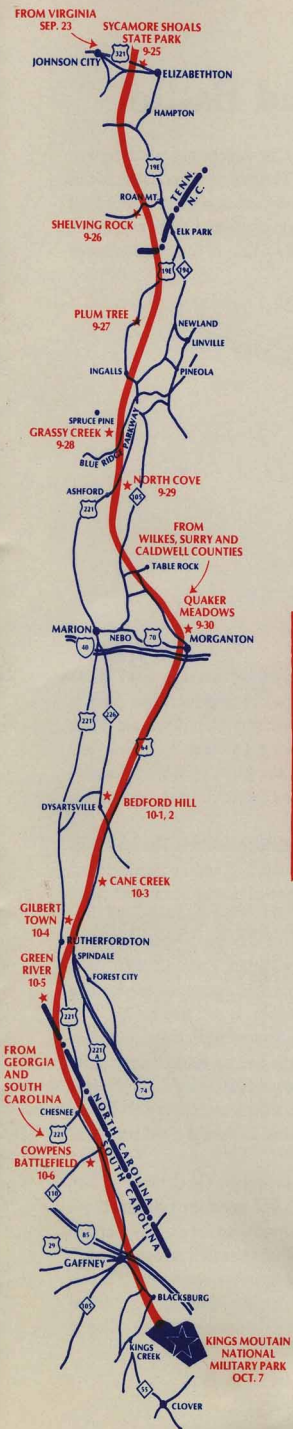


KINGS MOUNTAIN 200th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION CAMPAIGN AND BATTLE

COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAM

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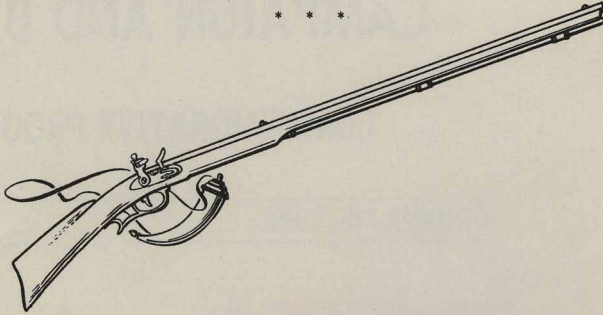
1780-1880

Kings Mountain Campaign And Battle

The Battle of Kings Mountain on October 7, 1780, was an overwhelming blow struck by American patriots against British forces engaged in the relentless Southern Campaign of the American Revolution. The military importance of this sharp engagement was described in strong and realistic terms by Sir Henry Clinton, then commander in chief of the British forces in North America. He spoke of the battle as "an Event which was immediately productive of the worst Consequences to the King's affairs in South Carolina, and unhappily proved the first Link of a Chain of Evils that followed each other in regular Succession until they at last ended in the total loss of America."

Kings Mountain Historical Handbook by George Mackenzie.

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By 1780 American military fortunes in the Southern States were low. For two years the British campaign in the sparsely settled South had gone unchecked. Georgia had fallen quickly to a seaborne British force and, except for roving bands of partisans, American troops evacuated the colony. A second British column of well-led, well-trained, professional British and German soldiers had landed at Charleston, seized the city, and began spreading into South Carolina. With them went auxiliary light troops of American Loyalists. Competently officered and well equipped, the green uniformed Loyalists were not as disciplined as the British or Germans; their brand of warfare spread terror and hatred through Georgia and the Carolinas.

Into this maelstrom came a handful of Delaware and Maryland soldiers of the Continental Line commanded by General Horatio Gates. This little army, the only American Regulars in the South, marched and countermarched, gathered militia where it could, fought and fell back, and fought again. Yet Gates soon showed that he was no match for the able British lieutenant general, the Earl Charles Cornwallis.

Gates' disastrous handling of the Camden campaign in July and August 1780 opened the way for Cornwallis to clear the Carolinas and march into Virginia. Then Cornwallis miscalculated. He sent Major Patrick Ferguson with 1,100 Loyalists into northwestern South Carolina to secure the countryside. Ferguson, an experienced, capable British Regular officer, was confident of success, but he misjudged the temper of the American frontiersmen. It cost him his life.

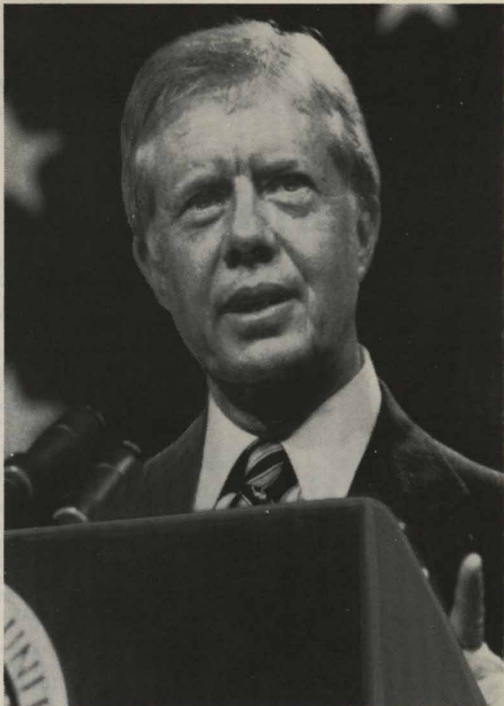
To the "over mountain men" of the Watauga Settlements, Ferguson sent a message commanding them to declare allegiance to Britain or he "would march his army over the mountains, hang their leaders, and lay waste their country with fire and sword." The frontiersmen, who had no intention of submitting, immediately rallied under Colonels Isaac Shelby and "Nolichucky Jack" Sevier and, with Colonel William Campbell's Virginia troops, marched eastward on horseback. Soon they were joined by North Carolinians under Colonel Benjamin Cleveland and South Carolinians and Georgians under Colonel James Williams.

After several days of searching, the frontiersmen located Ferguson's Loyalists on Kings Mountain. On October 7, 1780, they swarmed up its slopes, but were driven down at bayonet point. They went up again, and again the Loyalists drove them back. Still again the frontiersmen skirmished their way up the hill. This time they surrounded the Loyalists, and in one hour the battle was over. Ferguson lay dead, and his surviving soldiers were herded northward to prison.

Kings Mountain forced Cornwallis to withdraw from North Carolina, placed him on the defensive, and delayed his northward march until January 1781. It brought an immediate rise in patriot spirit in the Southern Piedmont which completely unnerved the Tory forces in that region. Finally, it led to the renewing of American resistance which resulted in the American victory at Yorktown in 1781. **Kings Mountain Informational Folders.**

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 4, 1980



JIMMY CARTER
President of the United States

TO THE CITIZENS OF KINGS MOUNTAIN

I send warmest greetings to the citizens of Kings Mountain, North Carolina, as you re-enact the events that two hundred years ago earned your area such a prominent place in the annals of the American Experience.

