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Accomplishments Of County ACP For 1959

Ramsey Says 1960 ACP In Full Swing; Details Are Available

Data recently compiled in summarizing the accomplishments attained through the 1959 Agricultural Conservation Program within Madison County reveals that much progress was made toward solving the soil and water conservation problems on the individual farms. In commenting on the County ACP accomplishments, Office Manager, Ralph Ramsey, stated that the main objective of the ACP is to assist farmers financially in the carrying out of needed soil and conservation practices which they would not otherwise carry out on their own initiative so as to assure future generations of Americans to come that the American farmland will remain capable of producing the needed food and fiber to supply their needs. In short, he said that the ACP gives all American Citizens an opportunity to help share the cost of keeping our soil on the farms where it must stay if we are to produce enough food and fiber for our ever increasing population.

The County ACP records for 1959 reveals 1900 farms participated in the Program by performing one or more needed farm practices. Those participating farms contain 173,194 acres of farmland, 40,087 acres of cropland and 44,641 acres of pasture land. Soil and water conservation practices performed under the Program were as follows: (1) Establishment of a permanent vegetative cover 80 acres on 20 farms; (2) Establishment of a vegetative cover on cropland in rotation 2744 acres on 987 farms; (3) Use of lime alone 691 acres on 181 farms; (4) Planting trees 27 acres on 6 farms; (5) Improving vegetative cover 2062 acres on 466 farms; (6) Water drainage 10 acres on 12 farms; and (7) (Continued To Last Page)

15 ACRE WHEAT EXEMPTION IS EXPLAINED

Several factors affecting wheat producers who have wheat allotment of less than 15 acres for 1960 were called to the attention of farmers today by Novile Hawkins, Chairman of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (Continued To Last Page)

Ellsworth Rector 'Receives Neck Injury In Wreck'

Ellsworth Rector, of Marshall, sustained a neck injury Sunday night when the car in which he was riding skidded on ice on U. S. 25, near the South Carolina line and went over an embankment.

There were nine occupying the car, six who were Western North Carolina radio and television men on their way from the Greenville airport to the Asheville-Hendersonville airport.

Three of the men were admitted to the hospital, and the others were discharged after treatment.

Mr. Rector is employed by the Copeland and Co., of Asheville, as a salesman. State Highway Patrol Cpl. A. L. Cole, who investigated the accident, said the men had flown from Chicago and landed at Greenville because their plane was unable to land at Asheville's Hendersonville Airport. They were going to the latter field to pick up their cars which they had parked there when the accident happened. The auto in which they were riding was owned and operated by a Greenville tax company, Cole said.

15 FAMILIES ARE AIDED BY HOME SERVICE

The Home Service Department of American Red Cross in Asheville reports that during the months of December and January service was given to fifteen families. Home Service workers sent verifications of illness, death and other serious matters which required the serviceman's presence at home. Three families were assisted with matters pertaining to allotments from servicemen. Three veterans were given information relative to VA benefits. Two servicemen and their families stranded in Madison were given financial assistance to reach their military posts. Two families received counseling relative to reassignment or discharge of their sons in service. There were five other brief contacts with families for information regarding other community resources. Since Home Service is strictly confidential and information given to workers may never be discussed with anyone other than the person concerned without permission of that person, it has sometimes been called the Quiet Service. Madison County citizens can know that Home Service is at work in your county and wishes to serve if you have a problem or need information which we may be able to supply.

ACCIDENTS IN THE HOME

We are constantly reminded of the danger which lurks on the highways in the United States, and the number of fatalities we experience each year — on our highways — is a national scandal. There is another danger about which some of us seldom think, and that is the danger of accidents in the home. We are all familiar with accidents in which young children are shut up in refrigerators. Every year, however, countless (Continued To Page Eight)

Senate Passes Tobacco Price Support Bill Mon.

