



## Lib Stewart

### For My Money, Spring Is Nature's Nicest Smile

When Spring arrived last week, the weather cooperated beautifully. There's nothing more pleasant than to contemplate the shedding of coats, the surcease from fuel bills and the decline of the power bill.

Undoubtedly, there will be cold weather yet, but, with Spring officially arrived, balmy temperatures on a regular basis can't be far away.

Some of our neighbors have already started breaking ground for gardens and a couple of them planted potatoes during the recent weekend. That's a sure sign of spring!

All of us at our house have already had spring fever for a couple weeks now and have been taking much-needed walks (for exercise) to the creek and back, about a half mile distance from our farm in the Dixon Community. On Saturday, our entire Dixon Presbyterian congregation plans to walk the five miles from the church to the Kings Mountain Battleground. We probably won't walk back (I hope). The young people in the church are busy this week signing up sponsors for the hike, as all proceeds go to missions.

After we walk the five miles, a picnic supper of hotdogs is promised. What this country needs is more family and church/community picnics.

Senate investigating committees and criminologists worry about the extent of crime, violence and juvenile delinquency in America. Sociologists worry about the break up of family as an institution and the lessening influence of the home in American life. Even parents sometimes worry about what their children may be doing.

It may be that one of the solutions to all these worries is the old-fashioned family or community picnic. Have you tried one this spring? When the sun is shining bright, as it has been recently, and the leaves are breaking out on all the trees, take plenty of sandwiches and fruit and cold drinks along and head for a country road, a hilltop or a stream. Or, take the kids fishing. Or, walk to the creek and back a couple times. It's ideal for shooting the over-stimulated modern nerves too accustomed to television and radio and noise.

At the moment, Kings Mountain and the Piedmont section is witnessing the smile of Spring. The leaves open up, the birds chirp and most people exhibit an extra portion of gaiety. For my money, Spring is nature's nicest smile!

## EDITORIAL OPINION



### We're Proud Of Band

Kings Mountain for many years has had a good name for the quality of musicians it produced.

New laurels have been added this week by the Kings Mountain Senior High School Blazer Band who have received the highest ratings attainable in District contests—and for the eighth straight year.

Congratulations are in order to all members of the KMSHS Blazer Band, 100 members strong - and to their hard-working and dedicated band leader, Donald Deal.

By attaining a unanimous superior rating in the difficult grade six at the district competition in Charlotte, the local musicians brought honor to themselves and to the community and school they represented.

Our hats are off to them!



#### THURSDAY:

12:00 - Kings Mountain Rotary Club at Holiday Inn. 6:45 p.m. - Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club at Holiday Inn.

#### SATURDAY:

5:30-8:30 - Grace United Methodist Church is sponsoring old fashioned steak dinner and bake sale in the church fellowship building.

7:30 p.m. - Creative Drama Class and Drama Club of KMSHS is presenting a Dessert Theatre, "Miracle Worker", in the KMSHS Cafeteria.

#### SUNDAY:

3 p.m. - Matinee performance of Dessert Theatre, "Miracle Worker", in KMSHS Cafeteria.



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## OBITUARIES

#### WALLACE CAPPS

Funeral services for Wallace Eugene Capps, 79, of Route 1, Bessemer City, who died Tuesday in Gaston Memorial Hospital, will be conducted Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m. from Holland Memorial Baptist Church in Bessemer City.

Rev. Kenneth Anthony, Rev. Robert Bodenhammer and Rev. Lyle Giest will officiate at the rites, and interment will be in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Mr. Capps was a retired farmer, son of the late Meek William and Annie Janette Copper Capps. He was married to the late Callie Mae Bells Capps.

Surviving are four sons, Gene Capps of Lowell, William Capps of Mount Holly, George Capps of Columbia, S.C. and Harry Lee Capps of Rock Hill, S.C., five daughters, Mrs. Ruth Burton of Kings Mountain, Mrs. Marjorie Horne of Roanoke Rapids, N.C., Mrs. Peggy Allen of Gastonia, Mrs. Dorothy Cook of Bessemer City and Mrs. Joyce Gsellman of Kings Mountain; 25 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

The family was to receive friends Wednesday night from 7 to 9 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

#### BENJAMIN F. GOFORTH

Gastonia - Benjamin Franklin Goforth, 64, 601 S. Dalton St., died Monday in Gaston Memorial Hospital.

