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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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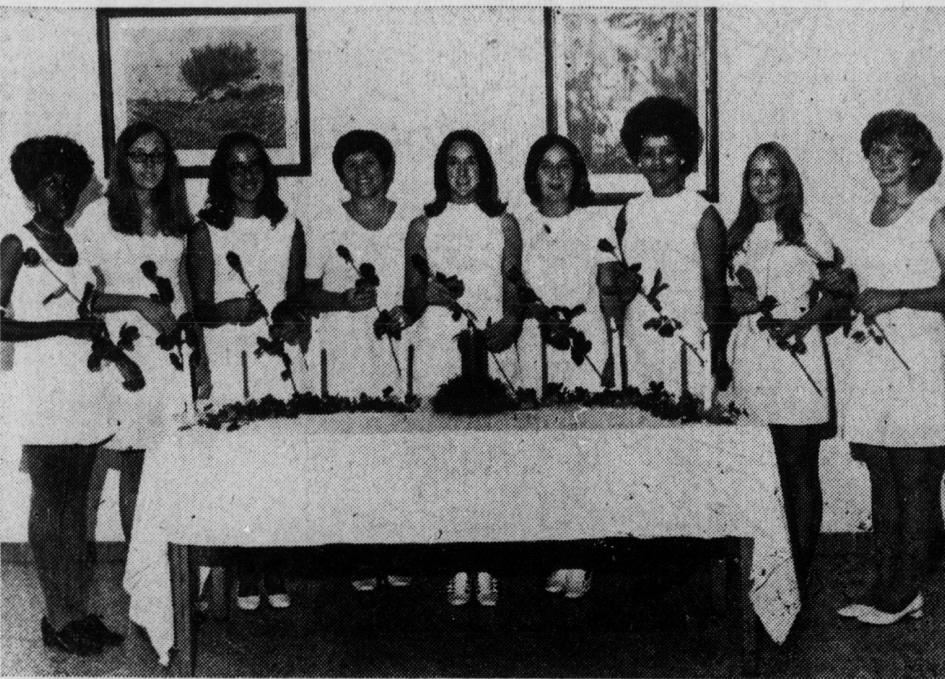
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Eighty-Fifth Year

PRICE TEN CENTS



NEW OFFICERS OF FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA — Pictured above are newly-installed officers of the Kings Mountain chapter of Future Homemakers of America of Kings Mountain high school. From left to right above, Kat Ervin, Diane Bridges, Becky Cashion, Hetty Cox, Becky Plonk, Mary Anne Bennett, Priscilla Burris, Kathy Wilson and Meredith McGill. They were installed in recent ceremonies at the high school. (Photo by Isaac Alexander)

HUD Concurs: Fair Market Price For Land In CBD Area



RITES HELD — Funeral rites for Floyd Gates, 72, were held Sunday afternoon from First Baptist church.

Floyd Gates' Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Floyd Gates, 72, retired Margrave Mill textile employee, were held Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. from First Baptist church of which he was a member.

Mr. Gates died Friday at 5:30 a.m. in the Kings Mountain hospital after several days' illness.

He was a native of Gaston County, son of the late Lee Anderson Gates and Lilly Roxanna Watts Gates.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ethel Gates; his daughter; Mrs. Gene Taylor of Gaffney, S.C.; four brothers, Robert Gates of Charlotte, Atmer Gates and Bill Gates, both of McAdenville, Charles Gates of Great Falls, S.C.; and a sister, Mrs. John Lowrance of McAdenville. Also surviving are his son-in-law and two grandchildren.

He was a member of Fairview Lodge 339 AF & AM and full masonic burial rites were conducted in Gaston Memorial Park, Gastonia. His pastor, Rev. Robert Mann, officiated at the funeral services.

Largest Pay Hike In Its History Announced By Carolina Throwing

Employees of Carolina Throwing Company will receive the "largest across-the-board pay increase in 15-year history" in October, according to announcement by Dick Shaney, personnel manager.

A general across-the-board six percent hourly wage increase is scheduled plus additional benefits under the hospitalization insurance, including guaranteed semi-private coverage and other benefits at no cost to the employee.

The company has experienced phenomenal growth", according

Contract Notes Bid Opening Tuesday At 1

The Department of Housing and Urban Development has cleared the way for proceeding with the Central Business District Project, they notified Joe Laney, director, this week by "concurring on fair market prices for properties needed."

Meantime, Mr. Laney said he had talked with several property owners this week and that agreements with them are expected to be signed "probably Monday."

Opening of bids on the contract project notes is slated for Tuesday afternoon at 1 p.m. in the office of the Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission in City Hall.

"The Central Business District Project is low in good shape," said Mr. Laney.

