Forgiveness Week May 1-6

The first week in May, 1-6, will be FORGIVENESS WEEK No charge will be made for overdue books returned on these days. Two boxes will be placed on the Library porches - side and front - in which books may be placed. Names of persons not returning "over due" books will be posted in the Library, and these persons will not have the privilege of checking out books until fines are paid and books returned. Don't let your name appear on that list. Search your bookshelves. The book "lost" may be the one you would like to read.

SS Offers Phone Service

The Social Security Administration, in its continuing ef-fort to render better service to the public, is placing increased emphasis on conduc-

ting business by telephone. Lex G. Barkley, Manager of the Gastonia office, stressed that the same skilled personnel who have provided in-person service in the past areavailable to furnish information in connection with general and specific inquiries case can't be handled by telephone, a personal interview can be arranged. Persons who wish to make use of this telephone service may call the social security office in Gastonia at 864-5434



Lee and Friends...

Lee McIntyre, who is leaving First Citizens Bank, was given a going-away party last week, a lot of gifts, and a cake decorated with a golf course. . .Lee's girls are surrounding him, they

are left to right: Donna Butler, Gail Smith, Susan Stewart, June Grigg, Hilda Greene, Brenda Grindstaff, Kay Gibbons and Vickie Smith. (Mirror Photo by Lem Lynch)

The key to happiness lies

Letters To The Editor

"I Could Have Sworn!"

Dear Editor.

I could have sworn that the City of Kings Mountain had well over two hundred Christians. How heart breaking it must be for a person who has been a citizen, to return to bring good news to his home town that Christ is still in the saving business. With the dope traffic on the rampage, lawlessness on every corner. It would so seem that the church would be more concern for the welfare and well being; of those round and about. It would seem that the church organizations are at odds with each other. The attendance has been shameful. Surely in the greater Kings Mountain area, there must be more Christians than what has shown up thus far for the "Youth for Christ Crusade". Aren't parents nor the church no longer concerned? Is there a fued between local organizations.

If so, this would be a good time to iron out the differences. Christians get out and show your true colors. The life you lead to Christ will prove whose side you are on.

Respectfully

Everette H. Pearson

Thanks, Mr. Hunter!

Dear Editor:

We would like to thank the Kings Mountain Police Force and especially Marcellus Hunter for finding two sad boys' bicycles. Friday morning when we got up my two sons were going to ride their bikes to school. Their three sisters, Vicky, Nanette and Donna had already left. They went to get their bikes and they were gone. We looked everywhere and could find them no where. We called the Kings Mountain Police and Mr. Hunter came out and got all the information on the bikes. We just knew they were gone for good and the boys had just gotten them as a Christmas They were very sad all weekend, Sunday morning

someone knocked on the door and Mr. Hunter had the boys' bikes. We'd very much like to thank him for all the time he spent in finding the bikes and Scott and Jeffrey Dunn and I are very hap-

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Taylor Trailer!

The "Taylor Trailer", one of three used by the candidate's workers which cruises about the state soliciting votes, stopped in Kings Mountain briefly one afternoon last week. Pictured at center is "Buck" Lattimore, Taylor's County Co-Chairman. (Mirror Photo)

Squad Answers 16 Calls

The Kings Mountain Rescue Squad answered 16 calls last week, 1 was a wreck call, 7 transport trips to the hospital. The squad answered 4 service calls, 1 D.O.A. and 1 trip was for a missing person which was a false alarm.

Two out of town trips were made to Durham and Oteen. The squad traveled 737 miles and stood 255 man hours on

duty and meetings.
Saturday night the Crossroads Music Park held a be-nefit show for the rescue squad and all proceeds were donated to the squad's building

Sunday afternoon the Kings Mountain Rescue Squad was host at a meeting of the Area Seven Association of Rescue

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Washington Report

By Congressman James T. Broyhill

Space Program

As the Apollo 16 mission neared the moon last week, the House of Representatives conducted its annual debate on the nation's space program. A total of \$3.4 billion was authorized in funds for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal year 1973, the majority of it (\$2.6 billion) for research and deonline) for research and development programs, Since the mid-1960's, spending for the space program has steadily declined from its peak of \$5.3 billion in 1965. This year's authorization figure is less than the \$3.7 billion authorized for 1963, the year which marked the beginning of the rise in spending.

Much of the debate on the bill

centered on the shift in emphasis from manned space travel to unmanned flights. Since its beginning, NASA has used the largest percentage of its funds for manned space flights. Present plans call for only one more mission to the moon after the present Apollo
16 trip. The final moon exploration trip will be conducted by Apollo 17 in December
1972. Current planning does not anticipate returning to the moon before the 1980's.

After the Apollo missions, our manned space flights will be limited to earth orbits. In April 1973, the Skylab, our first experimental space sta-tion, is scheduled to be launched. The Skylab workshop will provide living quarters and a laboratory for the scientist and astronaut crews who will occupy the orbital faci-lity. The Skylab will be the largest manned spacecraft of U. S. construction. The flight crews will include physicians, engineers, and scientists who will carry out the most extensive experiment program yet conducted in space, involving

more than fifty experiments in biomedical sciences, earth resources, astronomy, space physics, space engineering, and manufacturing techno-

logy.

By the end of the decade, plans call for the developmen of the space shuttle, the first reusable space vehicle. The shuttle will provide a combin-ation of manned and unmanned space flights and will be the most versatile space vehicle ever developed.

The shuttle will consist of

two stages, a booster and an orbiter. It will take off like a rocket, fly in orbit like a spaceship, and land like an airplane. The personnel compartment interior of the shut-tle will be pressurized so that the crew can travel in shirt-

sleeve comfort without space-suits. No special flight training would be required for pas-

sengers, making it possible to send scientists, doctors, technicians, and photographers into space.

I am pleased to see the reduced emphasis on manned space flight. While the greatest expense of the space program has come from manned flights, they have not been justified in terms of visible results with practical appli-

cations.

It should be pointed out that the space program has been reduced over the past few years in favor of programs to provide for social needs such as education, environment, and housing.

I feel that this legislation represents a significant re-direction of our space effort, and I was pleased to support its passage by the House of Representatives.



Pack 524, Den 3 in the Tryon Community had a Pinewood Derby race Friday night, and Dwayne Rucker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Rucker of Route 1, won the trophy. Pictured are Larry Pearson, Duane King, Dwayne Rucker, Billy Ketter, Donnie Wright, John Warlick, James Neal. Den Mothers are Myrle King

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