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Seventy-Second Year

PRICE TEN CENTS

Double Murder Suspect Is Slain In Cherryville

FAIRVIEW LODGE Regular communication of Fairview Lodge 339 AF & AM

will be held at Masonic Hall Monday night at 7:30 p. m. New officers of the lodge will be elected for the 1962 year.

Rev. P. D. Patrick, former Kings Mountain minister, is seriously ill and is a patient at Emory Hospital in Decatur, Ga. Mr. Patrick was admitted to the hospital last Wednes-day. His son, Lawrence Pat-rick, said yesterday his condi-tion seemed to be somewhat improved, though serious.

Jay C. McElroy, superintendent of Station 145 of Transcontinental Pipe Line Corpera-tion, will show the film, "Gift From the Earth", at Thursday night's Kiwanis club meeting. The club convenes at 6:45 p m. at City Hall.

BAKE SALE Kings Mountain Garden club is sponsoring a Christmas bake sale on Saturday from 9 until 11:30 a.m. at Plonk

TO GERMANY Mrs. Edmond K. Almond, the former Paula Cole, will leave New York by plane Sat-urday for Germany, where she will join her husband who is on duty with the United States air force. They will reside at Wiesbodon.

Mountain Optimist will have no dinner meeting this Thursday. Members are asked to eat at home and meet at the First Baptist Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p. m. to go as a group to Shelby to tour the Pittsburgh Plate Glass plant. Arrangements for the tour were made by Jim Connor.

PERMIT ISSUED A building permit was is-sued Wednesday to Otis Cole to erect a one-story residence on Mitchell Street. Estimated cost of the five-room structure is \$3,500. Contractor for the job Best Homes, Inc.

FIRE City firemen were called to Mauney Mills Monday at 5:00 p. m. to douse a blaze which started in the motor of a ma-chine. Fireman T. C. McKee reported the fire was extinguished speedilly, but not be-fore it wreaked some damage. He said the damage report pends insurance estimates.

BUY A CAN Carroll Ledford, Jaycee Buy a Can Chairman, reported Wednesday the annual Jayplaced in Kings Mountain food stores this weekend. Jaycees encourage all, when purchasparcel and drop it in the box. Food thus collected will be distributed to needy families during the holiday season.

IN NEW HOME
The F. Eugene Gladden family last week ocupied their new residence at 211 Bridges street. They formerly resided at 605 Meadowbrook roac.

R. B. Grigg's Rites Thursday

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Local News Mauney-Carolina Throwing Second Fracas Bulletins Pledges Boost United Fund

Pledges \$2702; Cash, Pledges Now Top \$7,000

pledge and collection total soated this week with the pledge of \$2,702.09 jointly by Mauney Hosiery Mills and Carolina Throw-

The pledge is a combined effort of the firms and their em-

The pledge brought the total of cash collected and pledges to \$7,309.09. The United Fund is seeking a goal of \$16,446.

Of the total \$7,309.09, the fund has \$4,031 in cash. The remaining \$3,278.09 is in pledges.

the fund drive, reported Wednesday he had also received a check from Burlington Industries for yet been received.

Stressing one goal, one donation, the drive seeks what it terms a fair donation from all citizens. Sylvia West Hourly workers are asked to contribute 12 hours pay for the year. Salaried workers are asked to

Mountain folk. The agencies in clude: Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Kings Mountain Band Association, Kings Mountain Chapter of the American Red Cross, Jacob Manney Memorial Library Memorial Library

contacted in the business district rating. campaign: However, Mr. Gilles-

Other officers of the United

Pearl Harbor Hit 20 Years Ago

ch and enjoyed the usual Sun-Friday. day dinner repast when radio newsmen began interrupting regular programs with first news of the attack on Pearl Harbor by the Japanese navy air arm.

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gress and President Roosevelt didn't get through formalizing open Monday through Saturday the war until 4:10 the following until 8:00 p. m.



