

Letters To The Editor

Our Policy Decried

The Editor
Watauga Democrat
Dear Sir:

In your "Statement of Policy" editorial of Nov. 10 you state: "The columns of the Democrat cannot be used for the purpose of directing people not to trade with some legitimate places of business, or to advise them to deal with others." Obviously your advertising columns are exempt from the last phrase of this "policy," which means you are speaking of your editorial and news columns.

I cannot believe anyone has requested your editorial support of the boycott and it is certainly your privilege to oppose it editorially. But the boycotters did want your newspaper to report, completely and impartially, the facts involved in their dispute. Why was that not reported? You certainly cannot claim that news reporting promotes that which is reported, or you would be placing yourself in the position of promoting thefts, shootings, automobile accidents, and Republican victories—however limited. The fact that at least 1,600 Watauga County citizens are against the immoderately high food prices, the added fact that the local boycott is a part of a nationwide grassroots movement, would suppose the issues to be more newsworthy than the meagre paragraph you condescended to award it. (Or are the citizens of Boone, like C. H. Barnes whose letter appeared Nov. 17, ashamed of being a part of an American grassroots movement?)

An examination of the de-

plorable statistics you present, in another editorial on Nov. 10, would show that Watauga County is not the best of all possible worlds. According to the figures as you published them, 33.7 percent of Watauga households had disposable cash incomes of \$4,000 or more after payment of taxes, but a little simple math shows that (and why wasn't this mentioned?) at least 38.2 percent had net incomes of less than \$2,500. Those people, 1,439 of them, should be worried about high food prices.

Perhaps it is time for the Democrat to stop patting itself and the County on the back for a job only one-third done, and see if more can be

accomplished.
Sincerely yours,
Edward A. Anderson
118 Orchard St.
Boone, N. C.

"Lousy Newspaper"

Mr. Rivers:
Of all the editors I have known, you perhaps are the most thinned skinned one of them all.

I canceled my subscription to your lousy news paper, I find it an insult to my intelligence to take time to read it.

I find that you are opposed to high wages—but you support high prices. . . . Your paper is "sick".

Florence Steckel
Boone, N. C.

News Notes

A Senior Corps

Senator Edward M. Kennedy expressed hope that Congress will give early consideration to a proposal for the creation of a national senior service corps. He believes the talents of older Americans can solve many of the needs of the elderly.

Leather Control Lifted

The Commerce Department has lifted the export controls it imposed on cattle hides, calf and bovine leathers since last March. Secretary of Commerce John T. Connor said the department would continue its surveillance over the supply-demand situation.

Adenauer remains silent in Bonn political crisis.

"CBS Playhouse", dramas set for February.

Hanoi described as armed but hungry.

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Governor Endorses Appeal For Hungry By Three Faiths

Gov. Dan Moore of North Carolina has officially proclaimed his endorsement of Thanksgiving season appeals of America's great religious faiths for support of their programs aiding the world's hungry, homeless and poverty-stricken.

The current appeals are the Protestant "Share Our Substance" appeal, the Catholic "Bishops' Thanksgiving Clothing Collection" and the "United Jewish Appeal," a continuing effort with special emphasis at this period of the year.

These independent but common-purpose efforts make it possible to provide relief and rehabilitation for millions of hungry and destitute persons overseas. Among those aided are victims of war, flood, famine, earthquakes, hurricanes and other disasters; refugees fleeing oppression and political upheaval, and the chronically undernourished and underprivileged.

In his official proclamation, released simultaneously today in New York to Church

World Service and Catholic Relief Services, overseas relief agencies of Protestant and Catholic faiths, and to the United Jewish Appeal, Gov. Moore said:

"We have been able to share some of our abundance with less privileged peoples around the world and I urge that Thanksgiving Day be observed by requesting the patriotic display of the Flag and generous support to the special world-wide programs of our great religious faiths to aid needy persons overseas.

"Thanksgiving Day has been a tradition with our people, who have continued to seek and be blessed with favor. We continue to seek the favor and blessing of Divine Providence, while acknowledging the guidance He has given our beloved country."

Through their programs of overseas assistance supported by the current appeals, the three faiths distribute food, clothing, bedding, medicines and self-help materials to millions in need; give aid to orphanages, hospitals, and clin-

ics, and carry on widespread projects of refugee resettlement and rehabilitation.

Comsat foresees part-time job for Lani Bird.

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