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**SUDEE AND HER CLOWNS** — Sudee Peele loves to design and give clowns to her Sunday School pupils, a hobby she began 25 years ago as a nursery school teacher at Central Methodist Church. Sudee's clowns will be among the bazaar items at next month's big Central Methodist Church Bazaar.

## Annual Central Bazaar Is Scheduled For Nov. 10

Sudee (Mrs. Clarence) Peele started making clowns for gifts for her Nursery school children at Central Methodist Church 25 years ago and hasn't stopped.

Over the years, the colorful clowns decked in all kinds of finery, have appeared under the Christmas tree in hundreds of homes in the Kings Mountain area.

Sudee's clowns, some in printed fabric, others in red satin and all fashioned of scraps of socks, will be featured in the Central Methodist Church Annual Christmas Bazaar to be held Wed., Nov. 10, at 10:30 a. m. at the Methodist Fellowship Building.

In addition to Sudee's Clowns, which are made from a Simplicity pattern she was given 25 years ago, there will be an assortment of stuffed toys for children including Santa Claus, angels, turtles, Raggedy Ann and Raggedy Andy dolls, rabbits, all of which are completely washable and were hand-embroidered by Mrs. Peele.

Women of the Church, readying for the annual event, have held "stuffing parties" recently at circle meetings to complete the dolls and animals in time for the show.

Christmas wreaths, holiday gift items, crafts, plants, canned goods, homemade cakes and pies, and many more bazaar goodies will be available to the public at the all-day,

traditional event for which proceeds go to the church building fund. Lunch, featuring chicken salad with accessories, and dinner, featuring turkey and all the trimmings, will be served in the church dining room with Martha (Mrs. Bun) Goforth as chairman of the dining room committee.

Helen (Mrs. Paul) Hendricks is bazaar chairman and Nell (Mrs. C. J.) Gault and Audrey (Mrs. Jim) Dickey are co-chairmen of the Christmas room, Pat (Mrs. John) Plonk is chairman of crafts and Mrs. Lallage Holt-schulte is president of the Women's Society of Christian Service sponsoring the bazaar.

Sudee Peele adds "lots of love" to the clowns she creates for children.

The Peeles, who moved to Kings Mountain from Shelby in 1941, are natives of High Point, and both semi-retired from Mauney Hosiery Mill.

Mrs. Peele, who has no children at her home but



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who has kept "in touch" with all her former nursery school students at the church over the years, attempts to make each of her clowns "outstanding", a "very wise" suggestion she was given by a former minister, Rev. Herb Garmon, who said that "any time you can ever give anything from the church, always make it outstanding and something to be cherished and remembered."

The community is invited to attend the bazaar.

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#### IT'S A BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Coletta of Gastonia announce the arrival of their first child, a son, David Anthony Coletta, Sept. 20, Gaston Memorial Hospital.

The baby weighed eight pounds, 13 ounces. Mrs. Coletta is the former Becky Kennedy of Kings Mountain.

## Ms. Lorient's Dream Is Now A Reality

Gisele Lorient, 22, said she had always dreamed about coming to the United States and teaching French in the public schools.

Her dream became a reality last Wednesday when she arrived at Kings Mountain Senior High School to serve as a French teacher aide in the Amity Teacher Aide Program sponsored by Amity Institute of Del Mar, California.

The vivacious, young Frenchwoman, who worked as a medical secretary in Paris before being accepted in the Amity scholarship - exchange program, plans to return to Blois and teach English to French-speaking students.

She adapted quickly to the classroom at KMSHS, says her supervisor, Mrs. J. L. Raymer, and also enjoys 10 hours of class-work each week in American History and Art. She conducts French classes and assists Mrs. Raymer in preparing French language schedules.

"I really love it in Kings Mountain," said Gisele, who is living with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brennan on Allison Court.

What Gisele likes best about her new work is "more contact with students and teachers in a more casual setting" from her French classroom in Blois and Tours College. Her French training was more formal, she said. Gisele also likes the variety of subjects available to the American student and the extra-curricular activities which are not available in French school system. After high school in France, Gisele took business training in college for her work as a medical secretary. There were no business subjects offered in the Bois public schools nor are students offered band, etc.

"The academic level in France is much higher," she explained, "because we stick to the basic subjects such as philosophy, math and literature."

Gisele plans to take back to her country the new educational methods she observes here and bring into her classroom some of the training she obtains here. "I'd like to see the French classroom lived up a little more," she explained, "like the American classroom."

Another difference in the American-French public school is there are no sports activities provided, she said, and she'd like to see more, after attending her first football game at Kings Mountain High.

Gisele is youngest child of a family of two brothers and sisters. Both parents speak French and Spanish fluently and her mother is now enrolled in English classes in France. When Gisele writes to her parents, she communicates in French.

Art is her favorite hobby,

#### IT'S A GIRL

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Hutchins of 101 Robinson Drive, announce the birth of a daughter, Stephanie Michelle, Wednesday, Oct. 6 in Charlotte Memorial Hospital. The baby weighed two lbs., 13 1/2 ounces.

The Hutchins also have a son Jason, 16 months.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnson-baugh of Columbia, S. C., and Mr. and Mrs. Converse Hutchins of Grover.

Mrs. Hutchins is the former Vicki Johnson-baugh.

#### FOSTER PARENTS

Foster Parents of Cleveland County will meet Tues., Oct. 26 at 7:30 p. m. at Shelter Home in Shelby to plan the annual Christmas Party.

Gisele likes to attend art exhibits and enjoys hand crafts, macrame, theatre, and travel.

Miss Lorient says teaching jobs in France "are hard to find" but her ambition is to teach English to her fellow Frenchwomen. Already she is developing colloquial language at KMSHS and isn't a bit homesick for France.

Mrs. Raymer said that Gisele will be her assistant here until Jan. 21 and that the French Club from KMSHS helps support the exchange program via

fund-raising projects.

Gisele shares her foreign language and culture richly with tapes, records, slides, and conversations in the classroom and French Club activities and is being introduced to the community life by her new friends.

Mrs. Raymer describes the program as bringing a lively, meaningful language experience to her French students plus the value of having an international visitor living in the community is invaluable to both students and the host school.



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**FRENCH TEACHER** — Gisele Lorient, 22, likes her new job as teacher-aide in the French foreign language department at Kings Mountain Senior High School. She said she had always dreamed of coming to America.

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