I want to applaud those who have worked long and hard to make this celebration successful and memorable. Your enthusiasm and creative spirit on this occasion attest to the vitality of your community and to its continuing progress and development. I send you all my warmest personal regards.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jimmy Carter". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

JOHN HEVLY MOSE
Kings Mountain
C. WESTONLAND
General, U. S. Army
Retired

THE CITY OF KINGS MOUNTAIN

NORTH CAROLINA

The Historical City

W E L C O M E !

I wish to extend to you a most heartfelt WELCOME to the 200th Anniversary of the CAMPAIGN AND BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN on behalf of the CITIZENS of the REGION of the VICTORIOUS "Overmountain Men" of VIRGINIA, TENNESSEE, NORTH CAROLINA, SOUTH CAROLINA, and GEORGIA.

As we pause to observe this historic event, we find rekindled in our hearts the SPIRITS and HOPES of our HARDY ANCESTORS who CARVED THIS GREAT NATION FROM A TOTAL WILDERNESS, who had the Courage and Foresight to see the tremendous possibilities of that wilderness, and to devote their hearts and lives to the fulfillment of their dreams.

Our ancestors very ably demonstrated those dreams and hopes in the BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN on OCTOBER 7, 1780, a surprising action that halted the triumphant northward movement of the British, who had undertaken to subdue the SOUTH in a final effort to end the REVOLUTIONARY WAR. To their EVERLASTING CREDIT, the HARDY SOUTHERN FRONTIERSMEN rose quickly to their own defense, and WON A GREAT AND DECISIVE VICTORY FOR ALL AMERICANS, a victory that was regarded by Thomas Jefferson as "TURNING THE TIDE" of the REVOLUTIONARY WAR in FAVOR of the AMERICANS.

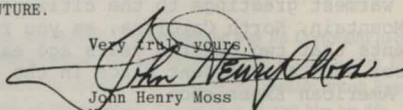
It is up to each of us as individuals to keep alive those dreams and hopes of our ancestors as we carry forward the grail of FREEDOM and LIBERTY for each and all our CITIZENS.

To our Visitors, we trust that you will enjoy your visit to the REGION and to this HISTORIC SITE.

To prospective CITIZENS, we extend our welcome. You will find many natural advantages and wonderful opportunities here, as well as a friendly attitude of helpfulness.

To EVERYONE, I urge you to join us in this memorable occasion of HONOR TO OUR PAST and IDEALISTIC HOPE AND FAITH IN OUR NATION'S FUTURE.

Very truly yours,



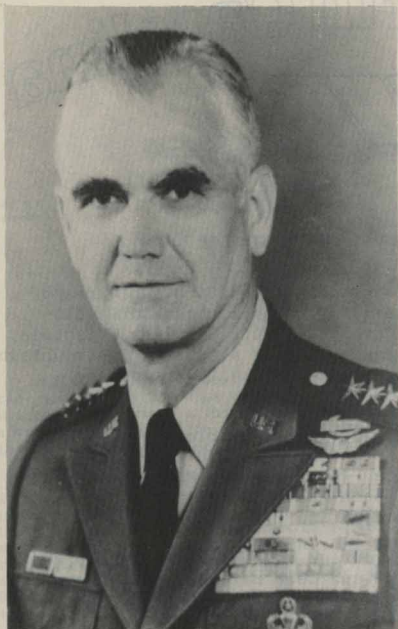
John Henry Moss
Mayor
CITY OF KINGS MOUNTAIN

General Chairman
200th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE
CAMPAIGN AND BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN

Monument at site of the surrender of the British
Forces erected in 1909 by the United States in
Kings Mountain National Military Park.



JOHN HENRY MOSS
Mayor, Kings Mountain



W.C. WESTMORELAND
General, U.S. Army
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Honorary Chairman

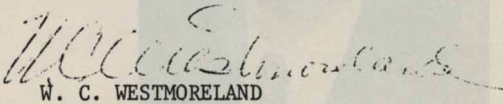
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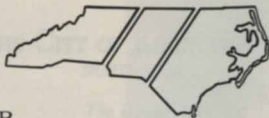
To: The Citizens of Kings Mountain

You folks who are privileged to live near the site of the important Revolutionary War Battle of Kings Mountain are most generous to invite the public to visit your area and to participate in or observe the commemoration and celebration of the significant American victory. Your efforts have been intensive and well organized. Your visitors will reap from your program a renewed sense of history, inspiration and much personal pleasure.

The spirit of patriotism so strongly demonstrated 200 years ago in your area is alive today.


W. C. WESTMORELAND
General, U. S. Army
Retired

State of North Carolina



JAMES B. HUNT, JR.
GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, October 7, 1980, marks the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Kings Mountain, at which a thousand Revolutionary patriots from North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Georgia and what is now Tennessee marched along the Overmountain Victory Trail to defend their homes and families from the British; and

WHEREAS, the decisive victory the patriots won against a major wing of the army of Lord Cornwallis is recognized as a turning point in the American Revolutionary War in the South and the first step along the path to the surrender of the British at Yorktown a year later; and

WHEREAS, the actions, courage and determination of these patriots deserves commemoration and celebration, as an example of the character that built our state, our region and our country; and

WHEREAS, such celebration will promote cooperation among the Southern states, encourage private citizens and organizations to become involved in efforts to remember the excitement and challenge of those times and provide a focus for understanding our future in terms of our Revolutionary heritage;

THEREFORE, I, Governor James B. Hunt, Jr., proclaim September 23 - October 7, 1980, as a special time of commemoration of the

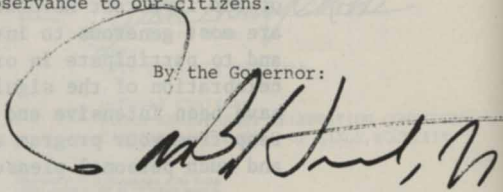
BICENTENNIAL OF THE BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN

and commend this observance to our citizens.



JAMES B. HUNT, JR.
Governor, North Carolina

By: the Governor:



James B. Hunt, Jr.

