



Mars Hill Girls, Boys Win County Basketball Championship

Walnut Girls, Spring Creek Boys Lose Finals Saturday Night

With Dorothy Eatmon sinking baskets from all over the court while racking up 30 points and teammate, Edith Shepherd ably racking up crisp after crisp for 28 points and Jo Whitt sinking 9 points, the Mars Hill girls won the Madison County championship Saturday night by defeating Walnut, 69-65. However, it took this type of superb playing to defeat an equally good team from Walnut. Martha McDevitt drove in 30 points with little Judy Henderson firing from every angle to score 25 points and Louise Goldsmith, with 8 points, forced Mars Hill throughout the game. Ellen Johnston scored the other two points for Coach Ralph Neill's sextet. When the final whistle blew, the secret of Mars Hill's victory was its ability to control the ball on virtually every jump. Coach Clyde Peek's team was indeed superb at ball handling and control. Walnut rallied in the final minutes to leave the spectators limp but Mars Hill applied the "freeze" just in time to protect its slim lead. As the final buzzer ending the game sounded, the jubilant Mars Hill team all but beat Coach Peek to bits as they victoriously let out their pent-up feelings. Although Walnut lost in the finals, Coach Ralph Neill's team proved to everyone that they are one of the finest teams ever assembled in Madison County.

Mars Hill boys, not to be outdone by their girls' team, eked out a 49-46 victory over the Spring Creek quint to win the championship in the boys' final. In fact, the Mars Hill boys applied the same tactics which the Spring Creek team seemed to splutter. At halftime, the Mars Hill five held a 10 point lead, 27-17 and retired at intermission with a comfortable lead. As the second half started, however, it was evident that Coach Leach Shelton had "put fire into his players" during the intermission. Gerome Willett and F. N. Willett started pumping 'em in and the score started to tighten. The capacity audience, sensing a Spring Creek comeback, (Continued to Page Six)

ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAMS SELECTED; STAR PLAYERS

The Spring Creek teams won the sportsmanship trophy in the Madison County tournament which ended at Walnut Saturday night with the Mars Hill boys and girls the champions.

F. N. Willett of the Spring Creek boys and Muncie Franklin of the Laurel girls were voted outstanding player awards.

The all-tournament teams included:

- Boys: forwards—Eula Cantrell, Laurel; Judy Henderson, Walnut; Edith Shepherd, Mars Hill; Jean Thomas, Marshall; Dorothy Eatmon, Mars Hill; Louise Goldsmith, Walnut; guards—Muncie Franklin, Laurel; Paula Roberts, Walnut; Marian Reese, Mars Hill; Beatrice Ward, Marshall; Kay Peek, Mars Hill; Irene Gosnell, Walnut.

Girls: F. N. Willett, Spring Creek; Gerome Willett, Spring Creek; LeRoy Allen, Marshall; Dick Vance, Mars Hill; Milan Wall, Mars Hill; Ray Ramsey, Walnut; Ray Justice, Spring Creek; Ben Gahagan, Walnut; Glenn Shelton, Laurel; Tommie, Hot Springs.

Hot Springs Finer Carolina Steering Committee Meets

A meeting of the new steering committee of the Finer Carolina Program at Hot Springs was held Friday night at the home of Mrs. J. B. ...

The projects for this year were ... and Mr. Ellensberg, general ...

DRIVE CHAIRMAN



MRS. LEONARD BAKER

EASTER SEAL SALE TO GET UNDERWAY SOON

Mrs. Leonard Baker is Drive Chairman; Letters to be Mailed Soon

Mrs. R. R. Ramsey, president of the Madison County Easter Seal Society announced this week that Mrs. Leonard Baker, of Walnut, will serve as county drive chairman for the 1956 campaign for Crippled Children. Although the National Crippled Children's Drive officially started March 1, the actual campaign will get underway in Madison County in the next few days. Miss Eloise Ward, of Marshall, has been named secretary-treasurer and donations to this needed drive may be sent directly to her or Mrs. Ramsey. People in Madison County always respond generously to the Easter Seal Sale and it is hoped that the drive will again be a success this year. Letters are being prepared by Mrs. Baker and will be mailed in the next few days, it was announced.

