

# MOORE

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never returned a letter if he knew the occupant of the house where the mail was to be delivered.

There was a lot of humor mixed in with the delivery of mail.

He recalled an answer that a patron gave to a minister who wanted to know why W. K. Mauney Sr. got so much mail. A Mr. Weir, who had the reputation of being able to answer almost any question, noted that it took a lot of mail to run a cotton mill but not much to run a windmill. Weir, brother of the late Postmaster W. T. Weir, got more mail than anyone according to Moore who delivered his mail in the Long Creek Community. Weir got both the Sunday and Monday Charlotte Observer on Monday, two Gastonia Gazettes, numerous other newspapers and books.

One morning a lady met Moore at her mailbox and handed him a paper that was addressed to "Postal Patron." She told Moore that no one by that name lived at that address. Moore chuckled all the way back to town.

The first of the month was the mailman's busiest time because he was usually deluged with bills to deliver.

Moore recalled that he drove three postmasters from South Carolina to Washington, DC for the installation of Jesse Donaldson as Postmaster General in 1943-44. The banquet was at the Mayflower Hotel and President Truman, who had appointed Donaldson, came in the back door and very near to the table where the local delegation was seated.

"I drove those fellas to D. C. in my new Chevrolet and we had a big time," said Moore.

Moore, who retired in 1989, naturally loves to travel so the postal job was ideal. He and his wife, Velma Beam Moore, will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary in December and they took 15 trips during one year after his retirement, traveling 60,000 air miles on Eastern Airlines. They have been to Hawaii twice and enjoy their beach home frequently.

Long active in the community, Moore was one of the first deacons of Patterson Grove Baptist Church and served five terms on the Cleveland County School Board.

A member of the Kings Mountain Lions Club for 51 years, he held 40 years of perfect attendance and was president twice.

The family includes their four daughters and sons-in-law, Janice and Jessie Putnam of Bessemer City; Jean and Wray Herndon, Grace and Doyt Phifer and Nancy and David Smith, all of Kings Mountain; 10 grandchildren; and soon to be five great-grandchildren.

The Moores sold their dairy in 1971 and stopped gardening and cotton farming some time ago. Now that they have the traveling bug they plan to do some more traveling and just enjoy their family.

Moore moved to the Oak Grove Community at the age of five years. Nancy and David Smith recently renovated his old homeplace.

Moore never met a stranger on his mail route.

"I really liked my job," said Moore. "I can't think of anything I don't like. I'm happy. I just hope they keep mailmen around. Every year Congress has hearings about privatization of mail delivery. I don't think anyone can give the same kind of service that we do."

# Maurice Jamerson promoted to sergeant

Sgt. Maurice Jamerson, who got his sergeant stripes Friday, wants to literally follow in the footsteps of Chief Bob Hayes.

"He wants to be the city's first black chief and that's okay," said Hayes, veteran of the department who was promoted through the ranks to his present job.

Jamerson joined KMPD in February 1990 and has worked the high school beat for the past year as the city's first resource officer. He likes his job and has a comradie with the kids but he wants a career change and

will be working on a crew composed of Ptl. Larry Ware, Ptl. Mike Kahn and telecommunicator Shawn Nabors. Hayes plans to add a rookie policeman to Jamerson's squad.

A Kings Mountain native, Jamerson is the son of Darnell Williams and the late A. J. Jamerson. He was graduated from Kings Mountain High School in 1980 and Winston-Salem State University. He is a former wrestling and football coach and substitute teacher at the high school. Active in Mount Zion Baptist Church, he

heads the recreation committee of the church and is on the trustee board. He says he will continue to work with the youth of his church.

Jamerson who stands five feet five, can't top the Chief in height and size, however. Hayes stands five feet, 18 inches tall.

But Jamerson says he wants to emulate the leadership of Hayes and who knows one day he may just apply for the job.

Ptl. Chris Owens is in training as the new resource officer for the school system.



SERGEANT GET HIS STRIPES - Chief of Police Bob Hayes, left, congratulates Sgt. Maurice Jamerson, former school resource officer, on his promotion.

## Police Report

### ARRESTS

Tammy Haslem, 34, 209 Lackey St., assault on a female.

Ruth Lorraine Dawson, 20, Mill Spring, driving while license revoked, \$500 bond, secured.

James David Boheler, 21, 311 W. Gold St., resisting, delaying or obstructing officer, \$1000 bond, secured.

Valerie Denise Anthony, 31, 110 Goforth Rd., shoplifting.

Jerry Thomas Radford, 39, 2824 W. View Dr., Gastonia, 50-B violation.

Regina Michelle Pettis, 26, 1707 Northwoods, shoplifting, \$500 bond, secured.

Donald Frederick Adams, 29, 1020 Barnette Dr., assault with a deadly weapon and simple possession of marijuana.

Gunita Johnson Gardner, 33, 710 N. Cansler St., assault with a deadly weapon.

Uttmore Gregory Brevard, 18, Grover, trespassing, \$300 bond, unsecured.

Roger Eugene Farris, 33, 120 North Dilling St., injury to personal property, \$300 bond, secured.

### CITATIONS

James Burriss III, 30, 1102 N. Washington St., Shelby, no operator's license.

Rodney Harrington Hoyle, 20, 13 Suburban Mobile Home Park, fictitious registration.

Stevie Alexander Smith, 35, 210 Orr Terrace, fictitious registration.

James Edward Brown, 47, 400 W. Parker St., no operator's license.

Jennifer Turner Hendrick, 22, 612 Charles St., no child seat belt.

Veness A. Carroll, 36, 1217 S. Battleground Ave., expired registration.

