

Willie Ramsey **Funeral Rites**

Funeral services for Willie An-thony Ramsey, 52, were conduct-ed Wednesday afternoon at 4 0'-clock from First Baptist church, with interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery. Mr. Ramsey Bessemen City

Mr. Ramsey, Bessemer City textile employee and former own-er of Bonnie Mill Store, died en route to Kings Mountain hospital Monday afternoon after wound Coroner J. Ollie Harris, after

an investigation, ruled the death a suicide and said no inquest would be necessary. He was aided in the investigation by Chief of Police Hugh A. Logan, Jr., and Officer Paul Saunders.

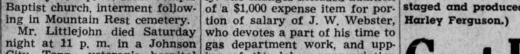
The shooting occurred about 4:45 p. m. in the bedroom of the Ramsey residence on Maple street. Two children, Delbert Ramsey and Mrs. Shirley Bell, Ellison objected to suspension of and a neighbor, Mrs. Robert the brush-hauling service, but a-Ware, were in the kitchen at the greed that the city sanitary detime. The victim was pronounced partment should not be expected to remove large trees nor debris dead on arrival at the hospital. from lot-cleanings preparatory to Coroner Harris said members of his family told him Mr. Ramsey had previously threatened cated that shrub trimmings and

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Onice Falls Ramsey, his parents, ed from residences, with Wednesdays designated as the day for this particular job. Mayor Brid-Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ramsey, ges had indicated suspension of the service, on the grounds the Washington, D. C.; three sons, city couldn't afford the cost of twice-weekly garbage collections, a daughter, Mrs. Shirley Bell, of plus brush-removal service. The police department cut-back was tabled for action at Thursday night's regular meeting. Chief Hugh A. Logan, Jr., is to

Washington, D. C., Mrs. Harvy Mangum, Clarksville, Ga., Miss Irene Ramsey, Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. Lucille Wright, Kings make recommendation on layoff of three to conform with bud-Mountain; and five grandchil. get parings, Final action will be

taken by the commissioners. dren. The funeral service was con-ducted by Paul Johnson, educa-tional director of First Baptist church, assisted by Rev. Yancey Carter. Mr. Yelton, currently employed by J. D. Lowder construction company, was employed at a sa-lary of \$350 per month, same a-mount paid his predecessor, E. C. Nicholson. He is expected to assume the duties about August 1.

Only other applicant for the po-sition was B. O. Weaver. OPENING NIGHT NEAR FOR BATTLE DRAMA - In modern dress of Bermuda shorts and long plaid socks, Cynthia Plott resembles a The board also finally adopted, with two amendments and subpictured at the ticket booth of Kings Mountain National Military Funeral services for Charles H. Littlejohn, 67, were conducted Tuesday at 2 p. m, from Temple Baptist church, interment follow-ing in Mountain Best comparent



For 1955 Roles

The cast of "The Sword of Gi-

Police Roster Paring, Reports **On City Agenda**

The city board of commission-ers will convene again Thursday night at 8 o'clock for the regular monthly session, with one of the principal items on the agenda the prospective paring of the police department roster to eleven.

The matter was tabled at last Thursday's special meeting of the commissioners.

Last Friday Mrs. Juanita Falls, desk sergeant on the day shift, was discharged. Chief Hugh Lo-gan said Mrs. Falls was asked to resign, but declined.

Two policemen thus face discharge Thursday night, but the identity of the two could not be learned from Chief Logan, who will be asked to recommend the two men for discharge, nor from the five city commissioners, who will accept or reject the Logan recommendation.

Commissioner W. G. Grantham said he would support the Logan recommendation, though he didn't know what the recommendation would be. Mr. Grantham said he felt it poor administrative policy to over-ride decisions of department heads.

The paring could be avoided only by changes in the 1955-56 budget which has been tentatively adopted with a police depart-ment appropriation providing for "Will the budget be discussed further Thursday night," Mayor Bridges was asked. He said he doubted it would be.

