#### WASHINGTON REPORT

### **Broyhill Sees Peril** To Small Businesses

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ant responsibility was a pro-

gram to assure that small manu

facturers received a fair share

counter the favoritism of Fede-

ral purchasing offices to deal

Today, the Small Rusiness

Administration is and has been

for some time without an Ad-

ministrator. This situation has

left the agency without leader-

ship and its role as a force in

the economic life of the nation

has been reduced. To many of

us, the handwriting is on the

wall that the SBA is being

phased out although the Con-

gress has not changed the Small

Business Act and has given no

indication that it intends to do

so. On the contrary, Congres-

sional support for the SBA pro-

gram, properly operated with-

out political overtones, is as

strong today as it has ever been.

The SBA loan program is at

a standstill. Although Congress

has provided the funds it re-

quested, excuses are given that

no money is available for busi

along the Gulf Coast following

Hurricane Betsy. Applications

we understand, are not being

tion when the moratorium will

be lifted, if ever.

Will Honor

the event.

tion's opening day.

man James Broyhill.

The keynote speaker for the

convention has not been deter-

mined. Gardner said he is in

George Romney. If Romney is

unable to come, a second possi-

J. E. Broyhill

with large firms.

funds were not available from private banks and lending in

JAMES T. BROYHILL One of the trends in this country has been the growth of giantism in government, organized labor and in business. In most aspects of our producfluences of great corporate enterprises. There is certainly nothing wrong with bigness in business so long as we are careful to build in safety devices to assure that fairness and equitable competition exists Our anti-trust laws are written with that in mind to make certain that the strong do not devour the weak and that the law of the jungle does not prevail in our economic life.

I feel that if we are to preserve the free enterprise system in this country, we must do everything possible to create a climate whereby small busisses have a decent and fair chance to grow and prosper. It is well to remember that very few of the giants of industry started big. They, too, had small beginnings. They struggled for survival and, step by step, they have grown larger. Today, however, the problems for a small business are growing greater, ness loans because available and I feel we must keep a funds have been used for diswatchful eye on whether the aster relief loans in Alaska and door to opportunity for them is being slowly closed. The Federal government has a legitimate responsibility in help- taken and there is no indica ing to create this kind of economic climate.

Back in 1953, the Congress passed the Small Business Act. There were a number of purposes to this legislation. The legislation established the Small Business Administration, an independent agency, which would operate within the Federal government as the spokesman for the nation's small businesses and provide "one-stop" service small companies in their dealings with Washington. There is a growing concern among many of us in and out of Washington that this agency is being systematically dis-

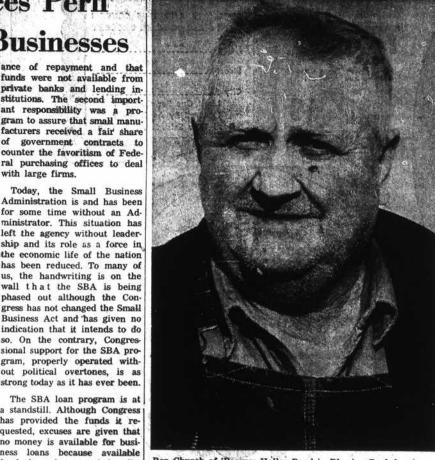
There were several specific responsibilities that Congress assigned the Small Business Administration which are of particular importance. One responsibility was the authority to lend money to small businesses when it could be shown that there was a reasonable assur

#### Diane Warman On **Srevard Honor Roll**

Miss Barbara Diane Warman of Boone has recently been named to the first semester honor roll at Brevard College. Recognition on the Honor Roll is accorded students who have at- hopes of getting Michigan Gov. tained a 2.0 average for a given grading period.

U. S. adding 7,000 men to bility is Sen. George Murphy of

# "People ... We Meet"



Ben Church of 'Possum Hollar Road in Blowing Rock has been caretaker at the Snyder estate, "Chetola", in Blowing Rock for more than 30 years. He and his wife, Leota, have one son, Luther, who is married and living in Blowing Rock. For several years, Church has been a member of the Blowing Rock Volunteer Fire Department. (Rivers photo)

#### **Health And Beauty**

### GOP Convention Getting Well After Cure Is Trying, Discouraging

things about an illness is "get-Raleigh-The North Carolina ting well after you are cured," Republican Party will hold its the Irishman explained it. ennial convention March 11-12 It is that period through which at the Park Center Auditorium we must pass from the time the immediate danger of death or in Charlotte, Chairman James Gardner of Rocky Mount has complications is over, until the patient is restored to normal, and again feels the thrill of Gardner said he hopes 3,000 strength and vigor surging Republicans will turn out for through his body.

The period of convalescence Sen. Thruston Morton of Kenis more trying and discouraging tucky, a past national chairthan the illness so recently ex man of the GOP, will address a perienced. One finds oneself large fund-raising dinner slated for the evening of the convenbecoming incredibly tired, after very little exertion. Perhaps, after all, when youth is fighting back to health, he is given The dinner will be a testimonial to North Carolina's Rethe opportunity of experiencing publican National Committeethe feelings of the aged, the man, J. E. Broyhill of Lenoir, weary and discouraged. All of life's lessons are meant to teach father of Republican Congress us valuable truths.

> It is so easy to sit around and pine, when the forces of nature are low. Those who are spineless and naturally lack energy, sometimes fall by the wayside and become chronic invalids and complainers.

One of the most difficult getting over an illness, with every ounce of energy sapped from your body, remember that now is your time to fight.

unless you build yourself with food at frequent intervals. As you improve, begin exercise in moderation. You can lie on the bed and tense and relax your arms and legs. That massages your muscles and brings fresh blood to rebuild the tissues. Help your circulation by bathing and rubbing yourself if you have no one to do it for you.

