

OBITUARIES

HOWARD WHITTINGTON SR.

JACKSON, Miss. - Howard R. "George" Whittington Sr., 67, died recently in Jackson Veterans Administration Medical Center. Graveside services were held at Shows Cemetery in Jones County.

Mr. Whittington was a native of Kings Mountain, N.C., and had lived in Jackson since 1958. He was a former reporter with The Clarion-Ledger and the defunct State-Times. He was a veteran of World War II.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Nicki Marble of Jackson; a son, the Rev. Reid Whittington of Meridian; and five grandchildren.

DION H. BROWN

Memorial services for Dion H. (Brownie) Brown, 65, who died Friday at home in Lake City, Tenn. after several years of declining health, will be conducted Thursday at 8 p.m. from Martin's Funeral Home in Lake City, Tenn. where the family will receive friends from 7 until 8 p.m.

Mr. Brown, formerly of Kings Mountain, was former general manager of Burger Barn Corporation and formerly owned and operated Silver Villa Restaurant before moving to Tennessee in 1976. In Kings Mountain he was also a former Commander of Post 9811, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

His wife, Claire, died Feb. 18 of this year.

Brown was Commander and life member of VFW Post 6494 in Lake City, Tenn., a Mason and member of Roswell Lodge 18 in Mexico, and a member of Kerbel Temple Masonic Lodge in Tennessee.

Surviving are two sons, Stanley Brown of Winston Salem and Michael W. Brown of Shelby; five daughters, Donna Brown of Lake City, Tenn., Cathy B. Crabtree of Jacksbor, Tenn., Patti Brown of the home, Diane Wallace of Goldsboro and Cindy O'Neil of Massachusetts; five brothers, Jack Brown and Corbin Brown, both of Tennessee, Junior Brown of California, Howard Brown of Texas and Joe Brown of Kings Mountain; two sisters, Mildred Devaney of Charlotte and Virginia Meford of Jacksboro, Tennessee and nine grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, Shelby, N.C. 28150.

BETTY FAY PEELER

Funeral services for Miss Betty Fay Peeler, 44, of 1070 Elam Road, who died Sunday in the Cleveland Memorial Hospital, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 p.m. from Westover Baptist Church of which she was a member.

Rev. Winfred Bagwell officiated at the rites and interment was in Cleveland Memorial Park at Shelby.

Miss Peeler was a native of Cleveland County, daughter of the late W.O. and Vernie Mae Queen Peeler.

Surviving are two brothers, Otis Peeler of Lawndale and Jimmy Peeler of Kings Mountain; four sisters, Mrs. Dollie McAllister of Shelby, Mrs. Bee Walsh of Shelby, Mrs. Jeanette Marlowe of Gastonia and Mrs. Helen Rumelhart of Omaha, Nebraska.

MRS. VEOLA WHITE

Funeral services for Mrs. Veola Blanton White, 76, of 710 West Gold St., who died Saturday in the Kings Mountain Hospital, were conducted Monday at 3 p.m. from First Baptist Church of which she was a member.

Dr. Joel Jenkins officiated at the rites and interment was in Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery.

Mrs. White was widow of Oran White who died in 1986. She was a retired clerk in the Dietary Department of Kings Mountain Hospital. She was a native of Cleveland County, daughter of the late William Clarence and Ellen Lovelace Blanton.

Surviving are her daughter, Mrs. Danny Bush of Oak Ridge, Tenn., three brothers, Wylie Blanton and John Patterson, both of Kings Mountain, and Edmond Blanton of Columbia, S.C., one sister, Mrs. Fred Weaver of Kings Mountain; two grandchildren.

Harris Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

CARD OF THANKS

In memory of Walter David Greene who passed away March 27, 1981.

Words cannot soften our sorrow or lessen our sadness today. But may we find comfort as time goes on its way.

For the love of a wonderful father lives on in the hearts through each year and death can not mean that we lost him. For in memory he'll always be near.

Sadly missed and still loved!

His Daughters:
Bobbie Jean Harrill,
Jesup, Ga.

