



Light Quake Shakes W.N.C.; Is Felt in Marshall Area

Rumblin Noise Accompanies Five-Second Earth Movement

A dish-rattling, window-shaking earthquake rumbling through Western North Carolina and sections of the foothills Monday, produced fright but no reported damage.

The tremors were felt between 9:25 and 9:30 a. m., and were reported in Burke, Catawba, Rutherford, Lincoln, Cleveland, Madison, Mitchell, Avery, McDowell, Buncombe and Henderson counties. It lasted about five seconds.

John Self of Rollins said he was working at a desk in the Crown Oil Co. plant when the room began shaking so violently that it threw his arm off the desk. He said an adding machine and typewriter rattled.

Mrs. S. B. Roberts and Mrs. C. D. Bowman said that the noise resembled an "airplane flying low."

One resident of Alexander said she thought two freight trains had collided.

Several other residents reported that they had been "frightened" by the quake.

The last quake felt in Western North Carolina occurred late last summer in the northwestern area but was a minor one also and did no damage. Slight quakes have been occurring periodically along a belt of structural weakness in the earth's crust in the Blue Ridge Mountains for the last 150-odd years.

Buffet Supper At Hot Springs Inn Saturday

Mrs. Bob Davis, manager of the Hot Springs Inn, announced this week that a buffet supper will be served at the Inn at 6:30 o'clock Saturday evening, May 18. The charge will be \$1.50 per plate.

In addition to the supper, string music will be played and a well-known lullaby singer will be present.

The public is cordially invited to attend the supper and entertainment.

Marshall Baptist Vacation Bible School June 3-7

The Marshall Baptist Church will hold its annual Vacation Bible School from June 3 through June 7 this year. The hours will be from 8:30 o'clock until 11:30 each morning for the five days. The superintendents of the departments are as follows: Nursery, Mrs. Fred Robinson; Beginner, Mrs. E. Y. Ponder and Mrs. Eva Sams; Primary, Mrs. Frank H. Rynnion; Junior, Mrs. Troy Ramsey; Intermediate, D. D. Gross. Mrs. D. D. Gross is serving as principal.

The school is open to children from 3 through 16 years of age. Any children who will not otherwise be able to attend a Bible School, are invited to attend along with the children of the Marshall Baptist Church.

A complete list of those working in the school will be announced later.

Marshall Garages To Close Saturday Afternoons

Elsewhere in this issue is an advertisement announcing that four of the Marshall garages will start closing this Saturday at 12:00 o'clock noon, but would remain open all day on Wednesdays. It was announced, however, that the sales departments will remain open all day Saturdays with the parts and service departments closed on Saturdays.

Alumni Speaker



MHS ALUMNI BANQUET TO BE HELD HERE SAT.

Col. Edward F. Rector To Speak; Program Is Completed

Final plans have been completed for the Marshall High School Alumni Banquet which will be held in the school cafeteria here Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Highlight of the occasion will be a talk by Colonel Edward F. "Husky" Rector, graduate of Marshall High and former member of the Flying Tigers under General Claire Chennault.

Col. Rector, a former football star at Marshall High and Catawba College, is now stationed in Waco, Texas.

The program for the second annual meeting is as follows:

Invocation, Joe Eads; Dinner (to be served by Marshall and Walnut Girl Scouts); Greetings, Bernard S. Brigman, principal; Piano Solo, "Memories," Jim Story; introduction of speaker, Wade Huey; Address, Col. Edward F. Rector; vocal solo, "My Wild Irish Rose," Mrs. Howard Barnwell; recognition of guests; Reading, Pender McElroy; song, "This Younger Generation," by octet composed of Roberta Reeves, Allison Cohn, Madeline Ramsey, Dora Lee Edwards, Johnny Corbett, Olin Jarrett Jr., Pender McElroy and Robert Bowman.

The meal is being prepared by Mrs. Jack Sprinkle and members of her cafeteria staff.

The meeting will close following a brief business session.

DAVID G. SLAGLE INJURED FRIDAY IN CAR WRECK

A 29-year-old man died Monday of injuries suffered in a traffic accident eight miles east of Morganton Friday.

The victim was John Albert Hensley of Valdese RFD 1.

State Highway Patrolman J. R. Chandler of Morganton said Hensley and "poyshrdluemfwypm" suffered head, internal and other injuries, any one of which, doctors said, could have caused death.

The officer said the other vehicle, a 1956 Chevrolet truck loaded with a 38,000 pound cargo, was being driven by Clarence Henry Slagle, 37, of Black Mountain.

A passenger in the truck, David Garfield Slagle, 76, of Mars Hill RFD 1, suffered a fractured jaw.

Chandler said the truck was being driven west on U. S. Highway 70 and was making a left turn into Fleming Drive when the Hensley car traveling east struck the heavier vehicle's right rear wheel. The force of the impact, the officer said, knocked the truck some 20 feet.

He estimated damages to Hensley's car as a total loss and the truck at approximately \$900.