As soon as you are able, start taking short walks. Breathe deeply as you go along. The sunshine, the green trees, the beauty of God's own great outdoors, brings healing to the body. Lie down, rest and relax before you grow extremely

You cannot get strong again

# Pigeon Roost News

# Says Big Snow Brings Halt To Activities In Mitchell County

Rt. 1, Relief, N. C. It looks like the big snow or other things pertaining to it has got all the other kind of news erased from the picture. As really I do not have any visiting news this time worthwhile to report: as even the local folks are not stirring around here in the community very much and lesser no visitors whatsoever from out of the township. From all indications toward all the visiting that has practically stopped at this time and I don't believe it would be saying too much to put it this way "We

are snowed under."

It's been such hazardous driving conditions for the last few days as I write this that it is apparent now that folks are not venturing to drive too far away know about unless they had a and driving in the local high- | funeral service, which there was was needful and necessary.

I do realize as I write this that what I am writing about is just only reviewing the times for the local people but our readers in other places don't know how the weather is back nere and also to read this by folks who use to live here may bring back memories of other years, for one old-timer here said this big snow was like the winter weather of 1918. But the snow was much later getting here this year than the winter of 48 years ago when there was snow on the ground for six long

As I write this a pretty good size snow has been continually on the ground now which started Saturday January 15 and going now in the third week. The way it has been going when the snow begins to thaw it will then snow more to replenish back what has went and thawed and sometime would give back a little more and just how many snows that we have had in this length of time I do not know as we have had so many that I have lost count of them. Well there has been snow on the ground anywhere at times from 6 to 20 inches. I have heard that on some of the nearby mountains the snow has drifted very deep.

Anyway this is the biggest snow that we have had in several years and the local folks has already began to talk about the thawing of the big snow which they are sure will be an extra big thaw according to the big

One citizen said he was about sure that it will throw the water flow of the local streams to the highest stage than it has been

since the big rainfall last spring. The ground surface certainly was in need of much moisture conditions for we had practically but little rain since late last summer and not enough snow this winter to even mention prior to this big snow. But up to this writing the

chool children has taken a long holiday as there has been no school anywhere in Mitchell County since January 14, because of the slick roads and there has not been any services in any of the churches in this lower part of Mitchell County within last two weeks that we way has only been traveled as a funeral service held at the was needful and necessary. ern Church last Thursday Jan-

uary 27. had got by feeding but little hay to their stock until it went to snowing. There was a bumper crop growed in this part of Mitchell County last year and one farmer said he was sure there was enough local growed hay to go around and not any would have to be imported from other states as usually in other several past years. One outdoor man who pays

much attention to the birds and the wild animals and he believes this deep snow is harder on the wild animals than the birds, especially the native winter birds is believed to have faired very good, which he means the kind of birds that is supposed to be here but he seems to think that several birds did froze to death - because they was the kind that should of hibernated last fall but it is persumed because of the mild weather about the time when it should of been cold weather they just stayed around and got caught in the big snow and then couldn't get away to a warmer climate.

This outdoor man also report ed that during the snowy days they stayed so cloudy and dark all day long that the animals remained in their dens and thats why he believes they have hurt by the deep snows and cold weather because of the lack-of food.

He said that the only game

vour during the winter months died because of the blight di- in several years. don't even see enough of them inches thick. to hardly know what they look like to recognize them. But if of Tipton Hill section reported you are in the woods and hap to the writer that they seen pen to run across one they will large bear tracks in the snow at really chirp in getting away.

We have been talking so The farmers report that they the big snow. Well listen to deep snow.

| size of the snow at this time. | animal that he knowed about | this: It's been from 3 to 10 that stored away food to de-vour during the winter months here in this lower end of Mitwas the grey squirrel but he chell County section and even didn't think that even all of at one place located near the them have a storehouse. But he gap of the mountain between said that the chipmunk but al- Brummetts Creek and Tipton ways known as the ground Hill section on Sunday morning squirrel would always store January 30 it was reported a away several different kinds of record low of 20 below zero. nuts for winter use, But when Which must have been the coldthe native chestnut trees all est time also that it had been

Zeke Barnett of Brummetts sease and there became no Zeke Barnett of Brummetts chestnuts for the ground squirrels to devour they just got writer that there was an ice scarcer as the years rolled by tag hanging on his house Thursand now even the outdoor men day that was 7 ft. long and 4

Carmon Miller and son L. D. the head of Bob Hollow on Big Ridge Mountain near Harrell much about the snow but Community on January 31. The haven't mentioned yet how cold bear had been scratching around it has been. We have really had an old hollow log and they saw some cold weather along with where it had sat down in the

# Tree Planting Help May Now Be Secured

County who are interested in of delivery this spring. Orders planting trees may be able to will be filled as long as seedget labor to help with the lings are available but with an planting by applying at the of- increase in the number of ordfice of the Soil Conservation Service in Boone.

The Neighborhood Vouth Corps has contracted with WAMY Community Action Inc. to train young men in Watauga County in forestry management. These young men will work under the supervision of personnel trained in forestry management and will be able to work on a limited number of farms in the County.

Application for tree seedlings hould be placed with the forestry division of the N. C. De partment of Conservation and Development within the next to open to jets.

Landowners of Watauga| two or three weeks to be sure ers being placed the supply may be exhausted in a short time.

> Rural Antipoverty Plan President Johnson has pro-

posed an anti-poverty program for rural America with the federal government pledging about \$5 million the first year. The aim of the plan is federal aid in setting up community development districts to tackle problems of health care, education, cultural opportunities and public services.

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