

# Large marijuana field destroyed

About 1,500 marijuana plants were discovered and destroyed by the Buncombe County Sheriff's Department Sunday night. The plants were located deep in woods off N.C. 9, about a mile north of the Broad River Market and a 25 minute walk in from the highway.

Following information received from the county narcotics agent, deputies entered the field shortly after 6 p.m. The plants were cut with knives and burned on the premises, a spokesman for the Sheriff's Department said.

Some of the plants were over 10 feet

tall, he said, with stems as large as three inches in diameter. No chain saws were used to cut the plants because there were none available, but the deputy said, "We could have used one."

Deputies continued burning the plants until 3:30 Monday morning, then returned Monday afternoon to finish.

Sheriffs called the illegal crop, "a large amount for this area, quite a large field."

No arrests have been made in connection with the incident.

# Library to establish Black Mountain College collection

by Priscilla Hopkins

The Friends of the Black Mountain Public Library are undertaking a special project. Because there is so much interest expressed by both residents and visitors in Black Mountain College, it has been decided that a special reference collection should be established and housed in the Black Mountain Library.

The Friends are soliciting both information and material on this subject from anyone who was connected with the college in any capacity. In addition, if local people are in correspondence

with others who were connected with the college, it would be appreciated if the Friends could have the mailing addresses of such persons so that they could be personally contacted.

If you have materials that you wish to donate, please take them to the librarians, Dottie McGraw and Carol Koster. If you have information to share, please leave your telephone number and name with the librarians and you will be contacted. Community co-operation in this project will be invaluable in preserving valuable historical information.

# Three seek Town Council posts

Gay Currie Fox and Steve King announced their candidacy this week for the Black Mountain Town Council. Seeking the position of mayor is A.F. Tyson.

Gay Fox

Gay Currie Fox, a local realtor, is married and has two children. She said she is running for council because she believes in a democracy everyone should take a turn at the responsibility of government. She said she believes "we citizens have lacked community with our local government. I want to work to re-establish this community with the people whom the government serves."



Steve King

Steve King, a former employee of the Black Mountain Fire Department, is now employed by Slagle Fire Equipment as a salesman. Stating his platform, King said, "I would like to see some of the unnecessary spending cut out. I would like to see peace and progress forever in the Town of Black Mountain."



A. F. Tyson

A. F. Tyson will be a candidate for mayor in the November 3 election. The furniture retail store owner stated that he believes the town needs a conservative businessman to steer town admini-

stration over the next two years.

"Last December, the voters passed a bond issue to help finance a balanced water improvement plan," Tyson said, "and I am determined to see that these plans are carried out. I am also determined to do my best to see that the tax payers dollar is spent wisely on this project."



# Cyclists to ride for leukemia

The 1981 Cycle for Life will take place in Black Mountain, Saturday, Oct. 3, Vinson Miller, area chairman for the event, announced this week. Proceeds from the bike-a-thon will be used in research and patient-aid for victims of leukemia, Miller said.

The two-mile route will be a loop along Old U.S. 70 and Yates Avenue. Prizes will be given to the riders.

At present, the Leukemia Society of America, North Carolina Chapter has \$492,935 in research projects granted in the state of North Carolina. These research projects are conducted at Duke University and the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

In spite of remarkable medical advances in the last 10 years, leukemia remains a number one killer disease of children. Leukemia is no longer a hopeless disease. Years ago, over 90 percent of everyone with leukemia died within six months but today the picture is much brighter for children and adults due to the research that has helped in treatment and diagnosis.

Anyone wishing information or entry blanks for the 1981 Cycle for Life can contact Miller at 669-8756 in Black Mountain.

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## Town council

# Company offers grant for Lukas tool

The McDonald's Corporation has offered to give the Town of Black Mountain a matching grant for the purchase of a Lukas power rescue tool, Alderman Doug Stafford announced at the Town Council meeting Monday night.

Firemen have raised about \$1,700 toward the purchase of the tool, sometimes called "the jaws of life," used to cut or pry wrecked vehicles away from accident victims. About \$6,600 is still needed, Stafford said.

Council members agreed to try to get money to match the McDonald's offer through county funds. Black Mountain Fire Chief Gary Bartlett said that Tuesday the county had already been

approached through a letter from acting town clerk Suzanne Turner, and a request for funds was denied. Bartlett said fire tax revenue is already appropriated for this year.

### Water project

Nilsson Engineering, engineers for the town water project, reported that they are progressing on schedule and in the process of designing the water system. They expect to complete designs and submit them to state agencies for approval within the next six weeks. They also reported that engineers from N.C. Department of Health Services advised against renovation of the old Hemphill reservoir because it is deteriorating extensively from the inside.

The Episcopal Diocese is expected to sign Thursday evening the agreement leasing land at In-the-Oaks to the town for wells.

### Road Paving

In other action Monday, Town council agreed to patch rather than repave East Hillcrest and Charlotte Streets.

### Annexation

Aldermen voted unanimously to annex an area off Lakey Gap Road, as petitioned by William Nichols.

