



Hot Springs Plant Enjoys Gala 4th Of July Celebration Sat.

Contests Are Held; Safety Awards Presented; Fines Picnic

Approximately 300 employees, employees and guests enjoyed the 4th of July celebration and program sponsored by Pacific Mills of Hot Springs last Saturday. Activities started about 10:00 o'clock with interesting and entertaining contests held on the beautiful grounds of the plant. Following the contests, safety awards were presented to all departments for 24 months of continuous operation without a lost time accident. Following the presentation of awards, a bountiful and delicious picnic dinner was served under the shade of the trees in the picnic area. Assisting in the preparation and serving of the dinner were Mr. Sam Howard and Mr. Harold Anderson.

Instrumental in the success of the occasion were Mr. Nell Ross and Mr. J. O. Styers. Pony riding was also enjoyed by the youngsters. This added pleasure was made possible through the cooperation of Mr. Clyde M. Roberts, of Marshall, who furnished the ponies for the occasion.

Following are the winners of the contests and those receiving Safety Awards:

- Three Legged Race — Mrs. Wakefield and Miss Marie Harris.
 - Sack Race — Allen Roberts.
 - Rolling Pin Contest — Gayle Rogers.
 - Pie Eating Contest — Gayle Rogers.
 - Egg Throwing Contest — Doug and Martha Ann Moore.
 - Hula Hoop Contest — A tie between Mrs. Marie Johnson and Gayle Rogers.
 - Carling Contest — Bill Gray.
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CIVIL DEFENSE MEETING HELD AT MARSH HILL

Active CD Organization Is Stressed For This County

Approximately 20 Civil Defense directors and interested citizens of Madison County attended the Regional Civil Defense dinner meeting which was held in the Mars Hill school cafeteria Wednesday night. The Rev. A. V. Graves, of Hot Springs, Madison County CD Director, presided and spoke of Madison County's role in Civil Defense.

Other speakers included Mr. Allen Taylor, deputy director of Buncombe County OD; General John C. Arrowood, of Asheville, Buncombe County CD Director and chairman of Area "F," which includes Madison County; and Mr. Mead Parce, deputy CD Director of Henderson County.

Mr. Taylor told the group that it would be wise for Madison County to join other counties with an active OD organization.

Gen. Arrowood told of the close cooperation of Civil Defense with the American Red Cross. He stated that OD assists Red Cross in natural disasters and that Red Cross assists OD in case of enemy attack or other such emergencies. He said that Asheville would be a target for bombing during a prolonged attack and that we should prepare now to plan for such a possibility. He mentioned the survival of Madison County people. Oak Ridge was mentioned.

SEAGROVES IS NEW PASTOR AT CALIF. CREEK

Rev. Bobby Van Seagroves of Durham, began his duties as pastor of the California Creek Baptist Church of Mars Hill on July 1. He comes to California Creek from the pastorate of the Mt. Vernon and Zion's Hill Baptist Churches of Lumberton. Mr. Seagroves is a graduate of Campbell Junior College of Buies Creek, N. C., Carson-Newman College of Jefferson City, Tenn., and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary at Wake Forest. He and his wife, Janette Beane of Asheville, were formerly employed at the State Mental Hospital at Raleigh. Mrs. Seagroves was employed as a staff psychologist and Mr. Seagroves as an assistant chaplain. They have one child, David Seagroves, 11 months of age. They are residing in the California Creek parsonage, R-1, Mars Hill.

Rev. Ralph Hogan Resigns Pastorate At Madison Seminary

The Rev. Ralph Hogan, popular pastor of the Madison Seminary Baptist Church, tendered his resignation Sunday to become effective the last Sunday in August. Mr. Hogan, who has been at the Seminary Baptist Church for the past three years, plans to enter Southeastern Seminary at Wake Forest, N. C., for further study.

FOOD HANDLERS ATTEND FOOD SERVICE SCHOOL

Madison County food handlers recently had an opportunity to attend a Food Service School which was held in Asheville on June 9, 10, and 11 1959. The school was sponsored by the Buncombe County Health Department and the North Carolina State Board of Health. Dr. Margery Lord, Madison County Health Director, presided at sessions held June 9 and June 10. Mr. Welch Burleson, head cook at Mars Hill College, received a certificate for successful completion of the entire course. Other Madison County food handlers who attended one or more sessions of the Seminar included Mrs. Essie Edwards, Mrs. Zino McMahan, Francis Briscoe and Mackay Mc... (Continued to Last Page)

OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED BY MARSHALL LIONS

Howard Barnwell, head coach at Marshall High School was installed as president of the Marshall Lions Club at the annual Ladies Night program Monday night in S&W Cafeteria in Asheville.

Barnwell succeeds Earl Robinson and will serve during the 1959-60 club year which began July 1.

