



County Bond Election Is Postponed Until May 25

Legal Technicalities Cause Postponement Of Election

The Madison County Bond Election, scheduled to be held April 27 has been postponed until May 25, due to legal technicalities, it was announced here today.

The issues involved in the bond election is the issuance of \$200,000 for an annex to the courthouse as well as repairs and improvements to the present courthouse building. Another issue is the issuance of \$10,000 for the erection of a Health Department Building.

OVER \$10,000.00 IN U. S. BONDS IN MARCH

State Sales Of E And H Bonds Are Also Very Satisfactory

During the first quarter of 1957, purchases of Series E and H Savings Bonds in North Carolina were \$12,502,568.00. This amount is 23 per cent of the state's annual goal of \$54,400,000.

March sales of Series E Bonds amount to \$3,678,757, which is 8 per cent below last March's performance. The combined sales of Series E and H Bonds during March totaled \$3,970,757, a 13 per cent decrease from last March.

This report of Savings Bonds sales was released today by Walter P. Johnson, State Director, who pointed out that the current sales performance as compared to that of a year ago is improving. The latest available reports show that during January and February, purchases of \$50-denomination Series E Bonds hit a 12-year high and \$25-denomination Series E Bonds registered an 11-year high.

In Madison County, sales during March were \$10,365 and for the first three months, \$44,404.43. Thirty-two counties in North Carolina are ahead of their annual quota. Among them, Martin, Chowan, and Alleghany show the greatest per cent of quota attained.

STORES WILL REMAIN OPEN EASTER MONDAY

All Marshall stores will remain open on Easter Monday, it was announced here today.

Most offices in the courthouse, however, will be closed, as will the welfare department, health department and banks.

Crippled Children Funds Needed; To End On Easter

An opportunity to "give a crippled child a chance" was presented to area residents April 4, when the Easter Seal Society put into the mails the 1957 Appeal Letters for crippled children.

They were reminders to Madison County citizens not to forget our crippled youngsters. Time still remains to give to the 1957 Easter Seal campaign in their behalf.

Mrs. H. E. Bolinger, chairman of the 1957 appeal, urges the many friends of crippled children not to misplace or forget the appeal letters.

"Every dollar we receive is sorely needed if we are to continue operating a service program for crippled children of Madison County for the coming year," she said.

Bill Would End Ties On Madison School Budgets

Raleigh, Apr. 16 — Rep. A. E. Leake of Madison introduced a bill today to provide a method for breaking the tie should the county commissioners and the board of education ever deadlock on Madison school budget.

His measure authorizes the chairman of the tax equalization board to act as arbitrator.

Leake said no deadlock had yet arisen but he wanted his county to be prepared if and when a tie does occur.

MAY 1 DEADLINE FOR PRESERVING WHEAT HISTORY

The Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 as now amended authorizes the preservation of farm acreage history for the years 1956-1959 for each of the six basic commodities that are under marketing quotas.

In explaining this amendment, Mr. Novile Hawkins, chairman of the Madison County ASC Committee, said that the amendment in the Act simply provides a means where the farmer may receive history credit for his full allotted acreage of a basic commodity during the year he underplants his farm allotment; provided, he files a written request with the ASC office that his acreage history for the commodity be preserved. Such notices must be filed at least 60 days before the beginning of the marketing year for the commodity.

The two basic commodities applicable to Madison County are wheat and burley tobacco. Operators of wheat farms who underplanted their 1957 wheat allotments have only through May 1, 1957 to execute a request to preserve their wheat history.

Wheat acreage placed in the Soil Bank Program for 1957 counts as though such acreage was planted, as far as preserving the acreage history.

The chairman pointed out that August 1, 1957 is the final date whereby burley tobacco farm operators may sign requests to preserve their 1957 tobacco history where the full allotment is not planted.

In conclusion, Mr. Hawkins urged all wheat farmers who underplanted (or planted no part of their 1957 allotment) their 1957 wheat allotment to visit the ASC office and sign a request to preserve their wheat acreage history.

