



**GIRL SCOUTS VISIT CAPITOL** -- Members of Kings Mountain Girl Scout Troop 155 are pictured with U. S. Congressman James T. Broyhill on their recent

trip to Washington, D. C. After this photograph was taken, Congressman Broyhill and a member of his staff took the troop on a tour of the Capitol.

## Adoption Meeting Is Today

An adoption information meeting is scheduled at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. today at Malcom Brown Auditorium, Shelby, co-sponsored by the Cleveland County Department of Social Services and The Children's Home Society of North Carolina.

Mrs. Lynn Mauney of Kings Mountain, a member of the Southeastern Advisory Council of the Children's Home Society of

North Carolina, said an effort is being made to find adoptive homes for school-age children in this series of meetings.

Questions about adoption of school-age children will be answered by parents who have actually adopted children through the state agency; children who were of school age when adopted.

Mrs. Mauney said application blanks will be

available at today's meetings and pictures of the children up for adoption will be shown.

"Usually when parents without children think of adoption they think of very young infants," Mrs. Mauney said. "The Children's Home Society also has older children who are available. The problem is the older children, themselves, figure they will not be adopted because of their

age. The society is now renewing its efforts to give information on this problem to the community."

Some facts concerning adoption the general public may not be aware of, include, the fact that you may be eligible to adopt a school-age child if you are married and may or may not have children of your own; if you are single and over 25 years of age; if you have a steady income and mothers can continue to work; if you have room in your home or apartment for one more; if you have good health; and if you love children.

To broaden the public understanding concerning adoption, The Children's Home Society has several color film programs available for use by civic, professional, church and school groups.

"Each One Is Special," is a 20-minute color movie, 16mm, sound, giving an overview of the society's program of services and of the volunteer and professional people who keep it going.

Another film, also in color and sound, is "Johnny Boy," which depicts the plight of an eight-year old boy who has been moved repeatedly from one foster home to another, and who longs for the permanency of an adoptive home. This film runs 11 minutes.

"I'm 17, I'm Pregnant - And I Don't Know What To Do," is a 30-minute film. A compelling docudrama about five pregnant girls struggling with the alternatives of a forced marriage, abortion, keeping her child or adoption.

These films may be scheduled by contacting the nearest Children's Home Society district office. The nearest office to Kings Mountain is in Charlotte, Suite 302, United Way Building, 301 S. Brevard St. phone 372-7170. Supervisor is Miss Kathleen Hasty. Whenever possible, CHS will arrange for an agency representative to present the film program to local groups.

Mrs. Mauney said there are hundreds of school age children in North Carolina who are slowly convincing themselves that they have no hope of being adopted and very little hope for any kind of future at all. "This is a very real problem," she said, "one society has to face and do something about. The CHS feels public education can help in this area."

### EARN'S DEGREE

Robin Katherine Lane of Kings Mountain received a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy from the Medical University of South Carolina Thursday during commencement exercises.

### GOVERNOR'S PAGE

Miss Anne Hord of Kings Mountain, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. D. F. Hord, 200 Cleveland Ave., served as a Page in Governor Jim Hunt's offices in Raleigh the week of June 5, 1978. Miss Hord is a sophomore at Kings Mountain Senior High School.



**TECH SGA OFFICERS** - Pictured here are the recently elected Cleveland Tech Student Government Association officers for 1978-79. Left to right: Susan Morgan, vice president, majoring in business administration, accounting and executive secretarial science. Gary

Bennet, president, majoring in police science, Janet Smith, secretary, majoring in fashion merchandising and marketing technology. And Sandra Camp, treasurer, majoring in police science.

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## Farmers Market Opening

The Cleveland County Farmers Market will open for the 1978 season at 7 a. m. on Tuesday, June 20th at the Cleveland County Fairgrounds.

According to Joe Goforth, manager of the Cleveland County Fair, "This will be our second year of operation for the market and if growing conditions continue to be good, it will be a very successful year for the market." "Hot, dry weather did reduce the supplies of fresh fruits and vegetables at the market last year, but that just couldn't be helped; everyone I've talked with about the farmers market is very encouraged and anxious for it to open for the season," said Goforth.

Hours of operation for the Cleveland County Farmers Market will be 7 a. m. until sold out each day. The market will open on Tuesday and Thursday for the remainder of June; an additional day, Saturday, will be added starting in July.