Hubert L. Kanipe of Haw Creek District 31-A Lions Club Governor, conducted the installation ceremonies.

He was introduced by Lion Jim Story.

Mrs. Howard Barnwell, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. John Corbett, sang "Indian Love Call" and as an encore, "Because Of You."

In addition to Mr. Barnwell, the following officers were installed: 1st vice president, H. E. Bollinger; 2nd vice president, H. C. Teague; 3rd vice president, Page Briggman; secretary-treasurer, Dean Shields; assistant secretary-treasurer, Ron Wilson; Tall Twister, Walter Ramsey; Assistant Tall Twister, Charles Davis; Lion Tamer, W. B. Zink.

Directors are as follows: Two years, Kelly Davis and Vernon McCarthey; one year, Arthur Ledford and O. S. Gregory.

FAMILIES OF WRECK VICTIMS LOSE

Raleigh, N. C., July 8 (AP)—The families of three people who died in a tractor-trailer wreck in Madison County on June 2, 1959, failed Thursday in their efforts to collect damages from the state.

Three other men injured when the prison truck wrecked also failed to collect.

The ruling came in a group of six opinions which cleaned up the last case of the spring term. The court will begin its fall term in August.

The State Supreme Court upheld rulings by the State Industrial Commission and affirmed in Madison Superior Court that a driver for the State Highway and Public Works Commission was not negligent in the accident.

The wreck occurred when brakes on a truck hauling prisoners gave way on a steep mountain highway.

Madison Schools To Open On Wednesday, August 26

Consolidation Dispute Aired Before State Board In Raleigh

Looking Backward Causes Confusion On School Opening

In last week's Looking Backward column, taken from the issue of July 5, 1959, an article stated that Madison County schools would open July 15.

Many readers overlooked the fact that the article referred to July, 1929 and NOT 1959. As stated elsewhere in this issue, schools open THIS YEAR on August 26.

DRIVER HURT WHEN VEHICLE RAMS INTO BANK

Robert Pruett, 29, of Lexington, Ky., driver of a tractor-trailer which crashed into a bank on US 25-70 in Marshall Thursday afternoon, is reported in satisfactory condition at Memorial Hospital Thursday night. Pruett was injured when he was thrown out of the tractor-trailer last before it was demolished. He suffered lacerations, contusions and abrasions of the hands and legs.

State Highway Patrolman C. H. Long said Pruett told him he was entering a curve at the bottom of the hill on the north end of town when an oncoming car forced him to the right side of the highway.

Pruett said his truck struck a large rock and then bounced off the shoulder and into the bank. Long said the force of the impact evidently triggered the mechanism which tilts the truck cab forward, and Pruett was thrown clear.

The tractor was a total loss, Long said, but the trailer, heavily loaded with margarine, was damaged only slightly.

Teachers To Assemble Two Days Before The Students

Fred Anderson, superintendent of Madison County Schools, announced this week that all Madison County Schools would start the next term on Wednesday, August 26.

Mr. Anderson explained that due to a recent ruling by the State Board of Education, all teachers will assemble at their respective schools on Monday, August 24 for a two-day organizational session.

He also stated that teachers will be required to remain an extra day after the regular term to complete records, etc.

About Consolidation

Mr. Anderson also stated that the Madison County Board of Education had requested thorough study be made by the State Board of Education before any definite decision be made concerning the consolidation of the Walnut-Marshall schools. It is expected that this further study will be made in the near future and the results of the study would be announced in this newspaper.

Walnut Babe Ruth Team To Play Twin Bill Saturday

Chico Plentmons, manager of Walnut's Babe Ruth team, announced this week that his team will play the Johnson City Babe Ruthers in a doubleheader at Walnut on Saturday afternoon. The first game will start at 1:30 p.m. clock.

All-Stars Defeat Hot Springs 3-1 Saturday Before 1000

Six Errors Prove Costly To County League Leaders

The top talent of the Madison County League, known as the All-Stars, managed to get only two hits off the slants of Joe King and Lloyd Stamey Saturday at Hot Springs but managed to defeat the county champions, 3-1, before an estimated 1000 spectators. The 4th of July feature was tense throughout as Jimmy Johnson, of Walnut, limited the heavy bats of Hot Springs to five hits. Hot Springs, usually featuring a tight defense, cracked under the strain and committed six errors which led to the All Stars' victory. It was not until the bottom of the sixth inning that Hot Springs managed its lone score. This score came on a hit and an error, hence the lone score was unearned.

Unusual also was the fact that the All Stars' scores, too, were unearned.

The All-Stars scored one run in the first inning on a hit by F. N. Willett of Spring Creek and an error. In the fifth, the All Stars crossed the plate on a walk and two errors and in the eighth, scored its final run on a double by Franklin and an error. Most of the errors were throwing miscues.

