

Mission Fund Is Established

A special mission fund has been set up at First Union National Bank to provide funds for special projects at the Presbyterian Mission in Bulape, Zaire, which is served by Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth McGill of Kings Mountain.

Leroy Howell, a former patient and long-time friend of Dr. McGill, and local funeral home owner Bennett Masters organized the fund. John McGill, former Kings Mountain drug-gist, is treasurer.

Individuals, groups or churches may deposit funds into the "Kenneth H. McGill Mission Fund" or may give their donations to Mr. McGill and he will deposit them. Checks should be made out to the Kenneth H. McGill Mission Fund.

The City Board of Commissioners recently adopted a resolution of appreciation for Dr. McGill's 10 years of medical practice in Kings Mountain, and 15 years of service as a medical

missionary in Zaire. The board also proclaimed Friday, which is Dr. McGill's birthday, as Dr. Kenneth H. McGill Day.

Mayor John Henry Moss will present a copy of the resolution and a certificate of appreciation to a member of Dr. McGill's family Friday at 10 a.m. at the new City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

McGill is the only doctor at the Bulape Hospital in Zaire, which serves approximately one-quarter of a million people. The 130-bed facility is always full, with patients not only filling the beds but the hallways as well.

The hospital has electricity only a few hours a day, there is a tremendous need for clean water and better equipment, and his nurses and other assistants are natives trained by McGill. Equipment cannot be obtained in Zaire and must be transported from agencies and individuals in

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DR. AND MRS. KENNETH MCGILL

KM Attorney Faces Charge

Kings Mountain Attorney Christopher Steve Crosby was indicted on charges of embezzlement and forgery by the Cleveland County Grand Jury Monday.

Crosby allegedly forged and cashed a \$16,181 check made out to him and a client, Earl Ben Horton. Crosby allegedly forged Horton's name to the back of the check, which was dated February 2, 1983, and drawn on the Northwestern Bank trust account of Herbert C. Combs Jr. Written on the check was "proceeds from sale of house."

State Bureau of Investigation Agent Dan Crawford testified before the grand jury.

In another case, former Kings Mountain School Board Member Jerry Ledford was indicted on charges of forging and cashing two checks written on the Kings Mountain Country Club account.

Ledford is accused of forging the signature of Thomas A. Tate on two \$480 checks written to himself and drawn on the country club account. One check was



STEVE CROSBY

dated July 3, 1980 and the other October 4, 1982.

Kings Mountain Police Chief Jackie Barrett, who directed the investigation into the country club checks, testified before the grand jury. Ledford was book-keeper at the club at the time the checks were allegedly written.

Squad Needs Roof

Kings Mountain Rescue Squad and Rainbow Studios of Belmont are offering Kings Mountain citizens an opportunity to help the squad raise \$6,000 to put a new roof on the squad building on Parker Street.

Citizens may purchase \$10 coupons from Rainbow for a portrait, which will be taken at the squad building, and that entire \$10 will be given to the Rescue Squad. Rainbow will then offer picture packages,

Edmisten Activities Set Friday

Attorney General Rufus Edmisten, a Democratic candidate for Governor of North Carolina, will be in Cleveland County Friday.

Edmisten will meet supporters at a dutch breakfast Friday at 7 a.m. at the Shelby Elks Club. There will not be a regular program but Edmisten will make brief remarks.

There will be a barbecue and bluegrass music show for Edmisten Friday from 6-9 p.m. at Cedar Park on Highway 10 north of Shelby. Tickets are available for \$5 each by calling Clyde Nolan at 487-6541, Joyce Cashion at 739-4962, Pete Stamey at 538-7941 or Heyward Shuford at 538-7787.

which persons purchasing the \$10 coupon are under no obligation to purchase.

Raising money for the project is necessary, Squad Captain Johnny Hutchins said, because funds received by Cleveland County Commissioners and the United Fund go toward the operation of rescue services and not toward capital building projects. The squad depends on raffles, dances and other fund-raising projects to provide those necessary funds.

All of the squads in Cleveland County are currently sponsoring the same promotion, Hutchins said. Rainbow recently finished similar projects in Gaston and Lincoln County.

Kings Mountain Rescue Squad receives \$5,000 annually from the United Fund and 25 cents per mile for each transport made from the Cleveland Coun-

ty Board of Commissioners.

According to Hutchins, there has been a huge misunderstanding on the part of many citizens since the county began charging for ambulance services in Kings Mountain and Shelby several years ago. The county, and not Kings Mountain and Shelby Rescue Squads, charges \$20 per transport. However, that \$20 does not go to the individual rescue squads but to pay the salaries of the seven full-time rescue employees in the county (three in Kings Mountain and four in Shelby). Those paid employees are paid for 40 hours of work per week but are volunteer rescuemen at other times.