A son of the late Franklin Lafayette and Louvenia Turner Goforth, he was employed by Foote Mineral Corporation, Kings Mountain, was a World War II veteran, and member of Linwood Church of God.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Pryor Goforth; two daughters, Frances Hambright and Peggy Ann Goforth, both of Gastonia; son, Richard Wayne Goforth of Gastonia; two sisters, Vera Ledford of Shelby and Lucy Mode of High Shoals; three brothers, Bevard Goforth of Ridgecrest, Calif., Dennis

Goforth of Shelby and Gene Goforth of Kings Mountain; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Walter Mauldin at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Linwood Church of God. Burial was at Gaston Memorial Park.

#### THELMA SUMMITT

Funeral services for Thelma Mae Summitt, 67, of 109 S. Waterson St., who died Friday in Kings Mountain Hospital, were conducted Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m. from First Church of the Nazarene of which she was a member.

Rev. L.K. Fannin and Rev. C.A. Bost officiated at the rites, and interment was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Miss Summitt was daughter of the late Andrell and Laura Mae Summitt.

Surviving are two brothers, J.D. Summitt of Kings Mountain and A.B. Summitt, Jr. of Bowie, Md. and two sisters, Sarah Parker and Pauline Terris of Kings Mountain.

#### BUD LEGAN

Funeral services for Matron Odell (Bud) Legan, 51, of 3100 Midpines, who died Sunday in Kings Mountain Hospital after several month's illness, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 4 p.m. from the Chapel of Harris Funeral Home by Rev. Bob Hope, interment following in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

Mr. Legan was a native of Cleveland County and had retired with the U.S. Navy. He was son of the late Gurney Watson and Mary Clack Legan.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Joan Ryan Legan of New York City; one daughter, Jean Marie Legan of Guam; two sisters, Mrs. Beulah Anderson of Kings Mountain and Mrs. Betty Welch of Newton; and four grandchildren.

#### DAISY BEAM

Funeral services for Daisy Mae Beam, 35, of 410 Judy Street, Shelby, sister of Charles Banks of Kings Mountain, were

conducted Tuesday afternoon from Brooks Chapel by Rev. Ralph Brooks, interment following in Brooks Chapel Church Cemetery.

Mrs. Beam, wife of Johnny Ambrose Beam, died Friday.

Surviving, in addition to her husband and her brother, are two sons, Anthony and William Anthony Beam of Shelby; brothers, Eugene Banks, Bobby Banks, Jimmy Banks, Roger Banks, Leroy Banks, and James Wilson, all of Shelby, James Ramseur, Jr. of Hickory; four sisters, Lucille Brooks and Alline Williams of Shelby, Alberta Glens of High Shoals and Hatie Thurman of Lattimore.

#### CLARENCE BURRIS

Clarence Burris, 89, of 420 Wilson Street, died Saturday at Kings Mountain Hospital.

He was a native of York County, S.C., son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burris. He was a member of Mount Olive Baptist Church where he served as a deacon and also a member of the Friendly Aid Society and Burial Team Society.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lucy Robinson Burris; a stepson, Forest Jackson of Kings Mountain; four stepdaughters, Lula Burris and Hazel Ellison, both of Gastonia, Lucille Dye of High Point and Minnie Austin of Baltimore, Md.

J.W. Gill and Sons Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 3 p.m. from Mount Olive Baptist Church by Rev. W.A. Maddox. Interment was in Mount Olive Memorial Park.

#### MRS. QUINN WELLS

Funeral services for Mrs. Vienna Cooper Wells, 83, of Greenville, S.C., formerly of the Dixon Community, were held Sunday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. from McAbee Funeral Home Chapel in Greenville, S.C., inter-

ment following in Greenville cemetery.

Mrs. Wells died Friday at her home in Greenville after declining health. She was a member of Dixon Presbyterian Church. She was widow of Quinn Wells of the Dixon Community. She was born July 4, 1901. Before moving to Greenville a year ago, she resided in Gastonia.

Surviving are her daughter, Mrs. Floyd (Frances) Carver of Greenville; her son-in-law; two grandsons, Richard and Ronnie Carver, both of Greenville, S.C., five great-grandchildren, all of Greenville, her sister, Mrs. Billie Scism of Georgia and two stepsons, Harold Wells of Kings Mountain and Lee Wells of California.

Local people going to Greenville to be with the family were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wells, Mrs. George Stewart, and Mr. and Mrs. Gary Stewart and children, Leigh Anne and Dee, all of the Dixon Community.