### Sanitation

Harry Hyder and John Hamilton, owners of the sanitation service contracted by the town, will pick up trash from businesses for no charge once a week only. For additional pick-up, merchants will be charged \$2 each.

There will be no free pick-up of dumpsters, Hyder said. There is no provision for dumpster pick-up in the

contract with the town. The charge for dumpster pick-up was not set Monday night.

### Appointments

Mark Hooper was reappointed to the Board of Adjustments. Travis Childs was reappointed to the Planning Board.

### Four-way stop

Town Council reminded drivers that a new four-way stop has been installed at the corner of Church Street and Laurel Circle. "Stop" will also be painted on the pavement to increase visibility of the new signs.

### Petition

Additional signatures on a petition brought the total to about 300 on a petition brought before Town Council. The petition protests the 100-foot sign McDonald's proposes to erect near its new location on Highway 9.

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### Lakeview hosts 400 for picnic, fishing.



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# Town clerk appointed

Vinson Miller was appointed new Black Mountain town clerk Monday night by a majority vote of Town Council. The 22-year old Christmount resident graduated from Transylvania University in Lexington, Ky., with a

B.A. in political science.

He is the son of the late Rev. Earl Miller and the Rev. Mary Lou Miller, who also lives in Christmount.

Miller replaces Ernest Hudgins who resigned July 3.



Vinson Miller, town clerk

## Montreat

# Commissioners file for re-election

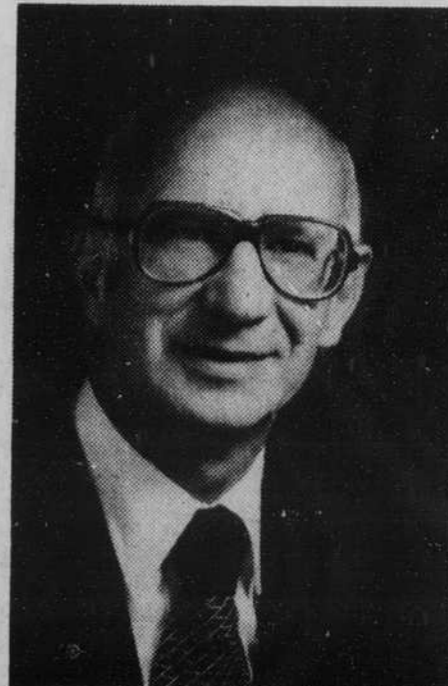
Montreat's three Town Commissioners, E. A. "Andy" Andrews, Ivan B. Stafford and John K. Abernethy, have filed to succeed themselves in office. All three incumbents were elected in 1977. Andrews and Dr. Stafford were two of the three original commissioners appointed by Act of Legislature when the town was chartered in 1967. The Abernethys moved to Montreat in 1973.

Of principal concern to the commissioners is completion of the transfer of the Montreat water and sewer system from the Mountain Retreat Association to the Town of Montreat. The principal agreement has been signed by both parties, but final state and federal approval has not yet been received. The system's need for improvements is vital to the Montreat community. All three have other hopes and plans for Montreat that they feel will take an additional term in office to complete,

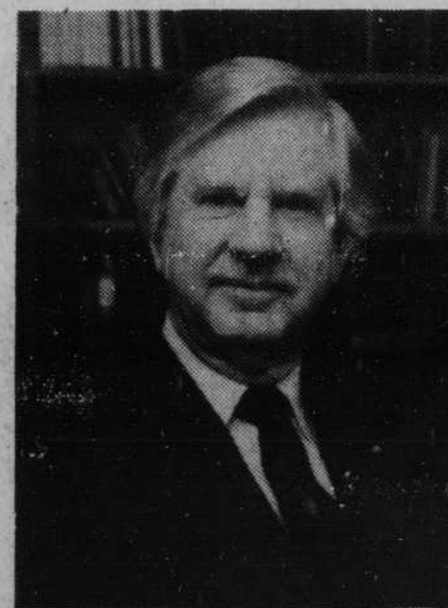
such as establishment of a town office, up-dating ordinances and continued improvement of roads.



Stafford



Andrews



Abernethy



# Roberson upsets Owen, 14-2

by Ron Price

The Roberson Rams struck for two quick first quarter scores to upset Owen 14-2 in the Warhorses' home opener Friday night. Jeff Wilson scored both touchdowns on short runs and also played excellent defense in the win which rudely popped Owen's bubble.

Roberson coach Bill Huffstetler had a solid book on the Warhorses and his beefy Rams carried out the game plan to perfection. The Rams gained considerable yardage running inside. Both Wilson and Chip Cagle gained over 100 yards. In addition the Rams gambled extensively on defense, blitzing linebackers and defensive backs, and the gambles paid off as the Owen passing game was rendered ineffective.

Randy Hadaway got things started with a bang by returning Jeff Gardner's opening kick-off 89 yards for a touchdown. The score was called back due to a clip but the Rams moved in from 33 yards with Wilson scoring on the fifth play. Teddy Fertler blocked Cagle's attempted point after.

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