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Fire Truck To Remain In City Limits In Case Of Fire Outside

Decision Made At Meeting Here Tuesday; Firemen Are Notified

The Marshall aldermen, in the meeting here Tuesday night, unanimously agreed that Fire Chief Jim Story be notified not to take the fire truck beyond the City Limits of the town in case of fire and that all members of the Marshall volunteer fire department be notified to that effect.

The board also passed a ruling that only members of the Marshall Fire Department be permitted to operate the fire truck.

The ruling Tuesday night is one which has been "in the air" for many years and is based on statutes relating to Municipalities with one-unit (truck) fire protection.

Heretofore, it has been left up to the fire chief to answer fire calls outside the corporation with the hope that no fire would start within the corporate limits while the truck was gone. It has been the practice in the past to answer all calls regardless of kind and size of fire.

Fire Chief Story stated here this morning that the new ruling will prohibit answering fire calls outside the corporate limits and that he is bound by the ruling and laws of the municipality and state to abide by them.

"I have always answered calls whenever possible but at the same (Continued to Last Page)

BANK ROBBER TO BE BROUGHT TO N. C. FOR TRIAL

Cleveland, Ohio, June 8 — U. S. Commissioner H. A. Horn today found probable cause for removal of Norman Bobik, 31, to North Carolina where he is wanted in a \$19,434 robbery of a bank at Hot Springs May 18.

Bobik's attorneys contended in the hearing that there was mistaken identity and Bobik was not one of the men involved in the holdup of the Hot Springs branch of the Citizens Bank of Marshall, N. C.

But Robert Davis, operator of an auto accessory store at Hot Springs, identified Bobik as the holdup man who pointed a gun at him when he was in the bank as a customer. Swan Huff, operator of a cafe across the street from the bank, also testified he saw two men carry a bag from the bank to a car and that if one wasn't Bobik, "it was his brother."

Commissioner Horn tomorrow will report his recommendation to federal court which will decide whether to issue a warrant of removal.

The U. S. district attorney's office cited a criminal record for Bobik in Ohio and Southern states going back to 1938 and including an armed robbery conviction in 1945. Bobik is on parole from a 10-25 year Ohio Penitentiary sentence for that 1945 offense.

Bobik was arrested here May 23 on a warrant from the Federal District Court at Asheville, N. C.

Carl Wacker, arrested in Dayton, Ohio in connection with the Hot Springs robbery, is lodged in Buncombe County Jail's Federal section awaiting trial in U. S. District Court in the November criminal term here. Wacker waived a hearing and was returned to Asheville Sunday by a Deputy U. S. Marshal, Federal authorities said yesterday.

Weekly Legislative Summary

Note: This is the 30th and last of a series of weekly summaries prepared by the legislative staff of the Institute of Government on the work of the North Carolina General Assembly of 1955. It is confined to discussions of matters of general interest and major importance.

Marshall, N. C., May 28, 1955. Following is a list of resolutions, the House, June 8, 1955.

CITIZEN OF YEAR



DR. HOYT BLACKWELL

DR. BLACKWELL IS CITIZEN OF YEAR AT MARS HILL

Civitan Club Makes Award; Officers Are Installed Tuesday

Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, president of Mars Hill College, was named citizen of the year for outstanding service to the community by the Mars Hill Civitan Club at a dinner meeting Tuesday evening, June 7.

Bruce Murray, retiring club president, made the award at the dinner at the Mars Hill Community House, at which the wives of club members were special guests.

The guest speaker for the evening was Dr. Robert Seymour, pastor of the Mars Hill Baptist Church, who gave an account of his visit to Yugoslavia last summer and told of conditions in a Communist country as he observed them.

Following the address, A. J. Hutchins of Canton, who was recently elected lieutenant governor of Zone 1 to succeed R. M. Lee of Mars Hill, spoke briefly of the aims of Civitan International and installed the new officers of the Mars Hill club.