State of South Carolina

Office of the Governor

RICHARD W. RILEY
GOVERNOR

Post Office Box 1450
COLUMBIA 29211

PROCLAMATION BY GOVERNOR RICHARD W. RILEY

ON

BICENTENNIAL OF THE BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN

WHEREAS, from the west they came over the mountains, from the east and south across the rivers and fields of the Carolinas. Mounted frontiersmen a thousand strong came seeking their adversaries, a battalion of Loyalists, the left wing of an invading British Army under Lord Cornwallis; and

WHEREAS, thus began the famous and far reaching campaign in which companies of determined patriots from Virginia, present day East Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia, their homes and families threatened by military force, mustered and began an historic trek along what is now recognized as the Overmountain Victory Trail. This campaign saw them pursue and eventually surround and defeat a major British force under Patrick Ferguson on October 7, 1780 on a remote South Carolina hilltop; and

WHEREAS, we do commemorate and honor that spirit in those men and listen to the still-present echoes of the Battle of Kings Mountain, a decisive victory for the colonial forces, the turning point in the American Revolutionary War in the South and the first step in the path that led the British a year later to the trenches of Yorktown and final surrender.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Richard W. Riley, Governor of the State of South Carolina do hereby proclaim September 23, 1980 through October 7, 1980 as the period to properly commemorate and honor the:

BICENTENNIAL OF THE BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN

in South Carolina and the events leading to that great victory. I urge state and local government officials to cooperate in the observances of September and October, 1980 with activities that will not only honor the past, but will provide a focus for understanding the future in terms of our Revolutionary heritage, establish an atmosphere of cooperation among private citizens of our state and encourage our friends beyond our border to participate in these Bicentennial activities.

We furthermore, support and encourage the participation of local historical and art societies, musical groups, schools, churches, civic clubs, and other institutions and individuals willing to be caught up in the spirit that brought those hardy heroes from their homes, enabled them to endure the original march, and sparked them to burst the chains of tyranny and win a decisive battle in our War of Independence.

Richard W. Riley
Richard W. Riley



RICHARD W. RILEY
Governor, South Carolina

CERTIFICATE of RECOGNITION

*By virtue of the authority vested by the Constitution
in the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia,
there is hereby officially recognized:*

KINGS MOUNTAIN AND THE OVERMOUNTAIN VICTORY TRAIL

Two centuries ago, volunteers from Virginia, the Carolinas, Tennessee and Georgia converged over mountain, river, field and wood on Kings Mountain, South Carolina, without general officers or supply trains, armed only with their rifles and the courage of their convictions, to route the lines of British troops and turn the course of the War for Independence toward Yorktown and final victory.

In commemoration of their spirit, volunteers will again follow the Overmountain Victory Trail from September 24 to October 7, 1980, and I call to the attention of Virginians everywhere their example of devotion to the cause of freedom in our own time.



JOHN N. DALTON
Governor, Virginia

John N. Dalton
Governor

STATE OF TENNESSEE
PROCLAMATION

BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS, 200 YEARS AGO, A MARCH DOWN FROM THE MOUNTAINS TO THE BATTLEFIELD AND A RENDEZVOUS WITH DESTINY CHANGED THE COURSE OF A WAR AND HASTENED ITS END; AND

WHEREAS, THE BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN IS REMEMBERED AS THE EVENT WHICH GAVE BEGINNING TO THE END OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR AND THUS ENSURED THE INDEPENDENCE OF A PEOPLE WHO WERE TO BECOME THE GREATEST AMBASSADORS OF FREEDOM THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN; AND

WHEREAS, THIS PROUD MOMENT IN OUR HISTORY IS TO BE REENACTED NOT TO GLORIFY WAR BUT TO COMMEMORATE THE VALIANT SPIRIT OF THOSE LOVERS OF LIBERTY WHO LOOSED THEIR FETTERS OF OPPRESSION FOREVER AND SEALED THE HOPE OF FREEDOM FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS; AND

WHEREAS, MEMORIES OF THE OVERMOUNTAIN MEN WILL ENDURE IN OUR HEARTS AS A TRIBUTE TO THEIR GALLANTRY AND A CHALLENGE FOR US TO PRESERVE, PROTECT AND DEFEND OUR BELOVED LEGACY OF LIBERTY;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAMAR ALEXANDER, AS GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 7, 1980, AS A PERIOD OF COMMEMORATION OF THE

Campaign and Battle of Kings Mountain

AND DO URGE ALL OUR CITIZENS TO JOIN WITH ME IN REMEMBERING THE STRUGGLES OF OUR PAST, AND CONSIDERING THE BLESSING OF OUR PRESENT AND THE HOPE OF OUR FUTURE.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE HEREUNTO SET
MY HAND AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE
STATE OF TENNESSEE TO BE AFFIXED AT
NASHVILLE ON THIS THE 5TH DAY OF
SEPTEMBER, 1980



LAMAR ALEXANDER
Governor, Tennessee

Lamar Alexander
Governor

ATTEST:

Gentry Crowell
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

THE STATE OF GEORGIA



Proclamation

BICENTENNIAL OF THE BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN

BY THE GOVERNOR:

WHEREAS: Two hundred years ago this month frontiersmen, a thousand strong, began a trek over the mountains, rivers and fields of present-day Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia, bound for a lonely hilltop in South Carolina known as Kings Mountain, to engage in battle a battalion of the British Army under Lord Cornwallis; and

WHEREAS: This battle was the turning point in the American Revolutionary War in the South; and

WHEREAS: Since 1975, groups of dedicated people, in order to honor the spirit of those brave men and to provide a focus for understanding the future in terms of our Revolutionary heritage, yearly have retraced the route of the "Overmountain Men"; and

WHEREAS: Again this year, from September 23 through October 7, marchers will begin to converge upon Kings Mountain from Georgia and the surrounding states over the relocated, documented and marked Overmountain Victory Trail; now

THEREFORE: I, George Busbee, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim the days of September 23 - October 7, 1980, to be a period in which to commemorate and honor the BICENTENNIAL OF THE BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN and the events leading to that great victory, and call upon all government officials to cooperate in the observances to honor the past, and to establish an atmosphere of cooperation among the citizens of our state and friends beyond our borders to participate in these activities; and

FURTHER: I urge historical societies, schools, civic clubs and others to recognize the spirit that moved those hardy men to endure the march that burst the chains of tyranny and which turned the course of the Revolutionary War towards final victory.



GEORGE BUSBEE
Governor, Georgia

In Witness Whereof, I have hereto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed. This 9th day of September, 1980

BY THE GOVERNOR

Tom Purdue
Secretary, Executive Department

George Busbee
GOVERNOR

John N. Dalton
Governor

David L. ...
Secretary of State

JOHN N. DALTON
Governor



JESSE HELMS
United States Senator
North Carolina

JESSE HELMS
NORTH CAROLINA

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20540

September 5, 1980

The Honorable John Henry Moss
General Chairman
200th Anniversary Celebration Committee
Campaign and Battle of King's Mountain
King's Mountain, North Carolina 28086

Dear Mr. Moss:

I am pleased that the members of the 200th Anniversary Celebration Committee are commemorating the anniversary of the March of the over-mountain men and the Battle of King's Mountain. These men, who came out of the west to meet the loyalists that day in October 1780, were fighters, dedicated not only to their homes and families, but to their principles. Their success in the Battle showed the loyalists the colonists' determination to continue their fight for freedom and ultimate victory.

