

Homecoming Queen

A Talk With Those Who Would Like To Reign

By GREG LIENBEE

One of the highlights of the entire school year will take place this Friday night with the crowning of the 1979-80 homecoming queen.

This year, the senior girls hoping for the honor of being homecoming queen are Peggy W. Goforth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Worley of Walnut; Sherry Maynard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilmer Maynard of Hot Springs and Nan Ramsey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ramsey of Mars Hill. I asked each candidate a

few questions about their individual feelings on the event, what their goals and future plans are, and how important it is to them to win.

Peggy says she thinks that homecoming is really great! It brings out the spirit of the whole school. In her spare time, Peggy likes to cook, read and collect fish. She is married to Keith Goforth. After high school, she and her husband plan on starting a family. God has a very big part in Peggy's life. I asked her if she wanted to win, and she replied "only if it's God's will." Her goal in life is "to lead others to Christ."

Sherry Maynard also feels that homecoming "brings out school spirit and the participation of all student body members." Sherry made the surprising statement that it

"doesn't matter" if she doesn't win. She is very honored she said, to simply be a member of the court. Sherry enjoys sports, especially water skiing. Her post-high school plans consist of attending Western Carolina University, where she plans to major in business. She hopes to graduate after four years of study and go with a career in some business oriented field.

I asked Nan if she felt that too much emphasis was placed on homecoming. She replied, "yes... much more sometimes than what should be." Nan said that she will be equally happy no matter which of the three girls win, because in her book, her fellow nominees "are already queens." Nan likes outdoor sports — mainly snow skiing,

swimming, and tennis. After graduating from high school, she hopes to attend the Institute of Fashion in Miami. After completing studies in Florida, she hopes to become

a "top buyer for a well-known store." Nan's main wish for Oct. 19, is that there be no "hard feelings, because that's not what homecoming's about."

Editor's Column

Amory Lovins

Amory Lovins, a young man who has been called "the Pied Piper of alternative energy," will speak at the UNC-Asheville on Oct. 19 and 20, continuing a discussion he has led throughout this country over the last three years. The core of his message is that we are not only squandering energy in this country but also that we are using it in the wrong forms. Electricity, for example, is an extremely expensive form of energy; Lovins says that to use it for space heating is like using perfume to wash a kitchen floor.

I heard Lovins speak last year, at a meeting in Montana, and I came away impressed by not only his understanding of the technical aspects of energy use and production, but also of the study he has put into the economics and politics of energy.

Lovins was born in Washington, D.C., and now spends half of each year in England. He was trained as a physicist, at both Harvard and Oxford universities and is a consultant to the International Federation of Institutes for Advanced Study, the Science Council of Canada, Friends of the Earth, the U.S. Office of Technology Assessment and others.

One of Lovins' themes is that we are still living in the past, energetically speaking. When electricity became cheap, he told his audience in Montana, we proceeded to squander it. "About 20 percent of the electricity we use is wasted," he said, "during transmission, or as heat, or elsewhere. Another 40 percent is used for heating and cooling, which is very expensive and should be replaced by solar energy, good building techniques, and so on. Ten percent is used for electric motors - and these motors are only about 25 percent efficient in converting energy to work."

He went on to talk about poorly designed appliances that use much of our electricity. At the top of the list was the refrigerator. Lovins says the average refrigerator used to be about 90 percent efficient in the early days of electricity. Now it is about 50 percent efficient.

"The design is ludicrous," he said. "You open the door and what happens? Half the cold air falls out onto the floor. The motor is placed on the bottom, and heat from the motor rises and tends to cool the refrigerator. Then the frost-free element actually pours heat into the freezer every few minutes to melt the frost, so that the motor has to work harder to keep the unit cool. And that heat comes through pipes pressed to the back of the freezer, heating it more."

Lovins' main topic lately has been nuclear power. He talks not so much about the safety question, though he does say that the danger of plutonium should be enough to disqualify nuclear power. He talks more about economics, and the undesirability of huge, centralized power plants. It is much more efficient, argues Lovins, to build many small, decentralized power plants than to pour all of our capital into a few giants and then waste much of it in transmission.

Lovins should be pleased to see that many of his predictions are coming true. As nuclear power becomes more expensive, and as public concern over safety continues to grow, fewer nuclear plants are being built in this country. We are turning instead to a more diverse energy system that includes solar power, gasohol, methane, cogeneration and other techniques that can be controlled by small groups of people or even individuals.

