

## Please Slow Down

Last Saturday's tragic wreck on the Marshall bypass resulted in the death of two more county youth.

There appear to be no question that speed was a factor in the accident. This is not the first fatal wreck in which speed was involved on the bypass. Unless something drastic is done, there will be more such wrecks, more injuries, more sadness.

The Marshall bypass can be a blessing or a curse. Unfortunately, it is becoming a curse, especially on weekends.

Several people who have establishments along the bypass as well as residents who live near the bypass, have been complaining for sometime that many young drivers decide to have racing contests on weekends and recently speedsters have made a portion of the bypass from the Walnut Creek intersection to the Sprinkle-Shelton Wholesale building a "Suicide Lane."

Under such conditions which now prevail it may become necessary for Marshall policemen, the sheriff's department and the state troopers to work out a plan to alternate in patrolling this section continuously at nights on weekends.

## Heard And Seen

By POP

The Marshall area was fortunate this past week-end and on Monday as far as actual flooding was concerned... the French Broad River came mighty close to covering the Island but didn't... many businessmen along the French Broad and in Marshall were apprehensive Sunday night after hearing of the flooding at Rosman but were most thankful when the river crested Monday p.m.

Well, Gladys, March came in like a lamb, didn't it? We'll have to wait, however, to see how March ends.

Congratulations to the Marshall Youth Basketball teams on winning honors recently in the Buncombe County Youth Tournament... the girls and boys are thoroughly enjoying the youth program but no more than their coaches and devoted parents and fans... the season will end this week when the tournament being held at the Marshall Elementary gym is completed.

Taste Diner at 575 Haywood Road, West Asheville, is a good place to eat... I found this out over a year ago on my weekly trip to Waynesville... it's in a convenient location just a short distance from the US 19-23 exit... on my first visit to the busy diner, I was impressed by two factors... namely, the food was well prepared and quickly served, and the waitresses and other personnel were the happiest group possible despite a crowded diner during the lunch break... they were dashing here and there, at the counter and in and out the large dining room... I stopped there the following week and found the "gang" the same way as before... it's been that way nearly every Tuesday since... most of the customers are "regulars" who enjoy eating there every day... they know the waitresses by their first names and the waitresses know them... it's a pleasant place to eat and a friendly "atmosphere"... I especially enjoy the delicious chicken and dumpling and Jean Conley has learned that and as soon as I enter the diner, she quickly sends in my order without even asking me... I've talked with hundreds of customers and they agree that it's the fine food and quick and pleasant service they receive that makes them eat there regularly. This is not a paid advertisement but I think the "gang" there deserves a "plug"... I want to commend the following employees who make this such a popular eating place: Margaret Evans, (owner); Autumn Evans, Jean Conley, Faye Hughes, Pam Warren, Mrs. Gertie Brinkley, Cecelia Singleton, Sara Treadgill, Betty Seay, Charlie "Dish-em-up" Green, and of course, Helen Sutton, who is the efficient and pleasant dish washer, always busy and always smiling.



THE BODIES of Calvin Eugene Reed and Jesse Gordon Duncan were thrown from the car and landed on the rocks near the branch, shown above, 30 feet below the overpass bridge at

intersection of US 25-70 and NC 213. Part of the car's seat and other fragments can be seen on rocks. The demolished car had been removed before photo was made. (Photo by Jim Story)



## Letters To The Editor

Editor, the News Record:

I have heard quite a few complaints about our roads in Madison County and the boys who work them.

I would like to have a few loads of rock on the road by my house. I have not called them because I guess some others need it worse than I do. It takes a few days and weeks to cover the more than 200 miles of dirt roads.

I drive a taxi in Marshall and about the first of each month about 15 or 20 people want to go at the same time. There are only three taxis so some must wait.

I know most of the boys working for the state and I

have seen them out working at night and Sundays anytime the roads are slick. I think they have done a real good job keeping the main roads open. I made a trip to Hot Springs five days a week and have for the last three or four years. I have never missed a trip and don't have a four-wheel vehicle or use chains.

