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Letters To Editor

HOW DUMB IS MADISON

The Holshouser administration boldly proclaim a seven year road program but in almost the same breath take the authority to strike down, destroy, and or abolish every single highway set up by the Scott Administration here in Madison County for improvements.

Gov. Scott came into Madison County made public speeches at the Marshall High School, Hot Springs and Spring Creek High Schools and contracted verbally with the voters of Madison County assuring us that the following road would be built by the North Carolina Highway Commission provided we voted for a \$900,000.00 School bond issue to consolidate into one central high school. The roads committed by Gov. Bob Scott and the N. C. Highway Commission were Weaverville to Marshall four lanes \$11,000,000.00, N. C. 213 from 19-23 to Marshall \$6,000,000.00, N. C. 213 extended from Marshall to Spring Creek High School \$10,000,000.00, N. C. 25-70 from Marshall to 11 E. Old Mill Wheel \$7,000,000.00, N. C. 25-70 from Hot Springs to Tennessee State Line \$8,000,000.00.

New if Holshouser has the authority to strike down all of this road program and destroy the future of Madison County, how in the name of God could he think that even Madison County people would be dumb enough to believe that he could establish a seven year program when actually he has but three years left in office.

My point here is we in Madison might be dumb but we are not stupid and we want Holshouser and Dr. Wayne Montgomery to know that Holshouser is not governor for seven years and that Dr. Montgomery has not convinced anybody in Madison

County that U. S. 25-70 from Asheville to Marshall is a good highway.
-s-Colon Bishop

LETTER TO EDITOR THANKS

Dear "Pop", Will you please put in the News-Record how much we appreciate the Marshall Volunteer Fire Department coming to our rescue this past Saturday. We are completely out of water and Mr. Joe Fisher and Bobby Pegg brought the truck and filled our reservoirs. I understand they have done this for several families this summer.

We shall never forget this service and think they deserve more credit than they get.
Sincerely
-s-Anna Mae Tipton

Wagon Train Trip Enjoyed

Last Week-end

The Marshall Wagon Train Club enjoyed a trail ride and camp out last Saturday and Sunday beginning at Henry Treadway's and camping out at Palmers Ford at Jupiter.

Those enjoying the trip were: Henry Treadway, wagon master, Ray Crowe, Bruce Treadway and sons, Tommy and Scott, Bert Flynn, Ray Flynn, Rodney Flynn, Garrison Payne, Kenneth Gosnell, Tommy Candler, Jimmy Thomas, Eddie Reed, Clyde Israel, Jap Johnson, Ray Caldwell, Spud Smith, Randy Jones, Junior Jones, Benny Hudson, Kenneth Bailey and Blaine Garren.

The train was made up of nine wagons and several horse back riders.

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The Region B Planning and Economic Development Commission may soon be designated the Lead Regional Organization for its four-county area.

Robert E. Shepherd, the new Region B executive director, told the commission at its regular meeting in Skyland Village Hall that conversions with state officials indicated Region B could be LRO by mid-November.

Tom Earnhardt, assistant to Secretary of Administration William Bondurant, who would grant the designation, said today that Bondurant was awaiting a meeting with the governor before making his final decision.

"As far as we're concerned," he said, "I think we'll be in a position very soon to make an announcement, and we think it will be an affirmative announcement."

The LRO designation is necessary for Region B to be the channel for federal planning money and properly perform its planning functions for Buncombe, Madison, Henderson and Transylvania counties, which make up the Region B planning area.

Shepherd said Bondurant had three conditions for granting LRO status: an adequate staff, an agreement of some kind with the Metropolitan Planning Board, which presently has control of some regional federal funds, and "A spirit of regional cooperation among the four counties."

Shepherd said he is conducting interviews this week with applicants for the staff, positions of planner, community development specialist and social research assistant, and that he had several who were qualified.

The commission also voted to approve a letter of intent to work with MPB to William A. V. Cecil, MPB chairman. The letter states that Region B would "like to execute an agreement as soon as possible" with MPB.

