

FHA Loans To Part-Time Farmers Help Raise Incomes

80 County Farm Families Received Income From Off-Farm Work

An increasing number of farmers working off the farm part-time in North Carolina are using operating credit from Farmers Home Administration to improve the agricultural part of their earnings, W. K. Anderson, supervisor of the agency for Madison County, said last week.

Mr. Anderson reported that in Madison County about 50 percent of his operating loans in 1963 were made to these farmers.

Approximately 80 Madison County farm families using operating credit from Farmers Home Administration received a part of their income in 1963 from off-farm work, Mr. Anderson said.

Mr. Anderson released the figure to illustrate how important are recent changes in his agency's loan-making authorities in areas such as Madison County where a large number of farmers work off their farms.

Recently Farmers Home Administration has expanded its loan assistance to families on small farms.

This includes farms operated on a part-time basis.

Operating loans from FHA can be used by part-time farmers for such purposes as the purchase of feed, seed, fertilizer, machinery and other equipment. The interest rate is 5 percent, and the maximum period of the loan seven years.

Mr. Anderson said many farmers in the county who operate small farms but obtain most of their income through another job may be overlooking an opportunity of increasing their income.

"Small amounts of credit from a government loan, such as a bank of \$100, can help a farmer replace an old inefficient machine or purchase new equipment more suitable for his part-time farming operation. If well planned, with definite income objectives in mind, this can be one of the best investments he can make."

"Where a conventional lender is unable to extend credit, FHA may be able to provide the financing for eligible part-time farmers," Mr. Anderson said.

The Farmers Home Administration Office serving Madison County is located in the Citizens Bank Building in Marshall and is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a. m. until 5:00 p. m.

Bill Hollingsworth Wins Merit Award

W. T. (Bill) Hollingsworth of Asheville, State Motor Club district manager for Madison County, has won the company's Merit Award for outstanding performance during 1963, Thomas B. Watkins, president, announced. Watkins and Hugh Cranford, Charlotte division manager, commended Hollingsworth highly for his achievement.

Gilvary Of WWNC Saturdays In Feb.

Father Paul Gilvary, Catholic Priest of Our Lady Loretta Church, of Hot Springs and the Church of The Little Flower at Revere, spoke last Saturday over radio station WWNC in Asheville.

The program, "A Catholic Speaks," will continue through the next four Saturdays of February at 1:15 o'clock.

Tire Recapping Shop Now Under New Management

The Marshall Tire & Recapping Company, formerly owned by Bill Zink, has been purchased by Lloyd Lewis and Ernest Ramsey.

The name of the business is now Marshall Tire & Recapping Center and is located at the lower end of Main Street here.

Asheville Man Dies From Fall In Mars Hill Thurs.

An Asheville man was fatally injured when he fell off a store building he was helping to repair at Mars Hill, Thursday afternoon. Dewey W. Mayberry, 32, of 380 Beauchamp Rd., Asheville, died in an Asheville hospital of injuries received in the fall.

Dr. W. A. Sams, Madison County coroner, said Mayberry, an employee of Service Paints, Inc., of Asheville, and some other men were repairing the roof of the E. S. Gibbs Store when Mayberry fell off the rear of the building and down a steep slope.

Dr. Sams ruled the death accidental and said no inquest will be held.

Mayberry had resided in Buncombe County for the past six years and attended the Baptist Church. He was employed in the roofing department of Service Paint Co.

Southern Railway Presents Check For \$34,079.53 Here

Southern Railway reports that it has this week presented the tax collector of Madison County with a check for \$34,079.53, representing the payment of its 1963 ad valorem taxes.

Total of all 1963 direct taxes, state and local, paid or to be paid by Southern Railway System in North Carolina is estimated to be more than \$2,100,000.

MEN INDUCTED INTO U. S. ARMY ON WEDNESDAY

The following men were sent to Charlotte for induction into the Army on February 5:

Wilburn Lee Edwards, Mark Gilbert Griffin, Brue Alan Worley, Anson Robert Johnson, Kenneth Dwight Wallin, Merritt Lee Sprinkle, Roy Dennis Chandler, Louis Caldwell, Bobby Woodrow Waldroup, Donald Earl Gardner, Ronald David Massey.

The following enlisted in the Armed Forces:

McKinley Tilson Greene Jr., in the U. S. Navy Reserve; Bobby Lee Randall, U. S. Army Reserve; Coy Newton Suttles, Army National Guard; William Bruce Buckner, U. S. Navy; Bruce Elton Greene, U. S. Army Reserve; Jefferson Wayne Flynn, U. S. Navy; David Hugh Pate, Army National Guard; Roy Gus Ballard, Army National Guard.

