

# The News-Record

NON-PARTISAN IN POLITICS

BOX 367 MARSHALL, N. C. 28753

PUBLISHED WEEKLY BY  
COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS, INC.

Second-class privileges authorized at Marshall, N. C. 28753

JAMES I. STORY, Editor

Subscription Rates In Madison		Subscription Rates Outside Madison	
15 Mos.	\$4.50	15 Mos.	\$9.00
12 Mos.	4.00	12 Mos.	8.00
6 Mos.	3.50	6 Mos.	6.00
4 Mos.	3.00	4 Mos.	4.00

(Add 4 percent tax for All in No. Car.)

AIR MAIL..... 40c Per Week

## EDITORIALS

### Overwhelming Approval

The overwhelming approval of the water and sewerage referendums on Tuesday of last week emphatically showed that local citizens realize the importance of enlargement and improvement of both systems.

It is our understanding that the water project is first on the agenda with the sewerage project to follow.

This mandate proves that these two projects are of the utmost importance and should be completed at the earliest possible date. Bids for the projects will soon be accepted and in our opinion the mayor and town officials will push the projects with full speed.

We feel certain that our officials will handle the projects with utmost integrity to see that a "first class" job is done.

We congratulate the 221 citizens who took "time out" to vote on the issues and especially do we commend the more than 200 who voted "yes" thus saying that they want improvement and progress in Marshall and the community.

### Information About Registrars

Information, including precinct, name, address, location, and phone number, of precinct registrars appointed by the Madison County Board of Elections, follows:

Marshall T1-W1 - Miss Loretta Freeman, Route 7, Anderson Branch Road, Marshall, N. C. 28753 (phone) 689-3447 or 684-8007.

Sandy Mush T1-W2 - Mallie Brown, Route 1, Worley Cove Road, Marshall, N. C. 28753 (phone) 683-2465.

Laurel T2 - Walter Gosnell, Route 3, Franklin Mtn. Road, Marshall, N. C. 28753 (phone) 686-2370.

Mars Hill T3 - W1 - C. William Briggs, Route 1, Bruce Road, Mars Hill, N. C. 28754 (phone) 689-4959.

Grapevine T3-W2 - Harold Payne, Route 6, Grapevine Road, Marshall, N. C. 28753 (phone) 689-2378.

Beech Glen T4 - Don Hall, Route 3, Jarvis Road, Mars Hill, N. C. 28754 (phone) 689-4261.

Walnut T5 - Mrs. Reba M. Rector, P. O. Box 3, Walnut School Road, Walnut, N. C. 28753 (phone) 649-3114.

Hot Springs T6 - Curtis R. Roberts, P. O. Box 294, River Road, Hot Springs, N. C. 28743 (phone) 622-3447.

Ebbs Chapel T7 - Clarence Cody, Route 3, Bear Creek Road, Mars Hill, N. C. 28754 (phone) 689-2269.

Spring Creek T8 - Edgar Paul Lankford, Route 2, Bluff Road, Hot Springs, N. C. 28743 (phone) 622-7387.

### Wagon Trail Club To Meet On April 6

Marshall Wagon Train Club will meet April 6, at 7:30 in the Bill Hunter Store on Walnut Creek. All members and

anyone wishing to join are invited to attend. Plans for the annual Fourth of July Wagon Train are to be discussed.



Tin is used in cans because it is resistant to food acids. A coating of tin which is only 0.00003 inch thick is enough for this purpose.

## Raleigh Report

by Ernest Messer

Smoking in enclosed places is coming under increasingly severe attack, and programs to protect the non-smoker are being adopted in some areas.

Congressman C. W. Young of Florida has introduced a Non-Smokers Relief Act to require separate seating for smokers and non-smokers on all trains, planes, and buses moving across state lines.

Nebraska's legislature has outlawed smoking in elevators, theaters, libraries, art museums, concert halls, and public buses, unless smoking areas are designated.

A voluntary "no smoking" policy has been adopted for the Greensboro Coliseum Complex. Special smoking areas have been established and smokers are being requested to use them. Even though the smoking policy is not compulsory, it is still expected to be very effective. There is some sentiment developing in this General Assembly to segregate the smoker from the non-smoker.

