

Population

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 8,465

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PRICE TEN CENTS

Board Of Health Gives Certificate

Work To Start When Plans Are Approved

The State Board of Health has approved a certificate of need for the Kings Mountain Convalescent Center and construction will begin following that department's approval of plans and specifications of the facility, according to D. W. Cecil, president of MGR, Inc. of Spartanburg, S. C.

Cecil said MGR's purchase of the Kings Mountain Convalescent and Nursing Home organization will be finalized pending approval of the plans and specifications. Amount of the purchase price will be announced in the future, he added.

A committee representing the Cleveland - Gaston - Lincoln Health Planning Council, Inc. recommended, following a public hearing Aug. 29, that a certificate of need be issued. MGR made application for the certificate.

Cecil said this morning that the convalescent home project will require approximately eight months to complete once construction is begun. Plans call for a 60-bed facility to include 22 intermediate beds and 38 nursing home beds to be located on a five-acre tract behind the Kings Mountain Hospital.

The Kings Mountain facility will be MGR's second in North Carolina. The company also operates the Shelby Convalescent Center on North Morgan Street in Shelby.

Cecil said the convalescent center here will "look like the one in Shelby" and offer the same services.

Joseph Smith, president of the Kings Mountain Convalescent and Nursing Home, said at the August public hearing that the corporation had met and passed a resolution to sell its stock to MGR Inc. on the basis of whether the certificate of need was granted. Smith was out of town today and could not be reached for comment.

Don Jones, Kings Mountain school superintendent and member of the three-county health planning committee, said this morning he was not aware if the certificate had been granted or not.

Mrs. Long's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Novella McEntire Long, 73, widow of Cletus Long, were conducted Monday afternoon at 4 p. m. from East Gold Street Wesleyan church, of which she was a member.

Her pastor, Rev. Edwin Riscoe, officiated at the final rites, and interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mrs. Long died Friday night in the Kings Mountain hospital after illness of several weeks. She had undergone an appendectomy operation two weeks ago in Cleveland Memorial hospital but had been able to leave the hospital and return to her home at 609 Floyd street.

Death was the result of a blood clot, autopsy report revealed. She was a charter member of Frank B. Glass Post 9811 Auxiliary of which she was a Gold Star Mother and was a Gold Star Mother of American Legion Post 155 Auxiliary. Before entering the hospital for surgery two weeks ago, she had accompanied the VFW group to Oteen for a bingo party with veteran patients there.

Surviving are her son, James Long of Kings Mountain; her daughter-in-law, one grandchild and two great-grandchildren; three sisters, Mrs. Frank B. Glass, Mrs. John Foster and Mrs. Della McEntire Ham, all of Kings Mountain; two brothers, Stanley McEntire and Woodrow McEntire, both of Kings Mountain.

Mrs. Long, a retired textile employee, was daughter of the late Henry McEntire and Martha Ann Pearson McEntire. Her husband, the late Isaac Cletus Long, died in 1967. Her son, S-Sgt. Winfield Long, was killed in action in 1943.

Two Building Permits Issued

Two building permits were issued during the past week for porch close-ins.

Eugene Goforth, 817 Landing street, purchased a permit for the close-in estimated to cost \$625, at his residence, and John O. Van Dyke, 706 West Mountain street for a close-in estimated to cost \$890, for his residence.

Legion To Host District Meeting

American Legion Post 155 will be host to Legionnaires from District 23 Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. at the American Legion building.

District Commander Bob Davies of Kings Mountain said Legionnaires from Kings Mountain, Shelby, Forest City, Rutherford, Spindale and Cliffside are invited to attend.

Commander Davies will preside. Members of American Legion Auxiliary of Post 155 will serve refreshments after the meeting.

State officers invited to attend include Department Commander Jack Cranford of Concord; Fifth Division Commander Sam Shearer of Belmont, and Tim Craig of Charlotte, a past state commander.

Mrs. Ware's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Mrs. Lula Berry Ware, 89, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m. from El Bethel United Methodist church of which she was a member.

Rev. E. L. Murphy officiated at the final rites, and interment was in El Bethel cemetery.

Mrs. Ware was daughter of the late George Washington and Eileen Barry Ware of Kings Mountain. She was widow of Quinton Leon Ware of Kings Mountain.

Active pallbearers were Larry Ware, Bud Black, Allen Pate, Larry Allen, Eddie Ware and Ruddy Ware.

