

City Responds To Jenkins' Suit

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Mountain Rest Cemetery was presented to commissioners in a closed session of the board." The attorneys said that "sole purpose of the report was to 'record the results of an investigation of serious improprieties uncovered in the operation of the cemetery.'"

In rebutting Lamb's claim that the defendants gave copies of the report to members of the press and private citizens, the attorneys said "someone intentionally gave a copy of the report to the press and to television news media" and admitted that excerpts of these reports were published in local newspapers and were made the subject of television newscasts. Defendants specifically deny any role in the release of said report.

The attorneys argued also that defendants named individually in the suit were "immune from liability because their actions were of a public nature and carried out in their performance of government duties." "The five defendants, who on Aug.

16, 1985 voted to fire Jenkins, 'acted in good faith without malice and thus have qualified immunity.'"

In another line of defense, city attorneys argued that if the defendants were shown to be responsible for releasing the report, "they should be barred from liability because of the conclusions of the report 'were substantially true,' made in good faith, made by parties with duty, as mayor and board of commissioners, to inquire into and communicate about plaintiff's misconduct in office; and were made to persons having a corresponding interest, right or duty," therefore defendants reports or statements, if made, were qualified privileged and plaintiff is thus barred from suing defendants for libel or slander."

In another line of defense, the attorneys claim the plaintiff's claim for relief is barred in that the plaintiff was "at will employee and such was subject to termination at any time for any reason. There is no recognized implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing in employ-

ment contracts in North Carolina."

The reply also claims that Defendant National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pennsylvania is "not a proper party to this lawsuit and should be dismissed from this action."

After an SBI probe into operations of the city cemetery department, District Attorney Marty Shuford ruled last November "no substantial criminal violations to warrant prosecution." Jenkins had been an employee of the city cemetery department for 22 years.

No trial date has been set. Jenkins' attorney has requested a jury trial.

Health Screening Saturday

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There will be no charges made at the health fair and everyone is welcome to come. People are reminded, however, that health screenings do not in any way replace a physical examination by a physician. Screenings are a health promotion measure and an opportunity for an individual to learn more about his own health and/or health problems.



COLT McABEE
Colt Reid McAbee
Is Four Years Old

Colt Reid McAbee celebrated his fourth birthday Oct. 2 at a party at his home.

Colt is son of Debbie Goforth of Kings Mountain and grandson of Gene and Mary Goforth of Kings Mountain.

A decorated birthday cake was cut and served with party refreshments to family and friends.

Revival Scheduled At Midview Baptist

Rev. Scott Carpenter will be evangelist for revival services Oct. 27-30 at Midview Baptist Church.

Services will be held at 7:30 p.m. each evening. The public is invited.

OBITUARIES

COYE RAMSEY

Funeral services for Coye Reuben Ramsey, 73, of Caroleen, who died Sunday in Rutherfordton Hospital, were conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. from Harrelson Funeral Home by Rev. Benny Turner, interment following in Rutherford County Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Ramsey was a Cleveland County native, son of the late Martin C. and Anna Robbins Ramsey.

He was a retired textile employee.

Surviving are his wife, Edna Lewis Ramsey; a son, Charles Ramsey of Kings Mountain; two brothers, Carl Ramsey of Union, S.C. and Paul Ramsey of Columbia, S.C.; sisters, Bessie Staggs of Caroleen, Geneva Chapman of Ellenboro, Bernice Smith of Lincolnton, Margie Crisp of Belmont, Kathleen Bell of Kings Mountain, Dennis Canipe of Cherryville and a grandchild.

MARY GRIER

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary Ida Wilson Grier, 73, of Route 5, who died Tuesday in Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, D.C., were held Saturday afternoon from Ebenezer Baptist Church by the Rev. D.C. Wilson and Rev. R.E. Devoe, interment following in the church cemetery.

A Cleveland County native, she was the daughter of the late John Aaron and Julia Wray Wilson and widow of Raymond Grier.

Surviving are a son, John O'Neal Grier of Washington, D.C., a sister, Corrine Wallace of Washington, D.C. and two grandchildren.

PAMELA ANDERSON

Funeral services for Pamela Lockridge Anderson, 31, of Route 5, who died Monday in Gaston Memorial Hospital, will be conducted Thursday afternoon at 3 p.m. from Harmony Baptist Church of Gastonia by Rev. James Martin and Rev. Jerry Morrow, interment following in Mountain Rest Cemetery. The family will receive

friends Wednesday night from 7 until 9 p.m. at Harris Funeral Home and will be at the home of Mrs. Baner Crawford, 8008 1/2 Fourth Street.

Mrs. Anderson, wife of William Anderson, who survives, was the daughter of Bobby and Julia McDaniel Lockridge of Kings Mountain.

Also surviving are one son, Shane Anderson, and one daughter, Sherry Anderson, both of the home; two brothers, Michael and Bobby Lockridge II, both of Kings Mountain; two sisters, Mrs. Charlene Anthony of Dallas and Miss Anita Lockridge of Kings Mountain and her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Baner McDaniel Crawford of Kings Mountain. She was granddaughter of the late Grady McDaniel and Ernest and Julia Martin Lockridge, all of Kings Mountain.

WILLIE WILLIAMS

Funeral services for Willie (Bobo) Williams, 70, of 187 F Street, Bessemer City, were conducted by the Rev. Eugene Early at 4 p.m. Thursday from Saint James Baptist Church, interment following in Kelly's Chapel Church Cemetery.

