

Dixon In Running For Award

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Cleveland Avenue, said Mrs. Dixon's rapport with people and her genuine love for her fellowman is her big asset. When she interviews an applicant for a job she works until she finds him or her a suitable job, he says.

Mrs. Dixon says that one of the most time-saving devices now in an employment agency is a computer system which she had a tough time adjusting to but finds she likes it. During one month's time she has run 78 names of job applicants through her computer.

She recalls that her highest case load for claims was in 1974, a period she called "Black Tornado" because local mills had closed and people were standing in employment lines and signing up here and also in Shelby and Gastonia. Better times have come to the area, and Mrs. Dixon says jobs are plentiful with new plants locating in this area. She has worked with employers from Gastonia, Shelby, New York, Ohio, Virginia and Kings Mountain in recent months interviewing applicants for jobs.

"I just do my job. I love God, my family and people and I think my calling was for this particular task," said Mrs. Dixon, who said the late Mary B. Goforth was a real "pro who took the time to teach her all phases of the business.

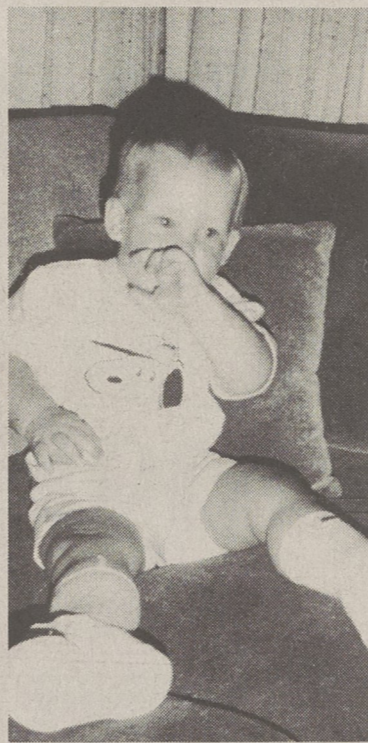
Born on the old Cora Mill Village to the late Mr. and Mrs. C.C. Laughter in a family of 10 children, eight of whom are living, Mrs. Dixon learned at an early age how to

earn a living. Active in East Side Baptist Church, she gardens and quilts and enjoys crafts at her home on Westover Drive. She has two daughters, Elaine (Mrs. Jay) Powell, Jr. of Conyers, Ga. and Sheila (Mrs. Jimmy) Oliver of Charlotte. There are four granddaughters, Stephanie and Shannon Powell and Jessica and Stacy Oliver, her pride and joy.

"Some people I've helped to find jobs return to us and let us know how they like their jobs and some placements have been stepping stones to future jobs in distant towns. Each placement is important. God had a hand in leading me to the Employment office 37 and one half years ago in November 1948. I had left my job as a payroll clerk at the Old Phenix Mill to have my daughter, Elaine, and merely went by to see if there was an opening somewhere. It was a small office but I was hired and it's been a challenge and a rewarding one", she said.

The Kings Mountain office, open Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Cleveland Avenue, is staffed by manager Webber, Mrs. Dixon and part-time employee Susan Herndon. Although the office has moved several times over the years, the Community Center office is more spacious and in a good location for employers and prospective employees, said Webber.

Since the beginning of the ESC Employment Services program year on July 1, 1986, the North Carolina Agency has placed 157, 822 individuals in jobs through 78 job service centers, including Kings Mountain.



One Year Old

Christopher Todd Martin celebrated his first birthday on July 2nd in Daytona Beach, Fla. with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Jesse W. Martin.

Todd has 2 older brothers Ragan 12 and Kyle 2. He is the son of Jesse W. Martin, Jr. and Leigh Martin. He is grandson of Ann and Edward Allison of Kings Mountain.

Rehearsal Dinner Honors Couple

Susan Darlene Moore and Christopher Alan Harrison, who were wed July 11, were honored July 10 at a beautifully-appointed rehearsal dinner hosted by the groom-to-be's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Childers of Cherryville.

Flowers marked the bride and groom's table and a groom's chocolate cake, baked by the bridegroom-elect's father, was also highlight of the table.

Guests were served a buffet dinner including ham, green beans, potato salad, eggs, rolls and fruit. The groom's cake was cut and served for dessert.

