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## EDITORIAL

### AN ERROR IN MADISON - AND NO HITS

It may be that no surprise is warranted by the actual outcome of the vote fraud trials in Madison County. Hardly anybody acquainted with the political complexities of the cases expected much to result in the way of punitive action.

Nevertheless, the Wednesday ruling of Federal Judge Wilson Warlick was, in several respects, an eyebrow raiser.

Judge Warlick held that he himself was in error when he signed an order for the impounding of Madison election records.

Unless an appeal from the ruling by U. S. District Attorney James M. Baley Jr. is sustained, the development has the effect of tossing the cases out of court.

We can't question Judge Warlick's admission of error, though it was, on all counts, an expensive error. It nullifies, at least for the moment, all the work done by the FBI and by U. S. Marshals in collecting the vote fraud evidence.

Several months earlier, Judge Warlick ruled that the indictments were faulty in similar cases called for trial in Bryson City. That time he charged the error to District Attorney Baley.

During the many months of investigation and legal wrangling in some of the mountain counties, it has been evident that a lot of forces were at work to thwart the conviction of defendants charged with voting irregularities.

The sum of it again suggests that the federal and state courts in North Carolina can not, or will not, provide any effective weapon against voting fraud.

It's a shameful conclusion.  
—The Charlotte Observer

## THE M. H. S. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

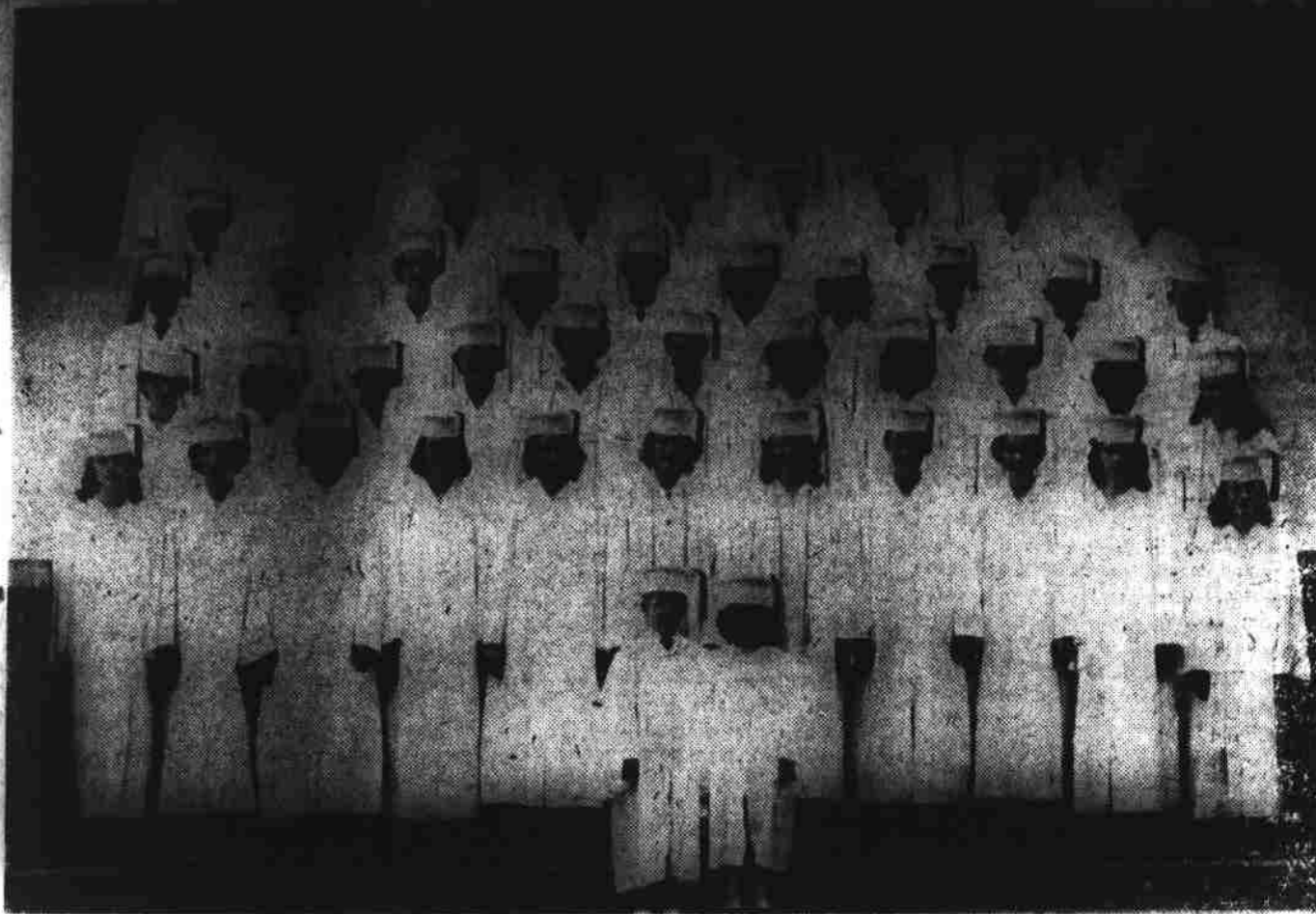
Tomorrow night — May 25, 1956 — the Marshall High School Alumni Association will hold its first official meeting in the school cafeteria. Like the gymnasium, an Alumni Association for the local school has been needed for years. Officers were elected last year and wheels were put into motion so that a meeting of former classmates and teachers could be held this year. Many have shown delight in the organization of the association and it is hoped that the first meeting here Friday night will be a success.

