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ELECTION BOARD OVERHAULED IN SURPRISE MOVE

EIGHT COUNTIES EFFECTED;
CAUSES POLITICAL
REPERCUSSIONS

The State Board of Elections, in a move spearheaded by Chairman Charles M. Britt of Asheville, Saturday overhauled the county election boards in Madison, Buncombe, Haywood, Avery, Cherokee, Clay, Swain and Graham Counties.

The board ignored the recommendations of state Democratic Chairman Everett Jordan and the Democratic Executive Committees in these eight western counties and also the Republican recommendations in Haywood and Swain Counties.

Its action is certain to cause serious political repercussions in top Democratic circles. Reports reaching Raleigh Saturday indicated some of the counties may resort to mandamus proceedings to force the board to follow the state chairman's recommendations.

Attorney-General Harry McMullan has ruled that the board is required by law to select the county board from persons recommended by the state chairmen of the Democratic and Republican parties.

In Madison, the State Board picked two new Democratic members but named the top choice of the Republicans, Craig L. Rudisill, Marshall, Brown Ammons, Mars Hill, and Dewey Wallin, Marshall, route three, named as the Democratic members. The Madison County Democratic Executive Committee has recommended Judson Edwards, Mars Hill, A. E. Lewis of Walnut, and Hilliard Torgue of Marshall. The old board is composed of Glen Reese, Byard Ray and William V. Farmer.

Young Republicans To Meet At Spring Creek On Friday

FILM SHOWING ATOMIC BOMB
TO BE SHOWN; ALL COUNTY
CANDIDATES INVITED

A free show featuring the Atomic Bomb will be presented at Spring Creek High School Friday night at 7:30 o'clock. "This film is being brought to Spring Creek by the Young Republicans of Madison county who open with the atomic blast the first in a series of precinct meetings to be held in the county," C. N. Willis, Jr., chairman of the Young Republicans of this county, stated.

The public is invited to attend this meeting. It is expected that R. Spencer Rice, candidate for representative of Madison County, and A. W. Whitehurst, candidate for Congress, will be present.

Jim Cox, chairman of the Republican Executive Committee of Madison County, has indicated his intention of being present to assist the Young Republicans.

All candidates for public offices are invited.

Mad Dog Quarantine Is Now In Effect

London Cox, county sanitarian, announced this week that an eight-week quarantine was now in effect in certain areas of the county. Notices have been placed in these areas so that residents can tell where the quarantine is effective.

"All dogs in these areas must be kept or kept up except when led by a leash," Mr. Cox explained.

One mad dog has already bitten 12 other dogs and a cow. All these animals have been killed, according to Mr. Cox.

The cooperation of everyone is urged to prevent further damage.

The benefit of dog owners who have their animals vaccinated, is that if the owners can show all the animals in one place, they would be glad to vaccinate them at a nominal fee.

SEEKS SEAT IN CONGRESS



A. W. WHITEHURST

Mr. Whitehurst, of Marshall, who was selected by the executive committee appointed at the recent 11th congressional district convention in Rutherfordton as the nominee for the 11th congressional seat.

Whitehurst is executive vice-president of the Citizens Bank of Marshall, a trustee of Mars Hill College and has extensive business and agricultural connections.

Farm Bureau Meeting Saturday Night, March 25

According to an announcement of Farm Bureau officials, an important meeting of all Farm Bureau members will be held in Marshall High School on Saturday night, March 25. The meeting will begin at 7:30 and all Farm Bureau members are urged to make an effort to attend this meeting.

Several important business matters are to be discussed and Mr. George Farthing, Field Representative of the N. C. Farm Bureau, will discuss several items of interest to all farmers.

String music will be furnished and an excellent program has been arranged.

Largest Paper Ever Published In WNC Next Sunday

MANY PAGES WITH EVERY
W. N. C. COUNTY
REPRESENTED

In observance of its 80th anniversary, The Asheville Citizen on Sunday, March 26, will publish the largest and most elaborate edition ever issued in Western North Carolina.

In many stories and hundreds of pictures, this significant 80th Anniversary Edition will tell the story of The Citizen, but, much more than that, it will tell the great and encouraging stories of the origin, development and growth of Asheville and all of Western North Carolina.

Every county in this mountain region will come in for its share of attention.

The portion dealing with the anniversary will be in ten sections, with outstanding stories and pictures telling in great detail not only the significant, but many human-interest angles of life in this beautiful mountain country that has, in the past 80 years, grown from a relatively isolated region into one of the great progressive areas of the new South.

There will also be unusual pictures, with stories, of old-time sports figures in Western North Carolina and the trends in fashion and social life. Practically every phase of life will be treated in order to give a full-rounded view of Western North Carolina in the past 80 years since The Citizen was founded in 1870 by Randolph Abbott Shotwell.

The Asheville Citizen-Times Company, in recognition of the fact that this edition, with its wealth of historical material, will be of permanent reference value, will print many thousands of extra copies. Hundreds of these will be bound full size and placed in schools, colleges and libraries all over Western North Carolina.

