



County Cage Tourney To Start Here Tues. Night

Vital Steps Being Taken To Assure Tomato Shed

Cooperation Of Public Essential; Financial Aid Needed

Businessmen, farmers, and others interested in the reality of a tomato packing plant in this county are busily engaged in necessary negotiations which if successful could mean that the tomato plant will be in use by this season — July and August. This reality can only be made possible, however, if county businessmen and farmers do their part.

It is necessary that county people invest approximately \$18,000 in the Madison County Development Board as this is the local share of the \$86,000 required to construct the building. If this amount is raised and the building constructed, the Development Board will lease the building to the MATO Packing Co., Inc.

The local share of financing of the Packing Company and equipment will be \$10,000, in addition to the \$18,000 for construction by the Development Board.

C. E. Mashburn, president of the Development Board, announced this week that \$17,361.00 of the \$18,000 has been subscribed with \$5,481.00 actually paid in, leaving a balance of \$11,880.00 needed to complete the obligation of the Development Board.

The \$10,000 needed by MATO, must be raised by February 17 if plans are to go forward in getting the plant in operation this year, Mr. Mashburn said.

"Those who have pledged and not paid are asked to make their payments to C. D. Bowman, treasurer, Madison County Development Board, Marshall, N. C., immediately. Others who wish to invest in MATO are asked to contact Harry Silver, E. C. Teague, or L. B. Ramsey.

All farmers interested in raising tomatoes should contact Harry Silver, farm agent, so specific acreage can be determined for the first year the plant is in operation.

Spring Creek, Marshall Game Tonight Here

The basketball game between Spring Creek and Marshall which was postponed Tuesday night due to weather will be played tonight (Thursday) at the local gym. Girls game will start at 7 o'clock.

SPRING STOCKER CATTLE SALE TO BE HELD APR. 14

On April 14, at the Asheville Livestock Yard, the second annual spring stocker cattle sale will be held. As it is history that the first sale last spring was a very great success and it looks like there will be even more animals this year. Both unbred heifers and steers will be sold. There is a minimum weight of 300 lbs., and no maximum weight. The cattlemen must guarantee his heifers to be open and there will be a \$30.00 refund on any heifers that prove to be bred at the time of sale. We look for the market to be good in the spring, as many of last year's drought victims from Virginia will be looking for cattle to restock with this spring. All cattle must be consigned at the County Agent's office prior to the sale, the same as for the fall stocker and feeder calf sales.

Seven Meeting Places And Dates Listed; Seed To Be Available

Prospects of a modern tomato packing and grading shed to be built on the By-Pass in Marshall are excellent.

Production and sale of trellised tomatoes offer excellent returns per acre and for the farmers labor and management. If you are an old producer you know this; if you are looking for more income, you should learn about it. This could be a great opportunity for you.

A meeting will be held at the place and time listed below for your benefit. At these meetings, you will have, illustrated with color slides, discussion on: (1) varieties, (2) Plant Production, (3) Selection of field, (4) Fertilization, (5) Disease and insect control, and (6) Cost of production and anticipated income per acre.

There will be Manapal and Manalucic seed available at the meetings.

A request has been made by S.B.A. for us to have signed up the proposed production to be marketed through the new plant in Marshall, so we will ask you to sign up, if you plan to market in Marshall. This is very important.

The place and time of meeting nearest you is as follows:

Claude Cody Store, Thursday, Feb. 12, 7 p. m.

Mars Hill High School, Monday, Feb. 17, 7 p. m.

Marshall — Courthouse, Monday, Feb. 17, 1:30 p. m.

Walnut School, Tuesday, Feb. 18, 7:00 p. m.

Laurel High School, Wednesday, Feb. 19, 1:30 p. m.

Spring Creek High School, Friday, Feb. 14, 1:30 p. m.

Salvation Army Center (Sleepy Valley Community — near Hot Springs) Friday, Feb. 14, 7 p. m.

Baley Permanent GOP Con. Chm'n In Buncombe

Delegates to the annual convention of the Buncombe County Republican Party, meeting Saturday afternoon in the Courthouse in Asheville, elected James B. Baley permanent convention chairman and approved a number of resolutions including one with bouquets to Democrats who bolted in the 1962 elections.

INITIATIVE Usually it's the man with no family tree who branches out and succeeds on his own.

County Heart Fund Drive Continues Throughout Feb.

Goal Of \$1,410.00 Set For County; P. W. England Heads Campaign

The 1964 Heart Fund Drive is underway in Madison County and will continue throughout this month.

