



**DORLAND-BELL REUNION HELD SUNDAY AT HOT SPRINGS** - Pictured in front of the Dorland Memorial Presbyterian Church are many of the former students of Dorland-Bell School who attended the Alumni Association reunion last Sunday. Following morning worship service and communion, a bountiful picnic dinner was enjoyed on the

church lawn followed by the business session Sunday afternoon. Saturday night many of the group attended Vesper Services at Glory Ridge near Walnut and then enjoyed a picnic dinner at the Old Mill Wheel on Laurel River. The Rev. and Mrs. George A. Moore were host and hostess.

## CP&L Considering Local Sites For Electric Generating Plants

Carolina Power & Light Co. is planning to begin on-site investigation of an area along Sandymush and Turkey creeks in Buncombe and Madison counties as the possible location for a nuclear electric generating plant. Darrell Menscer, CP&L vice president, said the company also is asking the Federal Power Commission for a permit to study a site about 3.5 miles west of Marshall in Madison County as the possible location for a pumped-storage hydroelectric generating plant. The two sites are completely independent and are being considered for development to begin supplying power in the

mid-1980s or later, Menscer said. He emphasized that CP&L is actively investigating potential plant sites in other parts of its service area. Investigation of the prospective nuclear plant site is expected to require about one year. It involves approximately 1700 acres. The size of the plant would not be determined until the study is completed. The site under consideration for the pumped-storage plant is about 1500 acres. After a permit is obtained, the study may require up to three years. If the site proves suitable for development, Menscer said it is being considered for a plant with generating capacity of up

to two million kilowatts. The pumped-storage method of generating electricity requires two reservoirs, one at a considerably higher elevation than the other. Water released from the upper reservoir would be used to generate electricity at times of peak usage. Water would be pumped back to the upper reservoir during low demand periods with power generated in steam-electric plants. Menscer said the area being considered for the upper reservoir, which would require about 250 acres, is along the Sugarcamp Branch of Big Pine Creek. The lower reservoir of 800 acres would be

on Pawpaw Creek at an elevation about 1200 feet below the upper reservoir. A powerhouse would be adjacent to it, with tunnels or penstocks connecting the two reservoirs. Menscer said pumped-storage reservoirs have limited value for recreational activities because of sharp fluctuations in water level that occur in normal plant operation. The nuclear plant concept being considered would involve construction of a dam on Sandymush Creek to form an approximately 600-acre reservoir from which water would be drawn for plant operations. The plant would be in Buncombe County with part

of the reservoir extending into Madison. The plant would be designed to use cooling towers to dissipate waste heat. Water temperature in the reservoir would not be affected by the plant's operation. A group of CP&L representatives under the leadership of James Baldwin is contacting landowners whose property could be involved in either project to talk with them about the company's plans and answer questions. On-site investigations for nuclear plants include geological studies to determine that the site is stable enough to support the plant; seismic studies to determine the presence of any faults in or near the potential plant site; studies to determine foundation soil conditions; studies of the movement, availability and quality of water; and studies of meteorological conditions. Environmental studies will be made to identify the various species of plant and animal life within the area and to evaluate the effect of a power plant, Menscer said. Environmental evaluations will be conducted in accordance with regulations of the Atomic Energy Commission and the Environmental Protection Agency. Explaining CP&L's commitment to nuclear power, Menscer said that lower fuel costs more than offset higher capital costs, producing energy at lower costs than other power sources for customers. He emphasized the CP&L builds nuclear plants because they are environmentally compatible and safe, and they permit the conservation of fuels such as coal, oil and gas.

## Principals, Teachers Named For County Schools

With the exception of ESEA Title I personnel, which will be confirmed later, the following principals and teachers have been announced by Superintendent R. L. Edwards:

- HOT SPRINGS**  
J. Bruce Phillips, principal, High School; Halte B. Rice, Troy S. Harrison, Alexander Farkas, Larry J. Phillips (middle grades), Earnest Harold Baker (trade and industries), Charles R. Tolley (part time Hot Springs and Laurel vocation).  
Elementary: Robert Gunter, Isabelle Maynard, Fred Haynie, Dorothy L. Chandler, Lois C. Moore, Vera Sumerel, Selma Wallin, Shirley Jean Franklin, Elizabeth Wright.
- MARS HILL**  
Fred I. Dickerson, principal.  
High School: Gene Hall, Thomas D. McCurry, Linda B. McCurry, Roy Y. Ammons, James D. Wallin, Janet Hall, Hazel B. Suttles, Eileen A. Wood, Doyle Millard Ammons, Ronnie L. Wallin, Vivienne D. Diercks, Linda Gardner, Lucille P. Sprinkle (middle grades), R. J. Denny, (vocational agr.), Irene M. Metcalf (Voc. Home Ec.), Bruce H. Sprinkle, (Voc. T&I), Jacob A. Sams (part time Mars Hill and Marshall).  
Elementary: Larry Dean Wyatt, Peggy A. Thomas,

