

Teachers, Friends Of Education, Newspaper Presented Awards

Eight Kings Mountain Outstanding Teachers for 1978 were honored with plaques, nine parents were honored as "Friends of Education," two retiring teachers were honored and the Kings Mountain Mirror-Herald won two coveted awards at the annual luncheon Friday of the Kings Mountain Chapter of the North Carolina Association of Educators.

Gary Shields was installed as the new president of NCAE succeeding Mrs. Ben T. Goforth and George Lublaneski was installed as the new president of the Association of Classroom Teachers succeeding Mike Smith.

Mrs. Charles Baird was presented the coveted Terry Sanford Award for creativity and innovativeness in education.

Nominees for Teacher of the Year for 1978 are Evelyn Kiser, Bethware; Steve Baker, KMSHS, Patsy Rountree, East; Jackie Blanton, Grover, Juanita Lutz, West; Betsy

Wells, KMJH' Ann Scism, North; and Steve Moffett, Central School.

Chosen from the individual schools as "Friends of Education" were Larry and Joan Morrow, West; Mack Stewart, North; Rev. Paul Sorrell, Grover; Eddie Robbs, East; April Morris, Bethware; Diana Dellinger, Central; Robert Dodge, KMJH' and Hugh Lancaster, KMSHS.

Mrs. Mildred Spake, retiring after 43 years as a primary teacher and Mrs. Sue H. Moss, retiring after 37 years as a high school teacher of history and English, were recognized with standing ovations and presented plaques and pins by Asst. Supt. Bill Bates.

John Pettus, chairman of ACT Public Relations Committee, presented two awards for outstanding news coverage to the news staff of the Mirror-Herald, Editor, Tom McIntyre, Sports Editor Gary Stewart and Woman's Editor Lib Stewart. A handsome 12x15 black on

maroon engraved plaque read, "This award presented for outstanding news coverage of the 1977-78 school year to Kings Mountain Mirror-Herald From the Kings Mountain Association of Classroom Teachers June 9, 1978." The second award was a School Bell Award Merit Citation "for meritorious contributions to the cause of public education resulting in nomination for the North Carolina School Bell Award of the North Carolina Association of Educators and was presented by KM Unit of NCAE and signed by Juanita M. Goforth, president.

Mrs. Betty R. Gamble was also recognized as the state's North Carolina Home Economics Teacher of the Year.

Mrs. Willie Marable, incoming District Two NCAE president from Kings Mountain, installed new officers of both the NCAE unit and ACT unit.

Mike Smith, ACT president,

recognized Outstanding Teachers and announced that the 1978 Teacher of the Year would be announced in the Fall.

Supt. William Davis, completing his first year as leader of the KM District system, commended teachers in his address to the large gathering and compared the end-of-school with the season of harvest. "We're laying by another good school year," he said, and some of our students have brought forth good fruits. "We always look forward to a new crop in the Fall," he added, expressing himself as "well pleased with the year just ending," commending the staff for dedication and concern for children.

Dean Westmoreland recognized guests, including Jack Palmer, Hugh Dover, Josh Hinnant, Coleman Goforth, all of the county commission, Clerk of Court Ruth Dedmon, Register of Deeds Marjorie Rogers, Grover Councilwoman Martha Byers, School trustees Alex Owens, June Lee, Kyle Smith, Bill McDaniel and Mrs. Alleene Ford of Shelby, NCAE district director.

Bethware Principal Ronald Nanney presented the Sanford Award plaque to Mrs. Baird, home economics teacher at KMSHS.

Door prizes were plants provided by the KMSHS horticulture students and the KMJH cafeteria staff served ham and fried chicken with all the trimmings.



CHANGING OF THE GUARD — Juanita Goforth presided last Friday as President of the local NCAE chapter for the final time before turning the gavel over to Gary Shields. NCAE and ACT officers for the coming year were installed following the annual meeting held at Kings Mountain Junior High.

