

Greater Kings Mountain 21,914
City Limits 8,465

The Greater Kings Mountain figure is derived from the Special United States Bureau of the Census report of January, 1966, and includes the 14,990 population of Number 4 Township and the remaining 6,924 from Number 5 Township, in Cleveland County and Crowders Mountain Township in Gaston County.

Commissioners - Elect Consider Auto Gas Cut

Mauney, DeVane Fuel Chairmen

C of C Moves To Co-ordinate Information

The Chamber of Commerce will seek regular conferences with the mayor and local oil distributors...

President Frank Sincox, who made the recommendation, asked co-chairmen of the industrial committee, Charles F. Mauney and Carl DeVane...

"This is a service the Chamber of Commerce can and should provide," said Sincox...

"No gas cuts here are likely," President Sincox said he had been informed by Mayor John Moss...

Toy Collection Now Underway

A collection depot for toys in Operation Santa Claus, the Kings Mountain effort to provide Christmas joy to children of the needy...

The Toy Committee of the Kings Mountain Ministerial Association is heading up the project again this year...

Rev. David Kime, chairman of the toy committee, said citizens who want to donate good, new or used toys to deliver the toys to the individual churches...

Toys to be repaired should be delivered to Terry Putnam, Gene Harris, Bob Myers at Myers Printing or any Jaycee who will pick them up...

C of C President Sincox Renews Plea For Kings Mountain Airport

Dr. Francis J. Sincox renewed his dream for a Kings Mountain airport and suggested the Chamber of Commerce conduct an opinion poll of members to obtain their views on the airport and other projects...

Presiding for the first time as the Chamber's new president, Dr. Sincox gave the 10 of 12 directors present his own ideas for C of C goals for 1973-74...

Larry Hamrick was appointed

Stores Open Later Beginning Tonight

Most Kings Mountain stores will remain open later on Thursdays and Friday nights, beginning tonight...

A check with downtown merchants indicates that most businesses will be open later both Thursday and Friday evening until 8:30 until Christmas...

Local merchants have stocked their shelves with good selections of gifts for the entire family, said a spokesman for the Kings Mountain Merchants Association...

Industry, Schools Swell UF Gifts

United Fund gifts swelled this week by \$1,408.50, bringing to \$32,580.57 the amount area citizens have pledged for nine causes for 1974...

Both the industrial and school community divisions have over-subscribed their quotas...

Industrial employees have donated \$24,320.07, over \$4,000 more than their goal, and school system personnel have given \$2,431, more than \$400 over their goal...

Goal of the 1974 appeal is \$36,100.

Mrs. Becky Seism, drive treasurer, urged workers who have not reported their solicitation totals to do so as quickly as possible...

Rites Conducted For F. M. Rose

Funeral rites for Francis Marion Rose, 67, salesman for Carter Chevrolet in Shelby and Kings Mountain native, were conducted Friday afternoon from Shelby's Central United Methodist church...

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G-W Professor To Lead Class

Dr. Logan Carson, professor of religion at Gardner-Webb college will be guest speaker at the Alpha and Omega Bible class on Monday night.

The class meets in the home of Bill and Betty Moss on Grover Road. All high school and college students are invited to attend. The meeting will begin at 7:30 o'clock. His topic will be "Second Coming of Christ."

Mrs. Allen's Rites Thursday

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Mrs. Allen is sister of Miss Janice Boheler of Kings Mountain.

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Mrs. Allen, wife of Dewey L. Allen, died at 5:45 a.m. Tuesday in the Cherokee County Memorial hospital at Gaffney. She was a retired textile employee, daughter of the late Chambers and Emma Westmoreland Boheler.

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Administration: Oath-Taking Monday Night

By MARTIN HARMON

Members of Moss Administration V, including five new city commissioners, will take oaths of office Monday night.

With the exception of Mayor Moss and Ward I Commissioner Ray W. Cline, the administration will be all-new.

Mayor Moss, due to the death of his father, was away from City Hall Wednesday, but sure to be on Monday night's agenda for new administration consideration is the recent notification by Patterson Oil Company, the city's oil supplier, that the city's purchases would be reduced 20 percent effective last Saturday.

Other commissioners-elect to take oaths of office Monday night are:

Lloyd E. Davis, Ward 2, city commissioner 1951-53, recently retired city water treatment plant operator. Corbet Nicholson, Ward 3, heating and air-conditioning contractor, and former superintendent of the city's natural gas department.

Don McAbee, Ward 4, North Piedmont avenue grocer.

James E. Amos, Ward 5, owner of the Little Moo Dairy Barn and former Neico, Inc., controller.

Murray C. Pruette, Ward 6, veteran Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company employee.