I have been in other counties and states. None of them keep the roads in as good condition as Madison. I was nearly a week coming from Houston, Texas, a few years ago during an ice storm. Had to wait for the sun to melt it.

Keep up the good work.

boys. I, for one, appreciate it.  
JACK GUTHRIE  
(Walnut), Marshall

## Series Of Courses Planned For Adults

Mars Hill College's Learning Institute for Elders (LIFE) will offer two "mini-terms" this spring each featuring two classes aimed at the older adults of the area.

Funded under a Title I grant late last summer, the LIFE program began offering on-campus learning experiences each Tuesday during the fall semester. The first "mini-term" of the spring semester will meet each Tuesday beginning March 20. This term will end April 24 and the second term will begin May 1 and run through June 5. All of the classes will meet in the Appalachian Room of Memorial Library.

The classes to be offered during the first term include "Personal Money Management in Retirement," which will be taught by Dan Packard, president of the Better Business Bureau of Asheville-Western North Carolina. The class will meet from 10 through 11:30 a.m. There will be an informal coffee hour from 9 to 10 a.m. in which participants can make new friends, renew old acquaintances and share news and views. Lunch is available in the college cafeteria where several "cross generation" meals are planned with college students and faculty.

The second class, "The History of Western North Carolina," will be taught by Dr. Evelyn Underwood of the college's history department. This class will meet from 1 to 2:30 p.m. In addition to the classes, several field trips and theatre tours will be made and there is free access to college facilities such as the library, special collections and the gymnasium.

The second "mini-term"

will be offered May 1 through June 5. It will also feature two classes which are tentatively entitled "Music, the Listener's Art," and "Appalachian Flora."

Cost for each of the two "mini-terms" is \$5; however, no one will be excluded from participation if he or she is unable to meet this cost. Further information is available from Raymond C. Rapp, program coordinator for continuing education, Mars Hill College, Mars Hill 28754, or by calling 689-1106.

## Medical Society Hears Dr. Smith

The Madison County Medical Society held its regular monthly meeting Feb. 27 in the President's Dining Room in the Mars Hill College cafeteria.

A most delightful dinner was served. Dr. W.O. Duck, president of the society, presided.

Dr. Richard Smith, prominent Gastro-Enterologist of Asheville, was the speaker. His subject was "New Ways To Treat Gallstones."

ISRAEL NAMED  
NEW YORK (AP) — Peter Israel, vice president and managing director of G.P. Putnam's Sons, has been named president to succeed Walter J. Minton.

Stanley Newman, vice president of MCA Inc. in charge of the MCA Publishing Group, said Israel would supervise all hardcover publishing activities of Putnam and its Coward, McCann & Geoghegan and Richard Marek subsidiaries.

## Local Scouts Represented At Banquet

The Daniel Boone Boy Scout Council held its annual banquet on Feb. 23 at the Inn on the Plaza. Festivities at the banquet included the graduation of the Eagle Class of 1978. Sixty scouts were awarded this degree. The Silver Beaver Award was presented to four leaders in the council. These two awards are the highest honors a person in scouting can receive.

Guest speaker for the event was Clarence Kelly, former FBI director. His praise for scouting was best expressed in his comment "that in 38 years of law enforcement only in one instance had a person involved in a crime been a former boy scout."

Marshall Cub Scout Pack 522 was represented by the attendance of Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Anthony and Mr. and Mrs. Garry Moore.

BLACK THEATER  
NEW YORK (AP) — "Black America On Stage," an exhibition tracing the origins and developments of popular entertainment, drama, commercial and institutional black theater in the United States will be shown at the City University of New York through Dec. 8.

The exhibit includes 180 enlarged photographs and original materials, all from the collection of the Armstead-Johnson Foundation for Theater Research.

It will be shown at the Graduate Center Mall, 9 a.m.-6p.m., Monday through Friday.