The officer quoted the truck driver as saying he halted his vehicle before entering the intersection and did not see Hensley's car any time before the collision.

The officer said the investigation was continuing.

DR. R. E. SEYMOUR GETS OVATION ON SAFETY TALK

Mars Hill Pastor Spoke At Statewide Safety Conference

In a talk which aroused a three-minute ovation by delegates to the 27th annual Statewide Safety Conference last Friday in Winston-Salem, Dr. Robert E. Seymour, pastor of Mars Hill Baptist Church, told the audience of 1,200 that "industrial safety has three dimensions—physical, psychological and political."

Dr. Seymour's address highlighted the three-day event which was sponsored by the N. C. Industrial Commission.

Among other impressive addresses was one given by Ned Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council at Chicago. Presentation of public interest awards, group meetings and the N. C. Safety Queen Award made the conference the most interesting in its history.

Mrs. Ellen Byrd Eason, a brown-haired, blue-eyed secretary from Dunn, was named North Carolina Safety Queen.

There were no entries from Madison County, it was stated.

U. S. BONDS SOLD IN MADISON IN APRIL

Three Other Counties Are Laggards

Madison County leads in the sale of U. S. Savings Bonds during April with \$98,050. This brings the total sales for January through April to \$16,400,619.47, which is 30.1 per cent of the 1957 sales goal.

The Series E Bond sales totaled \$3,513,050.94, off 7 per cent from the corresponding month in 1956. There was a noticeable improvement in E Bond sales during April as this series tended to firm up following the announcement of the new 3 1/2 per cent interest rates.

In Madison County, April sales were \$11,969.75, bringing the sales total for the year to \$56,374.18. This was 28 per cent of the county's annual goal.

The County Voluntary Chairman, in releasing this report, expressed an optimistic outlook for the sale of Savings Bonds. He said, "With the new, higher interest rates guaranteed at 3 1/2 per cent, plus the absolute safety of Savings Bonds, more increases can be expected in the sale of Savings Bonds."

Sales in other counties were as follows: Yancey, \$10,552.05; Buncombe, \$24,116.50; Haywood, \$5,610.45.

ATHLETIC BANQUET HERE IS SUCCESSFUL

Henderson Speaks; Eddie Wild MVP; Captains Are Named

The annual Athletic Banquet, which was held Tuesday night in the Marshall school cafeteria, was well-attended and very successful.

Coach Don Henderson, of Mars Hill College, was the principal speaker, using as his topic, "Athletics As A Guide To Your Future." He stressed teamwork, cooperation, responsibility, attitude, mannerism and personality and also pointed out that religion played a great part in sports. He told the group that it also had its social privileges, such as meeting other people. Coach Henderson also emphasized the importance of understanding and appreciating others who chose different fields, such as music, science, etc. He closed his impressive talk by

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Madison Election Case Now Being Tried; Jury Is Picked

CIVITAN CLUB TO SEND TWO TO WILDACRES

Billie Jean Redmon, Bobby Caldwell To Attend Camp

The Marshall Civitan Club voted to send two young people to Wildacres at the regular meeting here Tuesday. The two to receive this honor are Miss Billie Jean Redmon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Redmon, of Marshall, and Bobby Caldwell, son of the Rev. and Mrs. Coleman C. Caldwell of Marshall RFD 1.

The two local youths will leave here on June 16 to spend a week with other youths from North Carolina in the beautiful summer camp which is sponsored by Civitan Clubs.

17 members were present for the luncheon meeting with Arthur Ledford, president, presiding.

N. C. DRIVER TRAINING TO START IN '58

Raleigh—The House has enacted into law a driver training program for North Carolina's high schools.

The program will begin in September, 1958. A bill to carry out the program completed its legislative journey Monday night when the House concurred in a Senate amendment.

The amendment provides that the State Board of Education shall allocate to each school every year its share of driver training funds, based on the number of students eligible for driver training.

The program will be financed by an additional \$1 levy on motor vehicle tags.

Rep. Tom White of Lenoir, an introducer of the bill, told the House that if a high school should not be ready to put the driver training course in, the money would be held until the school was prepared to use it.

It is estimated the program will cost around one million dollars a year once it is in full operation. Some 1,600 vehicles are registered with the State Motor Vehicles Department.

Starting next year, the \$1 increase on motor vehicle tags will be used to provide teaching personnel and the necessary number of automobiles for the program.

BLOODMOBILE TO VISIT HOT SPRINGS FRI.

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will be in Hot Springs on Friday, May 17, from two to six o'clock, it was stated this week.

The unit will be set up at the Hot Springs community house and it is hoped to reach the quota of 75 pints.

The Hot Springs Lions Club is sponsoring the visit.

Walnut Alumni Association To Meet Saturday

The Walnut High School Alumni Association will hold its annual meeting in the Walnut auditorium Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock.

An interesting program is planned and all members of the association are urged to attend. Dues of 50¢ for the year will be charged each person attending.

