Police Report

ARRESTS

Robert Martin Bagwell, 30, of 401 Cherokee St., one count non-support, order of arrest for contempt, misdemeanor count assault on female, \$6,000 bond, secured.

Vickie L. Boyce, 34, of 209 Parrish drive, order for arrest probation violation, \$5,000 bond, secured.

Charles Eugene Ford, 46, of 816 Fourth St., felony count discharging firearms into occupied property, \$5000 bond, unsecured.

Larry Joe Morrison, 42, of 49 Chesterfield Apt., possession of alcoholic beverage on city property, cita-

Steven Gregory Daves, 33, of Route 2 Mode Road, Mooresboro, DWI and carrying concealed weapon, \$400 bond, unsecured.

Eric Anthony Yates, 47, of 401 E. Parker St., stop light violation and DWI, \$300 bond, secured.

Carla Humphries Degree, 25, of 109 Wave Rd., one count assault on officer, \$500 bond, secured. A 16-year-old man was charged in the same incident with drunk and disruptive, resist, delay and obstruct officer in line of duty and assault on law enforcement officer. His \$1,000 bond was secured. Trial date for both is June 25.

INCIDENTS

Clyde Huffman, 405 Pinehurst Dr., reported that his house was broken into and vandals took a VCR, answering machine, jambox, camera, walkie talkie, shotgun and baseball cards val-ued at \$895 and damaged the house \$300.

William James Jennings, 1416 Merrimount, reported that vandals broke out a double window and damaged lights on a light pole in his yard.

Cheryl Denise Pruitt, 102 E. King St., reported theft of a \$339 federal income tax check from her mailbox.

Pamela Conner Ham, 218 Walker St., reported that vandals damaged her 1989 Ford in the employee parking lot at Fredrickson Motor Express.

Charles Hyslop, 108 Peak Drive, re-ported theft of a state license plate

GUEST COLUMN

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Crime

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KM Police Chief

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about crime in the United States:

from a car parked at KMSHS.

Tonda Ware, 502 S. 11th St., Bessemer-City, reported that her 1989 Nissan was damaged by vandals doing \$300 damage to the door.,

Wesley Davis, 5A Kingswood Apt., reported an attempted break-in. A rear window of the house was damaged.

Eddie Jerry Ruff Jr., 316 Wilson Terrace, reported the theft Tuesday morning of his 1988 white Chevy Camaro and a \$1,000 sound system inside the vehicle.

Eric Conrad, 102-A, E. King St., reported that a storm window and screen on his house were pried open.

Robert Hovis, Route 3 Long Creek Church Road, reported theft of a tag from his car parked at Harris Teeter Parking lot.

Comfort Inn, 720 York Road, reported that vandals damaged one of the rooms and took a remote control unit from a television set.

Rick's Ole Country Store, Cherryville Road, reported damage to an ice machine and three soft drink machines by vandals shooting a .22 or .25 caliber weapon doing over \$1,000

damage.

Aaron Conner,1725 Shelby Road, reported that vandals cut the tires on his 1983 Datsun.

Marion Edge, 808 E. Ridge St., re-ported theft of an automobile tag.

Linwood Pantry, 511 Linwood Road, reported that an intoxicated man came into the store to buy food items and beer. When the clerk refused to sell him beer he started throwing food items and objects at the clerk doing \$1,000 damage to a sliding glass door on an ice cream cooler. Damages were estimated at \$150. The man fled the scene before police arrived.

Angela Boulware, 817 Church St., reported that someone poured red and white paint on her 1985 Toyota van and broke the rear windshield wiper and radio antennae doing \$2,000 damage

> WRECKS MARCH 25

Virginia Falls Hardin, 801 Meadowbrook, operating a 1986 Ford, told officers she was reaching to get something from her purse and bumped a car in front of her at the drivethrough window at First Carolina Federal Savings Bank. The other driver was identified as Martha S. Shipman, 1205 Shelby Road, operating a 1985 Toyota. No damages were reported. MARCH 27

Margaret Herndon Kirk, of 505 Crescent Hill Road, told KMPD that a hit and run driver struck her car in the parking lot at Harris Teeter doing \$250. damage.

MARCH 28

Sgt. Raymond Garris said a 1989 Ford truck operated by Jackie Eugene Comer, of 3459 Hoodtown Road, Cheraw, S. C., hit a 1973 Chevrolet truck operated by James Douglas Dingus, 312 Cleveland Ave., Grover, on Highway 161 doing \$5500 damage. Dingus was making a left turn when the accident occurred.

MARCH 31

Rufus Frank Webster, of 103 Wells Street, was injured when he ran his 1986 Toyota truck through a gate, down a set of concrete bleachers and onto the old City Stadium football field. Webster reportedly told Ptl. Charles Bundrick that "God told me to do it." Webster's vehicle knocked down iron handrails and damaged the concrete steps that led to the field. Damage to the stadium was estimated at \$1,000. Damage to Webster's truck was estimated at \$2,500. Webster was treated at the hospital and released.