A bill to increase the membership of the State Textbook Commission from 12 to 25 members and place the power to appoint with the State Board of Education rather than leave it with the Governor, passed the House after being debated for two days.

The fact that 21 of the 25 members of the new board are to be teachers or members of the teaching profession, makes it difficult to understand why the State's major teacher organization opposed the bill.

Due to the fact that the Governor delayed making appointments to this Commission last year, the State was without a textbook Commission for several months. According to school officials, this delay in making appointments held up the adoption of necessary textbooks and handicapped some classes in the public schools.

This, and the need for more members on the Commission to help absorb some of the added workload, motivated the request by the Department of Public Instruction for the change.

One of the most popular bills introduced this year permits an automobile driver to renew his driver's license without taking a written examination, provided that during the past four years he has not been cited for a traffic violation. The bill has passed the House and is now being considered by the Senate. This is one of the few bills ever proposed to reward a driver for good performance.

Notes from the Appropriations Committee:

The Subcommittee has recommended a 7 1/2 percent pay increase for teachers and state employees. The proposal to transfer \$25,000,000 from the General Fund to the Highway Fund has little support

among committee members. On past occasions, the General Assembly has refused to transfer highway money to the General Fund for any purpose. Now, it is unlikely that the General Assembly will transfer General Fund money to the Highway Fund.

A subcommittee has recommended that the State's liquor warehouse be abandoned, and the operation placed back with private enterprise. The State has lost more than \$100,000 in liquor shortages since the State began operating the warehouse less than a year ago.

The State owns forty-seven airplanes and four helicopters. A subcommittee has recommended that these planes all be placed under central management, their operation scheduled, and accurate records be kept of their use.

A Mental Health Study Commission has recommended that many inmates of State Hospitals and Centers for the retarded be transferred to community group or boarding homes and that day care centers and sheltered work shops be established and utilized for their training.

### PAGES FOR SAGES

Things are looking up in the dictionary and word reference fields. For two unique new paperback books, the other a vocabulary builder - are the last word in compact reference books.

Bound to be successful, the valuable volumes are the American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language and Your Heritage of Words: How to Increase Your Vocabulary Instantly.



The former is based on the new best-selling American Heritage Dictionary, widely recognized as the freshest, most innovative, most useful dictionary to be published in this century. It contains some 55,000 entries - more than any other paperback dictionary. The only paperback dictionary with photographs, it also includes line drawings, fine engravings, charts, diagrams, maps, proofreaders' marks and various alphabets. Words are defined in modern-day language that is clear and precise.

The word builder by William Morris, editor-in-chief of the dictionary, features a fascinating history of the English language from its earliest origins to the present day. It also comprises foreign words and phrases to add zest to your speech, interesting stories behind some common words and phrases, suggestions to teachers on how to increase pupil interest in vocabulary building, and many word quizzes. Both books are published by Dell.

So avoid putting your word power potential on the shelf and avail yourself of these meaningful volumes.

### A GUEST EDITORIAL

YOU BREAK MY HEART, MISTER

by W.O. Neuman,  
Kentucky State Commissioner of Public Safety

Are you one of the people who call me on the telephone or write me a letter to tell me my troopers are stopping motorists and giving them tickets for "no reason at all?" I wouldn't know. You never give your name.

You tell me you're a good citizen and a safe driver just using Interstate 64 for what it was intended - speed. And that "dumb cop" gave you a ticket. You break my heart! I hope the next time you're tearing down the road at 85 mph that a trooper catches you before you smash into a concrete bridge abutment and he has to help pry your lifeless body out of that crushed speed machine of yours. I hope we can teach you a lesson with a ticket so maybe you don't cause a wreck and cost somebody else his life or her life.

You really break my heart telling me you don't have time to go to court about that ticket. I wish you could come with me to the scene of a wreck sometime. I wish I could make you stand and watch a man write in the gravel on the shoulder of a highway while he waits for an ambulance that will get there too late to do anything but carry him to the morgue. I wish I could make you help scrape the bits of bone and flesh of a whole family off the asphalt and into baskets. You'd vomit just like my troopers do, but you'd think differently the next time you climbed into your car.

