



Shelton Charged With Murder In Death Of Samuel D. Jones

Fairview Man Is Allegedly Struck With Full Beer Can

Clarence Shelton, 41, of Fairview, near Asheville, was charged with murder Saturday night in the beer-can beating of Samuel D. Jones, 43, also of Fairview, Madison County Sheriff E. Y. Ponder reported.

Jones was found dead in an auto parked near an Asheville cafe early Friday after his companion had gone into the restaurant and Clark told a woman there that they had a dead man in the car.

The sheriff said Jones apparently had been slugged with full beer cans in the auto in the Shelton Laurel section Thursday afternoon and died some time before 6 p. m. He said the investigation showed Jones, sitting in the front seat, was hit by the cans thrown by Shelton, who was in the back seat.

The officer said he was informed that the others, thinking that Jones had simply passed out from too much whisky, put him in the back seat and drove to Asheville.

Preliminary Hearing

A preliminary hearing was held Monday before J. Hubert Davis, justice of the peace, with Shelton ordered held without bond for the May term of superior court under a charge of murder.

William Clark and James Revis testified at the hearing and told Davis that Shelton struck Jones over the head with four or five full cans of beer.

Shelton denied killing Jones but did not testify further.

Clark and Revis were ordered held as material witnesses under bonds of \$500 each.

WALNUT ALUMNI BANQUET TO BE HELD MAY 31

The eleventh annual Walnut High School Alumni Banquet will be held on Saturday, May 31, 1958, in the school cafeteria. Dress for the occasion will be informal, and a special program honoring two favorite teachers of the school will be given. In addition, there will be music and entertainment, a guest speaker and of course a delicious meal.

"All ex-grads, teachers, and their guests are urged to get their reservations in by May 26," Miss Emma K. Thomas, secretary, said here this week.

All reservations, including \$1.25 for each alumnus and guest should be mailed to Miss Thomas at Box 367, Marshall. Alumni dues will be 50 cents.

Marshall Alumni Banquet To Be Held Saturday, May 17

All Ex-Grads Are Urged To Attend; Program Planned

The annual Marshall High School Alumni Banquet will be held at the school cafeteria on Saturday night, May 17, at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced this week by Mrs. Clyde M. Roberts, president.

An interesting program has been arranged with numerous ex-grads participating.

Cards have been mailed to many of the ex-grads, but Mrs. Roberts said that many addresses were not known and stated "If you don't receive a card, come anyway."

She stated that reservations should be made immediately and the cost, per person, is \$2.00 (\$1.50 for meal and 50c dues).

"Make plans to attend the banquet and see your classmates and old friends," Mrs. Roberts con-

LIONS BROOM SALE IS NOW IN PROGRESS

The annual Lions Broom Sale is now in progress here and the public is asked to help the blind of Madison County by purchasing brooms from any member of the Marshall Lions Club. The brooms are \$1.50 each.

55 ACRES PUT IN SOIL BANK LOCALLY

With the 1958 Acreage Reserve sign-up substantially complete, 75 Madison County farmers have agreed to place a total of 55.12 "allotment" acres of basic crops in the Soil Bank Reserve this year. This compares with 49 farmers who reserved 64.59 acres under the same program last year.

By crops, the local Acreage Reserve sign-up for 1957 were: Wheat, 18 farms with 48 acres and tobacco, 31 farms with 16.9 acres; whereas, the crop under the 1958 sign-up are: wheat, 4 farms with 11 acres and tobacco, 71 farms with 44.12.

If all applications on file are accepted and farmers comply with the program, they could earn a maximum of \$15,127.65 on the acreage offered in signed applications.

The Acreage Reserve is a Soil Bank Program under which farmers agree to reduce their plantings below their acreage allotments of the basic crops as a means of reducing surpluses. Farmers earn payments on the land held out of production. The land must not be harvested or grazed, and must be kept free of noxious weeds and protected from erosion.

