

ERA-2 Years Dormant?

By SEN. CECIL HILL

controversial issues as the death penalty, liquor-by-the-drink, the governor's right of succession, and the governor's veto power.

All of these issues will be given in depth study but none will have all the emotion of ERA. Laws ought not to be passed on emotion or without

securing the facts.

Thursday night the Western delegation — as well as select civic, political, and business leaders — were invited to the Governor's Mansion for dinner and an evening of entertainment.

For the legislator's wives this is the highlight of the session! Many of the wives who do not spend the session in Raleigh showed up for this important occasion.

The ladies were beautiful, donned out in their very best. Most men wore business suits, but a few tuxedos peppered the crowd.

As you know, the Governor's Mansion has been renovated and refurbished under Gov. Holshouser's administration. The removal of at least a dozen coats of paint on the woodwork has revealed some of the finest wooden stairs and furniture I have seen.

The wainscoting is painted white; the rest of the walls are papered, and the plastered ceilings are ornamented with moldings of various designs.

Mrs. Holshouser and her friends — it is rumored — made the draperies, which would have cost at least \$1,000 per window. The ceilings are almost 20 feet tall, and the windows reach nearly 16 feet.

We spent a half hour sipping tomato juice served by members of the prison department assigned as "trustys" to the governor's staff. The governor said a blessing, and we moved to a buffet dinner in the dining room.

Table assignments placed me with a senator from Hickory and his lovely daughter, along with one House member and their business people. Mrs. Claude DeBruhl also sat with us looking very pretty for the occasion.

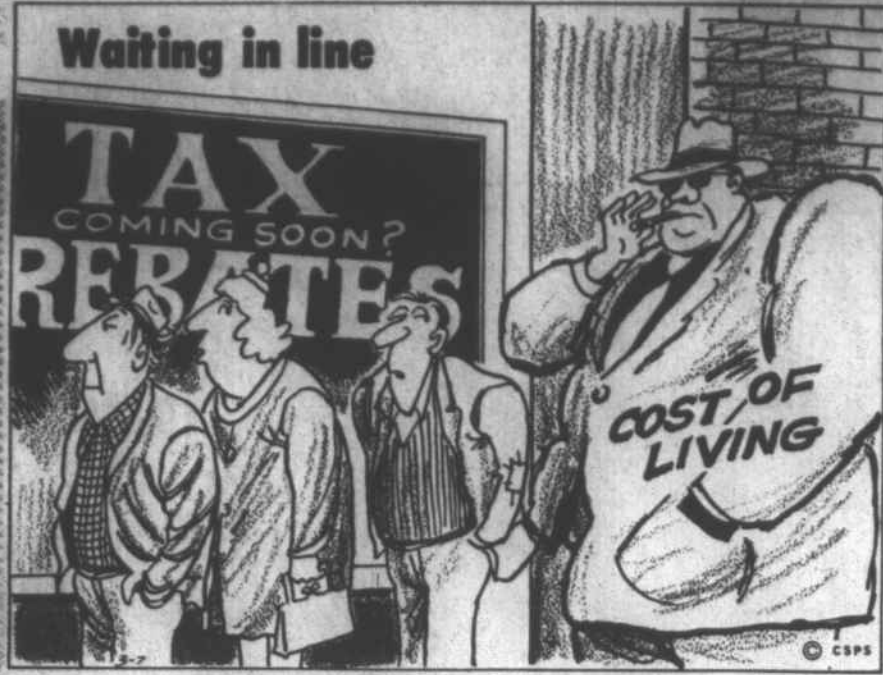
I haven't been served by white-gloved waiters for two years; in fact, since the last dinner part at the Governor's Mansion when Gov. Holshouser had us over.

After dinner, Miss Joan Miller of Sanford, accompanied by a brilliant young pianist, sang for us. She stated that her teacher in New York had tried unsuccessfully for two years to eliminate her Southern accent, but finally decided to capitalize on it. With Jimmy Carter in the White

House, I guess that talking "Southern" is stylish now.

The days speed swiftly by but not with tranquility. Several days have passed since the ERA vote, but I still got almost 150 pieces of mail on the subject today! Oh, well, perhaps the postal authorities are a little late with their postmarks, as well as deliveries.

With the ERA Bill laid to rest for two years — I hope — we will be moving on to such



Uncle's Saving Money!

"It takes money to make money," and nobody is more aware of that old saw than the United States Government.

Rising prices of paper, ink, and just about everything else have sent the cost of printing paper money soaring. That's one reason the government has started making \$2 bills again. It can print fewer bills and still produce the same number of dollars, reports the January issue of National Geographic World.

Twenties are an even better bargain. A dollar note wears out in about 18 months, but a 20 can last as long as 5 years, because it gets less use.

The Bureau of Engraving and

Printing in Washington, prints 7 kinds of bills for general use — \$1, \$2, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, and \$100. The \$2 bill is not a new idea. The bills first appeared in 1776, but the government did not make many 2s so people never got into the habit of using them. Production was stopped in 1965.

