



"Get Billy Graham, quick . . ."

It's A Watergate Hymnal

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Land '

Madison Girls Advance

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the end of the third period. But Madison hit 20 of 34 foul hats, compared to Cherokee's 13 of 27 to seal the win down the stretch.

Robinson, who scored 11 of her game-high 28 points in the final period led Madison while Barbara Sequoyal paced the Bravettes with 16. Sequoyah was the key to

tee's second-half rally which erased an early nineoint deficit but she fouled out late in the contest. Cindy Maxwell came off the bench for nine fourth-period points, but it was not enough. The tournament continues

Wednesday at Enka with two more games, Franklin meeting Sylva-Webster at 7 p. m and No. One ranked Ednevville meeting Mountain View at 8:30.

The semi-finals will be held Thursday with finals scheduled for Friday. Madison-Cherokee

MADISON (62) - Robinson 28, Coates 8, Davis 7, Hensley 8, Plemmons 7, Green 1, Yelton 3, Reed, Waldroup. CHEROKEE (57) Bradley 9, Kanott 6, Smith, 10, Sequoyah 16, George 7, Maxwell 9, Ensley, Harlan, Taylor

Each year the leading psychics of the land come through with their predictions of coming events for the New Year. I have no such gift, but for the past year and a half or more I have been getting some kind of strange "feelings" or "vibrations" of people singing, humming or whistling hymns. That's right, hymns.

It all started back about the time when all these people representing the milk industry were trying to raise \$2 million for the reelection of the President. They were all humming that old hymn, "Blessed Assurance." On another day I felt these vibrations from Spiro Agnew. He was mulling over the hymn, "Just As I Am, Without One Plea, Then there was the day that I had the distinct feeling that Rose Mary Woods was humming, "Leaning On The Everlasting Arm," while oil company magnates were singing ensemble, "There Shall Be Showers Of Blessing."

Judge John Sirica has been whistling, "Stand-

Greenshoro

John D. Ray, Joyce Plemmons Honored

Beta Omega Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha held its annual Awards Banquet Saturday night at the Wolf Laurel Restaurant. Beta Omega each year gives

two important awards the Zeus Award and the Most Outstanding Girl Award to a member of the sorority. This year's receipent of the

munity. Mr. Ray, a teacher at Marshall High School and a noted musician has given his help by providing music for

the sorority's fund raising The award, a plaque which

Will Understand It Better By And By.

Ing On The Promises." Congressman Peter Rodino

is hung up on, "Almost Persuaded." George Bush

is trying to recall the words to "Rescue The Per-

favorite hymn has taken on a special meaning

these days as he leans a little toward the White

be stronger and more constant than all the rest

One is from Richard Nixon singing, "Sometimes I

Feel Like A Motherless Child" and the other is

from a jet heading East and bearing Henry Kissin-

ger whistling, "I Am Bound For The Promised

But lately I have been catching myself muttering

the words of that grand old song of hope, "We

I won't pretend to know what all this means.

There are two distinct vibrations that seem to

House and sings, "How Great Thou Art."

' I even get the feeling that Billy Graham's

proclaims Mr. Ray to be a with 40.000 Sweethearts" was presented by Kathryn Boone, Beta Omega's philanthropic

Omega's current president

received the Outstanding Girl Award. This award goes to the girl in the sorority who the members have felt have done the most work and put forth the most effort toward chapter functions. The Outstanding Girl Award is a gold trophy was presented to Joyce by

NELSON J. HARRILL



Some estimates are that these are enough bills to last until in the mountains are the middle of May; but the becoming concerned about the impact of the gasoline shor-Speaker of the House and the tage on the tourist trade. Lieutenant Governor say we Robert Brannon, president will be home by April 1. of the Greater Haywood Apparently, all attempts to Chamber of Commerce. get the forces fighting over

relayed this concern to Raleigh last week when he requested Mountain Legislators to initiate measures to stimulate the tourist business.

The concern was motivated partly by the fact that Tennessee's special effort could attract tourists to Gatlinbburg and other nearby Tennessee resorts, at the expense of Western North Carolina tourist areas.

Secretary of Natural and Economic Resources

James Harrington met last week with representatives of the state's filling station operators in an attempt to work out a plan to provide fuel for travelers visiting North Carolina.

Plans are underway for a **Roads Construction Fund.** series of meetings in different parts of the state with representatives of the tourist industry to devise plans to stimulate tourist travel in North Carolina

These plans, it is believed. will have to go beyond mere advertising. Practical plans will have to be devised to get tourists here and conduct them through the state with a minimum use of gasoline.

Thursday's session, 337 new

House bills and 200 new Senate

bills had been introduced.

other members of this com-

This session of the General county boards of elections will Assembly began on January 16, and at the end of last



CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES on the Madison County High School on the Marshall By-Pass. The facility, when completed, will be one of the finest in Western North Carolina. The above picture was taken Sunday afternoon from the road leading to Mato Packing Company from the Marshall By-Pass.

- Raleigh Report

expansion of the ECU Medical

School to agree to a com-

As a consequence, hearings

on all ECU Medical School

promise have failed.

by Ernest Messer

Operators of tourist resorts

bills have been scheduled to begin this week, with a decisive vote on the issue scheduled for Friday. Subcommittees of the Appropriations Committees are meeting this week to determine pay increase levels that will be recommended for Governor Holshouser and teachers and other state

employees. The Advisory **Budget** Commission recommended a five percent

pay raise; both groups are equesting ten percent. The Transportation Subcommittee is examining the Highway Budget, with some emphasis on getting more money into the Secondary

Area Mental Health Centers in the West may get some help from a \$3,000,000 construction fund, which will match 80 percent state money against 15 percent local. This General Assembly will

definitely pass a no-fault automobile insurance bill, according to Representative Sneed High, chairman of the House Insurance Committee. Executive Secretaries of

be given some job security-not

a recommendation is made by the county board to the State Executive Secretary. He may accept or reject the recommendation and may be overruled by the State Board. These regulations will not prevent a county secretary from being discharged, but they will prevent mass firings, and a secretary who is doing a good job is apt to be retained by the county board.