CAMP AT MICAVILLE
Madison County citizens will also be glad to know that camping facilities for handicapped children will be met this year by conducting two camps for crippled children, one near Chapel Hill and the other near Mount Mitchell, it was announced by Dr. Leslie B. Hohman of Duke (Continued to Page Three)

PREMEASUREMENT DEADLINE SET FOR MARCH 15

According to Ralph W. Ramsey, county ASC office manager, March 15 has been established as the closing date whereby farmers interested in securing official premeasurement of their 1956 tobacco acreage could make application for such service. Ramsey said that many farmers interested in this service let the deadline for filing pass each year and then make inquiry concerning such service. The cost for this service to the farmer is the larger of \$5.00 per acre or \$2.00 per acre which amounts to only a fraction of the expense some farmers go to each year when they lose labor, fertilizer, time and land by exceeding their quota and dispose of the excess acreage. It is anticipated that premeasurement work will begin as soon as reducers are notified of their 1956 revised acreage quotas. In conclusion Ramsey stated that all farmers who wish to have their 1956 acreage officially premeasured and staked out, should place their applications immediately with the ASC office in Marshall.

SURVIVES FREAK ACCIDENT

Lowell, Mass. — The hood of Joseph K. Dowling's car accidentally opened and blocked his view. The car struck a tree, veered across the street into a plow, and crashed into a wall and then burst into flames. Dowling escaped unhurt.

J. C. CHANDLER RESIGNS FROM BD. COMMISSIONERS

Physical Condition Is Reason; Successor Not Yet Named

J. C. Chandler, chairman of the Madison County board of commissioners, resigned his post on the board following the meeting held here Monday. "Upon advice from my physician advising me to limit my activities, it is necessary that I resign as a member of the county commissioners. I wish to thank the public for its support during my stay in office and it is with deepest regret that I am forced to resign," Mr. Chandler stated. A successor has not yet been named but will be before the meeting next month, it was stated here this week.

Civilians-Lions To Have Joint Meeting Monday

The Marshall Civitan Club and the Marshall Lions Club will have a joint-meeting Monday night at the Presbyterian Church at which time Dr. Dibrell, of the Red Cross, will show a film.

The ladies of the Presbyterian Church will prepare and serve the dinner which will be at 7:30 o'clock. All members of both clubs are urged to attend.

INDUSTRIAL COUNCIL TO MEET TUESDAY

Dinner-Meeting To Be Held At School Cafeteria At 7:30 O'clock

The Madison County Industrial Council will hold its third meeting here on Tuesday night, March 13, it was announced here this week. The council, a comparatively new organization, is being organized in hopes to make a concentrated effort to promote industry to Madison County and to also prepare brochures for advertising purposes. The Marshall Parent-Teacher Association will be in charge of preparing and serving the dinner which will be served at 7:30 o'clock. The principal objectives to be accomplished at the meeting are to sign the charter of incorporation and to also appoint committees, such as a Brochure Committee. A. V. Graves, of Hot Springs, is in charge of the program, it was announced this week. Approximately 100 persons are expected to attend the dinner-meeting and tickets can be purchased from D. M. Robinson, at the REA Building or W. B. Ramsey at the Citizens Bank. Plates will be \$1.50 each.

Equalization Board To Hear Complaints Here

Read advertisement on Page Nine

PASSES AT HOME HERE TUESDAY



CALVIN R. EDNEY

Calvin R. Edney Succumbs To Heart Attack Here Tuesday Night

Funeral Today at Mars Hill; Was Prominent in Politics

Calvin R. Edney, 67, a former state senator and prominent Marshall attorney, died Tuesday, March 6, 1956, at 9 p. m. in his home here. He succumbed suddenly to a heart attack.

Edney was succeeded last Saturday by Clyde M. Roberts as chairman of the Madison County Republican Executive Committee.

He had been ill for several weeks prior to his death but had been able for the past two weeks to be at his office, on his farm, and to teach a Sunday School class.

Edney formerly taught at the Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City, Tenn., and at Mars Hill College.

of the public welfare department in Madison County, and had been active in Republican party circles for a number of years on the district and state levels.

He was a deacon of the Marshall First Baptist Church, where he had taught the Whitaburtt Bible Class for many years.

Edney had served twice as state senator from the former 30th senatorial district, representing Avery, Madison, Mitchell, and Yancy counties, and was a former Federal Land Bank field representative.

He was a World War I veteran, serving as a sergeant with the U. S. Army Air Corps in 1918 and 1919. Edney had been district president of the Madison County Bar Association at the annual Southern States Bar Association meeting in the Courthouse at Hot Springs.

Red Cross Membership Drive Now In Full Swing In County

GOP CHAIRMAN



CLYDE M. ROBERTS

ROBERTS ELECTED GOP CHAIRMAN AT CONVENTION HERE

W. W. Candler Principal Speaker; Other Officials Named

New officers were elected Saturday at the biennial convention of the Madison County Republican party here in the Courthouse.

Calvin R. Edney of Marshall, chairman of the GOP executive committee, presided at the session attended by approximately 200 persons.

