



Community Building Here Is Undergoing Improvements Now

Year-Round Facilities Made Possible By New Projects

The Marshall Community Building, located near the reservoir, is undergoing several great improvements with even more improvements in the offing.

A new permanent-type roof, topped with white gravel, has been put on the building and the outside of the building is being stuccoed. In addition to this, the inside of the spacious building is being painted.

It was stated here this week that work will soon get underway on installing a floor which will be suitable for skating and other activity.

The new durable fence has been installed around the swimming pool.

An adequate heating system will be installed as soon as possible, which will assure year-around comfort.

When these improvements are completed, it is hoped that supervised recreation of many sorts, as well as skating and socials, can be enjoyed by all ages.

Christmas Carol Singing Planned By F. B. Association

As many churches in the French Broad Baptist Association who will participate are requested to have members of their choirs at the Mars Hill Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon, December 15, at three o'clock when Christmas Carols will be sung.

Heart Diseases Chief Causes Of Deaths In County

According to statistics furnished by the N. C. Board of Health, the chief cause of death in Madison County, as well as the state and nation, is diseases of the heart and blood vessels.

Eligibility Requirements For New Farm Tobacco Allotments

Amendments were made in the tobacco marketing quota regulations in 1955 governing the establishment of new farm allotments, whereby the eligibility requirements were made much more rigid than they had been during the history of the tobacco marketing quota program.

CHRISTMAS EDITION NEXT THURSDAY

The annual Christmas edition of The News-Record will be published next Thursday. Merchants and individuals will extend Christmas greetings to their customers and friends in this issue as well as advertise hundreds of Christmas Gift suggestions.

SEC. BENSON SAYS RISING COSTS ROB NET FARM INCOME

Secretary Benson recently discussed what he called the "anatomy of the cost-price squeeze." He said that farmers who feel the impact of the cost-price squeeze realize the effect of inflated costs on net income, and pointed out that although the 1957 gross farm income is up about \$26 billion above 1956, the realized net income is up only about \$8 billion.

Mars Hill Play Is Set For Tonight

"Here Comes Charlie," will be presented as the annual senior class play by Mars Hill High School tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock.

S. C. RECORD ON RATTLESNAKES

South Carolina is claiming a record in the rattlesnake field. It is claiming that a snake killed on July 31, near Hunting Island, is the largest ever killed in this country.

DR. KNIGHT TO OPEN OFFICES HERE SATURDAY

It was announced here this week that Dr. Lee T. Knight, general practitioner of Asheville, will open offices here Saturday over Moore's Pharmacy.

NON-SUIT TAKEN IN TRIAL OF WILSON, SMITH

Defendants Agree To Pay Plaintiff \$300 Judge Huskins Presides

The case of State vs. Glenn James Smith and George Bruce Wilson charged with deadly weapon inflicting serious injury not resulting in death upon Haywood Crooks, Asheville Negro, was non-suited in court here last Thursday afternoon.

At the close of static evidence, the defendant moved for judgment of non-suit on the felony charge, and further moved for non-suit on charge of a deadly weapon, and further moved for non-suit on the charge of simple assault.

The motion for judgment of non-suit on the count charging a simple assault inflicting serious injury, was denied. The Solicitor for the State and Counsel for the defendant agreed to pay to the prosecuting witness the sum of \$300 to reimburse him for doctor and hospital bills and loss of wages.

IMPROVED MAIL SERVICE IN COUNTY CITED

F. Ray Frisby, Marshall Postmaster, has announced the authorization of a pick-up of mail at the Walnut, N. C., post office in order to provide that office with an afternoon dispatch. The new service becomes effective Saturday, December 14, 1957.

FOREST TREES ARE NEEDED IN COUNTY NOW

"Madison County farms need forest trees," Printess W. England, assistant county agent, said this week. Hundreds of acres on Madison County farms are growing up in broomsedge and worthless brush.

White pine seedlings are excellent for planting on this type of land. In most cases about 1000 seedlings are necessary to plant one acre. The season runs from November 1 to about April 1 for planting these seedlings.

White pine seedlings may be purchased for \$5.75 per thousand, delivered to the county, Mr. England stated.

LIONS ORDER BASKETS FOR CHRISTMAS

The Marshall Lions Club at its meeting at the Rock Cafe Monday night, ordered 30 baskets to be distributed to blind families in the county before Christmas.