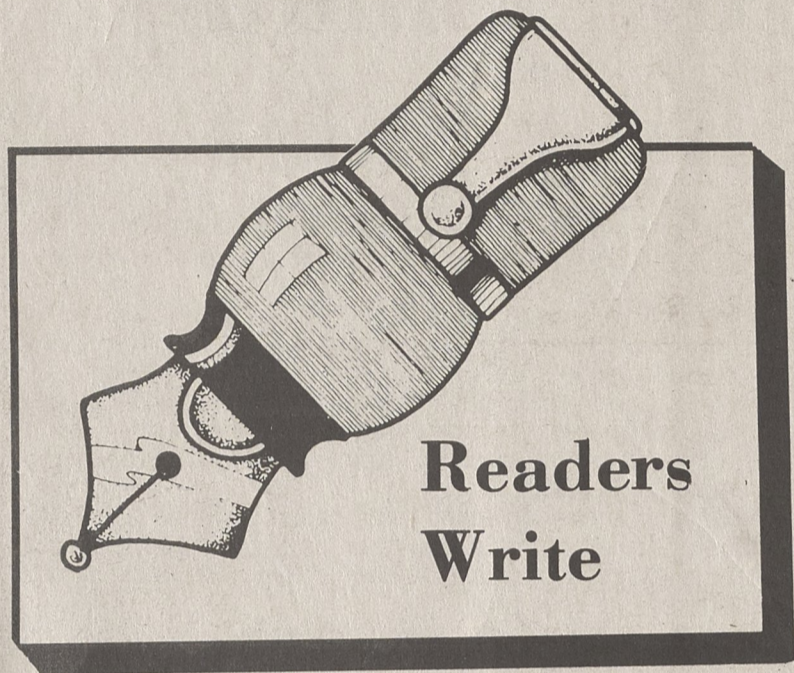
Shirley King, Kings Mtn.

Willie Williams Retires

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day. Now he will have more time to enjoy with his family. "A neighbor taught me how to fix a watch at the age of 14.

I liked it and decided to go into the business. I have never regretted it. I love people and Kings Mountain is home and has been good to me and my family," he said.



EMS System Doesn't Work

An Open Letter To Citizens Of Kings Mountain:

Do you know that you are being deprived of emergency medical care because of reasons known about only to a certain few?

Lately we have heard about how good the paid EMS system is and how we need paramedic level service and how Rescue squads should only be back-up.

There used to be two EMS units during the day stationed at Kings Mountain Hospital. After 5 p.m. one unit was on duty. Now, due to increased calls in Shelby, one of the units was sent to Shelby. When the remaining unit goes out-of-town, the Kings Mountain Rescue Squad is to be put on standby to cover the district. This is a good system when EMS wants to do it.

On March 31 at 10:45 a.m. EMS unit was sent out-of-town to Shelby. A Shelby EMS Unit was sent to Buffalo Creek to stand by. Kings Mountain Rescue Squad was not asked to be on standby. Who did this benefit? Not Kings Mountain residents. If a call came in, the unit at Buffalo Creek would get the call, not Kings Mountain Rescue Squad. Also, a call in Shelby for the Unit at Buffalo Creek was held to enable it to remain near the Kings Mountain District.

Kings Mountain Rescue Squad has stood by at least 30 times this month for EMS. The KMRS is glad to do this as it believes in service to its residents to give them the best care available. I might add that KMRS does not charge for its calls, where EMS does. I don't think money is the factor. I believe this incident and others are being done to hide flaws in an all-paid system that has been touted in some circles as the greatest thing since ice cream.

For an hour or more Tuesday, less than the best possible care was given to Kings Mountain residents. Why did the supervisor of EMS not want the KMRS to stand by?

This and other similar occurrences should make you, the citizen, worry and our governing body wonder about the management and operation of the EMS System. Finally, at 12 noon Tuesday, KMRS was notified that EMS was out-of-town.

If the basic EMS system does not work, how can a paramedic level service work any better?

HARRY KYLE, EMT - 1 KM RESCUE SQUAD

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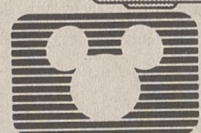
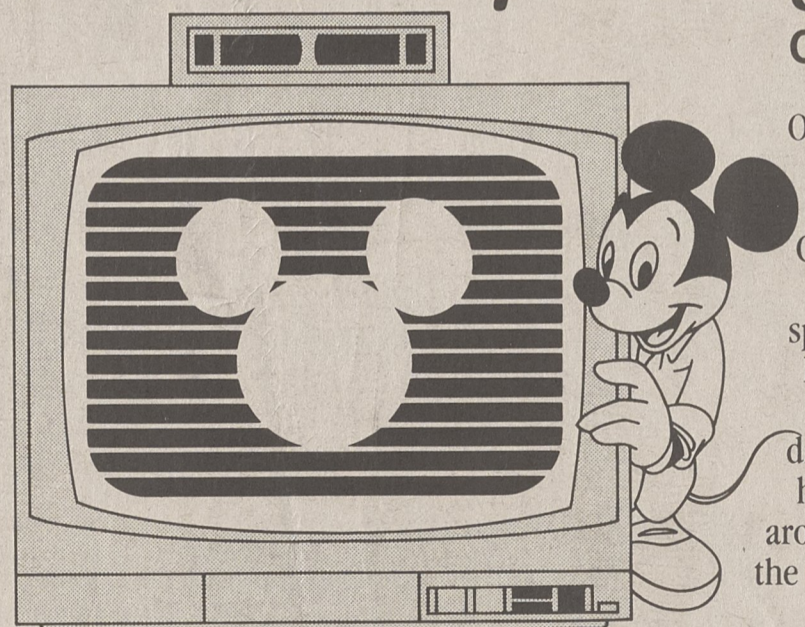
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