SERMON TOPIC
Dr. Paul Ausley will use the sermon topic, "Salvation of the Soul" at Sunday morning worship hour at 11 o'clock at First Presbyterian church. Sunday is also World Wide Communion.

First Wesleyans Set Homecoming

First Wesleyan church will observe Homecoming Day on Sunday with special services.

Following the Sunday School hour and morning worship, picnic lunch will be spread on the church grounds.

A song service will be held during the afternoon, and visitors and singing groups are invited to attend all services of the day.

Central and Jayvee Grid Games Will Be Played At City Stadium

Remaining 1972 football games for Central Junior High School and the Kings Mountain High Jayvees will be played at City Stadium instead of John Gamble stadium.

A spokesman for the school system said that Bob Hamrick, a consultant for Porter Brothers of Shelby, which developed the stadium grass system, has recommended that the stadium be used only as much as necessary for the next year.

The Bermuda grass which makes up the playing turf did



Brenda Bess Wins Master's

Miss Brenda Bess, daughter of Mrs. Jessie E. Bess of the Compact community, has completed requirements for a Master's degree in speech pathology-radiology from Livingstone college in Salisbury.

She has joined the staff of the Allegheny school system as a speech pathologist.

Miss Bess also holds a bachelor of arts degree in English from Livingstone college.

None Injured In Three Wrecks

City police investigated three traffic accidents during the past week but none resulted in heavy property damage or personal injury.

Last Wednesday, at 10 p. m., Sgt. M. M. Hunter was called to a two-car mishap at the Ridge Street overhead bridge.

According to Sgt. Hunter, a 1967 Chevrolet driven by Ronnie David Bailey, 17, of 517 Belvedere Circle, had crossed the bridge and made a left turn onto Battle-ground Avenue. Hunter said Bailey told him his accelerator stuck and the car bounced off the curb and hit a 1964 Oldsmobile driven by Mary Jordan Washington. Hunter estimated damage to the Chevy at \$150 and the Olds at \$130.

A 77-year-old Noble, Okla., man was involved in a two-car wreck Friday at 2:30 p. m. at the intersection of King Street and North Carpenter Street.

According to Patrolman Robert Dodge, a 1967 Olds Driven by George Allen Owl struck a 1966 Ford Driven by Deborah Ann Robbs, 16, of 902 Cleveland Avenue. Dodge estimated damage to Miss Robbs' car at \$150 and Owl's car at \$400.

Cars driven by Lloyd Eugene Brown, 43, and Boyer Allen Murray, 59, both of Kings Mountain, collided at 9:30 p. m. Saturday on North Candler Street. Ptl. B. P. Cook estimated damage to Brown's 1963 Pontiac at \$200 and Murray's 1965 Ford at \$150.

Drug Haul Nets \$250

City police are searching for a thief or thieves who entered Medical Pharmacy sometime Saturday night and took a quantity of drugs valued at \$250.

Det. David Corn is working on several leads and many persons have already been questioned.

The incident was reported to police at 12:30 p. m. Sunday by Woody London, owner and manager of the drug store.

According to police, entry was made by breaking a glass door in the rear of the store.

Reported missing were 500 Duro capsules and 700 Tylenol tablets.

Allen Addresses Organist Guild

Rev. Robert Allen, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, delivered the keynote address on "Pastor and Organist-Mission or Misery" at Monday night's dinner meeting of clergy and organists at Gastonia's First United Methodist church.

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Goforth Damage Action Is Dismissed

KM United Fund Drive To Begin

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Kick-Off Lunch Monday Starts Fund Campaign

A noon luncheon Monday will officially kick off the 1972 Kings Mountain United Fund Drive.

Bill Bates, chairman, said the UF goal in Kings Mountain is \$33,450, over \$1,000 less than last year's goal of \$34,500.

Monday's luncheon will be held at either the Royal Villa Motor Inn or Kings Mountain Country club and will be attended by division chairmen and other UF workers.

The United Fund workers will spend one week of concentrated efforts to raise funds and then will spend another six-week period of following up on pledges.

Bates said that any individuals wishing to make an advanced contribution should contact Mrs. Paul Hendricks. Companies or individuals who have not yet been contacted about making a pledge are urged to contact either Marvin Teer at First Union National Bank or Bates at the Kings Mountain city schools office.

Bates said that last year's efforts raised only \$29,900 but he is confident that this year's goal of \$33,450 will be reached.

