



## TRAINING UNION SPECIALISTS TO ADVISE LEADERS

Course To Be Held Next Week At California Creek Baptist Church

A Central Leadership Course for Training Unions will be held four nights next week at the California Creek Baptist Church, it was announced this week by Miss Irene Olive. The first session will be held on Monday night at 7:30 o'clock with a group of workers who are specialists in charge of instructions. The courses will continue through Thursday night.

Names of workers are as follows: Mr. William Spradlin, Pastors and General Officers; Miss Naomi Braswell, adults; Mrs. Smoot Baker, Young People; Mrs. Rob Smith, Intermediate Leadership; Mrs. J. R. Everett, Junior Leadership; Mrs. William Spradlin, Nursery-Beginner-Primary Leadership.

In addition, Mrs. Wade Huey and Mrs. D. E. Gross, of the Marshall Baptist Church, will lead a study for the Junior boys and girls and Miss Irene Olive will lead a study for Intermediates.

All leaders of Training Unions in the French Broad Baptist Association are asked to attend as well as those who are interested in starting a Training Union in the churches.

"We are indeed privileged to have such a team of specialists in Training Union Leadership and we are looking forward to a successful school next week," Miss Olive stated.

## Marshall Alumni Date Changed To Friday, May 25

Due to a number of conflicts, the Marshall High School Alumni Association banquet which was scheduled for May 26 has been changed to Friday evening, May 25, at 7:30 o'clock in the school cafeteria.

Reservations may be made by contacting Mrs. Jim Story, Mrs. W. W. Peek or Miss Patricia Caldwell, and all reservations must be made not later than Monday, May 21.

Price of the plates will be \$1.50 and remittance must accompany reservation.

## COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULE FOR MARSHALL HIGH

The following schedule for commencement exercises at Marshall High School was announced today by Bernard S. Brigman, principal.

May 14 at 7:30 o'clock, Band Concert.

May 18, 7:30 o'clock, Senior Play.

May 20 at 2:30 o'clock, Baccalaureate Service. The Rev. D. D. Gross, pastor of Marshall Baptist Church, will deliver sermon.

May 22, 7:30 o'clock, Eighth Grade Promotion.

May 24, 7:30 o'clock, Graduating Exercises. Dr. Robert Seymour, pastor Mars Hill Baptist Church, will deliver address.

May 25, 7:30 o'clock, Marshall High School Alumni Association Banquet.

Mr. Brigman announced that there are 39 candidates for diplomas in the 1956 graduating class.

## WALNUT REVIVAL MEETING TO CLOSE ON SUNDAY NIGHT

The revival services, with the Rev. Maurice Stevens from Wilmore, Kentucky, will come to a close Sunday night. On Mothers Day there will be a gift for the mother with the largest family present and one for the youngest mother. There will be several special Mothers Day musical numbers. Everyone is invited.

### THE ROVING REPORTER

Adrian is a very poor substitute for a good example.

## ROBERT F. BAILEY FATALLY SHOTS SELF SATURDAY

Bullet Enters Addomen; Final Rites Held On Monday

Robert Farris Bailey, 28, of the English section of Madison County, died at 2 a. m., Sunday, May 6, 1956 in an Asheville hospital after accidentally shooting himself in the abdomen with a pistol about 5 p. m., Saturday at his home.

Sheriff E. Y. Ponder said Bailey shot himself while removing cartridges from the .25 caliber pistol. Bailey had been outside shooting at snakes.

Ponder said no inquest was necessary.

Bailey was rushed to an Asheville hospital and underwent surgery before he died.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bailey of Mars Hill RFD 1; three sisters, Mrs. J. B. Wallin, Miss Ruth Floyd and Miss Chlovia Floyd, all of Mars Hill; and eight brothers, Grady of Flag Pond, Tenn., and Riley, Fred Jr., Paul, Joe, Ted, Zack and Bennie, all of the home.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2:30 p. m., in the Bright Hope Methodist Church. The Rev. Frank Blalock officiated and burial was in the Bright Hope Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Robert, Edward and Jack Phillips, Vance Harris, Zade English and J. T. Norton. Flower bearers were friends of the family.