To encourage people to circulate the new \$2 bills, the government is turning out 400,000,000 a year. As the twos become more popular, fewer ones will be printed. If everything works out as planned, officials think they can save about \$27,000,000 in printing costs during the next five years.

Ramsey Bill Would Net Tidy Sum

Rep. Al Adams, D-Wake, and Rep. Liston Ramsey, D-Madison, joined Thursday in sponsoring a bill that Ramsey said would bring the state a \$91 million windfall.

The bill proposed that \$18 million of the money be used for prison construction, \$11,150,000 for building projects at state mental institutions and \$53,425,000 for building projects at units of the University of North Carolina system.

Mars Hill Dean's List

Robert R. Chapman, associate dean for academic affairs, has announced that 245 Mars Hill College students have been named to the fall term dean's list at the Baptist-related college.

To be named to this honor, a student must maintain a grade point ratio of 3.5 or better or a minimum of 12 semester hours of study and not receive any grade below a "C" for one or both semesters. Mars Hill bases its grades on a 4-point system with an "A" representing 4 points, a "B" representing 3 points, etc.

The students from Madison County are:

MARSHALL
Terry Layton Gunter, senior, general business administration (B.S.). Terry is the son of Carlie Gunter; Ursula Kunisch, freshman, theatre arts (B.A.); Kathy Sue, Livesay, senior, English (B.A.); Frank R. Ramsey, sophomore, general business administration (B.S.); Sabra Louise Sprinkle, freshman, accounting (B.S.). Sabra is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Sprinkle Jr.; Jeffrey Alan Treadway, junior, physical education (B.S.). Jeffrey is the son of Max Wilson.

HOTSPRINGS
Debra Lucille Parks, sophomore, elementary education (B.A.). Debra is the daughter of Mrs. Shirley H. Parks; Katty Lou Waldroup, sophomore, elementary education (B.A.). Katty is the daughter of Roby Waldroup.

MARSHALL
Jan Dirk Abbott, senior, history (B.A.). Jan is the son of Jan Dirk Abbott; Cheryl Babbitt Anderson, junior,

business education (B.S.). Cheryl is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Babbitt; William Richard Anderson, freshman, accounting (B.S.). William is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Anderson Jr.; Rebecca Cody Blakenship, senior, elementary education (B.A.); Carol Ann Powell Evans, senior, home economics (B.S.); Stephen Andrew High, freshman, physical education (B.S.). Stephen is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas High Sr.; Carolyn Jean Holtkamp, sophomore, Carolyn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Freddy Henry Holtkamp; Rebecca Diane Ledford, sophomore, accounting (B.S.). Danny is the son of Harold Metcalf; Sandra Dean, Murray, senior, physical education (B.S.). Sandra is the daughter of Bruce K. Murray; Gary Alan Nance, junior, accounting (B.S.). Gary is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Neely Nance; Linda Kay Robinson, junior, physical education (B.S.). Linda is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Robinson; Sharon McKelland Shook, sophomore, social work (B.S.W.). Sharon is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward McClellan; Ray Clifford Strickland, senior, social work (B.S.W.); Shek-Chung To, junior, business administration (B.S.). Shek-Chung is the son of Shing To.; Keith William Walker, senior, physical education (B.S.). Keith is the son of Dr. William Walker; Marsha Holmes Walker, junior, theatre arts (B.A.); Deborah Carol Wheeler, junior, Biology (B.S.). Deborah is the daughter of Thomas J. Wheeler.



FRENCH BROAD EMC was well represented at the bloodmobile last Friday at the Marshall Community Center. Pictured above are two of the many employees who visited the bloodmobile. Shown, left, with

Red Cross nurse, is Aaron Dixon. Waiting for the needle behind nurse is Arnold Garrison. Sixty-nine pints were donated last Friday. (Photo By Terry Gunter)



DERINGER Manufacturing Company's employees who donated blood at the bloodmobile visit to Marshall last Friday are pictured, front row, left to right, Lonnie Plemmons, Jackie Ball, Dana Merrill, Fred Tolley, Gary Johnson, Leo Blackwell, Mike

Jenkins; back row, left to right, Kirk McWilliams, Frankie Ramsey, Gary Ledford, George Pack, Phil Wallin, Chet Middaugh, Stewart Shelton, Charles Bradley. Sixty-nine pints were donated last Friday. (Photo By Terry Gunter)

Heard and seen

By POP

The fire at Mars Hill early Wednesday morning of last week gutted the Treat Hall dormitory on the Mars Hill College campus... the entire 3-story wooden structure which was 71 years old would have entirely burned down if it had not been for the Mars Hill and Weaverville firemen... fighting the fire in freezing weather for more than four hours was no easy task... they did a marvelous job in getting the fire under control before the large building burned completely up (or down)... congratulations to all the firemen... when I visited the burned structure Wednesday afternoon, several firemen were still there... smoke was still coming from the charred remains... the old dorm is (or was) one of the few landmarks left at the college... a new administrative building is planned on the same site... but hundreds of ex-students will never forget Treat Hall...

