

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 8,465

Greater Kings Mountain area is derived from the 1960 United States Census report...

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Eighty-Third Year

PRICE TEN CENTS

Laney Resigns Redevelopment Commission Position

Laney Accepts Two-Post Job At Greenville

By MARTIN HARMON
Joe M. Laney, director of the Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission...



RESIGNS — Joe Laney has resigned as director of the Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission.

Blanton Named To Commission

LeRoy Blanton, grocer and washerette owner, was sworn Tuesday as a member of Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission.

Thomasson Is Appointed

Congressman Nick Galifianakis today named Attorney George Thomasson as manager of his U. S. senate campaign in Kings Mountain.

Thomasson, a lifelong resident of Kings Mountain, is a member of the Cleveland County Bar Association...

After the announcement Thomasson said he had decided to work for Galifianakis...

Band Rating Is "Superior"

The Kings Mountain high school band earned a rating of "Superior" in state music contests Wednesday in Marion.

Under the direction of Donald Deal, the band played in Division One, Grade Five.

McGinnis CBD Property Acquired; Bonnie Tract Clearing Continues

Kings Mountain Redevelopment Commission has completed transaction for the P. H. McGinnis property on S. Battle ground Avenue...

The property includes the building occupied by McGinnis Department Store annex and McCurdy Cleaners, tenant.

It is the 19th parcel acquired by the commission in the Central Business district redevelopment project.

Meantime, clearance work continues on the former Bonnie Mills (office) property.

Joe Laney, director of the commission, said I. Ke Power Company has said it can move the transformer serving Murgio (ex-Bonnie) Mill...

Friday Last Day To Register

313 New Voters Are Reported In Township

Majority of the 313 names of new voters logged on the four No. 4 township polling books are young citizens...

Most registration activity here Saturday was reported by Mrs. Nellie Cranford of the East Kings Mountain precinct...

Thursday will be "Jessamine Bowles Day" in Cleveland county. The wife of Democratic gubernatorial candidate Hargrove...

Hostesses will be members of the Cleveland County Women for Bowles organization.

Bonnie Hinnant Edges Brother

Bonnie Hinnant, 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. (Josh) Hinnant, outspelled her brother and four other top spellers in the school system...

Rick Hinnant, the only young man in the competition and also the youngest contestant at age 10, represented North school...

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CLASSES RESUME
Kings Mountain students return to classes Monday after a week's Easter holiday-spring vacation.

Saturday Blow "Little Tornado?"

Was the late Saturday afternoon blow a "little" tornado? Or's Falls thinks it was.

He looked up to see his "six-pack" rack being propelled across King street, where it came to repose in service station neighbor Jim Leigh's driveway.

Mr. Falls had visions of numerous bills for auto fender damage. Not a scratch.

Hawkins Predicts Primary Success

Improvement Of Incomes His Main Aim

Dr. Reginald Hawkins, Charlotte dentist-preacher, candidate for governor, says he will run "one-two" in the governor's Democratic nomination race...

He charged that other candidates who had been in positions of leadership had done nothing about the problems they now claim they can solve.

Dr. Hawkins, lone Negro candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, held a press conference here Wednesday afternoon at the home of William Orr.

He shares Bowles aim of improving the economic condition of low and middle income citizens, adding "especially women and blacks."

He favors liberalized laws on abortion regarding abortion a matter between the woman and her doctor.

He favors establishment of three regional research triangles.

He favors state assumption of the total public education bill.

He favors busing which he regards a major tool in the de facto school desegregation.

Jaycees Tap Bob Myers

Bob Myers, owner and operator of Myers Printing Company, was elected president of the Kings Mountain Jaycees at Tuesday's regular meeting at Royal Villa.

Mr. Myers, who has held all major offices in the Jaycees except president and secretary, will be installed along with other officers and directors in May.

Other new officers include Richard McKee, first vice-president; Jim Belt, second vice-president; Kenny Mace, secretary; Jim Falls, treasurer; Arnold Jackson, Jaybird; Gary Benton, chaplain; Bob Leftwich, state director; and Tom Jenkins, Steve Wilson, Kenneth McAbee, Roger Moore and Joe King, directors.

Horvaths Are Gone; Court Makes Voluntary Bankruptcy Involuntary

As of Tuesday, March 21, the fifteen-plus year connection of the Horvath interests with Margate and Pauline Mills ended.

The corporate firm, Niles, Inc., which had been operating in voluntary bankruptcy under Title XI of the federal bankruptcy act, was placed by the court in involuntary bankruptcy and operations were placed completely in the hands of the Teamsters Union Pension Fund, a principal creditor.

James J. Dickey, operating manager, Wednesday confirmed the court action and also that Ernest A. Horvath, who had been superintending the operations since bankruptcy was filed, is no longer connected with the company.

Mr. Dickey said he was not in position to comment further but that a representative, momentarily in Mexico, of the Teamsters Union Pension Fund in charge of financing during the voluntary bankruptcy period would be available next week for a statement concerning future operations of the company.