Holcombe Brothers Funeral Home was in charge.

## Mars Hill College Students To Assist In Revival Here

A group of students from Mars Hill College will assist the young people of the Marshall Baptist Church in a "Week-end Youth Revival," beginning this evening.

Lyman Wilson, president of the Ministerial Conference of Mars Hill College, will speak this evening. Other students will lead the congregational singing, and will present some special music.

The Brotherhood of the Marshall Baptist Church will conduct the service again Friday evening, with Brotherhood laymen from Hendersonville assisting and speaking.

On Saturday and Sunday evenings the young people of the church will again take over, with students from Mars Hill College assisting in the speaking and with the music.

The church extends a cordial invitation to the people of the community to attend these services.

## GETS WATCH AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS

Columbus, Ohio—John Blackburn, who now lives in Alexandria, had his 17-jewel watch stolen 15 years

## PRINCIPAL J. D. WARRICK OUSTED AT MARS HILL

Group Calls On Madison Board Of Education In Protest; No Action Taken

Mars Hill, May 7 — A delegation of 43 citizens of the Mars Hill community called upon the Madison County Board of Education today to protest the removal of J. D. Warrick as principal of the Mars Hill High School.

The delegation said it was understood that Warrick had been removed by the local school committee for "political reasons."

Warrick has served within one year of his retirement.

CALL ON BOARD

The delegation requested that he be permitted to remain in the present position an additional year.

The delegation appeared before the board at the Madison County Court House in Marshall.

The following board members were present: Clyde Brown, Chan Baldwin and Bill Roberts. The chairman, Zeno Ponder, and Bill Moore, another member, were absent.

No action was taken by the board in the matter. Warrick had been notified recently by the local school committee that he would not be retained as principal for the 1956-57 session.

PREPARING PETITION

A member of the County Board of Education is reported to have said that if as many as 15 persons requested the reinstatement of Warrick as principal that his case would be reviewed.

The county board reviews cases of the local school committee.

(A member of the Board of Education said he was sure that no other citizens were involved. A member of the local school committee also commented on the committee's action in removing Warrick.)

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## PEEK CLARIFIES RETIREMENT OF PRIN. WARRICK

Principal Meets Retirement Qualifications Regardless Of Action

The following statement was issued this week by William W. Peek, Superintendent of Madison County Schools:

"The news article in the Tuesday morning edition of The Asheville Citizen, reported from Mars Hill, concerning Principal J. D. Warrick of the Mars Hill School, contains certain information pertaining to retirement which appears to need clarification. As worded, the only conclusion which can be drawn is that the failure to continue Mr. Warrick in his present capacity would result in the elimination of his retirement benefits or at least materially decrease these benefits. This conclusion is erroneous and it is for that reason that I am giving you the information below relative to retirement regulations for North Carolina teachers.

To achieve maximum retirement (Continued to Last Page)

## Civitan Club Names Two To Attend Wildacres

The Marshall Civitan Club met Tuesday at the Presbyterian Church with Dr. H. E. Bolinger presiding.

## AGENT SAYS BLUE MOLD PRESENT IN MADISON COUNTY

Harry G. Silver, county farm agent, says tobacco growers in Madison County have been experiencing a tremendous amount of difficulty in producing tobacco plants as a result of insects and diseases. The most serious plant bed disease which has been bothering the producers of this county has been wildfire. The introduction of Burley 21, a resistant variety, and the use of the antibiotic streptomycin sulfate has enabled farmers to be in a much better condition to control this disease. (Continued to Last Page)

## DEMOCRATS HAVE HARMONIOUS MEET HERE SATURDAY

Lunsford Elected Precinct Chairman; Committee Named; 80 Attend

In what was believed to be a hotly-contested precinct meeting in Marshall Saturday morning at the school auditorium, turned out to be one of the most harmonious precinct meetings ever held by the Democrats here. Approximately 80 Democrats went over to the school expecting to see and hear some small "differences" thrashed out between F. E. Freeman, long-time Democratic leader, and Zeno Ponder, chairman of the board of education and also a Democratic leader.