"The intent of the Farmers Market is to provide a market place for producers where the consumer can go to get home or farm produced fresh fruits and vegetables, plants, food items and crafts," according to Curtis Styles, Associate Agricultural Extension Agent. "The Farmers Market is an excellent way to let the consumer deal directly with the producer." "A big plus in favor of the Farmers Market is that the consumer can get good quality that is fresh off the farm," said Styles.

Items that are expected this year at the Farmers Market include: sweet corn, green beans, squash, tomatoes, cucumbers, plus

other vegetables as they come in season. Cantaloups and watermelons will be available starting in July.

Plants, flowers, homemade arts and crafts, and preserved food items will also be available at the Farmers Market.

According to Goforth, anyone who produces their own produce or items for sale can use the Farmers

Market. "We have excellent, clean facilities that are better than most markets of this type in the state," stated Goforth. "There's no limit to the quantity that a producer can bring to the market for sale, but there's no minimum amount either."

"Many large vegetable gardeners have used the facility and have been very well pleased."

Farmers and home producers who wish to use the Farmers Market may obtain further information by contacting the County Agricultural Extension Office at 482-4365 or Joe Goforth at 482-1433.

Producers may use the market free of charge during the first week of operation.

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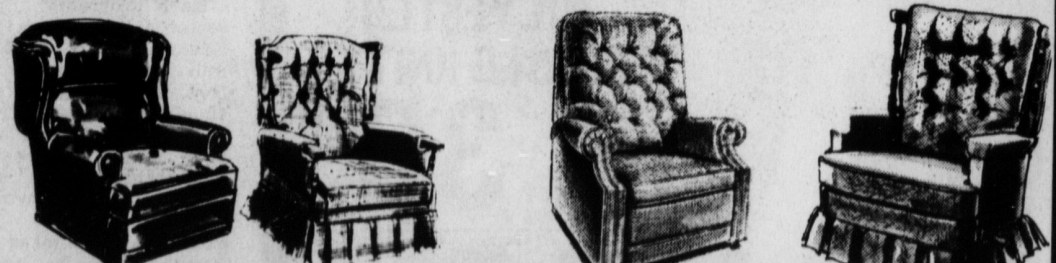
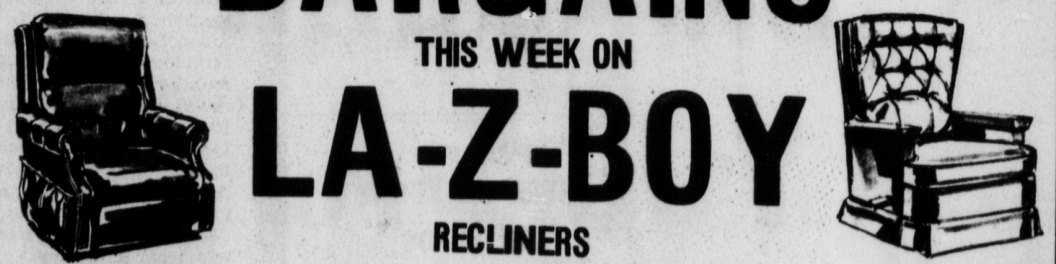
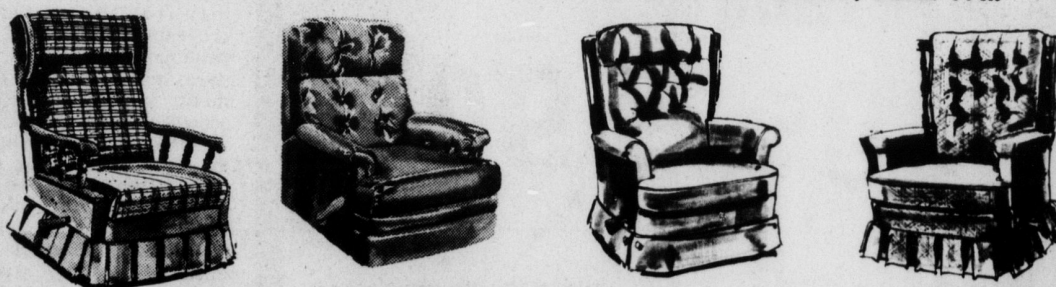
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