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15 Months	\$4.50	15 Months	\$6.00
12 Months	4.00	12 Months	5.00
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Editorial

Stray Dogs, Cats

Seemingly there are more stray, neglected and pitiful dogs and cats roaming the streets of Marshall than ever before. This is a pathetic situation which should be solved, if possible.

Being a lover of animals, we hate to see any dog or cat neglected and hungry. At present there is a pitiful black female dog that came to our house and the James Penland house several weeks ago and we all fed and petted it. Naturally, the little dog which we call "Blackie" has remained up on the hill. She usually sleeps on our front porch and has definitely adopted us as her family. We can't, however, take other stray dogs home and care for them. Although our Persian cat, Penny, gets along right well with Blackie, we're sure this couldn't be true with too many strays.

We know of no ordinance prohibiting people from leaving unwanted dogs on the street. Just who is responsible for such conditions we do not know. Marshall doesn't have a Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) so it may be that no one is actually responsible for taking these dogs to the animal shelter or pound near Asheville.

Some humane disposition of these pitiful animals should be made. It just isn't right to kill or maim an animal just because the animal is hungry and has no home. Something must be done. If you have any ideas along this line, please contact this writer.

Pollution

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pesticidal content

The group will conduct preliminary field work in cooperation with the Madison County Agricultural Extension Office. Studies will also be conducted to determine the content and effect of pesticides on the streams and rivers.

In the solid waste and sewage disposal area, preliminary studies will be made to determine degree of pollution of air, water and soil by pollutants other than pesticides, in cooperation with the county board of health.

An attempt will be made to relate the increase of disease to poor sanitation. And the group intends to contact the board of county commissioners to find out if any corrective or preventive measures have been taken with regard to pollution control.

Presently, Madison County residents handle solid wastes and sewage disposal through landfills, burning of trash which releases harmful gases into the atmosphere and leads a large percentage of the solid waste unburned, and by dumping directly into nearby streams or onto hillsides and other locations.

Educational materials to be developed based on these studies, along with already available general information, will be distributed

to county residents.

The group involved in the project say they feel Madison County, surrounded by two national forests, is one of the few remaining natural beauty spots in the eastern United States and that a study of these problems is one way of contributing to the county as well as preserving the local environment.

Student project director is Karen Cummings, a political science and sociology major, who worked as an intern at the Environmental Education Studies Staff of the U. S. Office of Education in Washington, D. C. last summer and as an intern with the WNC Regional Air Pollution Control Agency in Asheville. She also serves as a regional consultant on environmental education for the U. S. Office of Education.

Other members of the group are Terry Chenoweth, Mark Faulconer, Robbie Gatlin, David Gelber, William Glover, Dick Grey and Allen Kirk. The faculty advisory board includes Dr. Fred H. Durcks, Dr. Harley E. Jolley, Robert E. Knott, Dr. L. M. Outten and Mrs. Cornelia Ann Serota.

Mrs. W. T. McKinney, Sr. returned last Friday from several weeks' visit to Jacksonville, Fla. and

Letters To Editor

EDITOR WRITES

This is what might be termed a letter to the editor by the editor. Unusual, yes, but I think an explanation should be made regarding the letter to the editor last week by S. S. Shelton concerning the purchase of a hat at one of Marshall's dry goods stores.

I talked with the owner and clerk which transacted the hat purchase and in all fairness to the store, the clerk and Mr. Shelton, I am explaining what happened, according to the owner and clerk.

Mr. Shelton visited this particular store on the Saturday before Christmas and saw the hat he wanted, a black, felt hat, size 7. He asked the price and the clerk (temporary for the holidays and I personally know is honest) saw what appeared to be tag marked \$1.98. She told him and they agreed it was a quite a bargain. Later, however, the clerk noticed that the bottom of the "1" was behind the band on the hat and it was actually a "6", making the price \$6.98 instead of \$1.98. An easy mistake to make, indeed. She and Mr. Shelton laughed about the mistake and she asked him if he wanted to buy the hat which was actually priced \$6.98, and he voluntarily did. He left in a good mood and it was shocking indeed to the store owner and clerk that Mr. Shelton would write such a letter.