Charter To Be Presented At Civitan Banquet Here Tonight

Everything is in readiness for the Civitan Charter Night banquet which will be held at the Presbyterian Church here tonight. The beautiful recreation room of the new church will be ready and the ladies of the church, assisted by others, will serve the dinner, beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Over 125 persons are expected to enjoy the occasion when the Charter will be presented to the new Marshall club.

The following program has been announced:

Call to Order ----- Toastmaster Eugene Bengtson
Song ----- "America"
Invocation ----- Rev. A. Ray Howland, Chaplain of Marshall Civitan Club

Dinner
Presentation of Charter ----- D. W. Lambert, Governor-Elect of N. C. District

Installation of Officers ----- G. O. Shepherd, Former Field Secretary, Civitan International

Introduction of Guests ----- Eugene Bengtson

Reading of Messages ----- Donald M. Cox, Secretary Marshall Club

Introduction of Speaker ----- D. W. Lambert

Address ----- Harvey S. Strawn, Past-President Civitan International

Presentation ----- Earl Raiford, President Asheville Club

Civitan Creed ----- Membership

John O. Corbett is President of the Marshall Club and Donald M. Cox is Secretary.

Building Program Plans Corrected On White Rock School

In the last issue of the paper, it was stated that the White Rock School would get three high school classrooms; this should have been 4 classrooms instead of 3.

Original Play Night Enjoyed By Audience

The audience was delightfully entertained Friday night in the Marshall school auditorium with plays presented and written by the high school students of the county. The event was quite successful and a noted improvement was detected over last year's program. As early as plaques can be secured, all high schools will be presented with a plaque listing name of school and play, date, writer and cast. The casts seemed to enjoy presenting the plays and portrayed the individual parts in a most natural manner.

Madison County Wildlife Club To Meet Friday Night

A very important meeting of the Madison County Wildlife Club has been called for Friday night, March 24, in the courthouse at Marshall, according to an announcement by V. A. Holloway, Club President.

The meeting will begin at 7:30 and all club members and other people interested in wildlife conservation are urged to attend this meeting. A very interesting motion picture showing the world-series baseball games between the Brooklyn Dodgers and the New York Yankees will be shown. There will be no admission charge and the public is invited to attend the meeting.

The question of closing some of the streams in the refuge area will be taken up and the trout stocking program for the coming year will be discussed.

CIVITAN PRESIDENT



JOHN O. CORBETT

LARGE CROWD ATTENDS YOUNG REPUBLICANS MEET

GROUP TO BEGIN HOLDING PRECINCT MEETINGS; FIRST ONE AT SPRING CREEK

The Young Republicans of Madison County laid the groundwork for their activities and elected officers for the remainder of the year at a meeting in the court house here in Marshall last Thursday night. One of the largest crowds ever to attend a meeting of the Young Republicans in Madison county listened intently to speeches by several distinguished Republicans of the county. James M. Bailey, Jr., newly elected GOP Chairman of North Carolina, voiced his appreciation to the Republicans of this county for their support in his campaign for the state chairmanship. James Cox, chairman of the Republican Executive Committee of Madison County, pledged the Young Republicans the party support. (Continued On Page Eight)

Aid In Establishing Spring Pasture Ends Next Week, March 31

As announced in previous news articles, approvals for assistance through the PMA Program in the purchase of seeds for establishing or improving pastures will end Friday, March 31.

This means that farmers of the county who are interested in carrying out this practice on their farms have only one week left in which to make application at the PMA office for assistance on the purchase of pasture seeds. The County PMA Committee in making this final announcement concerning approvals on purchase of pasture seeds, said that each year some farmers wait until after the closing of the practice to make application thereby losing the available assistance on the practice, and advised all farmers interested to act at once.

BULLETIN!

The State Board of Elections exceeded its authority in appointing Boards of Elections in eight western counties, Attorney General Harry McMullan ruled Wednesday.

McMullan's ruling was released to the Associated Press in Raleigh. It was made at the request of Charles M. Britt of Asheville, chairman of the State Board of Elections.

COUNTY ROADS TO BE PAVED ARE LISTED

Some 686.97 miles of secondary roads will be paved under the first and second phases of the \$200,000,000 bond issue program in the 14 counties of the Tenth Highway Division, the Highway Commission has announced.

Commissioner Dale Thrash of Asheville already has let to contract 182 miles of bond money roads during January and February. Bids will be asked for additional miles in the March letting, rounding out the 264.4 miles which constitute the first phase of the division's paving program.

Work will begin later in the spring on an additional 422.55 miles of paving in the western counties.

Announcement of the individual road selections in the Tenth Division already has been made in 14 county meetings held during the last two months. Commissioner Thrash said that weather conditions and other factors will determine how much of this program is finished during the 1950 paving season.

The Tenth Division has concentrated on its stabilization program during the winter months while plans were being made for the paving program.