"This year's goal is less, mainly because of two reasons," Bates noted. "First, the city of Kings Mountain has agreed to give free utility service to the rescue squad, and that amounts to about \$700; and secondly, a couple of organizations requested less money than they did last year."

Bates also pointed out that the United Fund directors and officers decided to "cut a couple of excessive requests."

"This year," Bates continued, "we set a budget that we think we can reach . . . so we won't have to pro-rate and cut everybody" as was the case last year.

Requests that were approved by the board of directors include: Action, Inc., \$600; Cleveland County Association for Retarded Children, \$600; Boy Scouts, \$6,000; American Red Cross, \$5,500; Kings Mountain Rescue Squad, \$4,800; Girls Scouts, \$4,350; Kings Mountain Ministerial Association, \$3,000; Kings Mountain High School choir, \$800; Salvation Army, \$703; Cleveland County Mental Health Association, \$250; North Carolina United Community Services, \$2,547; Administrative Fund, \$700; and Emergency Fund, \$500.

Area chairmen include: Advance gifts, Mrs. Paul Hendricks; Commercial, Mrs. Jim Lybrand; Correspondence, Charles Hamilton; Industrial, S. R. Suber Jr.; Professional, Mrs. Joe Lee; Public Employees, Rev. Frank Shirley, Don Crawford and Bud Medlin; Publicity, Jonas Bridges and Rodney Dodson.

United Fund officers are: Marvin Teer, president; Bill (Continued on Page Eight)

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Mrs. Aubrey Mauney, of Kings Mountain, who presided, introduced Rev. Mr. Allen. Other guests present from Kings Mountain were Audrey Mauney, Mrs. Robert Allen, Bob Cashion, a new member of the guild, Dr. Charles Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Joe McClure, Rev. and Mrs. Paschal Vaughn, and Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Bowland. Rev. Howard Jordan, formerly of Kings Mountain, now associate minister of Gastonia's First Methodist church, said the invocation.

Two new members were inducted at the meeting attended by 40 organists and pastors.

Goforth Asked Flood Damage Of \$10,000

Superior Court Judge Harry C. Martin ruled in favor of the city of Kings Mountain Monday when he dismissed a \$10,000 lawsuit filed against the city by Coleman Goforth in connection with alleged damages inflicted to his property by a flood.

Goforth claimed negligence on the part of Kings Mountain in not allowing adequate drainage of the Buffalo Creek dam which caused water to back up on his bottomlands and destroy crops planted there on two separate occasions.

He had 40 acres of bottomland planted in oats in 1970 and the same 40 acres planted in wheat in 1971 and both were destroyed when Buffalo Creek overflowed and undiked the crops in five feet of water.

Goforth claimed negligence by Kings Mountain in building the dam, allowing only a five-foot pipe for drainage, caused water to back up and overflow on his crops.

The defense contended unusually heavy rainfall caused the creek to overflow and that it wasn't unusual for bottomlands to flood.

W. K. Dickson, city engineer for the Buffalo creek water project, testified he determined from his studies the five-foot pipe would provide adequate drainage "under normal conditions." He said the pipe was designed to handle "twice the normal daily flow of the creek."

The defense also contended a dam at Dover Mill above Goforth's property broke away during the heavy rainfall and contributed to the flooding.

When Goforth's attorney, C. A. Horn, rested his case, defense lawyer Verne Shive moved for dismissal of the case on the grounds the plaintiff had failed to show any negligence.

Judge Martin allowed the motion. Horn indicated he would appeal the decision to the N. C. Court of Appeals.

The case was being heard by an 11-member jury instead of the customary 12. Both sides agreed to this after 20 jurors were dismissed by either the plaintiff or defense for various reasons and the court ran out of summoned jurors.

Judge Martin's ruling made it unnecessary for the jury to decide anything.

George Moore's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for George Moore, Jr., 69, retired farmer of the Dixon community, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 1:30 p. m. from Shiloh A.M.E. Zion church in Grover of which he was a member.

Rev. W. H. Brown officiated at the final rites, assisted by Rev. R. C. Davis and Rev. Marvin Bell. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Moore died September 19th in Shelby Convalescent Home after declining health of several years. He was a native of Grover, had made his home in the Dixon community for more than 25 years. He was married to the former Mary (Queenie) Wilson and the couple had celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary.