I think perhaps he is a bit confused. I feel certain NO clerk in ANY store in Marshall would deliberately try to rip anyone. He said there were two price tags. There was only one. He has his stores mixed up due to a second letter I received. I hope Mr. Shelton will apologize for his letter published last week. I believe he should.

The Editor

BALL WRITES

Jacksonville, Fla.
January 13, 1971

Mr. Jim Story, Editor
The News-Record
Marshall, N. C.
Dear Jim

I got a kick out of reading about the courthouse rooms being locked up. The last sentence in your January 7 editorial about the Nativity one week and a political battle the next week really needed to be spread through the county and shouted to the hills of Old Madison! It is so true!

Sincerely,

Gerald D. Ball

4106 Kline Road
Jacksonville, Fla. 32216

Dear Mr. Story:

Millions of people are wasting their time smoking all over the world. They do it all day just to nurse their nasty habit. Mounting scientific evidence shows that cigarette smoking is dangerous to health. Yet an alarming number of people persist in making cigarettes their constant companions. Forty to 50 percent of all children are smokers. Most continue smoking as adults.

It causes many unproven diseases such as cancer, bronchitis, emphysema and heart disease. Don't forget cigarettes may seem to be harmless companions but they are not.

Help me stamp out cigarette smoking for your sake and others.

Ricky Gene Ballard
11-year-old, 6th grader
Mars Hill, N. C. R. 2

Last week space prohibited using Dot Shupe's column, "Just A Woman's Observations" so last week's column is being used this week...she said it was all right...don't feel badly, Dot, I had to shave my column to four inches...can never tell how space will turn out until the final minute of "make-up" on Thursday mornings...although not any world-shaking activities occur at the Chamber of Commerce meetings here, we do have a

good time...and the topics of discussion would surprise some...sometimes controversial but we never really get angry...Fats and Liza Plemmons are on vacation in Florida and we hope they have a fine trip...didn't know until Tuesday that Doug Robinson attended the Peach Bowl in Atlanta...he said the snow that night was beautiful...a lot of us saw the game on TV and we agree with Doug...speaking of snow, the white stuff was really here Tuesday morning...looked for awhile like

we'd all be snowed in for a few days but it slackened Tuesday p.m....schools, however, were dismissed on Wednesday due to the road conditions...things around here have been quiet around the courthouse the past week...or, at least, I haven't heard of any uproars...I'm glad the Colts won the Super Bowl game...Jim O'Brien kicked the game-winning field goal, worth a measly \$15,000 per Colt player, with five seconds remaining...a real dramatic finish.....

Just A Woman's Observations

By DOROTHY BRIGMAN SHUPE

actually working better—That gal is good for some things—Enjoyed last Friday very much—didn't do anything exciting, but was good to get to

stay at home—You may think that I don't like school, but I do, very much—but I like to stay home too—Hope you have a good day.....

"Mountain Living" Celebrates 1st Anniversary

Mountain Living magazine celebrates its first year of publication this week with the Winter issue now on its way to subscribers and on the news stands.

For those who enjoy winter sports there are two articles: Dick Barkley's view of the upcoming Snow Carnival of the South, Feb. 8-15 in the Banner Elk, Boone, Linville area; another on Southwestern area slopes such as Sapphire Valley, Sky Valley, the new (and only) ski slope in Georgia and Gatlinburg Ski

Resort in Tennessee. Eve Silver has contributed a saga of Atlanta; David Harkness of the University of Tennessee Extension Library writes of nationally known modern-day area authors.

For residents who enjoy seeing a winter wonderland in retrospect, Hugh Morton captures on film the beauties of mountain scenery.

By the way, Betty Raveson, the magazine's editor, welcomes suggestions for upcoming articles. Contact her through P. O. Box 290, Franklin, N. C. 28734.

Basketball

MARSHALL CAGERS WIN OVER LAUREL

Four players in double figures led the Marshall Tornados to a resounding 86-52 victory over Laurel in a 1A Appalachian Conference contest here Friday night. In the girls' game Marshall moved to a 5-0 conference record with a 37-23 triumph over Laurel.