North Carolina Tobacco Men Are Jubilant At Passage

Washington—The Senate Monday unanimously passed and sent to the White House a tobacco price support bill designed to improve the competitive position of U. S. tobacco.

The measure, one of the least controversial agricultural bills before Congress, would hold down the price of tobacco and put domestic producers in a better position on the world market. It was passed by the House last week.

Sen. B. Everett Jordan (D-NC), a co-sponsor of the bill, predicted its passage by Congress would lead to acreage increases and higher exports.

President Eisenhower vetoed a similar but not identical measure last year. But Senate Republican Leader Everett M. Dirksen (Ill.) said the new bill was acceptable to the administration.

The measure would keep 1960 price supports at the 1959 level. In subsequent years the support price would go up or down in direct relation to the cost of living index, based on an average of the three preceding years.

Tar Heel tobacco leaders were jubilant Monday over Senate passage. (Continued To Last Page)

MONOXIDE OVERCOMES FIVE IN CAR

Spillcorn Men Discovered On Main Street; Are Now Recovered

One man is still in Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville following the rescue of five Madison County men from a carbon monoxide-filled car in downtown Marshall early Saturday.

Jack Norton, 22, of the Spillcorn section of Madison County was reported in fair condition. Three others, Amos, Matthew and Grady Norton, also of the Spillcorn section, were treated and released. The fifth man, Clifford Shelton, was treated by a Marshall physician.

The men were discovered in a closed four-door sedan shortly after it parked in front of the Model Grocery on Main Street in Marshall at 9:30 a. m. Franklin Briggs and Charlie Sawyer, employees of the grocery, noticed that one of the men tried to open a door, but apparently was too weak to succeed.

Briggs and Sawyer said they opened the door and were almost overcome themselves by the fumes. Later Shelton said the five had started to drive to Georgia Friday night but were forced to turn back because of the weather as they neared the Georgia line. They became sick, Shelton said, but didn't realize it was caused by the monoxide fumes.

W. C. Rector Recalls Loss Of Buddies In Government Service

Mr. W. C. Rector was recalling this week, upon learning of the death of Mr. J. Ed Kanipe of Asheville, that the ranks of the men he had worked with while in Federal Government service, was rapidly thinning. He mentioned the following who have now passed on: Bob Henry of Franklin, John Banks of Marion, Tell Moffett of Asheville, John Williams of Burnsville, Eck Grant of Hendersonville, Bill Allen of Newport, N. C., Will Owens of Hendersonville and John Cabe of Waynesville, and only Saturday, Will Whitner of Hazelwood, who had been on several raids with him.

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RAIN SLATED TO ERASE ALL SNOW TRACES

The final traces of last weekend's snow are expected to disappear this (Thursday) afternoon, sped along by rain which will probably continue into Friday.

The official forecast for Thursday calls for a high temperature of about 48 degrees and increasing cloudiness before the rain begins.

A high of 55 was recorded in Marshall Wednesday afternoon, following an early-morning low of 29. The low predicted for this will be between 15 and 35.

The extended forecast through Saturday calls for more rain by late Saturday and colder temperatures beginning Friday. High daytime temperatures during the period will range from 30 to 50 degrees and low night readings will be between 15 and 35.

Wednesday's warm weather cleared mountain roads to the point that all schools were expected to open this morning. School in Madison, Burke, Haywood, McDowell and Watauga counties were closed Wednesday.

Spring Creek Girls, Walnut Boys Advance In Annual Cage Tourney

RADIOACTIVE FALLOUT PERILS EXPLAINED BY CD

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the second in a series of the perils of radioactive fallout.

Where would fallout occur?

Authorities can predict the probable areas of fallout after a nuclear attack, but they cannot accurately say how serious it will be. The size of the bomb, height at which it is exploded, nature of the ground blow, and weather and wind conditions will determine these things.

The U. S. Weather Bureau issues fallout forecasts four times daily. The forecasts cover all critical target areas of the country. The predictions can be useful for emergency planning and alerting people to take shelter. Because of the limitations of the system of the forecast should not be the basis for ordering evacuation.