- Zora R. Pegg, Gladys P. Ammons, Ruby English, Nina B. Ledford, Ruby Carter Wallin, Lena B. Ray, Elizabeth A. Norville, Tommy Ann P. Blackwell, Billie Jean Haynie, Betty P. Ballard, Eva E. McIntosh, Sadie E. Wallin, Janice H. Pressley, Wanda B. Edmonds, Judy Wallin, Patsy Hoyle, Susan Kiser.
- EBBS CHAPEL**  
Lewis W. Ammons, Jr., principal.  
Marsha Boyd, Brenda Mowley Condra, Carolyn W. Ponder, Cecil Rex Sprinkle (middle grades).
- BEECH GLEN**  
J. H. Ray, principal.  
Agnes W. Metcalf, Eulalia H. Boone, Edith L. Radford, Kenneth Radford.
- LAUREL**  
Vernon J. Ponder, principal.  
High School: Frances B. Zimmerman, Louie A. Zimmerman, Peggy P. Cutsbush, Bobby Dean Franklin, James J. Shelton (middle grades), Blackwell Lamar Lutford (Voc. Agr.), Charles I. Tolley (part time Laurel and Hot Springs Voc.).  
Elementary: Helen W. Shelton, Ruth T. Landers, June Plemmons, Rena W. Shelton, Harvey Franklin, Glennis W. Ray, Neple N. Adams, Shirley R. Metcalf, Lena M. Thomas, Oleta R. Shelton.
- WALNUT**  
Auburn E. Wyatt, principal.

- Juanita Boone, Robert D. Banks, Reva Plemmons, Owen Bullman, Tressalee Ramsey, Lucille Burnette, Lena Jean Norton, Helen Adams, Margaret Guthrie, Lathelle Robinson (middle grades).
- SPRING CREEK**  
Jewell J. Church, principal.  
High School: Larry Plemmons, Elsberry Wyatt, Don Fowler, Garland Woody (voc. agr.).  
Elementary: Howard R. Trimble, Martha F. Kirkpatrick, Doyle G. Cutsbush, 2nd grade, Frances Ramsey, Karren Dillingham.
- MARSHALL**  
Clive M. Whitt, principal.  
High School: James E. Boone, Mary C. Sprinkle, Patricia H. Waldrop, Mrs.

- Charles Tolkey, Larry D. West, F. N. Willett, Dorothy B. Shupe, Roy Reeves, Frieda A. Ponder, Carol Whitt Lucille Bullman, Johnnie Fisher.
- Elementary: Mafra B. Clark, Judy Payne, Anna B. White, Billie J. Redmon, Winnifred R. West, Sandra E. Briggs, Viola M. Ramsey, Helen T. Ledford, Eloise Ward, Othella R. Briggman, Donna S. Rice, Jessie B. Worley, Viola B. Ramsey, J. C. Wallin, Bobby Cooper, Christie Wallin, Doris Wyatt, Kathryn Z. Boone (middle grades), Jack C. Cole, Voc. Agr., Laura P. Gonnell (Voc. Home Ec.), John D. Ray (Voc. T&I), James E. Allen (Voc. Dist. Ed.), Jacob A. Sams (Voc. part time Marshall and Mars Hill.)

