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## Last-Ditch Effort Being Made To Keep Interstate System

Concerning Two Proposed Routes

In a desperate effort to keep the Inter-state highway system in Madison County, some of the leaders in Madison County met Saturday night in the courthouse here following a talk between A. E. Leake, county attorney, and A. H. Graham, chairman of the State Highway and Public Works Commission in Raleigh recently. Approximately 75 persons attended the meeting here Saturday night and made plans to appeal to other authorities to further study the two routes (Pigeon River and the present route along the French Broad) before making definite plans.

Another group of Madison County citizens, including Mr. Leake, Mrs. H. B. Ditmore, Sheriff E. Y. Ponder, Calvin R. Edney, C. E. Mashburn, F. E. Freeman, Father A. V. Graves, and J. B. Tweed, had a conference with Mr. Don Elias in Asheville Monday afternoon concerning the interstate system.

A vigorous campaign to keep Highway 25470 on the interstate HIGH SUCCESSFUL system with the possibility of relocating the highway within the county is being made. On the other hand, the Pigeon River Route is in strong contention in the interstate system battle.

Madison County citizens are urged to write at once to Governor Luther Hodges and to Highway Commissioner J. Fleming Snipes, Marion, (Continued on Page Two)

#### State Patrol Assigns Foldman To Mars Hill

Alvin Foldman, 100 Edge wood Ed., Asheville, has rejoined the State Highway Patrol and will be stationed at Mars Hill, Troop "E" symmander D. G. Lewis said this week.

Feldman was with the patrol from 1951 to Feb., 1954, when he resign-ed to enter private business. He was sworn in Friday in Ra-leigh and assigned to Troop "E."

## Graham Writes A. E. Leake VALUABLE SOCIAL SECURITY DATA IN THIS ISSUE

Farmers Of County Urged To Read Series; Is Very Beneficial

Beginning in this issue is a series of timely questions and answers pertaining to Social Security benefits for hundreds of farmers in Madison of the growing dangers of Commun-County. The answers to important ism from within as well as from questions are furnished by an expert -Drew C. Nichols, field representa-District office, Asheville, N. C.

Madison County citizens can greatly benefit by becoming better informed about Social Security.

## ANNUAL BANQUET AT MARSHALL

Young Is Speaker; Letters And Other Awards Are Presented

The annual Athletic banquet which was held Friday night in the beautifully decorated cafeteria at Marshall High School was a most successful and enjoyable occasion. Approximately 160 students and guests proximately loo students and guests enjoyed the event. Principal Bernard S. Brigman presided and Fred American gave the invocation.

During the bountiful and sufficient dinner, Mr. Frits Albertson, well-know accordianist of Asheville, who

is associated with Dunham's Mustic director, rendered several selections on the accordion and trumpet.

Following the meal, Mr. Brigman recognized the guests present and (Continued to Last Page)

## Hot Springs Has Kick-Off Dinner For 1955 Finer Carolinas Contest

Citation, \$500 Check Awarded Hot Springs As 1954 Winners

On Tuesday evening, Feb. 22, the Carolina Power and Light Company was host for a dinner given some 30 citizens of the Town of Hot Springs. The company was represented by Mr. Julian Stepp and Mrs. Vivian Bushong, promoters of the "Finer Carolinas" program.

Mrs. J. B. Tweed had charge of arrangements.

The Ladies' Friendship Club had charge of preparing and serving the dinner which was in the school, dining hall. It was a delicious meal, well served. The dining hall was beautifully decorated. The color I scheme was red and white, carrying out the idea of Washington's birth-(Continued to Last Page)

# FEED PRODUCTION

or from meat animals know that 1952 and has been sought since by feed is the largest item of expense. Tennessee officers.

March 2, at 10:00 o'clock.

Dr. E. R. Collins, Extension Service Agronomy Specialist, will spend two hours, from 10:00 a. m., until 12:00 noon discussing corn production and fertilization of all feed

## **FUGITIVE IS** ARRESTED IN

W. C. Rector And Others, End Desperate Search For Wanted Criminal

A 48-year-old Greeneville, Tenn. native, wanted on bad check charges in Madison County and for felonious assault and jail-break in Greeneville, was arrested early Tuesday morning in the Camp Creek section of Greene County, Tenn., ending a 5-year man-

Leslie Harrison was arrested at 4 Ernest Ricker, by a 17-man posse composed of members of Madison County sheriff's officers, Greene County and Greeneville city officers and members of the Tennessee State Highway Patrol.

Chief of Police Aud Sheppard of Greeneville said Harrison was wanted in Greeneville for the shooting ing in Madison County. of his brother-in-law, Ernest Rick-Parmers looking for additional in- er, in 1952. He escaped from the come from the sale of dairy products Greene County fall Halowe'en night,

How to produce an ample supply of cheap feed is the big question of success in a livestock economy.