B. W. Gillespie, chairman of IN WHO'S WHO - Miss Sylvia College, is among students of the Christmas - season traffic safety and lost some teeth. \$300, as a company contribution. nation named to "Who's Who in campaign to be launched Sun-The employees pledge has not American Colleges and Universiday.

In Who's Who

the American Red Cross, Jacob
S. Mauney Memorial Library,
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Cleveland County Life - Saving
and Rescue Squad, and the State

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urer of the French Club; member of the Greek Council and treas
urer of Alpha Phi Sigman, the
latter a national honorary scholastic society whose membership Association for the Blind. lastic society whose membership is limited to students who maining conducted, UF officials sur-mising the breadwinners will be out of a possible 4.0 quality point

Students are chosen for "Who's pie asks that anyone not con- Who" on the basis of scholartacted who wishes to contribute ship, leadership, outstanding can do so by forwarding a check qualities of character and perto the United Fund Campaign, in sonality, and effective participa-care of First Union National tion in campus activities.

Miss West is majoring in Fren Fund are J. Ollie Harris, vice- ch and Social Studies. She is the president; W. S. Fulton, Jr., sec-daughter of Mrs. W. R. West of retary; and Tom Burke, treasur-Route 2.

Jaycees Tree Sale To Begin Friday

Twenty years ago today citizens of Kings Mountain and the nation were enjoying a peaceful, chilly but pleasantly sunny Sunday holiday, and most had gone to church again offering Christmas trees to Kings Mountain citizens, professed, but three area citizens face citations to court for non-payment if their fines are not payment if their fine

The trees, of the Canadian bir-

The tree lot will be manned

Up until that Sunday, Kings
Mountain citizens had been living pretty much as their neighbors in other communities throughout the nation.

They were aware of the war in Europe, retained hope that the your purchase will go to make Allies would defeat the Axis po(Continued On Page Eight)

John Lutz, chairman of the annual Jaycee project, was in Shelwhich is payable within three days of the infraction.

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Red Cross Bloodmobile Returning

John A. Cheshire, general chairman of the visit, noted that local Kiwanians are contacting donors from the various industries and citizens at large in an appeal to Cheshire declared.

A total of 44 persons died in with a deadly weapon.

Highway Patrol

Launching Yule

Tuesday night by Sgt. J. B. Kuy-kendall, of the State Highway m.

date a year ago. He also noted istrate B. W. Craig. that highway fatalities occur Detective Auten selective Au Guests were served barbecue

dinner. Following the informal pro-

gram, they were shown a grisly film showing actual pictures of highway wrecks in technicolor.

Parking Fines Return \$58.25

nes was \$58.75 good during the period just ended. week ending Wednesday at noon, Kings Mountain Jaycees are City Clerk Joe McDaniel, Jr., re-

violators, who declined to honor Morris, George Plonk, Jimmy the dime contribution requests, Pressley, Elizabeth Ann McCar-have become "believers" under ter, Susan Plonk, Peggy Bum-definite affirmative answers be- if he wished.

but that the compliance rate over-all is good. But people still over-park, Mr. KMHS Band Plays arly having issued 482 tickets In Holiday Events Early since the new system became effective November 20.

After ten days, the offender is liable to citation to court. On submission, he will be assessed sale to give only grunts to direct submission, he will be assessed to submission. The submission to su in the jurisdiction of the court. parade held in Charlotte Satur-

AT MEETING Barnes, superintendent ngs Mountain City Schools is in Raleigh attend ing a meeting of the North Carolina State School Superin-tendent's Association.