Under the 1958 Acreage Reserve sign-up for spring crops began last January, the response in most parts of the county was so heavy that funds were exhausted and many farmers were placed on the waiting lists. Later an additional authorization was provided and most farmers on waiting lists were able to complete their applications. Madison County was allocated \$67,146.00 for use under the 1958 Burley Tobacco AR Program from the authorization; however, only \$14,860.74 will be needed to make payments on the 44.12 acres placed in the Bank by Madison producers.

Miss Edwards And Butch Suttles Win County Contests

In the annual Madison County High School Reading and Declamation Contest last week, Dora Lee Edwards, a Marshall student, won first place in the girls' division, using as her topic, "The Sparrow's Fall."

Miss Faith Edwards, a Mars Hill student, won second place with "Joan of Lorraine." Butch Suttles of Mars Hill won first place in the boys' division, using as his topic, "Why?" Second place honors went to Pender McElroy, Marshall student, who gave "Will We Do The Job In Education?"

Other students included Jeter Thomas and Charles Buckner. Olin Jarrett Jr., Marshall senior, served as master of ceremonies.

MUSIC FESTIVAL TO BE HELD HERE FRIDAY, MAY 16

Merchants Donate Prizes; Tickets Are Now On Sale

One of the outstanding events of the season will be the music festival which will be held Friday night, May 16 in the Marshall school auditorium. The program will begin at 7:30 o'clock, according to Mr. John Lackey music director.

In addition to the varied musical program, many prizes will be awarded members of the audience, it was announced. Mr. Lackey stated that more than 30 Marshall merchants have cooperated in donating prizes and a large crowd is expected. Tickets are now on sale by members of the band and proceeds will be used in the Band Fund.

Included on the program is the 1st and 2nd grade rhythm band which will play several numbers. Students of the 3rd and 4th grades will sing several selections and the Junior Band, composed of students from the 5th, 6th and 7th grades, will also present several numbers. The feature of the program will be a concert by the Senior High School Band, under the direction of Mr. Lackey.

"Make plans to attend this festival and in so doing you will also help the band," Mr. Lackey stated.

BAPTISTS TO TAKE OFFERING FOR ORPHANAGE

The forty-eight churches of the French Broad Baptist Association will join with those of some 3,200 other Baptist churches in North Carolina in making contributions to Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem on Mother's Day, May 11, according to a joint statement by Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Buckner, associational hospital representatives; Ralph Hogan, moderator; Wade Huey, Sunday School superintendent; and David B. Roberts, field worker. These leaders pointed out that for the past two years the churches of the French Broad have been 100 per cent in contributing to the Baptist Hospital through the Mother's Day Offering. This association is the only one in West-

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OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED AT PTA MEETING

Piano, Recital, And Musical Program Feature Fine Program

The Marshall Parent-Teacher Association held its last meeting of the school term Tuesday evening in the school cafeteria. Mrs. Wade Huey installed new officers as follows: President, Mrs. Earl Robinson; vice president, Mrs. Maico Wallin; secretary, Miss Eloise Ward; treasurer, Mrs. Jerry Rice; program co-chairmen, John Corbett and Mrs. Bernard Brigman.

The devotions were given by the Rev. D. D. Gross. John Corbett, program chairman, presented an interesting program which included musical selections by eight members of Mr. John Lackey's band, featuring four clarinets and four trumpets. Ann Tilson, Glenna West, Billie Haynie and Cecelia Roberts played the clarinets and Tommy Nix, Herbert Ponder, Larry West and Dennis Rector played the trumpets.

Mrs. Blanche Houston's first-year piano pupils presented a recital. Those participating were Charlotte Crowe, Roger Dale Hunter, Jarva Ann Ball, Johnny Fisher, Annetta Wallin, Rebecca Worley, Eric Crowe, Ronnie Shelton, Brenda Ramsey, Alice Briggs, Carolyn Payne, Christiana Thomas, Jack Ramsey and Jewel Ann Ball.

Mrs. Eva Sams' first grade had the most parents present. Prior to the program, a covered dish supper was enjoyed.

BANKS TO CLOSE SATURDAY OBSERVANCE

It was announced here today that both Marshall banks would be closed this Saturday, May 10, when Southern Memorial Day will be observed.