Building Permit Activity Limited

Issuance of city building permits was limited during the past week.

Permits were issued to: George E. Clark, 1309 Shely road, and Roger Bowen for perimeter zoning.

Mrs. Jessie Pennington, 6006 Candler street extension, for placement of a trailer.

Paul R. Sheffield, 837 East King street, for placement of a trailer.

Mr. and Mrs. William M. Pearson, perimeter zoning for \$8000 residence.

W. E. Murray's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for William Edward Murray, 66, of route 1, Bessemer City, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 p.m. from Sisk Funeral Home East Chapel, interment following in Long Creek cemetery, Dallas.

Rev. Grier Hawkins officiated at the final rites.

Mr. Murray died Sunday morning at 7:30 in the Kings Mountain hospital.

He was the son of the late Iva S. and Maggie Thomas Murray. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Ada Morgan Murray; one son, Coy E. Murray of Gastonia; one sister, Mrs. Frank Epting of Gastonia; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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SERMON TOPIC

Rev. N. C. Bush will use the sermon topic, "What Christmas Means To Me?" at Sunday morning worship hour at 11 o'clock at race United Methodist church.



NINETIETH BIRTHDAY - Mrs. Florence Pearson Navy, widow of Frank Navy, celebrated her 90th birthday last Wednesday, November 28th with a quiet family celebration at her home on Westover Drive. Mrs. Navy, who likes to cook and still does her own cooking, is hard to keep out of the kitchen and is busy baking goodies for the holiday season.

Manual A. Moss Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Manuel A. Moss, 84, of 204 Fairview street, retired textile employee, were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 4 p.m. from Second Baptist church of which he was a member.

His pastor, Rev. Eugene Land, officiated at the final rites and interment was in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Jerrell Hughes, Espey CoNe, Wayne Cooke, Mack Earl Blanton, Ed Steve Blanton and Tony Ruppe.

Mr. Moss succumbed to a long illness Monday afternoon at 4:30 in the Kings Mountain hospital where he had been a patient since last March.

He was a retired employee of Pauline Mill.

He was a native of Cleveland county, son of the late William Henry and Margaret Rippey Moss. He was twice married, to the late Amanda Oates Moss and to the late Ellen Phillips Moss.

Surviving are his son, Mayor John Henry Moss of Kings Mountain; two daughters, Mrs. Thomas R. Dalton and Mrs. Margaret Johnson, both of Kings Mountain; his brother, Sidney Moss of Kings Mountain; two sisters, Mrs. Ray Diffe, Elon-College, N. C. and Miss Grace Davis of Kings Mountain.

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34th Lions Football Fete Tuesday To Feature Williams And Awards

Danny Williams, head football coach at Lenoir Rhyne college in Hickory, will make the address at the 34th annual Kings Mountain Lions club football banquet Tuesday night.

The 7 p.m. dinner at Kings Mountain Country club honors members of the Kings Mountain high school football team.

Mr. Williams served as assistant football coach at L-R and was elevated to his present position when Hanley Painter became L-R athletic director.

Charles Blanton is chairman of the Lions club committee on arrangements which also includes Richard Green and Jim Downey.

Cautious Optimism Attitude Of Dealers On Oil Situation

Warm November Boon; Citizens Asked To Help

Kings Mountain's chief suppliers of oil-energy products are cautiously optimistic about manipulating the energy crisis.

None, however, are accepting orders from new customers.

Both Patterson Oil Company, Exxon Dealer, and Plonk Oil Company, Shell dealer, themselves have been cut—thus far, on percentage, Patterson more than Plonk.

Both agree some customer restraint will be required and both are thankful November was warmer than usual.

The Exxon allocation is slightly over 20 percent under last year's usage, Shell's approximately 10 percent.

John Cheshire, of Patterson Oil, is also worried about his industrial customers. Many use city natural gas on an interruptible contract, meaning that the city, when in short supply, says "get off." Virtually all can switch over on five minutes notice — to oil.

Mr. Cheshire says the government allotments are more restrictive than the allocation arrangement Patterson Oil already had with Exxon. Government-ordered allotments must be used in the particular month or lost.

Thus Patterson trucks were busy at end of warm November topping off all tanks it could. Patterson used its full allotment of all products and the tanks of all Patterson's industrial customers, Mr. Cheshire said, are full.

Meantime, McCoy's service station was closed Wednesday, and Plonk Oil said it had exhausted its auto gas supply before the end of November.

Exxon stations have pared evening hours, most closing three hours earlier at 6 p.m.

Mrs. Alexander Is Elected

Mrs. Charles L. Alexander was elected chairman of the Gardner-Webb college trustees and advisors wives auxiliary at a meeting of the board on November 26.

