

Poor Turnout By Yancey Voters

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votes, over Republican Nick Galifianakis who received 762 votes. Dr. Eugene Grace had 26 votes and Joe R. Brown had 55.

Galifianakis carried the state as a whole, and he and Jordan are headed for the June 3rd run-off to see who will face Republican Jesse Helms who received 231 votes from Yancey County. Helms' opponents, State Rep. James Johnson had 163 votes, and William Booe had 102.

In the Democratic race for governor former state senator Skipper Bowles received 994 votes in the county. Lt. Gov. Pat Taylor received 834, Democratic gubernatorial candidates Wilbur Hobby had 33; Dr. Reginald Hawkins had 5; Gene Leggett had 9, and Zeb Dickson received 6.

In the Democratic race for Lt. Governor, Jim Hunt led the county with 837 votes, Roy Sowers had 443, Margaret Harper had 287, Allen Barbee received 43 and Reginald Frazier received 13.

In the Republican governors race, state GOP Chairman Jim Holshouser carried the county with 390 votes, over Jim Gardner's 226 votes. Leroy Gibson had 4 votes, and Thomas Chapel had 1. Holshouser and Gardner will meet in the June 3 run-off. In the Republican Lt. Governors race John Walker carried the county with 300 votes over Norman Joyner's 157 votes.

Other state and county votes were cast as follows: Democratic (Secretary of State) Thad Eure 1111; Louis Wade 281; (State Treasurer) Edwin Gill 1090, Jack Jurney 230; (Labor Secretary) W. C. Creel 777, John Brooks 169, John Blanton 126, John Wardell 106, Robert Folger 95, Phillip Ellen 76; (Commissioner of Insurance) E.

Russell Secret 833, John Ingram 162, George Belk 125, Johnny Clark 121, George Cherry 108, Cecil Duncan 100; (Supt. of Public Instruction) Craig Phillips 1116, John O'Connell 375; (County Commission--3 seats) Frank Fox 936, James Proffitt 963, Troy Boone 899, Clarence Wheeler 403, (County Board of Education -- District II--4 seats) Mark Bennett 1125, Albert Edwards 1044, Ralph Silver 988, Carter Thomas 977, Charles Gillespie 475, Charles Randolph 339, Carroll Angel 261, Bill Hess 255.

Republican (Commissioner of Insurance) L. W. Douglas 282, Edley Hutchins 156; District Court Judge--24th District) Bruce Briggs 397, Wood Hall Young 116; (County Board of Education District I--4 seat) Claude Vess 249, Paul McCurry 30.

In Japan, almost everyone above school age can read and write.



One Of 40 Dumpsters Being Unloaded At Drop-Off Point In Yancey County

Trash Collection Set

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ed by the sheriff's department, highway patrol and representatives of each of the Health Departments.

It is requested by the operating officials that everyone using the dumpsters to please place all trash and refuse inside the dumpsters and close the lids tightly. By doing this no nuisance will be created.

The sanitary landfill located two miles North on the Booneford road is now in full operation. It is open five and one-half days each week; from 8:00 to 4:30 p. m. weekdays and 8:00 a. m. to 12:00 noon on Saturday. The entrance is marked by a sign reading "Mitchell-Yancey Sanitary Landfill".

In July of this year, a junk car collection program will be started in the aforementioned counties. A collection truck will be furnished by the Tennessee Valley Authority for a four month period to collect junk cars which will be brought to a collection point, then

crushed and hauled away. For this service, there will be no cost to the individual.

Anyone wishing further information on either of these programs should call 682-2127 in Burnsville; 688-2371 in Bakersville.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Friends

I want to thank everyone who supported me and voted for me in the primary election. Obviously a great majority of the Democratic Party is satisfied with the present leadership. I hope that everyone will keep in mind that the purpose of our effort is not placing one person on the school board rather than another. The real goal is the continual improvement of our schools. There will always be countless opportunities to do this.