Gabriels Creek Farmers Work Together To Tame A Rowdy Stream

By HARRY G. SILVER County Agent

The exceptionally heavy rainfall which Madison County experienced during January and the overflowing streams of April 4 and 5 did a tremendous amount of damage to farmland and crops in sections of Madison County. Farms along the streams of Middle Fork, Beech Glen and Paint Fork, in particular, experienced some of the greatest loss of soil on their creek bottoms which they have had in many years. The creek bottoms of these communities are valued very high and should be for they lend themselves to use in producing heavy crops of burley tobacco, on the limited alluvium, the highest corn yields possible to be made on the farms, tobacco plant bed sites and the best garden soil of Madison County. The overflowing streams of the recent rains have cut wide strips from these bottoms to and

CANTATA TO BE PRESENTED HERE FRIDAY EVENING

The combined choirs of the Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterian churches of Marshall will present the Good Friday Cantata, "The Seven Last Words," by DuBois at the Presbyterian Church, Friday, April 19 at 7:30 p. m.

Mr. Henry Clay Edwards is director; Mrs. John Corbett Jr., organist; Mrs. Carl Stuart, pianist; and Mrs. Coleman Worley, violinist.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ON LEAKE BILLS

HB 306 — Introduced by Leake, Mar. 18 (Sheriff fees) April 9, ratified.

HB 590 — Introduced by Leake by request, Apr. 5 (CSC filing of papers) Apr. 11, passes House; Apr. 12, received in Senate, sent to Judiciary 1.

HB 591 — Introduced by Leake, Apr. 5 (Accountant assistance) Apr. 11, passes House; Apr. 12, received in Senate; sent to Counties, Cities and Towns.

HB 592 — Introduced by Leake, Apr. 5 (County buildings tax) Apr. 12, passed second reading in House.

FIRE LEVELS HOUSE; LEAVES 7 HOMELESS

The four-room home of Dallas Lowe, of Hot Springs RFD 1, was destroyed Saturday night by fire of undetermined origin.

The fire left homeless Mr. and Mrs. Lowe and their five children. The house was not covered by insurance.

The Salvation Army of Waynesville is making an appeal for furniture and clothing for this family, as it is needed immediately.

Persons wishing to make donations of furniture and clothing are asked to contact Captain James Henry, Glendale 66738 in Waynesville.

The children are 4, 5, 6, 7, and 12 years old. Mr. and Mrs. Lowe are 31.

VBS WORKERS MEETINGS ARE ANNOUNCED

Vacation Bible School workers from the forty-eight churches of the French Broad Baptist Association are making plans to attend one of three one-day conferences held in strategic areas of the association for the purpose of training workers to conduct Vacation Bible Schools in their local churches during the summer, according to an announcement by Mrs. David B. Roberts, associational Vacation Bible School Superintendent.

The time and places of these meetings are as follows: Madison Seminary, Tuesday, April 23, 4:30 to 9:00 p. m.; Bull Creek, Thursday, April 25, 4:30-9:00 p. m.; Upper Laurel, Saturday, April 27, 10:00 a. m. to 3:00 p. m.

Those expected to attend these conferences include all pastors and Vacation Bible School workers, such as principals, secretaries, pianists, departmental superintendents, teachers, and all helpers. Special conferences will be provided for each group as follows: pastors, principals, and secretaries, led by Rev. David B. Roberts; nursery and beginner workers, led by Mrs. Kyle Jamerson; primary workers, led by Mrs. Ralph Hogan; junior workers, led by Rev. Calvin Metcalf; intermediate workers, led by Mrs. C. R. Cohn. Pianists will be instructed by Mrs. Charles Carter. And Mrs. David Roberts will lead the joint worship service. In addition there will be a general conference to discuss problems and plans for the summer work.

Each person attending the clinic is urged to bring samples of handwork; Textbook A for 1957, pupils' book, patterns and ideas for successful work. Moreover, every one should bring sandwiches for lunch or supper, which will be spread together. The host church will furnish coffee, tea, etc.

All materials are new this year. Therefore, Rev. David B. Roberts, field worker, is anxious for all churches to be represented by the pastor and his full slate of workers, at one or more of these conferences.