Sale for \$2.9 million of the then seven-plant Neisler Mills, Inc., to Massachusetts Mohair Plush Company, owned principally by Horvath interests, was announced by the late C. E. Neisler, Jr., in late October 1955.



TAPPED — Mrs. Vickie Turner Gibson has been elected to membership in Kappa Delta Epsilon, national professional education sorority at Limestone college.

Sorority Taps Mrs. Gibson

Vickie Turner Gibson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Turner of Kings Mountain, has been elected to membership in Kappa Delta Epsilon, national professional education sorority.

Mrs. Gibson is a senior student at Limestone college in Gaffney, S. C., where she is majoring in elementary education.

She and her husband, Wayne Gibson, are residing in Gaffney.

Lone Bandit Hits Royal Villa Inn

Kings Mountain police are investigating a Sunday morning holdup at the Royal Villa Motor Inn.

According to E. W. Anderson, an employee of the Royal Villa, a black man wearing a stocking over his head pointed a double-barrel shotgun at his head and robbed him of approximately \$300.

The robbery occurred at approximately 3 a.m.

Anderson, who works the 11 p. m. - 7 a. m. shift as a desk clerk, said the hotel had a full house Saturday night and there was a "lot of traffic."

"I don't know how he got in," Anderson said. "I was working and turned around and he was there with a double-barrel shotgun pointed at my head."

Anderson said the bandit was alone and he saw no getaway car.

Police chief Thomas McDevitt said he doesn't have a lot of clues to work with but that the investigation is continuing.

The holdup Sunday morning marked the second time in two weeks the Royal Villa has been hit by thieves. Week before last, someone broke into the kitchen office and stole \$399.20.



CANDIDATE — Dwight Teessner, 38-year-old dairyman of Shelby, is a candidate for a seat on the county commission in the May primary. He is a 1952 graduate of Bowling Springs high school, is married and the father of four children.



CO-CHAIRMEN — Mrs. Robert Forney, Jr., left of Lawndale, and Mrs. C. Rush Hamrick, Jr. of Shelby are co-chairmen of Cleveland County Women For Bowles. Thursday (today) is Jessamine Bowles Day and Democratic women have planned a tea from 2:30 until 4:30 p.m. at Cleveland County Memorial Library in Shelby in honor of the wife of gubernatorial candidate Hargrove (Skipper) Bowles.

Mrs. Hamrick, Mrs. Forney Bowles Leaders

Mrs. C. Rush Hamrick, Jr. of Shelby and Mrs. Charles D. Forney, Jr. of Lawndale are serving as co-chairmen of a Cleveland County women's committee for the election of Hargrove (Skipper) Bowles as governor.

Some 175 other Clevelanders are members of Women for Bowles and are playing active roles as campaign volunteers.

The appointment of Mrs. Hamrick and Mrs. Forney was announced by Democratic candidate Bowles and his state co-manager, R. Patrick Spangler of Shelby.

"The women's committee already has done a tremendous job in our Cleveland County campaign," Bowles said. "They've taken on some tough assignments and handled them with energy and enthusiasm. We appreciate their efforts very much."

Mrs. Hamrick and Bowles have been friends since they were classmates at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. A former "Woman of the Year" in Shelby and former editor of The Cleveland Times, Mrs. Hamrick currently is serving as a member of the Governor's Advisory Council on Comprehensive Health Planning, a director of the UNC Alumni Association and a member of Gardner-Webb's Board of Advisors.

She is on the Cleveland County selection committee of the John Motley Morehead Scholarship Foundation and is the author of a history of First Baptist Church, of which she is a member. Former president of Shelby Junior Charity League, she currently serves as a trustee of Cleveland

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15th Annual Kiwanis Club School Talent Contest Set Tuesday Night

Fifty-one Kings Mountain students from grade one through 12 will participate in the Kings Mountain Kiwanis club's 15th Annual Schools Talent Show Tuesday night at 7 p. m. in Central school auditorium.

Loopholes will be presented the winners and all proceeds have been designated to Kings Mountain Hospital's Intensive Coronary Unit. Cost of another unit would cost approximately \$6,000 to bring the number to two at the hospital, said Joe Neisler, Jr., finance committee chairman for the club.

Mr. Neisler said the Kiwanians have raised \$27,149.16 over the past 14 years from the talent shows to improve school and community facilities.

"We hope to raise \$3,000 from the show which will make possible the purchase of the equipment," said Mr. Neisler.

Student performers will include Tammy Appling, Teresa Mullinax, Teresa Bell, Randy Putnam, Darrin Sarvis, Preston Short, Chris Bell, Reggie Perkins, Bobby Horne, Kevin Moorehead, Susan Hartsoe, Christy Mitchem, Rhonda Keith, Kim Harmon, Rita Jackson, Brenda Young, Mina Williams, Cherry Davis, Janet Mitchem, Donna Leach.

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