



LOOKING BACKWARD

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EDITOR'S NOTE: The following items were published in THE NEWS-RECORD Thursday, October 8, 1953

Sgt. Carson Gentry Is Welcomed Home Here Tuesday

An estimated five thousand people from all sections of Madison County, and especially Marshall and White Rock areas, jammed every available spot in Marshall Tuesday afternoon when Sgt. Carson R. Gentry, of Marshall RFD 3, was welcomed back to Madison County.

Miss Carver Is Appointed Key Banker

Miss Stella Carver, popular Assistant Vice-President of the Citizens Bank of Marshall, has been appointed as Madison County's Key Banker for the year 1958-59.

Madison Man Now Teaching in Florida

Mr. Aubrey E. Brown has accepted a position in Cocoa High School, Cocoa, Florida. He received his Master's degree August 10 at the University of Florida.

New Residing Here

Patrolman and Mrs. Jim King returned to Marshall Tuesday after a honeymoon trip. They are residing at their home formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ray D. Cohn on the Walnut Creek Road.

Sgt. Clay Hensley Transferred To Fort Benning, Ga.

Sgt. Clay Hensley, of Hot Springs, who has been a Recruiting Officer for the past three years, has been transferred to Fort Benning, Ga. He plans to leave Hot Springs next Monday.

Small Cabin Is Destroyed By Fire Wednesday

A small log cabin, belonging to Emmett Crowe, which adjoins his home near Davis Chapel, was completely destroyed by fire Wednesday night. The Marshall fire department answered the call but the cabin was completely burned when firemen arrived.

Marshall Monogram Club Met Thursday Elected Officers

The Marshall Monogram Club met in its first meeting last Thursday in the high school auditorium. Mr. Bernard S. Briggman and Coach Wayne Bradburn presided. Rules were adopted by the club at the meeting.

Waldrop-Grady Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Waldrop of Marshall announce the engagement of their daughter, Luella Jelene, to Don E. Grady, of Raleigh, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Grady of Swannanoa. The wedding is planned for December.

4-H Dress Revue To Be Held At REA Building Saturday

Madison County's 4-H Dress Revue will be held in the French Broad Electric Building in Marshall this Saturday morning, June 20 at 10 o'clock. Everyone is invited to come.

Gold plated medals of honor will be presented to the blue award winners determined from the girls participating in the County 4-H Dress Revue. The donor, Simplicity Pattern Company suggests that medals be limited to the upper 10 percent. If ten garments are modeled one medal will be given, but if twenty garments are modeled two medals will be given and so on.

Garments belonging to girls under fourteen as of January 1st, will be judged in the Junior group. Those belonging to girls fourteen or older will be judged in the Senior group.

The winner in the Senior group will represent Madison County at the District Dress Revue in Asheville on Friday, June 10. The six best in the district will enter the State Dress Revue during 4-H Club Week, July 20-25 in Raleigh. Patsy Crain of Walnut was the 1958 County Dress Revue winner.

F. A. DODSON DIES FOLLOWING HEART ATTACK

Pioneer Groceryman To Be Buried in Fritchard Cemetery Friday

F. A. Dodson, 67, of Marshall, died at 12:50 p. m. Wednesday, June 17, 1959 in an Asheville hospital after suffering a heart attack Monday at his store here.

Services will be held Friday at 2:30 p. m. at the Marshall Methodist Church. The Rev. D. D. Gross, pastor of the Marshall Baptist Church, will officiate and burial will be in the Fritchard Cemetery. Masonic graveside rites will be held.

Palbearers will be Roy Reeves, J. Hubert Davis, Robel Redmon, Bernard Briggman, Guy White and John Corbett.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Maude Tipton Dodson; two daughters, Mrs. Felix Potts of Bryson City, and Mrs. Weaver McCracken of New Orleans, La.; a son, J. C. Dodson of Marshall; and seven grandchildren.

The body will be at the home after 4:30 p. m. Thursday. One of Marshall's pioneer groceryman, he operated a store here for the past 45 years. He was a member of the Marshall Baptist Church, of French Broad Masonic Lodge 292, AF&AM, and of the Woodmen of the World.

