

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Martin:

Please publish these comments in your edition of September 17th to 23rd.

The week September 17th-23rd has been set aside as Constitution Week. Our Constitution was declared in force this same week 1789. It has served us well and under its principles our nation has prospered and provided the greatest freedom and material well being ever enjoyed by mankind.

We are familiar with the three branches of government, the Le-

gislative, the Executive and the Judicial. It is the latter that I wish to comment on.

It is a fact that Supreme Court Justices are appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the U. S. Senate. These men are "in tune" with the political philosophy of the Chief Executive and a majority of members who control the political party in power. This is as it should be.

We have had nearly 40 years of "one party rule". The extreme longevity of the justices appointed has insured an innovative and social Court. This has been especially true of the immediate past 16 years.

A tremendous amount of good has come in the knocking down of barriers to freedom of our Negro citizens. The signal failing of the Court has been its overzealousness in protecting the rights of a suspected criminal during the investigation of the criminal act prior to and following arrest of the suspect. Once a verdict of guilty has been rendered by the criminal's peers punishment does not "fit" the crime, and most often is too lenient.

I wish to second guess the authors of the Constitution in one area. I believe that a mandatory retirement age of 70 should apply to justices in lieu of lifetime

appointments. Some men are blessed with clear minds and physical vigor at ages greater than 70. Most men are not so blessed. Improvement, perhaps as vital as assuring alert men on the bench, would result when more presidents would have an opportunity for making appointments. Greater balance between liberal and conservative philosophies of the total bench would result. Had such a system of appointments been in effect, the recent excesses would not have occurred.

There is much wrong with our country. And we all wish to eradicate all injustice. However, ours is still the most perfect government for the greatest number of citizens ever devised by man. Please join me in giving thanks for our citizenship in America.

Very truly yours,
B. F. Maner

(Ed. Note: Mr. Maner is a Republican candidate for Cleveland County Commissioner.)

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation to the many friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses and expressions of sympathy at the death of our loved one.

The Family of
Mrs. Effie Fredell

9:17

Shelby, N. C.
September 8, 1970

Dear Mr. Harmon:

Your kind and complimentary remarks about my role in the operation of the Cleveland County Selective Service Office makes me swell with pride and at the same time brings me to my knees in humility.

I accept with pride your opinion that I had sympathy, in fact it goes beyond that emotion to one of empathy for I was never able to build a veneer thick enough to ignore the sacrifice being made by young men called into service.

To discharge my duties with fairness was uppermost in all that I tried to do and if this fact is recognized as you implied, then I humbly accept your kind words.

Sincerely yours,
Clara E. Newman

Dear Editor:

"A SOLDIER'S HAPPY MOMENTS"

I am a soldier in Viet Nam. Away from home and lonesome too.

But serving proudly in Uncle Sam

But serving my country the RED WHITE & BLUE But a soldier's happiest moments is when he sees that iron bird Spec'ing over the big suburbs Hearing the engines humming Knowing he's going to his own HOME COMING

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miles or longer; an extra \$100 to each of the first 20 drivers to officially lead; \$1,100 in bonuses for second through fifth place if they are in the same lap with the winner and even an extra \$100 for the guy who most improves his starting position with his finish position. There's also extra money for the drivers who encounter problems and finish behind 15th place. They will get an extra dollar for each lap they complete.

Included in the record \$145,721 is \$11,625 that goes into the NAS-CAR Grand National point fund for distribution to the top twenty drivers at the end of the season. The top ten car owners also share in the fund. The National 500 fund contribution brings to \$25,000 put in the pot during the 1970 campaign by Charlotte Motor Speedway.

The entry field will be narrowed to the fastest 40 cars through time trials beginning Oct. 6. However, due to the events full international (F.I.A.) sanction which opens entries to all internationally licensed professional drivers, speedway officials have provided up to four additional starting places for any of the drivers ranked in the top twenty of the 1970 point battle at the time of the Charlotte event. An additional starting berth will be opened for each starting slot taken by non-NASCAR drivers entering under the F.I.A. condition with the additional spots being opened to any of the top 20 who are bumped from the original 40 slots.

Starting time for the 500 mile, 334-lap, chase starts at 12:30 on Oct. 11.

SWEETIE PIE



"Do you really steal people blind, like Pop says?"

Mrs. Baker's Rites Conducted

Funeral rites for Joseph David Baker, Sr., 59, of Clover, S. C., father of Mrs. Clyde Morrow and Mrs. Donald McNeely, both of Kings Mountain, were held Tuesday at 3 p.m. from the Church of God in Clover, S. C. with Rev. H. G. Gray officiating. Interment was in Pineview cemetery in Mount Holly.

Mr. Baker died Friday night at his home in Clover, S.C. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Della Randolph Baker; two additional daughters, Mrs. Joe Hike of Bessemer City and Miss Sylvia Baker of the home; seven sons, James David Baker, Jr. of Mount

Holly; Harold Richard Baker of Bessemer City; Larry Eugene Baker of Gastonia; Roger Lee Baker, Fred Baker, Vernon Baker, Everette Baker, all of the home; 17 grandchildren; one brother, Robert L. Baker of Mount Holly; and five sisters, Mrs. R. E. Sellers, of Belmont, and Mrs. E. S. Clemmer, Mrs. S. A. Rhyne, Mrs. M. E. Helms, Mrs. T. M. Randolph, all of Mount Holly.

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We wish to express our heartfelt appreciation to the many friends and neighbors for their kind expressions of sympathy at the death of Mrs. Addie Harbin. Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Moss and the Family of Mrs. Eddie Harbin.