The new highway from Marshall to Mars Hill makes the trip between the two neighboring towns much more enjoyable and quicker, and safer... sub-freezing weather this winter has played havoc with portions of the highway near Petersburg... be sure to slow down along this section or you might bust a tire on some of those holes... the new highway has also opened up many beautiful and picturesque scenes not seen on Old 213.

Marshall and area were shocked and saddened when the deaths of Kenneth Bishop and Tim Chandler was learned... the two Madison High School seniors were found fatally burned early Sunday morning in a car on Skyway Drive... it is doubtful that it will ever be known the cause and circumstances of the tragedy... Kenneth and Tim had been lifelong friends, had run around together, had shared together, had been with each other during the school years, and died together... it is fitting that they will be buried together... they would have wanted it that way.

Jurors Drawn For Civil Term Here

The March term of superior court for the trial of civil cases will begin here Monday at 10 a.m. with Judge Robert E. Gaines presiding.

Cases listed on the court calendar follow:

Claude Honeycutt, et ux, plaintiffs, vs. Board of Transportation, defendant.

Grover Gentry, plaintiff, vs. Oren D. Duck, Adm., estate of Charlie Arsemus Duck and James Edward Storey, defendants.

Tom L. Merrill, et ux, plaintiffs, vs. Sue B. Fortner and Leo F. Allison, co-administrators, estate of Andrew Jackson Bridges, defendants.

In Re: Will of Charlie Hensley, Sr., deceased, Caveat, vs. Charlie Hensley Jr., Movant.

Zade Merrill, et ux, plaintiffs, vs. Etta Thomason Rice, defendant.

Frances C. Riddle, plaintiff, vs. Foy Riddle, defendant.

Perry W. Gowan, plaintiff, vs. Ronnie Dale Rice, defendant.

Mrs. O. O. Edmonds Sr., et al, plaintiffs, vs. Asheville Construction Co., Inc., defendant.

Edward T. Gentry, et ux, vs. Asheville Contracting Co., Inc., defendants.

Talmadge Ted Dill, et ux, plaintiffs, vs. Asheville Contracting Co., Inc.

Jack Boone, et ux, plaintiffs, vs. Asheville Construction Co., Inc., defendant.

Jurors drawn: Elizabeth Howell Sams, Gay Jeffrey Metcalf, Lester (Bud) Roberts, Gloria M. Rice, P. E. Franklin, Minnie L. Morrow, Christine S. Lunsford, Sarah Thomas, Bernice Davis Reese, Karen Kay Henderson, Cager Metcalf, Ruth Griffin, Susan Rachel Chapman, Bernette C. Worley, Everett R. Underwood, Bobby Joe Blackwell, Chester Fisher, Ina W. Edwards, Karen Ledford

Hare, Dewey Payne, E. J. Sprouse, Betty Lou Marler, Joseph P. Rice, Mary Sanchezgrin, Helen B. Moore,

Clifford Cody, Erma Lance Ballard, James Clinton Goode, James H. Griffin, Jacob Griffey, Harold A. Roberts,

Betty Wood Hoyt, Essie Teague Branum, Lillian Inez Henderson, Zeldia P. Wyatt, Perry Gowan, Lloyd T. Moore, Ruby Clem Buckner, Wanda Payne Deaver, Jewell Garrett Church, Nola Freeman Teague, DeLane George Sumeral, Mrs. Albert Fisher, Robbie Allen Wallin, Mrs. Addie George, Mabel Snelson Carter,

Fred Mace, Lee Roy Briggs, Karen Robinson Sams, Hoya Coates, Mrs. Emily Trimble, Louise L. Phillips, Leslie M. Tweed, John Robert Rice, Noville C. Hawkins, Sondra M. Leininger, Robert L. Holbrook, Henry Worley, Maggie P. Jenkins, Harley N. Honeycutt, Esther Victoria Franks,

Jerry Scott Marler, Roy K. Parker, Grady William Coward, Winna Lee Stines, Alvin Eugene Boone, Elizabeth Hale DuVall, Nola Eliza Ramsey, William G. George, Fred Gunter, Lloyd B. Ellege, Finnie D. Proffitt, Mrs. Velva Hernandez, and Jerda Mae Chandler.

Gudger cast his vote in the "Yes" column when the House of Representatives passed a strong financial ethics bill by an overwhelming majority late in the evening on March 2.

Gudger had indicated on March 1 that he would support the legislation when he said, "I supported ethics legislation throughout my career in the North Carolina Senate and I look upon the standards suggested by the Obey Commission as moderate and reasonable."

The Commission on Administrative Review, known as the Obey Commission, was created in July, 1976, in the aftermath of scandals involving the unethical use of public funds by some members of

Bonds Sales

Sales of Series E and H savings bonds in Madison County during the fourth quarter of 1976 were \$37,751. Total sales for 1976 were \$173,471, according to C. L. Rudisill Jr., county volunteer chairman.

Pauline Wilson Is Hospitalized

Mrs. Pauline Wilson of Marshall is a patient in St. Joseph's Hospital where she is undergoing treatment. Her condition is satisfactory.

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