



Madison County Schools To Open Next Thursday Morning

Over 4,000 Students Are Expected To Enroll In Nine Schools

All Madison County schools are expected to open the 1958-59 term next Thursday morning, August 21. Over 4,000 boys and girls are expected to enroll in the nine schools of the county. Principals have already started their duties in their respective schools and all buses have been put in tip-top condition. Mars Hill High School is expected to have the largest enrollment in the county, it was stated. A list of teachers has previously been published. Principals of the various schools include: Bernard S. Briggman, Marshall; R. G. Franklin, Walnut; Roy Reeves, Hot Springs; Owen Fish, Spring Creek; Ralph Neill, Mars Hill; Auburn E. Wyatt, Ebbs Chapel; J. H. Ray, Beech Glen; Bernice E. S. Smith, Mars Hill (Colored). Due to the resignation of L. A. Zimmerman Jr., at the Laurel School, a successor as principal has not yet been named.

Mrs. Edsel Buckner Accepts Position As Teacher At M.H.H.S.

Mrs. Edsel Buckner has resigned her position as Assistant Madison County Home Agent. She has accepted a position as teacher at Mars Hill High School. She began her duties as assistant county agent in December, 1954. Today (Thursday) is her last day at the Farm Office.

MAN FOUND DEAD UNDER JEEP NEAR TRUST ON FRIDAY

Bud Eulas Howard, 20, of Marshall RFD 1 was found dead under his 1946 Jeep near Trust on Friday afternoon, August 8, 1958, after it plunged down a 15-foot embankment. Coroner Fred McDevitt attributed his death to asphyxiation. State Highway Patrolman A. L. Feldman reported Howard had been seen driving slowly down N. C. 209. His Jeep turned into N. C. 63, and later left that highway, plunging down the embankment and overturning. Howard was pinned under it. He was freed about 15 minutes later by passersby but apparently was dead at the time. Feldman said Howard had been discharged about a year ago from the armed forces. Funeral services were conducted Sunday at 2 p. m., in Zion Church with the Rev. E. Venson Plemons and the Rev. Mr. Woodson officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. Surviving are the father, Manson Howard of Marshall RFD 1; three sisters, Mrs. Selma and Mrs. Anna Mae Price and Miss Mattie Lizzie Howard; and two brothers, Manson Howard Jr., and Alfred Howard, all of Marshall RFD 1.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE ON N. C. HIGHWAYS

Raleigh — The Motor Vehicle Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a. m., August 14, 1958: Killed this year 559 Killed in same time last year 638

DETAILS OF 1959 CONSERVATION RESERVE

Details of the 1959 Conservation Reserve of the Soil Bank have been announced and plans are being made for an early start on sign-up under the program late this summer and early fall, according to Novile Hawkins, chairman of the Madison County ASC committee. Definite opening dates will be announced by the State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee. A regional meeting with state level officials has been held with ASC and other interested Departmental field personnel to acquaint them with details of the 1959 program. On the basis of this meeting groundwork is being laid for making the program available to farmers through county ASC offices. The Conservation Reserve will be opened early this year because the other phase of the Soil Bank — THE ACREAGE RESERVE — WILL NOT BE IN EFFECT IN 1959. Mr. Hawkins said that major changes in the 1959 Conservation Reserve from the program in effect for contracts beginning this year are: 1. An increase in the national average annual payment for Conservation Reserve land to \$11.50 per acre from the previous national average rate of \$10. 2. An increase in the average N. C. State rate from \$10 to \$16. 3. Additional incentives in-

HEALTH DEPT. ANNOUNCES BUSINESS GRADES

Dr. Margery J. Lord, Health Director, and Willard Hunter Sanitarian, of the Madison County Health Department, have announced the grades on all food handling establishments, lodging places and meat markets in the county. The sanitation of all foodhandling establishments, lodging places and meat markets is based on a system of grading wherein all places receiving a rating of at least 90% or more were awarded Grade A; all places receiving a rating of 80% and less than 90% were awarded Grade B; and all places receiving a rating of at least 70% and less than 80% were awarded Grade C. The percentage ratings are as follows: Foodhandling Establishments: Daisy's Cafe, 77.5; Diner Cafe, 82.5; Dot's Cafe, 80.5; Green Valley Dairy Bar, 94; Henderson's Cafe, 92.5; Hensley's Cafe, 88.5; Huff's Cafe, 92; Jack's Drive In, 81.5; Light House Grill, 91.5; Little Creek Cafe, 86.5; Mars Hill (Continued to Last Page)

MADISON MAN, 96 YEARS OLD, DIES IN FALL

Garrison Briggs, 96, of the Foster Creek section of Madison County, was injured fatally last Thursday, August 7, 1958, when he fell off the porch of his home and struck his head. He died shortly after the accident. Mr. Briggs was a retired farmer and had been a resident of Madison County for 75 years. Services were held at 2:30 p. m., Saturday in the Foster Creek Baptist Church. The Rev. Grady Fender and the Rev. Wesley Sprinkle officiated, and burial was in the Fender Cemetery. Surviving are two sons, C. B. and R. C. Briggs, of Flag Pond Tenn., RFD 1; a brother, Howell Briggs; a sister, Miss Cornelia Briggs; 19 grandchildren, and a great-grandchild. Pallbearers were Dave Hoyte, Henry Peek, Claude Proffitt, Cas Fender and Lewis Stepp. Holcombe Funeral Home was in charge.