Another recent worry for Region B has been the decision of Buncombe County officials that the county is not officially a member in the absence of what they consider an appropriate resolution by the Board of County Commissioners. The four counties and their municipalities make up the commission's membership.

But Chairman R. Curtis Ratcliff of the Board of Commissioners said today he feels he "could propose at the next (board) meeting that Buncombe County rejoin" Region B. The commissioners meet Nov. 6, and Ratcliff said he could also support a resolution, in agreement with

the City of Asheville, allowing MPB to sign a contract with Region B.

Madison County still has a suit pending in Wake County Superior Court against the state, asking that LRO status be granted or cause shown why it could not be, but Zeno Ponder read a statement signed by James T. Ledford, chairman of the Madison County Board of Commissioners, which said in part:

"We as a board, true to our oath of office, will be most happy to cooperate with the Department of Administration in terminating the lawsuit providing the citizens of

Madison County are guaranteed that they will not be discriminated against by failure to have LRO status for Region B, their region. We do not wish to drag out a lawsuit for political or any other purposes."

In other business at the meeting, William Prim of Henderson County, who chaired the meeting in the absence of Mayor Charles H. Campbell of Brevard, said the executive committee would examine Gov. Jim Holshouser's new road program and make recommendations to the commission at its next meeting.

Additions At Library Here

There have been additions to the Reference Department of the Madison County Public Library. Some of the outstanding ones are:

THOMAS REGISTER OF AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS and THOMAS REGISTER CATALOG FILE. This set is published in 11 volumes. Vols. 1-6 list products and services alphabetically. Vol. 7 gives company names, addresses with zip codes and telephone numbers. They too are listed alphabetically and branch offices are given. Vol. 8 is the Brand Name Index. To find the index to any product, look in the Index to Classified Classified section. Vols. 9-11 are catalogs of Companies appearing alphabetically and

cross indexed in the first eight volumes.

A book which has received unanimous critical acclaim and is well established as the standard one-volume history of the state, NORTH CAROLINA: THE HISTORY OF A SOUTHERN STATE, Third Edition, Revised, is now in the Reference Room of the Madison County Public Library. It is a history told in short paragraphs which are concerned with one development. Music, writing, welfare efforts, as well as political history is covered. It reflects many recent changes in North Carolina's population, agriculture, manufacturing, trade, transportation, finance, education and government.

First Union Announces Promotions

The top management promotions of Theodore B. Sumner, Jr. and Edward E. Crutchfield Jr., both of First Union National Bank of North Carolina, were announced Monday by C. C. Cameron, President and Chairman of the Board of Cameron Financial Corporation, the Bank's holding company.

Sumner, previously Executive Vice President, has been named Chairman of the Board of First Union National and Crutchfield, also an Executive Vice President, was named President of the Bank.

Both men will have equal authority and will report directly to Cameron, who will continue as chief executive officer of Cameron Financial Corporation and First Union National.

In their new capacities as Chairman of the Board and as President, Sumner and Crutchfield will continue to operate as a team as they have throughout this past year; each having well-defined responsibilities yet sharing in key decisions.

Specifically, as Chairman of the Board Sumner will supervise all of the Bank's 176 offices in 81 cities throughout North Carolina.

It's obviously not just a case of telling kids to "stay away from that old refrigerator. The old appliances represent such tempting play areas - impregnable "forts" and great "jails" in which to lock up "outlaw" playmates.

What can be done about the ever-present problem of refrigerator entrapment?

Children and old refrigerators - with a little effort they don't have to be a fatal combination.

Engineers at General Electric Company's Appliance Park in Louisville, Kentucky, point out that a few simple precautions are all that is really needed to keep an old refrigerator from becoming a deathtrap.

For one thing, it's against the law in many communities to discard an old refrigerator or freezer without first removing the door. It's against common sense in any community. And this means removing the door right away - not an hour or a week later. It only takes a few minutes for a child to climb in and suffocate.

If you plan to keep an old model, but not use it right away, you can remove the door, or tie a sturdy rope around it with the knot at the back and push the unit up against the wall. Even better is to get a chain and padlock from the hardware store. The man of the house can install this child-saving device for just a few dollars and a few minutes of his time.