BUS SERVICE TO RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL JUNE 27

Charter bus service from Asheville and nearby towns to the 18th annual Rhododendron Festival atop Roan Mountain is being arranged for Saturday, June 27 when the fete takes place.

The buses are expected to leave from Asheville about 8 a. m., June 27, arriving at the Roan festival area well before noon. Visitors will witness festivities of the day, including the selection of the Rhododendron Queen from among 30 to 40 candidates representing Western North Carolina clubs and business firms.

Bus reservations may be made at the offices of Asheville Agency on the mezzanine balcony of the George Vanderbilt Hotel. Phone reservations will be received there by Miss Carol Furey, assistant travel director. The phone is AL 2-7971, extension 181.

TELEVISION'S 'SUPERMAN' TAKES OWN LIFE

George (Superman) Reeves, TV hero, to millions of youngsters, shot himself to death early Tuesday morning in despondency over unemployment and an ex-girl friend.

The 45-year-old actor shot himself in the head with a German Luger after his fiancee, Lenore Lemmon, predicted he would commit suicide. They were to have been married Friday.

Miss Lemmon and another house guest, New York writer Robert Condon, told police Reeves was upset by unexpected visitors to his Benedict Canyon home.

Applications For Wheat Acreage Must Be Filed

The ASC County Office is accepting wheat allotment applications for certain farms. A producer who intends to seed wheat for 1960 on a farm on which no wheat was seeded for harvest as grain in 1957 and for which a 1958 and 1959 allotment was not established, irrespective of whether or not wheat was seeded for harvest as grain in either 1958 or 1959, and who desires to be considered for an allotment must make application for an allotment according to Noville H. Hawkins, Chairman of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee. Application forms are available in the ASC County Office for use in filing a request for an allotment. The producer must apply in writing prior to July 1, 1959.

BOB DAVIS TO OPEN CHAIN SAW SHOP HERE SAT.

Bob Davis, popular Hot Springs merchant, announced this week that he is opening the Homelite Chain Saw Shop in Marshall Saturday, June 20.

He states that he will handle power mowers and will give expert chain saw service.

The shop is located across the street from the Post Office in the former building used as Dock's Shoe Shop.

The new store will be managed by Bill Brookshire and Wesley Rice, Mr. Davis said.

The formal announcement can be found in an advertisement on Page Four of this issue.

Swimming Lessons To Be Taught At Swimming Pool Here

Swimming lessons will be taught at the Marshall swimming pool beginning Tuesday and will last for two weeks, it was announced by Lew Allen Rice, life guard. Hours will be from 10:00 to 12:00 a. m. The other instructors are Johnny Payne and Katherine Cody. Anyone wishing to take lessons may contact Mr. Rice, Mr. Payne or Miss Cody at the pool.

Jack Smith Hurt While Cleaning Pistol Last Week

Jack Smith, of Marshall RFD 4, was accidentally injured in the right shoulder last week when the .22-caliber pistol he was cleaning discharged.

MRS. BURNETTE IS HONORED IN RALEIGH JUNE 10

Mrs. E. O. Burnette of Walnut, was among 12 North Carolina Home Demonstration Club members named as 1958 Leadership Achievement Award winners who were honored on Wednesday night, June 10 at Raleigh during Farm and Home Week.

The awards, made each year to the two highest scoring leaders from each of six extension service districts, are sponsored by the Atlantic and Pacific Food Stores. Based on their efforts in Home Demonstration and 4-H Club work the members are scored on their organizational work, project work and participation in the club's program. In addition, each woman writes a narrative report describing the values received from her leader work.

Mrs. Burnette, mother of three and a member of the Walnut high school faculty, was presented with an engraved silver tray and an orchid.

4-H'ers To Attend Senior 4-H Camp Near Waynesville

Nine Madison County 4-H'ers have signed up to go to Senior 4-H Camp, near Waynesville, on Monday, June 29. Twenty-nine of our 4-H'ers went last year so we're expecting others during the next week. Those planning to go so far are Katherine Cody from Marshall; Ann Huff, David Ramsey, Jimmy Ray, Carl Shook, and C. L. Yelton from Mars Hill; Judy Shelton from Laurel; Nancy Henderson and Resa Thomas from Walnut.

