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SERVICE AWARD WINNERS - Employees of Parkdale Mills received service awards last week from Company President W. Duke Kimball. Left to right are Johnson Smarr, Ralph Haynes, R.V. Stowe, Opal Moss, George LeRoy, Florence

Adams, Rusty Rogers, Lillian Stawls, Jerry Stawls, Diane Brown, Azzilee Garner, Lavon Strickland, Clyde Hammett, Della Bell, Kimball, Hazel Coleman and Bernard Harvey.

Crosby Gets Active Sentence

Former Kings Mountain attorney Steve Crosby drew a 12-months active prison sentence Monday in Cleveland County Superior Court after pleading "no contest" to charges of embezzlement and forgery.

Judge Chase Sanders of Charlotte, at the request of Crosby's attorney Jake Wade, agreed that Crosby may begin serving his sentence on December 19.

Crosby, who voluntarily surrendered his attorney's license and was later disbarred, told the court, "I want to publicly apologize to the bar and the people of Cleveland County. The rest of the lawyers in Cleveland County are not like me."

Crosby was charged with embezzling and forging a check for \$16,181.11 jointly made out to Crosby and a client.

SBI Assistant Supervisor Dan Crawford testified that he had learned during an investigation requested by Superior Court Judge John Friday that over a period of time Crosby borrowed or "manipulated" more than \$325,000 from accounts he handled. He said as of October 10, Crosby owed individuals and businesses more than \$175,000, he said.

Crosby's attorney asked the

court to give Crosby a suspended sentence and allow him to work to pay off his debts. He said written agreements have been made for Crosby to pay everyone he owes. Crosby said paying back the money "is the only way I can get back my self-respect."

Saunders said he would consider work release if Crosby is found to be a suitable candidate.

City Has Good Health Care

Calling attention to the recent \$600,000 expansion program at Kings Mountain Hospital, Mayor John Henry Moss alluded to the growth of the city and Kings Mountain's Health Care Plan 1984 and Beyond during his acceptance speech Monday night after he was sworn in as mayor of Kings Mountain.

The Mayor quoted KM Hospital Administrator Grade Howard who gave this projec-

tion about the hospital.

"Our city is unusually blessed to have a dedicated corps of physicians, hospital and nursing home to care for the ill and elderly. Many communities of this size neither have a hospital nor a Nursing Home and the number of doctors we have. Only recently, the Board of Trustees of the hospital completed a \$6,000,000 renovation and modernization program upgrading the facilities

and equipment to a level that will compare favorably with any in the area.

"We feel the future is bright for Kings Mountain in the area of healthcare. Plans are underway to bring in next year a radiologist, an anesthesiologist,

an orthopedist and perhaps a pediatrician. These additions to the community along with others will offer the Kings Mountain citizens a greater degree of specialty in healthcare.

"Health maintenance and illness prevention will play a greater role as we move into the mid 1980's and 1990's. Better diet, more exercise, educational classes in how to best care for our physical being.

United Way Tops Goal

The Kings Mountain United Way continues to receive donations and will probably surpass its goal by over \$2,000.

Chairman Bill Davis said that the campaign officially closed last week at 2.5 percent over its \$71,000 but that more funds are coming in.

"It's just icing on the cake and we're delighted", said Mr. Davis. Last year's goal was \$68,000.

The Industrial division of the campaign led the effort with \$48,762 or 65 percent of the 1984 goal. With David Birkovich as chairman, the campaign was two percent over its goal.

Auditions Dec. 19-20 By L-T

The Kings Mountain Little Theatre is holding auditions for their upcoming production of "Arsenic and Old Lace" on Dec. 19 and Dec. 20 at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Kings Mountain. The auditions will begin at 7:30 p.m. each evening. Rehearsals will begin Jan. 4th and production is scheduled for mid-February.

Thomas Barnes, director, says that the play has roles for 11 men and three women as well as numerous openings in the crew.

The Kings Mountain Little Theatre depends upon the support of the community in bringing live theatre to this area. Help in all areas of production is always welcomed, says Linda Knight, publicity chairman.

Schools

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some very good school facilities in Kings Mountain we have some others that need to be replaced or extensively renovated.

"One of our most valuable assets relative to public schools in Kings Mountain is a public which is genuinely interested in and supportive of the schools. Attend any Parent Teacher Organization meeting at any of our schools and you are apt to find few or no vacant seats.

TO PURCHASE STOCK

John Bullock, chairman of Bullock Industries Inc., announced today that negotiations have been completed between all the stock holders of Kings Mountain Carpet Showroom Inc. whereby Bullock Industries Inc. will purchase all of the outstanding common stock of the Kings Mountain Carpet Showroom Inc.

Bullock Industries Inc. is a small but growing conglomerate located at Kings Mountain, North Carolina. Its other business interests in the Kings Mountain area include Carolina Baskets Inc., a manufacturer of baskets and fern stands and Bullock Industries Inc., which is primarily a national sales company.

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