You said you were driving safely when the trooper stopped you. The road was clear and there was no harm in edging over the speed limit a few miles per hour, you said. I'm really impressed

with your ability to judge road conditions. I'm only sorry a trooper wasn't at that same place a few months ago when a man with a wife and four children had a blowout at over 80 mph. He might have slowed him down, and his children would still have a father, and his wife a husband.

Oh, am I getting you mad again? That man might have been mad if a trooper had stopped him. He might have written me a letter. But he'd be alive. Your letter doesn't bother me, friend. What bothers me is that you apparently haven't learned your lesson. You're probably going to get back behind the wheel of your car, thinking you own the road and nothing can happen to you. You don't think about the other people on the road who want to go on living.

And who gave your kid driving lessons? You? Then he's probably got a couple of tickets, too. It's no wonder he weaves in and out of traffic, speeds and leaves strips of burned rubber at stop lights. I hope we catch him, too, mister; before we have to call you and your wife to identify his body at the morgue. I don't want to catch you crying and wishing you hadn't let him have a car until he learned to drive maturely.

You say you want my troopers to let you off with a warning. What you really want is for us to stop doing our jobs. You want us to let you go until you meet another guy just like you - head on.

You're mad because you got a ticket, and you have to take time off from work to go to court. You break my heart, mister.

### HOW TO GROW NOW, PAY LATER

Anyone interested in building a retirement nest-egg would do well to investigate the Investment Annuity, a retirement income plan originally offered only to corporations, teachers, ministers and other professionals, but now available to the general public as well.

With the Investment Annuity, the individual assures himself a regular check every month after retirement. He also puts his retirement funds into a tax shelter, which means he pays less in current income taxes.

What makes the Investment Annuity special, however, is the fact that the funds are invested for potential growth without handing over control of those investments to the annuity company. It's this flexibility of control that makes the Investment Annuity different from the conventional "fixed" and the newer "variable" annuities.

A fixed annuity is a guarantee by an insurance company to pay so many dollars a month for life. The guarantee spells out exactly how many dollars you will receive after retirement.

A variable annuity is also a guarantee to pay you something every month, but the exact amount you receive depends on how wisely the insurance company invests your money over the years. If it does well, so do you. If it doesn't, your monthly check is smaller.

The Investment Annuity is something entirely new. Like the variable annuity, the size of monthly retirement benefits depends on the results of investments. In this case, however, it isn't the company who makes the investments but the investor himself. It's this personal control of investments that's caused the Investment Annuity to be called "the thinking man's retirement annuity" or the "people-oriented" annuity.

Like all annuity plans, it offers the buyer a big extra saving by postponing the pay-

ment of taxes on the income generated by the investments made under the plan. The buyer pays those taxes only after he's retired and is receiving monthly benefit checks. A time when his tax bracket is usually lower.

Under the Investment Annuity, the tax on current investment income is not only postponed, but the money that would have gone for taxes is reinvested along with the rest of the capital, thereby increasing even further the growth potential under the plan.

As an example, let's suppose you put a total of \$10,000 into an Investment Annuity and decided you wanted monthly benefits to start in 15 years. If we assume that the investments in your plan will earn an average of 7% per year (actually a conservative figure in today's money market), its value will have grown to \$24,950, allowing for annuity costs.

For comparison, let's assume you took a plan under which you paid the tax on investment income each year instead of delaying it until retirement. In this case, the annuity would be worth \$2,300 less if you were in the 25% tax bracket, and almost \$8,150 less if you were in the 50% bracket. As you can see, the Investment Annuity not only lowers your tax bill, but it helps you pay those lowered taxes with income earned on the delayed taxes themselves.

If you have at least \$3,000 in investable funds to start with, you can purchase a

personal Investment Annuity retirement policy from the investment company that invented the whole idea - FIAC, the First Investment Annuity Company of America.

When you enroll, a custodian account for your investments is set up for you at a bank. Through this custodian account, you yourself have almost complete control over how your money is invested.

You can, for instance, choose to put some of it into interest-bearing bonds. You can use some of it to buy insurance, or to open a savings account. If you prefer, you can take advantage of the long-term growth potential of the American economy and provide a hedge against inflation by buying mutual funds or stocks through your own broker or investment counselor. (Should you realize capital gains, however, these would be assessed to the deposit account at the corporate rate. The tax shelter on investment income does not apply to capital gains except when the annuity is part of a tax-qualified pension, profit sharing or annuity plan.)