"We don't get enough money from the county to operate ambulances," Hutchins said. "If the county went into the commercial ambulance business, the cost

of transports would be \$75 or \$80.

"If it weren't for the volunteers, we wouldn't have an ambulance service," he continued. "These people hold down full-time jobs and then devote several hours a day to the rescue squad."

Hutchins said the rescue squad receives no money whatsoever from most services provided, such as transporting the elderly, transporting medical personnel during snow and ice, and working ballgames, parades, church activities, wrecks and lake patrol.

Hutchins urges persons who have purchased coupons to have their portraits made or give the coupons to a friend or relative. The more portraits that are taken means more money for the squad, since the squad gets the entire \$10 if the picture is made.

Sewer Hearing Set

The Grover Town Council Monday night set July 19 as the date of a public hearing to receive input from citizens on the matter of calling for a \$500,000 bond referendum to help finance a sewer system.

The \$500,000 bond would support a \$414,000 FmHA loan and \$82,000 in cost overruns. The town has \$600,000 in grants to cover the remainder of the \$1 million-plus project.

McCarter said the loan would be for 40 years and the town would have to generate \$4,500 a month in revenues to cover it. The public hearing will help decide how the town will find the revenue.

He said if taxes are not increased, the funds could be recovered by a minimum \$13.50 sewer rate per family. Raising taxes by 10 cents would cut the monthly revenue need to \$3,500

and lower the monthly rate, he said.

McCarter estimated that the referendum could be held in late September.

In other matters Monday, the board:

*Approved a 1983-84 budget of \$148,942, an increase of approximately \$13,000 over the current budget.

*Accepted the resignation of police officer Ernie Willis.

Funeral Services Held For Nevette Hughes, 79

Nevette Hughes, 79, of Route 4, Kings Mountain, died Wed., June 1 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A Kings Mountain native, he was the son of the late William Gordon and Florence Welis Hughes. He was a retired farmer and former employee of the ASCS office in Shelby.

He was a member and deacon of Kings Mountain Baptist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Carrie Gaffney Hughes; one brother, Robert Hughes of Dunedin, Fla.; five sisters, Mrs. E.C. (Louise) Martin and Mrs. Philip (Ruby) Baker of Kings Mountain, Mrs. G.C. (Lucy) Boone of Radford, Va., Mrs. W.B. (Vic) Atchley of Raleigh, and Mrs. W.I. (Marie) Carroll of Asheboro.

Services were conducted Friday at 4 p.m. at Kings Mountain Baptist Church by the Rev. J.C. Goare. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were M.L. Williams, Odell Benton, Harold Crawford, Eddie Carroll, Tom-



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mie Vaden and Ken Lewis. Honorary pallbearers were Dr. Charles Adams, Dr. John McGill, Grady Tate, Jack Hullender, Robert Oates, James Childers, Ray Childers, Thomas Tindall, Tom Tate, Gene Roberts, Marion Dixon, Lee Yarbrow, J.C. Bridges and Glee Bridges.

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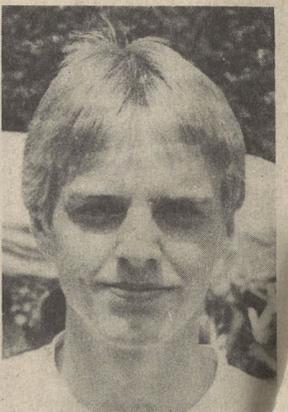
Some citizens of Kings Mountain will be without power Sunday from 8-9 p.m. while Duke Power makes repairs on the

Gaston Street sub-station. The areas affected will be the same streets that were without power last Sunday.

Peeler, Hamrick Win Top Awards

David Kirk Peeler won the American Legion Outstanding Senior Boy Award and Trina Hamrick won the Outstanding Senior Girl Award during annual awards day ceremonies Thursday at Kings Mountain High School.

Other awards included: Kiwanis Good Citizen Award, Michael Hollingsworth; Scheussler Award, Paul Hord Jr.; Journalism Award, Tina Thombs; Beta Club Outstanding Student Award, David Peeler; National Honor Society Outstanding Senior Member Award, Robin McElroy; Kings Mountain Association of Educators Good Citizen of the Year Award, Trina Hamrick and Tim Plonk; Fellowship of Christian Athletes Award, Teresa R. Plonk; John Philip Sousa Band Award, Joanie Hamrick; Musical Excellence Award,



DAVID PEELER
...Boy Of Year



Photo by Gary Stewart

IT'S ALL OVER, BUT THE SHOUTING - Kings Mountain High School seniors rejoice after receiving their diplomas Friday

night at John Gamble Stadium. Over 200 seniors received diplomas from Principal Bob McRae.

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