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## Mauney Is Charged In Shooting Of KM Cop

Preliminary hearing for Ernest Mauney, 45, charged with assault with intent to kill inflicting serious bodily injury in the shooting of Kings Mountain Police Sgt. Johnny Belk, has been set for Nov. 6 in Cleveland County District Court.

Mauney remains in Cleveland County jail in lieu of \$20,000 bond.

The former Kings Mountain resident was arrested in Blacksburg, S.C. Monday night by Cherokee County sheriff's

deputies on a warrant issued in Cleveland County. Mauney waived extradition from South Carolina and was returned to Cleveland County by Det. Sgt. Richard Reynolds of the Kings Mountain Police Department and SBI Agent James C. Woodard.

Sgt. Reynolds said the arrest is the result of intensive investigation by Kings Mountain Police Department and SBI and following completed lab analysis of evidence done by both the SBI

and FBI following a gunfight at a Kings Mountain housing complex July 7th in which four men were injured and a woman was killed.

Charged in the shooting death of Ernestine Mauney, 22, daughter of Ernest Mauney, was a man identified as a friend of the family, Henry Boone, 33, of Forest City. No date has been set for his trial on charges of second degree murder in Cleveland County Superior Court.

Sgt. Belk was hospitalized 12 days and out of work seven weeks. Although back at his job, he is still undergoing medical treatment. He had approximately 75 shotgun pellets in his legs.

The July 7th gun battle apparently began as a feud between a white family and a black family living at Chesterfield Court. Belk, city officers Gary Sale and Billy Benton responded to the shootout but were pinned down by gunfire.

### Burris Killed On Wednesday

A 36-year-old Kings Mountain man was struck and killed by a hit and run driver Wednesday morning as he was walking to a service station to get gas.

Jerold Burris, of Pine Manor Apartments, was knocked by a vehicle 60 feet, according to investigating Highway Ptl. David Thomas, as Burris and Samuel Whitworth, also of Kings Mountain, walked along the service road adjacent to U.S. 74 east of Shelby near the Highway Patrol Station.

According to Whitworth, the Burris car was out of gasoline and the two men were walking to a nearby service station when the accident occurred at 6:15 a.m. The service road is not heavily traveled, according to the investigating officer, who added that "whoever hit the man had to know that he hit him but was probably in a hurry to get to work and did not think anyone would be walking at that time of morning on the service road."

The victim was struck from behind, according to the officer. Burris was employed at Esther Mills in Shelby.

## Shields Resigns Junior High Job

Gary Shields, assistant principal at Kings Mountain Junior High for the past five years, has resigned effective Friday to return to his native Macon County as a school administrator.



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went on. "That's really what is fantastic about it. I feel like learning the curriculum at all levels will make me more able to take an administrative post in the high school, junior high, middle school or elementary level."

Shields said he will also do some "minor" farming with his father, who recently retired and operates a small farm in Macon County.

Shields came to Kings Mountain in 1973 and taught at KMHS, West and Central before earning the assistant principal's position at the junior high.

Shields cited the opportunity to work with a K-12 program and the opportunity to return to his home as the main reasons for leaving Kings Mountain.

"I regret leaving here," he said. "Kings Mountain has a fine system and I feel like I'm leaving some of the finest students in North Carolina. I hope I meet the same thing where I'm going."

Shields, who worked eight years in the local school system, said he will work with programs in all levels from kindergarten through 12th grade.

Macon County has three high schools, seven elementary schools and one middle school.

"I will become familiar with all the K-5 reading and testing programs, and those are areas I am not familiar with," Shields said. "It will be a challenge to look forward to."

"I'm going to get to know everything there is to know," he



BAPTIST ASSOCIATION MEETING—More than 350 "messengers" representing 70 Baptist churches in the KM Baptist Association gathered for a two day meeting this week at Patterson Grove Baptist Church. Front row,

from left, Joe Cabaniss, clerk-treasurer; Marion Adams, vice moderator; Dan Jolly, moderator; Back row, Richard Plyler, pastor of the host church, and Cline Borders, director of missions.

## Jolly Challenges Baptists To Begin Witnessing Locally

Rev. Dan Jolly, Moderator of the Kings Mountain Baptist Association and pastor of Zoar Baptist Church of Shelby, challenged 350-plus Baptist "messengers" representing 70 churches to "begin in the local church as a witness to the unchurched."

Mr. Jolly was the keynote speaker at the opening of the 130th annual session of the Association Tuesday afternoon at Patterson Grove Baptist Church.