The Local Board sent 76 men for pre-induction examination on Jan. 28 and 34 were sent for examination on February 5.

TWO PINTS A DAY

San Francisco—Jim Garner, a college student and hemophilia victim, needs two pints of blood a day to keep alive. Fellow students at San Francisco State College keep him supplied with the necessary blood for transfusions. Garner is married and has an 18-month-old son.

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If this newspaper is notified before you move to a new address, or change street number, you need not miss a single copy.

MARSHALL FFA WINS HONORS AT ERWIN

Marshall F.F.A. won first place in the Tool Judging Contest held at Erwin High School, January 31.

East Yancey came in second and Erwin came in third.

Members of the Marshall team were David Rice, Jerry Anderson, Bula Coates and Leonard Howell. Mr. Jack C. Cole was the coach. The team had a perfect score of 300.

The team will represent the Blue Ridge Federation in the State contest in Raleigh the last of June at the F.F.A. Convention.

NEW SEWAGE PLANS BEING STUDIED NOW

Just what's going on now that the sewage bond issue has been passed?

Word from officials reveal that the core drilling which has been going on here for several weeks has been completed and detailed plans and specifications for the project are proceeding rapidly.

As soon as there is notice of further advancement the newspaper will publish details.

STRAWBERRY PLANTS WILL BE AVAILABLE

The Madison County Extension office is accepting orders for Tennessee Beauty strawberry plants which will be delivered in March.

The strawberry plants have been made ready with Maryland County Extension Service and a number of adjoining counties. The nursery from which the strawberry plants are coming from has been inspected by our Extension Plant Pathologist and the conditions under which the plants have been handled have been excellent during the past few years. Farmers wishing to purchase the strawberry plants should contact the county agricultural agent's office and get their orders in.

This service has been made available to Madison County farmers for the past three years and response by farmers and home gardeners on these plants has been excellent. Some very good reports have been received on the ability of these plants to yield a high quality berry.

Some 36 operators within the county have not as yet returned their 1963 tobacco marketing cards. Since all markets in this area have closed, farmers must return their marketing cards or otherwise properly account for the disposition made of their tobacco. Failure to do so will cause a reduction in the 1964 tobacco allotment. Allotment notices for 1964 will be withheld for farms which do not return their cards or otherwise account for the disposition made of their 1963 crop.

Farmers who have not returned their cards are urged to do so immediately.

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PUPPET SHOW AT MARSHALL SCHOOL FRIDAY

Girl Scouts To Aid In Drop-Out Problem; Interesting Program

Marshall School will have the first Puppet Show of 1964 in 10 counties covered by the United Girl Scout Council this Friday in an effort by Girl Scouts to have a service project helping the drop-out problem in schools.

The Puppet Show was written following research and conferences with educators and authorities on the problem. A script was written and distributed to interested troops in the 16 Western North Carolina counties.

Two sets of puppets were made by Mrs. Tina Bellman of Waynesville, vice president of the council and a puppet workshop was held to teach leaders how to make puppets and produce puppet shows.

The premises of the puppet show in Marshall is a special tribute to Mrs. D. A. Gregory, of Marshall, president of the United Girl Scout Council. A schedule of performances in other counties has been made using the two available sets of puppets; it is hoped they may make their own puppets and make arrangements to use them when they have other performances in Madison County will be given the first show in March.

Participating in Friday's performance will be Junior Troop 54 with leaders, Mrs. Troy Head, Mrs. Charles Matheson and Mrs. Cray Matheson, and Captain Troop 59 with leaders, Mrs. James Prichard and Mrs. Red Jones. A Brownie show using marionettes will be given on the 10th Little League Day, and Troop 54, Captain Beverly Troy, will exhibit Junior Scouts and the Varsity Troop.

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Definite Anti-Polio Plans To Be Made Tuesday

BRIGGS HEADS REPUBLICANS IN MADISON

Delegates Named; Roberts Rise On Executive Committee

Bruce R. Briggs, of Mars Hill, was elected chairman of the Madison County Republican Executive Committee at the GOP's biennial Madison County convention Saturday afternoon in the courthouse here.

Briggs, a Mars Hill native who practices law in Asheville, will serve two years. Mrs. Jake Lunsford of Walnut was elected vice chairman; and E. M. Ward of Marshall, secretary-treasurer.

A graduate of Mars Hill College, Briggs also attended Western Carolina College and graduated from Wake Forest Law School in 1955.

He was admitted to the North Carolina Bar Exam, following graduation, and will now begin to practice law in Asheville. His Asheville office are located in the Goffett Building.