An interesting program has been arranged and a delicious dinner will be awaiting each alumnus. For several years, Walnut has enjoyed successful and well-planned alumni banquets. We are glad Marshall has followed suit. Perhaps other schools in Madison County will organize, too, and enjoy an annual opportunity to see and talk with former teachers, classmates and friends.

## REMEMBER WHEN?

With commencements being held throughout the county this week, the thoughts of past school days come to mind. This writer has spent many happy and exciting days on the Island and enjoys recalling some of the fond memories of past years.

We can remember when the school on the hill was vacated for the new school on the Island . . . wonder how many of the guys and gals can remember when there was a basketball court where the cafeteria now stands . . . and can remember Coach Ivan Younce and his fine basketball teams . . . also horseshoe pitching between the two flights of steps . . . and the "sand burrs" on the baseball diamond . . . and the "frog pond" in left field . . . also remember when a certain classmate threw a knife at the principal . . . fortunately his aim was bad but the knife stuck in the blackboard . . . can still see "Husky" Rector break through to block punts and Rex Cohn weave his way down the gridiron . . . and Ralph Redmon block out three would-be tacklers . . . also remember how beautiful "Tom" Whitehurst's curls were . . . and Katy Sams' broken front tooth I used to tease her about . . . and many will remember when Herman Bradburn used to torment the gals with a heavy beard . . . also remember when Rosetta Frisby used to match me out of pennies when the teacher wasn't looking . . . and, in my senior year, how we dreaded to play Beech Glen, Red Oak, Mars Hill and Walnut . . . they were all tough . . . I'll never forget the time at Red Oak when I slid into second base and felt my appendix bark at me . . . came home and went directly to Asheville hospital where it was removed . . . made me miss my senior year of basketball except for one game against Mars Hill . . . yes, it was on the Island that I started courting my wife . . . I could go on and on reminiscing but space doesn't allow . . . maybe some of my classmates will be at the alumni meeting Friday night and we can recall some of the fine times we've had — I hope many of them will be there.



MARS HILL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

### A. K. Hamlin Jr. Passes In Detroit; Funeral Saturday

Arthur Kermit Hamlin Jr., 20, died Monday, May 21, 1956 in a Detroit, Mich., hospital following a heart attack.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 p. m., in Middle Fork Baptist Church of which he was a member.

The Rev. Elzie Ray and the Rev. Abe Buchanan will officiate and burial will be in the Briggs cemetery.

The body will be taken to the home of the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hamlin of the Middle Fork community Friday evening.

Pallbearers will be Bobby Maynard, Tommie Hill, Shelby and Sammy Buckner, Jack Roberts and Harold Ball.

Surviving in addition to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hamlin are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Hamlin of Detroit; two brothers, Pvt. Grady Hamlin, in the Army at Fort Knox, Ky., and Mickey of Detroit; the maternal grandmother, Mrs. S. H. Woodard of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and a number of uncles and aunts. Flower bearers will be members of the Middle Fork Church. Holcombe Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

### Singing Convention

There will be a singing convention at Bear Creek Baptist Church May 26 (Saturday) evening at 7:30 o'clock.

All singers and the public are cordially invited.

### Miss Mildred Ammons And Harvey Burniston Are Married Saturday

SENECA, May 21 — Miss Mildred Carter Ammons, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Carter Ammons of Seneca, became the bride of Harvey Burniston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burniston of Brookline, Mass., Saturday, May 19, 1956, at 4 p. m., in the Seneca Presbyterian Church.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Phil Clarke and the Rev. C. R. Tapp in the presence of members of the family and close friends. Mrs. Ragin Daniel presented a program of organ music.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a ballerina length dress of white lace with bands of white satin and a satin jacket, a small white lace hat with tiny veil and carried a bouquet of white carnations centered with a white orchid.

Miss Barbara Ammons, sister of the bride, was the only attendant and wore an afternoon dress of blue silk with bandeau hat and white gloves. Her nosegay bouquet was pink roses and carnations.

Robert Burniston Jr., of Brookline, brother of the bridegroom, served as best man and Garland Gravelly of Seneca and W. R. Heller Jr., of Clemson, ushered.

Mrs. Burniston is a graduate of Seneca High School and the St. Thomas Hospital School of Nursing Nashville, Tenn., where she is now on the staff.

Mr. Burniston is stationed with the U. S. Air Force at Stewart Air Force Base, Bayona, Tenn.