GIRLS GAME

LAUREL (23): N. Shelton, G. Shelton, Ford 9, L. Gunter 3, Bullman 9, Cook, Zimmerman, Tweed, T. Shelton, Z. Shelton 1, Buckner, B. Gunter 1, Cutshall, Metcalf, Luther, Ray, Ramsey. MARSHALL (37): David 5, Mayhew 8, Tipton 10, Evans 5, Ball, Barrell, Haynie 3, Wallin, Fisher 6, Ramsey, McDevitt, Meadows. Halftime: 44-29, Marshall.

BOYS GAME

LAUREL (52): Cutshall 21, Aikens 4, Cantrell 8, E. Cantrell 1, Zimmerman 2, Johnson 12, Shelton, Rice, Robinson, King, Shelton 5, Bullman. MARSHALL (86): Hevis 18, Hensley 7, McDevitt 22, Lewis 16, Ball 4, Ponder 3, M. Freeman 11, Kent 4, Rice, Briggs 2, Cody, Mayhew, C. Freeman. Halftime: 44-29, Marshall.

SPRUCE PINE BOYS, MARS HILL GIRLS WIN

David (Stymie) Allen and Steve Bradley combined for 27 points in the second half to rally the Harris High Blue Devils to a come-from-behind 78-51 triumph over the Mars Hill Wildcats. Susie Thomas hit 18 points and Betty Shook 15 in leading the Mars Hill girls to a 43-18 triumph. Harris took the JV encounter, 73-41.

Seth Metcalf and Ken Castelleo scored 15 and 11, respectively, for Mars Hill's varsity, which held a 24-22 halftime lead. Allen got 17 of his 21-point total in the second half, and Bradley meshed 10 of his 14 points effort in the final two quarters.

GIRLS GAME

MARS HILL (43): Thomas 18, Shook 15, Wallin 6, Wood, English 2, Bowens, Norton, Ervin, Marshbanks, Jarvis, Robinson 2, Sprinkle. HARRIS HIGH (18): Silvers 8,

Greene, Wilkie 1, Buchanan 2, Calloway 1, Johnson, Burleson 1, Harrison, McKinney 5, Forbes, Wilson, Blankenship. Halftime: 12-8, Mars Hill.

BOYS GAME

MARS HILL (51): Bailey 1, Castelleo 11, Metcalf 13, Sprinkle 1, Roberts 6, Price, Murray 7, Robinson 1, Ferguson 2, Zink 2, Boone 2.

HARRIS HIGH (78): Gunter 6, Bradley 14, Allen 21, Snyder 11, McKinney 13, Ledford 2, McMahon 2, Waycaster 9, Blevins, Franklin. Halftime: 24-22, Mars Hill. JV Game: 73-41, Harris High.

HOT SPRINGS BOYS ARE VICTORIOUS

Hot Springs High's boys evened their record at 4-4 Friday with a 67-48 victory over Springs Creek as Allen Wallin netted 22 points and Johnny Cook 12.

Harold Hunter had 17 points to pace Spring Creek's Tigers.

The Hot Springs girls, now 2-6, won their second game as Terry Padgett poured in 27 points and Susan Moore 19, to pace a 47-41 triumph. Phyllis Goforth had 20 for Spring Creek.

GIRLS GAME

SPRING CREEK (41): Plemmons 5, M. Payne 4, Duckett 1, Brooks 11, Goforth 20, Parker, B. Payne, Woody. HOT SPRINGS (47): Greene 1, Price, Moore 19, Padgett 27, Barnett, Thomas, Tolley, Parks. Halftime: 24-21, Hot Springs.

BOYS GAME

SPRING CREEK (48): Fowler 3, Plemmons 11, Caldwell 6, Hunter 17, Kirkpatrick 9, Woody, Frisbee. HOT SPRINGS (67): Gunter 4, Cook 12, Roberts 10, Wallin 22, Lamb 9, Padgett 10. Halftime: 30-23, Hot Springs. JV Game: 32-21, Hot Springs.

NEW GENERATION

"What is happening to your young people? They disrespect their elders and disobey their parents. They ignore the laws. They riot in the street, inflamed with wild notions. Their morals are decaying. What is to become of them?"

Who said it? Plato. About 300 B.C.