

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

It was a pleasure to see the excellent cooperation between agencies, clubs, and many individuals in providing a very special day for the aged and homebound citizens of Yancey County. The Festival of Friendship last Tuesday meant more to these citizens than you and I can understand. One person in a wheelchair stated, "I got to see friends I haven't seen in ten years, and probably would never see if it hadn't been for the Festival of Friendship." That was a statement expressed by many more. There are still many areas needing improvement; thus, if you have suggestions for next year, please let the Department of Social Services know about them.

I want to especially thank the Social Services staff for giving so much to this effort, the WAMY staff, and the committee members. Also, thanks goes to the transportation volunteers and those who gave money, food, provided entertainment, etc. The outstanding service rendered by several local men as Master of Ceremonies was most beneficial and deeply appreciated. We appreciate the excellent picture page provided by the Yancey Journal, and the television coverage by WLOS-TV.

With this kind of cooperation and interest in our older citizens, I'm sure next year will be even better.

Randa H. Peacock,
Director, Dept. of Social Services

Dear Editor:

There are times when even a convicted man is given a second chance, but there are many who are not about to give

this same chance to Senator Kennedy after the escapade which resulted in the drowning of Mary Jo Kopechne. This is understandable!

Did he rush to the nearest house or telephone? Did he inform the police right away? Of course not. He talked with his cousin and called his attorney.

He tried to cover up his involvement by being at a hotel making his presence known. It was only after he realized that there was no way out that he admitted the whole tragic story.

The records of any one accused of a crime are aired before the public in minute detail, but the findings of that tragic night in Chappaquiddick remain under lock and key.

Furthermore, the Senator has never shown any enmity toward those who have betrayed and made public secret government and FBI documents, instead, he contends that people are entitled to know the truth. He does not put into practice his theories when he himself is involved.

Senator Kennedy is the first to denounce any man with a questionable past, and he would be the first to demand that such a man not be elected to the presidency! He is perfectly aware that his collaborators are moving heaven and earth to put him in the White House, but has done nothing to stop them.

Should it come to pass that the Senator would become a Presidential candidate, just as many people of Czech ancestry would vote for a Czech, and the Polish people for Muskie, so too would many Catholics vote for a Catholic, paying no heed whatsoever to the man's

character or his policies, they would vote for the Catholic Kennedy; the one who seeks to render powerless a President who is trying to save 69,000 American servicemen and prisoners of war in Vietnam; who conveniently ignores that the Communists are the aggressors, not the President; who would not mind if the Communists took over Vietnam, which would result in the wholesale slaughter of the South Vietnamese.

Any person who would cast his vote for Ted Kennedy only because of his religion or parental nationality, would be doing our country and the church much more harm than a man with two paralyzed legs and not a man with two faces.
Mrs. Dave Hylemon
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member. The PACE endorsement has not changed since the Ma primary, but has been reiterated. Mr. Holshouser and M. Taylor are committed to the N.C.A.E. legislative program which recognizes various educational needs and not teacher welfare alone.

We urge all voters who desire better educational opportunities for the children of North Carolina to support Pat Taylor and Jim Holshouser on June 3. When they are nominated, our children will be the winners.

Jerry L. King, Leicester N.C., President, Assoc. of Classroom Teachers; Chairman of PACE, District I...

Cumi R. Grant, Asheville, President, N.C.A.E.; Co-Chairman PACE, Dist. I.

McDonald Is Nominated

Dear Editor:

Some clarification seems to be needed as to the position of the professional public school personnel in the primary election June 3. The North Carolina Association of Educators is the recognized spokesman for public school personnel in this state since over 49,000 of those eligible belong to the Association. The Political Action Committee for Education (PACE) is nonpartisan political action arm of the Association.

