

Battle Of Kings Mountain Bicentennial Edition

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Good morning.
Two hundred years ago today, our forefathers fought a battle near here which turned the tide of the Revolutionary War in America's favor.
The Herald today is pleased to bring to its readers a Special Bicentennial Edition which includes stories about the battle and its effect on the nation, and highlights of the 200th

celebration which is taking place in the city and area.
News which normally runs in the Tuesday Herald will appear in Thursday's paper in order to give more coverage of the battle celebration activities.
The staff of the Herald has been busy for weeks preparing this edition, and is grateful to a great number of persons for their help.

The names of persons furnishing stories, pictures and information are too numerous to mention, but we offer a big thank you to each one.
Many pictures and stories of the celebration activities will appear in future editions because of space limitations today.
We hope you will enjoy this edition and save it for the future, and will also take part in the activities of this special day.

Governor Hunt To Make Address At 200th Anniversary Celebration

North Carolina Governor Jim Hunt will make the major address of the 200th Anniversary Celebration Tuesday (today) at 2:15 p.m. at John Gamble Memorial Football Stadium.

The address will follow a 100-unit parade which will wind its way from Gold St. through the business district, across the railroad to West Mountain and to Phifer Road where it will terminate at the stadium.

The parade will begin at 12:30 p.m. and participants are to line up on East Gold St. in the area of Mountain Rest Cemetery. Parade Chairman Gene Tignor said that participants will be given a number in the marked off area and the line up will proceed from Gold to Battleground, to West Mountain Street, out Phifer Road and into the stadium. A reviewing stand will be set up at the stadium where dignitaries will review the colorful parade. At the stadium the parade will move counter clockwise to pass before the

reviewing stand, completely circle the stadium and out again. Traffic will be blocked from the corner of Gaston to Mountain, Cherokee and S. Piedmont St. and from the corner of West Gold and Deal St.

The Celebration's focus on fun and history will bring color and pageantry in the form of marching bands, patriotic floats, beauty queens, and representatives of five states participating in the mammoth celebration, plus many dignitaries.

General William C. Westmoreland will serve as celebration honorary chairman and grand marshal of the parade.

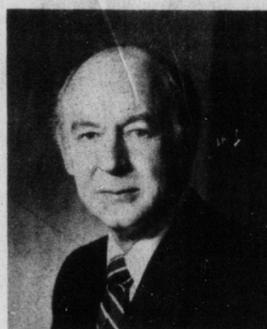
The 200th Anniversary Day events will be kicked off this morning with a 7 a.m. breakfast at First Baptist Church where Rep. James T. Broyhill of Lenoir will make the keynote address.

North Carolina Governor Jim Hunt and South Carolina Governor Richard Riley are to meet at State Line on N.C.-S.C. 216 this morning for traditional



GOV. JIM HUNT

greetings ceremony prior to a 10 a.m. ceremony at B.N. Barnes Auditorium where first-day cancellation ceremonies for a postal card commemorating the Battle of Kings Mountain will be held. Postmaster Fred Weaver will preside and the major address will be delivered by Gerald



CECIL D. ANDRUS

F. Merna, Executive Assistant to the U.S. Postmaster General.

A Bicentennial Luncheon will begin at 11:30 a.m. at KMSHS Cafeteria. Secretary of the Interior Cecil D. Andrus will keynote remarks by several speakers, including Gov. Richard W. Riley of South Carolina and Lt. Gov. Zell Miller of Georgia. Tickets are \$3 for the breakfast and \$5 for the luncheon and a limited number is available and can be picked up at Bicentennial Headquarters.

Overmountain Trail Marchers are slated to arrive at 3:30 p.m. at KM National Military Park where the 200th Anniversary Celebration Ceremonies and wreath laying will take place at 3:45 p.m. Secretary of the Interior Cecil D. Andrus will make the address.

Other events continuing in the city today are free rides at the Depot Center on Southern Railway's exhibit car, "Best Friend of Charleston," from 1 until 5 p.m., hundreds of exhibits by students and Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts in the downtown area, arts and crafts exhibits at the new City Hall, and an 18th Century military encampment and demonstration adjacent to the new City Hall.