He was a class leader of the Shiloh church, a member of the trustee board and choir, a member of the burial aid society, and marshal of the North Carolina Friendly Aid Society. He was also (Continued on Page Eight)

Kings Mountain Man Files Claim For Payment Due To Byssinosis

A Kings Mountain man, Ray Bill Oliver, has filed a claim for disability from byssinosis with the State Industrial Commission.

Byssinosis is familiarly known as "brown lung disease," allegedly attributed to lint from cotton.

Mr. Oliver in his claim said he worked for Park Yarn Mills. John Smathers, Park Yarn manager, said his firm had not been informed of the claim nor of a reportedly scheduled hearing on the claim for October 3 in Charlotte.

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company is Park Yarn Mills' insurance carrier. Mr. Smathers said.

Elections Board To Open Saturday

Unregistered voters who plan to vote in the November general elections must register by October 9.

The Cleveland County Board of Elections office, located at the county courthouse in Shelby, will be open the next two Saturday mornings as well as every day during the week.

Weekdays, the office will be open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and on Saturdays from 9 a.m. until 12 noon.

To be eligible to register, a person must be 18 years of age and a resident of the county for 30 days.

Children's Play On Theatre Bill

Sarah Maner, Laura McGinnis, David Barrett and Becky Bates are cast in the lead roles in "The Panda and The Spy," next play and the first children's performance by the Kings Mountain Little Theatre.

Mrs. Raymond Holmes, director, is conducting rehearsals two afternoons each week at Park Grace auditorium for the production which will be staged on two weekends in November, Friday, Nov. 10th; Saturday, Nov. 11; Friday, Nov. 17; Saturday, Nov. 18th at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, Nov. 19, at 2:30 p.m.

Fourteen students comprise the adventures of the Allen family. It is a three-act mystery-comedy.

Sarah Maner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Maner, portrays 16-year-old Janet Allen; Laura McGinnis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim McGinnis, is 13-year-old Gloria; David Barrett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie D. Barrett, is 10-year-old Richard; and Becky Bates, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bates, is six-year-old Miranda.

Supporting roles will be played by Ronnie Morrison as Mr. Allen; Cindy Robinson as Mrs. Allen; Lindsay Holmes as Bertha, the maid; Anthony Keller as Mr. Jennings; Chris Holmes as the agency agent; Ann Rowell as the next-door neighbor Mrs. Jennings; Scott Laughridge as the Panda; Carol Bennett as Miss Endicott; and Laura Carpenter and Kim Gladden as the two maiden aunts.

Stage manager and prompter is Kathy Crawford.

Lovelace, Sellers Are Graduates

Two Kings Mountain men—Jerry E. Lovelace and Danny E. Sellers—have graduated from United Electronics Institute of Louisville, Ky.

Both are 1970 graduates of Kings Mountain high school and completed the two-year course and received diplomas as electronics technicians.

Lovelace is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel T. Lovelace and Sellers is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Sellers of Kings Mountain.

They completed 1,900 hours of theory and laboratory work which qualifies them to work in aerospace, computers, industrial electronics, television broadcasting, electronics research, automation electronics, radio, radar, sonar, and all forms of communications.

United Electronics is the largest residential electronics school in the United States with training facilities at Louisville, Kentucky; Akron, Ohio; Des Moines, Iowa; Charleston, West Virginia; Kansas City, Missouri; Grand Rapids, Michigan; Dallas, Texas; Birmingham, Ala.; Little Rock, Arkansas; Oklahoma City; Oklahoma; Phoenix, Arizona; and Portland, Oregon.

Loretta Lynn Here Sunday

Loretta Lynn, who is billed as "Queen of Country Music," will bring her show from the Grand Ole Opry Sunday when she performs at Crossroads Music Park in the Oak Grove community.

Miss Lynn will present two shows — at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Tickets will be on sale at the gate and advance tickets can also be obtained at Kings Mountain Drug Company.

Also appearing on the program with Miss Lynn and her band, "The Coal Miners," will be the Carolina Chapparels, Sandy and Randy Burnette, Jimmy Helms and the Radford Sisters. Miss Lynn, a recording star and television personality, recently recorded, "Here I Am Again," which has scored a hit in the country music field.

DELLINGER IMPROVED

Lewis Dellinger, Kings Mountain merchant who underwent an emergency operation for an abdominal ailment Saturday night, was reported improved Wednesday morning.