



## County Well Represented On M. H. College Football Team

When Coaches Don Henderson and Bob Edwards met their '56 Lion squad at Mars Hill College for the first time last week, they found several Madison County boys eager to make the varsity.

The coaches smiled approvingly when they saw three stars from Marshall and four stars from Mars Hill.

Bobby Sprinkle, '54 graduate of Marshall High School and smart quarterback his four years there, is expected to be a strong bidder for his position with the Lions.

## Forest Service Roads In County To Be Closed Sept. 15

A new gating policy on roads inside of the Cooperative Wildlife Management Areas in the North Carolina National Forests was set on May 16, 1956.

## Marshall Beta Officers Elected

At a meeting of the Marshall High School Beta Club, held Tuesday, September 11, officers for the year were elected.

Plans for the Western District meeting, to be held at Mars Hill College in October, were discussed.

## COUNTY CATTLE TESTED FOR T.B., BANGS DISEASE

According to L. V. McMahan, assistant farm agent, several hundred cattle have been tested in Madison County for Brucellosis, or what is commonly known as Bangs disease, and T. B.

"We in Madison County, are very proud of the record that we have. We would like to have the consolation of knowing that all of our cattle are free of disease which may be transmitted to human beings."

## POST OFFICE HERE NOW HAS THE "NEW LOOK"

Ray Frisby, Marshall postmaster, being a stickler for neatness and also wanting to make the post office a more attractive place, has made several improvements.

Much to the delight of the patrons, new electric lights have now been installed over the boxes, making it much easier and more convenient to read the numbers and to open the boxes.

## SKYLINE-A SHELVES NCSD APPLICATION

The Skyline-A Conference, encompassing 14 Class A high schools from Glen Alpine to Hot Springs, Monday night shelved an application for membership from the North Carolina School for the Deaf until the school sends a representative to the conference to verify its eligibility requirements.

The matter will be taken up at the first meeting attended by NCSD officials.

The conference, meeting at The Sports Mart on Battery Park, also voted to use game officials from the Western North Carolina Officials Assn., which is affiliated with the state organization.

## Baggage Left At Bus Station Here; Owner Unknown

Two pieces of baggage — a box and suitcase — were left at the Rock Cafe, which is also the bus station, the first part of May. They are still at the bus station.

The owner of the suitcase and box may have come by identifying it incidentally. Mrs. Brigman would like to dispose of the baggage.

## PEEK NAMED EMPLOYMENT OFFICER D. A. V.

Disabled American Veterans Chapter Now Seeking New Members

Marshall Chapter 42, Disabled American Veterans Organization, met recently and elected the following officers:

Commander, Don West; Senior Vice Commander, Grover Ponder; Junior Vice Commander, Albert Rector; Adjutant and Treasurer, John Ward.

## Polling Places Are Changed In Two Townships

Formal notice is published in this issue announcing two changes in polling places in Madison County. The changes were made in a meeting of the board of elections on Tuesday, September 11, 1956.

The two changes are: Township No. 8: From Cory's store in Petersburg to Cory Wallin's concrete block building, formerly a dairy barn.

## WMMS Opening Is Delayed; Tests Started

WMMH, the radio voice of Madison County, is now on the air from 12:00 to 2:00 o'clock each afternoon testing but the official start of regular broadcasting has been delayed again due to technicalities.

The School of Nursing is one of the units in the Division of Health Affairs of the University of North Carolina located at Chapel Hill.

## GOV. HODGES TO SPEAK AT GROVE PARK BANQUET

Madison County Is To Be Represented; Brochure To Be Presented

Governor Hodges will be the principal speaker at a banquet to be held at the Grove Park in Asheville Thursday night. The occasion, sponsored by the North Carolina Motor Carriers Association, is the first time in the United States that an analysis has been made of the utilization of highway transportation within a market area.

## WHEAT ACREAGE SIGN UP PERIOD ENDS SEPT. 21

Madison County wheat growers began signing contracts this week to place their wheat quotas in the 1957 Acreage Reserve program, according to Neville Hawkins, Chairman of the Madison County ASC Committee.

The Soil Bank program, especially the Acreage Reserve phase, was designed to help farmers reduce price depressing surpluses of the various basic commodities.

The County ASC Chairman explained that to be eligible for participation in the 1957 wheat program a farmer must reduce his wheat acreage below his farm allotment, and he must also plant within all other 1957 acreage allotments on the farm, as well as the corn base acreage in commercial corn counties, Hawkins explained.

Farmers who sign contracts, and who do not harvest any crop or do any grazing on the designated land.

## AMENDMENTS PASS IN COUNTY

The voters of Madison County turned out in larger numbers than were anticipated last Saturday to vote on the Special Session School Amendment and the three other amendments.

The official tabulations canvassed Tuesday at the courthouse revealed the following Madison County results:

## PLANS AND COSTS DISCUSSED FOR POULTRY PLANT

A committee of business and professional men from Marshall met with an official from North Wilkesboro Wednesday at the REA Building here and further discussed the possibilities of a poultry processing plant for Madison County.