Printess England, of the Madison County Farm Office, is County Heart Fund Chairman and Mrs. Ernestine Plemmons, of the French Broad Electric Membership Co-op, is treasurer. Dr. Powell of Mars Hill, is the medical representative; Jim Story is publicity chairman; Mrs. Ethel Waldin is serving as Rural Heart Fund Director and Supt. Robert L. Edwards is Rural School Chairman.

BRIGGS GETS FIVE YEARS IN PRISON

Indicted For The Murder Of Leroy Edward Snyder Of Mars Hill

James Eugene Briggs, 30, of Asheville, who pleaded guilty to a charge of manslaughter in Buncombe County Superior Court Tuesday, was sentenced to five years in prison by Judge P. C. Fronberger Wednesday morning.

Briggs and his wife, Irene, 29, had been indicted for murder in the Aug. 26 pistol slaying of Leroy Edward Snyder, 29, of Mars Hill. Judge Fronberger non-suited the charge against Mrs. Briggs Tuesday, and the state accepted Briggs' plea to reduced charge.

Anti-Polio Oral Vaccine To Be Given Sunday, March 8

Organization Is Formed; Schools To Be Feeding Stations

Complete organization of county forces to administer oral vaccine to Madison County people of all ages on Sunday, March 8, was completed Tuesday night at a meeting here of doctors, nurses, and other leaders.

Dr. W. Otis Duck, coordinator of the massive drive, presided at the meeting and it was announced that the schools throughout the county would be the feeding stations for the two treatments. The first sugar cube feeding will be held on Sunday, March 8 and the second feeding on Sunday, May 10.

Dr. Duck stated that there are absolutely no "after effects" of the oral treatments. The following doctors will be in charge at the schools listed below:

Spring Creek, Dr. David Kimberly; Hot Springs, Dr. Robert Norton; Laurel, Dr. Charles Powell; Walnut, Dr. J. L. McElroy; Marshall, Dr. W. A. Sams; Mars Hill, Dr. Ernest Powell; Beech Glen, Dr. William A. Whitson; Ebbs Chapel, Dr. Margery Lord. The Mars Hill Civitan Club and Fire Dept., and the Marshall Lions Club have offered their assistance in transportation and other chores. The Rev. and Mrs. David B. Roberts will be in charge of church par-

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C. M. NORTON ANNOUNCES FOR STATE SENATE

3-Way Race In 34th District As Ponder, Bailey, And Norton Announce

The campaign for the Democratic nomination to the state senate from the newly-formed 34th District has developed into a three-way race with the entry of a McDowell County candidate.

Clyde M. Norton of Old Fort, a member of the McDowell County Board of Commissioners, entered the field Saturday.

Previously, Zeno H. Ponder, of this county, announced that he was a candidate and this announcement was followed by a like announcement from J. Yates Bailey, of Burnsville, who served in the state senate last term.

Norton, who operates a furniture store in Old Fort, has been a county commissioner for eight years and has been active for a number of years in the Democratic Party in McDowell County. He is also active in state politics and was a delegate to the 1960 Democratic National Convention in Los Angeles, Calif.

Here Next Thursday



Dan K. Moore, Democratic candidate for governor of North Carolina, will speak to the Madison County Women's Democratic Club at their regular meeting on Monday night, February 24, at the Madison County Courthouse. The meeting will begin at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. George B. Shupe, president, urges all members of the club to attend, and all Democrats and interested persons, both male and female, are invited to come hear Mr. Moore. The Teen-Dems have a special invitation to attend, Mrs. Shupe said.

Mr. Moore will also make a brief visit with interested Madison County people on Thursday morning, February 20, at 8 o'clock at the Courthouse.

JUDY FRISBY OUTSTANDING WNC ATHLETE

Marshall Star One Of Five Chosen For High Honor

By RICHARD MORRIS Citizen Sports Writer

Girl basketball stars representing five counties were named during the weekend as finalists in competition for the most outstanding girl athlete of Western North Carolina.

The five are Brenda Gail Beatty of Cliffside in Rutherford County, Sarah Hill of Edynville in Henderson; Ann Marie Sossaman of Swain in Swain; Janis Elaine Blankenship of North Buncombe and Judy Frisby of Marshall.

The five were selected by a secret committee acting under the auspices of the Mountain Amateur Athletic Club and Land of the Sky Touchdown, sponsors of the WNC Sports Awards Banquet on Feb. 16 at which time the winner will be announced.

