

KM Must Prevent Toxics From Entering Its Water

The city of Kings Mountain has until July 1, 1983, before it will be required to have an industrial wastewater treatment program in place to help prevent toxic chemicals from entering its wastewater treatment facility and possibly the area's water supply.

The North Carolina Department of Natural Resources and Community Development (NRCD) has initiated a program to help Kings Mountain and 111 other communities in the state deal with toxics and to meet state and federal requirements

for controlling industrial wastewater discharge.

NRCD secretary Joseph W. Grimsley said this week that the rapidly increasing use of toxic chemicals is making it more important than ever that everything possible be done to protect the waters of the state. "Local government across North Carolina have hundreds of millions of dollars invested in their wastewater treatment plants," Grimsley said, "and most of us depend on the rivers and streams of our state in one way or another.

"It is most important that our

local communities have programs for dealing with industrial discharge, something which most of our treatment plants were not designed to do," Grimsley continued. "This means that industries will be required to treat their wastes to a level acceptable to local wastewater treatment plants."

About 30 percent of the 372 publicly owned treatment systems in the state will be required by the state Division of Environmental Management and the federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to submit program plans to the state by January 1, 1983.

The state pretreatment program staff will assist local communities, including those in Kings Mountain, in developing these plans. The EPA recently delegated the authority to approve local programs to the Division of Environmental Management.

The state pretreatment program is intended to prevent the introduction into publicly owned treatment plants of pollutants which would interfere with the operation of the facility or contaminate the sewage sludge. A second purpose will be the prevention of the introduction into a facility of pollutants which would pass through the treatment facility into the waters of the state or the environment or otherwise are incompatible with the plant. And a third purpose will be to improve opportunities to recycle and reclaim wastewaters and the sludges resulting from wastewater treatment.

The program is expected to provide the mechanisms to identify unexpectedly large industrial users and provide local legal authority to require industry to treat its wastewater to required standards.

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OBITUARIES

Mrs. Mable Ellis Dies In Thursday Car Wreck

Mable McPherson Ellis, 72, of Route 1, Grover, was killed in a two-vehicle accident Thursday afternoon at the intersection of Highways 29 and 216 south of Kings Mountain.

According to the Highway Patrol, Mrs. Ellis pulled her vehicle into the path of a vehicle driven by James Ruben Smith, 57, of Route 4, Kings Mountain. Smith was treated and released at Cleveland Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Ellis was a native of Cherokee County, S.C., and the wife of the late Darwin Carlisle Ellis. She was a retired textile employee and a member of Temple Baptist Church in Kings Mountain.

She is survived by two sons, Gene Ellis of Shelby and Harold Ellis of Morganton; three brothers, Earl McPherson of Union, S.C., John Thomas McPherson of Lockhart, S.C., and Paul McPherson of Gaffney, S.C.; a sister, Mrs. W.E. Hightower of Atlanta; and three grandchildren.

Services were conducted Saturday at Temple Baptist Church by the Rev. C.R. McMahan. Burial was in Grassy Pond Baptist church cemetery near Gaffney, S.C.

DOCK HOYLE

Dock Sidney Hoyle, 84, of 501 East Pennsylvania Avenue, Bessemer City, died Thursday.

He was retired from the Ideal Machine Shop and a member of Blessed Hope Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Francis Blanton Hoyle; a son, Gene Blanton of Bessemer City; 4 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Funeral Services were conducted Saturday at 3 p.m. at Blessed Hope Baptist Church by the Rev. Fred Green, the Rev. Ansil Center and the Rev. Bill Guiton. Burial was in Rebs Grove Methodist Church.

ERA JANE CRAIG

GREENSBORO—Mrs. Era Jane Plummer Craig, 92, died Sunday night in Wesley Long Memorial Hospital.

She was a native of Cleveland County and the widow of Claude M. Craig. She began teaching in Gaston County Schools in 1913 and also taught at Bessemer City High School from 1916 to 1923. She served 33 years in the High Point School System before retiring in 1957.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Clifford Martin of Elgin, Ill.; a brother, Fred Plummer of Kings Mountain; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Sisk Funeral Home by the Rev. A.A. Bailey. Burial was in Bessemer City Memorial Cemetery.

Karate Seminar Saturday

Joe Lewis will be giving a kickboxing and self-defense seminar on July 3 at the Eng School of Self Defense in Kings Mountain.

Lewis is recognized as one of the all-time greats in karate competition. He competed in the ring for over 10 years and won every title in the sport of karate and full-contact karate.