## Rothschild Flees Hendersonville Unit

By BILLY PRITCHARD  
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HENDERSONVILLE  
Before he left the prison unit here more than a week ago, N. C. Department of Corrections officials said "Rocky" Rothschild was a "model prisoner" and an officer in the prison's Jaycees chapter. Rothschild, serving a life term for a 1955 first degree burglary in Hot Springs, made a quiet and what appears to be a well-planned escape from the Henderson County prison unit Saturday afternoon, Aug. 4, by leaving with a young man posing as his son. Sgt. John I. Shields of the prison unit said Monday that Rothschild was transferred to the Henderson unit from a state unit in McDowell County about three months ago. He had been released to the North Carolina prison system in 1968 after being paroled from the Georgia system, where he was serving a life term for murder. Shields said Rothschild was a model prisoner at the Henderson unit, where he wrote poetry, read a lot of books and was external vice president of the Four Seasons Jaycees, the Jaycee prison chapter. Shields said Rothschild left the prison unit that Saturday afternoon with Michael Justice, a young carpenter and a member of the Henderson Jaycees who had served as Rothschild's "sponsor" on several other occasions prior to Aug. 4. Rothschild, an honor grade prisoner at the minimum security unit, was on voluntary leave to see his son, who he said he hadn't seen in 18 years. Justice picked up Rothschild and took him to the Honey Bear Restaurant at Naples, a small Henderson County community where Justice lived in a garage apartment behind his parents' home. Shields said Justice had taken Rothschild out of the prison as a sponsor on a number of other occasions and taken him to the Naples community to help him build a house. One day of the escape, Justice said Rothschild made a number of telephone calls

from a pay phone at the Honey Bear Restaurant and that eventually a young, blond-haired man arrived in a taxi. The young man stepped out of the cab and embraced Rothschild. Both men wept and acted like they hadn't seen each other in a long time, Justice recalled. Shields quoted Justice as saying Rothschild introduced the young man as his son and said they were going back to the Holiday Inn to swim with his son and play with his grandchildren. Shields said an investigation revealed that the unidentified young man had first called the taxi from Johnny's Restaurant several miles away from the Honey Bear. Employees at Johnny's said the young man returned later with an older man (Rothschild) in a taxi, came inside and dressed in a hurry and then left in a green 1969 Camaro which had been parked at the restaurant. Meanwhile, Rothschild's real son had arrived at the Holiday Inn from Kentucky and called the prison unit to see where his father was. He was told he had left with Justice and was on his way to the motel. The son said he had seen no one. Shields said Rothschild's real son has short brown hair and is of medium height and build. He said the young man posing as the escaped prisoner's son had shoulder length blond hair and was tall and slim. Rothschild was still at large late Monday. Charles P. "Rocky" Rothschild, a former policeman whose dramatic confession to a Georgia murder in 1958 saved a twice-convicted housepainter from execution, has escaped from prison officials said Rothschild, 49, who was serving a life sentence for a life sentence for first-degree burglary after being paroled five years ago from a life term in Georgia, had gotten out of the Hendersonville prison unit Aug. 4 to meet his son. Camp Supt. J. E. Baine described Rothschild as "a model prisoner" and said the inmate and a man from the community accompanying him went to a restaurant before going on to a motel where the son was expected.

Baine said a man drove up, identified himself as Rothschild's son, Ricky, and the pair left. Sometime later the real Ricky Rothschild appeared. There was no information Monday on Rothschild's whereabouts, but a bulletin on him was being circulated to law enforcement agencies across the nation. Rothschild, once a policeman at Cairo, Ill., was in prison at Columbia, S.C., July 4, 1968, when he signed a statement saying he killed a 60-year-old merchant at his home in Jefferson, Ga., June 19, 1966. He was given a life term a month later. The confession spared the life of James Fulton Foster of Greer, S.C., who was appealing his second conviction for the murder of the merchant, Charles H. Drake Sr. Foster's execution was scheduled within weeks of Rothschild's confession. After a third trial which resulted in a directed acquittal, a happy Foster told newsmen, "I still say I'm not guilty." Rothschild's testimony implicated A. D. Allen Jr. of Winder, Ga., as his accomplice in the slaying. Allen received a life term. South Carolina, which was holding Rothschild on a burglary conviction at the time, released him to Georgia. North Carolina officials said Rothschild was transferred from Georgia to its system Dec. 23, 1968. Supt. J. E. Baine of the Henderson unit, who first told a reporter inquiring about the escape, "I've had clamps put on us on giving this information out," later described Rothschild's getaway. He said the inmate had not seen his son for 18 years and arranged to meet him in Hendersonville. The superintendent said the younger Rothschild came from Paducah, Ky., and when he found out his father had fled was surprised and upset. Baine added the son said he could not understand why his father had escaped. Rothschild was convicted in 1951 of first-degree burglary at the home of a mountain merchant, Carson Lawson, at