Mr. Williams was a native of Gaston County, son of the late Fred and Betty Webber Williams. He was a World War II veteran and a member of Saint James Baptist Church.

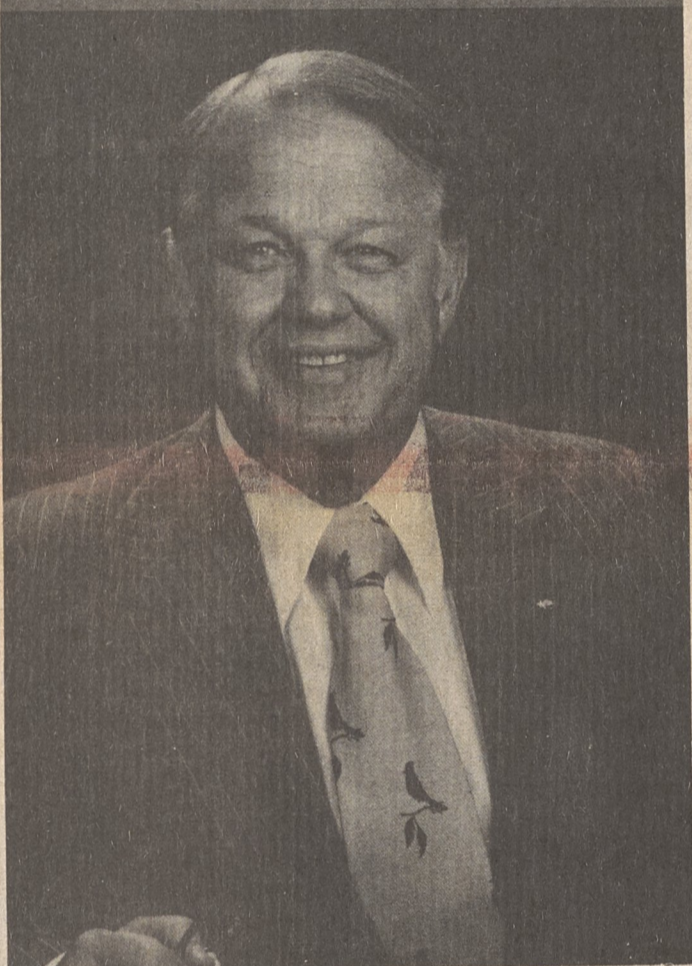
Surviving are his brother, Ted Williams, of Bessemer City; and sister, Myrtle Williams of Bessemer City.

Dr. Spence

Dead At Age 87

Dr. Thomas H. Spence, Jr., Director of the Historical Foundation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches in Montreat for 30 years, died Sept. 7 at the age of 87. He directed the Foundation from 1939 to 1969, when he retired.

JACK HUNT N.C. House



Rutherford, Polk, Cleveland Counties

JACK HUNT has served on many important committees in the N.C. General Assembly, including Base Budget, Appropriations, Finance, Blind and Deaf, Libraries, Military and Veteran Affairs, Agriculture, Manufacturing and Labor, Highway Safety and has been chairman or vice-chairman of several. He has served as Chairman of the committee on Military and Veteran Affairs, and the powerful House Rules Committee.

He was unanimously ELECTED SPEAKER Pro Tem by 120 members of House of Representatives.

Dr. John J. (Jack) Hunt, Lattimore, N.C. - Baptist, area businessman, owner Round Up Stores, Inc., DDS office Cliffside, Member Shelby Chamber Commerce, graduate of Lattimore High School and Wake Forest and Emory University, Mason Shriner, Vet WW II & Korean War.

He was awarded U.S.S. North Carolina Battleship award "for outstanding service to the citizens and veterans of North Carolina"

and was elected an honorary member of the N.C. National Guard "for conspicuous service to the cause of national defense"

and was appointed to represent the N.C. House in the National Conference of State Legislatures.

**He has served by appointment or by statute on many significant Legislative Commissions including Governmental Operations, Legislative Services, Bicentennial Commission as the Speakers designee, and the Capitol Planning Commission.

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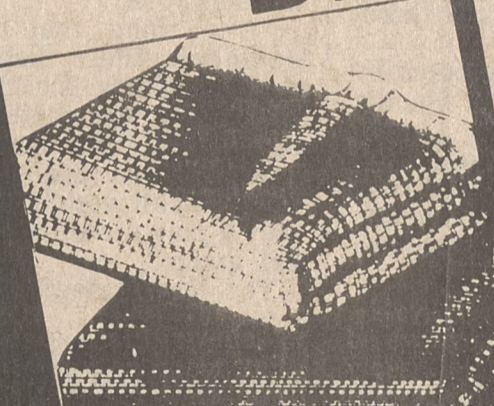
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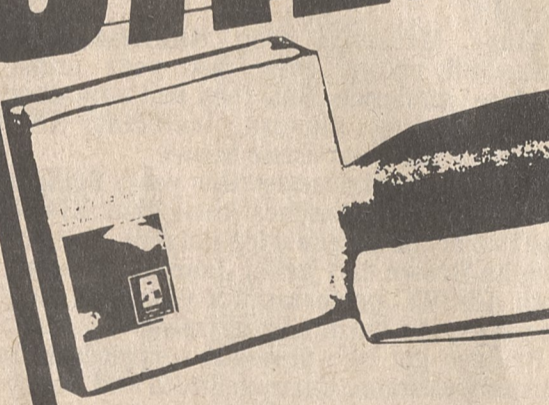


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