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## Roads In Good Shape

We returned to Warrenton late Sunday afternoon after spending two days touring the mountains and foothills of North Carolina and Virginia. As is usually the case, the mountains were filled with tourists, which during the past year has brought a billion dollars to North Carolina, and provided tens of thousands of jobs to North Carolina people. En route to North Wilkesboro, where we had reservations for Friday night, we went by way of Roxboro, Yanceyville and Reidsville. We found the hard-surfaced roads good and free of potholes. The same condition prevailed on the highway to West Jefferson, and surrounding roads. In order to find reservations for Saturday night, we cut across the mountains to Abingdon, Va., where we were able to obtain the last two vacancies in one of the town's motor lodges. A short ways out of Abingdon we drove onto the J. E. B. Stuart

Highway, which we followed to Mount Airy, to Pilot Mountain and to Winston-Salem, and over Route 40 to Greensboro, and from Greensboro over I-85 to Durham and on to Henderson. Not only were the highways in North Carolina in amazingly good shape, but so were the roads we traveled in Virginia.

But Monday as I walked down Warrenton's Main Street, I ran into a couple of Jesse Helms supporters. One of these explained that his opposition to James Hunt was the tax he imposed on gasoline and motor vehicle tax. The other person, a good friend, based his opposition to Hunt on his placing PCB in Warren County.

The above was written not as an account of a mountain trip, but to show how wise was Hunt to perceive the value of highways to North Carolina and to realize that true economy lies in the wise expenditure of money.

## Helms, Black Students

In The Charlotte Observer  
We applaud Sen. Jesse Helms for his willingness to visit predominantly black Livingstone College on Wednesday and his decision to go through with his appearance despite a boycott by most of the college's 750 students.  
We also understand the senator's frustration when he tried to shake hands with boycotting students assembled outside the auditorium, only to have them refuse. And he made a valid and important point when he said, "One thing's for certain. They will not learn anything

about where I stand by standing out there."  
But learning is a two-way street, and Sen. Helms has never set a very good example in that regard. Too often his response to those who disagree with him has been either to ignore them, distort their positions, question their motives or attack their character.  
If the senator is serious about dialogue and understanding in this case, he could learn at least as much from the students' boycott as they could have learned from listening to his speech.

## Some Quotable Quotes

From The Charlotte Observer  
**RELIGION AND POLITICS**  
The Rev. Billy Graham in U. S. News & World Report:  
On Taking Sides: I have serious reservations about religious groups getting involved in partisan politics or saying, "God is for us" or "God is on our side." Lincoln said, "I'm not so concerned as to whether God is on my side or not, but I am concerned as to whether I'm on God's side or not."  
On Political Churches: There could be a backlash from people who don't agree with them on a particular issue. Churches should not stray too far from their main concern, which ought to be God, the teaching of the Bible and the moral law.  
On An Anti-Abortion Amendment: I am always nervous when we get to fooling with the Constitution. It should be an act of last resort, and we should first explore every other legal and legislative means we can on these issues. Personally, I'm against abortion except in rare cases, such as when the mother's life is clearly at stake.

Allah, Omniscient Buddha, Brahma the Creator, Ormazd Spirit of Goodness, hear this our prayer:  
Save us from the heresies of (one of the above), lead not our feet into the pathways of (another of the above) and guide us away from the abominations of (one more of the above).  
We pray to you with one voice, to the only true God (even though there is some uncertainty about the proper name to be used in addressing You).  
Bring confusion to the followers of (four of the above) and nurture us each day with (beef), (pork), (fish), (vegetables) and our daily bread. For in You lies our only hope for escape from the entrapments of logic and reason; let us be drawn up into the mysteries of your sacred Church and make us obedient to the (priest) (rabbi) (ayatollah) of your choice.  
It is a mad world and we must escape from its complexities, lest we too succumb to madness. We beseech Your divine blessings (stamped with the appropriate seal so that we can be sure we are not accepting gifts from the wrong Deity).  
Amen.