Other ways to combat the problem - which is always at its peak during the summer months - include mobilizing civic groups to go in search of abandoned units and to remove their doors, or reporting to authorities anyone who keeps such hazards on property accessible to small children.

Abandoned refrigerators - Tot Traps



ODUS CHANDLER, of Marshall Route 4, is shown holding two enormous Peace roses which he grew at his home. Each rose measured 7 inches in diameter. Odus and his wife love flowers and have many varieties. "In order to grow beautiful roses you have to talk to them and give them loving care," Odus commented.

Fund Started In Memory Of Mars Hill Co-Ed

MARS HILL - A scholarship fund is in the process of being established in memory of Sally Bell Moffitt, the Mars Hill College co-ed whose mysterious death still has officials puzzled.

Family members and school officials stated that the scholarship is in the planning stages now and details on how the fund will be used will be available this month. Anyone

wishing to contribute to the scholarship fund may do so through the Development Office at Mars Hill College.

The campus is empty this week as Fall Break, scheduled to start this Wednesday, began following a memorial to the High Point sophomore Monday afternoon. Authorities are still probing the mystery surrounding the student's death.

Needlepoint In Library Windows Here

The Madison County Public Library has a collection of needlepoint pieces on display in the window. All of the work in this window was done by Mrs. Estelle Whitaker of Mars Hill. Items displayed are: five chairs, four stools, a fireplace bench and a vanity bench, three pictures (one on Austrian antique print with petti-point), one large cushion, a pocketbook and

three mats. All these pieces are in her home. She has made and given away to friends and relatives: two mirror-back chairs, one chair, one chair-cover 2x20 seat, two sets of dining room chairs, 1/2 doz. table mats, a four mat set, six pictures, two big pillows, one fireproof bench and one antique footstool. Could anyone guess the number of needlepoint stitches this lady has done?

Consumer Scene

Abandoned refrigerators - Tot Traps

An unused or abandoned refrigerator or freezer can be a serious - even fatal - hazard to children.

A child doesn't know a refrigerator is constructed airtight to preserve food. He climbs inside to play "hide and seek," or because he thinks he will escape summer's heat, and death from suffocation can come within 25 to 30 minutes.

Over the last five years, more than 80 children nationwide - most aged three to six - have died as a result of becoming entrapped in stored or abandoned refrigerators.

The problem is not confined just to old units sitting in the weeds in some vacant lot or junkyard. Even more likely to be fatal - are the ones in storage or limited use in garages and basements.

Modern refrigerators and freezers are designed to be pushed open from the inside with very little force being exerted. But the older models, and there are literally millions around, have doors that latch securely and cannot be opened from the inside.

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County Gets \$10,237.73 From National Forest

Forest Supervisor, Del W. Thorsen said today that 24 counties in North Carolina will receive a total of \$352,000 as their share of receipts on the National Forest operation in the State during the past fiscal year which ended June 30. National receipts to the counties last year totaled \$234,761.

The amount going to each county is based on the number of acres of National Forest land within the county. Federal law calls for 25 percent of the receipts to go back to the counties for use on schools and roads. Thorsen said the money going to the counties average 22 cents per acre, based on the number of acre of National Forest land in the State.

Timber harvesting by private operators accounts for

the largest single amount in the receipts and during the past year, timber operations in North Carolina brought in \$943,087. Other national Forest resources are water, recreation, wildlife and forage.

Thorsen said that the Forest Service system of land management makes certain there always will be a supply of timber for the nation. It also provides for protection of wildlife, recreation and aesthetic values of the Forests.

The money received by counties in North Carolina is part of more than \$7,000,000 being returned to counties in the 13 state Southern Region of the U. S. Forest Service. Madison County's allocation is \$10,237.73.