It is appropriate that this March be officially recognized by the designation of the route taken by these men as a National Historic Trail.

I am pleased to have played a role in the effort to accomplish this, along with Senator Morgan and Congressman Broyhill.

I congratulate and commend the hundreds of North Carolinians who have worked to see the fulfillment of this goal.

Sincerely,

JESSE HELMS:gah

ROBERT MORGAN
NORTH CAROLINA

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20540

September 9, 1980

Major John Henry Moss, General Chairman
200th Anniversary Celebration Committee
Campaign and Battle of King's Mountain
King's Mountain, North Carolina 28086

Dear Major Moss:

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate you and the committee upon the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the Battle of King's Mountain, fought on October 7, 1780.

This great Revolutionary victory was especially significant coming as it did after the loss at the Battle of Camden on August 15. The Patriot cause needed something to cheer about, and the brave men at King's Mountain supplied it.

The list of Patriot leaders is long and distinguished. Colonel Isaac Shelby, Colonel William Campbell, Colonel John Sevier, Major Joseph McDowell, and Major Joseph Winston head the list of some 2,000 American frontiersmen who answered the call of their young country. In many ways this battle illustrates the best in the tradition of the American frontiersman. The Patriot Army came from the areas of Tennessee, Kentucky, Georgia, Virginia, and the Carolinas. They had been attracted to the area by the presence of Lord Cornwallis, who was in Charlotte at the time.

They fought Major Patrick Ferguson, who led a unit of Lord Cornwallis' army which was composed mostly of Loyalists--not British Regulars. No doubt there were strong feelings running through all the men who did battle at King's Mountain 200 years ago; nothing less was at stake than the future of the country.

Major Ferguson did not understand the geography of the area as well as those mountain men who lived there. When he tried to defend King's Mountain, he discovered that the frontiersmen's long rifles were much more effective than bayonets, or as General Light Horse Harry Lee pointed out, the hill was "more assailable by the rifle than defensible by the bayonet."

This battle was a major turning point in the Revolutionary War. Sir Henry Clinton, the British Commander in Chief, wrote that the Battle of King's Mountain "proved the first Link of a Chain of Evils that followed each other in regular Succession until they at last ended in the total Loss of America." The immediate result was that Lord Cornwallis retreated from Charlotte. The lasting significance of this battle is that a frontier army of patriots soundly defeated the British who invaded their country. It illustrates the pride of the people of this section of the country who rose against invaders who threatened their liberty. It is a tradition that is strong not only in this section of the country but throughout it.

It affords me pride to share in the 200th Anniversary celebration by congratulating you for keeping this memory vivid in our minds. Your celebration commemorates a noble battle of great significance.

Sincerely,

Robert Morgan



ROBERT MORGAN
United States Senator
North Carolina



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MARSHALS FOR 1980

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Thomas Gray, 1978
Route 8, Box 448
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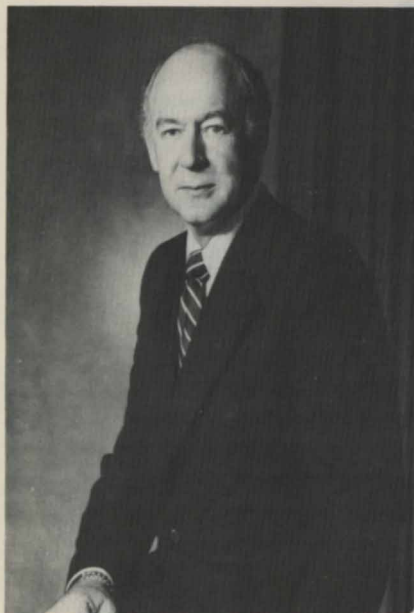
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CECIL D. ANDRUS, SECRETARY
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United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

200th Anniversary Celebration Committee
Campaign and Battle of Kings Mountain

I am happy to have the opportunity to join you on the occasion of the 200th anniversary of the Campaign and Battle of Kings Mountain, and greatly appreciate your invitation to do so.

As I reflect on the events that we celebrate in 1980, I cannot help but think that at no time in the annals of this nation's history has the American spirit been exemplified better than it was by those mountain men who fought for our freedom in 1780. Voluntarily, they left homes and families to march through more than 200 miles of rugged wilderness to risk their lives for the cause of freedom. They faced and conquered their foe with a will and resolve that fanned the smoldering spark of independence into a roaring flame.

I am extremely proud of the heritage the men of Kings Mountain established for us, and, again, I am pleased to be able to join you as we recognize and celebrate the lasting example of strength and determination they set for us on that South Carolina ridge 200 years ago.

Sincerely yours

Cecil D. Andrus
Cecil D. Andrus
Secretary



IN REPLY REFER TO:

United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

200th Anniversary Celebration Committee
Campaign and Battle of Kings Mountain

The National Park Service, which has been given responsibility for the protection and preservation of this nation's outstanding historical resources, is proud and happy to be able to participate in the 200th anniversary celebration of the Campaign and Battle of Kings Mountain.

Kings Mountain National Military Park, site of the battle, has been a part of the National Park System since 1933. In recent weeks, appropriately and timely, President Carter and the Congress have authorized designation of the route taken by the Intrepid "Overmountain Men" who fought for America's cause at Kings Mountain as the Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail.

I congratulate you on your efforts to bring the events of 200 years ago to the attention of all Americans and repeat my assurances that the National Park Service has, is, and will continue to preserve and protect this glorious segment of our historical heritage.

Sincerely yours,

Russell E. Dickenson

Russell E. Dickenson
Director



RUSSELL E. DICKENSON
Director, United States
Department of the Interior

OFFICIAL SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCT. 3: MOUNTAINEER-PIONEER DAY

- 9 a.m.-5 p.m.** Arts and Crafts Exhibition, lobby, Kings Mountain Governmental Services Center, Gold and Cherokee Streets.
U.S. Navy Exhibit, lobby, Governmental Services Facilities Center, Kings Mountain Depot Center, Piedmont Street.
- 9 a.m.-9 p.m.** Bicentennial Exhibits by Kings Mountain school children K-12, former Rose's location, Battleground Avenue.
- 11 a.m.** U.S. Senator Robert Morgan officially opens Celebration in City of Kings Mountain, Celebration Headquarters, Mountain Street and Battleground Avenue.
- 1-7 p.m.** Boy Scout and Girl Scout exhibits, former Belk's location, Battleground Avenue.
- 3:30 p.m.** Registration for Cystic Fibrosis Rock-a-Thon, Depot Center.
- 4:30 p.m.** Rock-a-Thon begins at Depot Center with music by Jeff Wicker and John Boy of WBT-WBCY.
- 7 p.m.** Music by Roy Rossen of WAYS, Depot Center
Dunking Machine, benefit Toys for Tots, Depot Center.
- 8 p.m.** High school football, Kings Mountain vs. Crest, John Gamble Stadium.
- 8:30 p.m.** Drama: "Then Conquer We Must," Amphitheatre, Kings Mountain National Military Park.
- 9:30 p.m.** Pie Throwing Contest, Depot Center.
- 10 p.m.** Street dance, Depot Center, music by Tracy Lyles and "DT Express."

