

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 8465

Greater Kings Mountain figure is derived from the special United States Bureau of the Census report of January 1966, and includes the 14,890 population of Number 4 Township, and the remaining 6,124 from Number 5 Township, in Cleveland County and Crowder Township in Gaston County.

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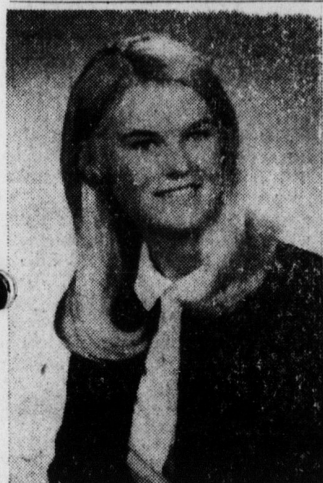
Established 1889

Kings Mountain, N. C., Thursday, April 8, 1971

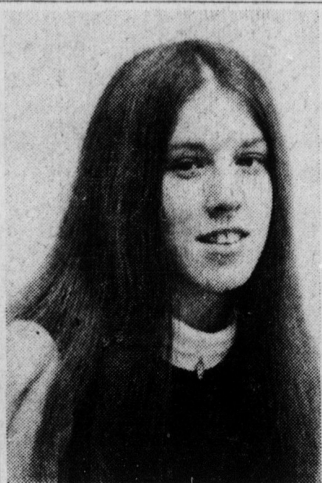
Eighty-Sixth Year

PRICE TEN CENTS

Officials Will Announce Large New KM Industry



DEBBIE TIMMS



DEBORAH BURNS



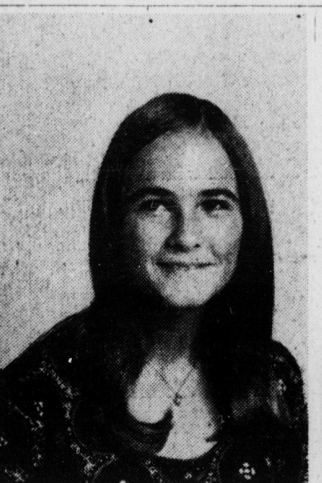
LAURA ANN HUDSON



RENEE GOINS



KATHERINE ERVIN



CATHY WILSON



DEBORAH WARREN

Traffic Control Meeting Monday By Two Groups

Members of the city safety and highway committees will meet in joint session at City Hall Monday evening at 6:30 to consider an engineering survey on a traffic control plan for the city.

W. S. (Seimore) Biddix, chairman of the safety committee, said it is hoped the joint committee can make a recommendation to the city commission at Tuesday's meeting in order that a public hearing may be called on the engineering report on April 27.

Salient details of the engineering survey, as reported in last week's Herald, call for installation of safety gates at the Gold and Mountain street crossings, replacement of traffic signal systems at several intersections on King Street (US 74) and others, and improved pedestrian walkways a majority of these intersections.

Other members of the safety committee are Commissioners T. J. Ellison and Jim Dickey, Chief of Police Tom McDevitt, Fire Chief Floyd Thornburg, Delbert Dixon, Rescue Squad captain, and Mayor John H. Moss, ex officio.

Members of the highway committee are Will Herndon, chairman, J. Lee Roberts, L. E. Hinnant, Carl F. Mauney, Leroy Blanton and Bill Grissom.

Ward Clean-Up Chairmen Named

Six ward chairmen have been appointed leaders in the city's Paint-Up, Fix-Up, Clean-Up April campaign.

They include Jim Downey, Ward I; Mrs. Humes Houston, Ward II; Otis Falls, Jr., Ward III; Mrs. Jackie Barrett, Ward IV; John Mitchell, Ward V; and Mrs. Charles Neisler, Ward VI.

Chairman Donald Jones and Publicity Chairman Jim Yarbro said citizens are invited to contact the various chairmen in the ward in which they live about clean-up problems. Mr. Yarbro said citizens are invited to call the city garage to pick-up large deposits of trash and litter and Boy Scout Troop 92 will move junk cars at no expense to property owners.

Mr. Yarbro said leaders have designated April 19-30 as Clean-Up Fix-Up Focus with the drive to be culminated during that period.

Boy Scout Troop 92, with Scout John Knox McGill as chairman of the project, have reported a total of 105 junk cars apparently

First-Citizens Plans To Build

School Pupils Get Long Holiday

Kings Mountain district pupils will get a long Easter and spring holiday, beginning at 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

Schools will be closed until Monday morning, April 19th.

Phifer Property Bid Now \$69,560

McGinnis Brothers have again raised the bid on the Martin Phifer property, necessitating another re-sale which has been set for April 15.

Hubert, Richard, William, and James McGinnis raised the previous \$66,200 high bid of Claude C. and David C. Beam and Wray A. Plonk the legally required amount of \$3360.