Harrison took the occasion to present gifts to men of the wedding party.

Sandy Wilson and Beverly Scruggs, aunts of the bride-elect, hosted the event at Shoney's in Shelby.

Miss Moore took the occasion to present gifts to her bridal attendants.

Several other parties also honored Miss Moore.

A lingerie shower, hosted by Dianna Bridges, Joanna Boheler and Deanna Chapman, was held July 1 at the home of Deanna Chapman.

A pantry shower given by Joyce Roark, Glenda Proctor, Mildred Caldwell, aunts of the bride-elect, and Faye Lovelace, grandmother of the bride-elect, was held July 5th at the home of Glenda Proctor.

On June 28th a miscellaneous household shower was held at David Baptist Church Fellowship Hall and hostesses were the Adult Ladies Class of the church. The guests showered the bride-to-be with gifts for her home in Cherryville.



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KMG Breaks Ground For New Brick Plant

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and merged into one company known as KMG Minerals, Inc. The Brick Division of KMG Minerals, Inc., as it is now known, is producing 26 million brick per year. The production is essentially sold out through the end of 1987 and market surveys conducted by KMG indicate a continuing strong demand for its products into the coming years.

The proposed new facility will have a capacity of approximately 40 million brick per year and plant officials said this will allow for normal sales growth and the new technology will permit production at substantially reduced cost per unit. Assuming a reasonably strong market, KMG officials anticipate it can operate the new kiln at near capacity levels and sell in the marketplace all of its products.

Plant officials say the KM brick has gained favor with architects and has been in-

corporated into many unique buildings. One fourth of the KM brick is used in commercial or industrial applications such as shopping centers, bank buildings and health or medical facilities. About two thirds of the recent year's production has been used for residential development. KMG officials don't anticipate any dramatic change in these applications although the use of the white brick has been growing in the commercial and industrial fields.

KMG Minerals, Inc. has been a major producer of mica and mica-related products since 1908 when The English Mica Company was founded in Spruce Pine. Today, the successor company, known as KMG Minerals, Inc., is the world leader in wet ground and dry ground mica products. The company's main product lines, in addition to the Brick Division, include mica, feldspar, sand and clay products. As recently as April 1987, plant officials were advised that its feldspar products will be required in connection with major expansion in the TV tube industry.

Hamrick Running For Mayor

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to this office I will work for each and every citizen, whether rich or poor, and whether they are rich or poor will not affect my opinions in any way. I will work toward getting all streets repaved that need it and more important I will listen to and follow up on all complaints, no matter who makes them. I will spend whatever time it takes to correct any complaint I get. I will very definitely look into the cost of utilities and I believe the utility costs can be lowered with a few changes in the Hamrick administration. I will continue to attract businesses to Kings Mountain to the best of my ability. I will leave it up to you, the voter, if you want someone in the office of Mayor who really cares about your good. A vote for me is a vote for you", said Hamrick.

Filing continues through noon Aug. 7th. Filing fee for mayor is \$10. Filing fee for commissioner is \$5. A candidate must live in the district (ward) in which he seeks election and must have been a resident of the city at least 30 days prior to the close of the registration books on Sept. 7th. Candidates must be registered voters and can also register at Mauney Memorial Library on Piedmont Avenue during Library hours or at Mrs. Becky Cook's residence at 717 Meadowbrook Road.



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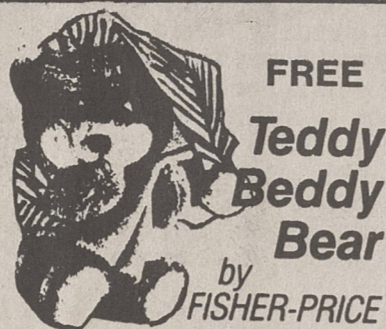
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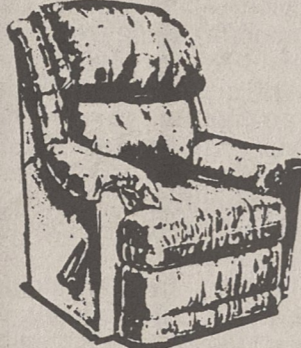


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