SATURDAY, OCT. 4: COME SEE US, GOOD NEIGHBOR DAY

- 9 a.m.-4 p.m.** U.S. Navy Exhibit, Depot Center.
North Carolina National Guard B-B Rifle Range, Depot Center.
- 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.** Boy Scout and Girl Scout exhibits, former Belk's location, Battleground Avenue.
- 9 a.m.-9 p.m.** Bicentennial Exhibits by Kings Mountain school children K-12, former Rose's location, Battleground Avenue.
- 9 a.m.-10 p.m.** 200th Anniversary Tennis Tournament, Kings Mountain High School and Kings Mountain Country Club.
18th Century Military Encampment and Demonstrations, adjacent to Governmental Services Facilities Center.
- 10 a.m.** Battle of Kings Mountain Rotary Run (marathon). All races start and finish at John Gamble Stadium.
- 10 a.m.-6 p.m.** Arts and Crafts Exhibition, lobby, Governmental Services Facilities Center.
U.S. Navy exhibit, lobby, Governmental Services Facilities Center.
- 10:30 a.m.** Kings Mountain High School Stage Band, Depot Center.

- 11:30 a.m. Bluegrass Band, Depot Center.
- 2-6 p.m. Activities for Youngsters, Kings Mountain Community Center, Cleveland Avenue.
- 4:30 p.m. Rock-a-Thon ends, Depot Center.
- 8 p.m. Patriots' Ball, N.C. National Guard Armory, corner West Mountain Street and Phifer Road. Music by "Tapestry."
- 8:30 p.m. Drama: "Then Conquer We Must," amphitheatre, Kings Mountain National Military Park.

SUNDAY, OCT. 5: OUR RELIGIOUS FAITH DAY

- 9 a.m.-4 p.m. U.S. Navy exhibit, Depot Center.
- 9 a.m.-10 p.m. 18th Century Military Encampment and Demonstrations, adjacent to Governmental Services Facilities Center.
- 10 a.m.-7 p.m. 200th Anniversary Tennis Tournament, Kings Mountain High School.
- 11 a.m. Commemorative Services at most Kings Mountain churches.
- 12:15 p.m. "Hands Across Kings Mountain," east-west on King Street (US 74).
- 1-6 p.m. Arts and Crafts Exhibition, lobby, Governmental Services Facilities Center.
U.S. Navy exhibit, lobby, Governmental Services Facilities Center.
Bicentennial Exhibits by Kings Mountain School Children K-12, Battleground Avenue.
- 2-5 p.m. Activities for Youngsters, Community Center, Cleveland Avenue.

6:30 p.m. Religious and Patriotic Heritage Program, B.N. Barnes Auditorium, Kings Mountain High School. Concert by 82nd Airborne Infantry Chorus.

8:30 p.m. Drama: "Then Conquer We Must," amphitheatre, Kings Mountain National Military Park.

MONDAY, OCT. 6: LEADERS OF TOMORROW DAY

- 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Arts and Crafts Exhibition, lobby, Governmental Services Facilities Center.
U.S. Navy exhibits, lobby, Governmental Services Facilities Center, and at Depot Center.
- 9 a.m.-9 p.m. Bicentennial Exhibits by Kings Mountain School children K-12, former Rose's location, Battleground Avenue.
- 9 a.m.-10 p.m. 18th Century Military Encampment and Demonstrations, adjacent to Governmental Services Facilities Center.
Youth Leaders Luncheon, Kings Mountain Holiday Inn.
- 6:30 p.m. OVT marchers arrive at Cowpens National Battlefield for overnight encampment (to be joined at Cowpens by marchers from South Carolina and Georgia).
- 7:30 p.m. Fashion Show, Lobby, Governmental Services Facilities Center.
- 8 p.m. Youth Concert, Kings Mountain Parking Plaza. Music by U.S. Marine Corps Band from Camp LeJeune.
- 8:30 p.m. Drama: "Then Conquer We Must," amphitheatre, Kings Mountain National Military Park.

SALUTE TO OUR HERITAGE DAY

TUESDAY, OCT. 7TH

- 7 a.m.** Prayer Breakfast, Kings Mountain First Baptist Church.
- 9 a.m.-noon** Boy Scout and Girl Scout exhibits, former Belk's location, Battleground Avenue.
- 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.
Bicentennial Exhibits by Kings Mountain school children K-12, former Rose's location, Battleground Avenue.
- 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 Battle of Kings Mountain, Senior High School.
- 11 a.m.** Southern Railway "Exhibit Car" and "Best Friend of Charleston" on display, Depot Center.
- 11:30 a.m.** Bicentennial Luncheon, Kings Mountain Senior High School.
- 12:30 p.m.** 200th Anniversary Parade, Mountain Street and Phifer Road, terminating at John Gamble Stadium, Kings Mountain Senior High School.
- 1-5 p.m.** Free rides on "Best Friend of Charleston," Depot Center.
- 2:00 p.m.** Major address, John Gamble Stadium, Kings Mountain Senior High School.
- 3:00 p.m.** OVT marchers arrive at Kings Mountain National Military Park.
- 3:30 p.m.** 200th Anniversary Celebration ceremonies, Visitor Center, Kings Mountain National Military Park. Principal address by Secretary of the Interior Cecil D. Andrus.
- 8 p.m.** Drama: "Then Conquer We Must," amphitheatre, Kings Mountain National Military Park (final performance).

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H.R. 8132

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 30, 1977

Mr. Broyhill introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs

A BILL

To authorize a study for the purpose of determining the feasibility and desirability of designating the Overmountain Men Victory Trail as a national scenic trail.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 5(c) of the National Trails System Act (82 Stat. 919; 16 U.S.C. 1241) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new paragraph:

“(23) Overmountain Men Victory Trail extending from the vicinity of Elizabethton, Tennessee, to Kings Mountain National Military Park, South Carolina.”

H.R. Bill 8132 was amended to read Historical Trail and signed into law by President Carter Monday, September 8th, 1980.

UNITED STATES POST OFFICE

First Day of Issue Ceremony

Kings Mountain Postal Card

October 7, 1980 - 10:00 a.m.

