



BESSEMER CITY BENEFIT SET APRIL 20TH—Ben Rudisill stands beside a Coors sign in front of Rudisill Enterprises at Ranlo.



## Ann Roberts

The death of Ann Roberts removed from the business community a super saleslady who took pride in dressing the public with the clothes they looked best in.

Mrs. James Roberts was the epitome of graciousness and at 75 belied her age because of her youthful appearance, pride in her work and loyalty to her profession and friends.

Ann Butler Roberts went to work 45 years ago for the late Byron Keeter at Keeter's Department Store. She planned to work for two weeks in the alterations department but stayed. Her longtime friendship with the family of Paul and Ethel McGinnis began there. The late Paul McGinnis also got his start in the retail clothing business at Keeter's Department Store, located then in downtown Kings Mountain. Mrs. Roberts remained with the McGinnis family after they became a Kings Mountain Merchant and was buyer for the department store and ladies ready-to-wear store for many years prior to her illness.

During her long tenure in the business district, Ann Roberts made many friends. Her devotion to her family is well known and The Herald joins her many friends in expressing sympathy to them in their bereavement.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### WEDNESDAY

12:05 - Community-wide Lenten Mid-Day Devotions at Central United Methodist Church under sponsorship of six downtown churches.

### THURSDAY

12:00 - Kings Mountain Rotary Club at Holiday Inn.  
6:45 - Charter Night of Kings Mountain Kiwanis Club at KM Country Club.

7:00 - Support Group for cancer patients and families is being formed in KM area at Kings Mountain Hospital Board Room.

### FRIDAY

7:00 a.m. - Citizens Planning Forum, organizational meeting, at Jed's on King Street.

8:00 a.m. - 12 noon - Bake Sale at Temple Baptist Church Parking Lot sponsored by Acteens of Temple Baptist Church.

## LOOKING BACK

From the Thursday, Feb. 28, 1957 edition of The Kings Mountain Herald.

Kings Mountain's biennial city political season officially opened this week as three incumbents paid \$6 filing fees and thereby assured that their names will be on the May election ballots.

The three are Mayor Glee A. Bridges, Ward 4 Commissioner Paul Ledford and Ward 5 Commissioner W.G. Grantham.

Kings Mountain Military Park was established 26 years ago Sunday, March 3, when President Hoover signed the Act of Congress that set up the Park.

Mrs. Jim Dover was recently elected president of East School PTA.

Mr. and Mrs. A.T. DeBruler, Jr. announce the birth of a son, Friday, Feb. 22, Kings Mountain Hospital.

### TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

Watch ye and pray lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready but the flesh is weak. St. Mark 14:38.

# Rudisill Goes To Bat For Bessemer Recreation

When Ben Rudisill heard that because of its financial crisis the City of Bessemer City would not have the money to operate its swimming pool or to light its baseball fields this summer he decided to do something about it.

The Gastonia businessman, former resident of Cherryville, came up with an idea and presented it to representatives from the town's civic clubs. The group liked what Rudisill had to offer and formed a steering committee composed of Dr. Bob Crouch, chairman, Allen Martin, treasurer, Bobby Hovis, Al Froneberger, Gene Isenhour, and Tim Helms.

The plan Rudisill suggested was for the city to stage a Bessemer City Recreation Day on April 20th, and tentatively set for the high school stadium if the new 770-seat grandstand is completed. Events start at 1 p.m. and continue until 7:30.

Through Rudisill's Coors Beer distributorship, he has made arrangements for NASCAR race car driver Bill Elliott and former NFL football star Haven Moses to be in Bessemer City that day. Elliott, who recently won the Daytona 500, will arrive in Bessemer City as soon as he finishes practicing in North Wilkesboro. He is scheduled in Bessemer City between 5 and 6 p.m.

The Bill Elliott race car will be on display in Bessemer City all day. Elliott is the Coors driver for NASCAR.

Bessemer City Optimists and other residents have 5,000 barbecue tickets for sale for the benefit and are hoping to raise up to \$30,000 for the children of Bessemer City for its summer sports program.

In addition to backing the financial project, Rudisill Enterprises will contribute a dollar per case for every case of Coors and Coors Light Beer sold to Bessemer City retailers during the month of April.

Rudisill and Coordinator Bob Crouch call on all local citizens and neighboring towns of Bessemer City to "come out and support Recreation Day" on April 20th in Bessemer City. Not only are the two sports stars and the Elliott race car among drawing cards for the event, but a top notch opening ceremony is planned, games are planned and BBQ with all the trimmings will be available from 1 to 7:30 p.m.

All proceeds from the event will be given to the sponsoring Optimist Club for use in its children and youth summer athletic program.



BEN RUSISILL AND ED RUCKER go over inventory in refrigerator unit at Rudisill Enterprises.

## Carrie Didn't Elope

Carrie Grigg, 89 on Feb. 10th, said she got a lot of good-natured ribbing when her picture appeared last week at the top of the Kings Mountain Herald and in color.