These officers for the coming year are: Owen Tilson, president; Kenneth Anderson, vice president; Robert Chapman, secretary; Adam Dycus, treasurer. The board of directors are: Robert Holt, Raymond Nelson, R. M. Lee, M. H. Kendall, Edward Smith and Bruce Murray.

Officers for the past year were: Bruce Murray, president; Owen Tilson, vice president; Bruce Sams, secretary-treasurer; Morris Puckett, corresponding secretary; Kenneth Anderson, Raymond Nelson, Adam Dycus, R. M. Lee, James Cox, Leonard Briggs, directors.

County Ministers Will Cooperate In Slow Down And Live

State Highway Patrolman Preston Bagwell announced here this week that the ministers of Madison County will cooperate in every way possible with the current "Slow Down and Live" Campaign.

"Material concerning the campaign has been given most of the ministers and they have all shown a willing desire to cooperate," Patrolman Bagwell stated.

Several of the ministers are expected to mention the importance of the "Slow Down and Live" whenever possible in sermons as well as in Sunday School and other religious meetings.

James D. Reeves To Receive Degree At Northwestern U.

James D. Reeves, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Reeves, of Walnut, will receive a degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery from Northwestern University at 11 a. m. Monday, June 13, 1955, in Seattle, Wash.

MAYHEW NAMED COMMANDER OF LEGION POST

43 Members Attend Meeting Last Thursday; Other Officers Named

Boyce "Bub" Mayhew was elected Commander of the Davis-Sexton Post No. 317, American Legion at a meeting held at the Legion building here last Thursday night. Other officers elected are as follows: Joe Nix, Vice-Commander; L. B. Ramsey, Adjutant; J. C. Dodson, Finance Officer; and Elsworth Rector, Sergeant-at-Arms.

The meeting last Thursday was one of the most successful meetings in the history of the Post when 43 members were present.

It was announced following the meeting that regular meetings will be held on the first Thursday night of each month and that all members are requested to attend the meetings.

"In order to make the local Post an active and progressive one, it is necessary for all members to attend the meetings and cooperate in every way possible," Commander Mayhew stated here this week.

Madison Native Is Killed In Wreck Near Hendersonville

Eli Plennmons, 74, of Fletcher RFD 1 died Tuesday morning, June 7, 1955 in a Hendersonville hospital of injuries he received in an automobile accident last Saturday morning.

The automobile, Plennmons was driving had crashed into the side of a building in a residential area. Plennmons was the driver of the car.

No inquest has been held. A resident of the Hooper's Creek section of Henderson County, Plennmons was the son of the late T. L. and Jane Woody Plennmons of Madison County.

He had been superintendent of the Henderson County Home for eighteen years, but had resigned in 1950 to engage in farming. A year ago, he established Plennmons Grocery in Fletcher.

Funeral services were held at 10 a. m. Wednesday in Hooper's Creek Baptist Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Nephews were pallbearers. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. L. Darnell Plennmons; two daughters, Mrs. Dora Coggin of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. H. H. Coggin of Asheville; five sons, Joe of Hendersonville, Charles and Roy of Fletcher, J. D. of Skyland, and Carroll of Washington, D. C.; a sister, Mrs. Linda Sherlin of Weaverville; and 11 grandchildren.

Any man can make a dozen opportunities for success while he is waiting for one to make itself for him.

Children To Be Admitted Free To Swimming Pool Twice Weekly

BANK ROBBERY HEARING IS CONTINUED

An extradition hearing for Norman Bobik, 34, charged with complicity in the robbery of the Citizens Bank of Marshall, N. C., on May 18, was postponed until June 8.

Bobik, of Cleveland, Ohio, and two other men have been charged by the FBI in the \$19,500 daylight robbery. The others are Carl Virgil Wacker, 39, of Dayton, Ohio and Bernard Edward Gossell, 35, also of Dayton.

Wacker waived hearing after his arrest May 23 at Dayton and was held under \$30,000 bond. Gossell was arrested at Asheville and released under \$3,000 bond. Bobik's bond was set at \$40,000.