B.N. Barnes Auditorium

Kings Mountain Senior High School

MUSICAL SELECTIONS (10:00-10:15 a.m.) Kings Mountain Senior High School Band
PRESIDING O. Fred Weaver, Postmaster, Kings Mountain, N.C.
PRESENTATION OF COLORS Color Guard
NATIONAL ANTHEM Kings Mountain Senior High School Chorale & Ensemble
INVOCATION Rev. Robert E. Boggan Jr., Central United Methodist Church
WELCOME & INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS Mayor John Henry Moss,
Chairman - Kings Mountain Bicentennial Committee
REMARKS Historian - Elizabeth McGill
1979 DAR Good Citizen, Kings Mountain Senior High School
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Supt. KM National Military Park
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Wardell Chapel AME Zion Church, Shelby, N.C.



WILLIAM F. BOLGER
The Postmaster General



THE POSTMASTER GENERAL
Washington, D.C. 20260

September 11, 1980

Dear Mr. Moss:

As a part of the national observance of the Bicentennial of the American Revolution, the U.S. Postal Service since 1971 has issued a number of commemorative stamps and postal stationery items calling attention to major events and honoring important heroes of our country's historic struggle for Independence.

It is a great pleasure, therefore, for the Postal Service to issue in 1980 a commemorative postal card marking the 200th anniversary of one of the most important military engagements of the Revolutionary War. The Battle of Kings Mountain postal card, to be issued October 7, will remind everyone of the stunning and decisive victory by frontier patriots over Loyalist forces which President Thomas Jefferson called the turning point of the American Revolution. The victory of the Overmountain Men at Kings Mountain delayed Lord Cornwallis' sweep of the Carolinas for three months and seized the initiative which he never regained before being forced to surrender at Yorktown in 1781.

The anniversary events you have planned sound most interesting and it is unfortunate my schedule does not permit me to participate. I commend you and the members of your Committee for your efforts and wish you the very best for a meaningful and successful observance.

Sincerely,

Mr. John Henry Moss
Chairman, 200th Anniversary
Celebration Committee
Campaign and Battle of
Kings Mountain
Post Office Box 49
Kings Mountain, North Carolina 28080

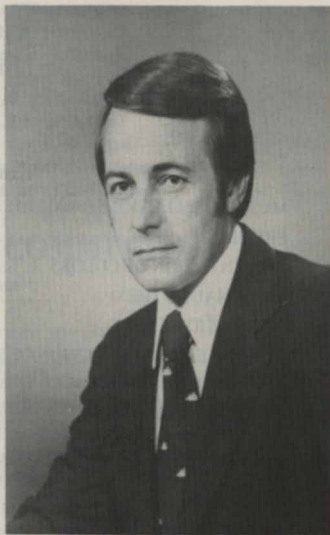


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Battle of Kings Mountain, 1780

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Gerald F. Merna will represent the Postmaster General at the First Day of Issue Ceremony for the Kings Mountain Postal Card commemorating the Battle of Kings Mountain.



GERALD F. MERNA
Executive Assistant to the
Postmaster General



O.B. SLOAN
Sectional Center Manager/Postmaster
Charlotte, N.C.

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA 28228

September 8, 1980

The Honorable John Henry Moss
Mayor of Kings Mountain
Kings Mountain, North Carolina 28086

Dear Mr. Moss:

Two hundred plus years of American history--the Battle of Kings Mountain was a key event in that history.

We of the U. S. Postal Service wish to congratulate you and the citizens of Kings Mountain on the 200th Celebration of the Battle of Kings Mountain.

The Postal Card to be issued on October 7, 1980, commemorating this important historical event, will enhance the day for now and always.

We wish you and the community of Kings Mountain a successful 200th.

Warm regards,

O. B. Sloan
O. B. Sloan
Sectional Center Manager/Postmaster

OBS:jb

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA 28228

September 9, 1980

The Honorable John Henry Moss
Mayor of Kings Mountain
Kings Mountain, North Carolina 28086

Dear John:

As Postmaster and a citizen of Kings Mountain, I am proud to be a part of the 200th Anniversary Celebration of the Battle of Kings Mountain.

You and I share in the history of this event as citizens of this great community. The U. S. Postal Service also shares in that rich heritage.

Warm regards,

Fred Weaver

Fred Weaver
Postmaster

OFW:jb



FRED WEAVER
Postmaster, Kings Mountain, N.C.

THEN CONQUER WE MUST

By Robert Osborne

As Adapted By Tom McIntyre

8:30 p.m.

September 26, 27, 28 - October 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
KINGS MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK

Produced by

DR. WILLIAM J. BRIGGS

Directed by

CHARLES R. HANNUM

Company Manager

JERRY L. KING

Technical Director

WILLIAM SUTTON

Assistant Director

VICKI PENNINGTON

Assistant Company Manager

CONNIE PUTNAM

Scenery and Lighting Design

CHARLES R. HANNUM

Choreography

SUZANNE H. AMOS GRABUS

Music Coordinator

CATHERINE MAUNEY

Publicity Coordinator

LISA L. KLING

CAST

(In order of appearance)

A Baker	Alena Waxter
Fruit Merchant	Jim Tanner
Vegetable Seller	David Baldree
Redcoat No. 1	Simon Locklear
Redcoat No. 2	John Grant
Redcoat No. 3	Todd Morgan
Redcoat No. 4	Dan Drayer
Sir Henry Clinton	Harwood Smith
General Charles Lord Cornwallis	John Brock
Virginia Salter	Suzanne H. Amos Grabus
Clayborn Andrews	Gregory Madera
Alexander Andrews	Robert Stratton
Camden Elder No. 1	John B. Linderman, Jr.
Camden Elder No. 2	Odell Norwood
British Officer No. 1	Gene Collins
British Officer No. 2	Todd Morgan
Major Patrick Ferguson	Rob Bigalke
Captain Abraham DePeyster	Jim Tanner
Joseph Kerr	Tom K. Armour
Colonel Banastre Tarleton	Pat Cheshire
Elegant Lady No. 1	Pat Blanton
Elegant Lady No. 2	Suzanne Thornburg
Elegant Lady No. 3	Selenja Goins
Mrs. Rebecca Storey	Joe Ann McDaniel
Archibald Storey	Sam Mendenhall
Colonel John Sevier	Reb Wiesener
Mrs. Sarah Sevier	Lynne Mauney
Lead Dancer, Sevier Farm	Carla Bridges
Colonel Isaac Shelby	Jerry Bumbaugh
Colonel William Campbell	John B. Linderman, Jr.
The Reverend Samuel Doak	Harwood Smith
Hiram Saunders	Odell Norwood
Colonel Benjamin Cleveland	Jacob A. Dixon
Colonel Frederick Hambricht	Lyn Cheshire

Townpeople and Combatants: Doug Bell, Heather Bradshaw, Howard Bryant, Chip Caldwell, Arnold Clayton, Lucy S. Currence, David Grant, William Hager, Keith Hambricht, Tim Hamrick, Ted Huffman, Mike Jolley, Liz Lynch, Allan F. McGowan, Johnny Reavis, Lisa Roark, Debbie Rushing, Lee Strange, Eric Vassy, Louise Vassy, Pauline Wright

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES:

ACT I.

