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Road Bonds, Appeals Court Approved In State Tuesday

Killed — Killed — Injured

Nancy Susan Cook

Mrs. Pat Sawyer Davis

Teresa Kay Sawyer

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Pat Davis, Nancy Cook Are Fatally Injured In Wreck

Occurs On By-Pass Friday Night; Teresa Sawyer Injured

Mrs. Patricia Sawyer Davis, 22, and Nancy Cook, 15, both of Marshall were instantly killed late Friday night when the 1958 4-door Chevrolet car, driven by Mrs. Davis, went out of control and crashed into the embankment on the Marshall by-pass. The accident occurred about a mile north of Marshall near the intersection of Mashburn Hill. Teresa May Sawyer, sister of the driver, was rushed to the Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville, with a dislocated shoulder, broken arm, and other injuries. Her condition is satisfactory.

State Highway Patrolman J. L. Proffitt said all three girls were thrown from the wreckage within 15 feet of each other. The car apparently ran off the right shoulder of the highway at high speed, hit the embankment and turned over three or four times. The impact caused the engine to be severed from the body, landing on the opposite side of the highway. The bodies of Mrs. Davis and Nancy Cook were located some 200 feet from the wrecked car. Teresa Sawyer was located when someone heard a moan and she was lying in a ditch beside the highway. The accident occurred on a slight downgrade of a straight stretch of highway.

According to witnesses the three girls had attended the Hallowe'en Carnival at the Marshall school and then had gone to the Marshall skating rink. They then went to Plemmons Restaurant on the by-pass and were thought to be going to the Madison Grill when the accident occurred.

AMBULANCE CALLED

An ambulance from Bowman Funeral Home was called to the

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SHC Chairman Hunt, Others Visit County Last Thursday

Speaks At Courthouse Here; Goes To Hot Springs Over 25-70

For the first time in history, a State Highway Commission Chairman visited Madison County last Thursday. [illegible] Hunt, Jr., of Greensboro, made a whirlwind tour of WNC counties in the interest of the $3,000,000 road bond issue, spoke to a representative audience in the courthouse here and then he and his party left immediately for Hot Springs where he spoke at the Alpine Restaurant.

Accompanying Mr. Hunt on the tour were 13th Division Commissioner J. G. Stikeleather, Jr., of Asheville; Frank Hutchinson, Division Engineer; James Council, Area Engineer, of Boone; Keith Huntley, of Raleigh, public relations; and S. R. Willabee, Secondary Road official, of Raleigh.

Jim Story, chairman of the Governor's Committee for Better Roads in Madison County, presided at both meetings.

Mr. Hunt explained the Road Bond Issue and expressed interest in the roads and highways of the entire state. He commended Mr. Stikeleather as "a Commissioner who had our interests at heart"

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FOOTBALL

THURSDAY NIGHT
(Tonight)
Mars Hill at Hot Springs

FRIDAY NIGHT
Marshall at North Buncombe

SATURDAY NIGHT
Mars Hill College at Maryville

How Madison Voted

Unofficial Results Of The Election In Madison County Follow:

ROAD BOND ISSUE:	F	A
Marshall T1	405	17
Laurel T2	156	10
Mars Hill T3	518	8
Beech Glen T4	193	10
Walnut T5	284	14
Hot Springs T6	244	14
Ebbs Chapel T7	124	5
Spring Creek T8	70	7
TOTALS	1994	75

COURT ISSUE	F	A
Marshall T1	335	38
Laurel T2	80	50
Mars Hill T3	442	48
Beech Glen T4	139	35
Walnut T5	181	69
Hot Springs T6	189	22
Ebbs Chapel T7	93	18
Spring Creek T8	50	21
TOTALS	1509	301

FUND DRIVE FOR GIRL SCOUTS IN PROGRESS

The annual Girl Scout fund drive is now in progress and the public is urged to contribute generously so that the Girl Scout programs in the county can be continued.

Red Cross Drive Nears End; Reports Are Needed Now

Although the Red Cross Drive has officially ended in Madison County, due to lack of funds raised it is still possible to make a contribution. Anyone wishing to contribute to this year's campaign is asked to do so at once as reports are scheduled to be in the hands of the co-chairmen, the Rev. Jack L. Thomas and the Rev. Harold B. Roberts this week.

Mrs. Ethel S[illegible] tions as are the various township workers. It is hoped that final reports can be tabulated by next week.

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GOV. DAN MOORE PLEASED WITH BOND VICTORY

Thanks Local Editor For Active County Leadership

Gov. Dan Moore Tuesday night was exuberant over approval of the $300 million road bond issue for which he and State Highway Commission Chairman Joe Hunt had campaigned vigorously for the past four months.

The Governor said the bond issue will have particular significance for Western North Carolina.

In an interview with The Citizen, the Governor said, "This program, combined with Appalachia funds, should give our mountain section the highways which it has needed so long."

"It should at last open Western North Carolina to the development which it deserves," he said.

The Governor expressed his [illegible] of appreciation to North Carolinians [illegible] the state. He especially singled out Hunt and Robert Robins of Raleigh, chairman of the Governor's Cam-

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County Overwhelmingly Approves Both Issues

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Margin More Than 3 To 1; Only Two Counties Oppose Issues

North Carolina voters, by a margin of more than 3-1, Tuesday authorized the state to borrow $300 million for road construction without increasing taxes and to create an intermediate Court of Appeals.

The overwhelming approval of the two special election issues was a personal victory for Gov. Dan Moore, who had campaigned long and hard for them.

It was a defeat for the Ku Klux Klan, which had voiced the only organized opposition to the road bond issue. The Klan showed little voting strength except in spotted areas of its Eastern North Carolina stronghold.

With 2,150 of the state's 2,162 precincts reporting, the vote on the bond issue was: for 243,091; against 79,944.