**A UNIVERSAL PRAYER**  
From The (Savannah) Georgia Gazette:  
Our editor, Albert Scardino, appeared on the MacNeil-Lehrer News Hour on PBS one evening last month to discuss the issue of religion in politics. In answer to a question about the issue of prayer in public schools, Scardino remarked, "I would like to see the prayer that proponents of prayer in the schools would want our children to say." Scardino's comment sent Ross Stagner of Southfield, Mich., to his typewriter to compose just such a prayer. Here is Stagner's offering:  
O All-Powerful Jehovah, Divine

**STUDENTS AND POLITICS**  
From an Associated Press Story on former U. S. Sen. George McGovern of South Dakota, who in 1972 was defeated by Richard Nixon in one of the nation's most lopsided presidential races:  
"Today's students are not uninterested in issues, they are just skeptical about political solutions," said McGovern, who is teaching a course on political leadership at Duke University this fall.  
Most are more concerned about careers, which helps draw students to Reagan's philosophy of individualism.  
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## Microwave Hospitality

By BIGNALL JONES  
Ben Casey, who writes a column, "Casey At Bat," for the conservative Nashville Graphic, is a kindred soul in political views, whom I often read but have not yet met. In the past several issues of The Graphic, Casey has been running for President, and offering tongue-in-cheek solutions to the country's economic problems.

Before returning to work following lunch on last Wednesday, I found my wife listening to a program on micro-wave cooking. Having just read Casey's refreshing column in which he reveals that his sense of humor is not confined to politics, I clipped the article with the intention of taking it to my wife, since Casey spoke of cooking sweet potatoes in a microwave oven.

Because I realize that most people are tired of reading about political arguments, and even I am tired of writing about them, and even our typesetter is tired of putting them into type, I changed my mind. I decided to give us all a rest by making Ben Casey's article of last week, a part of my column of this week. It follows:

**Southern Hospitality Aided by Microwave Cooking**  
By BEN CASEY  
In The Nashville Graphic

In this column today I will reveal a fail-safe way to eliminate the federal deficit, but first let me talk of more important matters.

I want to share with the rest of the world some things that make Nash County great this time of year. They are Carson Barnes, Hassell and Doreen Matthews, and microwave ovens.

It took Carson Barnes to teach a lot of us the value of a good sweet potato. (Yankees can them yams.) There are more ways than one to cook these golden, nutritious delights, but getting back to the basics of a good ole baked sweet potato is hard to beat.

Doreen and Hassell come into the picture because rumor has it that Hassell has secretly produced an award winning turnip salad patch this fall. My trick of looking hungry around Doreen's back door has paid off and she has been faithfully sending Hassell over with a bowl of cooked turnip greens and some fried cornbread.

I have discovered that sweet potatoes and microwaves get along well. Consequently, I have my meal preparation down to a science.

I sit in our living room and keep a steady eye toward Doreen and Hassell's back porch. When I see Hassell make that turn and head down his driveway toward our house, I run to the kitchen, put a couple of sweet potatoes in the microwave and start "nuking" them with those fantastic microwaves.

By the time I get ice in a glass and tea out of the refrigerator, the potatoes are well on their way and Hassell is knocking on the front door.

Once I finish letting Hassell know how delighted and completely surprised I am at such a wonderful treat and I make my way

back to the kitchen, the potatoes are ready for turning.

While they are microwaved a little more on the flip side, I dish out some of the turnip greens onto a plate with the cornbread. Timing is crucial but I now have it worked out whereby the time that I am ready to sit down at the table coincides exactly with the time the sweet potato comes out of the microwave.

All of this is synchronized to the split second from the time I first eyed Hassell making his way over with a bowl in his hands.

Now I have got to do something for Doreen to let her know how thankful I am for those turnip greens that look so color-coordinated on a plate next to one of Carson's golden sweet potatoes. I am going to go up to Earl Hintons and cut some collards to give to her as a gesture of my gratitude.

Then I am going to wait by the window again and see if I can time it just right for another meal, hoping that Hassell will start that slow but deliberate trek down the driveway to my house, this time with a bowl of perfectly seasoned collards.

That, folks, is the way to creative dining.

As promised, I also in-

tend to share with everyone today my plan for eliminating the federal deficit. This is, of course, all part of my effort to get elected president (of the United States).

My first act as president will be to nationalize, for security reasons, both the Moral Majority and the PTL Club. Since a goodly number of people have no problem with the intermeshing of politics and religion, I see no reason why we can't turn Jerry Falwell and Jim Bakker loose on the country to raise funds to pay for those \$7,600.00 coffee pots that the Air Force wants to purchase.

Those are the ones that will keep on perking till the last drop even after the aircraft has taken a direct hit and everybody has bailed out.