The bid for the 131.6 acre tract now stands at \$69,560.

Roy Phillips' Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Roy Phillips, 73, retired textile overseer, were held Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. from Kings Mountain Church of God, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Rev. S. W. Avery, assisted by Rev. Flay Payne, officiated at the final rites.

Mr. Phillips died Friday at 11:30 p.m. in the Kings Mountain hospital. For 26 years he was superintendent of spinning at Algodon Mills and later served in the same capacity for Burlington Industries.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Neva Willis Phillips; five daughters, Mrs. Ruby Helms, Mrs. Margaret Lee and Mrs. Metty LeFevers, all of Kings Mountain, and Mrs. Beulah Mitchell and Mrs. Muriel Norwood, both of Bessemer City; six sons, Clyde Phillips of the home, Howard Phillips of Gastonia, Jerry Phillips of Bessemer City, and Frank, Thomas and Lewis Phillips, all of Kings Mountain; 37 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Active pallbearers were Leroy Mitchell, Melvin Helms, Bobby Phillips, William Mitchell, Raymond Keith Gray and Harold Farris.

Completed on SR 2047, SR 2070, and SR 2044 is completed, the work including paving, now underway, installation of guard rails and grass planted.

Landscaping of the plant area is underway.

Beauty Pageant Judges Named; Ty Boyd Emcee

Ty Boyd, WBTV personality, will serve as master of ceremonies and State Senator Marshall Rauch, Mrs. Basil Whitener and Mrs. Jo Allred lead a panel of judges for the April 24th Miss Kings Mountain beauty pageant.

An additional contestant this week brings the total to seven.

Lyn Cheshire, pageant co-chairman, said the new contestant is Miss Renee Goins, 18, senior student at Kings Mountain high school and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Goins of 602 Phenix street. Miss Goins is employed part-time at Royal Villa Restaurant and Judy Gibbs, Inc. Modeling of New York City.

Miss Goins is active in the Future Teacher's, the Milestones staff, the girls basketball and tennis teams and the band, serving as drum major in 1970. She plans to major in political science at Appalachian State University. She will give a patriotic monologue for her talent presentation.

Other contestants are Debbie Timms, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Timms; Cathy Alane Wilson, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Wilson; Deborah Warren, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Warren; Katherine Ervin, 17, daughter of Mrs. Annie Lee Mitchem; Laura Ann Hudson, daughter of Mrs. Shirley H. Hudson; and Deborah Dianne Burns, 17, daughter of Mrs. Edith Burns.

The pageant will feature contestants in evening gown, swimsuit and talent categories and will be staged by Kings Mountain Jaycees at Central school auditorium April 24th at 8 p.m.

Busy Month For Rescue Squad

Cleveland County Life Saving & Rescue Squad answered a total of 58 calls during the month of March.

In addition, the troop traveled a total of 2,264 miles, spent 960 man hours on trips, stand by duty, meetings and training, answered 14 wreck calls, made three blood relays, stood-by at two fires, directed funeral traffic for four funerals, and made eight out-of-town trips.

Members also participated in "Command Post" and first aid competition along with squads from the surrounding areas in Concord.

Rev. Carl Sparks To Give Sermon At Annual Community Sunrise Rite

Rev. Carl V. Sparks, pastor of First Wesleyan church, will deliver the sermon at the community-wide Easter Sunrise service Sunday morning at 6 a.m. in Memorial Park of Mountain Rest cemetery.

In event of rain, the service will be cancelled.

The Kings Mountain Ministerial Association is sponsoring the service.

Hamrick Challenges Ellison Voting Books Open Saturday

Mrs. Bunch, Jonas Bridges May Enter Race

Fourth race of the 1971 political campaign developed this week as Wilburn Hamrick, local cab company and service station owner, filed notice of candidacy for Ward III commissioner.

Hamrick challenges incumbent Commissioner T. J. (Tommy) Ellison, completing his 18th year of service.

Other races include: Lt. Col. Robert (Bob) Cox challenges Mayor John Henry Moss, seeking his fourth term.

Tommy P. Bridges and Joe A. Neisler, Jr. seek the in-city seat on the city board of education from which Mrs. Lena W. McGill is retiring in May.

Former Mayor Kelly, Dixon and Howard Shipp, minister and Craftsman Yarns employee, seek the Ward 5 seat on the city commission from which Mrs. O. O. Walker is retiring in May.

Incumbent candidates are Ray Cline, Ward 1; W. S. Biddix, Ward 11; Norman King, Ward IV and James J. Dickey, Ward VI. P. A. (Tippy) Francis has filed for re-election to his inside-city seat on the Kings Mountain board of education.

Filing deadline is April 27th. Challenger rumors have been scarce. Among them:

1) Jonas Bridges, manager of Radio Station WKMT, is expected to offer for Ward V commissioner.