Receives Honor



DR. H. E. BOLINGER, well-known Marshall dentist and civic leader, was named lieutenant governor of Zone I, at the North Carolina Civitan Convention held at Greensboro last week. Zone I includes clubs of Marshall, Canton, Marion, Asheville, Canton, Marion, and Murphy.

SOIL WEEK, STEWARDSHIP TO BE OBSERVED

Importance Of Soil To Be Stressed; Churches Cooperate

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson today made the following statement in behalf of Soil Stewardship Week and Rural Life Sunday, both of which occur this month:

The Department of Agriculture is happy to join with the National Association of Soil Conservation Districts and national church organizations in the observance of National Soil Stewardship Week which they are sponsoring May 26 to June 2. During this week, or on Rural Life Sunday, May 26, local churches of various faiths and soil conservation districts throughout the nation will join in special recognition of man's responsibility as a steward of our God-given heritage—the productive soil.

Such observance is especially heartening to us in the Department of Agriculture who are charged with helping farmers use soil wisely and at the same time conserve it for continued production for the generations to come. Our future food supply depends on the intelligence with which we use our productive resources—such as soil and water. Not only food but many raw materials for industry come from the soil. While solving today's problems, we must not neglect tomorrow's needs.

I strongly urge farm, church, civic, conservation and other organizations to participate in this event as an important means of becoming better acquainted with the vital importance of wise use of our land to both our material and spiritual welfare. I am urging employees of the Department to participate in soil stewardship observances as citizens in their communities or to help organized groups, when requested, in planning or conducting such events.

Melody Masters Sing On Marshall Pack's Program Sun.

The Melody Masters Quartet, composed of Billy and Bobby Caldwell of Marshall, and Phillip Wilson and Arthur Farmer of Walnut, with Edwin Stines of Walnut as pianist, appeared with Marshall Pack on his personal appearance program in Waynesville Sunday night.

First Witnesses Heard On Wednesday; Trial Continues

The government yesterday launched in U. S. District Court in Asheville its case against 10 politically prominent Madison Democrats who are accused of conspiring to "fix" the November 1954, general election in Madison.

Selection of a jury, composed of 12 Democrats, and examination of three witnesses consumed all of the opening day action in the three-year-old case.

The defendants are accused of conspiring to stuff Madison County ballot boxes with illegal absentee votes, fictitious, forged and fraudulent ballots and using unqualified or disqualified voters to swing the vote their way.

The government claims the alleged election irregularities violated Madison County citizens' constitutional rights, in as much as the election was, in part, for a U. S. Senator and Representative.

Defendants in the case, which was dismissed in May of last year by Judge Wilson Warlick, who is presiding again, are Zeno Ponder, former chairman of the Madison County board of elections; E. Y. Ponder, Madison County sheriff, and B. K. Meadows, Arthur E. Cantrell, LeRoy Shelton, W. T. Moore, Roy Freeman, Merit Whitt, Jeff Whitt and James W. Baldwin, lesser functionaries in the 1954 election.

Judge Warlick threw the case out of court last May when he ruled that an order he himself had signed authorizing seizure of the election materials was not a

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ASC BANQUET WELL ATTENDED HERE WED. P. M.

Horace D. Godfrey Is Guest Speaker; Awards Presented

The Madison County ASC Banquet, sponsored by the County Vendors, was held Wednesday night in the Marshall High School luncheon room, with approximately 75 people present. Acting as Master of Ceremonies for the event was Mr. Bart R. Farmer, ASC District Fieldman. The invocation was given by Mr. Wade Huey, one of the local Vendors. On the program for the evening's entertainment were the Melody Masters Quartet, who rendered several selections of spiritual songs; also a reading, "Lady Farmer," was given by Howard Banks. The speaker for the evening was Mr. Horace D. Godfrey, State Adminis-

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80c-Not \$8.00

In the editorial concerning the bond election May 25 in last week's issue, the answer to the question, "How Much Will It Increase My Tax?" read: ... If no more than \$150,000 should be needed a tax of approximately eight cents (8c) on the \$100.00 valuation would be necessary to pay principal and interest. This would mean a tax of approximately \$8.00 per thousand dollars of valuation.

Instead of \$8.00 per thousand dollars valuation, it should have been only eighty cents (80c) per thousand — or \$8.00 per \$10,000.00 valuation.

OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Traffic accidents take an appalling toll in life and property each year, and

WHEREAS: It is the duty of all citizens to protect their families and neighbors by reducing this toll, and

WHEREAS, The Inter-Industry Highway Safety Committee and LOOK Magazine are sponsoring a nationwide Safety-Check program during the month of May to encourage communities to check their vehicles for safe driving condition,

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Board of Aldermen and Mayor of Marshall, do hereby designate and proclaim the week of May 20 as VEHICLE SAFETY-CHECK WEEK and call upon every individual, all traffic organizations, public officials, public information media, service and trade associations, schools and churches to accept the challenge and the opportunity to participate in this Safety-Check and "Back the Attack on Traffic Accidents."