I also plan to reduce the federal deficit by taking a part of my presidential salary and playing the D. C. lottery. I will contribute 50 percent of my earnings to the deficit.

Some may laugh at this as being pure poppycock, but you can't laugh at success. Look at the cars and homes of Jim Bakker. Ask any big lottery winner if there is an easier way to make millions.

## Looking Back Into The Warren Record

October 27, 1944

W. E. Turner, chairman of the county AAA Committee, announced yesterday that on Sept. 24, 1944, a goal for which farm officials have been striving since the AAA Act of 1938 was realized—a full parity guarantee for wheat and cotton.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Foote have returned to their home in Portsmouth, Va. after being guests at Hotel Warren for a week. They were entertained while here by Mesdames J. H. Kerr, T. J. Holt, R. B. Crowder, E. H. Weston, H. N. Walters, P. M. Stallings, and Misses Gayle and Georgie Tarwater and Mrs. Hilah Falkener.

Today, Oct 27, is the birthday of Charlie Riggan of Vaughan, last surviving Confederate veteran in Warren County. He is 102 years old.

October 23, 1959

S/Sgt. Harry Pett Norvell, son of Harry Norvell of Wise and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Rodwell, Sr., of Warren Plains, who is stationed in England, was one out of 1,000 soldiers chosen to represent his squadron, the 603 Comm. Sq., during the recent visit of President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Herter to London.

Warren County's three state highway patrolmen, V. R. Vaughan of Warrenton, R. A. Clark of Norlina, and Wallace Brown of Vaughan, maintain a special vigil for violators of the eight cardinal violations underlined in the N. C. Highway Patrol's "Selective Enforcement" program being conducted now throughout Warren County and the state.

Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Paynter and Macey Paynter were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Pinnell and son in Littleton on Sunday.

October 24, 1974

Dalkeith, the Hunter home near Arcola, has been nominated for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places by Robert E. Stipe, state historic preservation officer.

Warren County Agricultural Agent Leonard C. Cooper has received a national award for his leadership in extension work. The National Association of County Agricultural Agents meeting in Tucson, Ariz. has presented Cooper with its Distinguished Service Award.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lee Gums of Norlina returned home Wednesday after a trip to Switzerland. They toured Germany and France also.

## Last In A Series

To The Editor:  
I'd like to think that this is the end of this series of Letters to the Editor. I'm very appreciative to the Warren Record for printing them. I hope the letters have been informative because this election is going to be a very confused election and possibly a very close election.

The instructions to the voter on the ballot are misleading; therefore special instructions as mandated by the Federal Court and the State Board of Elections have been printed and each voter is expected to get a copy of them. This is to be verified by each precinct. This is very important in getting the cross-over vote counted.

There is a \$5,000 reward to any individual who provides information leading to the arrest, conviction, and punishment of any election official who violates state or federal laws against voting fraud.

G. S. 163-148 authorizes any registered voter of the county to witness the proceedings in a precinct preparatory to the opening of the polls at 6:30 a.m. on Election Day. Such witnesses are not required to be registered voters of the precinct in which they choose to witness the opening proceedings. It is to be understood, however, that when the polls are declared "open" the witnesses must withdraw from the voting place.


G. S. 163-169 authorizes any witness, whether or not a registered voter in the precinct, to enter a voting place when the polls have been declared "closed" and such witnesses may thereafter witness the counting process or the reading of the machine or system results. Such witnesses, as all others, are prohibited from interfering with the orderly process of the counting procedure.

I have the highest regard and appreciation for those who work at the polls, as their service fulfills a patriotic duty and they sacrifice long hours in seeing that we get a just and honest vote, regardless of who wins.


Do get out and vote your honest conviction of what is best for you and the generation to follow. I know that you will receive a blessing for having done so.

LELAND GOTTSCHALK,  
Chairman, Warren County Republican Party


**DID YOU KNOW?** By Janice



**BUDDY EBSEN**  
WHO WAS "JED CLAMPETT" ON THE BEVERLY HILLBILLIES TV SHOW FOR 9 YEARS REALLY DIDN'T WANT THE PART. BUT IT WAS ONE OF THE ALL-TIME FAVORITE SITCOMS. EBSEN WORKED IN HIS DAD'S DANCE STUDIO AS A KID - THEN WENT INTO SHOW BIZ IN NEW YORK CITY, THEN TO TINSLETOWN.



**Parsnips**  
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