



Photo By Lem Lynch

FATALITY SCENE — This 1970 Chevrolet ran off Rural Paved Rd. 2034 about three miles west of Kings Mountain at 1:30 a. m. Wednesday killing the driver, Johnny Randolph Putnam and critically injuring Linda Martin Webb, both of

Kings Mountain. Hwy. Patrolman L. D. Brown lists the fatality as an accident since no physical evidence of speeding was found at the scene.

KM Man Killed In Wreck

One person is dead and another critically injured from a one-car accident off Oak Grove Rd. early Wednesday morning.

The fatality victim is identified as Johnny Randolph Putnam, 24, of 1440 Second St., Kings Mountain. Listed in critical condition following surgery at Charlotte Memorial Hospital is Linda Martin Webb, 25, of 912 Second St., Kings Mountain.

County Coroner Bennett Masters said Putnam was pronounced dead at the scene from multiple head injuries. According to Masters, Hwy. Trooper L. D. Brown, who investigated the accident and was unavailable for comment at presstime, is listing the fatality as an accident. He said the spot where the accident happened is on Rural Paved Rd. 2034 about three miles west of Kings Mountain. It happened about 1:30 a. m. Wednesday.

"There were no signs of skidding," Masters said, "so Trooper Brown said he feels the sharp curve in the road was not seen until too late."

Putnam was driving the car, a 1970 Chevrolet registered to Jack Martin of Center St., Kings Mountain, father of Linda Martin Webb. The car left the road on the curve and struck a tree.

The Kings Mountain Rescue Squad responded to the call and rescuers worked for 30 minutes to free the victims from the tangled wreckage. Rescuers rushed Linda Webb to Kings Mountain Hospital, then to Charlotte Memorial Hospital where she was taken immediately to surgery.

Masters said Trooper Brown's report indicated that Tommy Hawkins of Rt. 1, Kings Mountain, came by the accident scene shortly after the wreck occurred and called the police.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday at 3 p. m. from Primitive Baptist Church with Elder Eddie Simpson officiating, interment following in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

The body was taken to the home of Putnam's parents at 1440 Second St. Wednesday and will lie in state until the hour of service.

Surviving, in addition to his parents, Charles C. and Ruth Gains Putnam are his wife,

Mrs. Wanda Gail Merck Putnam; one son, John A. Putnam, Jr.; one daughter, Sharon Gail Putnam; three brothers, Kenneth, Randy and Ricky Putnam, all of Kings

Mountain and two sisters, Mrs. Debbie Haney and Terry Merck, both of Kings Mountain.

Harris Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Four KMers Charged

Four Kings Mountain men have been charged in connection with a series of break-ins — some dating back to last November and December.

The Cleveland County Sheriff's Department said the break-ins occurred in the Lake Montonia and Galilee sections and much of the stolen merchandise has been recovered.

Charged in the break-ins were: Calvin Edward Burris, 17, seven counts of breaking and entering and larceny;

Kevin Winfred James, 17, three counts of breaking and entering and larceny; Thomas Perkins, Jr., 21, four counts of breaking and entering; and Curtis Perkins, 20, one count

of breaking and entering and larceny.

Burris is being held in Cleveland County Jail in lieu of \$12,000 bond and James under \$6,000. Thomas Perkins was released under \$6,000 bond and Curtis Perkins under \$2,000.

Preliminary hearing is slated Thursday in Shelby District Court.

Det. Paul Barbee and Hugh Buff led the investigation.

The Sheriff's Department reported that break-ins at the following residences were part of the investigation:

B&G Pantry, Nov. 11, 1977 where some \$150 in merchandise was stolen and \$125

in damage; Samuel Marshal Adams residences \$509 in merchandise was stolen, all of which has been recovered; Ruby Lee Burris, \$345 in merchandise stolen, all of which has been recovered; Robert N. Conner residence, \$1,063 in merchandise stolen;

M. C. Hinson residence, \$339 stolen, all recovered; Billy Gene Whitesides residence, \$1,230 stolen \$600 in merchandise recovered.

The investigating officers indicated that additional charges are forthcoming.

To Present Program

Ashley Gales and Gene Witherspoon, executives with the Duke Endowment Program, will present tonight's program at the Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club.

The Kiwanians will see and audio-visual presentation

covering the last 50 years of Duke Endowment involvement in health, education and religion.

The club meets at 6:45 p. m. in the Kings Mountain Woman's Club building on E. Mountain St.

Broyhill Seeks Reelection

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have enabled me to be an effective representative of the people."

Broyhill continued, "I look forward to continuing to seek solutions to the problems which confront our nation, particularly as they relate to the economy. The textile import situation is of prime concern to me, and I will continue to work to seek solutions to this complex problem. Tax relief and solutions to the energy problem will continue to be high priorities."

Recognized by his colleagues as one of the most effective members of Congress Broyhill currently serves as vice-chairman of both the Informal House Textile Committee and the Congressional Rural Caucus. He also

serves on the House Budget Committee, which recommends Federal budget outlays, revenue levels, and spending policies.

Since his first election, he has served as a member of the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee. He is presently a member of the subcommittees on Health and Environment and Consumer Protection and Finance. In prior Congresses, he has also served on the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, House Small Business Committee, the Republican Policy Committee, and the Republican Committee on Committees.

Since his election from the old 9th Congressional district, the Lenoir Congressman has represented 18 of the

state's 100 counties. Currently, he represents Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Cleveland Gaston, and Watauga. He maintains full-time district offices in Gastonia, Hickory and Lenoir, as a service to his constituents.

Broyhill was formerly an executive with Broyhill Furniture Industries in Lenoir. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a B. S. degree in business administration. He was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Catawba College also served on the Board of Trustees and Wake Forest University and on the Board of Advisors at Lenoir Rhyne College.

Broyhill is married to the former Louise Robbins of Durham and they have three children, Marilyn (Mrs. Robert Beach), Ed and Phil.

Hospital Log

PATIENT LIST ATNOON WEDNESDAY

Minnie C. Cashion, 300 York Rd.; Sybil H. Eaves, Bessemer City; Belle M. Finger, 211 Casler St.; Mary L. Gilmer, 709 Meadowbrook Rd.; Cornelia Huffstetler, Rt. 1; Mamie L. Landers, Bessemer City; Ola P. Picklesimer, 23 Pine Manor Apts.; Marie M. Queen, 610 Meadowbrook; Ethel L. Service, Bessemer City; Fannie J. Watts, Bessemer City; Earl Wise, Bessemer City; and Gladys U. Herring, Bessemer City.

ADMITTED THURSDAY
Jackie Clayton, Rt. 2.

ADMITTED SATURDAY
Coraine Covington, 43 Pine Manor Apts.; Donna Gillespie, PO Box 421.

ADMITTED SUNDAY
Kathy J. Butler, 401 W. Gold St.; Edith Carpenter, 1111 Shelby Rd.; Ronald Ladd, Rt. 1; Leola B. Tate, 811 N. Piedmont Ave.

ADMITTED MONDAY
Linda Albright, Gastonia; Jessie Gamble, Rt. 2, Bessemer City; Stephen M. Marlowe, Jr., 803 Hillside Dr.; Eula K. Moore, 815 Phillips Dr.; William Harold McClellan, Bessemer City.

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