#### DAISY HUNT

Funeral services for Mrs. Dairy Harrison Hunt, 94, of Forest City, mother of Mrs. Ora Murray of Kings Mountain, were conducted Sunday at 2:30 p.m. from Missionary Methodist Church in Forest City by Rev. Kenneth Howell, Rev. Graham Brooks and Rev. Richard Plyler, interment following in First Broad Baptist Church Cemetery.

Mrs. Hunt died Friday in the Rutherford Hospital.

A Rutherford County native, she was the daughter of the late Samuel and Billie Harrison and was married to the late Edley Hunt. She was a member of First Broad Baptist Church in Golden Valley.

She is also survived by two daughters, Lois Hardin and Myrtle Freeman, both of Forest City, one brother, John Harrison of Sunshine; five grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Padgett and King Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Herald Deadlines

The Herald welcomes your letters to the editor, news articles and other information.

We ask that you follow these deadlines for submitting articles for the paper:

Social news for the "Styles" section, or Section B, should be submitted by 5 p.m. Mondays. These articles include weddings, engagements, birthdays, church news, club meetings, etc.

Classified and display advertisements, regular news items and sports should be submitted no later than 5 p.m. Tuesdays.

Stories that happen on Tuesday nights should be submitted by 10 a.m. Wednesdays.

If you have an item of interest, or know of someone or something that would make a good story, call us at 739-7496.



## Peeps Into The Past

From the March 27, 1983 edition of The Kings Mountain Herald

Kings Mountain Hospital will observe its first anniversary next Tuesday. Through Wednesday noon it had admitted 941 patients and had discharged 1,177, indicating that more than 236 children had first seen the light of day at Kings Mountain Hospital.

Cornelia Ware, Ann McKelvie, Joyce Biser, Delores Davidson and Gilbert McKelvie were inducted into the Kings Mountain Chapter of the National Honor Society Wednesday night in the induction program held in the high school auditorium.

Mrs. Louise Hughes Martin will be installed as Worthy Matron and

J.C. Bridges will be installed as Worthy Patron of Kings Mountain Chapter 123, Order of the Eastern Star, Friday night in ceremonies at Masonic Hall.

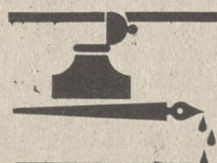
Members of the La Fete Rook Club met Thursday night at the home of Mrs. Bun Goforth.

Clyde Kerns entertained members of the Entre Nouse Bridge Club at her home Tuesday night. Mrs. Wilson Crawford was a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. F.O. Morris announce the birth of their daughter, Sylvia, Saturday, March 22, Kings Mountain Hospital.

#### TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Who hath ears to hear, let him hear. St. Matthew 13:9



## Letters To The Editor

### Thanks To Those Who Cared

To the Editor:

The Kings Mountain Physical Fitness Program at the Neighborhood Facility Center has been named the most successful Shape-Up Exercise-A-Thon for cystic fibrosis in the state of North Carolina. This is the second year that this group has earned this distinction. During the past two years the ladies have earned over \$8,000 for the cystic fibrosis association.

I would like to thank all of the participants and their sponsors for their support. Without them, the fund-raising event held annually at Cleveland Mall in Shelby would not have been so successful.

The Exercise-A-Thon of 1983 was dedicated to the memory of Jeremy Wray Brown of Kings Mountain. Miss Angela Wright, a victim of this disease, was the one to whom this event was dedicated this year. Miss Wright was able to take part in the event with the Kings Mountain ladies.

We all hope that the people of Cleveland County know that this is our way of showing that we care.

Mrs. Patsy Parker,  
Instructor

### Thank You, Firemen

Dear Editor:

This letter is written to publicly thank members of the Kings Moun-

tain Fire Department who came out Canterbury Road Friday and extinguished a brush fire which could easily have destroyed a shop and barn and spread to a nearby mobile home.

Local firemen, in addition to Bessemer City Fire Department, and representatives of the N.C. Forestry Department, stood by for some time Friday afternoon after the brush fire ignited about 3:30 p.m. and was extinguished.

We do appreciate the efforts of local and area firemen.

MR. AND MRS. WAYNE THOMAS  
MR. AND MRS. RUFUS THOMAS  
Canterbury Road  
Kings Mountain

### My Thanks

To all who helped make my project the publishing of my book, "Treasured Pound Cake Recipes" a complete success, I am indeed grateful.

Here's hoping you will enjoy it for a long time.

Many thanks to Herald Publishing House for their support and the beautiful job they did.

RUEY THRONEBURG  
Kings Mountain