VOL. FIRE DEPT. REORGANIZED AT MARS HILL

Carl Eller is Fire Chief; Meetings To Be Held Twice Monthly Plans were made Monday night to re-organize and rejuvenate the Mars Hill Volunteer Fire Department. At a meeting in the firehouse, attended by 22 men, Carl Eller was elected fire chief and L. C. Lambert and Hugh Tilson were named assistant fire chief and secretary, respectively. These officers were authorized to name a program committee to plan a series of indoctrination meetings to familiarize volunteer firemen with the equipment available and to train them in fire-fighting techniques. The group voted to hold meetings on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 7 p. m. Because state law forbids the use of the department's fire truck outside the limits of the town, it was suggested that efforts be made to secure a pump which can be used on a pickup truck to fight fires outside the limits of Mars Hill. Efforts will be made to renew the department's membership in the Western North Carolina and the North Carolina Firemen's Associations. Other items discussed were the need for more raincoats and helmets, smoke masks, additional hose, several more hand-type fire extinguishers, and a more effective siren to summon volunteer firemen.

Mars Hill Battles Marshall In Little League Playoffs



HUEY REELECTED MODERATOR OF F. B. ASSOCIATION

Wade Huey, popular Marshall businessman and religious leader, was re-elected Moderator of the French Broad Missionary Baptist Association for 1958-59 at the Middle Fork Baptist Church last Thursday afternoon. This is the third term which Mr. Huey has served as Moderator which covers a period of seven years. He served as Moderator in 1948-49-50-51. In 1952 he was elected as Associational Sunday School Superintendent. He was again elected Moderator in 1953-54 and in 1955-56-57 served as Associational Sunday School Superintendent. The current term continues through 1959 at which time he will have served eight years as moderator. The Rev. E. W. Jenkins, pastor of the Arrington Branch Baptist Church was elected Vice Moderator for 1958-59. Mrs. Cory Wallin was reelected as Associational Treasurer and Mr. Kenneth Buckner was reelected Clerk of the Association for the second term.

Mars Hill Posts Best Season Record With 17 Wins, 1 Tie

Mars Hill's Little Leaguers, with Clyde Peek as manager, and Marshall Little Leaguers, under the leadership of Frank T. Moore, are now in a 3-out-of-5 series to determine the Little League Champions of 1958 for Madison County. The first game of the final series started Wednesday afternoon with Mars Hill taking the first game, 12 to 4. During the regular season, Mars Hill's team easily won the pennant by winning 17 games and tying one. Marshall was runner-up with an 8-8 record. Walnut was third and Hot Springs 4th. In a preliminary 2-out-of-3 series, Mars Hill won two straight from Hot Springs to reach the finals while Marshall defeated Walnut two games to one to enter the finals. Eugene Thomas managed the Walnut team while Clyde Gregory was manager of the Hot Springs team. The second game of the final playoffs will be played this (Thursday) afternoon at Marshall at 5:00 o'clock. The third game will be played at Mars Hill tomorrow (Friday) at 5 p. m. Season's Standings Are As Follows:

	Won	Lost	Tied
Mars Hill	17	0	1
Marshall	8	8	0
Walnut	7	9	1
Hot Springs	1	15	0

Bowden Confesses Killing Bradburn; Bones Are Found

Was Native Of Madison County; Inquest Continues

An inquest into the death of Pearson Bradburn, 49, of the Ox Creek section, a native of Madison County, whose remains were found Thursday, August 7, 1958, in the mountains near his home, has been postponed pending further investigation. Dr. P. R. Terry, Buncombe County coroner, who empaneled a jury at the scene and set the inquest for Friday, said he had delayed the hearing so that Buncombe County Sheriff Laurence E. Brown can complete his investigation. Brown discovered the skull and a few bones, determined to be those of Bradburn, from a belt buckle identified as Bradburn's in a gully off a logging trail in Mary Davis Cove which is a few hundred yards from Bradburn's Jump Cove home. He named the chief suspect as Arthur Bowden, Bradburn's 17-year-old nephew, who was the last person seen with Bradburn and who is now being held charged with the murder of his brother. High Point sources reported that on the night of July 30, Arthur came home after a drinking bout and got into an argument with his brother, Vance, 22. Later that night Vance was killed by a single shot through the head. A third brother, Donald, 26, reportedly pistol-whipped Arthur who was found lying in the yard when police arrived. Arthur, charged with murder, was bound over to Superior Court and transferred from High Point to Greensboro jail. Arthur had been living with Bradburn prior to his uncle's disappearance last Easter Sunday. Sheriff Brown said members of Bradburn's family told him Arthur left home the following Tuesday. Brown said Bradburn had said several months ago he was going to Greenland to work on a col-