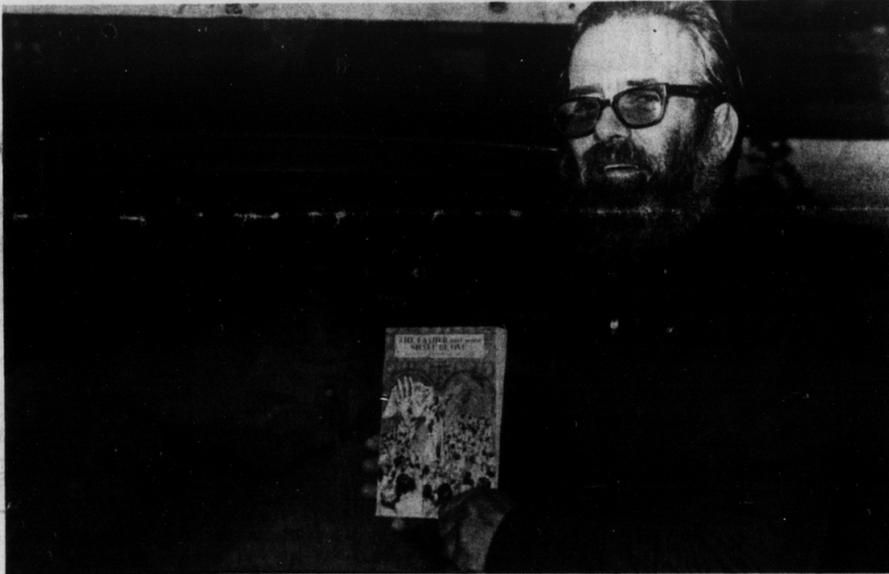


Photo By Tom McIntyre

SECOND BOOK PUBLISHED — Don Kistler shows off one of the copies of his second book, "The Father and sons Shall Be One," and mail sacks filled with other

copies going to book stores and individuals. This is the second of three books on God's words published by Positive People Worldwide of Kings Mountain.

Kistler's Second Book Is Off The Presses

"The Father and sons Shall Be One," the second in a series of three books on the words of God, is off the presses.

Don Kistler, president of Positive People Worldwide and the man who terms himself "scribe" of these books, said, "I am not the author. I merely put the words of God together as he told them to me so that the reader may have a better understanding of the scripture."

When he says, "as he told them to me," he means it literally.

"I know many people disbelieve this, but that's alright," he said. "I am not out for personal glory. It is my purpose to help people understand the words of God and perhaps find their way to God."

The first book, entitled "The Arithmetic of God," which is now being published by Bantam Books for worldwide distribution, dealt with the theme that every number indicated in The Bible has a word meaning. Kistler said words change meaning in different languages and dialects, but not numbers.

"It is shown in 'The Arithmetic of God' that the word of God is infallible," Kistler said. "Therefore is it impossible to destroy the word of God."

The second book tackles a different text. The title, "The Father and sons Shall Be One," means that God and all of humanity shall ultimately become as one.

"The contents of this book have never been taught in The Church," Kistler said, referring to The Church as the one that embraces the word of God as infallible.

"The text deals with the fact that woman is the rib of man and must come back into man and that man came from God and must come back into God," he said. "Woman must be in subjection to man and man in subjection to God."

Kistler said God points out in his words in the second book that nowhere in his 14 epistles did Paul ever mention that the church is the bride. "Old Testament Israel is the wife of God and has made herself ready for

the marriage supper with the bridegroom, which is the church.

"In the book of acts," Kistler continued, "which is the teachings to the church and the history of the church written by Luke The Apostle, Luke does not mention the bride a single time. When Paul refers to the church in his epistles he refers to it as he, him or sons, never in the feminine gender."

Kistler said he realized such comments would bring a storm on his head, but he smiled, "I hope so. I hope it causes people to return to their Bibles and read. If this happens and the people find renewed life, then I don't care how many toes I step on."

The third book in the series is being written, but as yet there is no title. Kistler said he will be told by God what the title is to be later, at the proper time.

The series of three books were planned several years ago when Kistler lived in Colorado. During a nine month period when he remained in total isolation away from his family fasting and meditating, Kistler said "God spoke to me. The words that appear in the books are God's words. I am merely the scribe."

The first printing of "The Arithmetic of God" was 5,000, but immediately a second order was given for 10,000 more. The books were distributed to book stores, sent to individuals and mailed to people who had ordered them.

Prior to printing the second book, Kistler said Positive People Worldwide had advance orders from people and book stores.

"The third book, which is still being written, has pre-publishing orders of 300 to 400 on file," Kistler said.

Kistler has appeared on the PTL TV show and has been invited to appear on The 700 Club. Both are religious theme programs syndicated all over the country.

"The Father and sons Shall Be One" is available locally at Griffin Drug or by writing Positive People Worldwide, P. O. Box 573, Kings Mountain, N. C., 28086.