- Scene One - Common Market, Charleston, S.C., Spring of 1780
- Scene Two - A Backstreet of Charleston
- Scene Three - The Public Square, Camden, S.C.
- Scene Four - Alexander Andrews' Home, Camden
- Scene Five - Cornwallis' Headquarters and Andrews' Home
- Scene Six - Garden of the Storey Plantation, Camden

ACT II.

- Scene One - Colonel Sevier's Farm, Watauga River, N.C.
- Scene Two - Sycamore Shoals Rendevous
- Scene Three - Sycamore Shoals Renedvous
- Scene Four - The Saunders Farm, Cowpens, S.C.
- Scene Five - Kings Mountain, Noon, October 7, 1780
- Scene Six - Kings Mountain, Mid-Afternoon
- Scene Seven - Kings Mountain, The Battle
- Scene Eight - Kings Mountain, After The Battle

**** There will be one 15 minute intermission ****

IN TONIGHT'S COMPANY



DR. WILLIAM J. BRIGGS (Producer) is president of Limestone College. A native of Kings Mountain, he is no stranger to outdoor theatre. Area audience will remember Bill as Colonel Campbell in the first production of *THEN CONQUER WE MUST*.

CHARLES R. HANNUM (Director) is beginning his second year as Director of Theatre at Limestone College. He is well qualified to direct as he has earned degrees in theatre from Ohio Wesleyan University, Michigan State University, and Wayne State University. Charlie began his career in outdoor theatre by playing the lead role in *THE LEGEND OF DANIEL BOONE*.



JERRY L. KING (Company Manager) is attached to the mayor's office in Kings Mountain as Director of Economic Development. He is pursuing a masters in Economics at the University of Oklahoma and National Certification as an Industrial Developer.



VICKI PENNINGTON (Assistant Director) has served the theatre in many ways. She has long been active in community theatre, listing as credits directing and musical coordination. Vicki also worked as costume mistress last year for the Limestone College Theatre, and has recently been named Fine Arts Coordinator there.



SUZANNE H. AMOS GRABUS (Virginia Salter) is an avid theatre participant, listing among her credits roles in *HORN IN THE WEST*, and *WILDERNESS ROAD*. Suzanne also has choreographed the dancing in tonight's production. She works as Administrator-in-Training for the Kings Mountain Convalescent Center.



ROBERT STRATTON (Alexander Andrews) is a real veteran of the stage. He currently serves as president of the Board of Governors at the Gaffney Little Theatre. Bob has appeared there in such roles as *OUR TOWN*, *LIFE WITH FATHER*, and *THE ODD COUPLE*, and has held technical positions in set construction, lighting, and sound. He is General Supervisor of Shipping and Receiving at the Timken plant in Gaffney.



GREG MADERA (Clayborn Andrews) is a native of Marion, S.C., and a senior theatre major at Limestone College. He has appeared in many Limestone Productions, including *GHOSTS*, *ARSENIC AND OLD LACE*, and *MAN OF LA MANCHA*. Greg plans to try his hand at professional theatre after graduation.



ROB BIGALKE (Major Ferguson) is an actor by profession. A newcomer to Gaffney, he has appeared in *TWELFTH NIGHT* and *BORN YESTERDAY* at the University of South Carolina and on the South Carolina Educational Television station. Rob currently works at WFGN-Radio in Gaffney.

JOHN BROCK (Cornwallis) is a resident of Shelby. He lists many stage credits from the Shelby Little Theatre, the Charlotte Little Theatre, and Mars Hill College, including *ARMS AND THE MAN*, *COUNTRY GIRL*, and *CAROUSEL*. John met his wife while doing a show at Wake Forest University.



MARY NEISLER (Property Mistress) is a Kings Mountain resident who is very interested in theatre. She serves on the Board of Governors for the Kings Mountain Little Theatre, and has worked with properties for *BLITHE SPIRIT* and *THE ROBE*. Mary lists her occupation as Houseperson.

TOMMIE STORMS (Chief Lighting Technician) is a senior theatre arts major at Limestone College, and is very familiar with a lighting board. She designed and executed lights for the Limestone College Theatre last year, and constructed a new lighting system for the student-stage. Tommie has also appeared in a leading role in *ARSENIC AND OLD LACE*.



JANE DIXON (Costume Mistress) is a resident of Kings Mountain. Although she has little experience in theatre, she uses her creative abilities helping with Girl Scouts and at her church school. Jane also designed the scenery for St. Matthew's Pre-School Play. Jane is a household engineer.

PRODUCTION STAFF

STAGE MANAGER	Vicki Pennington
Assistant	Kathy Byrd
CHIEF LIGHTING TECHNICIAN	Tommie Storms
Assistant	Joyce Omohundro
PROPERTY MISTRESS	Mary S. Neisler
Assistant	Evelyn Hamrick
Crew	Nancy James, Dawn Brazzell, Larry Hamrick, Gerald Lovelace, Maria McNeely, Angie Snipes

COSTUME MISTRESS	Jane Dixon
Assistant	Sarah Faunce
Crew	Hilda Dixon, Mrs. Samuel Dudley, Betty Gamble, Shirley Pate, Sarah Shaw
MAKE-UP COORDINATOR	Nan Jean Grant
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HOUSE MANAGERS	Frances B. Sincox, Patricia N. Plonk
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Ushers	Linda Bell, Rosalee Crosby, Zoe Falls, Ruth Gamble, Hilda Goforth, Vida Linder, Sonya Lovelace, Louise Roberts, Dorothy Strange, Josephine Weir, Ethel Yarbrow, Margaret Baird, Members of the Good Earth Garden Club
BOX OFFICE MANAGER	Emma Blalock
Crew	Ada Bridges, Tommie Bridges, Steve Brown, Betty Clemmer, Glenda Izey, Betty Jordan, Edith Morgan, Bobbie Ware
STAGE CARPENTERS	Jim Simpson, Philip Hulsey, Earl Huskey, Doug Bell, Charles Camp, Jerry Bowen
Crew	David Birchfield, Dawn Brazzell, Kathy Byrd, Annette Clary, Gene Collins, David Grant, John Grant, Laure Hendrixon, Ray Holmes, Nancy James, Andy Lewis, Simon Locklear, Greg Madera, Mark Moore, Joyce Omohundro, Robyn Ramsey, Fran Rutkowski, James Schofield, Bonnie Sheffield, Harwood Smith, Angie Snipes, Tommie Storms, Jim Tanner
WEAPONS MASTER	Robert E. Boggan, Jr.
SOUND ENGINEER	Eric S. Crane

