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## \$210,000 Bond Election To Be Held This Saturday

## Defendants In Election Trial Found "Not Guilty" Of Conspiracy

### All-Democrat Jury Deliberates 27 Minutes; Warlick Is Judge

#### Audience Applauds After Verdict; Defendants Jubilant

The government introduced evidence in U. S. District Court in Asheville during the past week it hoped would convince an all-Democratic jury that 10 indicted Madison County Democrats conspired in the use of illegal absentee ballots and juggled official returns to tilt the 1954 general election in this county.

Beginning last Thursday, District Attorney J. M. Baley Jr., started sending witness after witness to the stand testifying generally that they had not applied for absentee ballot, that they had not signed absentee ballots, had not voted in the election, and did not know they had voted until informed by the FBI agents following the election. Some testified that they were not legal residents of the county in which ballots attributed to them were cast at the time of the election.

Through Monday morning, more than 22 witnesses had taken the stand to testify generally concerning absentee ballots.

The defense, however, won a major victory when Judge Wilson Warlick ruled that the case involved conspiracy and ruled that several pieces of government testimony and evidence individual violations did not constitute proof of a conspiracy.

In order to show conspiracy, he told U. S. District Attorney J. M. Baley, the government must establish that two or more of the defendants in the case conspired on last page.

### BIBLE SCHOOL PARADE HERE ON SATURDAY

Final plans are being completed for the Bible School parade which will be held here Saturday afternoon, beginning at 2:30 o'clock.

Wade Huey, parade chairman, said that the parade will assemble on the Redmon Road and will proceed up Main Street, turn down Back Street and conclude on the Island where refreshments will be served.

Every church is invited to be represented in the parade, Mr. Huey stated.

### WHEAT PROGRAM CHANGES FOR NEXT YEAR

In 1958 wheat allotment for North Carolina will be 1,458 acres less than this year's allotment, according to Tilman R. Walker, chairman of the State ASC Committee. The price support rate will also be cut from 82 1/2 per cent of parity to 75 per cent of parity in 1958. In addition to this cut in acreage for 1958 and the cut in the support rate, support will drop still further, to 50 per cent of parity, if the wheat marketing quota referendum, now being voted on last page.

### Col. Edward F. Rector Speaks On Communism At Alumni Meet Here

#### CLINIC DATES CHANGED FOR NEXT WEEK

Dr. Margery J. Lord, County Health Officer, announced this week that the immunization clinic which is held at the Health Department office each Tuesday afternoon from 2:00 o'clock to 4:00 will be closed next Tuesday, May 28, 1957. Also the clinic held at the Mars Hill Town Hall will be closed next Thursday, May 30.

These clinics are closed due to the North Carolina Public Health Association Meeting and the Southern Branch Meeting of the American Public Health Association in Asheville next week. These clinics will be open as usual the following week.

#### ROAD-EO FOR SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS JUNE 5

The annual School Bus Drivers' District Road-EO will be held in Buncombe County on June 5, beginning at the Highway Patrol Station near Asheville at 9:30 a. m. It was announced by O. M. Alexander, Drive Improvement Representative of Troop E, District 3, Highway Patrol. The best of the high school drivers from representative schools, and a winner will receive a two-day exchange trip to Chapel Hill where meals complete in the city will cost \$100.00 prize and a trophy will be presented to the winner by the State Highway Patrol.

#### INSPECTION LANE TO CLOSE FRIDAY AT 4:00

#### 249 Cars, Trucks Already Inspected; Lions Club, Garages Assist

John Corbett, safety coordinator for Madison County, stated this morning that 171 cars and 78 trucks, making a total of 249 vehicles, have taken advantage of the free inspection lane which is located on the Mashburn property on Highway 25-70. Mr. Corbett stated that he expected many more vehicles to go through the lane before it closes Friday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock.

"The large number of persons having their cars and trucks inspected is ample proof that the inspection lane is popular and beneficial," Mr. Corbett said.

He also expressed his appreciation to the Marshall Lions Club for the assistance given and also commended the French Bread Chevrolet Co., Houston Brothers, Roberts Pontiac Co., and the Service Motor Sales, Inc., for furnishing mechanics during the operation of the lane, which started Monday of this week.

#### Over 122 Attend; Officers Are Elected; Meeting Very Successful

Colonel Edward F. Rector, vice commander, Flying Training Air Force, with headquarters at Waco, Texas, was the guest speaker at the second annual meeting of the Marshall High School Alumni Association which was held in the school cafeteria last Saturday night. Colonel Rector, who graduated from Marshall High School in 1921, is internationally famous, being one of the members of the "Flying Tigers" under the command of General Claire Chennault.

