for Mrs. Nellie Haas, formerly of Kings Mountain, who died December 21st in Maine of a heart attack, will be conducted Sunday at 5 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal church of which she was a member.

Mrs. Haas and her husband, Arno Haas, had retired to Maine about six months ago. They had resided here on West Gold street for a number of years.

Mrs. Haas was active in the work of Trinity Episcopal church and Trinity Day School, in the Kings Mountain Woman's club and in numerous civic and service organizations, including volunteer "Pink Lady" service at the hospital.

Officiating at Sunday's service will be two former Trinity pastors: Rev. Thomas Droppers and Rev. Robert Haden, assisted by Robin Johnson of Gastonia.

In lieu of flowers memorials should be designated to Trinity Episcopal church.

**SHILOH SERVICE**

Dr. Samuel Maloney, member of the Department of Religion at Davidson college, will fill the pulpit at Sunday morning worship services at 11 o'clock at Shiloh Presbyterian church in Grover.



## Mrs. Gamble Chairman Of Heart Drive

Mrs. John H. Gamble, home economics teacher at Kings Mountain high school, will head the 1969 Heart Fund Campaign in Kings Mountain.

The former Betty Roberts, Mrs. Gamble is widow of John H. Gamble, for many years a member of the high school coaching staff before he was fatally struck by the crippling disease, multiple sclerosis.

Mrs. Gamble and son, Johnny, live on Hawthorne Lane. She is a graduate of Appalachian State University with bachelor and master's degrees.

Mrs. Gamble's appointment was made this week.

Spokesman for the county organization said the new crusade chairman is ideally equipped to lead the 1969 Crusade. She will bring energy, organizational skill and enthusiasm to the Society's efforts to save lives now from heart diseases and to raise funds for heart research, education and service.

Mrs. Gamble has appointed chairmen in the various phases of the Kings Mountain campaign.

Mrs. Henry F. Neisler will serve as Heart Sunday chairman and Heart Sunday on February 23rd will culminate the month-long effort. Chairman of Business Days is L. E. (Josh) Hinnant, executive officer at First Union National Bank. Chairman of the committee on corporations and industries is Thomas L. Trott, insurance man. Chairman of special gifts is Mrs. Gamble.

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## Duane Robinson Joins Craftspun

Daniel L. Brier, Textile Division Director for the B.V.D. Company, Inc., has announced the appointment of Ralph Duane Robinson as General Manager of the Craftspun Yarns Company plant at Kings Mountain.

He will succeed Gerry Ten Brink, who will assume the position as Director of Technical Services for the company.

Mr. Robinson is a native of North Carolina, received degrees from Appalachian State University.

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## Kings Mountain Improvement Group Asks Negro Jobs In Downtown KM

Kings Mountain Negroes, at a Sunday afternoon meeting of the Kings Mountain Improvement Association, said they want jobs in downtown Kings Mountain business firms.

Present for the meeting on invitation were Mayor John Henry Moss and Commissioners W. S. Biddix and Norman King.

A half-dozen visiting Negro ministers were present.

"Questions dealt with downtown business and City Hall," according to William Orr, first president of the Improvement Association.

Both Mr. Orr and Mayor Moss reported trend of the meeting quite friendly, with Kings Mountain industry praised for their opening the door of job opportunity to the Negro.

Mayor Moss said he told the group his attitude on equal opportunity was well-known and that the doors of City Hall are open, for employment and otherwise. He noted that Negroes are represented on virtually all city commissions and committees.

He would confer with presidents and directors of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Association and relate the request, he promised.

The meeting opened with a review of the three-year history of the Improvement Association formed for the purpose of making "Kings Mountain a better place for everyone to live."

Ministers present and speaking in support of the association aims were Rev. R. L. Garvin, Mt. Zion Baptist church, Kings Mountain; Rev. W. S. Campbell, Salisbury, pastor of Bynum Chapel A.M.E. Zion church where the meeting was held; Rev. R. O. Davidson, Gastonia, pastor of Vestibule A.M.E. Zion church; Rev. F. R. Giles, president of the Cleveland County NAACP and of the Cleveland County human relations council; Rev. Phillip Williford, Cleveland, Ohio, and Charlotte, pastor of the Church of God, also president of Williford's Purchasing service; and Rev. P. L. Ross, Charlotte, pastor of Good Hope Presbyterian church.

Mrs. V. Bess is current president of the association. Immediate past president is Luico Wilson.

## BSA Week Starts Friday

Five troops of Kings Mountain Boy Scouts will participate in Boy Scout Week activities beginning Friday and continuing through February 13th.

Highlight of the week will be City Government Day on Wednesday when five Boy Scouts will serve in official capacities. They are Adrian Beam and Robbie Bridges, both of Troop 92, and Curt Falls, Frank Barber and Jimmy Amos, all of Troop 91.

Parents Night will be held by 32 Scouts in Troop 92 at the First Baptist church Scout hut on West Mountain street Friday night. Oyster stew will be served at 6:30 and movies featuring the troop in action will be viewed, according to Scoutmasters Ken Pruitt and Jim Yarbo. Mr. Pruitt said Scouts in Troops 92 and 91 will go to Charlotte Saturday night for Golden Gloves boxing at Park Center.

Court of Honor and Parent's Night for Troop 91 Boy Scouts will be held at St. Matthew's Lutheran church Tuesday night with the program by Junior Scout leaders. Scouting displays will be placed in downtown windows by this group of Scouts. Matt Pouchak and Otis Falls, Jr., are Scoutmasters.

Gilbert Brazzell, Troop 404 Scoutmaster at Grace Methodist church, said his troop members will worship together on Boy Scout Sunday this Sunday. No special plans were announced by Emmett Moss, Troop 92 Scoutmaster at Bethware, and Henry McKelvie, Troop 90 Scoutmaster at First Presbyterian church.

## ON DEAN'S LIST

Bill R. Wease, Kings Mountain student at the University of North Carolina School of Pharmacy, Chapel Hill, was listed on the dean's list for the past semester.