With 2,145 precincts reporting on the Court of Appeals proposal, the vote was: for 227,709; against 81,326.

All but two of North Carolina's 100 counties — Franklin and Greene — supported the highway bonds. The measure just squeezed by in Harnett, Johnston and Pasquotank.

Franklin and Greene also stood in opposition to the Court of Appeals.

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Voters Approve Road Bonds, 1994 To 75; Voting Machines Used

Although the voting was light as expected in Madison County as compared to a general election, the results of votes cast were declared "most satisfying" by Jim Story, county chairman for the Road Bond Issue; and by A. E. Leake, county director of the intermediate court issue. Final unofficial returns reveal that the road bond issue was overwhelmingly approved in the county, 1994 in favor and only 75 against. In the appellate court issue, voters in the county approved the issue, 1509 to 301.

For the first time in history, voting machines were used at the eight voting precincts.

From comments heard from several sections of the county, voters were quickly shown how to use the machines and as far as can be learned most everyone "found them easy to operate and liked them."

The use of the machines also resulted in a quick tabulation of votes. After the polls closed at 6:30 o'clock, all precincts had reported to the election board at the courthouse by 7:10 o'clock.

Masons To Meet Saturday Night

French Broad Masonic Lodge will have an emergent communication Saturday, November 6, at 7:30 p. m., for conferring the Master's Degree.

Officers and members are urged to attend.

MAKING IT OFFICIAL

Dr. Charles H. Powell (left), chairman of Madison Community Action Inc., and Dr. William E. Highsmith, chairman of the Opportunity Corporation of Asheville-Buncombe County, Monday signed an agreement calling for joint action by the two organizations in behalf of poverty-fighting programs in Madison County under the federal Economic Opportunity Act.

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Madison - Buncombe Officially Merge In Joint EOA Programs

Joint action by the Opportunity Corp. of Asheville-Buncombe County and Madison Community Action Inc., was formally ratified by board members of the two groups at a meeting Monday in First Union National Bank in Asheville.

At the same time, approval was given for submission in behalf of Madison Community Action of an application to the U. S. Office of Economic Opportunity for a nine-months, $57,217 program development grant or for assistance in planning poverty-fighting programs in Madison County.

The joint action for Madison County programs was made necessary by the fact that the Office of Economic Opportunity does not make grants to counties which, like Madison, have fewer than 50,000 population unless they join with other counties. Both organizations retain their separate corporate identities.

At a meeting of the board of the Opportunity Corporation of Asheville-Buncombe County which preceded the joint meeting, approval was given for an application to the North Carolina Fund for a $53,922 grant for a neighborhood development demonstration project in the Sandy Mush section of Buncombe County. Total cost of the project would be $134,955 with a large part of the local matching share coming from

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EX-MADISON COUPLE DIE IN SHOOTING

Arlington, Va. — A triple slaying here Friday, which involved a former Madison County couple, has been described by police as double murder and suicide.

Police reported that Joseph Ponder, 30, of Camp Springs, Md., shot his wife, Christine, 28, in the head, fired a bullet into the chest of Eugene W. Embrey, 30, of Catlett, Va., and shot himself in the head.

The slaying occurred shortly after the closing of the Morgan Millwork Co. plant, where Mrs. Ponder and Embrey were employed. Both men were pronounced dead at the scene, and Mrs. Ponder was dead on arrival at Arlington Hospital.

The death weapon was a .22 calibre revolver loaded with hollow point long rifle slugs, police reported.

Mr. Ponder is survived by two daughters, Jewel and Ramona, and a son, Dean Ponder, of the home;

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BROUGHTON TO SPEAK AT MCDW CLUB ON NOV. 13

Fund Raising Dinner To Be Held In School Cafeteria

J. Melville Broughton, Jr., of Raleigh, chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, will be the main speaker at the second annual fund raising dinner of the Madison County Democratic Women's Club to be held Saturday, November 13 in the Marshall School cafeteria, beginning at 7:30 p. m.

The son of the late Governor Broughton, the party head is following his father in political, civic and church affairs in Wake County and the state. He was

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Madison A Leader In Vote Returns

TOBACCO EXPERTS from the Marshall High School FFA Chapter are the state's top burley judges, in the wake of the 1965 State Fair. They won the annual judging contest among 20 teams of both FFA and 4-H contestants, examining 20 hands of tobacco and posting their verdict against the known grades. In addition to state glory, they won $150 for their chapter, which is supervised by Jack Cole. Standing from six Don Banks, Clayton Wilson, J. B. Ramsey and David Rice. East Yancey High School was the second-place winner.

Hot Springs First To Report At 6:33; Marshall At 7:10

Returns from the statewide road bond issue and the appellate court constitutional amendment issue were completed by 7:10 p. m., in the courthouse in Marshall — something unheard of in Madison County which usually has been one of the last counties in the state to get final reports dispatched to news media.

At 6:50 p. m., the Associated Press announced that Clay County was the first to report a complete total.

For several years Clay has been first or in the first five to report complete election returns.

Two reasons for the quick returns from Madison were the reduction in precincts from 23 to eight and the use of 15 voting machines for the first time.

All eight voting precincts are now located in the eight public schools of Madison County.

Quick response by election officials made Madison one of the first counties in the state to release complete returns. In addition to telephones in six of the eight precincts, CB radio sets were set up in the other two precincts.

Hot Springs (No. 6) was the first to report at 6:33 p. m. Marshall was the last precinct to report at 7:10 p. m.

Jim Story, AP correspondent, made his final and complete call to AP headquarters in Raleigh at 7:15.

Unofficial returns reveal that Madison County voted to [illegible] the road bond issue, [illegible] and in favor of the court amendment issue, [illegible] to 301.