The leadership of PACE, after long deliberation and numerous personal interviews, chose to endorse Democrat Pat Taylor and Republican Jim Holshouser for governor in the primaries. PACE feels that these candidates are the most qualified through experience and ability to represent their parties in the general election in No-

reverend Harold McDonald, pastor of First Baptist Church, Burnsville, has been nominated to appear in the 1972 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America." He is one of a select number of men from North Carolina to be included in this annual awards volume which recognizes men between the ages of 21 and 35 who have distinguished themselves by their civic and professional achievements.

"Outstanding Young Men of America" is a nationally respected publication in which short biographies of the men so honored are written up, showing special achievements and characteristics.



Dorothy Romps With The Lion, Scarecrow And Tin Man At Land Of Oz, Atop Beech Mountain

Land Of Oz To Open Third Season June 10

When the Land of Oz fully opens the third season June 10, it will do so with the expectation of entertaining 400,000 visitors before the season ends.

Oz, that beautifully created outdoor adventure park, perched atop 5,600 foot Beech Mountain near here, offers young and old an opportunity to spend a few hours in the world of fantasy. Inside you there is a feeling, warm and bubbly, that says, "this is life!" The feeling makes itself known whether it's ones first or tenth visit to Oz.

Oz, which has attracted

over 300,000 people during each of its first two seasons, will be open daily from June 10 through Labor Day and on weekends only from Labor Day through October. The park opens at 9:00 a.m. with ticket sales ending at 5:00 p.m. Ticket prices are the same as last year, \$4.00 for adults; \$2.50 for children, 12 & under.

After purchasing your ticket in Beech Tree Village, your adventure begins. A gondola ski lift is waiting to whisk you to the top of the mountain where Oz is located. For those less adventurous souls, a bus

will take you to the park.

Once there, enjoy touring the museum which houses many of the costumes used in the movie "The Wizard of Oz", including the gingham dress Judy Garland wore as Dorothy. After the museum, the Judy Garland Memorial Overlook offers a breathtaking view of Elk Valley, a mile below. Then it's to Aunt Em and Uncle Henry's farm--a farm complete with garden, barn, and petting zoo. Once inside their 1905 farmhouse you experience the same tornado effects as Dorothy did in L. Frank Baum's no-

vel "The Wizard of Oz".

Emerge from the house, now tilted 15° forward and 15° to the right, and you're on the famous Yellow Brick Road. Follow the Yellow Brick Road and meet all of the live, costumed characters: the Scarecrow, the Tinman, and the Cowardly Lion, who do their song and dance just for you. The bumbling, Wicked Witch of the West, mixes you a potion before you travel on to the end of the Yellow Brick Road where the Magic Moment of Emerald City comes to life.

VOTE FOR SKIPPER BOWLES



DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY
JUNE 3rd

- ★ A BUSINESSMAN.
- ★ A MAN WHO TAKES A FIRM STAND.
- ★ A MAN WHO WILL NOT RAISE TAXES.
- ★ THE CANDIDATE WHO HAS NOT MADE DESPERATE POLITICAL PROMISES IN THIS PRIMARY.
- ★ THE CANDIDATE WHO HAS RUN A POSITIVE CAMPAIGN - WITH POSITIVE PROGRAMS FOR OUR PEOPLE.

VOTE



SKIPPER BOWLES
GOVERNOR

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THE MEASURE OF A MAN



HONESTY, SINCERITY, INTEGRITY, INITIATIVE, FIRMNESS, FAIRNESS, THOUGHTFULNESS. CONCERN FOR HIS FELLOWMAN.

THESE ARE THE PRINCIPLES JIM HOLSHOUSER LIVES BY. CHARACTER IS NOT BUILT IN A FEW WEEKS BEFORE AN ELECTION. IT TAKES A LIFETIME OF LIVING.

Jim Holshouser by his words and deeds and by his ideals has won the respect of the people all over North Carolina. Let's make him Governor!

Jim Holshouser FOR GOVERNOR

Our Concerns Are His Concerns

Paid for by Friends for Holshouser
Janice Boone, Chairman