After you make your original \$3,000 deposit, you may add to the annuity at any time - either according to a regular plan or whenever you have an additional \$50 to deposit. Annuity policies are also assignable, so that you may pledge them for a loan at a bank should you need emergency funds before you reach retirement. The interest on such loans, incidentally, is normally tax-deductible.

Individuals who are close to retirement may purchase an Immediate Annuity Policy which allows monthly benefits to start almost immediately.

Further information may be obtained without obligation by writing: Dept. F, First Investment Annuity Company of America, 1845 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19103.



### EXECUTIVE SEES THREAT TO PRESS FREEDOM

"Throughout history, there have been numerous attempts to control and influence the press... Recently, however, we see the beginnings of a new form of pressure against the print media."

Citing current political pressure on newspapers and magazines that carry cigarette advertising - to provide free space for anti-cigarette messages - Ross R. Millhiser, president of Philip Morris U.S.A., recently expressed his concern over the increasing incidence of encroachment on our freedoms of press and speech.

Speaking before members of the Virginia Press Association at their 89th Annual Convention in Charlottesville, Virginia, Mr. Millhiser warned that "if the American press knuckles under to this pressure, to the presumption by some officials of superjudgment of what's good for us, it will open the floodgates to a vast outpouring of demands for more free space against other products and ideas that someone considers to be controversial."

Honored by the VPA as 1971's "Virginian of the Year," Mr. Millhiser went on to state that this new threat to our freedoms of speech and press, both guaranteed by the Bill of Rights, began with the FCC ruling that bans cigarette advertising on radio and television.

Mr. Millhiser is convinced that those persons responsible for these curtailments of our rights honestly believe they are championing and protecting the public's best interests. "Every attempt at censorship," however, "is always done in the name of the 'greater good.' But the greatest good we have seen in our history has been when courageous men have steadfastly insisted on applying provisions of the Bill of Rights against censorship."

And, according to Mr. Millhiser, the best guarantor of press freedom - is the press itself... when it keeps the public fully informed.



Normally, we don't make much noise about our savings plans. But our new 7 1/4% Certificate is worth shouting about. It takes only \$1,000 minimum to open. Funds must remain on deposit for a minimum of 5 years. Interest compounded or paid quarterly.

Partial withdrawals are possible with interest forfeited under Federal Regulations.

**FIRST UNION NATIONAL**

Marshall Weaverville

**COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTER** Mars Hill  
Community Pharmacy  
AND OTHER PHARMACY COMMENTS

**HEALTH NEWS**  
By Bill Powell  
Reg. Pharmacist  
Let's Do Our Part  
To Prevent Poisonings

Accidental poisonings can happen to any of us - although, the most tragic instances most frequently occur among children and the elderly. Yet, the responsibility for most poisonings most ultimately lie in the average adult's hands.

Poor storage habits and failure to be certain that the right product is being used increase the chances of poisonings. We've known people to mistake hand lotion for aspirin, an over-the-counter pain reliever, or an over-the-counter cough syrup for a toothpaste. Likewise, storing cleaning solutions in "pop" bottles and broken accidental ingestion of lethal poisons - especially "cyanide."

Children and the elderly most often, in a household, are the responsible adults. Let's not let them (or ourselves) down - take the time, use our heads, and let's do our part for poison prevention.

The above comments are part, not all, of our health, safety, and information newsletter - we invite you to our pharmacy - your comments are welcome.

**See Us For your LAWN and GARDEN needs**

Massey - Ferguson  
Garden Tractors  
Homelite and Stihl  
Chain saws

Authorized Small Engine Repairs  
with Bud Jenkins, Mechanic

Complete line of Hardware  
**WEAVERVILLE HARDWARE**  
113 N. Main St. Weaverville, N.C.  
Ormond C. Williams, Jr., Mgr.

**ROBERTS PHARMACY**  
MARSHALL, N.C.

**TO CLOSE**  
At 1:00 P.M.

**Each Wednesday**  
Starting Next Week  
April 3, 1974