

## This Sunday Is Final Clinic In Stop Polio Drive

### Honest Election Officials Plugged By Dem Chief

Crew Speaks In Asheville Thurs.; Deplores Voter Participation

Politics are important to good government, and there's nothing more important in politics than honest and capable election officials, W. Lunsford Crew, state Democratic Party chairman, told a gathering at a Buncombe County rally in Swannanoa Thursday night of last week.

Crew said election officials have the most thankless job in party politics, and the losers always feel it was their fault that they didn't win.

Speaking at a rally sponsored by the Buncombe County Democratic Women in Charles D. Owen School, the state chairman said that even more important than being a candidate is being a voter. "Your vote counts as much as any other man's — as much as the candidate's or as much as anybody's vote, in this country, the most shocking thing in politics is the level of voter participation," Crew said.

He defined the results of political participation as good candidates and good government. "As voter participation increases, so will the quality of candidates," he added.

"North Carolina has been developed through politics. The first settlers came here to get away from politics they didn't like and to institute some which they would like."

### WINTER FEED

Many of our dairymen had the experience this spring of running out of silage and hay before the grass in our pastures had started.

### SCHOOL BOND VOTE SET FOR NOVEMBER 3

An election on a \$100 million school bond issue, authorized by the 1935 General Assembly, will be held Nov. 3, the date of the general election, Gov. Sanford announced Friday.

Sanford said he hopes the bond issue will pass "and I will

### PACIFIC MILLS ANNUAL PICNIC TO BE MAY 30

The Hot Springs plant of Pacific Mills will celebrate its 10th anniversary of operations with a picnic May 30 for all employees and their families.

R. Neill Ross, manager of the local yarn-producing facility, said the picnic will be held at the plant "to honor the many long-service employees without whose help the progress we have made through the years would have been impossible."

The Hot Springs plant, source of combed cotton yarn, is one of the largest in the South. It is owned and operated by Pacific Mills, a subsidiary of Burlington Industries, is the result of the civic enterprise and cooperation of a group of Madison County citizens. In an industry-seeking drive spearheaded by the Hot Springs Men's Civic Club, the modern textile operation was built largely through financial contributions.

### COUNTY DEMOS CONVENTION HERE SATURDAY

State Convention Delegates To Be Elected At Meeting

The Madison County Democratic Convention will be held at the courthouse here on Saturday night, Liston B. Ramsey, chairman of the executive committee, announced this week.

Proceedings will begin at eight o'clock when the Executive Committee will be organized and a county chairman, a vice chairman, and other party officials will be elected.

Following the meeting of the executive committee, the convention, open to all Democrats, will get underway. The main purpose of the convention is to elect delegates and alternates to the State Democratic Convention to be held

### FB BAPTISTS WILL OBSERVE MOTHER'S DAY

The 49 Missionary Baptist Churches in the French Broad Association, as well as all churches in the French Broad Baptist association, will observe Mother's Day at a luncheon at the Hot Springs plant of Pacific Mills.

Mrs. Boyce Crowe, hospital representative in the French Broad association; and Loyd Fish, representative in the New Found association, have been active in organizing churches in the interest of the annual effort. Promotional materials describing the work of the hospital have been distributed to all the churches in the Association. Among these is the Mother's Day poster, which, workers said, has attracted a great deal of interest. It has an appealing of a small boy, who for most of his life has had to breathe through a tube inserted in his throat.

He is two-year-old Jeffrey Edwards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Edwards of Mitchell County. Brought to Baptist Hospital by ambulance when he was three months old, he was on the critical list for several weeks and was in

### BULL CREEK HD CLUB REELECTS SAME OFFICERS

The Bull Creek home demonstration club met April 28 with Mrs. Carol Edwards acting as hostess. The meeting was called to order by our vice president, Mrs. Lela Peek; Devotions were led by Mrs. Ethel Walker.

The music chosen for the meeting was "Standing In the Need of Prayer." After roll call, Mrs. Carol Edwards read the treasurer's report. New business transacted was the discussion of the Craft Training School to be held at Cherokee this month, and also the Home-makers Meeting to be held in Raleigh, July 7-10.

Officers, project leaders and committee chairwomen remain the same as last year: President, Mrs. Fletcher Kuyker; vice president, Mrs. Lela Peek; secretary, Mrs. Clifford Bates; treasurer, Mrs. Carol Edwards. Club project leaders: Foods and Nutrition, Mrs. Laura Beckner.

### TOPDRESSING OF NITROGEN AND POTASSIUM

According to County Agricultural Agent Harry Silver, topdressing with nitrogen and potassium is an efficient way to use these plant nutrients. The general idea is to apply a small amount of fertilizer to the soil surface, which will be taken up by the plants as they grow.

Large amounts of nitrogen and potassium can actually be more efficiently used when topdressed, according to Silver. Topdressing can, and often does, reduce leaching losses from rain water that moves through the soil. Because the nitrogen and potassium in fertilizers are highly soluble and move down into the root zone with soil moisture, they are ideally suited for being sidedressed.