Timms Wins Park Honor

Jerry Wayne Timms, Superintendent of Lee State Park, Bishoppville, South Carolina, has been voted "first runner-up" in the 1970 State Park Superintendent of the Year contest.

Mr. Timms was formerly a ranger at Kings Mountain State Park and a native of the Kings Mountain area.

Balloting for this honor took place at the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, Columbia, S.C. with members of the executive staff participating.

Supervisors from the various 31 parks throughout the state of South Carolina are eligible for nomination. They are judged on personal character and leadership as well as park maintenance and service to the community.

Mr. Timms will attend the National Conference of State Parks, Sept. 20-24 at Myrtle Beach, S.C. The first place winner has his choice of attending meetings in Philadelphia, Pa. or New Orleans, La. later this fall.

Thombs Resigns Post With City

Lynwood Thombs, project manager for the Candler street Urban Renewal Area, has tendered his resignation to enter Howard University School of Law in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Thombs, who was employed March 9th, had applied for admission to the Law School but had expected to enter the school for the 1971 term. He has received a scholarship to attend school.

Mr. Thombs is a graduate of St. Augustine college in Raleigh with a degree in business administration. He is a Kings Mountain executive staff participating.

In his letter of resignation Mr. Thombs stated: "I will carry with me a pleasant memory of the last six months. I have enjoyed working with this project and hope the project has benefitted as much from my experience here as I have. I'm sure it will make the area a part of the community we can be proud of."

Joe Laney, executive director, said Mr. Thombs' resignation was accepted with regret.

Mr. Laney is currently interviewing applicants for the position in his office of the Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission in City Hall.

Street Name Is Now Lee

The city commission Tuesday night, on the request of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Neisler and Dr. and Mrs. Joe Lee, voted to change the name of the road from Fulton street south from Jolly to Lee street. The Lees and Neislers are building new homes in that area of the city near the high school.

The board also approved consideration of petition for curbing and guttering and paving 490 feet on Joyce street, between Meadowbrook Road to Hillside Drive subject to the 1971-72 budget.

Gillatt, noted that because there is a possibility that the live virus can cross the placenta and affect the unborn child of a woman who was vaccinated two to

three months prior to becoming pregnant, medical authorities do not advise vaccination for women. They stress mass immunization of children since it is by far the most effective way of preventing the expectant mother from coming in contact with the virus.

The last epidemic of German measles was in 1964 and authorities note that epidemics usually occur in six to nine year cycles.

Clinics will be held Thursday morning September 10 at the following locations: Grover and Compacts Schools in Grover; East, West and North schools in Kings Mountain; Bethware School, Waco and Washington School, Polkville and Casar, Piedmont and Fallston schools.

Clinics will be held Sunday September 13, from noon until 4 p.m. for all children, ages one-12 who did not receive the vaccine while in school. The clinics will be at the following locations: Kings Mountain Armory, Shelby Health Department, Boiling Springs School, No. 3 School, Polkville, Fallston School, and Washington (County) school.

The clinics are co-sponsored by the Cleveland County Medical Association, the Shelby Jaycees and the Shelby Junior Woman's Club.

Enough Tenants For Next 50 Going Up

Kings Mountain's remaining 61 unoccupied of the 150 low-rent public housing units are expected to be occupied next week and there are more than enough applications to fill the next 50 to be built.

This was the statement of Thomas W. Harper, executive director of the Kings Mountain Public Housing Authority, to the city commission Tuesday.

He termed the program in Kings Mountain "complete success" and praised what he termed the "positive" attitude of all parties involved from FHA's initial beginning.

Harper praised the mayor and city council for seeing the need for public housing and the five member Housing Authority committee who took over the planning to bring the project to fruition.

In giving his report, Harper noted that the needed land was purchased for \$35,000, below the budget cost and this indicated "a willingness of the citizens to sell the land at a fair price."

He said that construction of the 150 units was completed with only minor problems and said "over solicitation" for the units proved a definite need for the public housing.

Some other points he made:

1) Ratio of occupants is 70 percent white, 30 percent black."

2) Most of the residents are still delighted in their new homes.

He said approximately 28 are elderly and he had talked recently to three widows whose average income is \$63 per month from their husbands. This is their only solid income and "we have filled a need if nothing more for the elderly," he said. The Brooks Amendment stipulates a widow can only be charged 25% of her income for rent.

The commission made his remarks after the regular scheduled business of the meeting had been completed. He left the courtroom before the meeting was officially adjourned and without any comments made by any member of the full board present.

The commission made the decision in an informal session following the August 25th meeting.

In Washington, D.C. to complete details concerning his forthcoming retirement from the Navy Mr. Kern was notified of his dismissal.

The commission voted Mr. Kern, a native of Cincinnati, Ohio, two months severance pay.