Mayor Bridges said the remainder of the agenda for the meeting bonnie lass from Scotland, out of the Revolutionary era, as she is day morning. appeared routine, as of Wedness

At the monthly meeting, the Park amphitheatre, where the outdoor historical drama "Sword of board customarily approves min-Gideon" will open for a 15-performance season on the night of July utes of previous special meetings 14. The drama, commemorating the Battle of Kings Mountain, is held during the month, receives staged and produced by Kings Mountain Little Theatre. (Photo by monthly reports from department heads, and other related business

Tabled last week was suggestion by Chief Logan for installa-

program of singing Sunday, it was announced by Rev. Earl M. **On N. Watterson** Redding, pastor. The church is located near the former Dixon Rev. P. D. Patrick and C. D.

side of Watterson street.

within two years.

Local News Crawford, Gantt

Bulletins To Build Homes

Partners Plan

Blanton will attend a two day meeting of Presbytery Synod at Barium Springs Orphanage next Tuesday and Wednesday.

ATTEND SYNOD

HOMECOMING Love Valley Baptist church will hold homecoming services with dinner and an afternoon

AT CONVENTION

school on route two.

W. A. Childers attended a convention of Carolinas Roofing, Heating, and Sheet Metal worker's in session June 30-July 3 at Myrtle Beach, S. C.

LEGION MEETING

Regular July meeting of A-merican Legion Post 155 will be held at the Legion Hall Friday at 8 p. m. according to an-nouncement by W. D. (Red) Morrison, commander.

TO CONVENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Harmon will leave Thursday for Winston - Salem, where they will attend the annual convention of the North Carolina Press association.

HARRIS BETTER

Ollie Harris, Jr., hospitaliz-ed since last Friday with a throat infection at Kings Mountain hospital, was repor-ted improved Wednesday and expected to return Thursday to Columbia, S. C., where he is en-rolled in summer school.

NO TYPING CLASS

The city schools will not be able to offer a summer course in typing, Supt. B. N. Barnes said yesterday, due to insufficient registrations. Mr. Barnes said an effort to organize a class in the fall, perhaps to be taught at night, may be made.

GOFORTHS MOVE

Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Goforth, Jr., have occupied their newly completed home on Shelby

sioners has set a minimum gas tap fee of \$30, three times the "bargain" tap fee charged dur-Wilson Crawford and W. M. Gantt, Kings Mountain business-men, expect to build a 34-house ing the construction of the natural gas distribution system, but considerably less than the indicated tap fee of \$55 to \$75. The fee set by the board on unanimous action is \$30 for residential development on N. Watterson street within the next 12 months, the partners told the city board of commissioners last service up to 60 feet, plus a half-dollar for each additional Thursday morning. Mr. Crawford made the state-

34-House Project For 60-Foot Line

foot required. ment to the commissioners in Gas Supt. Vincent Beachum the course of a request by him and Mr. Gantt for utilities sersaid departmental experience indicated \$30 would cover cost of a 60-foot installation. vice. He said ten houses for re-sale to private owners will be

built "at once" and that the oth-ers will be built as demand de-velopes, which he anticipated would be within the year. He said Hit By Racer

Gas Tap Fee \$30

The city board of commis-

the partners have completed a-greement to purchase property from W. A. Williams on the east of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn R. Carroll, Benfield rd., Cora Mill, was criti-After considerable discussion. the commissioners voted unanimously to furnish water, sew-age, electrical and natural gas cally injured Monday afternoon when struck by a race car at Gaffney, S. C. service on Watterson street im-

mediately and to other streets in the proposed development as the houses with his truth of July stock car racthe houses are constructed. The board also entered into an arree. board also entered into an agreeticipating in the races. His father ment on street - paving with Mr. Crawford and Mr. Gantt, wherereported that the car which struck the boy ran off the track by the partnership will pave the into a crowd of racers in the instreets, with the city to re-im-burse the partnership its onefield who were preparing their cars for the next races. Carroll third pro rata share of the cost and his brothers were working on the Carroll vehicle, it was report-