Delegates were also named to the Congressional District Convention which will be held in Henderson County courthouse on February 10 and also delegates were named to the State Convention in Greensboro, February 15.

E. E. Rice and L. P. Roberts were named members of the North Carolina Delegation to the State Convention from Madison County.

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OTHERS TO BEGIN WEDNESDAY P.M. CLOSING HERE

In addition to the Marshall banks, it was announced this week that the National 5c & 10c store and all independent grocery stores here will begin closing at noon on Wednesdays beginning Wednesday, Feb. 19.

COP NO PLUMBER

Baltimore, Md. — Lt. Frank Weber, of the Baltimore county police, has decided to stick to his job of being a cop and let someone else fix his plumbing. Attempting to fix a leaking faucet on an overhead water tank at his home recently, Weber yanked on the faucet with a wrench. The 30-gallon tank broke loose from the ceiling, hit him on the head, scraped his face, and knocked him down. Taken to the hospital, eight stitches were required to close the gash in his head. A plumber was called to fix the leak.

DIFFERENT

Some people save for a rainy day—others for a wet night.

Annual Choral Clinic At Mars Hill College Fri.-Sat.

Approximately 250 high school students from throughout Western North Carolina, Eastern Tennessee and upper South Carolina, are expected here Friday and Saturday for the 16th annual choral clinic sponsored by Mars Hill College.

The two-day workshop will give the talented singers and opportunity to work together under a famous choral director and will encourage their interest in better choral music. Directors of the participating schools will be present also.

Instruction and rehearsal sessions will be directed by Dallas Draper, music professor and choir director at Louisiana State University. The clinic will be climaxed Saturday night with a public concert featuring the visiting singers.

Coordinator of the school is Elwood Roberts, a long-time member of the Mars Hill music faculty.

Schools to be represented in-

clude Lee Edwards, Allen, Charles D. Owen, East Henderson, Haynesville, Sylva-Webster, Waynesville, Canton, Glen Alpine, Morganton, Valdese, Hildebran, Hickory, Dallas, Newton-Conover, Statesville, Maiden, Kings Mountain, Lincolnton, Appalachian, Wilkes Central, North Mecklenburg, Wilkes Park, Albemarle, Rutherfordton-Spindale, Chase, East Rutherford, Tryon, Spartanburg, S. C., and Cooke County and Union County of Tennessee.

1964 FEED GRAIN PROGRAM IS VOLUNTARY

Participation in the 1964 feed grain program will be entirely voluntary, as in earlier years, according to Emory Robinson, chairman of the ASC county committee. Only those growers who take part in the program, however, will be eligible for price support on the three feed grains: corn, barley, and grain sorghum.

Producers in farms which grew any of the grains in either 1959 or 1960, or both years, will have the opportunity to sign up in the program during the period February 10 through March 27. In the meantime, ASCS county office staffs will answer any questions growers may have.

The grower who diverts as many acres as he signs up to divert—at least 20 percent if his farm's total feed grain base—and carries out other provisions of the program will earn a payment for acreage diversion and will become eligible for the feed grain price-support loan and payment. Since the payments vary by crops, the diversion payment will be based on the kind of feed grain planted. A higher rate of diversion payment will apply where more than the minimum 20 percent of the base is diverted.

The acreage diverted from production of the feed grains is to be devoted to an approved conservation use, and this acreage is in addition to the conservation-use base acreage on the farm.

Payments will average higher this year, and the maximum diversion is higher. A new provision in the 1964 program limits the diversion payment to no more than 20 percent of the fair market value of the land diverted in 1964.

LOOK AND PREPARE

Look to the future and prepare—don't look back and regret.

World Day Of Prayer To Be Observed Here

Services will be held at the Presbyterian Church of Marshall on Feb. 14 in observance of the World Day of Prayer. Services will begin at 2:30 p. m., with all local churches participating. Everyone is invited to attend.

"Where hurt and pain, hunger and need are found—your voices and your hands and talents reach out to help in a thousand places and in a thousand ways," Shea said.

Five new directors were elected to the board for three-year terms, and four others were reelected for a similar length of time.

New members are Eugene M. Carr Jr., Joseph P. Quinn, Leon Rocaamor, Gen. George C. Stewart and Richard Wynne. Reelected for three years were Mrs. J. (Continued To Last Page)

Mars Hill Grange To Observe Open House Tuesday

The Mars Hill Grange No. 1940 plans to observe open house at their February 11 meeting at the Mars Hill Community Center at 7:30 p. m.

Mr. Virgil Settle of Elkin, and Mr. Norman Randall of Lakeview, officers of the North Carolina State Grange, have been invited to attend the meeting.

All members are urged to attend, and bring a guest.