He is now retired from active competition and is pursuing a full-time career in acting. He is presently working on a major karate movie.

Information on the Kings Mountain seminar may be obtained by calling Robert Eng at the Eng School of Self Defense.

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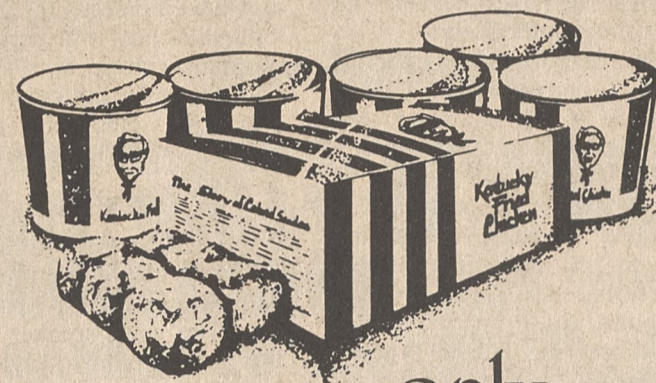
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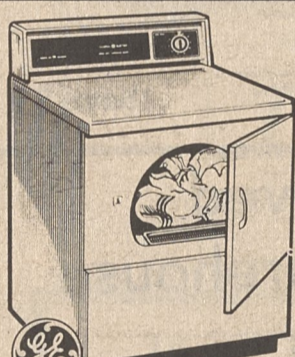
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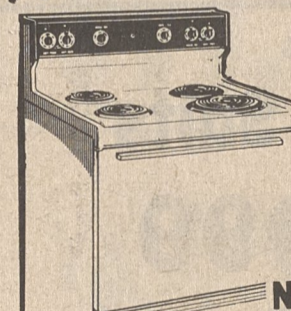
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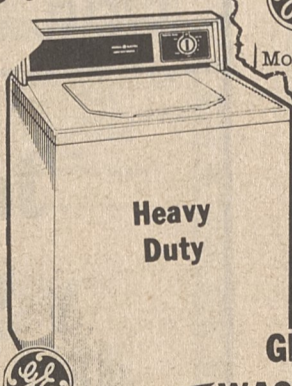
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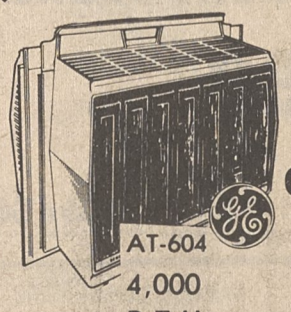
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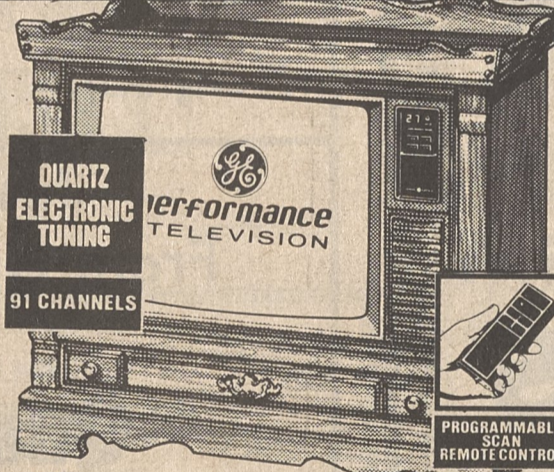


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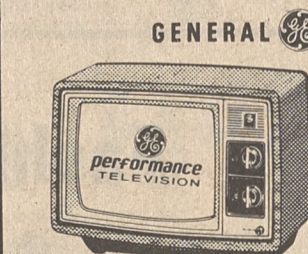
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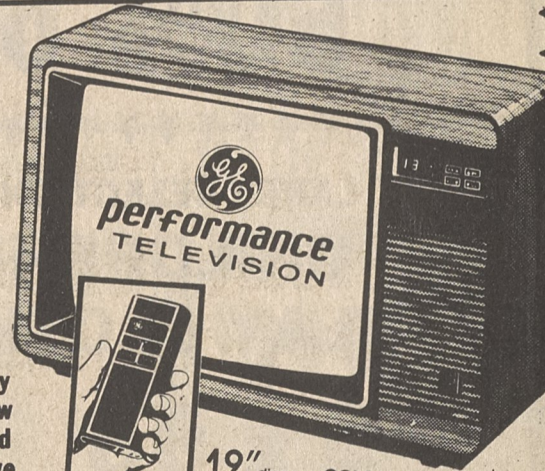
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