

Population

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

... Greater Kings Mountain figure is derived from the special United States Bureau of the Census report of January 1968, 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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GANTT WINS AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDAL — Sgt. Roger D. Gantt, pictured above, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Gantt of Kings Mountain, is shown being presented the citation for meritorious service while assigned to the 21st Tactical Air Support Squadron, Republic of Vietnam during the period of June 12, 1968 to May 28, 1969.

Bulwinkle Calls Run-Off With Friday May 30

Clevelanders will return to the election polls for a one-man race on May 30 when Chief Judge Lewis Bulwinkle of the 27th Judicial District will meet District Court Judge John Friday for the vacant Superior Court judgeship.

When Myers Hambright of the Bethware community decided not to seek a run-off with Phil Rucker for the county commission, the only race remained between Bulwinkle and Friday.

Judge Bulwinkle filed with the State Board of Elections in Raleigh last week, 10 days following the primary as required, asking for a run-off against Judge Friday. Bulwinkle polled 6,296 votes to Friday's 7,823. A third contestant for the post, Henry Fowler, polled 3,474.

Friday's home county of Lincoln polled 3,123 votes in his favor with 532 for Bulwinkle and in Bulwinkle's home county of Gaston he took 2,154 votes against Bulwinkle's 3,015 and Fowler's 1,947. Bulwinkle hopes quite naturally he will gain Fowler's votes in Gaston in seeking a run-off.

In announcing his decision for a run-off, Bulwinkle told the Herald "I appreciate the support I received in the Kings Mountain area on May 2 and will continue to solicit your support in a second primary on May 30."

In his announcement this week telling of his decision not to call for a run-off, Hambright said: "While I did not receive a winning share of the votes in the Democratic primary, I did receive a sufficient number to entitle me to call for a run-off election. After careful consideration of the additional cost to the taxpayers and many other factors, I have concluded that I should follow the wishes of the people as expressed in their vote on May 2."

"I wish to express sincere gratitude to the many people who supported me and my concept of good and frugal county government and to assure them that I shall continue to strive for 'Progress Through Unity' in Cleveland County now and in the future. To Mr. Simmons and Mr. Rucker I offer congratulations for their victories and my support to further insure their elections in the November election."

Waste-Usage Law Is Needed To Stop Sewage Odor Problem



IN SUMMER HONORS PROGRAM — Five students from Kings Mountain High School have been chosen to participate in the National Science Foundation Summer Honors Programs. All five students will study science. Charles Reed, son of Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Reed was selected to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Jack White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack H. White, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Betsy Queen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd E. Queen, Woman's College, University of Mississippi. Pam Cronan, daughter of Mrs. Evelyn Cronan and Lynn Finger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Finger, Jr. are alternates at East Carolina University. From left above, Charles Reed, Pam Cronan, Jack White, Lynn Finger and Betsy Queen.

Engineer Says Industry Waste McGill Trouble

Reporting to the city commission Tuesday night, Col. W. K. Dickson, the city's consulting engineer, recommended the city adopt a waste-usage ordinance.

Col. Dickson was relating the engineering efforts to determine source of the difficulties at the McGill sewage treatment plant that has been exuding noxious odors periodically for several weeks.

He said the source of toxic effluent, which has been killing oxygen-producing algae is being traced. Meantime, he added, an immediate, if temporary, relief can be obtained by the use of a masking chemical.

When algae is not present, oxygen content drops, cutting the nature-given treatment of human waste.

"There are plenty of beautiful clean rocks out there," he continued, "but we don't want them clean. We want slimy all the time."

Col. Dickson did not specify what should be included in the waste-usage ordinance. However, he implied that industrial firms putting chemical wastes into the disposal system should be required to construct holding basins when he said the holding basin system being employed by Neisco's Margrace plant is working quite well. (Neisco's effluent goes into the Potts creek plant system.)

Holding basins enable an industrial firm to dump chemical waste piecemeal, preventing system overloads that kill the "slimy" algae.

City Bidding Proves Active

Myers & Chapman, of Charlotte, was apparent low bidder of seven on the base bid Tuesday night on a public utilities building the city intends to construct at the site of the McGinnis street property now occupied by water tanks. The bids is \$26,743.

There were several alternates in the bid specifications and tabulations were not yet complete Wednesday. Myers & Chapman also bid on a steel building 100 x 144 feet. Specifications call for 100 x 150.

Other bids included: Huskey Construction Company, Greenville, S. C., \$27,065; Industrial Construction Company, Charlotte, \$30,164; Frank H. Comer Company, Charlotte, \$31,145; Squires Construction Company, Charlotte, \$33,836; AR & E Products, Charlotte, \$35,182; and Stewart Construction Company, Gastonia, \$41,500.

