

## BOARDS TELL NEGROES

# No Transportation To School Allowed

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"It is not possible for us to help you with the restrictions which have been placed upon us," was the way Dr. A. M. Lang summed up the school transportation problem faced by the mothers of 73 West Concord Street Negro children at a special joint meeting of the Morganton City Council and a Morganton City School Board committee Monday night.

Eight mothers, having a total of 88 children attending Mountain View school, listened as Dr. Lang, spokesman for the school board committee, outlined the situation the school system faced in an attempt to solve their problem.

The mothers had appealed be-

fore the school board at its regular meeting in August and then came before the city council last Monday night, on both occasions seeking aid in finding transportation to and from school for their children. Both groups had been told by the mothers that transportation costs coupled with school lunch fees was too much of a drain on their incomes.

One of the mothers who attended a brief meeting which followed a lengthy conference between the council and the school board committee has eight children attending school, two others have seven each, while still another has six. Lunches cost \$1.25 per week for each child, while transportation by privately owned buses costs \$1 per week for each child.

Although no mention was made of the salary of any of the mothers, observers estimated that most of them receive less than \$20 per week.

One of the mothers told the group that they had considered applying to the nearest school, (all-white Forest Hill), if some solution to the expensive proposition were not found. All eight at Monday night's meeting were emphatic in their desire to send their children to Mountain View if some solution to the transportation problem could be found.

Although he made it plain that the school board could not help them during the current school year, Dr. Lang agreed to help the mothers find a cheaper means of private bus transportation. He made no definite commitments for future school years.

The meeting was arranged last Monday night after the group appeared before the town council. Lang and fellow committee member Mrs. E. W. Phifer Jr., school board chairman Charles Carey and Superintendent Maston Parham

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## Ruritan Club Gets Charter

The newly-formed Glen Alpine Ruritan Club, the fifth in Burke County, received its charter last night at a dinner meeting in the agricultural department of Glen Alpine high school.

Some sixty persons were present for a hamburger cookout and a presentation ceremony in which the new club, formed with 34 members, was formally awarded its charter from Ruritan National.

Russell M. Gaylord, club president, accepted the charter from Carl Hennessee, president of the Oak Hill club which sponsored the new organization.

Raymond Craig of Happy Valley, district governor of Ruritan National for Western North Carolina, installed officers of the new club, charging them as to their duties.

Officers are: Russell M. Gaylord, vocational agricultural teacher at Glen Alpine high school, president; Rev. Oliver C. Price, vice-president; Dan R. Simpson, secretary; and Robert T. Pitts, treasurer.

Directors are W. C. Parton, Gorman Pitts and Wayne Huffman. Robert L. Amick of Gamewell, national director, was chief speaker, talking on the constructive purposes and aims of Ruritan National.

With formation of the fifth club, Burke County now has a total of some 200 Ruritan members who are working for the betterment of their communities and for the county.

Amick cited the work of Ruritan clubs in behalf of the Burke County Fair as outstanding project. Other Ruritan clubs in the county are Oak Hill, Salem, Chesterfield, and George Hildebrand.

The new Glen Alpine club, which has announced that its membership rolls will not be closed until October, has decided to meet the first

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because his Christian Democrats lost their absolute majority.

The Free Democrats (FDP) increased their seats in parliament from 41 to 66. Although they are the smallest of the "big three," the balance of power rests with the Free Democrats.

The Social Democratic Party now has 190 seats to the Christian Democrats' 243. Brandt and his followers want an all-party coalition government, but both the Chris-

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## Seek End Of GM Strike By Wednesday

By ROBERT IRVIN

UPI Automotive Editor

DETROIT (UPI) — The United Auto Workers and General Motors Corp. driving for an end Wednesday of a crippling eight-day strike, tried today to settle local plant contracts and remaining national problems still holding up full agreement.

GM, the world's largest automaker, was back in limited production but nearly 200,000 workers had not yet returned to their jobs. Settlements had been reached at 75 plants, with 44 to go.

UAW president Walter P. Reuther and GM vice president Louis G. Seaton tackled the four remaining

problems the union is pressing — an anti-discrimination clause, more union commitment to process grievances, and an end to compulsory overtime and foremen

working union jobs.

They were expected to bargain through the night in hopes of wrapping up a new contract in time for a meeting of the NAW's 280-member GM council Wednesday. If the council approves the package, GM could resume full production by the end of the week.

The first vehicle to roll off a GM assembly line in a week was produced Monday in Pontiac when a light duty pickup truck made by the GMC truck and coach division. GM said car production could begin today at the main Oshkosh plant in Lansing, Mich.