Attending the wedding were Mrs. George Watkins, Weaverville; Mrs. Iris Buckner and Miss Bernice Ammons, both of Mars Hill.

### Five Madison Students To Receive Degrees At WCC, Cullowhee

According to a news release from Cullowhee, five Madison County students will receive degrees at Western Carolina College at final Commencement exercises in Hoey Auditorium at ten o'clock Monday morning, May 28.

Those receiving the Bachelor of Science degree are: Owen, Wallace Fish, Route 1, Hot Springs, business administration; Grady C. Griffin, Route 2, Mars Hill, chemistry and biology.

The following will receive the Bachelor of Science in Education: Lorena Maxine Ballard, Mars Hill, social science concentration; Betty Lambert Hawkins, Mars Hill, home economics and French; Eileen Jamerson, Route 2, Mars Hill, grammar grade education.

### Swain To Give Laurel High School Finals Speech Tonight

Superior Court Solicitor Robert S. Swain of Asheville will speak at the graduation exercises for the Laurel High School senior class tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock in the school auditorium.

The eighth grade graduation program was held this morning at 10 o'clock. Fred W. Anderson, principal, has announced.

A. E. Leake, Marshall attorney, will introduce Swain and present the diplomas.

### ATTEND WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Fred O. Tilson, Sally and Ann returned to their home here Sunday from Charlotte, after having attended the wedding of Mrs. Tilson's sister, Marie Navy Howie, to Adolphus J. Costagna of New York. Mr. and Mrs. Costagna are now on a wedding trip to Sea Island, Miami and Havana, Cuba. After June 1 they will be at home at Forest Hills, Long Island, N. Y. Mrs. Costagna has visited here a number of times.

### Singing Convention To Be Held At Bull Creek Church Sunday

The Madison County Singing Convention will be held at the Bull Creek Baptist Church (located on the Marshall-Mars Hill highway) on Sunday, May 27 at 2:00 p. m.

We want to urge all quartets, trios, duets, or choirs to come and be with us.

JONAH RICE, President

### County Delegate Selected To Attend 4-H Forestry Camp

County Agent Harry G. Silver has just announced that Jimmy Plemons, of Marshall R-3, Cold Springs community, has been selected to attend the second annual 4-H Forestry Camp to be held at 4-H Camp Millstone during the week of June 4 through 9. The camp is located in Richmond County between Ellerbe and Rockingham. The camp is conducted by the North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service and is sponsored by Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Jimmy will leave for camp on the morning of June 4 and return home on Saturday, June 9. All expenses while at camp, including his travel, will be paid for by the sponsor.

Upon his arrival at camp, he will join the delegates from the other counties of the state and 12 assistant county agents in a week of outdoor life, in-the-woods training and fun. The camp program is designed to give the 4-H Club boys who attend the knowledge and experience they need to be the successful forest owners and leaders of tomorrow. Experienced foresters and woodsmen from the Extension Service and the timber industry will be the instructors.

While at camp Jimmy will learn about such things as planting a forest, measuring timber, improving timber stands, harvesting the timber crop, how to work safely in the woods, and care of woods tools. Jimmy earned this trip to camp by completing forestry projects in timber stand improvement, forest tree planting, and forest protection.

### Civitan Club Met Here On Tuesday; Plans Discussed

The Marshall Civitan Club met Tuesday at its regular luncheon meeting at the Presbyterian Church. In the absence of the president and vice president, W. F. Holland, secretary, presided.

Plans were completed to send two delegates to Wildacres on Sunday, June 10.

A plan to join other western North Carolina counties in the Colgate-Palmolive Vacation brochure which will be distributed to over 300,000 people in the United States was discussed and the club unanimously voted to sponsor the Madison County write-up and secure pictures. The "copy" and pictures are being prepared by Jim Story and will be sent to the officials this week.

19 members and one guest were present.

### Mars Hill Pastor Coker Speaker

Dr. Robert E. Seymour, pastor of the Mars Hill Baptist Church, will be one of the principal speakers at commencement exercises of Coker College May 26-27 at Hartsville, S. C.

Dr. Seymour will preach the annual baccalaureate sermon on May 27.

### Bible School To Start At Oak Hill Baptist Church On June 4

The annual Daily Vacation Bible School at the Oak Hill Baptist Church in the Rector-Corner Community, will begin Monday, June 4, according to the pastor, the Rev. Jeter Sherlin.

Mr. Sherlin stated that Preparation Day for the Bible School will be held Friday, June 1.

"Everyone is invited to attend this school, and especially those who are not attending a Bible School this year, we invite you to come and be with us," the Rev. Mr. Sherlin stated.



## Marshall Swimming Pool To Open Saturday

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### Athletes To Visit Asheville

Marshall High School athletes will visit Asheville Tuesday night. They visited the Asheville Skating Rink while others attended a theater.

Mr. Roy Reeves, R. G. Franklin and Miss Allene Hancock, enjoyed a trip to Asheville Tuesday night. They visited the Asheville Skating Rink while others attended a theater. The group also enjoyed a picnic supper and wine at Royal Pines.