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A car dealer from Kings Mountain, James Lawson Thompson, 50, and three more than 400 pounds of other men were convicted marijuana and three and a Friday of conspiring to half pounds of cocaine into bring illegal drugs into North Carolina, according North Carolina. According to U. S. Magistrate's records, the jury ended its deliberations last Friday

to federal court records. The four, along with another man who was acquitted, were tried in U. S. District Court in

#### and convicted Thompson on two counts. He was sentenced to two five-year **DEATHS** prison terms to run con-

currently.

MRS. MAGNOLIA OWENS

Mrs. Magnolia Blalock Owens, 58, of 515 Belvedere Circle, died Wednesday

morning at home. Surviving are her son, Robert Lee Owens of Kings Mountain; two sisters, Mrs. Mamie Lee Rogers and Mrs. Margaret Blalock Leach, both of Kings Mountain; three brothers, John Lewis Blalock of Kings Mountain and Robert Blalock and Pink David Blalock, both of Philadelphia, Pa., and five grandchildren.

She was a member of Mount Zion Baptist Funeral arrangements,

which are incomplete, will be announced by J. W. Gill and Sons Funeral Home.

MRS. G. D. PHIFER

Funeral services for Mrs. Blanche Morrow Phifer, 85, of Gastonia, widow of George Douglas Phifer, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. from Sisk Funeral Home Chapel in Bessemer City, interment following in Gaston Memorial Gar-

Mrs. Phifer, sister of the Mrs. Printer, sister of the late George Morrow of Kings Mountain, died Friday in Gaston Memorial Hospital after declining health for one She was a native of the

Pisgah Community of Gaston County, last sur-viving of seven children of the late Mary Lucinda and William P. Morrow. She was a prominent civic and church leader in Gaston County, a retired Gaston County teacher and home demonstration agent. She was a member of Garrison Memorial ARP Church.

Surviving are two sons, William J. Phifer of Belmont and George D. Phifer, Jr. of Gastonia; two daughters, Mrs. William Spencer, Jr. of Gastonia and Mrs. Billy Spittle of Mount Holly; and several grandchildren.

Rev. Mr. Fisher and Rev. Jack Robinson officiated at the rites.

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Charlotte on charges that of Gaston County and they conspired to bring Gustavo Otano Sanchez of

Miami, were convicted of Rafael Abreu of Miami. two counts. Sanchez was sentenced to two three year prison terms to run was Steven Charles concurrently but Badia Houser, 24, formerly of

Acquitted was Felix

The star prosecution witness during the trial was Steven Charles

Dallas, who implicated the five defendants in drug deals that totaled ap.

proximately \$100,000. The five were indicted by a federal grand jury in Charlotte last February.

## Vacation Bible School Is Set

Church annual Vacation Bible School is planned for June 19-23.

Classes will begin each Also convicted, according to court records, was Tony Wayne Parker, 23, of Dallas, who was found guilty of one count and given a two-year prison sentence. He was evening at 6:30 p. m. and all children, ages 4-16, regardless of church affiliation, are invited to attend. The VBS will be con-

ducted by Evangelist Paschal Christopher and freed on \$5,000 bond. Evelio Antonio Badia, 27.

Pentecostal Holiness his family from Greenville, S. C. Rev. Christopher will also speak at evangelistic services at 7 p. m. Sat., June 24 and again at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Sun., June 25.

> VBS graduation exercises will be held on the evening of Fri., June 23.

Pentecostal Holiness Church is located at 408 Branch St. and the pastor is the Rev. Guy Roberson.

### **CHURCH YARD SALE**

Men's Sunday The School Class at Grace United Methodist Church will hold a yard sale in the church parking lot Sat., June 17 from 9 a. m. until 4 p. m. Cakes and hot dogs will also be sold to raise

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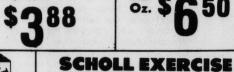
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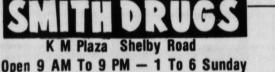














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