Kern charged Tuesday that the swimming pools are unsafe and questioned hiring practices this summer. He charged there should have been more discussion "if any recreational problems existed" and more timely notification of his dismissal. He also said had he remained in Kings Mountain he would have "demanded the gymnasium be opened and that instead of two backboards be installed in the community center. He also said if he were a citizen of Kings Mountain he would demand a child care center be opened."

The mayor stated last week: "It was the consensus of the commission that Mr. Kern was not getting the job done which the commission and I personally regret very much. In view of this situation the commission felt it would be doing Mr. Kern and the city a disservice to delay the decision to discharge him."

To a question of Comm. Maude Walker Mr. Harper said the Housing Authority has made application for an additional 100 units of low rent housing.

There is no admission charge to the fairgrounds.

Autopsy Report: Suffocation Cause of Death

An autopsy report Wednesday revealed that Mrs. Bertha Lou Ramseur, 39, Negro, of Shelby, died of suffocation.

Shelby police said an investigation is still continuing but had not revealed any evidence of foul play.

The Negro woman's body was found inside a refrigerator in Shelby Tuesday night.

Det. Sgt. E. L. Bass said the body was found by Roy Lee Gill, 37, Negro, a construction worker who lives at 309 Billielee Street.

He said Gill, who lives alone, told him he came home shortly before 8 p.m. Tuesday night, opened the door to the refrigerator and the body fell out.

Police said there were no shelves inside the refrigerator, which was of the type that could not be opened from inside.

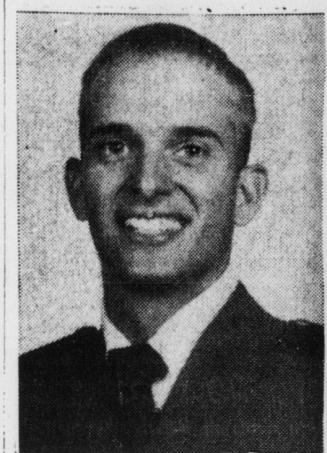
Other Shelby officers assisting in the investigation were Sgt. Oscar Patterson, Sgt. C. B. Eaker, Sgt. W. T. Mauney and Sgt. Alonzo Young.

Coroner J. Ollie Harris had not made a ruling in the incident Wednesday night.

61 More Housing Units To Be Occupied

Bethware Fair Opens Wednesday

It's Year 23 At Bethware: 4-Day Event



FRESHMAN CADET — Joseph C. Hoyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hoyle of Kings Mountain, is one of 1410 freshman cadets who have entered the USAF Academy Class of 1974.

Cadet Hoyle At AF Academy

U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY, Colo. — Joseph C. Hoyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hoyle of Rt. 2, Kings Mountain, is one of 1410 freshman cadets who have entered the U.S. Air Force Academy class of 1974.

Cadet Hoyle was accepted into the cadet wing after completing seven weeks of basic training, including field training at a simulated frontline combat base near the academy, strenuous physical conditioning and survival instruction.

This is the largest class ever to enter the 16-year old academy and brings the current enrollment to more than 4000.

The cadet now begins a four-year course of study leading to an Air Force commission and a bachelor of science degree with an academic major in one of 27 fields of interest provided in the curriculum.

Cadet Hoyle is a 1970 graduate of Kings Mountain high school where he was a member of the National Honor Society and lettered in football and baseball.

METHODIST TOPIC

Rev. N. C. Bush will use the sermon topic, "Don't Go Too Far" at Sunday morning worship services at 11 o'clock at Grace Methodist church.

TO TEXAS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harris, II and daughter, Tammy, have returned to Pasadena, Texas, after visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Ollie Harris, aunt and uncle of Mr. Harris.

In-School Educational TV Here: For Pre-School, First Graders

Over 100,000 Tar Heel school children, among those from Kings Mountain, will receive some of their in-school instruction from television this year.

Supervisor of the program in Kings Mountain is Howard Bryant. Instructional television coordinators for Cleveland County are Robert W. Borders and Boyce M. Morrison.

The State Department of Public Instruction's new offerings, via UNCTV (University of North Carolina Educational Television) include "Ripples," a show for kindergarten and first grade students. "Ripples" cuts across school subject lines and concentrates on events concerned with the development of a child's feelings, values, and ability to make and understand relationships.

One segment, "Body Talk," shows how people communicate through movement; another, "Millions of Pies," deals with the automation necessary to meet the needs of large numbers of people. The series was produced for National Instructional Television by the Northern Educational Television Association and is the first nationally-aired show relating to inschool use in North Carolina. It's also the first without a television teacher. In addition, the programs are nonsequential for teachers or parents who might want to tune in now and then. "Ripples" will be aired

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