Three firms entered bids on a 750 KVA 3-phase transformer, with Carolina Transformer Company, of Fayetteville, apparent low bidder at \$5980 for Allis-Chalmers equipment. Shipment is promised in 14 weeks. Other bids: Mill Power Supply Company, Charlotte, General Electric equipment, 26 weeks delivery, \$5994; and Westinghouse Supply Company, Charlotte, Westinghouse equipment, \$7491, 22 weeks delivery. (Continued On Page Eight)

Change Order Cost More Than \$50,000

Change orders on the Buffalo Creek water project, agreed to by the city commission Tuesday night, upped the construction cost of the project slightly more than \$50,200.

The minor item was for fluoridation equipment for the treatment plant, \$2205, to Gillespie Construction Company, a general contractor.

The major item was approximately \$18,000 to Neal Hawkins, contractor for paving SR 2014 (Camp Creek Church road), which borders the reservoir property on the east. Part of the additional funds is for road-bed realignment, the other for specification changes by the State Highway commission in side barrier construction after contract was let.

Best Census Guess Wins Herald's \$25

The Kings Mountain Herald, as it has done for the past two decades, will give a prize to the individual residing in Number 4 or 5 township who comes closest to guessing the official 1970 population count for Kings Mountain.

Twenty-five dollars in cash will be the prize for the winner. A check with the district census office in Hickory yesterday revealed that there is no deadline of sorts in Kings Mountain or Cleveland County for the census. However, Harry Carpenter, district manager, said he was under the impression this area will have been covered by the end of next week.

Cleveland is in a 12-county district, he explained, and the district enumerators will need to be pieced together and added before any numbers will be revealed. The reports will be processed through computers.

The entire census should be completed by the last of the year, he said.

Winner of the first contest in 1950 was A. B. Prince, Kings Mountain insurance salesman who missed the 7,206 population by a count of six. Mrs. Doyt Falls,

202 Dilling Street, missed the 1960 count by two, guessing 8,010.

The 1960 census revealed Kings Mountain residents numbered 8,008 while the 1966 census revealed 8,256. The Herald editor's educated guess for 1970 which will include residents in the recently city limits extension, is 9,300.

Rules of the Herald's 1970 census guessing game are as follows:

- 1) Contest closes at 5 p.m., Friday, May 29. (Mail entries must bear postmarks no later than this hour and date.)
- 2) The contest is open to all citizens of No. 4 and No. 5 Township, with the exception of the several enumerators in the Kings Mountain area and/or their immediate families, and employees of the Herald and their immediate families.
- 3) Entries must be submitted on the blank printed in today's issue of the Herald, or on copies of the blank which are obtainable at the Herald office on S. Piedmont Ave.
- 4) In case of a tie, the \$25 will be divided equally among the winners.

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Sgt. Roger Gantt Awarded Medal In Vietnam

Sgt. Roger D. Gantt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Gantt of Kings Mountain, has received the Air Force Commendation Medal for meritorious service in Vietnam.

Gantt was a member of the 21st Tactical Air Support Squadron there from June 12, 1968 to May 28, 1969.

The citation reads: "Sergeant Roger D. Gantt distinguished himself by heroism involving voluntary risk of life at Ban Me Thuot Republic of Vietnam, on 19 April 1969. On that date, Sergeant Gantt observed a fully armed, fully fueled Army helicopter crash on take off near the runway. Sergeant Gantt immediately ran to the scene to offer any assistance he could. With complete disregard for the fact that the helicopter could have exploded at any moment, he assisted the injured crew members to safety. The exemplary courage and heroism displayed by Sergeant Gantt reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Air Force."

Gibbs Succumbs After Accident

Funeral services for Robert James Gibbs, 76, of 404 West Gold Street, were conducted Sunday at 2 p.m. from Harris Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. Paul Apsley officiating. Interment followed in the Glen Alpine Presbyterian Church cemetery.

A retired worker for the Southern Pacific Railway, he was fatally injured in a freak accident at his home Friday afternoon at 2:45 p.m. when he attempted to get into his car which was rolling from its parking place in the carport. In the attempt, Mr. Gibbs was pinned between the car and

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MARY ANN HOUSER — Mary Ann Houser, daughter of Lloyd R. Houser of Kings Mountain, has been tapped for membership in Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's highest scholastic honorary fraternity at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She is among 142 students honored.

Cook Was Middleweight Champ; Veteran Kings Mountain Policeman

Bynum P. Cook, 53, a veteran patrolman on the Kings Mountain police force, was middleweight champion of the North Carolina National Guard in 1938.

He was in the boxing arena at



BYNUM P. COOK

Camp Glenn, near Morehead City.

Mr. Cook does little boxing now, except via the television box but is an avid fisherman and hunter.

He first joined the local police department in 1953 and then in 1958 Sgt. Cook joined the prison department, worked there several years and then joined Fiber Industries as a security guard. He returned to the local force nine years ago.

Cook has completed numerous law enforcement schools initiated here by Chief Tom McDewitt, including those on traffic investigation, criminal and accident investigations. He recently earned a diploma in FBI Officers School conducted by Cleveland Technical Institute. He has been a member of the Law Enforcement Officers' Association since 1953.

