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## Gudger Caravan

The final days of the 1978 campaign brought Lamar Gudger's bus caravan to Burnsville, where Gudger and other Democratic candidates

gathered in front of the Yancey courthouse for an hour or so of informal campaigning.

Gudger explained that he'd spent Monday on a swing through the counties in the 11th Congressional District located east of Asheville and on Tuesday had worked his way through the counties in his district west of Asheville. Thursday's trip through Madison, Yancey, Mitchell and Avery counties was the final leg of the campaign tour by bus.

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## Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:  
I would like to take this means of expressing a tribute to Philip M. Thomas.  
A little more than five years ago my four children and I moved back to Burnsville, my hometown. We came back under tragic circumstances—the death of their father, my husband. Being in need of legal advice, I went to see Philip M. Thomas, Attorney. From that day to this, he has been my legal advisor, confidant, tax consultant, and even sometimes my "hand slapper." I have called him at all times, day and night. Sometimes it was for a serious matter, sometimes frivolous. He treated each call the same, because he knew it was serious to me. He has cried with me and laughed with me.  
Thank God for a man who can do both and still be a real pro. That twinkle in his eye always dared me to give up.  
My children and I will miss him, but we know that God must have needed him more.

Carrie M. Canipe

## Project Helped Flood Victims

A few drops of rain makes a Western North Carolina woman nervous. A heavy downpour almost makes her panic. It isn't until the rain stops that her fears—very real ones—subside.  
This woman is one of over 3600 victims of last November's floods in the North Carolina mountains. Her house has been rebuilt and most of her possessions replaced. But all of the damages caused by the disaster were not that easily repaired. She still is working on healing the psychological wounds that come with being a part of such a disaster.  
Through the Blue Ridge Mental Health Center in Asheville and a federal grant this woman and about 600 other persons who suffered traumas because of the flooding were able to receive psychological help and counseling. The purpose of the program, Project Fund (Healthy Adjustment to Natural Disasters), was to determine the adverse psychological effects of the November 6, 1977 flooding and on the residents of the four hardest hit counties: Buncombe, Yancey, Madison and Mitchell. Funded with a \$47,600 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration grant the program was the first of its kind in North Carolina.

## South Toe Fire Calls

Saturday, October 28 at 2 p.m. Field and woods fire on Halls Chapel Road. Resident cut down a tree which broke a high voltage line. Line fell on barbed wire fence and started fire along length of fence. N.C. Forest Service also responded and stood by until power company came.

Sunday, October 29 at 6:05 p.m. Dumpster fire on Route 80 near Carson Rock.

Sunday, October 29 at 6:40 p.m. Brush fire on Seven Mile Ridge Road above Gordon Cates residence. Three separate fires were set by persons unknown; all were easily controlled. N.C. Forest Service responded also.

Wednesday, November 1 at 1:35 a.m. Trash pile on fire on Lower Brown's Creek Rd. at end of pavement.

Thursday, November 2 at 2:30 p.m. Woods fire off Clear Creek Road, about one acre burned, on a steep slope. Both U.S. and N.C. Forest Service crews also responded.

Friday, November 3 at 10 a.m. House fire on private road off Upper Brown's Creek Rd. at residence of Mrs. Wilhoit. Defective flue pipe on a wood stove started fire. Fire spread stopped and damage confined to wall. U.S. Forest Service sent crew in case they were needed. There was a minor flood in the adjacent house because of a broken water pipe. The Fire Department assisted in the water removal using the skills learned a year ago during the flood cleanup.

## Hughes Won "Nicest Rig"

It was wagon train again for the Hughes as they trucked their wagon and mules across the mountain to Tennessee to join the three day wagon train at Gray Station. After the three day journey it was a thrill for Herman and Wanda as they took first place for the "nicest rig" on the wagon train.



## At Civic Center

The world's greatest family entertainment, the Harlem Globetrotters, will be coming to Western North Carolina, for one game only on Tuesday, November 14, at the Asheville Civic Center. The Globetrotters, who are unquestionably the most popular sports team this side of the moon, have been seen by more than 82 million fans around the world.

Some wonder how the Trotters can continue the incredible pace which now spans over fifty years. But regardless of how they do it, the magic continues, and records continue to be set.  
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A clean, well-kept home shows a home that has had good care and has been properly maintained. Repaint the interior if it needs it, but use neutral colors, if possible. An attractive, comfortable living room is a major attraction, but a sparkling kitchen will appeal to the lady of the house. It's the heart of any home, so keep it spotless. No dirty dishes. Women are also sensitive about  
bathrooms: keep them clean and orderly.  
Bedrooms are important - arrange their furnishings neatly. Shiny, clean windows not only are a great asset, but let sunlight in and brighten the entire atmosphere. Clean out the clutter in the closets, basement, and garage. And, if you have pets, clear them out too when showing.

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**Chapter 71 DAV Meeting**

Disabled American Veterans, Burnsville Chapter 71, will hold their monthly meeting November 11 at 7:30 p.m. in Yancey County Courthouse. All members and veterans, and veterans' wives interested in forming a DAV Auxiliary, are urged to attend by Senior Vice Commander Sam Renfro.

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