



### Nine June High School Graduates Now Taking Training At Lackland

Nine 1954 Kings Mountain high school graduates are completing Air Force basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, situated near San Antonio, Texas. Basic training at the field is in preparation for entrance into Air Force technical training and for assignment in specialized work. The nine boys, who enlisted in the Air Force as a group on June 1, are:

- Houston C. Hinson, Jr., 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stroupe, Sr., of route 2, Bessemer City.
- William E. Stroupe, Jr., 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stroupe, Sr., of route 2, Box 46.
- Clyde L. Cobb, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Cobb, of route 1.
- Jack C. Owens, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Owens, of route 1.
- James R. Layton, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Layton, of 404 Wilson street.
- Milton E. Hope, Jr., 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton E. Hope, of 211 Duke street.
- Norman J. Abernathy, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Abernathy, of 422 Cherokee street.
- Julian R. Arnette, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Arnette, of route 2, Shelby road.
- Abron P. Falls, 18, son of Mrs. Gillie Falls, Box 103.

The process of preserving food by canning is just 150 years old; prior to the discovery of the miracle of canning foods could not be preserved indefinitely.

### Summer Carnival Held At Grover; Shiloh To Hold Homecoming Sunday

**By Mrs. M. C. Hardin Telephone Grover 3242**

GROVER. — The Grover PTA and the Grover FFA sponsored a Mid-Summer Carnival Saturday at the school for benefit of the school FFA. The event began with wagon, potato, and sack races between businessmen and farmers at 10 o'clock and a 5-inning softball game was enjoyed before the barbecue dinner served from 12:30 until 2 o'clock.

A singing convention featuring the Hi-Neighbor quartet was a high light of the afternoon program and a double header baseball game between Grover's Minette Mill players and a Dallas team was played that afternoon.

Mrs. W. B. Harry, president of the Grover PTA, and Paul Ham-bright, agriculture teacher at Grover high school, were co-chairmen for the event.

The Intermediate Royal Ambassadors met in the church basement on Tuesday evening with their leader, James McGinnis.

The R. A. Honor Roll for June were Bobby Watterson, Malcolm Tedder and Kenneth Byers.

Circle No. 1 of the Shiloh Presbyterian church met with Mrs. J. G. Hope on Monday evening. Circle No. 2 met with Mrs. F. B. Hambright on Tuesday evening. These meetings were well attended.

Home Coming at Shiloh Presbyterian church is next Sunday July 11. Picnic dinner will be served. Everyone is invited to attend.

Lions club met Monday in the school vocational building. Dinner was served by personnel of Grover high school cafeteria.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hardin and daughter of Norfolk, Va., visited Mr. and Mrs. Bunk Hardin and Mrs. Pitt Kirby during the week-end.

Sgt. and Mrs. Donald Woods and Terry of Sumter, S. C., are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Harry.

Phillip Harry of the Air Corps is home on furlough, before leaving for duty in Korea.

Mrs. Park H. Moore, Jr., is spending several days at Montreat.

Rodney Moore is visiting relatives in Georgia.

Miss Marie Herndon of Kan-napolis spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. J. L. Herndon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore Byers and sons, Charles, Kenneth, and Gary visited Mr. and Mrs. Gold- en Spencer of Gaffney on Sun- day.

Clarence Earl of San Antonio, Texas, is home on furlough.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Spangler during the past week were W. A. Spangler, Jr., of Miami, Fla., Mrs. Harry Anson and Mrs. James Lattin, more of Morristown, N. J., Mrs. Russell Cady and Staff Sgt. Gene Spangler of Springfield, Mass. They came especially to attend the funeral of their brother, Jack Spangler, of Shelby.

Mrs. R. L. Hollifield and daughter, Mary Jane, spent several days recently with her mother, Mrs. W. A. Moss in Gastonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Peterson visited Mrs. Thelma Ramsey at a Columbia, S. C., hospital Sunday.

Mrs. Ramsey is a patient there.

Bill Camp took H. H. Becknell to the Veterans hospital at Columbia on Tuesday. Mrs. H. H. Becknell visited her husband at Columbia on Sunday.

Donald Kiser of Norfolk spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Noah Kiser.

Guests in the Dick Eaker home during the past week were Mrs. Eaker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Wallace and sister, Miss Banks Wallace of Goldsboro.

Other visitors were Mrs. Charity Goforth and Miss Milkie White of Kings Mountain.

Mrs. JaHe Harry and son, Ron- nie, of Greenville, N. C., are visit- ing her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Rippy.

Jane and Anne Field have re- turned to Virginia Beach after spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hardin.

Mr. and Mrs. Buren Tessenner and family of Elizabeth City are visiting his mother, Mrs. W. M. Tessenner.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Bird visited relatives in Greenville, S. C. on Sunday.

Mrs. J. L. Randall and Miss An- nie Randall of Shelby spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Randall.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Collins spent a few days in the mountains last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beam' of Blacksburg, S. C., visited Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Beam on Sunday.

Harry Beam of Atlanta spent the weekend with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Beam.

Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Craig visited Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Hardin on Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Junior Girls Auxiliary met with Betsy Shaw on Monday, ten members were present with their leaders, Mrs. Clyde Randall and

### Rambling Sketches Of Oak Grove News

**By Mrs. William Wright**

Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Ledford of the El Bethel section were the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lovelace and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Green during the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Beattie and daughter, Carol Jane, of Waco, were Sunday afternoon visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ware.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bell and children spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Bell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McMillian of Bessemer City. Mr. McMillian accompanied them home and will spend several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Craver of Shelby were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Watterson Sunday afternoon.

The Y. W. A. met in the home of Miss Annette Ware Monday night. Mrs. John Patterson is their leader.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Champlon and daughters, Misses Abra- dilla and Darlene, Mrs. Wray Thornburg, and Mr. Giles Bell spent the holidays with Cpl. and Mrs. Newell Thornburg of Fort Benning, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spencer and daughter, Becky, and Bobby Ford, left Saturday for Daytona Beach, Fla., where they will spend two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Otha Thornburg of Rock Hill and Mr. Frank Thornburg of Spartanburg were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Thornburg Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Dewitt Randall's chicken house was destroyed by fire Monday morning. Five brooders and several bags of feed were burned.

Little Miss Linda McMillian of Bessemer City spent several days the past week with her cousins, Nadine, Micky, and Jack Bell.

The Vacation Bible School will begin Monday morning at eight o'clock at the local church. Pre- paration day will be Saturday af- ternoon, hours from 2 'til 4. All workers are urged to be present. Miss Mildred Peterson is princi- pal.

Mrs. Clyde Rhea.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Westmore- land visited Dr. and Mrs. Smool Baker in Lancaster, S. C., recent- ly.

Mrs. N. L. Houser of route 1, Bessemer City and twin daugh- ters, Mrs. Leo Kirchner and Mrs. Bill Houch, of Miami, Florida, visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy Houser, recently.

John Houser, U. S. Navy, of Norfolk, Va., returned there on Monday after spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Houser. John Houser leaves for sea duty this month, and will be in the Mediterranean area for six months.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Pruette and Mrs. J. Q. Hope visited Miss Au- drey Hope in Raleigh, recently.

### Negro Citizen George Patterson Succumbs At 101

**By Mrs. A. F. Adams**

George W. Patterson, 101, a prominent citizen of this town for more than three-fourths of a century was funeralized Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m. from Bynum Chapel A. M. E. Zion church.

Services were conducted by El- der Houston, assisted by Rev. R. R. White, Pastor, Rev. J. H. White, Elder Gladden, and Rev. S. I. Clement.

He was born April 15, 1853, in Iredell County near Statesville. When a young man he moved to Kings Mountain and joined the Shiloh A. M. E. Zion church near Grover. He later moved to membership to the Bynum Chapel A. M. E. Zion church, Kings Moun- tain, where he was an outstand- ing member and preacher-stew- ard until his death. He was the oldest member of the church. For more than 75 years he was an outstanding farmer in Cleveland County.

On April 15, 1880, he was mar- ried to Sophronia Fulton of Cle- veland County, a union that lasted for 55 years until she pre- ceeded him in death in 1935. Of this union five children, two daughters and three sons, were born. Surviving children are Mrs. Amanda McCarthy, Kings Mountain, and Mrs. Laura Thompson of Gastonia, Jasper Patterson of Kings Mountain, and Poston Patterson, of Phila- delphia, Pa.

He also leaves 25 grandchild- ren, 43 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchild- ren. He was a member of the Com- pact Friendly Aid Society and the Compact Burial Aid Society.

Next to the church Mr. Patter- son's greatest interest was the Compact School of which he was chairman for more than a quarter of a century. He kept an active inter- est in its growth and develop- ment; and in his final days in- quired continually as to its pro- gress.

Broiler chick replacements in the Central-Western North Caro- lina commercial broiler area reached an all-time high during May, with hatcheries placing 5, 327,000 chicks.

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### REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

of Kings Mountain, in the State of North Carolina, at the Close of Business on June 30, 1954, Published in Response to Call Made by Comptroller of the Currency, Under Section 5211, U. S. Revised Statutes.

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	\$1,219,006.19
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	944,527.00
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	463,894.85
Other bonds, notes, and debentures	54,000.00
Corporate stocks (including \$7,500.00 stock of Federal Reserve bank)	7,500.00
Loans and discounts (including \$ None overdrafts)	1,153,753.95
Bank premises owned \$41,250.00, furniture and fixtures \$19,750.00	61,000.00
Other assets	6,553.89
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$3,910,235.88</b>
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$2,051,463.21
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	525,904.74
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	128,378.50
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	773,692.52
Other deposits (certified and cashier's checks, etc.)	71,617.10
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>\$3,561,056.77</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$3,561,056.77</b>
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital Stock: Common stock, total par \$100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Surplus	150,000.00
Undivided profits	76,680.11
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred stock)	22,500.00
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>\$ 349,180.11</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>\$3,910,235.88</b>
MEMORANDA	
Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes	\$1,115,214.85
Loans as shown above after deduction of reserves of	10,514.06

I, L. E. ABBOTT, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

L. E. ABBOTT, Cashier.  
CORRECT—ATTEST:  
M. A. Ware  
F. R. Summers  
E. S. Nell  
Directors

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF CLEVELAND ss:  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of July, 1954, and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.  
Louise Carpenter, now Lybrand, Notary Public.  
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