



**MOVING SOIL**-Workmen have begun moving 5,000 cubic yards of petroleum-affected soil from this site of a former service station at the corner of King and Cleveland Avenue in Kings Mountain to a disposal site on Crowder Road in Lattimore over strong objections of residents in the Upper Cleveland town who are threatening a civil suit. A land farming permit was issued Dec. 22, 1989 to Petroleum Testing Services Inc. of Shelby by the N. C. Division of Environmental Management to manage the soil on the 130-acre site. Despite assurances from state officials that the process is safe, nearby residents are fearful about lead pollution in ground, water and air.

## Grover Plans Annexation

Grover Town Board Monday night approved a resolution of intent to annex 43 homes in the area of Hardin Circle, 226 north and in the area of Bethlehem Church Road which includes the Grover cemetery and the town's new waste treatment plant.

Most all property owners in the area are water customers of the town and have indicated they also want to be sewer customers, said Mayor Bill McCarter who estimated the process will take about a year to complete.

Board members will hold public hearings. Three years after annexation, the town will provide all services, including water, sewer, police and fire protection and garbage pickup.

"We expect a little opposition but most of these people have been asking to be annexed for several years and it's important for the town's growth," he said.

To complete the annexation project Grover will

build a sewer line to serve customers on Amesbury Road.

In other actions, the board:

+ Hired Shelby lawyer Bill Lamb as town attorney replacing Andy Neisler of Kings Mountain, who has served seven years. McCarter said the town appreciated the services of Neisler over the period that Grover completed its long-awaited sewer project.

+ Voted to send clerk Debora Philbeck to the clerk's school at the Institute of Government in Chapel Hill Jan. 24-26.

+ Set the speed limit on Maple Avenue at 16 m. p. h., noting that a recent wreck on Maple Avenue involving a motorist traveling at speeds of 75 m. p. h. resulted in high property damages to the town pumphouse.

+ Continued advertising for the position of town policeman. Council will interview one applicant on Monday.

## KM Water Is 'Un-leaded'

Walt Ollis, Kings Mountain Water Department superintendent, wants the 3800-4000 water customers of the city to know there's no lead in their drinking water.

Since a television story aired Tuesday night about results of a survey of drinking water conducted in Western North Carolina by a laboratory in Asheville, Ollis said some citizens may be concerned locally about their drinking water. "If Kings Mountain water customers have problems, it's in-house plumbing, not the city water distribution system, but we'll listen to their concerns and try to help," he said.

The survey report indicated that one of every four households has lead which will exceed the Environmental Protection Agency's new limits on lead and young children and pregnant women would be most susceptible if they drink water containing lead.

"There's no way to tell by the taste of water if it has lead in it but Kings Mountain's water does not have lead," said Ollis.

The survey report suggests that if lead is suspected you should not drink any water or use any water for cooking out of the hot water tap and, if possible, let the cold water tap run for 30 seconds before using it the first time every day. Flush some water out of the faucet, they said. Filters are not recommended, says Ollis, because filters are only good as the maintenance done on them. "If you put in a filter and then forget it for 15 years you have trouble," he said.

Ollis says Kings Mountain water customers need not worry but their calls are welcome at 734-0333.

## Obituaries

**WALTER SHYLTE**  
CHAPEL HILL - Walter R. Shylte, 74, of Chapel Hill died Thursday in North Carolina Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

He was retired from the U.S. Air Force, was a member of Carboro Baptist Church, Masonic Lodge 408 and the University Chapter 264 Eastern Star.

He is survived by his wife, Edna Crumpler Shylte of the home; a daughter, Lynn Shylte Beam of Jacksonville, Fla.; two sons, Wally Shylte and Wayne Shylte, both of Chapel Hill; two sisters, Ruth Horn of Kissimmee, Fla., and Bonnie Allen of Kings Mountain; two brothers, Martin Shylte of Kissimmee, Fla., and Bill Shylte of Kings Mountain; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. at Carboro Baptist Church by Dr. Jesse Croom and Dr. Rowell Lane. Burial was in Clinton Cemetery in Clinton with full military rites.

**JOHNNY SISK**  
Johnny George Sisk, 53, of 1004 North Cansler Street, Kings Mountain, died January 2, 1990 at his home.

A Lincolnton native, he was the son of the late George P. and Kathleen Russ Sisk. He was employed as a master mechanic.

He is survived by three sons, Mike Sisk of Shelby, Stephen Sisk of the home and Kevin Sisk of Gastonia; a daughter, Teresa Raborn of West Germany; a sister, Essie Mae Davis of Shelby; and six grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. at Clay-Barnette Funeral Home chapel by the Rev. Robert J. Andress. Burial was in St. Paul United Methodist Church cemetery.

**MOZELL KILGORE**  
Mozell Kilgore, 56, of Route 4, Kings Mountain, died January 4, 1990 at Cleveland Memorial Hospital.