The \$200,000,000 bond issue program will move into high gear all over the state when the paving season opens this spring.

Roads announced for paving under the first two phases of the Tenth Division's program in Madison county are as follows:

FIRST PHASE:
US 25 and 70 to Barnard, 2.5 miles; US 25 and 70 to Redmond, 3.15; End of pavement up Walnut Creek to Heck Creek, 5.20; NC 213 to Old Center school (Bull-Creek), 1.7; Mars Hill to US 19 and 23 via Big Branch, 1.1; Paint Fork, Beech Glen School to Waverly, 5.6; Terry's Fork (Hamburg) from Paint Fork, 2.0; total, 19.25 miles.

SECOND PHASE:
Upper Shut In Creek from US 25 and 70, 3.0 miles; Meadow Fork from NC 209, 5.5; Big Pine from Barnard, 7.7; Little Pine from Redmond, 5.4; Big Laurel from Belva to Forks Walnut Creek oRad, 8.6; Gunter Town to NC 212, 2.9; Grapevine from Center School, 2.9; East Fork from Center School, 3.1; Big Laurel from Grapevine to NC 36, 4.1; Upper Gabriel Creek to NC 213, 1.7; High School to Upper Gabriel Creek, 0.4; total 11.7 miles; grand total, 30.95 miles.

Parents' Visitation Day In All Schools Friday

On Friday, March 24, all of the parents are requested to visit their school. A program will be given in each school for the benefit of the parents and they will be requested to visit the classrooms in which they have children. This will afford the parents an excellent opportunity to discuss problems involving their child or children with the teacher. The parents are extended a most cordial invitation to visit their schools on Friday.

Clean-Up, Paint-Up Week To Be Observed

All schools are observing Clean-Up, Paint-Up Week this week. Each year one week is set aside for this drive. The purpose of this drive is twofold: first, to teach the children the value and appreciation of cleanliness; also, by their having a share in the program, they will become more conscious of the necessity of helping to keep the building more attractive and more sanitary; two, it is a practical and vital part of their health program. Only the health period during this week should be devoted to the cleaning of rooms. All schools will be inspected and graded by the Superintendent during the week of March 27-31.

MARS HILL TO SEE OWN FOLK DANCE TEAM ON FRIDAY

PROGRAM BENEFIT COMMUNITY
CENTER; LARGE CROWD
EXPECTED

The Mars Hill Folk Dance team, together with their musicians and singers, will present a program in the Mars Hill Grammar School auditorium at eight o'clock Friday evening along the lines of the programs they recently gave while on a two-weeks' tour of Oklahoma and Texas.

Every performance was enthusiastically received and they were asked to return to many of the places they visited.

Don't miss an opportunity to have your whole family see this team perform at Mars Hill Friday night, one of the program committee members stated yesterday.

A small admission will be charged, the benefits to be used for the proposed Mars Hill Community Center.

All-Night Singing Here Saturday

All singers are invited to join the all-night singing program which will be held at the Marshall High School Saturday night. The public is cordially invited to attend this program. There will be no admission charge.

RICE NAMED TO WELFARE BOARD

Roy Roberts, chairman of the County Commissioners, announced today that R. Spencer Rice has been named a member to the Madison County Board of Welfare to succeed Herman C. English, whose term expires April 1, 1950.

EASTER SEAL SALE IS NOW STARTED

The annual Easter Seal Sale for the benefit of the Crippled Children's Fund started in this county Wednesday, March 22. Mrs. R. R. Ramsey, chairman, stated that the county goal has been set for \$1,000.00.

The Madison county chapter is composed of the following officers:

Mrs. R. R. Ramsey, chairman; Mrs. A. A. Gregory, treasurer; Mrs. George Pritchard, Mrs. Overton Gergory and Mr. Fullen King, vice-chairmen. Other officers include G. W. Gahagan, Roy Rice, Mrs. Cleophus Ward, Mrs. Emmett Plemons, Mrs. J. V. Howell and Miss Gayle Isensee.

Consultants are Mrs. Frances G. Ramsey, Supt. Dept. Public Welfare, and Dr. W. C. Whims, County Health Officer.

"Madison County has many children who need medical care, braces, crutches, sight, hearing and speech therapy, and other types of assistance. You can help them become happy, self-sufficient individuals by donating to this seal sale," Mrs. Ramsey stated this week.

Art Exhibit Week In County Schools

This week all elementary schools will exhibit samples of the best art work done during the school year. At the beginning of the school term the teachers are requested to save their best art work from their art classes and display this during Art Exhibit Week.

The Art Committee will visit the schools on March 22 and 23 to judge the art work. The schools are ranked according to the best all round exhibits. Special recognition is given in each room to the best piece of art work in each classified division by giving a blue ribbon to best work and white ribbon to second best.

The Art Committee is composed of Mrs. Mary E. Fanning, Mrs. J. C. E. Haddock and Mrs. J. C. Haddock.