

Heard and Seen

By POP

As far as weather is concerned, it's on again and off again when speaking of snows — last weekend saw some rain, some sunshine, some mild temperatures, some cold temperatures — and some snow. Yup, enough snow to make side roads mighty slick. Fortunately, the sun came out Sunday and melted most of the snow except on the north sides of some of the country roads and driveways. "Bill" and I were both "under the weather" over the weekend and again failed to attend church last Sunday. We did enjoy Mike's sermon via radio, however. Hope to get out to church by next Sunday.

Julia Williams, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. George Moore, has joined the staff of The News-Record. She is in charge of advertising and is already doing a fine job. It's her first experience in this field and she seems to like the challenge. I hope the businessmen and women cooperate with Julia and those who are not regular advertisers will realize the importance of advertising. Just remember, when business is good you want to advertise and when business is poor, you MUST advertise. There's no better way to improve your business and sales than through the columns of The News-Record.

The Optimist Club had an interesting meeting last Thursday night at Mary's Restaurant. I happened to sit at one of the tables with "Doug" Dodson, Bobby Tipton and Edward McLean and during the dinner, I discovered that Bobby is a great lover of fishing. In fact, I believe he'd go fishing when it's below zero with ice covering the water. I also found out that Ed McLean knows more jokes than most fellows. He kept Bobby, Doug and me laughing most of the time. Ask Ed how to catch fish when the water is frozen and he'll tell you.

After Bryce Hall, president of the club, suggested numerous projects which might be undertaken, Jerry Adams, program chairman, introduced the guest speakers for the meeting: J. Roger Gregg and Reese A. Lasher, certified public accountants, of Asheville. Their talks regarding income tax returns, were informative and interesting. E.O. Burnette also spoke about the Optimist Oratorical Contest for youths of county schools which will get underway soon. Twenty-four members and four guests were present. Bruce Phillips won the "door prize" and preliminary plans were made for Charter Night to be held in the near future.

Letter To The Editor

A Prayer

To The Editor:

The year 1980 has begun for us American people. It's time to begin to see and realize what's ahead of us. If America doesn't repent and come back to God, we are in for big trouble. I hope all readers will join me in my daily prayer:

Lord, please forgive me for all my many sins. And keep us all by your spirit and power, knowing, Lord, we can do nothing without you. And

knowing, Lord, you can do all things. Father, if we trust you and keep your word, you said we could ask what we would and you would give it to us. Father, bless the hostages and take care of them and bring them safely home. Father, bless our enemies and keep them. Let them know we mean them no harm. Lord, bless America and all who read this.

EASTER NORTON
Mars Hill



EXPRESS APPRECIATION — 25 members of the Marshall Downtown Merchants Association sponsored a dinner meeting last Wednesday night at Mary's Restaurant here when officials of the Department of Transportation and Marshall town officials were cited for their accomplishments in having Marshall's Main Street and sidewalks improved recently. "Buddy" Buckner, president of the association, presided. Mayor Lawrence Ponder reviewed progress being made in the county and stated that the Marshall

Downtown Merchants Association was vital for continued growth here. Pictured above are officials honored at the meeting. Seated, from left: Earl McEntire, 13th Division engineer, DOT; and Jack Buckner of Route 1, Marshall, DOT maintenance supervisor of Madison and Yancey counties. (James Baldwin, DOT county foreman, was unable to attend but was also cited). Standing, left to right: Mayor Lawrence Ponder and Aldermen Jackie Davis, S.L. Nix and James Penland.

New CAW Director

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things going on in the world that reach you and affect you. You see them on TV, if nowhere else. Many of us are wondering about these things, maybe silently. How will they affect our lives, and the lives of our daughters, and daughters-in-law?

"Many of us are hearing about the draft, for example. I have five children between 17 and 25, so this issue very much affects me. My daughter is 17, and she is going to be facing the possibility of being drafted. If she is drafted, can she get to be a general — or just a general's secretary? Other women are dealing with this same issue. Through the council I can find out what other women feel and think about it. The council is a resource of other women and their experiences.