Two women entered the bank on the morning of May 18 and forced manager Joe Tilson and a customer to the vault.

GYMNASIUM PLANS ARE ALTERED AT RALEIGH MEETING

New Bids To Be Let Prior To July 1; Plans Are Announced

W. W. Peek, Superintendent of Madison County Schools, announced this week that the plans for the gymnasium and additional class rooms at Marshall High School were altered at a meeting in Raleigh with the Schoolhouse Planning Division.

According to Mr. Peek, building plans were altered by eliminating the wings containing class rooms and locker rooms, raising the gym floor approximately four feet to permit use of the space under the gym proper for locker and class rooms.

"It is expected that the alteration will result in bids that will come within the amount of money allocated for the project," Mr. Peek stated.

Present plans call for a new letting of bids prior to July 1, 1955.

Mr. Bernard Brigman and Mr. Lindsey Gudger attended the meeting in Raleigh with Mr. Peek.

HUSKINS NAMED RESIDENT JUDGE

Governor Hodges tapped two Western North Carolina natives as he started filling Superior Court judgeships under the new redistricting legislation.

J. Frank Huskins, of Burnsville, was appointed resident judge of the 24th judicial district, set up by the new district act. He will be split up as a district with Madison going to the new 24th and Buncombe comprising a one-county district.

Hugh Campbell, a Haywood County native and now a Charlotte attorney, was appointed resident judge for the new 26th district comprised of Mecklenburg County.

Also appointed were: Malcolm C. Paul of Washington, second district; and C. W. Hall of Durham, 14th district. Both are now serving as special judges.

Huskins is a former state legislator and was chairman of the State Industrial Commission for several years.

FISCAL BUDGET FOR MARSHALL CAN NOW BE INSPECTED HERE

Notice is published elsewhere in this issue stating that the budget estimate for the fiscal year 1955-1956 has been presented by the Municipal Accountant to the Governing Board of Marshall and that a copy is on file in Accountant's office for public inspection.

American Legion To Buy 100 Tickets Monthly For Children

The local Davis-Sexton Post No. 317, American Legion, voted last Thursday night to purchase 100 children's tickets monthly so that all children under 12 years of age can use the swimming pool twice weekly without having to pay. Commander Boyce Mayhew announced this week that this will enable many children to enjoy wading and swimming throughout the summer who might otherwise not be able to go to the Park.

Hubert Edwards, manager of the Marshall Park, announced this week that on each Monday and Friday, any boy or girl under 12 years of age will be admitted free of charge to the pool. These two days each week are the only days this plan will be effective, it was explained.

"I am sure the children will be grateful to the American Legion for making this possible," Mr. Edwards said.

Howerton's Plans To Be Studied By State Highway Commission

MADISON COUNTY IN 24TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT NOW

Under the new district setup, Madison and Buncombe counties will be split up as a district with Madison going to the new 24th Judicial District and Buncombe comprising a one-county district.

Other counties in the 24th district beside Madison are Avery, Mitchell, Watauga and Yancey.

DRIVER FREED IN PRISON TRUCK DEATH

The driver of a prison camp truck was freed of a manslaughter charge Saturday following an inquest in Thursday's fatal accident near Hot Springs.

The Madison County jury found no negligence by the driver, Wade Junior Gardin, 20, of Bluff, in the death of Lascko Wiley, 49-year-old Craggy Prison Camp prisoner from Asheville.

The jury decided Wiley's death was caused by an unavoidable accident and recommended Gardin be released.

Gardin had been placed under \$500 bond following the accident. Wiley was killed and seven other prisoners and two prison employees, including Gardin, were injured when the truck and its trailer crashed into an embankment and turned over about five miles south of Hot Springs after the truck's brakes and a wheel bearing failed.

Control Praised State Highway Patrol Pfc. A. L. Feldman in his testimony praised the youth's control over the vehicle as it careened the half mile down the steep, curving mountain road before it failed to make a curve and crashed.

