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A Tribute To Sharon

Madison County School Administrators, Faculty and Students at Marshall School, and Title I Reading Teachers mourn the loss of their teacher, co-worker, and friend, Sharon Sluder Hensley. She had a unique inner beauty which brightened the path of all those whom she chanced to meet. All who knew her, loved her.

The Title I Reading Center at Marshall Elementary School where she taught remedial reading classes was a place of beauty as well as learning. She worked constantly to make the room more beautiful and the program more appealing for children with special needs in the area of reading. Many extra hours were spent in preparing teaching aids to assist the child with reading difficulties.

Each student who came to the reading center was evaluated an individualized program planned for him based upon his deficiencies, and allowed to move at his own pace to eliminate these deficiencies. Sharon's reading program was one of the best in North Carolina. Many educators visited her center and came away inspired with new ideas and enthusiasm.

Sharon left many happy memories in the hearts of all with whom she worked. These memories will remain with us to challenge each of us to do his job well. She began excellent programs, which we must continue, else all of her work will have been in vain. There is no better way that we can pay tribute to this outstanding, very talented teacher, our friend, than to give our best to the children of Madison County whom she loved so well.

Dr. Bobby Jean Rice, General Supervisor
Madison County Schools

Personal Mention

Dr. and Mrs. L. McElroy, of Marshall, returned to their home here Saturday after attending post graduate courses with the American Academy of Family Practice held in Winston-Salem last week.

Letter To Editor

Lyngholm Critizes, Tolly Explains Nuclear Publicity

November 18, 1975
French Broad Electric Membership Corporation
Mr. Charles R. Tolley, Acting General Manager
Marshall 28753
Dear Mr. Tolley:

It is with utmost surprise and deep dismay I notice that the French Broad Edition of the November CAROLINA COUNTRY did not bring Mr. Henry T. Harrison's reply to your August issue's pro-nuclear propaganda piece - even though you had promised your readers this reply in the October issue.

Considering that Carolina Power & Light Company plans to build a nuclear power plant on the Buncombe - Madison county line and the EMC might buy one of Duke Power's nuclear plants you certainly owe it to your readers to bring them the facts.

It is ironic that this month's magazine on page 22 carries a piece "EMC Communications Efforts Needed" - and then you proceed to insult your readers by omitting Mr. Harrison's pertinent report while bringing us a spitting contest!

I strongly urge you to bring Mr. Harrison's article in your December issue, the last one to be mailed to all members, as I understand it.

Yours sincerely,
-s- Edgar Lyngholm, D.C.
cc: Mr. Robert N. Cleveland, NCEMC
Mr. Owen Bishop, CT
Mr. Jim Story, Marshall News-Record

TOLLEY EXPLAINS

November 19, 1975
Dr. Edgar Lyngholm
Route 1
Alexander, North Carolina 28701

Dear Dr. Lyngholm:
In response to your letter of November 18, 1975, I would like to bring the following things to your attention:

1. Your letter is addressed to me, not to the Editor of CAROLINA COUNTRY. I have not promised anyone to print anything in the CAROLINA COUNTRY magazine.

2. French Broad EMC does

not receive Duke Power and will not by itself purchase one of Duke's nuclear plants. The North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation as a statewide unit is negotiating for such a purchase.

3. As previously indicated, I did not omit Mr. Harrison's article and I did not bring a spitting contest to your attention in the November issue of the CAROLINA COUNTRY. French Broad EMC has been allowed two pages in the CAROLINA COUNTRY for communication with our members; however, we do not have the authority to say which two pages will be used for this. Neither do we have authority on what articles will be published in this magazine, what letters and editorial comments will be made. This authority rests solely with the Editor of the CAROLINA COUNTRY.

4. It has been the feeling for some time by the Directors and management of French Broad Electric that the CAROLINA COUNTRY does not serve the specific needs of French Broad Electric Membership Corporation as well as a monthly newsletter published by French Broad personnel, and for that reason French Broad Electric will not subscribe to the CAROLINA COUNTRY after December, 1975.

We at French Broad have no desire to mislead any of our members or to take a pro-nuclear or anti-nuclear position. We do not feel that we have the expert knowledge to qualify us to make such a stand.

Our sole purpose for existence is to provide our members with the most reliable electric service we possibly can as economically as we possibly can.

I can assure you that any information published by this office will be as fair and as impartial as we can possibly make it.

If we can be of further assistance to you, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,
French Broad Electric Membership Corporation
-s- Charles R. Tolley.

