



Criminal Court Is Now In Progress This Week

Louis Norwood Found Not Guilty In Death Of Lowe

The October term of superior court for the trial of criminal cases started here Monday morning with Judge J. Frank Huskins, of Burpsville, presiding. Robert Swain is the solicitor.

Thus far, the court has heard only one major case — State vs. Louis E. Norwood, charged with manslaughter in the death of Ross Lowe in April. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty to involuntary manslaughter.

Other cases heard include the following: James Monroe Plemmons of Buncombe County, pleaded guilty of breaking and entering. Judgment, 1-2 years, suspended on probation.

Dan Sluder and Jerry Webb, both of Leicester, entered pleas of guilty to breaking and entering. Judgment, 2-3 years.

Richard White, tendered plea of guilty to larceny of truck. Judgment pending.

John Bud Treadway pleaded guilty of temporary larceny. Judgment pending.

Several cases were continued. Court is still in progress as this newspaper goes to press.

MERCHANTS TO MEET TONIGHT

All Marshall merchants are reminded that an important meeting of the Merchants Association will be held tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 p. m. at the Hotel Marshall. The meeting is scheduled to start at 7:30 o'clock.

RETREATMENT OF FIVE COUNTY ROADS SLATED

The State Highway Commission has approved and set up funds for retreating five Madison County roads with standard maintenance bituminous seal.

Scheduled for retreatment are: 1.3 mile of road 1370, from NC 213 to road 1364; 2.1 miles road 1589; 1.4 mile road 1143, from US 25 to road 1404; 1.1 mile road 1354, from NC 213 to road 1355 and 5.4 miles road 1001, from Buncombe-Madison County line toward Marshall.

Approximate cost of the improvement is \$16,110.

Letter Writing Week To Be Celebrated In Walnut, Oct. 4 To 10

The 22nd annual Letter Writing Week will be observed in Walnut, N. C., during the week of October 4 to 10, it was announced today by Postmaster Clyde H. McClure.

"I am sure we are all aware that a personal letter is, next to an actual visit, the most intimate and economical means each of us has to communicate with our fellow human beings. Accordingly, I urge everyone to 'write today to those away'."

Posters, depicting a mailman in a new postal vehicle called the mailster, will be displayed in post offices throughout the county. Colorful streamers, proclaiming that "Letters are fun to send and exciting to receive, will be displayed on postal vehicles.

Postmaster McClure stated that that special Week should serve as a reminder to write long-overdue letters to servicemen, hospitalizations, patients, foreign acquaintances, former friends and relatives, and others who will welcome a personal letter.

OPEN HOUSE AT PACIFIC MILLS IS SUCCESSFUL

Hundreds Enjoy The Guided Tours Through The Large Plant

Approximately 600 persons attended Open House at Pacific Mills in Hot Springs Wednesday despite intermittent rains throughout the day.

Groups of 6-8 were taken through every phase of the huge plant, an affiliate of Burlington Industries, with expert guides explaining the various processes from raw wool and rayon to the finished fabric, ready for suit making.

The tours started in the shipping and receiving department and ended in the display offices. Plant Manager Neill Ross extended his appreciation to each group for attending the event.

Refreshments were also served to those attending. The first persons to tour the plant Wednesday were Congressman Basil L. Whitener and his administrative assistant, Herbert Lineberger.

MADISON MAN IS HURT BY BLOW FROM BOTTLE

A young Madison County man was injured yesterday for skull fractures and multiple scalp lacerations received in an altercation on Beaucatcher Mountain Tuesday night.

Tommy Ledford, 21, of Mars Hill, was taken to Memorial Mission Hospital about 11:40 p. m., by J. D. Sealey of 17-A Pigeon View Apartments, according to a report at the Buncombe County Sheriff's office.

Ledford received one fracture to the front of his skull and possibly another at the back of his head, a hospital report showed.

Two young men of Asheville were given dispensary treatment at the hospital at the same time Ledford was brought in.

First reports at the hospital were that the trio was stopped by occupants of another automobile and beaten with a baseball bat and tire tools. The story was discounted when particles of glass were found in Ledford's wounds.

The Sheriff's office said the men had apparently been in a fight and that Ledford was beaten on the head with a bottle. Ledford refused to press charges and would not name his assailants, deputies said.

Students Will Attend Editors Roundtable Friday

The annual High School Editors Roundtable at Western Carolina College at Cullowhee will begin Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock and will end Saturday at noon. Sid Ross, feature writer of Parade Magazine, will be the principal speaker.

Madison County students who will attend include Ruth Ann Carter, Mars Hill; Queen Faulkner, Walnut; and Eldridge Leaks Jr., Marshall.

More than 50 awards will be presented to high schools in yearbook and newspaper competition.