Mr. Crawford had explained that the development would be FMA-financed and that proof of, dept for the car when the acci-



that the development would be FMA-financed and that proof of availability of facilities is requir ed before final approval of finan-cing could be obtained from FHA. The board action on utilities and on the paving agreement was made on motion of Commissioner J. H. Patterson, with Commis-sioner O. T. Hayes, Sr., seconding. To objections on grounds of availability of funds for the city services, Mr. Crawford told the board, "The city is trying to grow, the first time I can remem-ber, and I've lived here all my life. It's up to you gentlemen to decide whether this potential growth will be pushed forward water for the car when the acci-dent occurred. The youth was struck by a No. 5 car driven by a Kannapolis man. No charges were preferred. Carroll is a patient in Cherokee County, S. C., hospital where he is receiving treatment for a frac-tured skull, a broken leg, and left lung injuries. His condition is slightly improved. Foote To Appeal Foote Mineral Company will

Dean, Delbert and Billy Gene Ramsey, all of Kings Mountain; Kings Mountain; a brother, Burel Ramsey, Silver Springs, Md.; four sisters, Mrs. Bonnie Adams,

Brush Removal Service Of City ing himself in the right side of the chest with a .32-caliber pistol. To Be Continued

The city board of commissioners voted last Thursday to emcutting the police department roster, and failed to discontinue its brush-removal service.

IN NEW HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Goter and family moved last Friday into their new home on Hillside Drive in Crescent Hill. The Goters formerly resided at Mauney Apartments on W. Mountain street.

KIWANIS MEETING

Kings Mountain Kiwanis club will hold their regularly weekly meeting with a Barbe cue supper at the picnic grounds at Lake Montonia Thursday night at 7 o'clock. Wives and guests are invited to the Barbecue.

MOOSE MEETING

Members of the Kings Mountain Moose Lodge No. 1748 will hold their regular meeting Thursday night at 8:15 at the lodge on Bessemer City road.

METER RECEIPTS

Receipts from city parking meters for the week ending Wednesday at noon totaled \$160.21, Miss Grace Carpenter, of city clerk's office, reported.

Mr. and Mrs. Kincaid Leave For Europe

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold W. Kincaid left Wednesday for New York, prior to leaving Monday

for a European tour. The Kincaids will travel via Royal Sabena Airlines, to Man-Mountain. chester, England, and will spend several days touring Scotland and ried with two children. England before going to Holland, Germany, Switzerland and France. colnton.

Mr. and Mrs. Kincaid expect to arrive on the return flight to New York on July 28.

June Postal Receipts Show Big Increase

Receipts during June at Kings Mountain postoffice showed a healthy increase over last June, and the added total almost wiped out lower figures for other mon-

the during the second quarter. Acting Postmaster W. T. Weir said June receipts totaled \$5,794,-29, or \$832.83 more than the total for June 1954.

Quarterly totals showed the se-cond quarter of 1954 receipts slightly ahead, with \$14,053.66, compared to \$13,779.48 for the months ending last Thursushed forward

suggested that the city agree only to furnish services for Watterson Eadie had ruled that Martin was street, but Mr. Crawford said this fired last August 5 because of his portion would serve only five membership in and activities on houses, with eight "already spok-behalf of the United States Steelen for". The Mayor also noted a dirt-filling problem is involved, workers of America (CIO.) Jim Castle, Foote's general and Mr. Gantt said the partners would supply the engineering to determine the requirements. will appeal the decision to fed-eral court.



RALEIGH - State Highway vaccinations as soon as more vaccine is obtained, Mrs. Eliza-Patrol headquarters announced recently the appointment of 15 beth Scruggs, of the health de-rookie troopers to fill existing partment, said Wednesday. Mrs. Scruggs said Dr. Z. P. Mitvacancies in patrol ranks. Among the newcomers was chell, Cleveland County health Jack J. Reynolds, 29, of 401 W. officer, was advised this week chell, Cleveland County health Mountain Street, Kings Moun- by Dr. J. W. R. Norton, state

board of health, that release of Patrolman Reynolds was sworn the vaccine is expected within in by Secretary of State Thad 30 days. Eure at ceremonies in Patrol Commander James R. Smith's of-Resumption of the vaccination

schedule of school children will probably begin July 25 when county schools convene for sum-He is a 1942 graduate of Cen

tral High School and was former-ly employed by Belk's in Kings mer terms, she said.

LIONS MEETING Trooper Reynolds is a World War II Navy veteran. He is mar-

Regular Lions meeting will be held Tuesday night at 7:00 o'clock at Masonic hall. The program will be presented by members of the 1955-56 pro-Patrol headquarters said h will be assigned to duty in Lingram committee.