FIVE HISTORICAL DAYS IN KINGS MOUNTAIN

Friday, Oct. 3

MOUNTAINEER-PIONEER DAY

Saturday, Oct. 4

COME SEE US, GOOD NEIGHBOR DAY

Sunday, Oct. 5

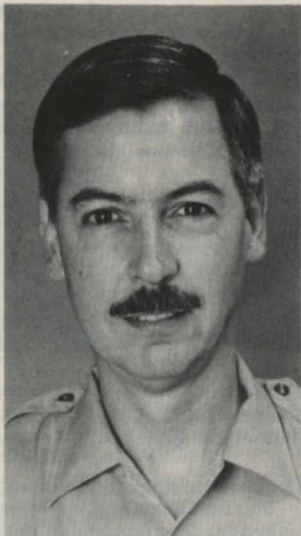
OUR RELIGIOUS FAITH DAY

Monday, Oct. 6

YOUTH—OUR LEADERS OF TOMORROW DAY

Tuesday, Oct. 7

THE 200th SALUTE TO OUR HERITAGE



ANDREW M. LOVELESS
Kings Mountain National Park
Superintendent



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
Kings Mountain National Military Park
Cowpens National Battlefield
Post Office Box 31
Kings Mountain, North Carolina 28056

September 16, 1980

200th Anniversary Celebration Committee
Campaign and Battle of Kings Mountain
Post Office Box 49
Kings Mountain, North Carolina 28056

Dear Friends:

The epic journey of the overmountain frontiersman in the pursuit and destruction of the Tory forces at Kings Mountain remains one of the brightest pages in American history.

I am pleased and honored to join with you and the many individuals and organizations who have worked so hard to prepare a fitting 200th anniversary celebration to commemorate the stirring events of 1780.

We in the National Park Service stand ready to provide continued cooperation and assistance in planning such programs that further the mission of preserving and protecting the national historic places entrusted to our care.

From the steadfast ranks of the overmountain marchers and the faithful Daughters of the American Revolution, to the many individual citizens who have helped make this celebration a success, we recognize and commend these modern-day patriots of the 20th century.

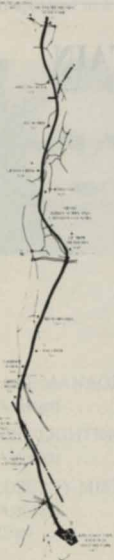
I am proud to have served with you.

Sincerely yours,

Andrew M. Loveless
Andrew M. Loveless
Superintendent



200th Anniversary Celebration Committee
Campaign and Battle of Kings Mountain



Dear Friends,
In the spirit of the
Overmountain Men who
fought for our independence
and won a great
victory for this nation at
the Battle of Kings
Mountain, I want to express
my deepest appreciation
to the countless
numbers of people who
have made this program
possible.

James R. Dickey
James Roy Dickey



JAMES ROY DICKEY
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MUSTER OF THE OVERMOUNTAIN MEN AT SYCAMORE SHOALS

Frontiersmen from Virginia and Tennessee met at Sycamore Shoals on the Watauga River on Sept. 25, 1780, to begin their march in pursuit of British Major Patrick Ferguson. Joined by Patriots from the Carolinas and Georgia, the "Overmountain Men" overtook and totally defeated Ferguson and his men in the Battle of Kings Mountain on Oct. 7, 1780.



Diorama at Kings Mountain National Military Park.

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 SEVENTH & FIRST REGIMENT,
 HIGHLAND LIGHT INFANTRY
 BORN IN ABERDEENSHIRE,
 SCOTLAND IN 1744
 KILLED OCTOBER 7 1780
 IN ACTION AT
KINGS MOUNTAIN
 WHILE IN COMMAND OF
 THE BRITISH TROOPS.
 A SOLDIER OF MILITARY
 DISTINCTION AND OF HONOR.
 THIS MEMORIAL
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 THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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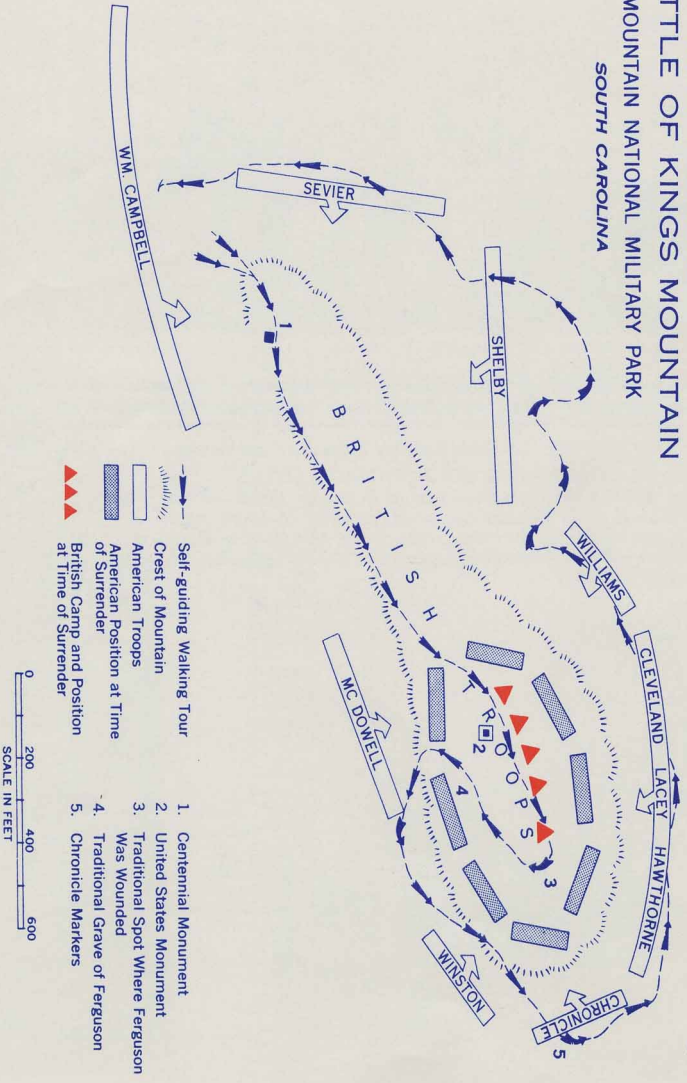
Grave of Major Patrick Ferguson Commander of Loyalist force at Kings Mountain National Military Park.

TROOP POSITIONS

THE BATTLE OF KINGS MOUNTAIN

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- Self-guiding Walking Tour
- Crest of Mountain
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- British Camp and Position at Time of Surrender

1. Centennial Monument
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4. Traditional Grave of Ferguson
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