Colonel Rector, known to his hundreds of school mates as "Musty," ably reviewed the beginning of Communism and stressed the importance of a strong defense within the United States and without in order to repulse the growing trend of Communism. He pointed out briefly the history of Carl Marx, the father of Communism, and held the more than 122 present spellbound as he told of the three steps which are used in the growth of Communism.

He then told of the rise of Lenin and his revolutionary teachings. Colonel Rector then told how the great German military writer, Clausewitz, played such an important part in the spread of communism. "The knowledge of" (Continued on Last Page)

### Courthouse Annex, Repairs; Health Dept. Building Issues

#### WALNUT ALUMNI MEETING WELL ATTENDED SAT.

#### Mrs. Robinson Is Elected President; Other Officers Named

Approximately 50 persons attended the 19th annual meeting of the Walnut High School Alumni Association in the school auditorium Saturday night, May 18. State Rep. A. E. Leake, president, presided.

President for the coming year will be Mrs. L. M. Woolly, Mrs. Robinson.

Other officers are Mrs. O. O. Henderson, vice president; Mrs. M. A. Taylor, 2nd vice president; Mrs. Emma Thomas, secretary; and Mrs. J. S. Henderson, treasurer.

The invocation was given by the Rev. Mack Reeves.

The program included greeting from the president and from the principal, L. A. Zimmerman Jr.; songs from the Melody Masters Quartet; and group singing led by Mrs. George Shupe.

In the business session a motion was made to continue having the meeting on Saturday night preceding the Baccalaureate service, as has been the custom since the beginning of the organization. This was unanimously approved.

Business closed by prayer by the Rev. Mack Reeves. Plans for the coming year were discussed.

#### COMMENCEMENT PROGRAMS

##### MARSHALL:

Monday, May 27, 7:30 o'clock - Senior Day at 8 o'clock; Sports, May 28, 7:30 o'clock. Baccalaureate Service, May 29, 7:30 o'clock. Graduation Exercises, May 30, 7:30 o'clock. Tuesday, May 28, 7:30 o'clock - Eighth Grade Graduation Exercises. Thursday, May 30, 7:30 o'clock - Graduation Exercises with Honor Students as speaker.

##### MARS HILL:

Sunday, May 26 - Baccalaureate Sermon, Dr. Hoyt Blackwell. Monday, May 27 - Graduation Exercises, student speakers.

##### SPRING CREEK:

The Baccalaureate Sermon, delivered by Captain Page Henry, of the Salvation Army, was held last Sunday. Class Night and Eighth Grade Graduation Exercises were held Monday night. On Tuesday night, graduating exercises were held with Prof. H. E. Jolly, of Mars Hill College, speaker.

##### WALNUT:

Mrs. Hodges' music students presented recital last Friday morning. Junior-Senior Banquet was held Friday night. On Saturday night, Alumni Banquet was held. The Baccalaureate Service was held Sunday morning with Dr. Hoyt Blackwell delivering the sermon. Eighth grade graduation was held Wednesday night, and Graduating Exercises will be held tonight (Thursday).

##### HOT SPRINGS:

The Baccalaureate Service was held last Sunday morning with the Rev. Calvin Metcalf delivering the message. Graduation Exercises were held Wednesday evening with the Rev. L. Richard Mellin, pastor of the Marshall Presbyterian Church, making the address. Class Night was held last Friday evening with Mr. Tom Wallin in charge. Eighth grade promotion exercises were held Tuesday night with Miss Mamie Rice in charge.

##### LAUREL:

The Baccalaureate Service was held last Sunday with the Rev. L. A. Zimmerman delivering the message. Mrs. Ira Hodges' music pupils presented a recital last Monday evening. Eighth Grade graduation was held Wednesday morning with W. W. Peek, superintendent, making the address. Graduation exercises were held Wednesday evening with Dean Henry W. Jensen, Warren-Wilson College, making the address. Diplomas were presented by Fred W. Anderson.

#### Polls To Open At 6:30 A.M. And To Close At 6:30 P. M.

Madison County citizens will have the opportunity to approve or reject two bond issues amounting to \$210,000 this Saturday, May 25. It has been announced that the election will be held in the same polling places which the last election was held in Madison County for the election of members of the general assembly.

Polling places will open at 6:30 o'clock Saturday morning and close at 6:30 o'clock Saturday evening, it was announced.

Voters can cast their ballots for or against each proposition.

The bond election was first scheduled to be held earlier this spring but due to legal technicalities, the election was postponed until May 25.

If you vote "Yes," you will approve the issue. If you are opposed to either or both issues, you will mark your ballot in the square "No."