RAMSEY REVIEWS ACP PROGRAM IN COUNTY FOR 1956

The Agricultural Conservation Program referred to as ACP, is a part of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The program came into existence in the mid-thirties as a means whereby the general public (tax payers) could help protect and conserve our few remaining inches of top soil so that future American generations might have a needed supply of food and fiber.

Such a program exists in each of the counties within the United States. It is a program whereby the land owners and the Government become partners by sharing the cost of performing needed measure to protect our most valuable resource, the soil.

A summary of the accomplishments achieved by the Madison County Agricultural Conservation Program for 1956 reveals that the program was a big success in most respects. According to ASC office manager, Ralph W. Ramsey, a total of 1683 farmers carried out one or more approved soil or water conservation practices on their farm for which the

Enthusiastic Response Noted In Every Section; Funds Needed

Initial reports of progress of the rural fire protection campaign indicate that citizens from in and out of the corporate limits of Marshall are enthusiastically accepting the plan to provide fire protection for the rural areas surrounding Marshall. Although somewhat hampered by the recent high-water conditions in this area and due to pre-Easter activities, plus the deadline for filing income taxes, donations have been most encouraging considering the time that firemen have been able to spend on the project.

Firemen's Meeting Postponed Until Next Tuesday P.M.

Due to pre-Easter observances in several churches this week, the regular meeting of the Marshall Fire Department, scheduled for tonight (Thursday) has been postponed until next Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock at the City Hall. "All firemen are urged to attend this meeting which will be most important," Fire Chief Alton Duckett announced.

EQUALIZATION BOARD TO HEAR COMPLAINTS

The Madison County Board of Equalization met Tuesday and drafted a schedule to hear complaints from various townships. Dates for the hearings can be found in an advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

Members of the board are: Judson Edwards, chairman; Bernard Brigman, secretary; Bill Whitten, member; and Ted Russell, ex-officio clerk.

COUNCIL MEET IS POSTPONED

The Madison County Industrial Council dinner-meeting, scheduled to be held here tonight (Thursday) has been postponed until further notice, it was announced here today.

The reason for the postponement is due to the pre-Easter services being observed by churches throughout the county.

HIGHWAY-PRISON SYSTEMS PART; LIQUOR BILL

In Effect July 1; Statewide Liquor Referendum Before House

Raleigh, April 17 — Final action was taken today making law of Gov. Luther Hodges' recommended separation of the Prisons System from the Highway Commission.

The House accepted without debate a Senate amendment which would forbid use of any general fund money to support the new Prisons Department in the next two fiscal years. The Senate put in the amendment yesterday after reviving the bill, reported unfavorably by a committee.

The separation will go into effect July 1. A seven-member commission will be created to aid the director of prisons in the conduct of prison affairs.

Liquor Bill Again. Meanwhile, a statewide liquor referendum bill, a perennial feature of legislative sessions, made its appearance in the House.

Twenty-three representatives signed the measure introduced by Rep. Sidney D. Britt of Bladen, calling for an "all or nothing" vote in 1958 on manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages in the state.

Britt, a dry, claimed assurance from more than half the 120 House members that they will vote for the bill if it reaches the House floor. His concern, Britt added, was "to let the people vote" on the liquor issue, rather than "ar-

District Home Demonstration Clubs To Meet At Mars Hill

NIX, RAMSEY, DODSON, WARD CANDIDATES

The closing date for filing for mayor and aldermen ended Wednesday night with one candidate aldermen.

Mayor Clarence Nix will seek reelection with no opposition and Liston B. Ramsey and J. C. Dodson, present aldermen, will seek reelection while the only new candidate for the board is John Ward. The election is scheduled for May 7.

MARS HILL SCHOLARSHIPS TO CONTINUE

Dr. Hoyt Blackwell was principal speaker last Thursday night at a dinner meeting of the Madison County Chapter of the Mars Hill College Alumni Association. Dr. Bruce Sams presided.

The group voted to continue a scholarship program begun in 1955 in an effort to encourage local young people to continue education beyond the high school level.

The nominating committee reported the following slate of officers: John Corbett, president; Emmett Sams, vice president; Miss Kathleen Wallin, secretary; and Mrs. Hazel Suttles, treasurer.

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE HERE AT 6:00 A. M.