HOMCOMING COURT of Madison High School was elected last week by their classmates. The court will star in the Homecoming Parade at halftime during the football game with Owen on Oct. 19. Front row, left to right: Sandra Griffin, Sherry Maynard, Laurie Melvin, Angie Fox, Linda Ray, Nan Ramsey, Gamble Clark, Mary Ann Tolley, Peggy Goforth. Their escorts, in second row: Myron Coates, Doug McDevitt, Eric Hollifield, Junior Gardner, Randy Bishop, Marty Reese, Bobby Ingle, J.H. Fender. Not pictured: Bobby Zimmerman. The entire student body will select the Homecoming Queen from among the three senior representatives - Sherry

Maynard, Nan Ramsey, and Peggy Goforth. Felicia Bishop, last year's queen who is now a freshman at Mars Hill College, will perform the crowning ceremony. Weather permitting, the Court will be carried onto the field in Chevrolet Corvettes. The First Annual Spirit Week will lead up to Homecoming Day, featuring a schoolwide dress contest each day. Monday the theme will be Cowboys and Indians; Tuesday, Sloppy & Crazy Clothes; Wednesday, '50s Threads; Thursday, Red, White and Blue; and Friday, Dress-up. Winners will be chosen at the end of each school day. Faculty members are eligible to compete.

Rev. Ronnie Graham To Open Missionary Post In Marshall

The Rev. Ronnie Graham, a native of Marshall, is opening a counseling center in the apartment above the Marshall Thrift Store on Main Street.

The center will offer counseling on a variety of matters, including family questions, child abuse, marriage difficulties, and other personal problems. Free clothing will also be available for needy persons.

Graham invites the public to come by at 10 a.m. on Oct. 18 when he plans to open his center which will be called the Madison Christian Missionary. He also asks for donations of clothing from Madison citizens to be given to the poor. Graham, 28, was born and raised in Marshall. He left after high school, served a tour of duty in Vietnam, and returned for three months at

what is now Kings College in Charlotte. Then he came back to the farm of this father, D.J. Graham, and became in-

Highway Patrol Advises Headlight Use

The 1979 General Assembly enacted legislation requiring headlamps on vehicles to be lighted anytime there is not sufficient light to render clearly discernible any person on the highway 400 feet ahead. Prior to the legislation, the required distance was 200 feet.

Highway Patrol Commander John T. Jenkins said the increased distance was definitely a plus for traffic safety. Although headlamps of vehicles are required to be lighted during the period from a half hour after sunset to a half hour before sunrise, Jenkins said the new legislation may necessitate motorists using lighted headlamps more often during early morning and evening hours. Under the new legislation, a motorist's ability to observe vehicles, pedestrians and other possible hazards will be greatly enhanced.

In pointing out the importance of motorists using lighted headlamps during the time period and conditions specified by law, Jenkins said that motorists should use lighted headlamps during adverse weather conditions.

terested in Billy Graham's crusades which he attended. He took courses with the Billy Graham program through the mail, receiving a diploma after two years. He was licensed at Piney Grove Baptist Church this year by the Rev. Jack Davis.



REV. RONNIE GRAHAM

Wagon Train

The Marshall Wagon Train has planned a trip from Del Rio, Tenn., to Marshall, beginning Oct. 24.

Horses and wagons will be hauled to Del Rio on the evening of Oct. 24, a Wednesday. The train will travel to Max Patch on Thursday, to Spring Creek School on Friday, to Big Pine on Saturday, and to Marshall on Sunday.

For further information contact Ray Caldwell, Marshall wagon train president.

Highway

(Continued from Page 1) and D9's - and scooping up their 30 yards of fill from a high place and racing off to dump it in a low place that needed filling. Just beyond this activity was a swarm of men from the Austin Powder Co., drilling 6-inch holes every 12 feet in a grid pattern and filling them with more nitro carbo nitrate explosive, some dynamite to set off the explosive, and electric wiring that would trigger the dynamite. The whole hillside was due to go up in about two hours, and I was happy to clamber back into the truck and head back.