Shutin six years previously Lawson had died of a heart attack while being robbed. Rothschild pleaded guilty to the burglary, and the sentence of mandatory life he received was the sixth he had been given in a four year span for felonies. During his trial at Marshall Rothschild was cheerful and relaxed, seeming to be anything but a man on trial for his life. He spent part of his time in court writing poetry. In an interview shortly after confessing to the Georgia crime, he said he turned to crime after being fired from the Cairo force because he arrested a politician's son. "I decided if I couldn't beat 'em I'd join 'em," he said. and duplicated before the meeting began. As it happened, Earnhardt, who last week had revealed that an investigation was being conducted into certain management practices at Region B, did apologize to anyone "who felt you were in any way impugned." The inability of Region B to work out a contract with the overlapping Metropolitan Planning Board is one of the reasons the state has given for withholding LRO status. William A. V. Cecil MPB chairman, was invited to make a statement early in the meeting. Cecil recalled that MPB had signed one contract, adequate from its point of view, that was canceled when some Region B members objected. He then asked that a statement by the MBP attorney be allowed as pertinent to his own, but Campbell proceeded with his statement. When Cecil reiterated his request, Campbell interrupted gruffly, "he will be recognized." Cecil later asked for an apology for a passage in Campbell's statement that had MPB cooperating with "and scheming and plotting to keep Region B from becoming LRO." All sides at the meeting admitted that politics have

## Bitterness Marks Region B Controversy

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At the special called meeting between state officials and the Region B Planning and Development Commission last week, things seemed to go from bad to worse. Much of what happened in that meeting in Skyland Village Hall was implicit when Mayor Charles Campbell of Brevard, Region B chairman, called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m., implicit in the attitudes and expectations of some participants. Campbell began by reading a prepared statement, which covered, among other things, the problem of obtaining Lead Regional Organization Status from the state. At one point the statement referred to Secretary of Administration William Bondurant and his assistant, Tom Earnhardt, both at the meeting. "Mr. Bondurant, did you bring a letter from the governor granting LRO designation to Region B with you? How about interim designation. "Since you did not, have you anything to say? "Mr. Earnhardt, are you prepared to offer a public apology to every member of this commission at this time? "Since you are not, have you anything to say." This statement was typed

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## Stockpiling Of Lime Is Advised

North Carolina farmers are being urged to place their orders for lime as early as possible because of an expected shortage of rail cars later this year. "If we don't stockpile some lime in late summer and early fall, I don't think we will get enough lime to meet our needs," said Dr. Jack Baird, extension agronomist at North Carolina State University. "And the way to get vendors to stockpile lime is for farmers to start placing orders," Baird added.

The NCSU specialist said he understood that more rail cars are available now than will be when heavy movement of grain and fertilizer begins in the fall. "A large corn and soybean crop is anticipated, which means that the rail car shortage could be even greater than it was last year. "And, of course, we are heavily dependent on the railroad industry for our lime, because most of our supplies are in Tennessee, South Carolina and Virginia," Baird continued.

## Two Killed, Three Injured In Wreck Near Walnut Monday

A Madison County man was killed instantly and a Burnsville woman was dead on arrival at Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville following a head-on collision between two automobiles about 6:15 p.m. Monday on U. S. 25-70 four and a half miles north of Marshall near Walnut, the State Highway Patrol reported. A Charlotte mother and her two young children were seriously injured in the mishap. Trooper C. D. Jenkins identified the dead as Geraldine Blank Ballen, 32, of Rt. 3 Burnsville and Charles Wayne Goforth, 39, of Rt. 3 Marshall. They were together in a 1967 Ford, headed north on the highway, with Goforth driving, the trooper said. The Goforth car collided with a 1971 Cadillac operated by Mrs. Sally Nash Cook, 24, of Charlotte, formerly of Madison County, southbound on the highway. Mrs. Cook, Thomas Roy Cook, 2, and Kay Lynn Cook, 6, were admitted to Memorial Mission Hospital. The investigation is continuing, Jenkins said. FUNERAL THURSDAY Funeral services for Goforth will be held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Hopewell Baptist Church with the Rev. Joseph Goforth officiating. Burial will be in the Goforth Family Cemetery. Friends will serve as pallbearers. Surviving are two daughters, Misses Patricia Ann and Mary Lee, both of Greenville, Tenn.; his mother, Mrs. Robert Goforth, of Marshall Route 3, two brothers, Forde Goforth, of Route 4, Marshall; and Fredrick, of Route 5, Marshall. Goforth was a native of Madison County and an employee at Bacon Manufacturing Co.

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