The thing to do is to follow official instructions after an attack has occurred. You can rely on official information. If a nuclear weapon explodes in your area tune to 640 and 1240 on your AM radio dial.

Characteristics of nuclear explosions

The effects of any nuclear explosion are (1) blast, (2) heat, (3) initial radiation, and (4) residual radiation. The first three occur together, at the time of the explosion.

Residual radiation from fallout is different. It falls back to earth over a much larger area than is affected by blast, heat, or initial radiation, and can continue to be dangerous over a considerable period of time. Its presence is not always immediately evident to its victims, and its intensity will vary from one place to another within the same fallout pattern.

An enemy would not be likely to explode a nuclear weapon as a high air burst. He would probably fire it as a surface burst. The greater quantity of radioactive fallout thus resulting would make the bomb much more effective over a larger area.

Fallout area

It is impossible to know in advance how large or where the area of dangerous fallout would be. During the 1954 tests in the Pacific, the fallout that showered Japanese fishermen was radioactive enough to dangerously contaminate an area extending downward for 220 miles and varying in width up to 40 miles. This cigar-shaped area would have been large enough to reach from Washington, D. C., to New York City, including the cities of Baltimore, (Continued To Page Eight)

Checker Tourney At School Here Tuesday Night

The Marshall Checker Club officials announced this week that they will host the Greenville, Tenn., checker club in a tournament next Tuesday night in the vo-ag department at the Marshall school.

Play will begin at 7:30 o'clock with the "round-robin" system being used.

Players representing the Marshall club will probably be Jeter P. Ramsey, Talmage McLean, Andrew Bridges, Judson Edwards, Carroll Radford and Jim Story.

The clubs have previously met twice with Marshall winning both times.

The public is invited to attend.

ROBERTSON TO SPEAK IN MARS HILL

Joe Chris Robertson will be the guest speaker at the meeting of the Mars Hill Woman's Club this (Thursday) evening at 8:15 in the Faculty Lounge, Memorial Library, at Mars Hill College.

Mr. Robertson is an artist who has had one man exhibit recently in Brevard, Mars Hill, Asheville and at East Tennessee State College. He traveled in Europe last summer and will talk on art and art treasures in Paris.

The president, Mrs. Walter Otis Duck, has invited Dr. Charles Powell, chairman of the swimming pool committee of the Civitan Club, to report on the project.

Mrs. J. M. Fish, Mrs. Don Henderson, Mrs. Julia Tison, Mrs. Robert Chapman and Miss Frances Snelson will be hostesses. Mrs. Henderson is chairman of the program committee composed of Mrs. Earl Bryan, Miss Virginia Hart, Miss Hattie Edwards and Mrs. James Smart.

BEATRICE COBB HIGHWAY?

If ever a person in North Carolina earned the right to have a highway named in her honor, that person is the late Miss Beatrice Cobb, Morganton newspaper publisher and secretary of the North Carolina Press Association for 37 years.

The highway which should bear this name is the Jonas Ridge road, number 181, leading from the parkway into Morganton. This is one of the most scenic in North Carolina and provides a direct route to the beautiful Blue Ridge Parkway.

Miss Cobb was always a booster for better roads in North Carolina and supported her beliefs not only through editorials in her newspaper, but by attending highway meetings, helping to (Continued To Page Eight)

News-Record To Have Photos Made Of Professional Men, Women Here Next Tuesday

NEW LAW MAY MEAN BENEFITS TO WAR WIDOWS

On July 1, 1960 Public Law 86-211, the Veterans Pension Act of 1959 will become effective. This law will enable widows of World War II and the Korean Conflict to receive benefits, if they meet certain requirements.

This law may effect veterans and widows presently receiving benefits. Mr. A. H. Scales, Adjudication Officer for the Veterans Administration Regional Office in Winston-Salem, N. C., was in Asheville, February 9, 1960 to discuss this bill and many of its ramifications.