The "messengers" were concluding their meeting Wednesday with the election of new officers. "We need to look again at our stewardship and at ourselves," said the minister, "and give all we have to spread the Kingdom of God."

Moderator Jolly commended the churches for their active involvement in social ministries and in its missions program, noting that he was elated that work at the local prison camp has increased over the year with regular meetings of Yokefellow Ministry every other Tuesday and assistance with church groups of volunteers. A Ministers Day in Court was also instituted this year in a highly

successful Juvenile Court Ministry, he said, and Family Life conferences were well attended, among other activities.

It was an historic moment for the association, according to platform speakers, when the group gathered recently for the associational site groundbreaking for a new building. Rev. Cline Borders, Director of Missions, said that Kings Mountain Baptist Association has turned many corners in an expanded ministry during the past year.

"With oneness of spirit we can achieve many things for the Lord and more in the coming years," said Moderator Jolly.

The 40 Baptist churches in the Kings Mountain area were host for a barbecue supper catered by Port-A-Pig Barbecue of Lattimore on the church grounds after the afternoon session.

Rev. Cline Borders gave a report on missions to highlight the evening session Tuesday and Rev. Richard Plyler, general chairman of the building fund, gave a report.

Rev. Borders cited the Mission-Vacation Tour to Nashville, Tenn. as a new step for the Association and one that "we feel was highly successful with a total of 87 attending from

22 churches." Borders said that he had questioned a report on the Baptist State Convention concerning the length of pastors to the churches and felt that the report average does not reflect pastor-church relations in the Kings Mountain Association. He said he conducted a study of pastoral tenure in the association covering a 40 year span and the church having the longest tenure averaged 17 years, nine months while the associational average was five years, two months. "I want to urge that we all join together in seeking longer tenure that is characterized by a healthy relationship, spiritual development and aggressive, realistic outreach," he added.

The 70 churches reported membership of 28,208 with 608 baptisms during the year and 788 additions. Sunday School enrollment was reported at 17,679 and grand total mission expenditure of \$1,068,763.00 with total receipts of \$5,743,098.00. The number of tithees was reported to be 4,003 and the value of church property at \$29,185,494.00. Vacation church school enrollment topped 6,502 during the year and church training enrollment numbered 3,804.



OLE, AMIGO—In celebration of National School Lunch Week, lunchroom personnel at Central School dressed up last Tuesday in Mexican costumes to serve a specially

prepared Mexican lunch to students. The children enjoyed tacos, spanish rice, mexican corn, applesauce and milk.

### CM Youth Raise Funds For UNICEF

Young people of Central United Methodist Church will be trick or treating for UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund, on Sunday afternoon.

The Kings Mountain youth will be knocking on doors in the residential areas to solicit funds to help needy children of the world. Today in over 100 developing countries, the Children's Fund is helping governments plan and establish programs in the fields of nutrition, health, education and social welfare.

The United Nations Children's Fund, unique among the organizations of the United Nations system, concerns itself exclusively with the needs and problems of the world's children.

### KIWANIS CLUB

Charles Chivers will be guest speaker on the topic, "Gaston County Crime Prevention Unit" at Thursday's Kiwanis Club meeting at 6:45 p.m. at the Woman's Club.

## James Watson To Speak At KM Rotary Club Meeting

James H. Watson, Headmaster at Patterson School in Lenoir, will be guest speaker at Thursday's meeting of the Kings Mountain Rotary Club at 12 noon at the KM Country Club.

Mr. Watson will speak on a program arranged by Thomas L. Trotter, an alumnus of the school.

Born in Kingsport, Tenn., Mr. Watson attended Marion Military Academy and obtained his B.S. and Master's degrees from the University of Alabama and completed graduate work at Appalachian State University. He was formerly on the staff of Carlisle Military Academy and before that worked in Washington, D.C. for Senator Armisted Seldon of Alabama.

Watson joined Patterson School in 1976 and during the past four years has seen many improvements in the traditional accredited Episcopal College Preparatory School on Route 5, Lenoir.

Patterson's Headmaster is chairman of a committee of the Office of Non-Public Education, a branch of the Governor's office.

The Patterson School was



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founded in 1909 through the generosity of Samuel Legerwood Patterson, to the Episcopal Church for the establishment of a residential preparatory school for boys. Today, the student body is composed of boarding boys and co-ed day students in grades 7-12 who come from the U.S. and many foreign countries.