

## Six Auto Accidents Reported

Property damages were minor in six automobile accidents occurring in the city during the past week, according to Marty Blanton, secretary to KMPD Chief Jackie Barrett.

Lena Bullard, of Bessemer City, operating a 1982 Ford, hit a 1980 Honda operated by Martina Williamson, of Pine Manor Apts., doing \$300 damage to the Williamson car and \$300 to the Bullard automobile.

James Roberts, Route 5, operating a 1980 Buick on Mountain Street, hit a 1978 Mercury operated by Margie Bridges, Cansler St., doing \$500 to the Bridges car and \$200 to the Roberts vehicle.

Cheryl Whitaker, of Bessemer City, operating a 1977 Pontiac, hit a 1982 Nissan operated by Timothy Stalcup of Brevard, doing \$600 to the Nissan and \$200 to the Pontiac.

June Dobson, of Clover, S.C., operating a 1976 Olds which was not damaged, hit a 1975 Ford operated by Elaine Grigg, of Castlewood Drive, in the parking lot of Winn Dixie. The Grigg car was damaged \$400.

Delilah Whitesides, of Pine Manor Apts., operating a 1969 Dodge which was not damaged, hit a 1984 Olds doing \$120 damage.

Mike Galloway, Route 4, operating a 1984 Dodge on York Road, hit a 1983 Pontiac operated by Bobby Barnes of Dallas, doing \$1800 to the Barnes vehicle and \$500 to the Galloway car.

### Bakers Visit Relatives Here

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ray Baker of Washington, D.C. visited relatives in Kings Mountain recently.

The Bakers came especially to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mercier. Mr. Mercier is recuperating from a broken hip. Mrs. Baker is the former Virginia Gaither Herndon.

### Margrace Road Resident Injured In House Fire

Johnny Edward Grier, 5200 Margrace Road, escaped through a window of his burning house Tuesday morning, but not before being burned over 10 percent of his body.

The Kings Mountain man remains in serious condition in the Burn Center of North Carolina Memorial Hospital with second degree burns on both hands and one shoulder