LOTS OF RAIN, SNOW: The 20th annual precipitation in the United States totals about 1,500 cubic miles of water, or about 3 trillion tons.

MARSHALL PTA HAS INTERESTING MEETING MONDAY

General John C. Arrowsmith, civil defense director, and Mr. F. F. Bowen, state patrolman, spoke to members of the Marshall PTA at the regular monthly meeting on Monday.

General Arrowsmith spoke on the steps necessary for setting up civil defense and evacuation. Patrolman Bowen explained the recently proposed point system for safety on N. C. highways.

Devotions were given by the Rev. L. Richard Meffin and special music was played by Jack Ramsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Will B. Ramsey.

Special reports of committees were made. Mrs. Hilliard Teague's second grade won the prize for the most parents present.

The program co-chairmen are Mrs. Harry Dittmore and Mrs. O. A. Gregory.

Mrs. Clyde Roberts, president, presided. Sixty-three people were present.

WINTER COVER CROPS DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 20

Farmers within the county who are yet interested in securing Government sub-subsiding in the establishment of a winter cover crop, were reminded today by Neville Hawkins, chairman of the Madison County ASC Committee, that October 20 is the last day on which applications for help on the practice can be submitted.

Available under the winter cover program are: hairy vetch, annual ryegrass, rye, barley or oats. Mr. Hawkins said that as of today approximately 1150 farmers had been approved help on this practice during the past 5 weeks and urged all farmers to adequately protect their land which had been row cropped this year with a protective cover of some kind during the winter months.

In conclusion, the ASC chairman pointed out the fact that the farmer's cost in establishment of a good cover crop is very small compared to its value in leaching protection, the adding of humus and nitrogen to the soil, protection against wind and water erosion and winter grazing benefits. PTA member stated.

MARSHALL C OF C MET TUESDAY; DISCUSSES ROADS

The Marshall Chapter of Commerce met Tuesday at its regular bi-monthly luncheon meeting at the Presbyterian Church with 18 members and two visitors present.

The highway situation was discussed by Charles E. Mashburn and William Vandervort, a guest. They reported on the meeting in Asheville and also outlined to the group the plans for the Weaver-ville-Marshall highway.

Judge J. Frank Huskins, of Burnsville, who is presiding at court here this week, was also a guest of the club and spoke briefly about his duties and responsibilities as a judge and described the arduous hours a judge must spend in the courtroom in trying to mete out the truth and justice in hundreds of cases. Judge Huskins was introduced by Attorney Joseph B. Hoff.

WALNUT PLAYS HOT SPRINGS TONIGHT HERE

The high-flying Blue Devils of Hot Springs and the Panthers of Walnut will clash on the Island tonight (Thursday) at eight o'clock in a contest which promises to be a "rocking" affair. Hot Springs has already defeated Mars Hill and Marshall and is favored heavily to defeat the Walnut team.

The contest will be presided by Homecoming Queen for Hot Springs, who will get underway at 7:30 o'clock. The King and Queen will be crowned and the Queen will be crowned.

Marshall PTA Is Having Used Clothing Drive

The Marshall Parent-Teacher Association is sponsoring a used clothing drive for Marshall High School. The clothes will be given to children in the school. Anyone having good used clothing to give to this cause is asked to leave them at the Home Economics Department at the school or call Mrs. Margery Jenkins at 4231, Marshall, and she will see that they are picked up. "We need anything and all sizes," one PTA member stated.

MHC LIONS PLAY SMA SATURDAY IN VIRGINIA

Riding the crest of a two-game winning streak, the Mars Hill College Lions journey to Staunton, Va., Saturday for a non-conference game against Staunton Military Academy.

Coach Don Henderson's team proved its fighting determination Saturday by coming from behind to whip Lees-McRae, 20-17, and spoil Lees-McRae's homecoming celebration.

The Lions had taken an early lead on fullback Allen Figh's touchdown in the first quarter and halfback Richard Russo's perfect placement. Halfback Buddy Windle scored again for Mars Hill in the second quarter and Lees-McRae added a safety to make it 13-2 at halftime in favor of Mars Hill.

The Bobcats edged up to 13-9 with a third-period marker and went ahead 15-13 in the fourth. (Continued To Page Five)

SILAGE NOW ON THE INCREASE IN MADISON

Madison County farmers are making rapid strides with the winter feed program for their livestock. Ten years ago the sale of hay, cottonseed hulls, stooks and straw for livestock feed was a good business for feed dealers. Livestock depending upon purchased roughages for their feed generally were not well fed, says Harry G. Silver, county farm agent.

Citizens Bank Helps solve the storage problem of silage.