Patrolman Cook was a military policeman during World War II and spent eight months in England before the Normandy invasion, in which he participated. He was in five major campaigns in

Four Are Issued Taxi Franchises

Committee Says: Follow Transfer Law

The city commission accepted recommendation of its taxi committee Tuesday night and issued four additional cab franchises, one each to Frank Price, James Adamans, Clark J. Rushing and William Orr.

The four brings to 26 the number of cab franchises issued by the city. A total of 18 applications for the four new franchises had been received.

The committee, including Commissioner James J. Dickey, chairman, Ray W. Cline and W. S. Jiddix, further recommended that the city follow the Code of Ordinances relating to change of

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SAMUEL H. HOUSTON, JR.

Dixon President Of Car Dealers

Charles E. Dixon of Dixon Chevrolet Co. was elected president of the Cleveland County New Car Dealers Association at a meeting of that group Tuesday night. He succeeds Ernest Rogers of Rogers Pontiac-Cadillac Co. in Shelby.

Fred McBrayer of McBrayer Motors, Shelby, was named vice-president and H. S. Keeter of Keeter Motors, Inc., Shelby, was elected secretary-treasurer.

Urban Renewal Meeting Slated

Carl Mauney, Chairman of the Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission urges all residents and property owners to attend a meeting at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 19, in the Council Chamber of the City Hall to discuss the progress to date on the Cansler Street Urban Renewal Project.

Joe Laney, director of the Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission and Lynwood Thoms, project manager for the Cansler Street project will be present to answer any questions which residents or property owners may have.

The project area is bounded generally by Waco Road on the north, Cansler Street and City Street on the east, Hawthorne Road on the south and Watterson Street on the west.

Write-In Ruff Again Winner; To Be Installed

Robert Ruff will be installed as commander of Otis D. Green Post 155, American Legion, Monday night at 7 p.m.

Mr. Ruff, retiring first vice-commander, won Monday's second election, as he won the first, as a write-in candidate.

Adjutant Joe McDaniel, Jr., reported the result as Ruff 86, retiring Commander Carl Wilson 83, and Robert Davies 5.

Ruff also got four write-in votes for the post scholarship committee, in what amounted to a run-off between Grady Howard and Franklin Ware. Howard won 92 to Ware 71. The two had tied for third place on the three-man committee in the first election at 64 each.

Objection to Ruff's write-in candidacy and first election victory by the 13-member officer board was on grounds a full-time employee could not, by post vote, hold office. Legionnaire Ruff, assistant manager, said he had not worked at the Legion building since the night of the first election May 4. He said Commander Wilson told him he was suspended.

Other officers elected who will be installed:

First vice-commander, Gene Gibson; second vice-commander, Louis Sabettie; adjutant-finance officer, Joe McDaniel; chaplain, John Gladden; sergeant-at-arms, Jackie Barrett; assistant sergeant-at-arms, George Hull; historian, David J. Delevie; five-member executive committee, Ben T. Gofforth, Ben Hord, J. T. McGinnis, Jr., Vardell Neal, and Robert Gofforth.

Houston Named To School Post

Samuel H. Houston, Jr., husband of the former Diane Roberts of Kings Mountain, has been promoted to assistant principal of Irwin Junior High School at Fort Bragg.

Graduate of Appalachian State University where he earned a Bachelor's and a Master's degree, he has taught health and physical education at Fort Bragg for the past four years. During the summer he serves as assistant golf pro to Bob Kepler at Hound Ears Lodge and Club at Blowing Rock.

Maggie Fulton's 78th Birthday Finds Her Happily Reporting For Work

Mrs. Maggie McGill Fulton is often asked how she gets around like she does and always seems so happy.

"It's an easy question to answer she says. 'I love to work and I love to make friends.'"

Tuesday Maggie celebrated her 78th birthday, and while most folks that age have already retired or slowed down in their work, she still looks forward to each day and the energy she can put into it.

Maggie is well known around Kings Mountain and is proud of her association with many families, those being Mrs. J. H. Arthur in whose household she became a part of the family for 35 years.

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MAGGIE FULTON

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 Kings Mountain, N. C.

My estimate of the official population of the City of Kings Mountain for 1970 is

Name

Street Address

City

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Houston Black Wins Promotion

Houston Black of Raleigh has been promoted by Carolina Power & Light Company to the newly created position of director of wage and benefit administration.

Black joined CP&L in 1956 as a sales representative in Rockingham. In 1959 he was promoted to Central Division personnel representative in Southern Pines. He was named personnel representative in the general office in Raleigh in 1968, his position prior to his recent promotion.

While a sales representative, Black sold the first total-electric school on CP&L's system.

A native of Kings Mountain, and graduate of Kings Mountain high school, Black received his A. B. degree from Catawba College in Salisbury. He is an Army

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