

### First Baptist Church To Observe Family Night At Service Wednesday

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GROVER — Circle No. 1 of Shiloh Presbyterian church met at the home of Mrs. S. A. Crisp Monday afternoon.

Circle No. 2 met at the manse with Mrs. J. T. Howell, Jr., as hostess. Mrs. Holmes Harry, chairman, presided over the meeting. Mrs. Fain Hambricht is secretary-treasurer of the circle.

Wednesday, January 11 will be family night at the First Baptist church. A covered dish supper will be served. Mrs. D. A. Moss will show a film on Indians.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Harry, Sr., had all the members of their family with them for a holiday dinner on Monday. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Don Harry and family of Charlotte, Phil Harry of Pensacola, Fla., and a friend, J. H. Cattrell of California, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McCarter and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Harry, Jr., and children, Mrs. Donald Woods and Terry, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Harry and Ronnie of Tampa Fla., didn't get home for the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Haga and two sons of Washington, D. C., returned home after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hicks.

Dr. and Mrs. Hoyle Lee and Janet of Columbia, S. C., were recent guests of Mrs. Maude Hamrick.

Mrs. Maude Hamrick with her guests spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell in Newell.

Mrs. E. B. Crane, Sr., of Greenville, S. C., spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hambricht.

Mrs. J. B. Hambricht and Miss Bally Hambricht of Clover, S. C., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hambricht on Sunday.

Mrs. Beatha George is visiting

### Boy Scout News

Girl Scout Troop 11 of Central Methodist church met December 19th at Central Methodist church. President Beth Houser called the meeting to order. Relays were held after the business session. Members made angels and refreshments were served. Beth Houser, president, Patty Howard, secretary, and Sara Del Hendricks, reporter.

### H. B. Hoffman Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Harvey B. Hoffman, 78, former Cleveland county citizen and father of Mrs. John Queen of Kings Mountain, were held Wednesday morning at Zion Hill Baptist church. Burial was made in the church cemetery.

Mr. Hoffman, a retired farmer, died early Tuesday morning at his home in Rock Hill, S. C. He had been ill for the past six weeks.

Other survivors include his wife, Mrs. Ida Ramsey Hoffman; two sons, John and Oliver Hoffman, both of Concord; and three daughters, Mrs. T. E. Neal, Mrs. Andrew Komar and Miss Ethel Hoffman, all of Rock Hill. Also surviving are 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 10 o'clock Sunday at the home of Mrs. Hoffman and were accompanied by the girls home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Blalock entertained members of her family at a dinner Thursday evening. Among those present were, Mrs. J. B. Royster and Mrs. Laura who have just returned from Alaska, Mr. and Mrs. George Royster of Gaffney, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Royster, Mike and Steve, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Royster, Sr. and Grier Royster.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Hardin and sons of Landrum, route 2 were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hardin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Moard of Virginia spent the holidays with Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Howell, Jr.

Miss Janet Paige of Shelby was guest of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Goforth Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Wilson of Great Falls, S. C., spent the holidays with Misses Anne and Sally Davis.

The following college students will return to college this week: Charles E. Sheppard, John Houser and Ray Goforth to University of S. C., Dean Westmoreland and Jackie Bob Pinkelton, UNC, Bill Cockrell, Clemson, Andy Cockrell, Duke, Peggy Keeter, Tommy Keeter, Rachel Hardin, to ASTC, Boone, Sue Keeter, Faye Houser and Ann Davis, Lees-McRae, Donald Hyde, P. C. Clinton, USC, Jean Allen, Cullowhee, Phil Gold, Greenville, and Cobie Goforth, Wofford.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cockrell and family spent the weekend visiting with relatives in Statesville. Miss Myrtle Jones and Mrs. E. W. Jones of Statesville spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cockrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim White of Raleigh were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert White.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Taylor and children and Mrs. Grant Curje and daughter returned to their homes in Como after spending the week with Mrs. S. B. Crocker.

Mr. and Mrs. Stough Wright and Arlene returned from St. Petersburg, Fla., on Friday where they visited Mrs. Wright's dad.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Meharg and sons returned to home in Macon Ga., after a visit with her mother Mrs. R. E. Hambricht.

Miss Lula Fain of Murphy is visiting her sister Mrs. R. E. Hambricht.

Mrs. Thomas Martin and children of Spartanburg were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Gold.

### C & D Report Shows Piedmont Gain Nn New State-Wide Industries

RALEIGH — Investment-wise as well as job-wise, 1955 was a better year for industrial development in North Carolina than was 1954, the Department of Conservation and Development announced today.

A comprehensive and year-long survey, preliminary in scope and subject to change with receipt of delayed reports, shows \$115,320,000 earmarked for investment in new plants and plant expansions in the State during 1955 as compared with \$112,901,000 in 1954. In all, there were 329 new plants and expansions announced in 1955 as compared with 271 in 1954.

Jobwise, the proposed investments, highlighted by the \$20 million plant of General Electric Company in the Hickory-Newton area, will provide employment for an estimated 19,348 persons as compared with 17,200 in 1954.

The survey, C&D Director William P. Saunders emphasized, was conducted throughout the year by the Department's Commerce and Industry Division with the aid of industrialists, local development organizations, Chambers of Commerce throughout the State, and nationally recognized reporting organizations.

Saunders was high in his praise of "the well-considered decisions of industrialists in selecting North Carolina sites for new plants and the decisive actions being taken by our old and long-established industries to expand their present operations by modernization of their manufacturing facilities."

The C&D director also praised local industrial development groups, individuals, and Chambers of Commerce for "the great work they have done—and the work they will do—to help make North Carolina a greater State and provide a more abundant life for all its people."