## Appointed

C. M. Cecil, purchasing agent for Southern Drexel Company in Hickory, has been promoted to purchasing agent for lumber for Drexel Enterprises Inc., effective to early October. It was announced today by Sam W. Freeman, director of purchasing.

In this new position, Cecil will be responsible for the procurement of all lumber and related items for all divisions of Drexel Enterprises, which includes the Drexel division with plants in Drexel, Morganton and Marion; Heritage and Morganton divisions with plants at High Point, Mocksville, and Morganton; and the Southern Drexel division at Hickory.

He will be attached to the main office located at Drexel.

Cecil joined Southern Drexel Company in 1937 and for the past 21 years had held the position of general purchasing agent. He is a member of the Carolinas-Virginia Purchasing Agents Association.

A native of Lexington, he attended local schools, later attending Cecil's Business College in Asheville.

He will continue to reside in Hickory where he lives with his wife and son at 1026 Fifth Avenue N. W.

He is a director of the Hickory Kiwanis Club, and a member of the Bethel United Church of Christ.

## License Tag, Ring Lead To Boy's Arrest

A license number and a high school class ring led to the dawn fall of an 18-year-old Marion youth who faces charges of breaking and entering in Burke County Criminal Court today at 2 p.m.

The trial of Donald Graye Woodie, of the Greasy Corner section of Marion, will follow one in Marion this morning in which the youth faces speeding and other charges. Deputy Sheriff T. S. Clin

Woodie is charged with breaking and entering the 1952 Ford of Phillip Thomas last Wednesday afternoon. The Thomas automobile was parked across the spillway bridge at Lake James and was headed south. Thomas surprised two men trying to pry open the glove compartment of his car and the front hubcaps had been removed and were lying on the road.

The two men jumped in their 1959 Ford and sped away with Thomas in pursuit, but Thomas got near enough to the speeding Ford which had a Chevrolet motor, to copy the license number.

Deputy Clin questioned Woodie Friday in Marion after checking out the license number and finding that the car was registered in the name of Woodie's mother.

Clin noticed a class ring on the boy's hand which Woodie turned around when he saw that Clin had seen it. The boy had told Clin that he attended school as far as the eighth grade and Clin was suspicious of him having a high school class ring.

On examination Clin discovered the ring was a 1959 Piedmont High School ring, class of 1959, and inside had the engraved initials

## BUDGET ANNOUNCED

# United Fund Drive's Goal Set At \$55,000

The Burke County United Fund budget for 1962 has been announced by C. Miller Sigmon, president.

The budget added up to a total of \$59,904.63 — less \$5,000 unused from a previous United Fund. This leaves a figure of \$54,904.63 to be raised in the annual campaign starting October 9.

Of the budget \$52,599.36 would be allocated to various county service institutions or groups. The largest single item here is \$21,199.36 for South Mountain Institute.

Also included are Burke County Polio Fund, \$9,000 — less \$3,000 unused from previous United Fund allocation; and leaving the figure at \$6,000. American Red Cross, \$7,200; Boy Scouts, Piedmont Coun-

ganton-Burke Public Library, \$1,000; Muscular Dystrophy Association, \$600; and Burke County chapter for Crippled Children and Adults, \$2,500.

Allocated to Carolinas United Community Services is \$4,000.

The break down on this is: O.S.O. \$1,035.05; Florence Christian Home, \$539.51; Children's Home Society, \$1,255.60; W.A.T.F. \$1,000.

County Adoption Service, \$500; United Medical Research Foundation of N. C., \$974.40; N. C. Assn. for Mental Health, \$200.

American Social Hygiene Association, \$99.51; American Heart Society, \$180; National Council on

Crime and Delinquency, \$172; National Recreation Association, \$49.74; National Travelers Aid Society, \$21.17; National S-

Welfare Assembly, \$11.09; and C-

## Houston To Be Center For Flights

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The space agency today picked Houston, Tex., as the site of a \$60 million laboratory which will serve as "command center" for manned flights to the moon in this decade and to the planets later.

James E. Webb, director of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), said the manned space flight research center will be built in Harris County on 1,000 acres of land provided the government by Rice University.

Construction of the center is expected to get under way late this year or early next.

Webb said it will serve as command center for the Apollo project to land three men on the moon before 1970. It also will

## BLOODED BOXSCORE

RALEIGH (UPI) — The 10 a.m. blooded boxscore on North Carolina highways as compiled by Department of Motor Ve-



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"That is untrue," Cutler said.

