



**FOSTER PARENTS HONORED** - Foster parents of Cleveland County were honored Saturday night at Oak Grove Baptist Church. From left, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burgess, foster parents to 130 children in 21 years, Bob Davis, making presentation. Mrs. Sarah Hogue, a foster parent for 27 years and Mrs. Barbara Mode of the Family and Children Services of Cleveland County.

## Foster Parents Honored

Foster Parent Appreciation Dinner was held Saturday evening at Oak Grove Baptist Church for the foster parents of the Cleveland County Department of Social Services. The event was sponsored by Oak Grove Baptist Church, Rev.

Mike Goudelock, Pastor, and by the Kings Mountain Baptist Association, Rev. Bob Davis, Director of Christian Social Ministries.

Hal Smith, Director of the Cleveland County Department of Social Services, was guest speaker for the dinner.

Mrs. Barbara Mode, Supervisor of Family and Children Services and Rev. Bob Davis made presentations of plaques to Mrs. Sarah Hogue for serving as a foster parent for 27 years and to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burgess for serving 130 children in the 21 years they have been foster parents.

This was the first public expression of appreciation that has ever been given the foster parents of Cleveland County. There are a total of 49 families who serve as foster parents in Cleveland County.

Sixty-five persons attended the dinner.

### Police Report Vandalism

Kings Mountain Police are investigating several reports of larcenies and vandalism which occurred during the weekend.

Jud Brown of Route 1, Cherryville, reported the theft of a battery valued at \$50.

Anthony Glenn of 1600 Northwoods Dr. reported the windshield of his car broken. Damage was estimated at \$400.

A 1978 Jeep was stolen during a break-in at Nation Chevrolet on S. Railroad Ave.

A break-in was reported to a warehouse at Family Storage Center, Charles St. rented by Dorothy Webber of 1312 Northwoods Dr. Stolen was furniture valued at \$1,099, police said.

## Foote Request Granted

Foote Mineral Company has been granted an administrative hearing on its request for variance from a fluoride water quality standards, according to Edwin L. Gavin II, Environmental Enforcement Officer with the N.C. Department of Natural Resources & Community Development.

A pre-hearing conference will be held at the department's Raleigh office in early December.

Foote Mineral Company made the request for variances on May 19.

Mr. Gavin said that representatives of the local company, including its legal counsel, will be included in the conference with staff personnel and attorneys representing the department. The purpose of such a meeting, said Gavin, is to identify those specific issues of fact and law, if

any, which are to be the subject of an administrative hearing. If there are no such issues, this request may be resolved by stipulations or other agreements of the parties, he said.

Under North Carolina En-

vironmental Management Commission rules which establishes procedures for handling requests for variances, Foote Mineral was granted its request for an administrative hearing on the variance matter.

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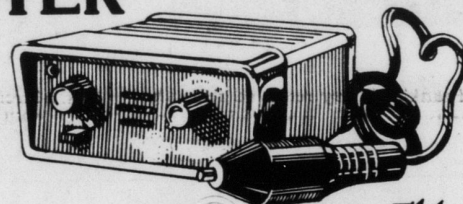
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