Pearson Bradburn

struction job and Mrs. Bradburn had assumed he had gone. An autopsy performed Thursday afternoon failed to establish the cause of death, Dr. Terry said. Bradburn was a native of Madison County and moved to Buncombe County 11 years ago. Denies Killing Uncle "I told him I didn't have anything to do with it," the slender, tousled-haired 17-year-old said. He was barefooted and clad in dungarees and an unbuttoned sport shirt and as he talked, he looked and sounded almost like the teenager who lives down the street. But there were some big differences: He was Arthur Bowden. He was in jail awaiting trial for his brother's murder. He had just been questioned by an officer about the mysterious death of an uncle. And now as he talked to a reporter, his eyes fell to the floor. He only looked straight at the questioner a few times. One time was when he said he told the Buncombe County sheriff that he didn't have anything to do with his uncle's death. "We, my uncle and me, were going up to the logging camp where he worked. We both were drinking white whisky. He left me and I never saw him again." That was on April 6 the day Buncombe Sheriff Laurence E. Brown said Pearson Bradburn was last seen alive. Last Thursday — four months and a day later — the bones of the 49-year-old man were found on a rugged mountainside in the Ox Creek section in North Buncombe County. Although Arthur Bowden said he didn't have anything to do with his uncle's death; he neither denied or admitted killing the brother in High Point — 200 miles from the mountainside where his uncle was found. But he did say, "I know I'll get some time out of it." Police Lt. J. D. Wade of High Point said Arthur killed his brother, 22-year-old Vance, after an argument on July 30. Another brother pistol-whipped Arthur Wade said. The reporter asked Arthur Bowden what had caused his trouble. He answered it with one word: "Whisky." He was drinking at the time of his brother's murder, he said. "I started drinking when I was eight," he declared. "Who gave you that first whisky?" the reporter asked. "My uncle," he replied. "The one they found dead." Funeral services were conducted Saturday at 2:30 p. m., in the Payne's Chapel Baptist Church. The Rev. Robert Vaughn officiated and burial was in the church cemetery. Cousins served as pallbearers. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Nola Bradburn; two stepsons, Theron Roberts of Trenton, Michigan, and Arnold Roberts of Westerville RFD 1; three sisters, Mrs. Henry Wicker of Arrington, Va., and Mrs. Earl Burrell and Mrs. Arthur Cheek of Asheville; and three brothers, Neal Bradburn of Marshall RFD 1, Buford Bradburn of Alexander RFD 1, and Sidney Bradburn of Tocco-

Lawrence Naves, Pat Proffitt Now At Home

Lawrence Naves, son of Mrs. M. G. Ramsey and Miss Pat Proffitt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Proffitt, both injured in an automobile accident July 27, returned from Memorial Mission Hospital last week where they had been hospitalized since the accident. Both young people are greatly improved and able to be out again. Wayne Clark, also injured in the wreck, is still a patient in the Memorial Mission Hospital where his condition is reported greatly improved.

Cardinals To Hold Baseball Tryouts Next Week

Asheville will be one of the sites of the Cardinals' tryout camps when the Red Birds will look for potential big league talent at McCormick Field on August 19 and 20, it was announced today by Farm Director Walter Shannon. Experienced talent scout Mercer Harris will set the young aspirants through their paces starting each morning at 10, and all players between 17 and 23 are invited to take part. The Cardinals will supply the balls, bats, and catching equipment with each boy furnishing his own — glove, shoes and uniform if he has one.

Majorettes Asked To Meet At School Monday Morning

John Lackey, band director of Marshall High School, announced this week that he would like for all girls interested in becoming majorettes this season to be at the school at ten o'clock Monday morning. Bowman-Rector Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

LEE SPEAKS TO LIONS MONDAY NIGHT AT CAFE

George Lee, of Boston, Mass., who is a chemist, with the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, was guest speaker at the Lions Club meeting at the Rock Cafe here Monday night. Mr. Lee told of his duties as chemist of this great company and related several of his experiences in dealing with various hazards in plants, homes and outdoors. He cautioned the use of power tools and "Do-It-Yourself" machinery, pointing out the many hazards connected with the use of these machines. He emphasized the dangers of power lawn mowers and cited injuries to children and property caused by various types of power-driven machinery. He told of the duties of chemists in detecting causes of damage to water, land and effects that radiation and fumes have on human beings. He was introduced by Leo Dean Shields, program chairman. Mr. Lee is a brother-in-law of Mr. Shields. The club also voted to build and construct a picnic table at the Marshall Recreation Park in the near future. 19 members and two visitors were present. The next business meeting will be held August 25.

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Arthur Bowden, 17-year-old Reems Creek youth Tuesday confessed to Buncombe Sheriff Laurence E. Brown that he shot and killed his uncle, Pearson Bradburn. (Continued to Last Page)