# No Transportation

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were in attendance along with the four city councilmen, city manager Robert Carr, town attorney John McMurray and Mayor H. L. Riddle.

Problems facing the school board as outlined to the council by Dr. Lang were: No school system transports children who live within one mile and a half of the school they attend and no city system is required to transport children to school regardless of the distance. If a city system does transport children, regardless of the distance, it cannot use state buses to do so.

School officials contacted C. C. Brown, director of the division of transportation for the state school system, who informed them that no city system in the state uses county-owned buses to transport children, one of the proposed solutions to the Morganton problem. Lang told the council that County Supt. R. L. Patton had pledged his cooperation in the matter if legalities would permit. Brown's information vetoed this proposal.

Brown also informed Lang that only three city systems in the state, Greensboro, Goldsboro and Elizabeth City, operate their own buses. Charlotte has an arrangement with a private bus line, and Raleigh, faced with a problem similar to Morganton's, pays a private company to transport Negro children.

Lang stated that the Morganton system could not possibly allocate money for transportation during the current school year because state law restricted the expenditure of funds to the purpose for which it had been budgeted. No funds were placed in the budget for transportation this year, and very likely could not be in the future unless an additional source of revenue was acquired.

Morganton schools receive their operating expenses from two sources, the county commissioners and the special 24-cent school tax. The tax itself cannot be spent for capital outlays, a category in which the purchase of buses would fall.

Lang informed the group that buses were originally purchased by the county systems, maintained by the state and replaced, when necessary, by the state.

Approaching the problem from the lunch standpoint, the council was informed that no children of working families could receive free lunches and that the increase in costs imposed this year was necessary in order to raise salaries of lunchroom employees to the same level as that of the state school employees, who were given raises by the legislature. Increased costs were necessary because law forbids the expenditure of

more than 28 percent of the total receipts for labor.

Town council members were against allocating city funds for transportation, being "afraid the whole thing would snowball." If transportation were provided for the West Concord Street children, four or five other groups who have made similar requests in the past would have the right to ask for transportation also was the general opinion voiced by the members.

Parham stated to the group that "No matter where you start, you would end up transporting at least 1,000 students."

In the past, five groups of parents have made requests for transportation. Some of the children involved live even further away from school than the West Concord Street group, it was pointed out.

The problem has state-wide significance since throughout the state children who live inside the city limits are walking farther to school than children who live outside. The entire problem rests in the complicated wording of the statute, which several General Assembly sessions have refused to change or modify.

Parham pointed out that children in the Shady Rest section do receive transportation as is required by law since they received it prior to the annexation of the area by the town.

At the conclusion of the meeting with the school board committee, the council acted upon four proposals which would normally come before their regular monthly meeting.

A petition for the extension of the curb on Ramsey Street and another for the curb, guttering and paving of Ann Street were approved.

The council passed a resolution specifying that Wheeler Dale should install a six-inch water line instead of a two-inch line as had been requested on his property near Carbon City.

Carr was requested to advertise for bids for a new motor grader to replace the 1953 model the town is now using.

## Stock Market

NEW YORK (UPI) — Stocks backed and filled narrowly in routine first hour dealings today. Steel, motor and chemical shares generally moved minor fractions although Chrysler 1/4 and DuPont rose 1/2 as passage of a bill to give its stockholders some tax relief in the sale of General Motors stock seemed assured.

Aircraft and electronic stocks held within 1/2 point of prior closing levels except for Litton which spurred ahead more than 2 and Emerson Electric which

kids. The resort the wife leads hubby and kiddies to turns out to be a nudist colony. Daunted, all hands move on to a glittering, expensive resort hotel nearby. Kids catch measles. End of vacation. Hubby and wife, at home recalling the fiasco, clinch. End of show.

King used this flabby story by Arnie Rosen and Coleman Jacoby to bounce one-line gags off his family of straight men. And when he tired of roaring punch lines at the wife and children, King would turn to the viewer to unleash a few more gags about suburbia, "kids, milkmen, lady drivers, lawn care and vacations."

While I usually enjoy King's monologues, I can't see that his material improves or lends itself to being acted out with a full cast of characters. George Burns, you will recall, tried this approach on TV and couldn't bring for him.

Denise Lor portrayed King's wife Monday night and again proved to be a cute comedienne. On balance, let's just say that King's package was tied together too trivially.