Both the front-runners in the drop both games the club would Kings Mountain Little League lost games June 30 as Kiwanis defeated Burlington and Jaycees place. That contest, if needed, downed Park Grace.

lowned Park Grace. K. E. (Red) Morrison, presi-Mr. Morrison also announced K. E. (Red) Morrison, presi-dent of the league, has announc-ed that Burlington and Park Grace must re-play a pair of tie games to determine the final standings. The two clubs are scheduled to play on Tuesday and Wednes-day at the Little League field in the make-up games. If Burlington currently in.second place, should

Foote Mineral Company will City, Tenn., veteran's hospital ing of the labor appropriation or held back." He noted that the development would add a sizeable total to the Labor Relations board to reem-ty, S. C., he was a former mail plained that the \$2400 would covtax valuation of the city, and ploy Robert P. Martin, discharg-would add customers for both ed last summer. (in the addition of the city, and customers for both ed last summer.) (in the city of the

les Littlejohn, Denver, Colo., John Littlejohn, Charlotte, and Bobby Littlejohn, Kings Mounprovide operating funds until the 1955-56 budget is adopted finally. tain, four daughters, Miss Betty The action provides that prior Littlejohn, Charlotte, Mrs. Nell year appropriations will limit ex-Stacey, Mrs. Peggy Fraley, and penditures Miss Mary Littlejohn, all of is enacted. penditures until the new budget The board confirmed a long

public improvements assessment scroll totaling more than \$11,000.

Only one protestant appeared for deon" this summer contains a the formal hearing, J. P. Lackey number of familiar faces blended stating that work fronting Lac-key property on Ramseur street the National Military Park Amhad been done without his prior phitheatre. knowledge. He questioned whe-

ther the original petition covered on the famous Battle of Kings a majority of the property. May Mountain will be a group of seaor Bridges said it did. In other actions the board:

1) Approved advertising for fourth or fifth season, a few newbids for sale of the enclosed garbage truck the city has used for drama, and a group of college several years, but delayed action dramatics students. As in years on a proposal to get a new bed for a city dump truck at net cost

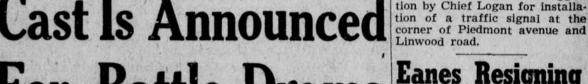
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Betty Vance Wins leading roles. Scholarship

At the commencement exerci ses at Meredith College, Raleigh North Carolina, Miss Betty Vanthis year serving as the drama's weeks, after remodeling of the

beth Elam of Kings Mountain. Miss Vance is a member of

and Student Government Council for next year. During the summer she is serving as water-front director at Sky Ranch summer camp for physically handicapped children at Blowing



Yelton Named Public Works

power and natural gas, two city profit-making functions. Pleading lack of available funds, Mayor Glee Bridges first suggested that the city agree only to furnish servises for Watterson **Eanes Resigning** New Performers, City To Return

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Veterans Listed To Metal Car Tag

Kings Mountain motorists will get an old-fashioned city auto tag for their dollar. in 1956.

The board of commissioners voted unanimously last Thursday morning to return to the strip metal tag used until 1954, when the city switched to decaltype window stickers.

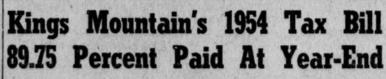
Appearing in the drama based The city expects to obtain its single tags from the North Carolina prison department and will order it in colors to soned veterans who are repeating roles, in some instances, for the harmonize with North Carolina's 1956 auto tag. comers to the world of outdoor

Imperial Theatre past, the cast comes from many **To Reopen Thursday** communities in this area, yet di-

rector Dan Bly stated that this The Imperial Theatre, after be-ing closed for several weeks for Rites Conducted season a larger number of Kings Mountain citizens will appear in remodeling will re-open Thursday

Local actors repeating characterizations from previous years ager of the theatre, announced. are: Susan Moss, playing the fe- The theatre, Mr. Webb said The theatre, Mr. Webb said, male lead, Sally, for the second will operate temporily on a weekyear; Meek Carpenter, a five- end schedule, on Thursday, Friyear veteran of the project, and days, and Saturdays. In several

general manager as well; Dr. building has been completed, a Philip Padgett, now in his fourth full schedule will be resumed, Mr. Continued On Page Eight Webb said.