2) Mrs. Kelly Bunch was being mentioned as a candidate for Ward VI commissioner.

Wilburn Hamrick says he is seeking the Ward III commission seat because he thinks "the working man needs a little more voice in city government."

He has been associated with Bennett Mills (now Carlton Yarns) near Crowders Mountain and Arlington Mills of Gastonia for 30 years and for a number of years owned and operated Hamrick Used Cars here. He is own-

Officials Named For May 11th Biennial Election

Bill Ramseur Intern Appointee

Registration books will open Saturday at eight precincts for the May 11th city and board of education elections.

Polls will open on four consecutive Saturdays from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

No new registration is required. New citizens, age 21 and over who have lived in the state 12 months and in the city 30 days prior to May 11th, are eligible to register and vote. Persons who have moved residences from one ward to another should be registered in the ward in which they reside.

At the six in-city precincts voters will help elect a mayor, six ward commissioners and a member of the city board of education representing inside-city district patrons.

Bethware and Grover precinct voters will help determine only the election of a member of the board of education representing the outside city school patrons.

Polling places are Ward I at City Hall; Ward II at the American Legion building; Ward III at East school; Ward IV at First Wesleyan Methodist Fellowship Hall; Ward V at the National Guard Armory; Ward VI at Kings Mountain high school; Grover at the Grover Rescue Squad Building; Bethware at Bethware school and Park Grace district at Park Grace school.

Registrars and judges will include: Ward I, C. L. Black, registrar, and Mrs. Nelle C. Cranford and Mrs. Margaret White, judges; Ward II, R. D. Goforth, registrar, and Mrs. T. L. Trott and Mrs. Humes Houston, judges; Ward III, Mrs. Ruth Bowers, registrar, and Mrs. Bertie McDaniel and Rochel Conner, judges; Ward IV, Brooks Tate, registrar, and Mrs. (Continued On Page Six)

County Votes \$70,500 Utility Appropriation

Officers of an as yet unidentified company will hold a press conference at City Hall next Wednesday morning to announce the company will build a large manufacturing plant here.

The plant site will be on SR 2034.

Meantime, Cleveland County commissioners unanimously approved Monday morning a \$70,500 appropriation, plus engineering fees, for installation of water and sewer lines to serve the new industry which projects a two-phase building program.

The company expects to break ground immediately for a \$6 million plant, to employ about 175 persons. It projects launching the second \$5 to \$7 million phase on August 1, 1972.

Making the presentation to the county commission were Mayor John Henry Moss, L. E. Hinnant and Ollie Harris, co-chairmen of the mayor's industrial committee, and Dennis Fox, resident Kings Mountain engineer with W. K. Dickson & Company.

Of the \$70,500 county appropriation \$30,000 is the estimated cost of the sewer line, \$40,500 the estimated cost of the water line.

Co-Chairman Hinnant commented, "This company will be a large user of water, indicative of what having ample water will do in the direction of industrial expansion."

St. Mark's Easter Story

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him.

And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.

And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?

And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great.

And entering the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.

And his saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.

But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall he see you, as he said unto you.

And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed; neither said they anything to any man; for they were afraid. (St. Mark 16:1-8)

Mayor Record Attacked By Cox As He Solicits Support Of Jaycees

Challenger Robert G. Cox made a political speech to the Kings Mountain Jaycees Tuesday roundly attacking the man Cox seeks to unseat, Mayor John Henry Moss.

Labeling the Mayor as "our promoter" and "our plunging promoter", Candidate Cox, retired army lieutenant colonel and now secretary of Kings Mountain Chamber of Commerce, specifically charged:

1) Utility line work which should be contracted is left to contractor city crews.

2) The city stalled on installation of fluoridation equipment at the Deal Street plant. He labbed it one of the "promoter's slight of hand shows".

Credit to the Mayor but to Department of Housing and Urban Development "supersalesmen out selling these proposals".

Candidate Cox made an open bid for support of the Jaycees: "I sincerely ask your support on my behalf on May 11 when we decide whether we continue the plunging progress or start planning for progress."

"I promise to open the government of this city to the people, to tell it like it is, to work to improve our local tax base, City and County. By bringing industry into this City or County. With the good Lord's guidance and the help of the folks of Kings Mountain, we'll move forward in an orderly manner, not plunge head long into the unknown."

"Planned progress is looking ahead and taking actions to fill the needs of our city in the future as well as today. To do this we must have planned growth, with utilities to support housing and industrial needs present and future, supportable with our tax base."

Buffalo Water Plant To Be Ready For City-Federal Inspection 30th

The Buffalo Creek water treatment plant, the two pumping stations and the dam will be ready for final inspection by city and federal officials on April 30.

Dennis Fox, resident engineer, made the statement in giving a progress report on the project Wednesday.

All the concrete floor in the spillway has been poured and work is continuing on the spillway walls, he continued, estimating spillway work 75 percent complete.