Second Fracas With Killings

sault with a deadly weapon, as a result of an early Saturday

State Mentor Steak House on the Gastonia

Officers initially thought there

Mrs. Margie Farris, a waitress, signed the warrant for assault

traffic accidents in the state from December 23-31, 1960, and 132 died from the same result

Detective Jim Auten, of the a post-season banquet. patrol, to representatives of civic Gaston county rural police, said Edwards is another in the long

ganizations tasks of dissemina- grabbed a drink bottle and hit gn. Investigations in another state where autopsies are required after fatal accidents shows that over half of the deaths reveal victims had imbided alcohol, it ting information and other data. Perkins on the head, subsequent-

one less than at the comparable duled for Thursday before mag-Detective Auten said the hearmore at night, at the rate of 2.5 ing had been scheduled for Monday but that Magistrate Craig

objected to McKeown's attitude and ordered him re-jailed without bond until Thursday.

59 Students Compile "A's"

Payment of parking meter fi- "A" averages for the six weeks now searching for the recipient Concrete Firm

rants for failure to pay over Pearson, Peggy Plonk, Linda Junior Chamber of Commerce. parking fines. At the moment, Pruitt, Jewel Robbs, Alma Tesse-

The past week's fines derived from 21 payments of \$1, the othSmith, Becky Stowe and Patsy

Did Hallman Confess? Deathbed gardner, Sid Carpenter, Ken Bun-Mr. Early says a few citizens kowski, John Conner and Lyn rial hospital to questions are still depositing only dimes, Cheshire.

The Kings Mountain high Herald Wednesday. After three days, the fine is \$1. school band completed the 1961 Mr. Auten said Hallman, gun- worked Bagwell over. His reply ed.

essed full court costs and fine, in the 25th annual Shrine Bowl Gunnelis.

The band also marched in the tive," Mr. Auten noted. Belmont Christmas parade on November 28th, in the Shelby Christmas parade on December 1st and in the Gaffney, S. C. Christmas parade on December 1st and in the Gaffney, S. C. Christmas parade on December 2st and in th

Earle Edwards Eugene McKeown, about 23, is being held in Gaston county jail without bond, on charges of assault, larceny of a pistol, and assault with a deadly man assault with a deadly man and a deadly

On Rostrum For Lions Party

BY NEALE PATRICK Head football coach Earle Edwards of N. C. State College, the One of the 27 licensed drivers signed warrants for simple as. Atlantic Coast Conference Coachare involved in traffic accidents sault and larceny of the pistol, of the Year in 1957, will be the in North Carolina each 12 mon-signed the warrant for assault Lions Club grid banquet here next Tuesday night.
The affair is scheduled for the

132 died from the same result butt end of a revolver, was giv. Mountain Lions add another These facts were outlined Mountain hospital about 4:30 a.

When the month of December 1960, en out-patient treatment at Kings chapter to their more-than-two-decade tradition of honoring the mountain hospital about 4:30 a. Mountaineer football team with

and service organizations and McKeown had also pistol-whipped list of successful college coaches West, senior at Western Carolina and cooperation in the patrol's who had suffered facial injuries who had suffered facial injuries of the local city who had suffered facial injuries who had suffered facial injuries of the local city who had suffered facial injuries who had suffered facial injurie ballers since the innovation of Perkins gave this account of the banquet in the late thirties.

the altercation: McKeown was The talk by the Wolfpack coa-Kuykendall specifically drunk and the waitress refused ch will share the spotlight next Kings Mountain Lions club Tues- eral Bureau of Investigation a asked ministers of the area to him service. McKeown slapped Tuesday night with the presenta- day night. pray for an accident-free Christ- the waitress and Perkins and tion of the two coveted trophies mas season at Sunday morning Ernst grabbed McKeown to pro- to the two standout Mountaineer Glee A. Bridges sermons and assigned civic or- tect the waitress. But McKeown gridders during the past campai-

Both donors are expected to be

on hand to personally make the presentation of the coveted and president. handsome trophies. Dr. Plonk is also the program president.

year and will introduce the treasurer. speaker. Martin Harmon is the club president. Earle Edwards has just comey and William Herndon. pleted his eighth season at the