Acting Manager
cc: Mr. Robert N. Cleveland
Mr. Owen Bishop
Mr. Jim Story
November 19, 1975

North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation
Mr. Robert N. Cleveland,
Executive Vice President
3333 North Boulevard
Raleigh 27604

Dear Mr. Cleveland:
Thank you for your letter of the 3rd inst., I do appreciate your taking the time to discuss this matter with me.

However, I continue to disagree with your statement that nuclear power will be the solution to our energy problem and I do so because environmental and, now, purely economic factors make it unacceptable.

I should like to point out that you are mistaken when you say some of the presently operating nuclear plants have been in operation as long as 30 years. The oldest commercial plant started operation in December 1957 and, furthermore, is a very small (90 MWe) plant not comparable at all to those being built today.

You are also misinformed when you state "there has never been an accident that has caused any concern for the safety and health of those working in the plants and living close to them." 3 men were killed in 1961 in a nuclear excursion at the National Reactor Testing Station, Idaho, and to mention just one recent example, there was certainly (or ought to have been) concern for the people living within quite a few miles of TVA's Browns Ferry nuclear power plant on March 22, 1975. Please see enclosed newsletter's report on this.

As for reliability of nuclear plants as compared to coal-fired plants I do know that repairs at a nuclear plant, due to its radioactivity and complexity, take months whereas repairs at coal-fired plants take days or weeks only.

I am also concerned that the EMC is committing its membership to a bad business deal if you really contemplate to buy Duke Power's plant "as is." (Asheville Citizen, Oct. 31) that is without guarantees that the plant will operate efficiently, safely, continuously and without significant mechanical failures. Given the presently operating plants' poor performance record this sounds simply incredible and I trust you will refute the story?

It would seem more appropriate for a membership owned corporation to promote environmentally (and economically) sound generating methods such as processing refuse into fuel for generating plants. Small towns (Ames, Iowa), big cities (e.g. St. Louis, Missouri) are doing it and TVA has talked of building a plant for conversion of garbage into fuel here in Asheville. Rather than TVA hauling it all the way to Tennessee why doesn't the EMC build such a plant, and use it for generating electricity right here in Western North Carolina?

Yours sincerely,
-s- Edgar Lyngholm, D.C.
cc: Mr. Jim Story, Marshall



MRS. DAVE WILSON
...the former Agnes T. Meadows

Meadows-Wilson

Vows Spoken

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce King, of Route 3, Shelton Laurel, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Sharon Kay, to Mr. Curtis Ray Delph, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Delph, of Johnson City, Tenn. Miss King is now attending Madison High School, where she will be graduating with the class of '76. Mr. Delph attended Davey Crockett High School and is now employed in Norton, Virginia. The wedding is planned for 2 p.m. on December 20, at Carmen Church of God, Shelton Laurel. This will also be an open church wedding. Reception will be held immediately after the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents.

A THANKSGIVING PRAYER

Father, we thank Thee for the night,
And for the morning's early light,
For rest and food and loving care,
And all that makes the World so fair.

Help us to do the things we should,
To be to others kind and good,
In all we do in work or play,
To grow more loving every day.

Amen
-Author Unknown

Agnes Thomas Meadows and Dave Wilson, both of Marshall, were married Saturday evening, November 15, 1975 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eason Thomas, in the Panhandle section. A few close relatives and friends attended. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Howard Ogle.

The bridegroom is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Wilson of Marshall.

Given in marriage by her mother, the bride wore a white and navy polyester dress and a corsage of white carnations.

Mrs. Jerry Rice, Sr. of Marshall was matron of honor.

James King of Guntertown was best man. A reception was held following the ceremony. Mrs. Jerry Rice cut the wedding cake which was baked by Mrs. Riley Fisher. She was assisted in serving by Mrs. Mamie Lewis and Mrs. Kathleen King.

The couple will make their home on Main Street in Marshall.



Health News
By R.W. Powell

We offer true Thanks-Giving

Humility can give us new energy. As we celebrate Thanksgiving Day in its truest spirit, we should feel a certain exhilaration.

Have you ever thanked someone for a gift and felt true appreciation for their kindness? If so, a special feeling oozes out. You feel a glow. You've let go of tightly-held emotions, releasing your ego, humbling yourself. The result is a sincere, pure act of Thanks-Giving.

It is with the same spirit this Thanksgiving that we wish to thank each of you, for your patronage and to hope for your continued friendship, loyalty and happiness in the future. Have a happy Thanksgiving!

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