Dialing and Filing: Both CBS and NBC aired news specials Monday night that dealt with the death of U.N. Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold. The highlight of the NBC program was Pauline Frederick's biting analysis, during which she said the U.S.S.R. now will see to it that another Hammarskjold never again emerges at the U.N. The CBS program repeated Ed Murrow's "Person to Person" interview with the Swedish diplomat. Both shows worked in Nikita Khrushchev's table-thumping routine of last year.

"Expedition" launched its second season on ABC-TV Monday night with a fine story about a wild game hunt in Africa. One gripping scene showed the hunter being bowled over by a charging lion.

Another season began for "Surfside 6" on ABC-TV. Monday night's attack on crime involved such disparate items as a little girl, her stuffed doll, two murders, her divorced parents, a carnival, nymphomaniac and narcotics smuggler. This is progress. I don't think the little girl and her doll could get a job on this show last season.

"Pete and Gladys" brought in Gene (Bat Masterson) Barry for their 1961-62 debut on CBS-TV Monday. Barry did a song-and-dance act. Now if they can only work some comedy into the show. But the evening wasn't a total loss. "Whispering Smith" was shushed for good with Monday night's episode on NBC-TV.

The Channel Swim: "Crossing the Threshold," first of three 90-minute specials dealing with scientific frontiers in the space age, is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 24.

Goodnight was named foreman and Lawrence J. Yount, deputy foreman.

Members of the grand jury, who are expected to be in session through Tuesday, are Goodnight, Yount, Earl T. Duncan, Millard R. Patterson, Gailther O. Smith, Mrs. Flossie Frye, Stacy E. Little, Grover A. Anderson, Arthur McDowell, Guy Madison, R. B. Madison, Robert W. Ikard, Eugene Crump, E. R. Munday, Arlie Hugh Greene, Everett Sherrill, Earl P. Miller, Bergen Finger and Henry G. Patterson.



## PFC Charlie W. Ward Gets Certificate For Border Duty

PFC Charlie W. Ward, 24-year-old Morganton soldier, has been awarded a certificate in recognition of his service on the East-West German border.

The colorful certificate, signed by Lt. Col. Byron S. Smith, commanding the 8th Cavalry's 3rd Reconnaissance Squadron, was forwarded here to Ward's parents Mr. and Mrs. William L. Ward.

The inscribed certificate notes "For outstanding service on the East-West German border during the period 6 May 1961 and to 2 May 1961, and being held in high esteem by the officers and men of the 8th Cavalry, (PFC Ward) awarded this border certificate."

The certificate was inscribed a Bad Hersfeld, Germany.

PFC Ward has been in Germany since last October 3. He entered the army in April 1960.

## Drive Safely

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## Thrift Sale Saturday At Grace Church

Women of Grace Episcopal will hold a thrift sale in the house Saturday, beginning 9 a.m. Mary's chapter, with Miss Pearson as chairman, and Martha's chapter, with Mrs. Darwin as chairman, are conducting the sale.

Women of the church are to contribute to the thrift sale. Cooked food sales. All clothing sold should be cleaned and pressed to the parish house not later than Thursday morning in order to mark it for sale. Cooked food should not be delivered to parish house until Saturday a.m., the co-chairmen said.

## Job To Speak Caldwell

Sam E. Cobb of Morganton, chairman of the Republican party in North Carolina, will speak Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at Lower School auditorium in Caldwell County.

Appearance is being sponsored by the Caldwell County Republican Women and the Caldwell Young Republicans. Mrs. Mikeal is president of the Y organization, and Dave is president of the YRC. They are looking forward to a large attendance from each precinct. Mrs. Mikeal and Flaherty

## Parent-Teacher Groups To Meet

Olive Hill-Mountain View Parent-Teachers Association will meet Thursday night at 7:30 p.m. at Olive Hill Gymnasium. Film will be shown at the meeting. Parents and patrons are urged to attend.

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Democrats and the Free Democrats have flatly rejected their proposal that sporadic fighting continued in what had turned into a virtual ghost town since last Wednesday when U.N. troops moved in to try to unite the Congo.

dipped more than a point in the drug. Honolulu continued to feature the oils rising more than a point on renewed hopes for a favorable

to the late Dag Hammarskjold, U.N. secretary general, instead of a "Biography of a Hurricane."

CITY INVITES GAGARIN  
GENOVA, Italy (UPI) — Soviet

6 Months	7.8
4 Weeks	1.2
Week	1.2
Mail Rate In Burke County and Adjoining Counties	
12 Months	612.0
6 Months	6.5
3 Months	4.0
Mail Rate Elsewhere in the United States	