The precinct meeting started at ten o'clock with a talk by Mr. Freeman. He stated that there was "harmony in the party" and that small "differences" had been ironed out and that "we are all working against one common enemy in the Fall — the Republicans." Mr. Freeman expressed his appreciation for the help and confidence shown him during the years as Democratic head in the county and stated that he (Continued To Last Page)

## Promotion Council To Meet At Mars

The Marshall Civitan Club met Tuesday at the Presbyterian Church with Dr. H. E. Bolinger presiding.

## Officers Elected For F.B. Ministers Conference Monday

The Ministers Conference of the French Broad Baptist Association met Monday evening in the Blue Room of the Mars Hill College Cafeteria and elected the following officers for the ensuing year. President, D. D. Gross; vice president, H. G. Barnes; secretary, R. L. Hogan; treasurer, S. G. Whitley; assistant secretary, Abraham Buchanan; Chorister, Robert E. Seymour; devotional leader, Raymond Nelson.

## REESE NAMED ON WEST FOOTBALL SQUAD FOR GAME

Bob (Ta-Ta) Reese, star Marshall tackle and one of Western North Carolina's outstanding players, has been honored by being selected on the 24-man Western football squad for the 8th annual North Carolina high school all-star grid game.

Don Heilig, smooth working field general for the Hendersonville Bearcats, was also named to the squad.

The annual classic will be played in Greensboro in August and the West squad will be coached by Bob Tate of Hendersonville.

Both Heilig and Reese were selected to the 1955 Asheville Citizen All-WNC squad.

## Free Inspection Lane Continues Through Saturday

John Corbett, coordinator for the free inspection lane located on the Island, announced this morning that 225 cars and trucks have been checked since Monday and that the lane would remain open today, Friday and Saturday from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.

Mr. Corbett requests that as many local car and truck owners as possible have their vehicles checked before Saturday in order to give the people from out of town a better opportunity on Saturday.

## DONALD COX TO BE TRIED IN MAY TERM US DISTRICT COURT

Ten Madison Men To Be Tried On Alleged Election Fraud Charges

A heavy docket of cases for the annual spring criminal term of U. S. District Court faces the court when it convenes in Asheville Monday, May 14.

Donald M. Cox, former Madison County bank cashier, and 10 Madison men indicted on alleged election fraud charges, are scheduled for trial.

Cox is under indictment on charges of embezzling more than \$92,000 from the Citizens Bank of Marshall, ten other Madison men last Nov. 17 on charges of conspiring to stuff ballot boxes and commit other election law irregularities in the November, 1954, general election. They are:

Sheriff E. Y. Ponder, Zeno Ponder, Democratic chairman of Madison County Board of Education B. K. Meadows, Arthur E. Leroy Shelton, W. T. Freeman, Meritt White and James Williams.

Indictment against the total number of men

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After the election of officers, the following committees were appointed: Program Committee, Lester Crayton, Robert Seymour, R. L. Hogan. Social Committee: A. E. Jenkins, M. H. Kendall, William Abel.

The Conference meets on the first Monday of each month. From October to May it meets at 5:00 p. m., in the Blue Room of the Mars Hill College Cafeteria, where supper is served by the college. During the summer months the conference meets at 10:00 a. m., on the first Monday with various churches throughout the Association.

## Wrestling Show Is Well-Attended; Lions Club Makes \$100.00

The All-Star Wrestling Show held at the Marshall High School gymnasium was well-attended. The Lions Club made \$100.00 for the fund.



A FREE AUTO SAFETY CHECK LANE was set up Monday in front of the Marshall High School by Madison County civic clubs, automobile dealers and the State Highway Patrol. Motorists may have their cars inspected from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. through Saturday in connection with the observance of National Vehicle Safety Week. Setting up the lane are (L to R): Fred Henderson of Service Motor Sales, Joseph Fisher of French Broad Chevrolet Co., Leroy Pegg of Houston Brothers, Millard Hensley of Roberts Pontiac Co., and Blaworth Reuter of Service Motor Sales. Auto dealers are donating services of employees free of charge. —Cut Courtesy Asheville Times