(Continued On Sports Page) Young Man Award To Be January 16

The Distinguished Service Award will be presented to Kings committee were Bob Southwell, Mountain's "Young Man of the chairman, Wesley Bush and John hours later. Fifty-nine Kings Mountain high Year" in a special Jaycee pro- Cheshire, Jr. school students compiled straight gram January 16. Jaycees are

of the award. Nominations for the award are Bought Jointly invited from the general public Spangler and Sons, Inc., con-SENIORS - Kay Broadwater, and should be forwarded to crete firm of Shelby and Kings handle both men. of Mountain, and Concrete Supply in Company, of Charlotte, announce

Robert Plonk, nually to an outstanding Kings tonia.

Requirements for a nominee and operate it as a joint venture. Two of the three area citizens ter, Steve Royster, Rebecca Bow-have Route 2 addresses, another ers, Coral Ramseur, Frances Go-and show evidence of progress is managed by Pat and Earl (Continued On Page Eight) forth, Virginia Goforth, Priscilla in his chosen field of endeavor. Spangler, whose father establish-The award will be presented ed the business.

By MARTIN HARMON

they are, will have to check their Ann Cooper, Sara Hendricks, Pat- of 21 and 36, of good moral charwill be changed to Dixie Concrete vestigation showed. Two shell

(Continued On Page Eight) Concrete.

Questioner Auten Can't Determine

Other nominees are:

James Amos.

and B. S. Peeler, Jr.

Fred Wright for first

Pete Gunnells Wade Bagwell Are Murdered

at 8:15 p. m. Saturday, ending; except for completion of investigation details, the Kings Mountain's area's most sensational murder case in 15 years.

Hallman had murdered both Jame.... es Wade Bagwell, 22, and Peter Samuel Gunnells, 24, two Kings Mountain men, with a 45-caliber revolver and dumped their bodies afterward. Coroner J. Ollie Harris placed the times of death

at between 5 a. m. and 6 a. m. Bagwell's body was discovere shortly before 7 a. m., lying i the road about 1.5 miles east Kings Mountain National Milittary Park museum on park property by Sherman Moore and James Caveny, of Grover, both employees of Blythe Construction

Company and en route to work. Gunnells' body was discovered about 7:15 on the entrance road from North Carolina 216 to Interstate 85 by Jack Gardner, Duke Power Company employee, of Gaffney, S. C. Gardner, too,

Earse Edwards, was en route to work. head football coach of North Officers of several counties, Carolina State college, will be Cleveland and Gaston, in North the principal speaker at the an- kee, South Carolina, in addition nual football banquet of the to a corps of at least eight Fedgents, State Bureau of Investi gation agents, and Highway pa-trolmen, collaborated in the investigation which was headquar-tered at City Hall here.

contribute one percent of their annual salary.

Miss Sylvia West of Kings Mountain folk. The agencies in clude: Boy Scouts, Kings Mountain Band Associa.

Investigations in another state by jerking a pistol (.33-caliber) by will be awarded for the ning from his pocket and proceeding the state of the investigation in another state by jerking a pistol (.33-caliber) by will be awarded for the ning from his pocket and proceeding to use it as a bludgeon on both of the money collected stays in Kings Mountain folk. The agencies in clude: Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Kings Mountain Band Associa.

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Perkins and Ernst.

Oc. Of C. Nominee

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Mountain folk. The agencies in close the fund the consecutive year and the Dr. Glee A. Bridges has been nome to were fail to the investigation and the private affect at Chyrial high proceeding to use it as a bludgeon on both of the will be awarded for the ning that the proceeding to use it as a bludgeon on the head, subscient from his pocket and proceeding to use it as a bludgeon on the lead.