A Conservative Estimate

by Adrian C. Scott

Someone asked me the other day precisely what I meant by the word "Freedom." You know, that's such an easy thing to talk about and so hard to define that I thought I'd better get around to defining some terms. The conversation which brought the question up was my assertion that taxation is not only taking away my buying power, it's also taking away my freedom. Of course, the person to whom I was telling this thought that I meant that Government (hereafter called FedGov) was using my tax-dollars to take away my freedom, which is precisely correct but not the complete story.

Freedom is, at least in large part and particularly in the USA, MONEY. Did you ever think of it that way? Here's what I mean. My wallet's pretty tight right now, it being the day after pay-day and my creditors not having caught up with me yet. Suppose I don't like the TV Diners I've been cooking for myself? I'm free to go out and eat anywhere I choose. The weather is neither a grey day nor a Grade A day. If I want some sunshine, I can hop a plane to Florida. I don't like my old blue shirt? I can go out and buy a natty pink one.

In short, so long as my wallet's full, I have a great amount of real meaningful freedom. Take away half the money in my wallet. Now I can still eat out but not anywhere, maybe Howard Johnson's. The weather's still pretty dull but I can still make it to Virginia on what I have. Take a bit more out of my wallet and I have a choice of eating at home or maybe trying the Orange Room at Nedick's end, if I still don't like the weather. I can cut out for Atlantic City. Now, take away my last dollar. Leave me nothing but the peanut-butter sandwich change in my pocket and you've really taken away the last of my freedom. Whether I like it or not, I'm eating at home and putting up with the weather and the clothes on my back. Finally take away the change in my pocket.

Now what? Now I can't even afford to eat at home nor even pay the rent to live there. Now I'm broke. I'm utterly dependent on either charity or what FedGov has to offer me. If they suggest that I live where they want me to, what can I do? If they provide food I don't like, do I have a choice? No, Sir, when you took away my money you also took away my freedom of choice, my Freedom!

Now, let's get down to cases. I'm making more "money" now than I ever did in my life but the money is

only more when you count it as money. I'm really not interested in money for its own sake but for what I can buy with it. On that basis, I seem to be making less every month. Where my paycheck used to buy ten loaves of it now buys only seven loaves of the same bread I read that the export of wheat to Red China has already jacked up the price of a loaf by about twenty-five percent so my poor paycheck's going to get me even less.

As FedGov expands, as it controls more and more of our lives, somebody's got to pay the salaries and expenses of all these new bureaucrats. Obviously, neither FedGov nor any other government can produce money, they can only re-distribute it, that is, take from me and give to someone else. So their taxation takes away a couple of my loaves. Not only that, the farmer who grew the wheat had to pay tax to FedGov and he promptly included that factor in his selling price of wheat, the man who ground that wheat into flour did the same thing, as did the wheat wholesaler, and the baker, and the delivery company and the bread-wrapper, and the bread slicer and the manager of the aforementioned supermarket.

The buck stopped at the checkout counter, of course. There, the cashier finally collected from the coat of the loaf plus all the taxes back down the line. Finally, I even had to pay the matching portion of her Social Security, all in the price of that humble little loaf of bread. You know, eating it, I got to thinking, there's been a lot of noise about labeling the content of food products. Maybe that loaf of bread should not only be labeled to show its chemical content, maybe they should be forced to show its tax content.



Cigarettes - Killers that travel in packs (Mary S Ott)

HIGH COST

Accidents killed a record number of Americans last year - approximately 117,000 - and cost the nation an estimated \$32.3 billion.

Pharmacy Comments

FDA Vitamin Law Scored

Thousands of followers of Dr. Linus Pauling and Adele Davis, two of the nation's foremost experts on nutrition, are up-in-arms over the recent FDA decree to restrict vitamin and mineral packaging and sales. Immediate court action to defeat what the FDA proposes is likely.

How can the FDA justify legislating what the individual should consume? Minimum Daily Allowances for vitamins and minerals are only averages and vary greatly from person to person. The FDA's logic on the



matter is tantamount to saying that since the average American family has 2.3 children then all families should limit its food budget to purchases for exactly 2.3 children.

It is our view that the FDA has forced upon us a heavy-handed, scientifically ignorant set of regulations.

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