She was so excited that she answered "yes" to a doctor's question. He had asked her if she eloped at the age of 89 and was that the reason for her picture being in the newspaper.

Her children quickly corrected her and said "no, she didn't elope."

The name of Mrs. Grigg's youngest son, Gene Griggs, of 914 Second St., was left out of last week's story about Carrie Grigg's birthday. One of the sisters said Mrs. Griggs wanted everyone to know that her baby son was included in the celebration too.

Mrs. Griggs is the mother of eight, including Ruby Ellis of Gaffney, S.C., Sam Grigg, Bud Grigg, and Jerry Grigg, all of Gastonia, and Eloise Huffstetler, Helen Moss, Faye McInnes and Gene Grigg, all of Kings Mountain. There are 28 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.



Lib Stewart

## Save Children

For weeks now, the tragedy of Ethiopia's starving refugees have unfolded in the newspapers, magazines and over every television network.

Now Kings Mountain area citizens can help "Save The Children" in a special project spearheaded by the Kings Mountain Woman's Club and approved at Monday night's meeting.

Bradine Tyner is chairman of the International Affairs Department of the club which is heading up the effort to help the starving children in the Northern Shewa region of Ethiopia where 60 percent of the villagers are hungry and as many as 100 die each day. Relief efforts have been stalled there because there has not been enough grain. Mrs. Tyner said that local gifts will help meet the immediate food needs and medical requirements and then assist villagers in rebuilding their small farms, herds and village economies, a long term commitment which is a way to prevent the crisis from recurring.

The Kings Mountain project, which will include a door to door canvass and business gift solicitation will be conducted during the month of March. Serving as co-chairmen of the general solicitation are Connie Phifer and Marie Brinkley. Other members of the committee are Linda Dixon, Julianne Hambright, Louise King, Carolyn McGinnis, Katherine Hicks and Dot Etheridge.

"We can help turn the corner on this crisis", said Mrs. Tyner, with the help of others around the country. We are calling on local people to give generously."

Citizens not contacted who want to make a contribution to the project can mail their checks to Save The Children, African Emergency Fund, c/o Mrs. Wade Tyner, Wade Ford, Kings Mountain, or to Mrs. Betty Gamble, Woman's Club President, 409 Hawthorne Road, Kings Mountain, or to Mrs. Helen Hendricks, Treasurer, 808 West Mountain St., Kings Mountain, N.C. 28086.

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## Honor For Former Resident

Bud Mayes, former Kings Mountain resident and son of Carl and Lib Mayes of Ridge Street, was recently named "Master Teacher" by Wilkes Community College.

Mayes is chairperson of the Walker Center Management Team, director of the College Theatre and longtime faculty member at Wilkes Community College.

Mayes was honored as Master Teacher for the 1984-85 school year and was selected for this outstanding achievement by his peers and will attend a special conference with WCC President Dr. David E. Daniel before end of the school year.

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## Foothills Golf

Kings Mountain women golfers will participate in the Spring Foothills Tournament March 28th at Catawa Country Club in Newton.

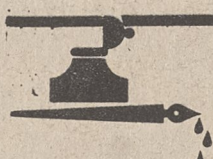
Reservations can be made by calling Lynne Mauney at 739-5181.

## Free Garden Aid

Local green thumbs can give their garden an early boost with some free, rotten sawdust which is being offered free by John Bullock of Carolina Baskets on Margrace Road.

Bullock, who often gives away his thrown-out wood for persons to use as kindling, says he has tons of rotten sawdust which people can have by hauling it away.

"It makes an excellent mulch for the garden," says Bullock. "If anyone wants some, they can just bring their cars, trucks or whatever, and haul it away."



## Letters To The Editor

## Opposes Duke Increase

Dear Editor:

It is with great concern that I view the "Power Grab" in the Electric Utility's attempt to have consumers invest their hard-earned money by paying for more construction before the utility company puts money into its own equipment!

That's even worse than higher taxes! If we, as consumers, wish to invest in Duke Power Co., we can buy stock to invest in construction, but that is our prerogative. If we have to put out money "Wilie Nillie" and get no voice in doing so we are "disenfranchised" and have no say whatsoever over our money!

If the people wish to buy stock in Duke Power Co., "Bravo". But it is for people to decide. Let's hear the Vox Populi! How many are in favor of Duke Power investing your money with no return on it? If there is a risk we should decide whether to invest or not. Let's hear from the people large and small what they wish to do with their money.

Gather as many of the following statements from neighbors, friends, acquaintances, relatives, etc. and send

them to me at 734 Canterbury Road, Kings Mountain, N.C. 28086. Anyone who pays Duke Power Co. for electricity is eligible -- so get started.

Sincerely Yours,  
Harry F. Herd

### DUKE POWER GRAB

I am not in favor of the proposed electric rate increase.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Your Address \_\_\_\_\_

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