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Letters

Gridders Want Field

To the editor:

Where do Kings Mountain football players come from? I don't suspect many of you have spent much time pondering over this question, but maybe you should. They don't just one day at about age 15 or so decide to play are shown

Most of them decide much earlier. At about 8, 9 or 10 boys go out for Optimist football to learn how to play. This is not an easy thing to teach little boys and must be done with patience and care so they will be ready to play when they do get to high school.

Right now we have three teams playing Optimist football-boys from 8-13. They only play nine games or so and usually only about three at home. Where to these boys play? At City Stadium. Where do these boys play when they go out of town? They play on high school fields.

For example, this year we've been to Chae, East Gaston and North Gaston. Why won't KMHS allow these little players to use our high school field? The reason we've heard is "they'll mess up the field." How could boys 8-13 tear up a field playing football on it? Isn't a football field for playing football on? They don't want to practice there, that's one thing City Stadium could be used for. But, should they be denied what other schools allow their boys?

The high school uses this field for only 5 or 6 games a year. Shouldn't we get more use out of such a nice facility? Have you been to City Stadium lately? Have you seen the dressing rooms? Would you be proud for other teams to come there when playing in our town?

We believe these boys should be given a chance to play as other teams do-on a decent field. We welcome an open response from whoever has authority over our high school field.

> Concerned parents of future KMHS football players. Carol Richardson, spokesman. 308 Somerset Drive

Becoming Indignant

To The Editor:

As a historian, the more I think about the Western Carolina University administration building, which houses the Mountain Heritage Center, being named for "Cotton" Robinson the more indignant I become.

Anyone who knows the history of Western Carolina University knows this school was founded by self-sacrificing people.

William E. Bird, in his History of Western Carolina College, said, "Promise from the outset, then, on the local level, of continued loyal support of the endeavor, was a fact which accounts in large part of its (the school's) optimistic outlook and healthy growth from the beginning." (Page 33).

Professor Robert Lee Madison, in his Genesis And Progress Of Western Carolina Teachers' College, wrote, "The Legislature of 1891 granted Cullowhee High School a charter and under it the school was organized as a corporate body. Then began the devoted and inestimable services of the 'Noble Nine' as Trustees: William Wilson, D.D. Davies, Thomas A. Cox, R. Hamilton Brown, Jr. David Coward, William C. Norton, Lewis J. Smith, Robert L. Watson, and William A. Henson. These public-spirited men and their equally public spirited and self-sacrificing wives deserve to be perpetually honored and held in grateful remembrance by all who value this college or who have received or may receive benefit therefrom."

On June 22, 1981, my husband and I paid Chancellor "Cotton" Robinson a visit to discuss naming the administration building/Mountain Heritage Center for one of the above mentioned "Noble Nine". Our recollections are vivid in recalling Robinson's response, when he told us that the Founders Auditorium in this building is sufficient recognition for them and that, while he is chancellor, no building will be named for any of these persons.

Western Carolina University will be 100 years old in 1988, just a few years away. Does Robinson feel that those who came before him did little for this school? Does he feel that he is more deserving of recognition than those who preceded him? I cannot help but wonder.





Is Two

Joseph Wayne King II was two years old September 15. He celebrated at a party on September 18.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe King. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ellis King of Kings Mountain, Kay Gwyn of Kings Mountain and Joseph Cash of Wallingford, Conn. His great-grandmother is Mrs. Virginia Grigg of Kings Mountain.

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Jo Ann Smith Raleigh, N.C.

Join CC Museum, Win A Color TV

Join the museum and win a Color TV is part of the promotion to draw new members during the October membership drive for the Cleveland County Historical Museum on the old courtsquare in downtown Shelby. The reason for the membership drive is to reach a goal of 1000 members.

The donated 19" Magnavox Color TV that new members from the \$5.00 individual on up have a chance to win, will be on display in the "Antiques" booth at the County Fair. Applications for membership can be picked up at the Fair, the museum on the square, or by contacting a current members. However, all new memberships must be in by the end of October.

As a museum member you receive the newsletter "Must & Dust", invitations to special openings, the Museum Film Series, and a discount in the Museum Gift Shop.

The museum won first place this year in a statewide contest and was the first museum to receive this award. The judges stated that the museum won because of the community awareness, programs and new exhibits the museum produces. For further information, call

the museum at 482-8186.

New Exhibits Added At Historical Museum

Several new exhibits have been installed on the first floor of the Cleveland Historical Museum located on the courtsquare in Shelby.

The "Collectors Case" which highlights what people collect is featuring this months dolls from

LIGHT PILOTS

Kings Mountain Natural Gas customers are encouraged to request pilot lighting as soon as possible if they want pilot lights lit free. This free service is in effect until October 15. After October 15, there will be a service charge fee. Citizens can obtain this service by calling 739-8139 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Encourage children to help pick up toys by providing a large box, bag, cart or basket with the child's name on it. around the world. It is the collection of Vicki Gordon who served in the Peace Corps and collected the dolls on her travels.

The "Additions to the Collections" display features items donated to the museum. This month is a collection of pottery glaze experiments by Dr. James H. Rash who was in charge of the Art Department at Gardner-Webb College. He was conducting experiments on glazes made from potash of local energy plants and was recognized nationally for his efforts.

Another exhibit is the "hole in the wall". A large exhibit area constructed under the steps leading to the second floor. It features military items from the Revolutionary. War through World War II and includes military models, clothing, equipment and arms.

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