40 & 8 Groups Meet Monday

Voiture 1180 Forty and Eight will meet Monday night at the Otis D. Green Post American Legion along with Voiture 1416 Veterans from Gastonia who will install new officers for 1970-71.

Oyster stew will be served dutch style. All officers are invited to be present for the ceremonies said David J. Delevie, a member of the local group.

Post, Auxiliary Set Meeting

Members of Frank B. Glass Post 9811, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and members of the Ladies Auxiliary will meet Monday night at 7:30 for a supper meeting.

All members are invited to attend as it will be "Membership Sign-up Night", said Commander Frank Glass.

Dinner will be served at the Post home on Margrace road. There were approximately 105, 500,000 licensed drivers in the United States in 1969.

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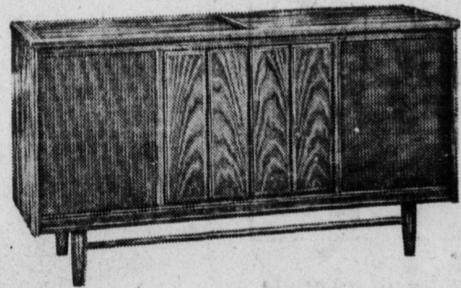
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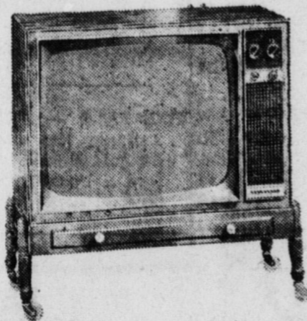
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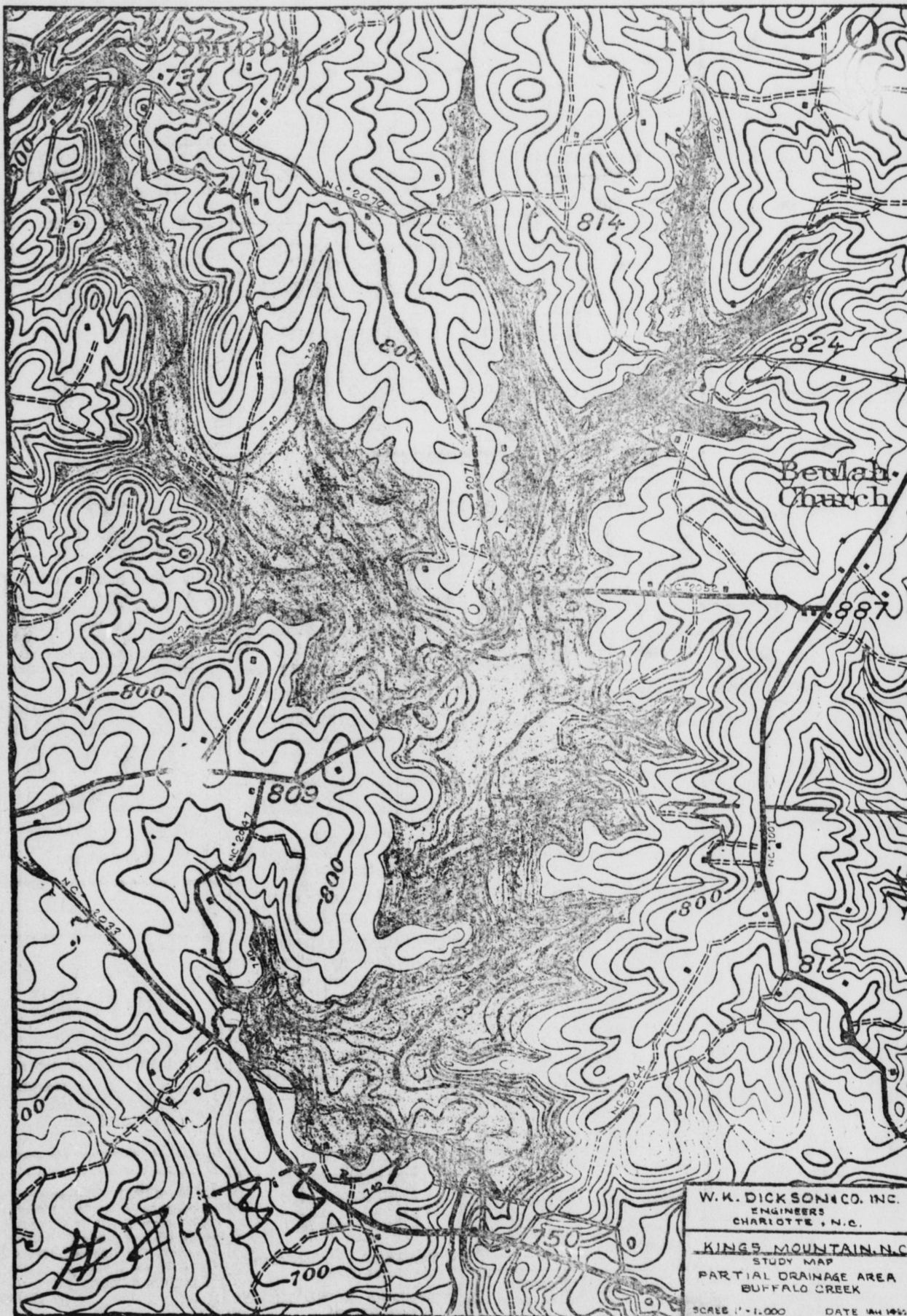
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WORK GOING WELL ON KINGS MOUNTAIN BUFFALO CREEK PROJECT — "If all goes well, we'll be pumping water to town by October 1st", said Dennis Fox, resident engineer for W. K. Dickson Company of Charlotte and the project essentially should

be marked "done" by January 1. The above is a map of the project area. Test runs, two days ahead of schedule, got underway yesterday.