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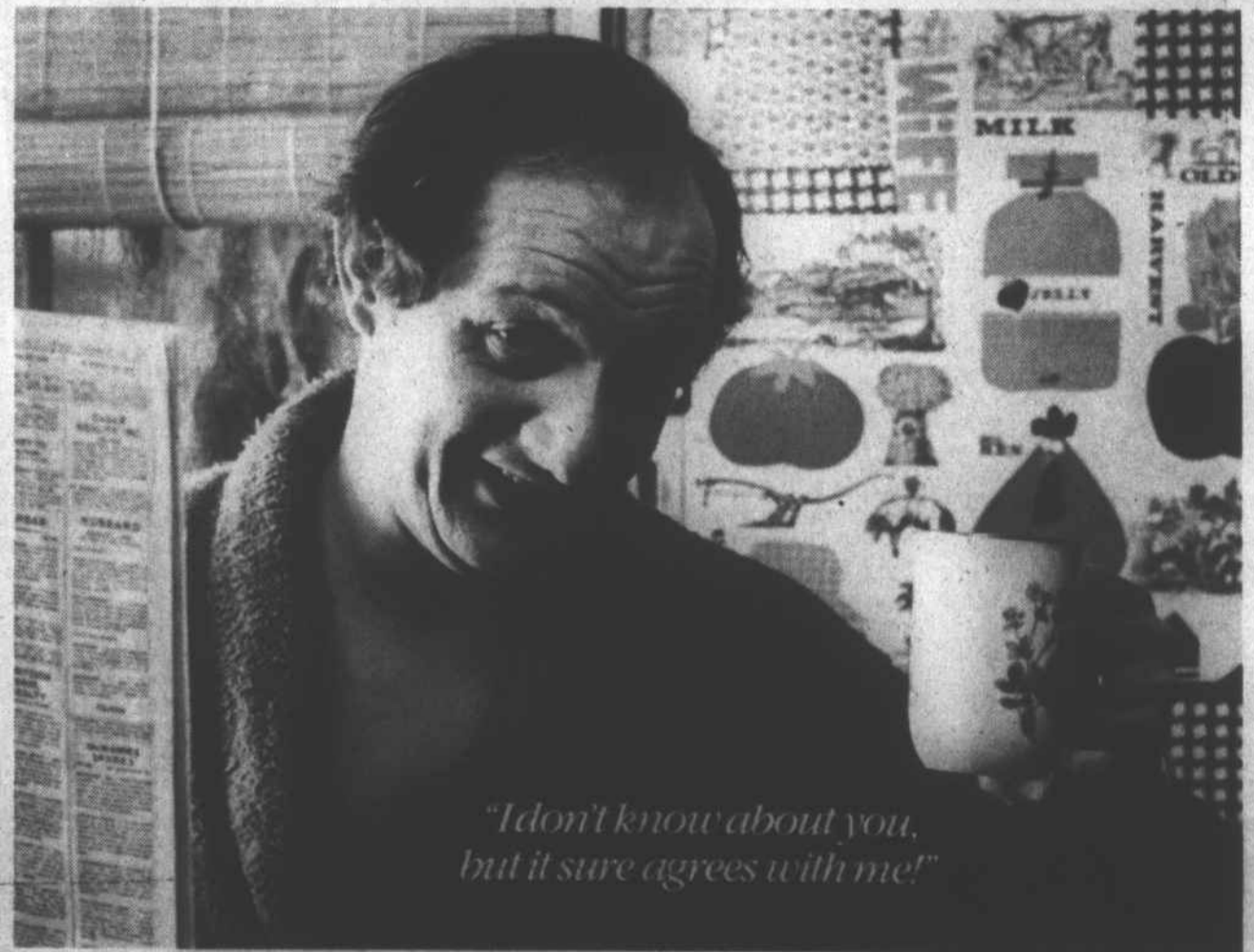


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