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Mack Ray, Carl Garter, Clay Miller, Lulu Wiseman, Rufus Edmisten

Candidates Speak At Dinner:

'Democrats Are United'

BY MACK B. RAY
For The Democratic Party
On Saturday evening, October 23, over four hundred Yancey County Democrats enjoyed a delightful meal, friendly fellowship, and good mountain music, followed by

special spiritual numbers rendered by the choir from Griffith Chapel AME Zion Church of Burnsville.

Heritage High School was a delightful setting for the theme, "Democratic Victory in '76." Scotty and Lula Belle

Wiseman, the noted composer and musicians from Avery County, gave several numbers very appealing to the large group assembled in the Bruce Tomberlin Auditorium.

Rufus Edmisten, the young, dynamic and very popular Attorney General, emphasized the highlights of the current campaign by stating the Democratic Party has united from the top to the bottom. From Jimmy Carter and Jim Hunt at the top of the ticket to the last Democrat on the ballot, Democrats are working for the election of a responsive people's government that can end the drift and weak leadership we have had for the past eight years.

Glenn A. Morris, Representative for Yancey and McDowell Counties, from Marion, spoke briefly. He urged all citizens to go to the polls and vote on November 2. If we are to continue our democracy as we know it, more people must go out and vote and get involved in politics and our American way of life.

According to a statement made earlier by Lt. Governor Hunt, the party's nominee for Governor, the campaign "marks the beginning of a new spirit in the Democratic Party of North Carolina. It's a winning spirit; it's a united spirit and it's more. It's a spirit of determination to reaffirm its heritage as the

party of the people of North Carolina."

Dr. Fergus Pope and his wife Ruth from Celo gave some very important factual information about our Democratic candidate for President, Jimmy Carter. According to the Popes, Governor Carter is a very brilliant, deeply religious, dedicated person. He has the leadership qualities that our nation is begging for. He is one of those rare people our nation produces when we are at a low ebb, who can and will carry our nation forward to the heights that we aspire.

Local Democratic candidates attending and speaking briefly were Carl A. Carter of Burnsville, candidate for the Chairmanship of the Board of County Commissioners; Clay Miller, candidate for member of the Board of County Commissioners, of Ramseytown; Alton W. Robinson, Newdale, for member of the Board of County Commissioners; and Grace Ayers, candidate for Register of Deeds, of Burnsville.

This delightful supper and fellowship meeting successfully climaxed a highly successful series of supper meetings held throughout Yancey County. In May the gatherings began at Clearmont hosted by the Jacks Creek and Green Mountain precincts; followed by Bald Creek in June, sponsored by

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Governor To Attend:

Yancey GOP Rally Slated

BY MATOKA RHINEHART
For The Republican Party
North Carolina Governor James E. Holshouser, Jr. will be honored at a public Rally Thursday, October 28, at 7:30 p.m. in the gym of East Yancey Middle School.

Our County is honored and very flattered that Governor Holshouser accepted the invitation of Dean Chrisawn of Celo to visit us. Chrisawn is the area coordinator for thirty-two counties for President Gerald Ford's campaign. Although Yancey County is one of the smallest in the State, it can boast about the four or five visits that Governor Holshouser has made here during his four year term of office. The Governor has many close ties here and enjoys our hospitality.

To honor Governor Holshouser, the newly organized Lab Band from Mountain Heritage High School will perform several selections. Mrs. David Mauney, Band Director, states that the Lab Band consists of approximately eighteen members, and that the band formed to play for their own enjoyment. They practice after school one day a week.

The Rally is being sponsored by the Republicans of Yancey County, Steve Boone, Chairman. Governor Holshouser's visit is in behalf of the local Republican ticket, as well as the National, State and District tickets.

The formal program will consist of the invocation, which will be offered by K. Lyda Letterman, GOP candidate for one of the two seats on the Yancey County Board of Commissioners; Boy Scout Troop 502 presenting the colors and leading the pledge of allegiance; musical entertainment by the Lab Band; and introduction and brief comments from the local candidates. Other candidates, or their representatives, expected to participate will be Ted Smith and Edward B. Krause, running for N.C. Senate; Jim McKinney, candidate for the House of Representatives; and Bruce B. Briggs, Congressional candidate for the 11th District.

**Schools
Are Closed
Election Day
November 2**

The main address will be given by Governor Holshouser, President Ford's campaign manager for the entire South.

Following the program, light refreshments will be served and the public will be free to mingle with the Governor and the candidates.

Mrs. Earl Young, Burnsville Republican Precinct Chairman and Yancey County campaign manager for GOP gubernatorial candidate David Flaherty, is general chairman for the Rally. Robert L. (Bob) Rhinehart, Republican candidate for Chairman of the Yancey County Board of Commissioners, will be Master of Ceremonies.

Everyone, regardless of his political affiliation, is invited to attend this free, non-fund raising Rally and meet Governor Holshouser who is the first Republican governor North Carolina has had in one hundred years. Those attending will also have the opportunity to meet and talk with the Republican candidates running for various jobs throughout the area.

This Rally will give Yancey County residents a chance to become better acquainted with three of the men who are running for local offices.

Walter Edwards and K. Lyda Letterman are seeking election to fill the two openings for Commissioners



Governor James Holshouser

on the Yancey County Board of Commissioners. Mr. Edwards is a native of Yancey County, a dairyman and builder. He is Soil Conservation Supervisor and treasurer

of Cane River Baptist Church. Edwards, 68, is married to the former Verlan King. They live on Phipps Creek and are the

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Weekend Yancey Highway Accidents Involve Five

Two one-car accidents occurred on Yancey County highways this past weekend, resulting in considerable vehicular damage but no serious injuries to occupants.

Charles Randall Dellinger, age 17, of Micaville had a one-car accident on Saturday, October 23, at 12:25 a.m. The accident occurred on N.C. 197 South, 1-4/10 miles out of Burnsville.

Dellinger was driving a 1976 Chevrolet apparently at a high rate of speed when he entered a left curve from the south bound lane, lost control of the car, and skidded into a solid rock embankment. The impact spun the car around where it came to rest across the north and south bound lanes on its top. Dellinger and one passenger, Larry Thomas of Route 5, were both taken to Yancey Hospital where Tho-

mas was treated and released and Dellinger was admitted for treatment and released a short time later.

Trooper B.R. Owens investigated the accident. Damage to the car was estimated at \$5,000.

The other one-car accident involved Clarence Edward Gortney, age 37, of Route 1, Red Hill. Gortney was driving a '64 Ford pick-up truck down a grade when he crossed the north bound shoulder and went down an embankment striking a tree and overturning onto the driver's side. The accident occurred 6 miles out of town on N.C. 197 North on Friday, October 22, at 9:50 at night.

Gortney stated that he was experiencing steering difficulty coming down the hill just before the accident.

Two passengers in the car,

Danny Gortney of Green Mountain and Kenny Bennett, also of Green Mountain, were taken to Yancey Hospital but were not seriously hurt.

Damage to the truck was estimated at \$500. Trooper B.R. Owens investigated.

Fatal Gun Accident

Randall Timothy Franklin, 9-year-old son of Ralph and Alma Carroll Franklin of Burnsville, died Monday at his home.

Burnsville Police Chief Joe Gillespie said the death resulted from the boy playing with a pistol at the home which discharged accidentally and killed him. He was a fourth grade student at the Burnsville Elementary School.



Lt. Governor Jim Hunt