## COST SHARING UNDER SOIL BANK LIKE ACP

Cost-sharing for conservation of soil, water, forest and wildlife available under the Conservation Reserve of the Soil Bank is similar to the cost-sharing provided by the Agricultural Conservation Program, ASC County Office Manager Ralph W. Ramsey said today.

Practices for which cost-sharing is available under the Conservation Reserve include vegetative cover, planting trees, constructing dams, pits or ponds for storage of water.

Cost-sharing for conservation practices has been offered to farmers and ranchers for the past several years through the ACP.

## North Carolina Banks Were Leading Farm Lenders In '55

## ANNUAL WHITE CANE DRIVE TO START SEPT. 23

The 1956 White Cane Drive in Madison County scheduled for Sept. 23 to Oct. 3 will be in charge of a project chairman of the Marshall Lions Club.

Marshall club will join in drive efforts with 34 other clubs with some 1,600 members in District 31-A comprising 12 WNC counties.

Association funds are used for many purposes. Radios for blind persons and equipment for blind stand operators are purchased.

Other projects financed are: transportation charges on all talking book machines used by the blind, White Cane walking sticks for all blind, glasses, artificial eyes, clothing, hearing aids, dental services and hospitalization.

## Automobiles To Be Sold At Jail At Noon Saturday

The five automobiles advertised for public auction will be sold on Saturday at 12:00 o'clock noon, Sheriff E. Y. Ponder announced this week.

They include a 1941 Oldsmobile coupe, 1942 Chevrolet sedan, 1934 Ford Tudor, 1940 Plymouth coupe and 1947 4-door Buick.

## Greater Emphasis Is Placed On Intermediate-Term Loans During Year

North Carolina farmers met their credit needs during 1955, chiefly through loans from their local banks, according to Miss Mae Fleming, Assistant Cashier of the Citizens Bank, who represents the North Carolina Bankers Association as Madison County Key Banker.

Using figures from the fifteenth annual farm lending survey of the Agricultural Commission of the American Bankers Association, Miss Fleming noted that on January 1, 1956, North Carolina banks had loans outstanding to farmers totaling \$67,412,000 including both production and mortgage credit.

The total of farm credit outstanding in banks was made up of \$31,404,000 in production loans and \$36,008,000 in farm mortgages.

"The efforts of the state's banks to meet the increased needs for intermediate-term (one to five or more years) loans are reflected in the figures for both real estate and production loans outstanding," Miss Fleming said.

Miss Fleming gave several reasons for the increasing importance of intermediate-term credit in financing North Carolina farmers.

## Marshall Battles Spruce Pine; Mars Hill Takes On Old Fort; And Walnut Meets Hot Springs

The football schedule for this week-end gives the fans plenty of action.

Tonight (Thursday) the Walnut eleven will meet the Hot Springs Blue Devils on the Island at eight o'clock.

Spruce Pine plays Marshall Friday night on the Island. Marshall will be seeking its third straight win of the season.

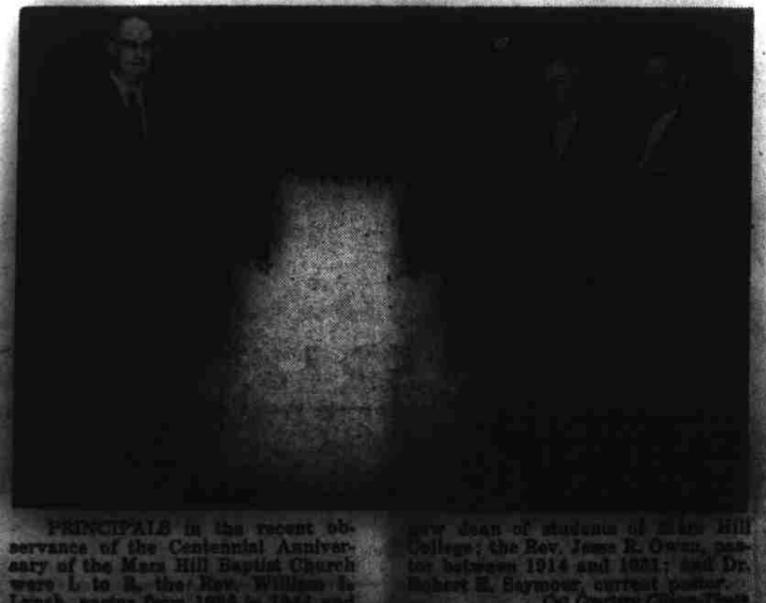
Mars Hill, after losing to Clyde last week, 19-0, will be on the rebound and hopes to spend Old Fort at Old Fort Friday night.

## Bruce K. Murray Gets Appointment As Area Chairman

Bruce K. Murray of French Broad Chevrolet Co. Inc. in Marshall, has been appointed Area Chairman for Madison County, according to John M. Tiller of Durham, President of the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association, who made the appointment.

As Area Chairman for Madison County, Bruce K. Murray will be the liaison between the state and national dealers associations and local dealers.

In announcing the appointment, President Tiller was happy to have a representative from this area in the national membership campaign to be held in October.



PRINCIPALS in the recent observance of the Centennial Anniversary of the Mars Hill Baptist Church were L. to R. the Rev. William L. Leach, pastor from 1922 to 1942 and...