Lost Pony Is Claimed By Owner

Stretch Bollinger, Kings Mountain Animal Warden, has gotten rid of his problem — a 500 pound pony.

"After the story appeared in The Mirror-Herald last week," Bollinger said, "a man came and identified the pony and claimed him."

John Huckabee, 804 Princeton Dr., proved ownership by giving Bollinger correct information withheld from publication.

"Mr. Huckabee said he had kept the pony in a pasture near Grover, but moved the animal to a pasture near Bessemer City," Bollinger said. "The pony, obviously, broke out the second pasture and trying to get back to the one near Grover when it got lost in Kings Mountain."

Bollinger said he found the pony wandering loose and kept it at his home until the owner could be found.

Ambulance Delivery Is This Week

Kings Mountain Emergency Services has been promised delivery of a new ambulance from LaGrange, Ga. sometime this week.

Corbet Nicholson, a member of the board of directors of KMES, said, "We will probably receive the vehicle Friday or Saturday. The ambulance is being road-tested now."

The \$17,000 ambulance, according to Nicholson, was built by a firm in LaGrange to North Carolina State specifications. Payment is due when the vehicle is delivered.

Nicholson said the money has been raised within the community for the ambulance, "and after talking with several county commissioners," he continued, "I feel sure Kings Mountain Emergency Services will be granted a franchise to operate."

In Officer Shooting Two Found Guilty

Melvin Haskell Carroll and Tommie Lee Bright were found guilty of charges in connection with the shooting of a Kings Mountain police officer on Dec. 19, 1977.

Carroll, 38, of N. Piedmont Ave., was found guilty by a Cleveland County Superior Court jury of felonious assault and assault with a firearm on an officer. Bright, 23, of N. Piedmont Ave., was found guilty of aiding and abetting assault with a firearm on an officer.

The verdict was returned following three days of testimony. Judge John Friday sentenced Carroll to not less than eight nor more than 10 years in prison on the charge of felonious assault and gave him prayer for judgment continued for five years on the charge of assault with a firearm on an officer.

Carroll's attorney, Steve Dolley, filed notice of appeal on the convictions of his client.

Bright was sentenced to six months and one day on his charge of aiding and abetting assault with a firearm on an officer and was instructed to make restitution of \$200 for his attorney's fees.

After hearing the lengthy testimony in the shooting of Kings Mountain Police Sgt. Bob Hayes on Dec. 19, 1977, the jury retired late Friday afternoon to reach a verdict. Following deliberation for almost an hour the jury requested further instructions from Judge Friday on what constitutes aiding and abetting and on the time when an assault begins and ends. It took another 15 minutes for the jury to reach a verdict.

Bright's attorney, Chip Cloninger, moved the jury be polled on its verdict. Judge Friday approved and each jurymen stated they found both defendants guilty.

Sgt. Hayes was shot four times in the back by Carroll who used a small calibre pistol. The shooting occurred in Carroll's backyard following an attempt by Hayes to overpower Carroll.

Hayes testified that he ran toward Carroll, slipped and fell and at that point Carroll fired the shots at him. "When I fell flat on the ground, he (Carroll) kept saying, 'I'm going to kill you . . .'" Hayes told the court.

Leading to this point, KMPD Officer Ralph Grindstaff testified that he and Officer Anthony Ager had arrested Tommie Lee Bright on a charge of simple possession of marijuana and public drunkenness. Grindstaff said at that time Carroll was yelling at the officers "not to arrest Bright."

Grindstaff further testified that Carroll then took from a pocket what "appeared" to be a pistol. Grindstaff said he yelled for his partner to get down. Carroll, according to the officer, yelled for Bright to run. The officer testified that Bright ran to Carroll.

The officers called for assistance and a few minutes later Sgt. Hayes arrived and was told of the situation.

Hayes testified that he walked to Carroll's front porch where Carroll and Bright stood. Hayes said he identified himself and that Carroll ordered him off the property twice, then pointed a pistol at him and told him if he didn't leave he would kill the officer.

Hayes and the other two officers withdrew and took cover behind a tree and a building on the next door neighbor's property. Hayes ran from his cover behind the tree toward Carroll, fell and was shot four times.

Kenny Bush, Carroll's nephew who lives in a trailer behind the Carroll home, testified that he was standing with Carroll when the shooting took place. Bush had gotten dressed and gone to talk with Carroll, trying to persuade him to go back inside his home when Hayes came running up and fell. Bush said Carroll was drunk at the time and that he did fire four shots into Hayes as he lay on the ground.