New plants announced for the State during 1955 totaled 122, with investments of \$48,808,000, employment of 8,691, and a potential annual payroll of \$24,199,000. Expansions totaled 207, with investments of \$66,512,000, employment of 10,657, and a potential annual payroll of \$27,742,000.

In 1954, there were 131 new plants announced, with investments of \$66,512,000, employment of 11,544, and a potential annual payroll of \$28,323,000. Expansions totaled 140, with investments of \$44,279,000, employment of 5,656, and a potential annual payroll of \$12,921,000.

Analyses of the reports show the Piedmont area again led other sections of the State in new industries, but not by the overwhelming majority noted in previous years. Sixtythree percent of the new plants for 1955 are in the Piedmont, 24 percent in the Eastern section, and 13 percent in the western area.

Rater according to investment involved the Piedmont area accounts for 82 percent of the total, but this high percentage is boosted by the General Electric Company's investment of \$20 million or more in its new pole-type transformer plant in the Hickory-Newton area. Thirteen percent of the new plant investments are in the East and five percent in the West.

Employment-wise, 55 percent of the potential new employment is in the Piedmont area plants, 32 percent in the eastern section and 13 percent in the western.

While textile plants continued to lead the procession in industrial development in North Carolina during 1955 with approximately 26 percent of the new plants, they account for only about 16

### El-Bethel-Bethware News

(Mrs. Leonard Gamble)

EL-BETHEL — The El-Bethel Home Demonstration club of El-Bethel will hold its first meeting of the year January 20th at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Fred Anthony.

Saturday night at 7:30 p. m. Misses Barbara Gamble and Pat Foster entertained a group of their friends at a New Years Eve party at Barbara's home. Games were enjoyed and other activities, refreshments were passed until the New Year came in. Seventeen friends were present.

John H. Rudisill, principal of Bethware school was a patient last week in Charlotte Memorial Hospital. He is improving fast.

Mrs. Myrtle Eaker, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Eaker and children visited Mrs. Aly Costner, Sunday, of Lawndale, Mrs. Costner, mother of Mrs. Eaker, had just returned to her home from the Shelby hospital.

Jack Harmon, student at Gardner-Webb college returned to his studies Monday after spending the holidays here with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Claude Harmon.

Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Barber returned home from Greensboro Friday after spending several days there with their daughter

### Holiday Season Ups Arrest Totals Here

The holiday season saw a big jump in the number of persons arrested and processed through the Kings Mountain Police department.

A total of 147 persons were arrested during the month of December, 54 of them for public drunkenness.

This included all arrests made by city, county and state law enforcement officers in this area and booked at city hall.

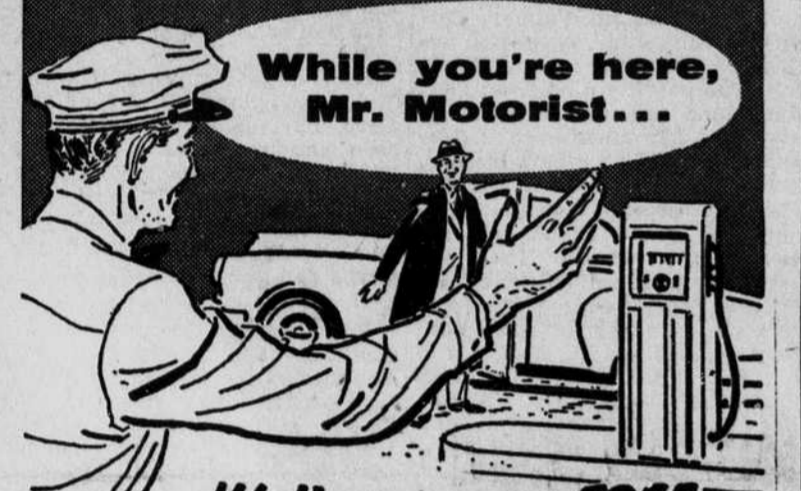
A complete break-down of the arrests is as follows:

Public Drunkenness, 54; Violation of Motor Vehicle Laws, 34; Violating Prohibition Laws, 11; Drunk Driving, 8; Possession of Firearms, 6; Larceny, 4; Capias, 3; Assault on Female, 2; Assault, 2; Breaking & Entering, 2; Forgery, 2; Juvenile Delinquent, 2; Investigation, 2; Affray, 2.

One person was arrested on each of these charges:

Carrying Concealed Weapon, Damage to Personal Property, Indecent Exposure, Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Assault with Intent to Kill, Profane & Indecent Language, Using Firearms in City Limits, Trespass, Disorderly Conduct, Resisting an Officer, Failure to pay Tax, Foultry Act, Disposing of Mortgage Property.

thony returned Sunday to Lowry Air Force Base at Denver, Colo.



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**First National Bank**  
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**Pre-Inventory Sale**

All Items In Store Reduced

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We're talking about savers.

Kings Mountain Building & Loan association enjoyed a big growth during 1955 in both the volume of savings accounts and in total number of persons on our savings list.

During 1955, the number of persons holding savings accounts in this association increased to 893 compared to only 715 at the end of the previous year.

That means we only need 107 to reach the 1,000-mark. Of course, we don't want to stop there, but that's our immediate goal.

Why open a savings account?

There are many reasons. Among them is the advantage savers get by establishing a fast-growing nest egg which enables them to make down payments on new homes, new cars, or the youngster's education. Another reason is to prepare an umbrella for raising on a rainy day. Another reason is to earn additional money through our liberal sharing of earnings. Just last week, the association paid dividends for the last six months of the year totaling \$19,647.56. Our current dividend rate is 3%.

Join our growing savings group today. You'll be glad that you did.

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