The time of application is important in topdressing nitrogen and potassium. Just before or early during the period when the crop has the greatest need is gen-

### V.F.W. SERVICE OFFICER NAMED HERE; ON DUTY

Veterans, Dependents, And Widows Entitled To Benefits

It was announced this week by Bill Roberts, chairman of the Madison County Board of Commissioners, that Don West has been named the County Veterans Service Officer. Mr. West, a native of this county, is a partially disabled veteran himself, wounded in Europe in World War II. He is highly qualified as he has had experience as the Veterans Service Officer for the American Legion Post and the Veterans of Foreign Wars organizations here in this county.

Roberts stated that the Board of Commissioners acted on General Statute No. 165-5(b) which permits the county commissioners to employ a Veterans Service Officer under the supervision of the State Veterans Commission.

Roberts said there are about 1,600 veterans, plus their dependents and widows in this county, and he sees a great need for a full time officer here. Mr. West will be on the second floor of the courthouse six days a week.

Roberts stated that his duties will be to advise and assist the veterans, widows and their dependents to benefits and rights they are entitled to under various State and Federal laws. Some of the benefits cover such things as compensation, pensions, insurance, death benefits, hospital care, education for dependents, and housing loans.

Roberts stated that there are many veterans, widows and dependents who are not receiving the benefits they are entitled to.

### Local Citizens Fill Up On Orange Juice On Monday

A mishap near Laurel River Monday resulted in many local citizens getting plenty of unexpected orange juice.

A large truck containing some 7000 gallons of orange juice overturned on Highway 25-70 Monday and orange juice started pouring. When it was thought that the juice would probably kill all the poured out, it was announced that the valuable stuff would be given on a first come - first give basis.

Many local people grabbed pint, quart, gallon and other containers and headed for Laurel River. Result: plenty of good orange juice — free!

### Two Doses Are Necessary For Complete Protection

### MHS ALUMNI BANQUET SET FOR SAT., MAY 16

Informal Program; Make Reservations By Mon., May 11

The annual Marshall High School Alumni Association Banquet will be held in the Marshall school lunchroom on Saturday, May 16, at 7:30 o'clock.

This year's meeting will be informal with music and other entertainment being featured.

Officers of the Association urge members to make their reservations by Monday, May 11. Those wishing to attend may contact Mrs. Zeno H. Ponder, Marshall Rt. 2.

### DEDICATION OF WALNUT CHURCH THIS SUNDAY

Dedication ceremonies for the recently completed Presbyterian Church at Walnut will be held this Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, it was announced this week.

The Rev. Charles Heler, former pastor in the Madison County Parish, now residing in Pennsylvania, will be the principal speaker at the dedication.

Also present will be Dr. Gordon Hays, of Wake Forest College, and the Rev. Wesley Hyde, of Buncombe County.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

### SELF-PROFIT

Honesty is the best policy, but some believe it pays only when it pays first.

### Eight Schools To Again Serve As Feeding Stations

Mother's Day should have a special meaning in Madison County next Sunday, not only for mothers but for the entire population.

For, in addition to moms, the population is expected to turn out in force for the second and final Stop Polio feeding that will insure protection against the disease.

"Without the second feeding, that trip last March 8 was just a waste of time for a hump of sugar," officials of the sponsoring Madison County Medical Society point out.

The March 8 feeding, with makeups, totaled more than 65% of Madison's population as approximately 12,000 persons took the first treatment.

"The second dose is not only advisable, but it is absolutely necessary for complete immunization," Dr. W. Otis Duck, coordinator of the drive, said. "If polio is to be eradicated in Madison County, each and every person in the county should have his polio vaccine."

The Medical Society paid tribute to hundreds of volunteer professional and non-professional workers who manned the clinics during the first feeding and will be on hand again next Sunday.

Those persons who have kept their record cards from the first feeding are asked to bring them but any who have misplaced the cards should also return for their second feeding. A second card will be furnished.

Contributions for the vaccine are voluntary with 50 cents or more a suggested amount for each sugar cube. Money collected will be used to defray the cost of the program.

### DINNERS TO BE SERVED

Announcements have been made that several of the feeding stations

### Roberts Speaks To GOP Senatorial Committee

Four From County Named To District Committee In Marion

The 34th District Republican Senatorial Committee met at the courthouse in Marion recently to consider business relative to the senatorial realignment. McDowell County is now a part of the 34th Senatorial District and replaces Avery County which was placed in a new district with Watauga, Wilkes, and Yadkin counties. The newly constituted district has voted Republican on the congressional, gubernatorial and presidential level in recent years.