The Fred Plonk Blocking Trom his pocket and proceeding to use it as a bludgeon on the lea

Clary and Welch's statements, the Sheriff said, revealed that Hallman had set up the murder Bob Maner for second vice- by plying the four with whiskey after saying he wanted Bagwell chairman for the Lions Club this, L. E. Hinnant for secretary and Gunnells to join him on a projected robbery in Gaffney, S. Nominated to serve three-year C. He had joined the four at Sudirectorships were Charles Maun- ver Villa restaurant early Friday evening. They knew him only as

Nominated to serve two-year "George Sheriff Allen said Clary was directorships were Tom Tate and left at Luke Carson's roadhouse Nominated to serve one-year in York county about 19:45 p. m. directorship were Bob Southwell Friday night, and, on Welch's request, left him in Dallas about 12:30 Saturday morning, with the Members of the nominating promise to return for him two

> The four had consumed quantities of Hallman's liquor, but Hallman hadn't imbibed. Wellch and Clary's statements indicate the victims were sufficiently in ebriated to make it possible to

Gunnells was found lying on his side shot four times. Twing the joint purchase of Ready Mix. through the head, once in the an- ed Concrete Works, Inc., of Gas- back and once in the wrist. One of the bullets was dug out of the iday, and most had gone to chur Mountain and Cherokee streets residents are flirting with war Marilyn Dixon, Laura Page, Kay Mountain young man by the The firms will take possession ground and four shell casings of the Gastonia plant January 1 were found nearby.

Bagwell was shot twice in the Name of the Gastonia firm head and had been beaten, in When it was decided Hallman

Spangler & Sons, Inc., one of was the chief suspect, a trio of of-(Continued On Page Eight)

at the annual "Bosses Night Ban-quet", which will feature Ty branch, Spangler's Ready Mixed Frenix Gives

Holiday Schedule Christmas operating schedules for the Phenix Plant of Burlington Industries were announced today by W. B. Grimes, Jr., Superwould continue to do all he could plans for the annual Christmas Paul Everett Hallman gave to save his life, and he could talk Party

Mr. Grimes said Christmas helfore he died at Cleveland Memo- "I first asked him if he knew idays at the plant would be obon me and he answered 'yes'. He was served from the end of the secwhether he knew Detective Jim gasping and could answer only on shift on Friday, December 22, Auten, of the Gaston rural po- by grunts. To one question he re- until the beginning of the third lice, on whether he knew the plied 'huh', like he didn't under- shift on Tuesday, December 26.

FBI agent present, and on whe stand," Officer Auten related. Employees eligible by length ther he had "worked over" Wade He continued, "I figured he of service for vacation pay will Bagwell, Officer Auten told the might understand better if I used receive checks during the week slang and I asked him if he had of December 18, it was announced

will be on hand and gif bags He was listed as a resident of containing toys, candy, fruits and "I couldn't say whether the Route 1, Grover, though he had a variety of other gifts will be grunts were affirmative or nega- recently been in Florida, and his distributed to all employees' chilparents reside at Route 2, Cherdren 10 years of age and vounger.

Robert Brantley Grigg, Sr..., 62, of Gastonia, Kings Mountain businessman here from 1945-54, died Kings Mountain Kiwanis club contact as many as possible. inessman here from 1945-54, died Tuesday morning in a Gastonia hospital after a year of declining health. Military funeral rites will be held Thursday at 2 p. m. from Love Memorial Baptist church, Gastonia, interment following in Hollywood cemetery. The body will remain at Carrothers Funeral Home until one hour prior to the rites. Mr. Grigg operated Kings Mountain Kiwanis club is sponsoring a visit of the Red Cross bloodmobile here Monday. The one-day collection is a "special" visit of the regional blood collecting unit which will set up for operation from 12 noon until 6 p. m. at the Woman's club. A gift suggestion for Christmas properly will remain at Carrothers Funeral Home until one hour prior to the rites. Mr. Grigg operated Kings Mountain Kiwanis club is sponsoring a visit of the Red Cross bloodmobile here Monday. The one-day collection is a minum 125 pints. "We hope this special visit will top the quota and that many will join the Kings and that many will join the K