Anderson and Roy Reeves led the losers with two hits for four trips.

Players using action were: All-Stars: Willett (Spring Creek), Wallin (Laurel), Franklin (Laurel), Payne (Marshall), Shelton (Laurel), Norton (Laurel), Edwards (Petersburg), Soehn (Marshall), Johnson (Walnut), Finnamore (Spring Creek), Roberts (Walnut).

Hot Springs: Lamb, Whitten, Roberts, Smith, Anderson, Roberts, Soehn, Johnson, King, Wallin, Rogers, Payne and Stamey.

REFERENDUM ON WHEAT SET FOR JULY 23

The Secretary of Agriculture has proclaimed a national marketing quota for wheat for the marketing year beginning July 1, 1960. A referendum of farmers who will be subject to such quota will be held pursuant to the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938 as amended and the applicable regulations to determine whether such farmers are in favor of or opposed to such wheat marketing quota.

Novile Hawkins, chairman of the Madison County ASC committee, in making this announcement relative to the coming wheat referendum, said that the secretary has set Thursday, July 23 as the date on which eligible voters would decide whether quotas would be effective on the 1960 crop of wheat. The chairman further explained that eligibility to vote in the wheat referendum is based on the extent of wheat acreage which the producer intends to harvest in 1960. Due to the fact that any farmer may harvest up to 15 acres of wheat without penalty, only producers of 15 or more acres of wheat are eligible to vote. (Continued to Last Page)

County 4-H Council Meeting Postponed

The Madison County 4-H Council meeting has been postponed from the second Saturday in July to the third Saturday in July. This change is necessary because several members will be attending the State Camp.



A HAPPY, if unscheduled landing, was made Saturday afternoon on the campus of Mars Hill College by an Air Force pilot and his wife from Little Rock, Ark., to Asheville on a week-end visit. The pilot, Lt. Col. Thomas W. Bennett, 29, a Strategic Air Command flier with the 384th Bomber Wing in Little Rock, said he and his wife, Phyllis, 28, were flying in a Cessna 140 when the oil pressure dropped, the oil temperature went up. He made an emergency landing after a rod was thrown through the crankcase and engine. The light plane (he usually flies B47s) clipped off its left landing on one telephone pole and buckled the fuselage around the second. The pilot suffered a laceration of the right arm that took 15 minutes to close and his wife suffered cuts about the head. They were treated at Mars Hill Medical Center, then came to Asheville's General Landhill Hotel, State Highway Patrolman A. J. ... (Continued to Last Page)

77-Year-Old Mars Hill Lady Visits Marshall For Second Time Tuesday; Enjoys Trip

LOCAL PLAYERS STAR IN STATE CHECKER MEET

Edwards Is KO'd In Sixth Round; Story Forced To Withdraw

Judson Edwards, expert checker player from Mars Hill, and Jim Story, of Marshall, participated in the N. C. State Checker Tournament held last week-end at the Langren Hotel in Asheville.

Edwards lasted until the sixth round before finally being KO'd by Glenn Cole, of High Point, finalist in the tournament.

Edwards defeated Ira Shoaf, of Winston-Salem, in the opening (Continued to Last Page)

Huge Rattlesnake Killed Saturday By Frank C. Johnston

FRANK Charles Johnson, of Walnut, who has the reputation of killing huge rattlesnakes, continued his "hobby" Saturday when he stomped to death a 18-in., 4-foot-long rattlesnake while picking blackberries on the farm of Sherman E. Y. Ponder near Walnut. There were 17 rattlers and one better.

Frank has killed eight huge rattlers in the past five years with the latest snake the largest. He said it is Marshall County where many people raised the reptile.

Mrs. Addie Ramsey Tells Of Humble Life And Experiences

By JIM STORY

"I've enjoyed the whole day but I'm sure tired," Mrs. Addie Ramsey, 77-year-old widow of Mars Hill RFD 1, told this writer Tuesday while sitting in the office of Mr. Bill Moore, tax collector.

Mrs. Ramsey, a jovial, alert and witty person, related that Tuesday was the second time she'd ever been to Marshall although she has lived only 15 miles from the county seat all her life. "It's practically the first time I've been here," she said, "because it was at night some 20 years ago that I came down here to see a play put on by the Oxford Orphanage."

Tuesday was the first time she had been in any of the buildings in Marshall and she marvelled at the accommodations in the court house and kept repeating, "The people in here have certainly been nice to me."

Mrs. Ramsey said that Mr. Herbert Hawkins, clerk of superior court, and a neighbor, was kind enough to bring her down here with him Tuesday morning on business. "I've had a wonderful time but I'm glad when Mr. Hawkins takes me back to my home," she stated. "I never expect to come back to Marshall, but I've had to thank you for the opportunity you gave me to see the city."