A Community Sunrise Service will be held Easter Sunday morning at 6:00 o'clock at the Pritchard Cemetery in Marshall.

The Marshall High School Band, under the leadership of Mr. John Lackey, will furnish the music.

The service will consist of hymns, readings from the Scriptures and a devotional message by the Reverend Dawyer D. Gross, pastor of the Marshall Baptist Church.

In recent sessions, similar legislation has been killed in committee and efforts to bring it to the floor have been futile. House Speaker J. K. Doughton sent the Britt bill to the House committee on propositions and grievances.

Meeting To Be Held At College Wednesday; Program Given

The Home Demonstration Club members of Madison County are looking forward to next Wednesday, April 24, when they will greet the members of Buncombe and Yancey counties at Mars Hill College, for their District Meeting to be held on this date.

Plans are complete for the day's program. After registration, which begins at 9:30 a. m., each one is invited to a "Coffee Hour" in the Home Economics Department of the college, under the direction of Mrs. J. V. Howell.

The meeting will be called to order and presided over by the president, Mrs. A. W. Huff, of Mars Hill.

The devotional period will be conducted by Mrs. John Young of Yancey County. Greetings will be brought by the Rev. W. L. Lynch, Dean of Students, Mars Hill College; Mr. Dewey Wallin, chairman board county commissioners, Madison County; Mr. Harry Silver, farm agent, Madison County; Mrs. Ralph Proffitt, president State Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, Yancey County; and 4-H Clubs — Miss Patricia Proffitt of Mars Hill 4-H Club. The welcome extended by Mrs. Dorothy Shupe, president of Madison County, County Council. The response by Mrs. Herman Kennickel, Buncombe County. A report of the counties' work will be given by Mrs. Donald Shook, Buncombe County; Mrs. Wintz McIntosh, Yancey County; Mrs. Ray Frisby, Mrs. Wade Huey, and Mrs. Ruth Henderson, Madison County report, in the form of a skit.

Lunch will be served banquet style in the college cafeteria at 1:00 p. m. During the noon hour guests will be given an opportunity to visit the college campus. The afternoon program will begin at 2:00 o'clock with a solo by Miss Joan Weber, music major at the college. Dr. Robert Seymour, pastor of Mars Hill Baptist Church, will be guest speaker, with the theme centering around "Today's Home Builds Tomorrow's World." After the report of committees, officers for next year will be installed by Miss Mary Harris, district home agent. The gavel will be awarded by Mrs. Ralph Proffitt, Yancey County, president of North Carolina Federation Home Demonstration Clubs.

The singing of "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" will bring to a close a day of greeting old friends, making new ones and fellowship with each other that closer binds the hearts of all home demonstration club members.

Interview With Marshall Seniors Over WMMH Sunday

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Wanted — Gallon Club Names And Addresses Here

Dr. W. A. Sams announced this week that he would appreciate it very much if all members of the "Gallon Club" (those who have donated eight pints or more of blood) would send in their names and addresses to him immediately.

Dr. Sams also said that the "Gallon Club" plus other members of the Blood Drive should be given a party at my office.

Rural Fire Protection Project Now Underway; Donors Listed

len Duckett stated this week, Citizens are reminded that donations may be made at the two Marshall banks by contacting Craig Rudisill Jr., at the Bank of French Broad or Will B. Ramsey at the Citizens Bank.

The primary purpose of the project is to purchase a fire truck with equipment to answer calls outside the corporate limits as well as to augment fire fighting facilities within the city limits. Following is a partial list of donors who, for the most part, have voluntarily contributed to the project: Bill Roberts, Pine Creek, \$5.00; A. W. Coates, Hayes Run, \$5.00; Walnut Supply Co, Walnut, \$5.00; Guthrie Gulf Service, Brush Creek, \$5.00; Mrs. Norma Harris, Marshall, \$5.00; Roy Roberts Store, Barnard, \$5.00; Martin Service Station, Walnut, \$5.00; Moody Brigman Store, Walnut, \$5.00; C. D. Bowman, Marshall, \$5.00; Allen Duckett, Marshall, \$5.00; Jim Story, Marshall, \$5.00.

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