The five were picked from a field of a dozen and a half nominees from all over WNC. They

Sign-up Under 1964 Feed Grain Program Begins Here

Farmers interested in enrolling in the 1964 Feed Grain Program may now file their intentions with the ASCS Office according to Ralph Ramsey, county ASCS Office Manager. The sign-up period will run for seven weeks, starting on February 10 and ending on March 22.

As in previous years, Ramsey explained, the Feed Grain Program will be voluntary and each individual producer on farms growing one of the three feed grains covered by the program will make his own decision about whether to take part. The program is available only for corn, grain sorghum and barley.

To take part in the program, the farmer must agree to take out of production and devote to an approved conservation use at least

Junior Varsity Pairings Made; Final Games Saturday Night

1ST WNC DAIRY CONFERENCE TO BE HELD FEB. 18

All the dairy farmers are invited to attend the first Western North Carolina dairy conference to be held at the Battery Park Hotel in Asheville, Thursday, February 18. The program is as follows:

Presiding M. E. Hollowell, District Agricultural Agent.

10 a. m., Outlook for the Dairy Industry, J. O. Bowen, vice president, Sealtest Foods, Charlotte.

10:45 a. m., Managing the Herd for High Production, Marvin Senger, In Charge Extension Dairy Husbandry.

11:30 a. m., Lunch; Presiding, G. C. Palmer, Jr., Chairman, Dairy Committee, Asheville Agricultural Development Council.

12:45 p. m., Nutrition Effects of High Grain and Silage Feeding on the Dairy Cow, Dr. W. Ray Murley, Professor, Dairy Husbandry.

1:30 p. m., Feeding for Profit, Dr. Donald G. Davenport, Asst. Professor Dairy Husbandry.

2:15 p. m., Free-Stall Housing, Guy S. Parsons, Ext. Dairy Husbandry Specialist.

As you can see by the program this will be well worth the time of anyone interested in dairying to attend this conference.

TEACHER EXAMS TO BE GIVEN AT MHC SATURDAY

Approximately ninety-two prospective school teachers are expected to take the National Teacher Examinations at Mars Hill College, Saturday, February 15.

The exams, administered throughout the nation by the Educational Testing Service of Princeton, N. J., will be given in Memorial Library Auditorium under the supervision of John Hough, head of the college's department of education.

About 75 of those taking the exams will be Mars Hill College seniors majoring in education, Hough said.

The tests, which help teachers and prospective teachers discover their own strengths and weaknesses, are being required by more and more public school systems across the country. The N. C. State Board of Education recently

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All-Season Team To Replace All-Tournament; Games Start At 6

Get out your aspirin, bufferin or any medicine remedy and have them ready because the annual Madison County High School Basketball Tournament starts in the Marshall gym next Tuesday night. Four games will be played each night through Saturday when the champions of 1964 will be presented trophies and miniature basketballs.

It was announced by tournament officials that instead of an All-Tournament team being selected on tournament play, an All-Season team will be selected by the coaches and endorsed by the principals of players who have been most outstanding throughout the current season. There will be 12 girls selected and 10 boys for the honors, it was explained.

The Junior Varsity games will begin each night at 6 o'clock with the varsity competition getting underway about 8:30 o'clock. Quarters in the Jayvee games will consist of six minutes while the regulation eight minutes will prevail in varsity competition.

Current leaders in the regular season play in the county are the Mars Hill girls who have not been defeated (8-0) and the Marshall Tornados with a 7-1 record.

Capacity crowds are expected for every game and drivers are asked to park as systematically as possible so those who must

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GIRL SCOUTS CONGRATULATE BOY SCOUTS

The Madison County Girl Scout Neighborhood would like to congratulate the Boy Scouts of Madison County on the 54th birthday of Boy Scouts of America, being observed this week.

"We are proud of the new Boy Scout Troop in Marshall and wish for them every success," Mrs. Clyde M. Roberts, Girl Scout Neighborhood Chairman, stated.

Mrs. Bruce Murray Named County Chairman RIHA

Appointment of Mrs. Bruce K. Murray of Mars Hill as Madison County membership chairman of the Roanoke Island Historical Association has been announced. The Association perpetuates the memory of the first English settlement on Roanoke Island in 1587 through the annual production of Paul Green's "The Lost Colony," oldest and longest-running of all the Nation's outdoor symphonic dramas.

The appointment was made by Mrs. L. Y. Ballentine of Raleigh, State membership chairman. All members enrolled prior to June 1 will have their names listed in the souvenir program of "The Lost Colony" and will receive free tickets to the 1964 production of the play, June 25 through August 30.

BLOODSHED BOX SCORE ON N. C. HIGHWAYS

Raleigh — The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a. m., Monday, February 10: Killed to date last year 155