MARCH 31

Sgt. Derek Johnson and Ptl. Jeff Funderburke charged Kenneth Lee Truesdale, 39, of Route 2 River Road, Lincolnton, with DWI, speeding to allude arrest, failure to stop for blue light and siren, reckless driving, traffic light violation, no insurance and fictitious tag. Police said Trusedale was traveling East on Mountain Street on a Harley Davidson motorcycle at speeds up to 100 m.p.h. Police gave pursuit,

the bike crossed a railroad crossing and became airborne, touching down in an intersection. Officers said Trusedale was wearing a helmet which came off. Truesdale escaped injuries. APRIL 1

A 1990 Subaru station wagon operated by Catherine B. Hunt, of 114 Whetstine Road, went out of control at 803 4th Street and hit a car motor in the driveway of the home of Margaret Dellinger, went over a cinder block wall and struck the house. The house was damaged \$300 and the motor, owned by Anthony Scott Bolin of Fairview St, was damaged \$300, police said. Mrs. Hunt said the vehicle had almost stopped when she entered the driveway.

Shirley Owens Hamrick, of 308 S. Oriental Ave., said her 1988 Chevy truck was bumped by a hit and run driver at Tammy's Seafood parking

Man dies from wreck injuries

A Kings Mountain man died Saturday at 3:22 p.m. in the emergency room at Cleveland Memorail Hospital

from injuries he received in a wreck. Talmadge Coran Duncan, 57, of 305 Parker Street, traveling west on Oak Grove Road abou 2:20 p.m. Saturday, lost control of his truck and struck a tree on Oak Grove Road, according to the N. C. Highway Patrol.

Duncan's 1982 Datsun had an estimated \$2,500 in damage.

CHURCH SOFTBALL-An organizational meeting to form church softball teams will be held Thursday night at 7 p.m. at KM Community Center. Churches are invited to send representatives to the meeting.

Nominees sought by FmHA

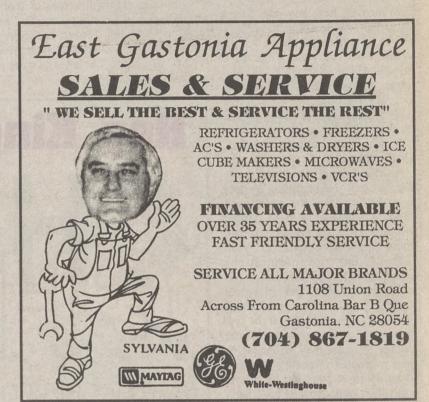
County are invited to become nominces for the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) county committee, FmHA County Supervisor, Gertrude Ledbetter announced today.

As a result of the 1985 Farm Bill, two of the three members of FmHA county committees must be elected. The third member is designated by FmHA. The Cleveland County Committee assists the FmHA county office in determining the eligibility of applicants for certain types of FmHA loans.

Generally, farmers whose principal farming operation is in Cleveland County, are eligible to

Eligible farmers in Cleveland become nominees for the FmHA county committee. "Farmers in this county serving on the committee, play an important role by assisting in the process of loan applications and reviews," said Gertrude Ledbetter. For this election, one member will be elected for a term of three years.

Nominating petitions must be returned to the FmHA Cleveland County office by May 1, 1991. Additional information and application forms for those who are interested in becoming nominees for the county committee are available at the FmHA county office, 124-2 South Post Road, Shelby, North Carolina, or by calling 482-0636.





+American households sustained 35.8 million criminal victimization in 1988 of which 5.9 million were violent crimes--robbery, assault, rape and murder.

+Assaults are the most common form of violent crime. Forty percent of murders of women are attributed to domestic violence and assault.

+In 1989, there was one forcible rape every 6 minutes. Seven to 10% of all adult rape victims were male. FBI states 2,000 women are raped and report it each day and estimates for each of these, 10 to 15 more rapes are committed and not reported.

+In 1989, there was one murder every 24 minutes. Of the 18,954 homicides committed, about 11.4% involved persons 55 years or older.

+With the South leading by a 6% increase, the Northeast and the Midwest by 4% and the West with 1%, the 1989 U. S.murder rate was 9 per 100,000 inhabitants.

+The average elapsed time for arrest, to conviction, to sentencing for murder cases required about 10 months for disposition. + I n 1989, more than 30,000 people in America died as a result of gunfire.

+Firearms were used in approximately 3 of every 5 murders in the U. S. Every day, 35,000 children bring their guns to school. Every 36 minutes, a child is killed or injured by a gun.

+"Weekly Reader" surveyed fourth-to-sixth graders: 93% believed cocaine or crack is a drug; only 45% called alcohol a drug. Together, drug and alcohol abuse cost the u.S. economy at lest \$177 million annually. Federal, State and local governments spend \$61 billion in fiscal 1988 for civil and criminal justice, increasing 34% since 1985.

+In 1988, an estimated 23,351 persons died in traffic crashes, the greatest single cause of death for persons aged 5 to 32, with more than half being alcohol related.

+In 1988, there were 177 fewer local jails in operation than 5 years carlier, but the jail populations were larger

+During 1988, an estimated 1.52% of all adults in the U. S.wcre under some form of correctional supervision, a new high of over 3.7 million, or one out of every 49 adults.