Adams Withdraws As A Candidate For Commissioner

Marvin Ball, chairman of the Madison County board of elections, announced this week that Ervin Adams, Democrat, had withdrawn from the commissioner's race in the May 31 Primary

Coinword Puzzle Winner



Mrs. N. E. Evilsizer
—Cut Courtesy Asheville Citizen-Times

Madison Woman Is Co-Winner Of \$450 Coinword Cash Prize

Mrs. N. E. Evilsizer of Mars Hill and Mrs. Don Maney of Asheville, were declared co-winners last week for the correct solution to Coinword Puzzle No. 85, which is published weekly in The Asheville Times.

Mrs. Evilsizer is the wife of Norman E. Evilsizer, an employee of Holcombe Funeral Home in Mars Hill. She is a fourth grade

teacher at Mars Hill Elementary School. The Times had to enlist the aid of the Mars Hill Police Department in locating Mrs. Evilsizer, who was on a shopping tour.

She has been working Coinword since shortly after publication of the first puzzle. She had submitted two answers on this puzzle clipped from The Times and eight facsimiles.

Mrs. Evilsizer said she would give \$25 to her church and the remainder would go toward purchasing a new home.

United Fund Officers Are Elected Here Last Thursday

H. E. Bolinger, President; Six Directors Are Elected

Officers, directors and other interested citizens elected officers for the 1959 Madison County United Fund Organization Thursday.

Dr. Robert L. Holt, who served as president of the organization during the past year, presided. The following officers were elected: President, Dr. H. E. Bolinger; vice president, Mrs. O. A. Gregory; second vice president, John Corbett; campaign chairman, Dr. Robert Seymour; budget chairman, J. J. Ramsey; publicity chairman, Jim Story; treasurer, J. Frank Fisher; and secretary, Mrs. William Bennett.

Six directors were elected to replace three who have moved from the county and three who automatically retire from the board. The new members are: Frank Blue of Hot Springs, Don Nolte of Mars Hill, Wade Huey of Marshall, Novile Hawkins of Mars Hill RFD 1, P. R. Elam of Mars Hill, and the Rev. George R. Blue of Walnut.

"All those who have pledged and are behind on payments are requested to "catch-up" immediately so that agencies can receive their allotments," J. Frank Fisher, treasurer of UF, said here this week.

Mars Hill FFA Wins 2nd Place In District Meet

The Mars Hill Future Farmers of America team won second place in the preliminary procedure contest in the Western District meet which was held in Asheville last week.

The Franklin team won top honors and Happy Valley of Caldwell County won third place. J. E. McIntire is vo-og instructor at Mars Hill.

The district winners will compete for state honors at the State FFA Convention which will be held June 25-27 at Raleigh.

Madison Man Held On Liquor Charge In Buncombe

Cauley Shelton, 44, of the Shelton Laurel section of Madison County, was arrested Monday on charges of violating the Federal liquor revenue laws. He posted bond of \$500 before U. S. Commissioner Lawrence Stoker for appearance in United States District Court in Asheville.

Shelton was arrested by Federal Alcohol and Tobacco Tax investigators and Asheville ABC officers. Four gallons of illicit whiskey, 24 cases of empty fruit jars and some distillery equipment were confiscated by the officers at the Shelton home.

2,200 TROUT NOW STOCKED IN THIS COUNTY

In accordance with previously approved plans, the Wildlife Resources Commission has completed stocking of 2,200 trout averaging 8 inches to 12 inches in length, in the waters of Madison County. These fish were produced at the State Fish Hatchery located near Marion, District Game and Fish Protector Raymond Ramsey directed the release of the fish and solicited assistance from members of the local wildlife club and other interested sportsmen. Those participating in the stocking were: Paul West, T. J. Meadows, A. Ray, Raymond Ramsey, Lyda Wyatt and Kenneth Wyatt.

The Wildlife Resources Commission points out that the cooperative effort of all those interested in the State's fish and game resources will be required to bring about better fishing, the favorite outdoor recreation of so many Americans.