Kassim Rayon Turner, 19, Klfgore Rd., Grover; Jen Ye Grat, 52, 1612-63 Sharon Rd., Charlotte; Jean Chadman, 39, 151 Elm Rd., Blacksburg, SC, and Kevin Ray Wilson, 22, 104 Plantation Dr.; speeding.

### INCIDENTS

Robert K. Rice, 104 N. Oakwood Dr., said he was robbed at knife point of currency. The incident occurred on North Battleground Avenue.

Richard Dixon, 717 Landing St., said his 1984 Camaro was damaged by rock throwing vandals.

Mary Huskey McKenney, 109 Fulton Dr., reported that she drank coffee containing an unknown substance at a local restaurant.

A Parker Street student reported that he was given a controlled prescription drug by another student. Police are investigating the incident.

Donna Blanton, 817 N. Piedmont Ave., reported that someone cut wires under the steering wheel of her 1986 Jeep.

Pauline Pierce, Tate Terrace, reported larceny of a purse containing papers and a billfold.

Marcus Roberts, 109 Raintree Dr., reported that his 1989 Honda was damaged by vandals.

Hughlen Miller, 204 Walker St., reported theft of a stereo unit from his 1985 Pontiac.

Jimmy Davis, 102 N. City St., reported that the front windshield of

his 1986 Oldsmobile was broken out by vandals.

Kathleen Champion, 308 Pinehurst Dr., reported that her front door frame was damaged \$150.

Larry Evans, 514 St. Luke's Church Rd., reported larceny of his automobile tag. The number: FNY 4636.

Harriett Hagen, 245 Dixon School Rd., reported theft of her purse from a grocery cart.

Hank Fink, Phifer Rd., reported that vandals wrote on a building and trailer at the plant doing \$1000 damage.

Griffin Drug, 129 W. Mountain St., reported that vandals cracked a glass door.

Ben Lefler, 812 Cleveland Ave., reported that the windshield of his 1985 Pontiac was broken out by vandals.

The front entrance glass at North School was broken out by vandals who damaged two filing cabinets and took a PA system with two wireless microphones.

Childers Heating and Roofing, 309 Cansler St., reported theft of nine checks and currency.

### WRECKS

#### OCT. 5

Carolyn Dilling, 410 Victoria Circle, said the sun blinded her at the wheel of her 1987 Chevrolet truck and the truck struck a 1979 Ford operated by Charles Brooks, Clover, SC, on York Road. Damages were estimated at \$1050.

A vehicle operated by Gary Hobbs, Palmer, TN., struck a 1994 Ford operated by Robert Powell, of Rutherfordton, on the 74 Bypass at Highway 161 and North Piedmont. Damages were estimated at \$650.

### Legal from Pg. 9B

North Carolina, for human habitation, on the dates and times listed above.

Such hearing shall be held on the above date and at the time indicated at the office of the Building Inspector, City Hall, 101 West Gold Street, Kings Mountain, North Carolina.

You may be present at such hearing and give testimony and also you may file a written answer to the Complaint.

These hearings are being conducted pursuant to N.C.G.S. 160A-443 and Kings Mountain City Ordinance, Sec. 4-156.

This the 14th day of October, 1996  
Jeff Putnam, Director of Inspections  
City of Kings Mountain, North Carolina  
KMH-1272 10:17

## LEDFORD

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Mrs. Ledford has seen many changes in the Kings Mountain area in the 63 years she has been a resident and many changes in the Oak View community where she has lived 35 years. She said she loves to travel, particularly to the mountains where her husband has relatives, but there's no place like home.

Relatives and friends gathered Sunday afternoon at Oak View Baptist Church fellowship hall from 2-4 p.m. to honor Mrs. Ledford. The Sunday morning tribute at the worship service caught her by surprise. Among the large family in attendance was her only living sister, Sarah Lucas of Greenwood, SC.

Mrs. Ledford suffered a heart attack December 14, 1993 and admits she has slowed down some. She doesn't cut her grass nor drive a car but she hasn't quit traveling with the senior citizens nor has she quit watching her favorite soaps or cooking a favorite dish when company comes. She loves working crossword puzzles but has quit crocheting and sewing which she used to do all the time. An avid sports fan, she loves the Atlanta Braves and Carolina Panthers and never misses a game on television.

"They try to keep me from going but go is my middle name," laughed Mrs. Ledford, whose spryness and good humor belies her years.

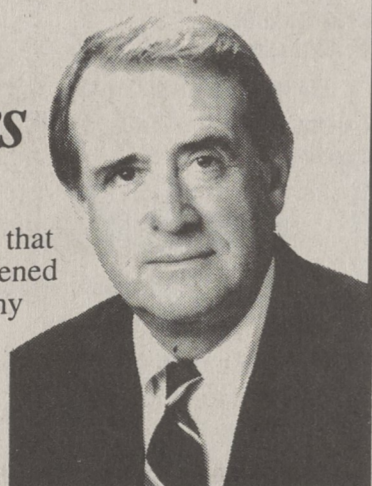
Mrs. Ledford said she used to work in the yard all the time but now her neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cox, cut her grass and look after her flowers. Her children have installed a Lifeline and help is never out of reach. She highly recommends Lifeline which is obtainable from a hospital.

Mrs. Ledford said she probably inherited her love for life from her mother who lived with her 10 years after the death of Mr. Ledford in 1961 and enjoyed traveling until she was 91. Her birthday cake on Sunday was topped with the 90, angel and heart that had topped her mother's cake on her 90th birthday.

A sign in front of Oak View Baptist Church proclaims the church family's affection for Mrs. Ledford. It reads, "Happy 90th birthday Ruth Ledford, we love you."

## A Tax Break for Taxpayers

Senator David Hoyle feels that "taxpayers have been overburdened with excessive taxes." That's why he supports the elimination of sales tax on food, tax breaks for families with children, and income tax credits.



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