"How are issues that concern women different in different states? In North Carolina, for example, there is a very strong day care program. In Tennessee it is not so strong. Women from those two states can discuss this through the council. Things are going on in West Virginia, Kentucky, Virginia, and so on that we want to know about here in North Carolina."

Connie Mahoney comes to the council with broad experience in women's issues. She was born in the state of Washington, and has lived in Kingsport, Tenn. for the last 21 years. "Appalachia is my home," she says. "These mountains and the people are

my roots and my strength." She graduated from Ohio State University with a B.S. in business administration, and has an M.A. in sociology from East Tennessee State University, where she wrote her thesis on "Appalachian Women's Perception of Their Work Experiences as Underground Coal Miners."

She has also worked at East Tennessee State to help women plan careers, initiate community involvement programs, and continue their education. She was the Virginia Consultant for the Women's Bureau of the Department of Labor. She served as director of Head Start for eight counties in Upper East Tennessee, administering the largest child development program in that part of the state.

Much of her job as executive director of the council will be to raise more money for the

4-H'ers Offer Shrubbery, Fruit Trees

For their annual fundraiser, the Madison County 4-H'ers are selling shrubbery, fruit trees, and berry bushes. The deadline for ordering is March 20. Anyone interested in ordering any of the dozens of choices on the 4-H list can contact any 4-H'er or the Extension Office (649-2411)

Campbell, Lafayette Speak At MHC

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Campbell went on to say that the church has not been able to do anything to help solve this dilemma. In fact, he said, churches, like all institutions, are too busy "getting bigger, richer, more self-protecting, more righteous." Churches he said, have spread the idea that the mere act of going to church is good, and that therefore churchgoers are good. We have fallen into the trap of believing that simply professing our faith is enough. We have forgotten that salvation has to do with every action and thought, day in and day out, all our lives.

He praised the charismatic movement as one that aims to develop the capacity to feel joy. "How do we develop joy?" he asked. "This should be one of the church's most important missions. The charismatics say that one way is for everyone to hug each other on Sunday morning. We need more huggin'."

He also protested against the "radical church" and its "call for us to wear blue jeans and be like they are."

"I wear blue jeans at home all the time" said Campbell, "but why should I wear them when I'm giving a lecture — just to make people think I don't have a suit? And I'm poor? I'm not poor. I have been poor, but I don't want to be poor again. And now I find that a fancy public relations agency wrote the fund-raising letters for the radical church. I just want to take a shower when I hear that."

Bernard Lafayette predicted, in response to a question, a return to the rapid social protest and change that marked the 1960s. "The ERA of protest ended with Kent State and Jackson State. The blacks, including myself, saw that if even the white, middle-class students at Kent State —

the most pampered and privileged group — couldn't get away with protesting, there was no hope for black people doing any more. That's when I decided to go to divinity school and withdraw for a while. But now, with the big gathering in Greensboro and the movement of the teachers in Chicago, there seems to be some activity after a decade of silence."

Dr. Lafayette said that the crucial point about the changes of the '60s is that they were effected not by "carpetbaggers" but by the southerners.

Lafayette said that his mother was the granddaughter of a slave in Georgia, and his grandfather was the son of a French officer who fought against Spain in the Cuban revolution. "Change," he said, "takes a long time. The '60s and the '70s were just a point in time. Things have been changing since the time of my great-grandparents."

Lafayette ended by warning how fast the South is being stressed by change from outside. "We don't have the same South," he said. "Aggressive northerners are moving here, and now large industries are coming in. Changes have been made that are acceptable to the unions, and we are giving away land to industries in return for jobs."

"The South is not going to be the South any more in a very short time. Practical policies are going to change our customs and more. There are still schools in small communities where the students pray every day. But within the next decade there will be crises in the South — resistance, polarization, both racial and cultural. There will be voter registration campaigns and sharp political differences. All in all, concerns in many communities will become much more secular."

In 1577, Francis Drake began his voyage around the world.

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