Walnut Catcher Breaks Leg In Game Tuesday

Walnut's sophomore catcher, Dedrick Freeman suffered a broken right leg in the second inning of a baseball game at Walnut Tuesday as Walnut fell before Mars Hill, 5-2.

Freeman suffered the injury while attempting to score. He was taken to Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville for treatment.

He is recuperating at his home. Mars Hill 005 000 0-5 7 2 Walnut 001 000 1-2 4 3 Shook and Metcalf; Cantrell and Freeman, Roberts (2).

Albert Blackwell Named As Chief Marshal At MHC

Albert Blackwell of Mars Hill has been named chief of the college marshals at Mars Hill College. He is the son of President and Mrs. Hoyt Blackwell and a graduate of Mars Hill High School. The marshals are selected each year from a list of the highest ranking freshmen and approved by the faculty. They usher and assist in other ways at all public college functions.

Among the others named to serve with Blackwell are Carol Ann Young of Burnsville, Kay Wright of Bryson City, and David Eugene Price of Erwin, Tennessee.

FARMERS URGED TO REPORT ACP PRACTICES

Excessive rains during the past two months have delayed many farmers in the completion of their approved soil conservation practices under the County ACP. According to Novile Hawkins, chairman of the Madison County ASC Committee, only about 30 percent of the 1325 farmers participating in the spring portion of the program have reported the completion of their practices. The chairman pointed out that each farmer receiving conservation materials on which the Government shares the cost is responsible for using these materials according to the specifications for which they were issued and making a report as to their use as soon as the practice has been completed. He also explained that all spring approvals carried a report date of May 31 and urged all farmers who had not completed or reported the completion of their practices, to complete and report them at the earliest possible date but prior to June 1.

DEMOCRATS TO HAVE COUNTY CONVENTION SAT.

Madison County Democrats will hold their county convention in the Marshall school auditorium Saturday night at 8 o'clock, it was announced this week.

Precinct chairmen and committees will be officially named following precinct meetings which were held last Saturday in the county's 23 precincts.

Hail Storm Strikes Spring Creek Area On Monday Night

One of the largest hail storms in recent years struck the Spring Creek section Monday night with small trees reported damaged. No serious damage was reported to buildings, however.

B. K. Meadows, of Spring Creek, displayed a large "clump" of hailstones here Tuesday morning, attesting the storm.

Mars Hill Native Is Elected By S.C. Group

Dr. W. L. Carr, coordinator of health and physical education at Furman University, has been named president of the South Carolina Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation for the 1958-59 year.

Dr. Carr, a native of Mars Hill and a graduate of Wake Forest College and the University of North Carolina, is a former faculty member at Mississippi Southern College.

COUNTY HEALTH DEPT. TO START IMMUNIZATION

The Madison County Health Department will start a general immunization clinic in the Laurel section on Wednesday, May 14. It will be at the Belva Bible Church from 9:00 to 9:30 a. m.; the Alleghany Church from 11:00 to 11:30 a. m.; Spilcove, 1:00 to 1:30 p. m., and in Rovers from 3:00 to 5:00. This clinic will be held every second and fourth Wednesday each month, it was announced.

Petersburg, Hot Springs Win Opening Games Saturday

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STANDINGS:		
	Won	Lost
Petersburg	1	0
Hot Springs	1	0
Marshall	0	0
Spring Creek	0	0
Walnut	0	1
Laurel	0	1

GAMES THIS WEEK (Saturday, 2:00 P. M.)

Hot Springs at Walnut
Spring Creek at Petersburg
Laurel at Marshall

Walnut, Laurel Fall In First Games; 3 Games Saturday

The Madison County Baseball League got off to a flying start in perfect baseball weather last Saturday afternoon with Petersburg and Hot Springs winning their opening games. Right-hander Charles Boone, Petersburg hurler, gave up only four hits and struck out eight, pitching his team to a 5-1 victory over a strong Walnut team in the Walnut district Saturday. Merrill put the visitors out in front to stay in the first inning with a double which was followed by a home run by Merrill. (Continued to last page)