FAST-THINKING OFFICER GIVEN PROMOTION

Fast action by Asheville City Policeman Johnny N. Fore in the foiling of the two-bandit holdup of Market Street ABC Store last Tuesday brought the young patrolman a double-time promotion Friday.

Acting on a recommendation by Police Chief A. R. Sluder, the Civil Service Board Friday approved Fore's promotion from junior to senior patrolman.

Fore, a native of Marshall, was promoting his beat Tuesday night, December 10, when he saw two bandits holding Market Street ABC Store employees at gunpoint.

Fore summoned other police aid and the bandits were captured within minutes of leaving the store.

In approving his promotion, the Civil Service Board instructed Director John L. Huntzman to write a letter to Chief Sluder commending Fore's effective action.

SANTA TO VISIT SCHOOL HERE ON DECEMBER 20

To Visit Marshall Stores On December 21 And December 24

Attention, all children! Santa Claus will visit the Marshall school on Friday, December 20 at 9:00 o'clock it was announced here this week.

He will remain in Marshall for only a few minutes on that date, but will return to town on Saturday, December 21 where he will be on the sidewalks and in the stores during the afternoon.

His visits are being sponsored by the Marshall Merchants Association.

HOLIDAYS AT HOT SPRINGS PLANT DEC. 20-30

Children's Christmas Party At Hot Springs Theatre On December 15

Christmas operating schedules for the local Hot Springs plant of Burlington Industries were announced today by Frank M. Blue, superintendent, who also revealed plans for the annual Children's Christmas Party.

Mr. Blue said Christmas holidays at the Hot Springs plant would be observed from the end of the 2nd shift on December 20, 1957, until the beginning of the 1st shift on December 30, 1957.

The annual Christmas party for employees' children will be held at 2:00 p. m., December 15, in the local Theatre at Hot Springs.

There will be a brief Christmas program consisting of drawing for several door prizes, cartoons for children and refreshments.

ED SUTTON TO BE SPEAKER AT BANQUET HERE DECEMBER 20

Ed Sutton, native of Cullowhee and star football player for the professional Washington Redskins, will be the guest speaker at the annual football banquet which will be held in the Marshall school cafeteria on Friday night, December 20, at 7:00 o'clock.

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73% Of United Appeal Goal For Madison County Pledged

CIVITANS TO SPONSOR BLOOD UNIT NEXT WEEK

The Marshall Civitan Club at its meeting here Tuesday, voted to sponsor the American Red Cross Bloodmobile visit here next Wednesday, December 18.

The bloodmobile will stay at the Davis-Sexton Post, American Legion Building from 12:00 Noon until 5:00 o'clock.

Draft Board To Close Dec. 16; To Reopen January 2

It has been announced that the Madison County Draft Board will close for the Christmas holidays on December 16 and will remain closed until January 2, when it will reopen.

THE ORIGIN OF CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

With the exception of Christmas greeting cards, which were first used in 1846, nearly all the Christmas holiday customs can be traced to a non-Christian origin, according to researchers for "Star of Bethlehem," now being presented at the Morehead Planetarium in Chapel Hill.

The Christmas tree, usually an evergreen, is derived from the Roman Saturnalia and the Norse worship of trees. It was in Germany in the 16th Century that the trees were first used as a symbol of Christmas.

The most popular Christmas legend is that of Santa Claus, who comes down the chimney on Christmas Eve to fill children's stockings with gifts.

Only 14% Of Goal Is Now Collected; Promptness Being Urged

J. Frank Fisher, treasurer of the Madison County United Appeal, announced this week that pledges to date have amounted to \$11,200.00 or 73% of the total goal of \$15,326.76.

Below is published the 1958 Madison County United Appeal Budget which was adopted by the officers and directors:

Salvation Army	\$1,500.00
Madison County Heart Fund	800.00
Madison County Crippled Children	800.00
Madison County Cancer Fund	1,200.00
Madison County T. B. Fund	1,900.00
Madison County Polio Fund	2,000.00
Girl Scouts	1,000.00
Boy Scouts	1,000.00
Red Cross	3,796.00
Carolinas United	1,855.76
White Cane Drive	75.00
Miscellaneous Fund	600.00
TOTAL BUDGET	\$15,326.76

SURVIVES 7,600 VOLTS

Denver, Col. — Greta Bohlmann, 9, becoming curious as to what was in a metal shed behind a restaurant, crawled through a hole made in the shed by a truck. As she did so, she brushed against a bushing on an electrical transformer, short-circuiting it and cutting off the electricity in the restaurant.

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