The county farm agent stated that silage silos to be made available to Madison County farmers for the construction of concrete upright silos. This year Jack Caldwell and Vivian Kenner of Spring Creek used these silos; Jesse Keener and B. K. Meadows of Meadow Fork, and Sherman W. Ramsey of the Antioch community built a new silo each using these silos. The combined capacity of these silos equal over 350 tons.

Bunker Silos Increasing As Result Of Tour
Four years ago a group of Madison farmers went on a farm tour to Haywood County to see bunker silos. The farmers liked (Continued To Last Page)

New Street Lights Are Ordered For Marshall

LEAKE ACCEPTS COUNTY POST ON INVENTORY

It was reported to Governor Luther H. Hodges today that Mr. A. E. Leake, attorney at Marshall, has accepted County Chairmanship of Madison County in connection with the North Carolina Bar Association inventory on State-owned lands. The report was made jointly by District Chairman J. Toliver Davis, attorney of Forest City; Paul A. Johnston, Director of Administration; and Isaac T. Avery, of Statesville, State Chairman of Bar Association Committee on State-owned land.

The project is one undertaken by the Bar Association as a public service and without compensation of any sort to the attorneys taking part. The project contemplates an examination of records in every county in the State in an attempt to locate title to property which the State may own but of which no records have been kept during the many past years of the State's existence.

COUNTY NATIVE ENDS LIFE BY DRINKING ACID

Charles Robert Hensley, 26, of Asheville, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hensley of the East Fork section of Madison County, died shortly after being rushed to the Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville after being found on Lexington Ave., in Asheville about 5:30 a.m. this (Thurs.) morning.

Asheville police informed Sheriff E. Y. Ponder said that he was told that Hensley, involved in several court charges, committed suicide by drinking about two ounces of carbonic acid.

Hensley, a native of Madison County, was a former guard at the Craggy Prison Camp but had been employed by the Asheville Water Works for the past five or six months.

He is survived by the widow; two children; the parents; four brothers, Clarence, Glenn, Edward and Fred; and two sisters, Miss Rosa Lee Hensley and Mrs. James Fisher, both of Marshall. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Mrs. Shupe To Attend National H. D. Convention

Mrs. George Shupe, a member of the Marshall High School faculty, will leave here Friday for Greensboro where she will board a plane for Portland, Oregon to attend the National Home Demonstration Convention on October 10-14.

Mrs. Shupe is a national Delegate, receiving this honor by being president of the 4th District, H. D. Clubs. She is also the State Recording Secretary.

Mrs. Shupe will accompany Mrs. Gilbert English, of Randolph County, who is State President and other State officials.

FOOTBALL East Valley vs. Marshall Friday Night — 8 O'clock On Island

23 New Lights Ordered, To Be Installed By November 15

It was jointly announced this morning by the board of aldermen and officials of the French Broad Electric Membership Corporation that 23 of the latest type street lights had been ordered and are expected to be installed by November 15.

Mr. D. M. Robinson said that the new fluorescent tubes would increase the lighting 8-10 times the amount of the present lights. He also said that the lights were "cool white" and would have a "soft" appearance.

It was explained that the new fixtures would be installed on practically every pole instead of every other pole and would include both bridge streets as well as Main Street. Mr. Robinson also said that an additional pole would be placed somewhere between the Home Electric stars and Chandlers Hardware.

"We will have one of the best and most modern lighted towns in this area," Mr. Robinson said.

L. B. Ramsey, alderman, said that he was highly pleased with the prospects of the new lights which Marshall has needed so desperately for many years. It was through the combined efforts of the board of aldermen and the REA that the lights were made possible.

PIONEER CORN VARIETY STANDS WELL IN CO.

The Pioneer corn variety stands up better than any variety in the test.

This year two farmers of the county planted the hybrid variety, Pioneer 309 A, on a demonstration to test the yield and stand up ability of the corn. Mr. E. C. Teague has the new variety of corn on his farm. It appears now to have produced about 120 or more bushels of excellent yellow corn per acre which is all standing. Mr. Will Cook planted Pioneer 309 A on the farm of Tom Warren at Hot Springs. Mr. Cook planted his corn exceptionally thick and used a heavy side dressing of nitrogen. An unusual storm hit this corn just after the silage stage and lodged part of the corn. Considering the conditions this corn stood up well and promises an exceptional yield.

Save Money And Labor On Pole Type Farm Buildings

As labor gets higher and money tighter, farmers must build as cheaply as possible and use as many labor-saving devices as can be had.

O. G. Ramsey, Madison County Dairyman, has found that pole-type hay barn is cheaper than conventional barn to build. The labor saved to store hay at ground level instead of other methods is quite a saving. The cost of building this hay in regular barns is high on a hay acre. It is simply break the labor and save them to fall into the hands of the contractor.

Complete plans and material are available at the home, at the County Office.