A Cleveland County native, she

was the daughter of Marveta Leach Bell of Grover and the late Roy Bell Sr. She was employed by Clevefont Mills for 13 years. She was a member of Long Branch Baptist Church and the Mary Bell Missionary organization.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her husband, James A. Kilgore of Shelby; three daughters, Gloria Camp and Joanne Cole of Kings Mountain and Nancy Ruth Phillips of Grover; five brothers, Joe Bell Sr., Roy Bell Jr. and Jerry Bell of Grover, and Harry Bell and Broadus Bell of Bridgeport, Conn.; seven sisters, Ruthie L. Bell of Norwalk, Conn., Dorothy Bell of Bridgeport, Conn., Eliza Roberts of Shelby, and Mary A. Johnson, Helen Smith, Nancy Wilson and Bertha Lockhart of Grover; and seven grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Monday at 3 p.m. at Long Branch Baptist Church by the Rev. Larry Dixon. Burial was in the church cemetery.

**ELLIOTT McCLEARY**  
Elliott McCleary, 93, of Route 1, Kings Mountain, died January 3, 1990 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Greenville, S.C., he was the son of the late Frank and Julie Miles McCleary and husband of the late Minnie Craig McCleary. He was a retired farmer and also retired from C.T. Bennett Construction Company. He was a member of Adams Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church, where he was a trustee.

He is survived by a daughter, Hazel T. Gill of Kings Mountain; a sister, Mary Lee Murray of Kings Mountain; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. at Adams Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church by the Rev. P.B. Kilgore, the Rev. M.L. Campbell, the Rev. N.P. Brown and the Rev. Charlie Young. Burial was in the church cemetery.

**IRENE ROBINETTE**  
Irene Barnette Robinette, 62, of Tin Mine Road, Lincolnton, died January 5, 1990 at Charlotte

Memorial Hospital.

A Cleveland County native, she was the daughter of the late Clifford and Emma Oates Barnette and wife of the late Henry Robinette. She was a member of Pathway Baptist Church and was a retired textile employee.

Survivors include her daughter, Marlene Forrest of Baton Rouge, La.; two brothers, Buddy Barnette of Kings Mountain and Charles Barnette of Gastonia; and four sisters, Betty Hinson of Grover, Elaine Guin of Newton, Aileen Dellinger of Spartanburg, S.C., and Shirley Gillespie of Kings Mountain.

The funeral was conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. at Faith Baptist Church by the Rev. Larry Burns and the Rev. Al Sansing. Burial was in Armstrong Cemetery in Gastonia.

**RALPH BARNHART**  
RAEFORD - Ralph Wescott Barnhart, 72, died January 1, 1990.

He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth Saunders Barnhart; one daughter, Elizabeth B. Burgess of Raeford; one sister, Evelyn Mitchell of Greensboro; his sister-in-law, Mrs. Bob Southwell of Kings Mountain; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted January 3 at 11 a.m. at Raeford Presbyterian Church by Dr. John Ropp. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery in Kings Mountain.

Memorials may be made to the Raeford Presbyterian Church.

**CARD OF THANKS**

We would like to thank the many friends of my mother, Bessie McGinnis, for the many prayers, visits, floral tributes and food during the time of her death and especially want to thank all the nurses in Extended Care Unit of Kings Mountain Hospital. They were all so special to her and us during the months that she was there.

J.T. MCGINNIS JR. AND FAMILY

## King Day Service At Bynum's Chapel

The Layman's Council of Bynum's Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church will sponsor a Martin Luther King Day service January 14 at 6 p.m.

Guest orator will be Delano Racard of Charlotte, an imitator of Dr. King who will recite some of the late Civil Rights leader's famous speeches.

The Chancel Choir, Zionettes and Young Adult Choir of Bynum Chapel will present special music.

The public is invited to attend.

## Gospel Sing Slated At Wayside Church

Wayside Church of the Living God on Long Branch Road will sponsor a gospel singing Saturday night at 7 p.m.

Featured group will be the Hayes Family of Kings Mountain.

Pastor Clifton Morgan invites the public to attend.

## Youth Exchange Seeks Families

The Youth Exchange Service is looking for host families to host an outstanding group of International Teenagers from five continents scheduled to arrive in the U. S. in mid-August for six months.

The group also has students who will arrive in August for the 1990-91 high school year.

The 15 to 18-year-old students are carefully screened, bring their own spending money, and are fully covered by insurance.

For information about becoming a host family contact: Youth Exchange Service, 4675 MacArthur Court, Suite 830, Newport Beach, California 92660 or call the toll-free number 1-800-848-2121.

## GOSPEL SINGING

The Sunrise Gospel Singers will sing during the Sunday morning worship service at Pathway Baptist Church, 3100 Parkdale Circle, Kings Mountain. Rev. James Hamrick, pastor, invites the public.



**HONORED FOR SERVICE**-Mrs. Broadus Elam, above, receives a bouquet of roses from Rev. Chip Sloan, pastor of First Baptist Church, as Minister of Music Morris Sloan looks on and members of the choir stand in the background. The church congregation honored Mrs. Elam Sunday for long service as church organist.

## First Baptist Honors Ellen Elam

First Baptist Church recognized Mrs. Ellen B. Elam for 35 years service as organist on Sunday.

Morris Jordan, minister of music, stated his appreciation for her "kind and gracious spirit, her special talent and her dedication to the music ministry."

Pastor Chip Sloan presented Mrs. Elam with a bouquet of roses

as the congregation stood and applauded their appreciation for her service.

Mrs. Elam became organist at First Baptist on the first Sunday of 1955, while the church was still at its downtown location.

Wife of Broadus Elam, Mrs. Elam is mother of two daughters and is a retired piano teacher.

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