Wiley, due to be freed next Thursday on completing a 30-day sentence for public drunkenness, died of a crushed skull.

Meanwhile, three prisoners injured in the accident were off the critical list Saturday, Memorial Mission Hospital at Asheville reported.

The hospital described as "fair" the conditions of Grover McMullen, 34, of Statesville, Ben Mixon, 33, of Greensboro, and Crawford Gordon, 44, of Gastonia.

The four other prisoners less seriously injured were discharged, the hospital said.

Gardin and the other prison system employee, H. F. Meadows, 54, of the Spring Creek section, were treated by a local physician for lacerations of the hands.

RAIN DELAYS FISH FRY UNTIL NEXT WEDNESDAY

The fish fry which was scheduled to be held Wednesday night of this week was postponed until next Wednesday night due to heavy rains.

The event will be held at the Old Mill Wheel at 6:00 o'clock.

All members and families of the Wildlife Club, sponsors of the occasion, are invited to attend.

Five Madison County Men Enlist In U. S. Navy Monday, May 30

Five Madison County men enlisted in the United States Navy Monday, May 30. The men were: Bailey Payne, Floyd Davis Jr., Bill McCallie, Douglas Adams and Bill L. Adams.

The men were sent to the Great Lakes Naval Training Center for "boot" training.

Advocates Of French Broad Route Plead For Survey

State Highway Commission engineers will study in detail plans for a superhighway into Tennessee along the French Broad River route.

Two alternate routings along the French Broad valley were submitted to the Commission in Raleigh last Thursday by T. M. Howerton, Asheville engineer.

Chief Highway Engineer W. H. Rogers Jr. and Chief Locating Engineer R. Getty Browning were instructed to study Howerton's recommendations and report next month.

The French Broad River route now carries traffic following U. S. Highway 70 and 25, but is far from being a super highway.

Advocates of the Pigeon River route favor the building of a new direct-shot highway between Clyde, near Lake Junaluska, and Waterville on the Tennessee line.

Buchanan Makes Motion

Highway Commissioner Harry E. Buchanan, of Hendersonville, who favors the Pigeon River route, moved that Howerton's data be studied by Commission engineers and that they report back in a month.

Commissioner J. F. Snipes of Marion, who favors modernizing the French Broad River route, asked that the engineers survey the routes proposed by Howerton. Howerton said such a survey would take well over a month.

Buchanan told the Commission Tennessee authorities last December asked "that we meet them at the (Continued to Last Page)

SIGN-UP DATE IS SET FOR FALL ACP PRACTICES

An initial 15 day sign up period, whereby farmers may file their request for assistance in performing Fall practices under the 1955 county ACP has been set for June 6 to June 20, according to Ralph W. Ramsey, county ASC office manager. All farmers who did not participate in county ACP during the spring period will be given priority over those who did receive Government cost-sharing in the spring, provided they file their application during this initial sign-up period. Funds which are not obligated to farmers who file during the two weeks period will be used to assist all farmers on a first come first served basis during the remainder of the 1955 program year, Ramsey explained. All farmers will be given an opportunity to file their request either during or after this initial sign-up period; however, those who do file in the two weeks, June 6-20, will be given approval over those who file at a later date.

Interested farmers desiring additional information on eligible Fall practices on which Government cost-sharing will be available should contact their local community committeemen, any of the county Agricultural Workers, Vendors or the county ASC office in Marshall.

Raymond E. Boone Is Killed In Auto Accident In Michigan

Raymond E. Boone, 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Boone, formerly of Madison County, was killed instantly Sunday, June 5, 1955, near Detroit, Michigan, when the car he was driving struck a telephone pole.

The body was returned to the home of a brother in Erwin, Tenn.

The funeral will be held Sunday (Thursday) at 2 p. m. at the home. Boone was stationed with the United States Air Force at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, and was on leave.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Boone, of Erwin, Tenn., and a sister, Mrs. Mary Boone, of Erwin, Tenn.