Further information about Senior 4-H Camp is available at the County Agents office in the Courthouse here in Marshall.

Baby Sitter Takes Over From Stork In Auto Wednesday

Baby sitting was nothing new to a 16-year-old Madison County girl who acquired a job midway between Marshall and Asheville Wednesday, June 10, but it was probably the first time she had taken over just where the stork left off.

The girl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tweed of Marshall RFD 2, already had five brothers and sisters prior to 4:05 a. m. today. So the baby-sitting bit was pure routine for her.

The entire family was on the way to Memorial Mission Hospital with Mrs. Tweed who had an appointment with the stork in the maternity department. The stork didn't wait. The baby-sitter acquired a new customer as the car, driven by Papa Tweed, traveled through Weaverville.

The oldest daughter, with previous experience taking care of younger children 13, 10, 9, 6 and 5 years of age, took charge of her six pound, two ounce brother and carried him into the hospital.

WIREWORMS DAMAGED TOBACCO FIELDS

Wireworms have been giving a lot of trouble in many of the tobacco fields in Madison County, states Harry G. Silver, County Agent, this week. This year several Madison County farmers purchased Aldrin and used it on their tobacco land two weeks to a month prior to transplanting their tobacco plants. They worked this material in the soil immediately after broadcasting it on the land, two pounds of actual Aldrin per acre. Farmers who used the material have reported excellent results in the control of wireworms and cutworms.

Many farmers who did not use an insecticide for the control of wireworms are reporting heavy losses in their tobacco from wireworm damage.

TWO SENTENCED FOR ASSAULT ON ASHEVILLE GIRL

Edmonds Case Continued To Superior Court; Ramsey Appeals Sentence

Two Madison County youths who had pleaded guilty in General Buncombe County Court to assaulting a 13-year-old Asheville girl Tuesday were sentenced to a youthful offenders camp.

Jimmy Metcalf, 20, of Marshall, who pleaded guilty to a charge of assault on a female in the attack, was sentenced to 18 months. Bobby Allen, 17, also of Marshall, who pleaded guilty to a charge of assault resulting in injury, was sentenced to 12 months. They had originally been charged with rape, a capital crime.

The third youth, a 15-year-old Marshall boy, charged in the case, will receive his judgment from the Domestic Relations Court (Juvenile), where his case was transferred.

Probable cause was found in the case of O. S. Edmonds, Jr., of Mars Hill, charged with an attempted crime against nature, and he was ordered held in \$500 bond for appearance in Superior Court, in July.

Edward Ramsey of Marshall appealed a 90-day road sentence. Ramsey, also charged with carrying a concealed weapon and damage to property, paid an aggregate of \$115 in fines and costs in these cases. A pistol was ordered confiscated.

PITIFULLY UNINFORMED

One of the most alarming things about the United States, and our people, is the fact they read less and less, apparently, of the serious, informative and educational things. As the latest example, a widespread poll recently revealed that almost forty percent of those interviewed did not know that Berlin lay within Red-ruled East Germany.

As has been pointed out so often, the trash which makes the best-seller list, and which makes hundreds of thousands of dollars for its authors, reflects a melancholy picture of what the American people think about, read and do with their leisure time.

Two courses which every American youngster should study, and which most of them do, are U. S. history and the history of the Communist movement. And, U. S. history should certainly cover the years up to the present, since the international picture changes so frequently these days, it is mandatory to give our youngsters an up-to-date history of events up to now.

Of equal importance, and a more urgent problem, is the challenge which faces each citizen—the challenge of keeping himself somewhat informed. Rather than watching television for endless hours, reading sex novels, and piddling away all one's life with leisure, in various forms, each of us should devote some time, daily, to keeping abreast of the news, and the issues of the day in order that we might be better citizens.

Methodist Pastors Return To County

Bishop Nolan B. Harmon read the appointments Sunday at the close of the annual Western North Carolina Methodist Conference which was held at Lake Junaluska.

Returning to Madison County are the following pastors: Joseph M. Reeves, Marshall and Walnut; Joseph C. Wakefield, Hot Springs; James M. Thurman, Mars Hill.