Principal speaker was W. W. Candler of Leicester who said that the "GOP had inherited national farm problems from the Democratic administration."

Various committees were elected, R. Spencer Rice of Flag Pond, Tenn., RFD 1, and Jobie R. Henderson of Hot Springs were named members of the state GOP executive committee. Th group also endorsed C. L. Rudisill Sr., of Marshall, as a delegate to the national convention in San Francisco, Calif.

County convention officers elected included: Clyde M. Roberts of Marshall, chairman of the county GOP executive committee, succeeding Edney; William V. Farmer of Marshall, vice chairman; Mrs. R. R. Ramsey of Walnut, vice chairman; Kenneth Silver of Marshall, secretary; and Mrs. Roland Ramsey of Marshall, treasurer.

STORES TO START CLOSING HALF-DAY NEXT WEDNESDAY

Employers and employees will be glad to see next Wednesday afternoon arrive because it will be on this date that most of Marshall's stores will start closing each Wednesday afternoon throughout the summer until October 17.

Shoppers are reminded to "stock up" on Tuesdays and Wednesday mornings.

The half-day holiday gives the employers and employees an opportunity to "get out" from under the regular grind and work in gardens, yards, homes and to enjoy outings, fishing and picnics.

JOHN METCALF IS KILLED IN LOG ACCIDENT

John M. Metcalf, 43, of the Middle Fork section of Madison County, was killed instantly Wednesday, March 7, 1956, when a log rolled off a truck he was helping unload and pinned him to the ground.

Metcalf and James Ramsey were unloading a log truck at a sawmill near the Forks of the ...

Plans Completed For 1956 Campaign; Chairman Appointed

Mrs. Fred O. Tilson is chairman for Madison County for the American Red Cross 1956 campaign with Rev. R. N. Barefoot serving as Co-chairman. The Mars Hill drive is headed by Adam Dycus, assisted by The Woman's Club with Miss Irene Olive and Mrs. S. W. Vance as chairmen, The Civitan Club, and Mars Hill College with Dr. Robert Holt and M. H. Kendall as chairmen.

Rev. and Mrs. R. L. Hogan will head the drive for members and funds, assisted by Mrs. J. B. Tweed at Hot Springs.

Mrs. Ezra Burnette is chairman of the drive for Walnut.

Mrs. Tilson and Mr. Barefoot will be in charge of the Marshall drive assisted by Mrs. J. O. Corbett, Mrs. Jimmy Sprinkle, Mrs. James Bailey, Jr., Mrs. Allen Duckett, Mrs. Craig Rudisill, Jr., and Mrs. Walter Ramsey, Mrs. A. J. Ramsey, Home Demonstration Clubs and Mr. Alonzo Dennis and Mrs. Peggy Dotterer, rural communities. Mrs. C. D. Bowman has accepted chairmanship of Nursing Services for Madison County which includes all Red Cross volunteer nursing activities. Assisting Mrs. Bowman will be Mrs. Edwin Mashburn, Mrs. James Bailey Jr., Mrs. Leonard Baker and Mrs. Allen Duckett.

Dr. W. A. Sams will be 1956 Blood Program chairman assisted by Miss Virginia Hart, chairman for Mars Hill College.

Mr. Glenn Painter will be water society chairman with Mrs. A. M. McElyea serving as co-chairman. Mrs. George Shepe is first and chairman.

Mrs. Hilliard Teague is chairman (Continued to Page Six)

Offices In Courthouse To Close Wed. Afternoons

It was announced here today that beginning next Wednesday afternoon, March 14, offices in the courthouse will be closed each Wednesday afternoon during the summer months. This schedule was adopted along with the stores in Marshall who begin the half-day holiday next Wednesday.

Sunday School Study Courses To Be In County

On March 12-16 there will be a Sunday School study course at the Enon Baptist Church and the Chapel Hill Baptist Church for all people of those areas.

On March 19-23, the same study course will be held at Forks of Ivy Baptist Church and Laurel Chapel Baptist Church for people of those areas.

Some of the best qualified teachers in western North Carolina have been secured to hold these courses. All churches in the French Broad and Newfound Associations are invited to attend.

"May we all dedicate ourselves to these important study courses in order that we might have more efficient Sunday Schools", Wade Huey, S. S. Associational Supt., stated.

HEREFORD SALE AT ENKA NEXT THURS., MAR. 15

One of the finest assortments of horned and polled Hereford Hereford cattle will be offered at the first annual Spring Hereford Sale sponsored by the Western North Carolina Hereford Association.

The sale will be held at 10:00 a. m. at the Enka Hereford Farm, Enka, N. C. starting at 12 noon.