Mrs. Alexander's term of office, as chairman, is the calendar year 1974.

This will constitute her second term in this capacity.

First-Citizens Taps Plummer

Ronald E. Plummer, installment loan manager of First-Citizens Bank & Trust company in Kings Mountain, has been promoted to assistant vice president.

Plummer joined First-Citizens in 1970 and has administrative and managerial responsibilities in the loan department.

The Salisbury native is an alumnus of the University of Chapel Hill and the University of Hawaii.

He was a sergeant in the United States Marines and served in Vietnam.

Plummer is married to the former Givner Adkins of Lexington, N. C.

Bloodmobile Returns Monday

"An ideal Christmas gift" is how Red Cross officials are promoting the upcoming visit of the Red Cross bloodmobile to Kings Mountain.

The blood collecting unit will make a one-day visit on Monday, Dec. 10th, with donors to be processed from 11 a. m. until 4 p. m. at the Community Center on Cleveland avenue.

Quota of the collection is 125 pints of blood. "Blood is badly needed," said Bill Grissom, spokesman.

School Holidays Schedule Given

Kings Mountain schools will close for the Christmas holidays following the schoolday December 19th, reopening on January 3.

The schedule was announced by Mrs. Becky Seism, secretary in the superintendent's office.

Mrs. Seism said teachers report for a work day after the holidays a day earlier than students, on January 2.

BREAKFAST

Regular monthly breakfast of the Men's class of Grace United Methodist church will be held Sunday morning at 7:30 at the church fellowship hall.

Garmon Rites Held On Monday

Funeral rites for Rev. Herbert D. Garmon, 60, of Mooresville, pastor of Central United Methodist church here from 1960-64, were conducted Monday morning at 10 o'clock from Mooresville's Central United Methodist church where he had served as pastor the past 18 months.

Rev. Carlton Adotough and Dr. Charles White officiated at the final rites and interment was in Charlotte's Oaklawn cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Fred Hobson of Yadkinville, Herb Lentz of Rutherfordton, Zell Ford of Eden, J. Ollie Harris of Kings Mountain and Joe D. Thompson of Mooresville.

Mr. Garmon, a volunteer fireman, suffered a heart attack Nov. 26th while fighting a fire at his church. He was admitted to Lowrance hospital in Mooresville and died five days after, on December 1.

He was chaplain of the state firemen's association of the North Carolina Fire Chief's Association. In Kings Mountain he served as chaplain of the volunteer fire department.

He was a graduate of High Point college and Bob Jones university and Emory university. His first pastorate was in Shelby and he went from Shelby to Carolee, Bessemer City, Rotherville, Yadkinville, Norwood, Rutherfordton, Kings Mountain, Eden and Pleasant Grove and Hickory Grove churches in Charlotte.

In lieu of flowers, the family has designated memorials to the Children's Home at Winston-Salem.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lucille Torrans Garmon; one son, Russell Garmon of Forest City; two daughters, Mrs. Amelia Diecker of Lexington and Miss Brenda Garmon of Mooresville; two brothers, Howard K. Garmon of Charlotte and Roland C. Garmon of Houston, Texas; and one sister, Mrs. Raymond Ferreria of Pensacola, Fla. A grandchild also survives.

SERMON TOPIC

"Our Responsibility" will be the sermon topic of Dr. Paul Ausley at Sunday morning worship services at 11 o'clock Sunday at First Presbyterian church.

HOSPITALIZED

John V. (Dan) Stewart remains a patient in Kings Mountain hospital for treatment and observation.

Charity Projects Start To Provide Christmas Cheer For Area Needy

Charity projects are underway to provide yule cheer for the needy.

The Empty Stocking appeal begins this weekend, as ministers of the community begin ringing bells in the business district for the Ministerial Association's Helping Hand project.

CONTACT LOCAL PASTOR

Those who wish to submit the names of needy families to share in this year's Operation Santa Claus project should contact your local minister who will give the family's name to the helping hand committee of the Ministerial Association.

The fund drive is conducted only during the Christmas shopping season but funds from it provide a helping hand annually to more than 350 families of the Kings Mountain area in the form of fuel, food, clothing, and medicine.

Rev. Frank Shirley, treasurer of Operation Helping Hand, said this fund supplies 80 percent of all emergency needs of the area needy. Persons stranded in the city have received bus tickets, hot meals, and a lodging place and each week money is used for groceries, coal, warm clothing and other needs for Kings Mountain needy families.

Mr. Shirley said the Empty Stocking booth will be installed today or tomorrow in the business district and various ministers will man the booth.