Kings Mountain citizens paid, for 1953 and other prior years. 89.75 percent of their gross 1954 Mr. Carpenter's report shows tax bill during the fiscal year ended June 30, City Tax Supervi-ted from the 1954 levy.

He reminded taxpavers that sor Clarence E. Carpenter said advertising of real estate for sale

due to unpaid 1954 taxes will be-Noting that the final figures are subject to re checking, Mr. will be waited soon and letters tain, two step-brothers, three Carpenter said preliminary totals will be mailed soon to persons Carpenter said preliminary totals show total payments during the year of \$147,648.06 against the gross levy of \$164,510.08. The to-tal levy includes the \$2 poll tax. In addition, the tax office gave the delinquent taxes on personreceipts for \$6,207.83 in taxes al property.

Thomas Eanes, minister of music at First Presbyterian church, has accepted a position with First Methodist church, Houston, Texas, and will complete his duties here next week.

Mr. Eanes will give an organ recital at morning church ser-vices Sunday at 11 o'clock. He joined the Kings Mountain chur-ch staff last September, succeeding Franklin Pethel.

A graduate of Furman University, Greenville, S. C., Mr. Eanes attended the Chaplain's School of William and Mary College, Virginia, while serving in the navy for two years, and studied one summer at Union Seminary School of Sacred Music, New York. He has worked as a vocal coach and accompanist for singers of opera and oratorio and spent six seasons as coach and assistant conductor of the opera company at

Chautauqua, New York.

for business. Claude Webb, man-ager of the theatre, announced. For Mr. Layton

Funeral rites for James (Wash) Layton, 64, were con-ducted Tuesday at 4 p. m. from St. Matthew's Lutheran church, interment following in Mountain Rest cemetery.

Mr. Layton died Sunday at 4 p. m. at his home at 404 Wilson street of a heart condition. He had been ill for three months. A native of Rutherford county he had lived in Kings Mountain almost all his life.

He was a former employee of Bonnie Mills and was a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran chur-

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Hattie Randall Layton, stepmother, Mrs. Minnie Layton, of Rutherfordton, one son, James G. (Red) Layton, of Kings Mounstep-sisters, and four grandchil-

dren. Rev. R. D. Fritz conducted the final rites.

Pallbearers were Roy Howard, Herschel Elgin, T. C. McKee, William Cashion, Ray Cline, and Gus Kiser.

Elam and the late Mr. Elam of nae Association to the most out standing member of the, rising senior class. It was the first time the award

Kings Mountain, was awarded the Ida Poteat Scholarship given each year by the Meredith Alum-

has been given to a daughter of a Meredith graduate. Mrs. Vance is the former Miss Mary Eliza-

Kappa Nu Sigma, scholastic honor society; Silver Shield, hon-orary leadership society; and is president of the student body

Employment in Kings Mountain remained relatively constant in June, with a slight dropoff in total claims for unemploy ment compensation, regarded as a major barometer of economic well-being. Franklin Ware, manager of the

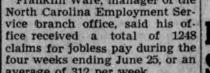
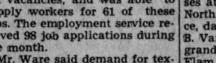


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average of 312 per week. Meantime, the employment service received 85 requests to

fill vacancies, and was able to supply workers for 61 of these



jobs. The employment service re-ceived 98 job applications during the month. ce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zeb B. Vance of Macon, Ga., and granddaughter of Mrs. Richard F. jobs. The employment service re-Mr. Ware said demand for textile and construction employees remained constant during the

month, with the only noticeable drop-off in demand for domestic workers. He noted this is not uncommon during summer months

Air-Conditioning Work Proceeding

Installation of air-conditioning units at Kings Mountain hospital is underway and the cut-on should be ready by next week, Business Manager Grady Howard said

Wednesday. L. A. Hoke, Kings Mountain electrical contractor, was low bidder on the wiring contract. Individual room units are being installed in all the patient room of the present plant.

Jack Reynolds New Patrolman Cleveland County health office expects to resume Salk anti-polio