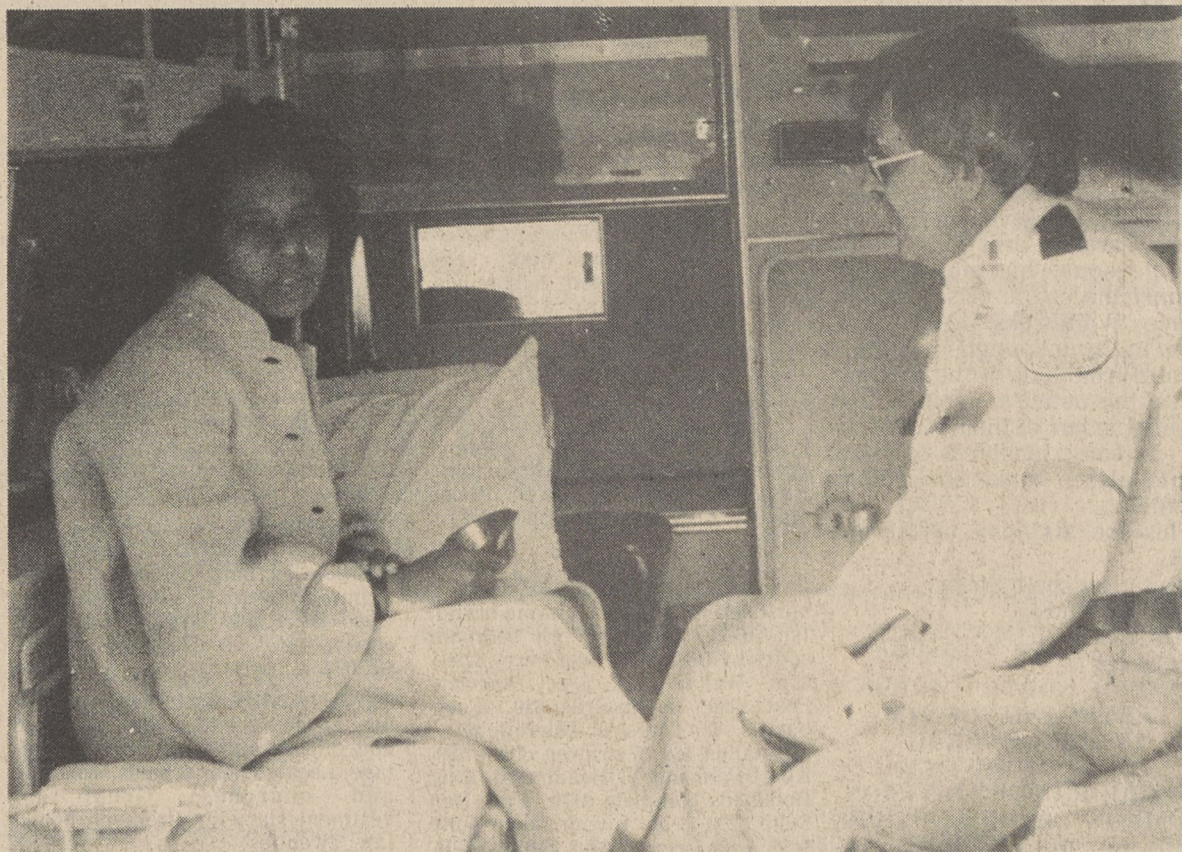


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**TRAPPED IN HOUSE** - Elaine Ollemi, left, tells Kings Mountain Rescue Squad member Roy Hammett that the rescue ambulance was one of the prettiest sites she'd ever seen Monday afternoon when she was unable to escape her house while woods nearby burned and the winds blew the fire toward her home. Ms. Ollemi recently underwent surgery and was in the house alone when fire broke out at Buzzard's Roost, a small peak on the Kings Mountain range, and spread to the Love Valley community.

## Monday Afternoon Fire Keeps Firefighters Busy

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the Sheriff's department six youths were later charged with unlawful open burning.

Arrested and released on \$300 bond each were Troy Dean Greene, 18, of 705 Park Avenue, Shelby; David Thomas Byers, 20, of 1421 North Post Road, Shelby; Christopher Hilton Evans, 19, of 5116 Leander Street, Shelby; Sharon Denise Powell, 17, of 112 Ella Street, Shelby; Lisa Rena McIntyre of Banks Road, Grover; and Gary Benjamin Ruppe, 18, of 1131 Crestview Drive, Shelby.

Arresting Officer Roy Blanton, Hunt and several firefighters walked to the top of the peak, where they said the group had built a campfire. Blanton said they were not charged with shooting Roman candles because they were not seen shooting the fireworks.

Blanton said the group had

nothing to do with the fire.

Firemen from Bethlehem, Number Three, Grover and Oak Grove from Cleveland County, and Bethany from York County, as well as bulldozer operators from the South Carolina Forestry Service and other volunteers participated in the effort.

Meanwhile, firemen and forestry officials ask citizens to be careful with the use of matches and cigarettes and remind the public that, because of dry weather conditions and high March winds, that a statewide ban on burning is in effect until further notice.

## Woman Comes Home, Scares Away Burglars

Lori Allen, 909 First Street, apparently came home from work early and scared off burglars who had stacked up furniture at her home and were ready to cart it off. Kings Mountain Police Department reported.

The breaking and entering incident was among those under investigation by Kings Mountain Police this week.

Ila McIntyre, 406 E. King St., reported that someone burst a taillight on her vehicle parked in her yard.

Kings Mountain Aging Program reported that a breaking, entering and larceny occurred in the kitchen area after 1:30 p.m. when the building closed March 14th and \$75 in cash was taken.

Gloria Corder, 1821 Alpine Drive, reported that someone took a stereo, cassette tape

recorder, bank and two boxes of tapes valued at \$315 from her residence.

Karen Lail, Route 2, reported the theft of a pocketbook from her car and damage to her vehicle, a total of \$375 in loss and damages.

Food Lion, West Gate Plaza, reported that someone did \$200 in damage to a drink machine in front of the business.

Leroy Blanton, of Blanton Washerette, reported damages to a drink box and theft of \$25 in change from the box.

A bottle was thrown into the residence at 104 E. King St. doing \$25 in damage.

A tire was punctured on a rental car parked in front of First Citizens Bank & Trust Company.

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### Jones Is Moving

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teaches a Sunday School class at KM Convalescent Center. Before joining Jones Intercable, Fulton was a brickmason, joining Cable Systems, Inc. three years ago. He remained with the company when Cable Systems was purchased by Jones Intercable.

Mrs. Cloninger, a native of Gastonia, grew up in Lowell and graduated from Holbrook High School in 1966. She married Mike Cloninger 15 years ago and they are the parents of a son, Tim, 14, and a daughter, Cori, 5. They have resided in Cherryville four years. Mrs. Cloninger

formerly worked with Cable Systems in Cherryville, joining Jones Intercable two years ago.

Cable customers are encouraged to enter The Herald building at the front door, which faces W. King Street. Jones Intercable will be open five days a week beginning April 1 in the new location.

"We are happy to welcome Jones Intercable to The Herald and feel that this will be a convenient location for this Kings Mountain business, offering plenty of office space and parking facilities," said Herald Publisher Garland Atkins.

### Man Injured In Wreck

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Property damages totaled \$4900, including \$2,000 to the Dobson car, \$400 to the Michaels truck and \$2500 to the 1976 Chevrolet truck operated by Gallman.

Assistant Chief Bob Hayes, one of the city police officers

at the scene, said the accident could have been much worse in mid-afternoon traffic. "Traffic on the bypass about 3:30 is quite heavy every day about this time", he remarked.

Ptl. Don Ivey charged Gallman with improper brakes and failing to stop at a stop sign.