Below are the two propositions:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1**  
SHALL the qualified voters of the County of Madison approve the bond order which was adopted by the Board of Commissioners on April 1, 1957, and which (1) authorizes bonds of said County of the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$200,000 to finance the reconstruction and enlargement of the existing County Court House Building and the acquisition of the new equipment required for such reconstructed and enlarged building; and (2) also authorizes the levy of an annual tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds authorized to issue; and if so approved the indebtedness to be incurred by the county shall be limited to the amount of said bonds.

**PROPOSITION NO. 2**  
SHALL the qualified voters of Madison County approve the bond order which was adopted by the Board of Commissioners on April 1, 1957, and which (1) authorizes bonds of said County of the maximum aggregate principal amount of \$200,000 to finance the reconstruction and enlargement of the existing County Court House Building and the acquisition of the new equipment required for such reconstructed and enlarged building; and (2) also authorizes the levy of an annual tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the bonds authorized to issue; and if so approved the indebtedness to be incurred by the county shall be limited to the amount of said bonds.

### Marshall Seniors To Present "Books And Crooks" Friday

#### N. C. LIQUOR VOTE BILL IS DEFEATED

Raleigh - Dry forces were defeated as expected Thursday when the House Committee on Propositions and Grievances handed an unfavorable report to legislation calling for a statewide vote on liquor.

The defeated bill called for an "all or nothing" liquor vote in next year's general election. Under the bill, a dry victory would have banned liquor, beer and wine sales throughout the state. A wet victory would have legalized ABC liquor stores in every county of the state.

Before adjourning its brief session, the committee gave a favorable report to a bill which would allow the town of Wilkesboro to vote on whether ABC liquor stores will be legalized there. There was no discussion of the bill which was given a public hearing last week at which many Wilkesboro citizens appeared to argue for and against the measure.

After the vote against the state wide referendum bill, Rep. Carson Gregory of Harnett announced he had a minority report prepared at 10:00 o'clock with Judge Zeb V. Nettles presiding. The term is scheduled for one week.

#### DONORS FOR RURAL FIRE PROTECTION

Roberts Pharmacy	\$100.00
Sam Rudisill	15.00
Fuller Stines	1.00
Walter Ramsey	13.00
Wayne Brigman	5.00
Frank Moore	5.00
Jack Plemmons	5.00
Jack Boone	2.00
Bobby Chandler	3.00
Bruce Hunter	10.00
Knox Brigman	20.00
J. C. Chandler	5.00
O. C. Rector	6.00
Citizens Bank	25.00
O. W. Ferguson	5.00
David Metcalf	1.00
Mrs. S. B. Ferguson	1.00
C. N. Garland	10.00
Warren Pike	10.00
TOTAL TO DATE	\$790.00

and asked for signers. At least six signatures of committee members would be necessary for a minority report which would have the effect of bringing the issue to the floor of the House.

#### Criminal Court To Begin Here Monday Morning

The May term of superior court for the trial of criminal cases will begin here Monday morning

### Asheville Leaders To Be Guests At Promotion Dinner June 10

#### WALNUT FFA TEAM WINS JUDGING SHOW

#### Team Is Awarded Steer; Mars Hill Ties For Third Place

The Walnut FFA team won first place honors in the Beef Judging Contest held at the fifth annual Western North Carolina Angus Show and Sale Saturday at Homy Valley Horse and Hound Club show pavilion at Enka.

The team scored 1,205 points out of 1,500 possible points and won an Aberdeen-Angus steer donated by Dr. and Mrs. Clyde Whisnant of Burnsville, whose Angus farm is near Stelby. In addition each team member received a trophy. Team members included Alvin Craine, Jerry Rigaby and Bruce Rigaby. Jack Cole is the vocational agriculture teacher.

#### To Be Held At Hot Springs Hotel; Snipes To Be A Guest

On Monday, June 10, Mr. J. Fleming Snipes, Highway Commissioner of Marion, will be the guest of the Madison County Promotion Council in an important meeting that will be held at the Hot Springs Hotel.

Other guests will include Mr. Julian Stupp, the president of the Asheville Council and district official of the Carolina Power and Light Company, representing the Asheville Industrial Promotion Council, which has been most successful in locating many new industries in this area. With him will be Mr. Frank Cox, the executive vice president of the council, who played a major role in bringing new plants to Hot Springs and to Mars Hill. The Asheville Chamber of Commerce will be represented by Mr. Fleming Talman, its president, a progressive civic leader and business man. With Mr. Talman will be Mr. Jack Barfield, the chairman of the Highway Committee of the Asheville Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Barfield has shown a deep and sincere interest in the highway needs of Madison County and accompanied Governor Luther Hodges on his fruitful trip through Madison County, and Mr. (Continued on Last Page)

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