Democrats and most Republicans concurred in the passage of this legislation. They were aware that even before the new boards are installed, the processing of absentee ballots will already have begun and contracts for printing primary election allots will already have been

Retention of the county executive secretaries assures that this year's elections will be carried out smoothly and expeditiously.

While there is some sentiment for reviving the chain gang system for working prisoners on roads in North Carolina, the system may not be resurrected.

The General Assembly abolished the chain gang in 1971, because it was too expensive and because many people living in rural areas protested the presence of hardened criminals in their community, even though shotgun-carrying guards were always present. These objections still prevail.

Secretary of Transportation Bruce Lentz has proposed a plan has prop use up to 1,000 minimum custody prisoners for road work. These prisoners will work without gun-carrying guards and will be paid a minimum of \$2.52 per hour. Part of this pay will be used to support the prisoner's family and to pay the prison system for his up-keep. Although a bill has been introduced to revive the chain gang, the Secretary says it is not needed, that he has all the authority he needs to work prisoners on the roads.



Ledford Now Director

WEDO Organization

JAMES T. LEDFORD

James T. Ledford of Mars Hill Ronte 2 has been seated as a member of the Board of Directors of Western Economic Development Organization, (WEDO). Havelwood

WEDO is a non-profit, Candler, the Friendly Five of works with craft groups in the 20 westerr counties of the state, providing technical and marketing assistance. Ledford holds the seat as a

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public official from Madisor and Buncombe Counties. He is Chairman of the Madison County Board of Commissioners and Chairman

Zenus award is John D. Ray. The Zenus Award is the projects. sorority's way of honoring some man in the community who has helped the chapter or 'Man who has done something outstanding for the com-

chairman

Joyce Plemmons, Beta

Peggy Cutshaw last year's "Outstanding Girl."

Asheville and others will be present The public is invited.

Forks of Ivey Baptist Church

SINGING

Singing will be held Saturday

night Feb. 23 at 7 p. m. at the

Richland Baptist Church in

Woodfin, N. C. Among the

groups taking part will be the

Alexander Baptist Church

The Primitive quartet of

Youth Choir.

The Regular 4th Saturday

No. Contraction

WHAT ARE YOU

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WITH YOUR MONEY

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stock rate

"The Man With 40,000 Sweethearts," John Ray, receives Beta Omega's Zeus Award from Kathryn Boone, Philanthropic Chairman.

Beta Omega's 1974 Outstanding Girl, Joyce Plemmons, receives her trophy from last year's recipient, Peggy Cutshaw.

Local Historians Active In WNCHA

Additional trustees have been appointed to the Western North Carolina Historical Association. These history buffs are: Dr. Harley Jolley of Mars Hill, Col. Paul A. Rockwell of Asheville and Mrs. Cromwell Murray of Asheville.

for their

librarian of Mars Hill College, and Mr. James Mehan, Librarian in charge of the Carolina Room - which includes the Wolfe Collection - of Pack Memorial Library of Asheville, have been appointed to the Awards Committee of the WNCHA Association. They and two

COMMUNITY Mara Hill CENTER Pharmacu MEDICAL By Bill Powell Never Use Aspirin **On Toothache** I paid an all too infrequent visit to my dentist the other day (yes, we pharmachists visit dentists, too'), and he suggested an idea for an editorial. "For goodness sake," he said, "tell the people that TA8001 placing an aspirin tablet directly on an aching tooth to ve pain is strictly to in will have some m lic acid which um holes in ng even

If you must use as pain relief, smallow

mittee, Dr. J. A. McLeod of Mars Hill and Joe L. Morgan of Route 2. Marshall, will confer the Achievement Award on a deserving individual "to encourage historical research" at a regular meeting of the Association in April of this year. *

Mr. William J. Weaver Jr. who is associated with the Ocanalufte Center at Cherokee, has been elected Chairman of the WNCHA's **Oral History Committee.** This new phase of the Association's work seeks to preserve local lore via recordings of personal interviews with colorful mountaineers, cultural history, mountain folk stories, folklore, et cetera regarding such topics as lumbering, railroading and farming. A contemporary history of this region can best be written through the use of oral history. Dr. Evelyn Underwood, who serves on regional oral history committees, has announced that an Oral History Workshop at an Orar Ennory workinop all be held at Mars Hill college on March 22, and 23. everal nationally known uthorities on oral history will articipate in this event lich is open to the public free arge.

as much as the Democrats wanted but more than the Republicans wanted - according to the provisions of a bill passed last week.

To fire an Executive Secretary, the county board of elections will have to prefer charges against her to the Executive Secretary of the State Board of Elections. The State Executive Secretary, within 30 days, must accept or reject the charges. His decision can be overturned by the State Board of Elections. To replace a secretary,

Additional Crop Loan Funds Available

James T. Johnson, North Carolina State Director of the Farmers Home Administration, has been ad-vised that \$11.6 million in additional operating loan funds is now available for 1974 crop loans and related purses in North Carolina. The funds are being made available to meet the in-creased credit needs of family ed credit ne mers in the state to pur ir crop a

of most farming supplies, and the inability of many agribusinessmen to extend terms to farmers for their lies as in prior years. An additional \$1 million in reserve funds was assign North Carolina earlier to assist in alleviating the shortage, but these funds also quickly obligated

Farmers Home on farm los

Notice. Veterans

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Mr. William E. Tideman,