Representatives from throughout the district were in attendance at this meeting which was held in accordance with the Plan of Organization of the North Carolina Republican Party. It was mutually agreed among those present that the Republican candidate for the 34th Senatorial District should come from the newly added county of the district, namely, McDowell. The representatives from Madison County who were members of the 34th district senatorial committee were: Clyde M. Roberts, GOP candidate for congress from the 11th Congressional District; Bruce R. Briggs, Madison County GOP Chairman; Jim P. Craine, GOP candidate for Tax Collector; and Loy P. Roberts, a member of the N. C. State Republican Executive Committee. W. E. Chambers, a Marion businessman, presided and was subsequently

### EAST CAROLINA COLLEGE NOW IN SOUTHERN CON.

East Carolina College became the Southern Conference's 10th member Friday and the school's president, Leo Jenkins, promptly pledged that "our objective is to win some conference championships."

The rapidly growing college in North Carolina's eastern area was voted unanimously into the conference during the annual spring meeting, effective immediately but with sports competition not counting until the 1965-66 school year.

### F. B. LIONS TO SPONSOR SING SATURDAY P.M.

The French Broad Lions Club will sponsor a Gospel Singing program at the French Broad School Saturday night beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

The Kingsmen Quarter and The Rangers will be featured.

A small admission will be charged and the public is invited.

### Roaming The Mountains

### Brooks Farm Holds Many Memories, Now Serves As Recreation Area

By JOHN PARRIS

Gray clouds hung sullenly overhead and released occasional raindrops as we wandered along the old wagon road.

There was a chill of "Dogwood Winter" on the land. We had come in by way of Luck and Trust and Kind.

In another age, the folks of Max Patch and Meadow Fork and Spring Creek came this way to get their horses shod at Jim Brooks' blacksmith shop or to stop off for one of Mrs. Brooks' meals on the way to Hot Springs.

Today, the old Brooks farm is only a memory.

Its 75 acres has been turned into the Rocky Bluff Recreation Area by the U. S. Forest Service.

But few of the hundreds who come here to camp and fish or to picnic are aware of its past.

And old blacksmith shop stood near the entrance to the recre-

old farmstead in 1938 for \$469.

After the Forest Service acquisition the Civilian Conservation Corps enrollees planted white pine on the area in 1938 and spring of 1939.

The stand was thinned once in 1937 for pulpwood. Ten cords per acre were removed.

Nobody seems to know who owned the farm before Jim Brooks bought it in 1900.

Here he lived and worked on the farm, putting 50 acres into cultivation and pasture. Here he raised seven children.

Some of the children are buried in the family graveyard near the recreation area. And several of the graves are marked with unletter or undated stones, as was common in early days.

And old blacksmith shop stood near the entrance to the recre-

tion area.

There, Brooks held forth with his hammer and anvil and bellows and forge. It was a gathering place for folks for miles around.

Brooks shod horses for ten cents per shoe, and you furnish the shoe. At the time horse shoes sold three for a quarter.

Mrs. Brooks ran a sort of wayside inn. She served breakfast, dinner and supper to the folks who found themselves at Brooks' at mealtime.

She was known for setting a good table. And it was reasonable, too. She got 10 cents a meal.

The old wagon road that runs north and south through the recreation area connected Hot Springs with Spring Creek and Meadow Fork, and continued into Fines Creek in Haywood County. The trail forded Spring Creek 13

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### Rabies Clinics To Be Held In County Soon

### OFFICERS ARE ELECTED BY VFW POST MON.

Members of Marshall Post of Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) met at the Legion Building here Monday night and the following officers were elected:

Commander, Ed Gentry; Vice-Commander, Willie Rice; Junior Vice-Commander, Nathan West; Quartermaster, Don West; Judge Advocate, Clyde Roberts; Chaplain, Boyce Mayhew; Surgeon, Bill Roberts; Adjutant, Frank Ramsey; Service Officer, John Ward; Public Relations Officer, Ron Sprinkle; "Buddy Poppy" Chairman, Ed Niles; Probate Officer, Willie Rice; Legislative Officer, Liston Ramsey.

The following trustees were elected: John Ward, Ed Niles, and Ron Sprinkle.

### Right Name—Wrong Township

Instead of Carlie Gunter running for constable in Township 10, as was previously published, Mr. Gunter is running for constable in Township 2 (Wards 1, 2, and 3). We are glad to make this correction.

### 3 Important Reasons Given By Health Dept. For Vaccinations

Dr. Margery J. Lord, Madison County Health Director, has announced that Rabies Clinics have been scheduled for some areas of Madison County on May 14 and 18. The clinics will be conducted by licensed veterinarians of Asheville, and a charge of two dollars per animal vaccinated will be made. Dogs should be vaccinated by the time they attain the age of six months; one injection will afford protection against rabies for three years.

Already this year the Madison County Health Department has been called upon to investigate three instances in which dogs have bitten children. Vaccination of all dogs will prevent needless anxiety, as well as help to eradicate rabies. There are three important reasons for vaccinating your dog:

- (1) To protect your family and your friends against rabies.
- (2) To protect your pet — your dog — from rabies. Your dog is a devoted and respected member of your family and is entitled to your protection from this disease.
- (3) To do your part in obtaining public health protection for your whole community. If dog owners keep their dogs immunized through vaccination, rabies will no longer be a problem.

We urge the people in adjacent townships to attend these clinics.

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