A feed production school will be held in Marshall on Wednesday, here for passing \$600 worth of bad checks in Marshall, Hot Springs and

Chief Sheppard reported that war-rants will be taken out today by Graystone Resort against Harrison. Sheppard said Harrison want into the inn, which is located near Green-

### **PUTNAM SPEAKS** TO CIVITANS HERE TUESDAY

Well-Known Lecturer Warns Americans Of Complacency In Struggle

Col. Robert J. Putnam, of Asheville, who has recently returned from a 54,000-mile lecture tour on Americanism, spoke to the Marshall Civitan Club here at the regular luncheon meeting Tuesday afternoon.

Col. Putnam, forcefully and with authority, warned his listeners of the complacency of the American businessmen in their roles as leaders and urged them to "think." He told without our borders. His "frightening" talk was a sound tonic for evtive Society Security Administration ery American who for some reason, doesn't want to know the entire truth of the world situation. Col. Putnam quoted the Bible in many instances and his answer to our seemingly "lost cause" must be found in the words of Jesus Christ and not in U.N., NATO, or any other organization of political or military origin.

The 17 members and three visitors present listened with rapt attention as Col. Putnam expertly spoke on world conditions. There was no doubt in the minds of anyone present that another solution and answer to America's problems is to awake America with such expert talks as the one delivered by Col. Putnam.

He was introduced by Jonas Chandler, program chairman.

President J. J. Ramsey appointed the Rev. D. D. Gross, pastor of the Baptist Church, to be program chairman for the month of March.

#### Purchasing Agent Abolish

for Madison County was abolished store, and Mr. Phil Magnus, music by the commissioners at their last meeting, it was stated here this

> J. C. Chandler, chairman of the board, said that Ted Russell, audit- board of commissioners, announced or, would serve as purchasing agent of the county without compensation. Mr. Chandler stated that the abolishment of the office was an econo- and 18.

capacity for several years.

## ANTI-COMMUNIST **BALLOON FOUND** IN COUNTY MON.

Balloon Released In Louisville, Kentucky, On Lincoln's Birthday, Feb. 12

F. N. Flynn, well-known farmer of the Walnut Creek section of Madison County, was surprised Monday morning when he discovered a balloon on his farm. The balloon, which resembled a plastic bag, was about 3x4 feet in size and contained material for the Crusade for Freedom campaign. Included in the balloon were a number of pamphlets and a Freedom Scroll. In addition to these, a. m, at the home of his sister, Mrs. a letter explaining the balloon and

The material was brought to The News-Record office Monday morning by Mr. Flynn's son, Mr. Sanford Flynn.

Thus far, this is the only such balloon which has been reported land-The letter in the balloon read as

Congratulations on finding this day belicon, the enclosures of which will afford you the patriotic privilege of assisting so worthy a cause as the Cousade For Freedom.

Since the founding of the Freternal Order of Esgles in February, 1898, this Fraternity has always esponsed its dearest principle, FREE-

## Report Shows Madison Books, **Ballots Missing After Search**

## **County Cage Tournament Starts Tonight**

6:00 P. M. White Rock vs. Hot Springs (Girls)

7:00 P. M. Marshall vs. White Rock (Boys)

8:00 P. M. Marshall vs. Spring Creek (Girls)

9:00 P. M. Spring Creek vs. Hot Springs (Boys)

## 10 COUNTY MEN ARE INDUCTED

The following registrants wer sent to Knoxville, Tennessee, for induction this month:

Phillip R. Banks, Warren Grant McDaris, Jr., Billy C. Beek, Everett G. Chandler, James J. Griffee, Charles Tweed, Joseph Clyde Chandler, Jr., Harlon Marion Rice, Garrett C. Ramsey, Ray Leonard Payne.

## EDEALIZATION The office of Purchasing Agent BOARD TO MEET HERE MAR. 16, 17, 18

J. C. Chandler, Chairman of the this week that the commissioners will sit as a board of equalization

A. W. Coates had served in this when they will be heard can be program. found in an advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

Mrs. McElyea stated that Miss Virginia Gregory of the State Comin this issue.

#### Varner To Speak At Mars Hill And Marshall Next Week

Joe Varner, director of the blood for the Red Cross, will be the guest speaker at the Mars Hill Civitan Club next Tuesday night. The dinner meeting will be held in the Mars Hill Community Building at seven o'clock.

Bruce Murray, president of the Mars Hill Club, has invited the members of the Marshall Civitan Club to join the Mars Hill Club at the

A joint meeting of the Marshall Bantist, Methodist and Presbyterian Churches has been announced for next Wednesday night at the Baptist Church when Mr. Varner material was tucked within the bal- will be the guest speaker. The service will begin at eight o'clock and all members are urged to attend.