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Highway Construction In WNC Hits Highest Peak

Receives Honor



Mrs. George B. Shupe, of Walnut, was elected recording secretary of the North Carolina State Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs at the Farm Home Week held at State College, Raleigh, June 9-12.

'CITIZEN OF YEAR' AWARD IS GIVEN J. OWEN TILSON

Officers Are Installed At Civitan Meeting On Tuesday Night

The Mars Hill Civitan Club held its annual installation meeting Tuesday night, with Oliver English, president, presiding.

The invocation was given by the Rev. James Thurman of the Mars Hill Methodist Church. Included on the program were Miss Edith Shepherd, who presented piano selections from "SHOWBOAT" and Mr. Jesse James Bailey, former sheriff of Madison and Buncombe Counties, who gave the address.

Erik Fris, deputy governor, Civitan Zone 1, installed the officers for the ensuing year. They are President, Jim Cox; Vice President, Jim Stewart and Secretary-Treasurer, Jim Holcombe.

Dr. Bruce Sams presented Mr. J. O. Tilson with the "Citizen of the Year" award. Mr. Tilson, mayor of Mars Hill, is an active member of the volunteer fire department, the Mars Hill Baptist Church, and the Democratic party of Madison County. He is one of the leading citizens of Mars Hill.

U. S. Army Choice, Not Chance Program Is Announced Here

Special schooling for a selected group of young men. That's the United States Army's offer to high school graduates. It's an offer that features choice—not chance. Under the Army's new graduate specialist program you can select school training in the field you want. The U. S. Army has over 107 schools to choose from.

You must qualify for the school you choose. If you cannot qualify for the school of your choice, you do not enlist. Your obligation to the U. S. Army will be three years. 1st M-Sgt. Charles R. Hodge will give you a written guarantee of any promises made. The U. S. Army Rating Station is located on the 3d floor, Room 501, City Building, Asheville, N. C.

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Marshall By-Pass To Be Completed In Six To Eight Weeks

Highway construction in Western North Carolina hit an all-time high this month as an estimated \$26 million worth of work is underway in Division 13 alone. This division covers Madison, Buncombe, Yancey, Mitchell, McDowell, Rutherford and Burke Counties.

W. M. Corkill, Division engineer, is supervising construction in every county in the division except Yancey, and a contract for relocation of a stretch of highway through that county will be let June 23.

Three major projects are underway in Madison County. The bridge over the French Broad River at Marshall is nearly complete and has been open to traffic for sometime. Workmen are still painting structural steel — a job delayed by bad weather.

The Marshall bypass will be completed in six to eight weeks. While the bypass is about the same length as the old road, motorists will save considerable time by utilizing "climbing lanes" constructed for slow traffic and trucks. Except where the climbing lanes add a lane, the road will be a 24-foot-wide two-lane highway.

The third project is a bridge over Laurel River at the junction of US 70 and NC 208, which leads to Greeneville, Tenn. The bridge and approaches are nearing completion.

Farm Performance Check Begins

Approximately 2,700 reporters trained in acreage measurement work are now beginning the summer job of checking crop acreages on farms participating in the acreage allotment, price support, and Soil Bank Programs, according to H. D. Godfrey, State Administrative Officer of the ASC Office.

In announcing the start of the 1959 measurement work, Godfrey urged the cooperation of farmers in assisting the reporters.

"Producer cooperation," he said, "can help us do this performance job faster and more economically. Some of the ways the farmer can help are: (1) see that stakes are in place on premeasured farms; (2) make sure plantings are within the staked area on premeasured farms; (3) have someone who is familiar with the crop available to help the reporter if the operator is away from the farm."

Crops being measured at this time are tobacco, cotton, and peanuts. Where acreage in excess of the farm's allotment is found, and if the farmer desires to bring his acreage within his allotment, he must make an application and deposit with the County ASC Office.

THREE DOGS POISONED IN HOT SPRINGS

At least two dogs died and a third was nearly killed by poison at Hot Springs Monday.

The third pet was saved by prompt application of first aid. The incidents have aroused resentment, and parents were expressing particular concern after one man reported his dog picked up some of the attractively colored bait in his yard and carried it off just before the dog died.

Mayor E. B. Briggman said he would investigate the matter.

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