The pomp and pageantry as well as the day-to-day drudgery of 18th Century military life is one of the major highlights of the encampment which remains open until 9 p.m. tonight. Weather permitting, there will be demonstrations and exhibitions of cooking and other camp

life, candle making, gunsmithing, tomahawk throwing and musket and rifle shooting. Ann Burke, of Columbia, S.C., a spokesman for the reenactment group said members of the group are available to conduct tours through their camp and talk one-on-one with visitors. The 15 reenactment groups from 13 states which set up camp Saturday morning, has a proud history dating back to the Battle of Sullivan's Island in June 1776.

Two days remain for citizens to see the historical outdoor

drama, "Then Conquer We Must," which plays tonight at 9 p.m. and Wednesday night at 8:30 p.m. in the Amphitheatre of KM National Military Park. A sellout crowd is expected tonight when Celebration dignitaries and members of the cast of "Then Conquer We Must" 29 years ago will be introduced. For ticket information call Lucille Williams at KM Chamber of Commerce in the old city hall or Jerry King, Company Manager for the drama, in the Economic Development office in the new City Hall.

200th CELEBRATION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS TUESDAY, OCT. 7

- 7 a.m. - Prayer Breakfast at First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. Speaker, Congressman Jim Broyhill. Tickets, \$3, available at Celebration Headquarters downtown.
- 9 a.m. - North Carolina Governor Jim Hunt and South Carolina Governor Richard Riley to meet at State Line on N.C.-S.C. 216 for traditional greetings.
- 9 a.m.-noon - Boy Scout and Girl Scout exhibits in former Belk's location on S. Battleground Ave.
- 9 a.m.-4 p.m. - U.S. Navy exhibits at Governmental Services Facilities Center and at Depot Center.
- 9 a.m.-6 p.m. - Arts and Crafts Exhibition, lobby, Governmental Services Facilities Center.
- 9 a.m.-6 p.m. - Bicentennial Exhibits by Kings Mountain school children, K-12, former Roses location, Battleground Ave.
- 9 a.m.-9 p.m. - 18th Century Military Encampment and Demonstrations adjacent to Governmental Services Facilities Center.
- 10 a.m. - First Day Cancellation Ceremonies for postal card commemorating the Battle of Kings Mountain, B.N. Barnes Auditorium. Gerald F. Merna, speaker.
- 11:30 a.m. - Bicentennial Luncheon at KMSHS Cafeteria. Tickets, \$3, on sale at Celebration Headquarters downtown. Secretary Andrus, speaker.
- 12:30 - 200th Anniversary Celebration Parade, Gold Street and Phifer Rd., terminating at John Gamble Stadium. Gen. William Westmoreland, grand marshal.
- 1 p.m.-5 p.m. - Free rides on "Best Friend of Charleston" train at Depot Center.
- 2:15 p.m. - 200th Anniversary Address by N.C. Governor Jim Hunt in John Gamble Memorial Stadium at KMSHS.
- 3:30 p.m. - Overmountain Trail Marchers arrive at Kings Mountain National Military Park.
- 3:45 p.m. - 200th Anniversary Celebration ceremonies and wreath laying at Kings Mountain National Military Park. Principal address by Secretary of Interior Cecil D. Andrus.
- 9 p.m. - Eighth performance of "Then Conquer We Must," outdoor drama commemorating the Battle of Kings Mountain, in the Amphitheatre of KM National Military Park. Recognition of dignitaries prior to the performance.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 9

- 8:30 p.m. - Final performance of "Then Conquer We Must" in the Amphitheatre of Kings Mountain National Military Park. Tickets available at Chamber of Commerce office.



Photo by Gary Stewart

MORGAN SPEAKS - Senator Robert Morgan is shown above making the key address to kickoff the Battle of Kings Mountain's 200th anniversary celebration Friday morning at the Bicentennial Headquarters on South Bat-

tleground Avenue. The celebration reaches its climax today with a big parade, and speeches at John Gamble Stadium and Kings Mountain National Military Park.