THE KINGS MOUNTAIN HERALD, KINGS MOUNTAIN, N. C.

Thursday, October 29, 1970

ville; First Baptist Church of Dal-las, Texas; Buffalo Baptist and Bethel Baptist, along with several other Cleveland County churches. He is survived by his widow, the former Margaret Stevens of Clinton, N. C., whom he married in 1005; one daughter Mrs Pob

in 1926; one daughter, Mrs. Rob-ert Litton; three grandchildren, Lu Litton, Robert Litton, Jr. and Margaret Stevens Litton; and two sisters, Mrs. Howard Gray and Mrs. J. E. Medlin, both of Smith-field

Funeral services were conduct-ed Sunday at 3 p.m. from First Baptist Church with Rev. Gen Watterson and Rev. Roland Leatn officiating. Interment was in Sun.

Wm. C. Absher

Funeral Rites

Held On Sunday

Funeral services for William Claude Absher, 48, of Route 3, Kings Mountain, were conducted

field.

set cemetery.

Sudden Attack Fatal On Friday To Horace Easom

Horace Easom of 510 W. Marion Street, Shelby, prominent Baptist, civic leader and since 1961 execu-tive director of the Cleveland County United Fund, Inc., died suddenly from an apparent heart attack around 3:45 p.m. Friday in uptown Shelby.

Native of Smithfield in Johns-ton county, he came to Shelby in August, 1928 as director of re-ligious education and minister of music at Shelby's First Baptist Church, serving in that capacity until June 1, 1947 with exception of the means 1924 26

of two years, 1934-36. Between 1947 and 1952 Easom led the Wake Forest Enlargement Campaign to raise \$2 million through the state's Baptist church. es and afterwards was the state's first Brotherhood secretary, and secretary of the Baptist Founda-tion.

Sunday at 3 p.m. from Concord United Methodist Church of which In 1941, Gardner-Webb College turned to him to head a camhe was a member. The Rev. H. G. Clayton and Rev. H. O. Huss paign to raise \$100,000 as the school, then Boiling Springs Jun-ior College, sought accreditation. He also co-chairmaned in 1943 the officiated with interment following in the church cemetery. A farmer, Absher died at his home Thursday night following two-months illness. Memorial Fund Enlargement Memorial Fund Enlargement Campaign which raised \$750,000 for Gardner-Webb and again in 1947 he co-chairmaned a special endowment campaign for the col-lege when it was accepted by the Baptist State Convention. Easom retired in 1958 but

Easom retired in 1958 but Harley Wilson of Rt. 3, Kings momptly became director of pub- Mountain. promptly became director of pub-lic relations for Union Trust Company in Shelby. He became exe cutive director of the Cleveland County United Fund, Inc. on July 1, 1961, a post he held at the time of his death.

racted music for the Baptist State Convention, State Evangelistic Conference and for several Bap

tist Assemblies. He had also serv-ed as Moderator for the Kings Mountain Baptist Association and was one of the "Christian Lay-

men's Witnessing Organization. Member of the Shelby Kiwanis Club, he served one year as Lieu-

tenant Governor of Division One for Carolina Kiwanis; was named

Shelby's "Man of the Year" in 1961; and served as chaplain for

the American Legion Post No. 82.

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With UNICEF's help, the death rate from malaria among children has been lowered from 3.5 million in the fifties to less than one million per year. He has served as a member of the Wake Forest College Board of Trustees, Gardner-Webb Colege QUEMETT'S COIFFURE of STYLING Board of Trustees and the G-W Advisory Committee. He has di-

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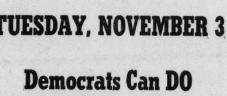
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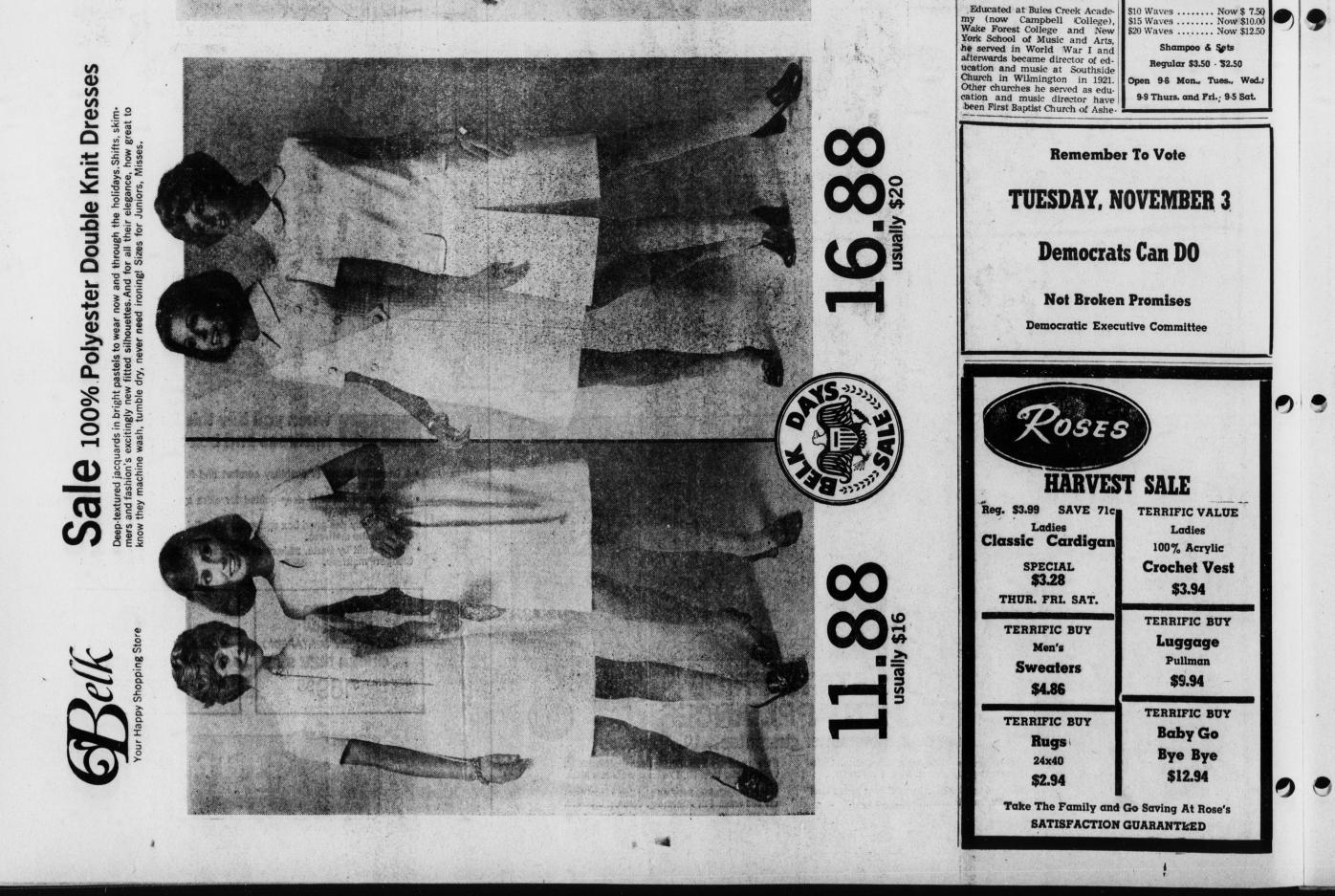
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