Page 4B-KINGS MOUNTAIN HERALD-Thursday, February 3, 1983 **American History Month**

Many races and creeds have gone into the making of our American Heritage. By designating February bas American History Month, The Daughters Of The American Revolution urge you to rediscover our exciting past. Join with them in urging others to take time to learn more about our brave Americans of all races and creeds.

The original high-backed pews of Colonial American churches were built to cut off drafts. They also helped to keep inside each pew the little heat given by the charcoal footwarmers that the women brought with them. Please observe February as American History Month with the Daughters Of The American Revolution.

Freed of Worship; Freedom of Education; Freedom of the Press. Because of the efforts of ordinary citizens who worked for American Independence, we enjoy our freedoms. February is American History Month and The Daughters Of The American Revolution invite you to join them in celebration.

What is Patriotism? It is devotion and love of country, which enables us to have our most priceless possession - Freedom. This year is the 200th Anniversary of the Treaty which formal-

ly ended the American Revolution. The Daughters Of The American Revolution urge you to guard our freedom and to join with them in observing February as American History Month.

The Daughters Of The American Revolution urge you to join them in the observance of February as American History Month. This year is the 200th Anniversary of the Treaty of Paris of 1783 which recognized American Independence, and which granted the new nation lands west to the Mississippi River.

Fabrics and styles of clothing in Colonial times were as varied as they are today. Some families wore homespun which they had mde, while others ordered magnificent damas, satin and lace from England. The lives they lived reflected these styles. The Daughters Of the American Revolution urge you to observe February as American History Month.

Some aspects of everyday life in Colonial America remain the same to this day. George Mason wrote a friend relative to cockroaches, warning him against including any clay or loam in the mortar for his new house: "I wou'd by no means put clay or loam in any of the mortar. In the first place the mortar

is not near so strong and besides from its being of a more soft and crumbly nature, it is very apt to nourish and harbour those pernicious little vermin the cockroaches...I have seen some houses so infested with these devils that a man had better have lived in a barne than in one of them." Join The Daughters Of The American Revolution and do observe February as American History Month.

In 1654 "Mistress Margaret Brent, Gentleman," received the grant for land that later became Alexandria, Virginia. She was given the 700 acre grant on the Potomac River in exchange for bringing fouteen indentured servants from England to Virginia. In petitioning the Maryland Council for the right to vote, Margaret Brent was probably the first feminist in Colonial America. The account of the proceeding tells that she was turned down, and that she objected to the decision. Won't you join The Daughters Of The American Revolution in observing February as American History Month?

Revolutionary American town charters often had definite sanitary and fire restrictions. One Virginia town charter of 1748 prohibited both houses with wooden chimneys and that would enforce the building of enclosures strong enough to keep hogs within bounds at all times. Join The Daughters Of The American Revolution in observance of February as American History Month.

Fair days often coincided with court days in the Colonial Chesapeake Region. The farmer's wife selected her best preserves to display in the market square. She also brought some of her finest linen cloth, made from homegrown flax. Please join The Daughters Of The American Revolution and observe February as American History Month.

Pocket money in small denominations was scarce in early America. The people solved this by simply cutting coins into sections. The sharp and jagged edges of these pie-shaped coins led to their being called sharp shins. The Daughters Of The American Revolution invite you to join them in observing February as American History Month.

A fire mark on a building in



DUE WEST, S.C.-Hamilton McGill, son of Dr. and Mrs. John Charles McGill, 703 Hillside Drive, Kings Mountain, has been selected to receive the highest academic scholarship at Erskine College, the E.B. Kennedy Scholarship including all tuition, room, board, fees, and books.

The Kings Mountain High School senior was selected in competition during which more than 100 outstanding high school seniors were nominated by principals and guidance counselors, 71 participated in semifinal competition, and 20 were invited back to the campus for final interviews.

Four recipients of the full scholarships were selected to join six other recipients of full E.B. Kennedy Scholarships already studying on the Erskine campus. The other three recipients of E.B. Kennedy Scholarships for 1983-84 include Kenny Campbell of Spartanburg, a senior at Dorman High School; Mike Craft of Abbeville, a senior at Abbeville High School; and Bill Einderman of Stony Point, N.C.,

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Colonial American indicated that the owner was insured. Each insurance company had its distinctive plaque, so that the volunteer firemen would know from which company to claim their reward for putting out the fire. If two companies arrived at the same time, the members of the bucket brigades sometimes engaged in a heated argument. As fistfighting took precedence over fire fighting the property might be reduced to ruins. Won't you join the Daughters Of The American Revolution in observing February as American History Month and read about some of our exciting history for yourself?

ON DEAN'S LIST

Tricia Blalock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dub Blalock of Kings Mountain, was selected to the fall semester dean's list at Clemson University. Miss Blalock is majoring in elementary education.