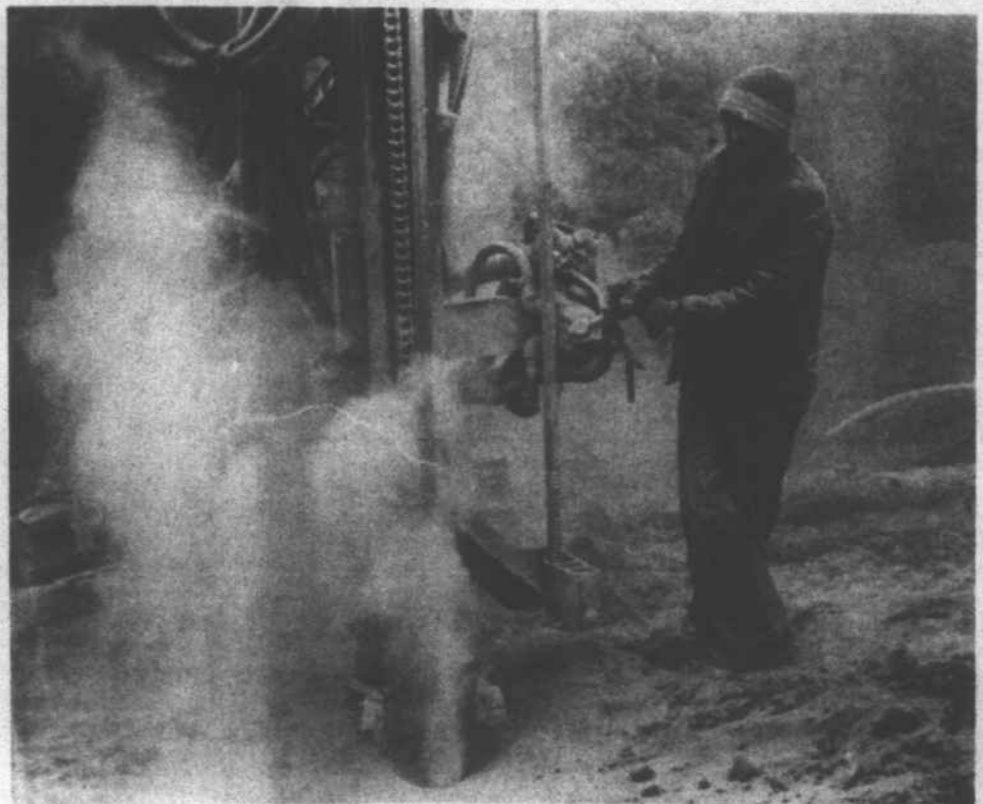
On the way through the beautiful rolling hills of Ivy we talked about the new road, and the changes it would bring to the county - changes that might eventually reverse the traditional out-migration of Madison's sons and daughters.

"I went to Marshall High School," said Bill as we neared our starting point, "and I don't think there are more than 10 or 12 left in the county from the 35 in my class. I'm one of the lucky ones. I got into a line of work I like that kept me right here."

I asked him if he thought the new road would help keep more people home, and he nodded his head. "We're gonna be all right," he said, speaking of the county, "Yep, I think we're gonna make it."



A \$1 MILLION bridge will span the Ivy River here, and 1.6 million cubic yards of the hill beyond will be removed.



ROCK DUST flies out of a hole being drilled for dynamite.

Booster Club To Hold Supper

The Madison High Boosters will hold a Poor Man's Supper before the homecoming football game Oct. 19. The menu will consist of pinto beans, hash browns, corn bread, cole slaw, cobbler pie and tea, coffee or milk. Supper begins at the school at 5:30. The charge for adults will be \$2 and for children under 12 \$1.50. Everyone is invited to have a hearty meal for extra strength to cheer on the team in its battle against Owen.

Heard And Seen

By POP

Since my semi-retirement I have had the opportunity to listen to a few daytime television shows including a few of the Phil Donahue shows over Channel 4 from 9 to 10 a.m. It is a very interesting and informative show. For instance, his guest Monday morning was California governor, Edmund Brown Jr., who will no doubt be a candidate for president on the Democratic ticket although he hasn't officially announced. Donahue, as well as the studio audience, shot many questions at Brown whose answers were interesting. However, the part of the program which struck me was after Brown had criticized some of the actions taken by the present administration in regard to the Alaskan pipeline as well as his ideas toward solutions of many national problems facing our nation, he was asked by Donahue why he (Brown), President Carter and Ted Kennedy couldn't get together and voice their ideas and come to some definite agreements instead of

"fighting" each other politically while seeking the presidency. "This would be a great plus for the Democratic Party," Donahue stated. This would also be true if Ronald Reagan, Connally and the other Republican hopefuls would get together on their solutions to national problems and offer a compromised platform to the voters instead of "fighting" each other in the campaign. This would, no doubt, be a plus for the Republicans. Donahue's suggestion will be ignored, in my opinion, and voters like myself will have to listen to each candidate's ideas and promises and try to support the candidates we think offer the best solutions to national problems.

Speaking of the Donahue show, another TV program I enjoy is "60 Minutes" on Channel 7 at 7 p.m. on Sunday... and my favorite musical program is Lawrence Welk on Saturday over WLOS-TV at 7 p.m.

I never dreamed of seeing Wade Huey being wheeled down the aisle of the church on a stretcher with a white sheet over him...

and a pretty "nurse" (Kathy McCormick) beside the stretcher... but it happened Sunday a.m. at the Baptist church here when a unique act preceded the sermon... Mike Minnix, our pastor, turned "surgeon," performed the "operation" on Wade as he took out a small automobile and also a TV set as symbols of reasons some people miss church services.

Welcome Robbie (Mrs. James Penland) to Roberts Hill... as neighbors we are looking forward to seeing her often as well as James. They were recently married at the Presbyterian church here.

Flames of unknown origin gutted the four-room home of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Moore and family near the Plato Worley residence Monday afternoon. Marshall firemen fought the blaze, but the age of the wooden structure plus a strong wind resulted in the loss of contents. Fortunately, Mrs. Moore and child escaped uninjured. Those wishing to help the Moore family may leave articles at the City Cafe here.

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