We must never let personalities stand in the way of improving our schools. We must always give our full support to all the programs in the schools. We must maintain communications with teachers and school officials and make as great an effort to understand their problems and goals as we do to let them know our needs and concerns. Whoever leads the schools in the future is going to need the full support of every citizen of Yancey County. Withhold that support and our schools and our children will surely suffer. I ask you to give your full support and to vote for who is elected in November.

Sincerely,
Charles Gillespie, Jr.

Hospital To Meet Growing Needs

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decision to construct, expand and modernize the Spruce Pine and Yancey hospitals came only after months and years of study by the Board of Trustees of both hospitals in consultation with the Medical Staffs. Mr. Bursleson further stated that the merger of Spruce Pine Hospital and Yancey Hospital in October of 1971 into the newly created Blue Ridge Hospital

System, demonstrated progressive medical planning in meeting the needs of Mitchell, Yancey and surrounding counties. Bursleson noted that the merger of both county hospitals is the first of its kind in N. Carolina.

Studies and surveys as to the health care needs of Mitchell, Yancey and the surrounding counties began as early as 1966. Reports were submitted to the Board of Trustees by the Department of Hospital Administration at the University of North Carolina, City Planning and Architectural Associates from Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and in 1971 by Dean E. Beamer of Echols, Sparger and Associates, a hospital consultant firm from Marion, Va. The conclusions were to the effect that because of excessive demands for health services, a

construction and expansion program had to be undertaken immediately. The hospital board convinced that additional facilities had to be built, voted unanimously for a capital fund-raising campaign.

Donald B. Carlisle, Executive Director of the Blue Ridge Hospital System, commented that Out Patient admissions at Spruce Pine Hospital increased by (1962: 2,201; 1971: 3,216), a 46% over the last 10 years, and emergency visits alone (from 1961: 2,576 - 1971: 3,070) have increased by 19%. Admissions of both county and community residents as In Patients at times had peaked at 108% of capacity thus overcrowding the present limited facilities and creating an excessive demand on present vital services.

Senior Citizens Month Here

By Presidential proclamation, May again has been designated Senior Citizens Month in the nation, and the local office of the Employment Security Commission here has been asked to give the observance its full support.

Hoping to give added momentum to the annual observance promoting employment of older persons, Governor Bob Scott has designated the week of May 7 as "Hire the Older Worker Week" in North Carolina.

According to local employment manager Davis M. Nichols, the middle-aged and older worker seeking employment in a job market "saturated with youthful applicants" can easily become frustrated.

"The older worker provides the job market with valuable experience. During 'Hire the Older Worker Week,' we will emphasize this experience, which is definitely an asset in any position," he said.

State employment offices reports Davis M. Nichols, are involved in a year around effort to provide jobs and training opportunities to individuals 40 years old and above. The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 prohibits employment discrimination because of age, but there is still a reluctance on the part of some employers to consider older persons for job openings.

"We believe 'Hire the Older Worker Week' and Senior Citizens Month will make the public more aware of some of these job problems."

Civic groups and private enterprises are urged to help promote employment opportunities for older people during this week, attempting to convince employers to hire workers on the basis of ability and not age, explained the local employment office manager.

Road Project

Yancey County has been allocated more than \$50,000 for one secondary road construction project, it was announced today.

Approval of the project was voted at the regular May meeting held in Raleigh.

The project is to grade, drain, bank and pave State Road 1164 from NC 80 to DE, a distance of 0.53 miles.

Clean Sweep

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get organized and make arrangements for vehicles to haul the garbage. Ed Hunter, Superintendent of Schools, told the committee that students from any community that gets organized and has adult leadership will be dismissed Monday afternoon, May 22, to help with clean-up projects in their communities.

Any club, church or group wishing to organize a project for their community for a May 22 Clean Up should contact Pat Guyer at the Extension Service at 682-2113.

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