#### Griffie Injured As Car Plunges Into Stream Sunday

## CRIMINAL COURT | Ponder Says Report Is TO BEGIN MONDAY; "Close To Accurate"; ONE MURDER CASE Tells Of Dynamiting

Ray Worley Trial Scheduled; Nettles To Preside At One-Week Term

The February term of superior court for the trial of criminal cases will begin here Monday morning at ten o'clock with Judge Zeb V. Nettles, of Asheville, presiding. Robert Swain is the solicitor.

Herbert Hawkins, clerk of superior court, stated that approximately report filed by District Attorney 170 cases are on the docket for the one-week term.

One murder case, State vs. Ray Worley, is scheduled to be tried at the term.

Worley, 24, of the Spillcorn section of Madison County, is charged Court Tom Rhodes. with the murder of Kimsey Curtis (Continued to Last Page)

## FAMILY LIFE MEET HELD HERE; PLAN FOR RECREATION

Mrs. McElyea Outlines Plans For Program; Dr. Holt Of Mars Hill, Speaks

A "Family Life Group" meeting was held in the lobby of the French Broad Membership Corporation here Wednesday when about 20 attended. The Rev. R. N. Barefoot opened

the meeting with prayer then gave a brief review of efforts made by the local group to organize a Family Life Council.

Mrs. Helen McElyea, of Marshall, a member of the National Recreational Association , conducted a forat the courthouse on March 16, 17, um during which she outlined some of the basic steps necessary in pre-A breakdown of townships and paring for a supervised recreational

> mission, will be in Marshall on March 24 and will give more information on services offered by the State Recreational Commission.

Superintendent W. W. Peek also spoke and stated that the program would have to be planned either from a community level or from a program in the Southeastern area county level, pointing out that one program could not serve both.

Dr. Robert Holt, vice president of Mars Hill College, expressed his interest in Family Life education and emphasized the importance of adult education.

Mr. Barefoot reported that arrangements had been made to rent the room above the A&P store and that the Coca-Cola Bottling Co., would be contacted in an effort to obtain some recreational equipment.

# DAIRY SCHOOL

Dairy farmers have many decisions to make during one year of operation Many of the decisions Solie Griffie of Marshall RFD 4, was injured in an auto crash Sunday about 11:80 a. m. on N. C. Highway 208 about 18 miles north of Marshall, State Highway Patrolman Bagwell reported.

Griffie lost control of his car on a curve. The patrolman reported the car struck a rock embankment at the right of the highway, swerved across the read, and plunged into the laurel River.

made during the year affect their income for several years. An example of this may be the culling of the herds. A wise job of culling the dairy of the common have a lasting affect on the dairy enterprise.

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Baley Says Election Records "Complete Muddle"; Grand Jury To Get Information

By BRIGHT W. PADGITT

An inventory of impounded Madison County ballot boxes and other election materials lists vital documents from most of the 24 precincts as missing, it was revealed in the James M. Baiey, Jr.

This inventory, completed last week from election materials impounded Dec. 30 and 31 by the office of U. S. Marshal Roy A. Harmon, was filed in the office of Clerk of

Baley termed the election records of Madison County a "complete muddle," with Marshall, Paint Fork and Hot Springs as probably the worst offenders. The box confiscated from Township 1, Ward 1, at Marshall shows that 186 absentee ballots were issued, with 182 of the containers missing.

Baley pointed out that there were no poll books found in the boxes from No. 4 at Paint Fork and No. 9 at Hot Springs. He cited the law to the effect that the chairman of the board of elections count quired to keep absent tainers for at least 1 and the longer in event of any contest.

514 Containers Mis ing The Teport, which was compiled by Chief Deputy U. S. Marshal J. Paul Teal Jr. shows that a total of 900 absettee ballots were issued in the 24 wards and of this number, 514 of the absentee containers are missing from the records.

Baley pointed out in the report that at Ebbs Chapel in Township 11, there were no records at all of the race for the State and United States Senate,

The report cites missing absentee ballot containers as follow:

Walnut, Ward 2, 60 issued and 37 missing; Antioch, Ward 3, 36 issued and all missing; Walnut Creek, Ward 4, 10 issued and all missing; Little Laurel, Ward 2, 15 issued and 11 missing; Sandy Mush, Township 6, 15 issued and all missing; Little Pine Township 8, 48 issued and all missing.

Lower Spring Creek, Ward 2, 31 issued and all missing; Hot Springs, Township 9, 50 issued and 48 missing; Big Laurel, Township 10 and Ward 1, 15 issued and seven missing; Meadow Fork, Township 13, 56 issued and all missing; and Mars Hill, Township 15, 53 issued and 12

All Accounted For Township that reported all containers as issued were Guntertown, (Continued to Last Page)

#### Weekly Legislatives Summary

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NOTE: This is the sixth series of weekly summaries pared by the legislative staff of Institute of Government on the of the North Carolina General sembly of 1955. It is confine discussions of matters of painterests and major importance.

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