Miss Rosemary Engelbert, Home Service Director, and Mrs. Grover Penley, Home Service Worker, of the Buncombe-Madison American Red Cross attended the very information all day session.

Salt is a good preservative, but it takes a lot of sand to keep a good resolution.

Hot Springs JV Girls; Mars Hill JV Boys Win First Round

SCHOOL AID BILL CAN HELP STATE, SEN. JORDAN SAYS

Sen. B. Everett Jordan (D-NC) said Wednesday the Senate-passed bill providing federal aid education "can help North Carolina greatly improve its public education system without interference or domination."

"It is not an easy fact to admit, but we in North Carolina have a great deal to desire in the way of public education compared with other states," Jordan said in his weekly newsletter. "Some way must be found to uplift it, and I sincerely feel this legislation is a step in that direction."

The Tar Heel senator expressed confidence that "dangers of federal intervention have been removed" from the bill which has been sent to the House.

He said, "the states, under this bill, administer the funds without any strings attached. They decide how to spend the money — either for teachers' salaries or school construction."

The money, he explained, would be divided among the states by a formula which takes into account the school age population and the per capita income in the states. Only six states would receive more money than North Carolina. Under the allocation formula, Jordan said, North Carolina would receive slightly more than 36 million dollars this year. In 1961, it would receive \$36,600,000.

Tax On Learning

Experience may be good teacher, but every time a man picks up a few cents worth he drops a dollar.

Four Games Slated Tonight; Finals On Monday Night

Four games, two junior varsity and two varsity basketball contests, Wednesday night launched the annual Madison County high school cage tournament here in the high school gym.

Four more first round games are scheduled tonight.

In junior varsity competition Wednesday night, Hot Springs beat Walnut, 43-39, in a girls' tilt, while the Mars Hill boys breezed past Marshall, 50 to 16.

In varsity play, the Spring Creek lassies served notice that they will have to be reckoned with by beating Laurel, 56 to 34, while Walnut's high-flying quintet beat the Marshall boys, 40 to 23.

Tonight's pairings: 6:00 — Marshall vs. Mars Hill (javee girls).

7:00 Laurel vs. Walnut (javee boys).

8:00 — Hot Springs vs Marshall (girls).

9:00 — Spring Creek vs. Laurel (boys).

GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY (First Game)
Hot Springs (48) F — Lamb 31, Moore 10, Wills 2; G — Harris, Norton, Gentry.
Walnut (39) F — Tweed 14, McDevitt 21, Mansey 4; G — Randall, Smith, Robinson, Thomas, Boyd, Dockery.
Halftime: Hot Springs, 25-21.

JV BOYS (Second Game)
Mars Hill (50) — Anderson 6, Clouse, Shelton 10, Green 1, Davis 20, Peek 5, Buckner 3, Sams 6, Green, Hunter.

Marshall (16) — Payne 4, Allen 1, Ramsey 1, D. Cody 9, K. Cody 1, Ponder.

GIRLS VARSITY (Third Game)
Spring Creek (56) F — Willett 24, Justice 30, Lanckford 2; G — Coward, Woody, Trantham, Kirkpatrick, Lunsford, Moore, Roberts.

Laurel (34) F — R. Cook 27, Landers 4, Ford; G — Edwards, Tweed, Shelton, O. Cook 3, Gossett. (Continued To Page Eight)

CONFEDERATE WIDOW IS STILL AN ACTIVE LADY

Clyde — Take it from Mrs. William C. Thomason, 94, "hard work" is the best formula for a long and full life.

No one has to assist her and she has never used a cane. She is always willing to give aid to those less fortunate than herself.

But Mrs. Thomason has had many hardships and sorrows yet maintains a cheerful disposition and an optimistic outlook on life. Mrs. Julian Baucum, a daughter of California, died Nov. 24, and another, Mrs. Birdie Butts, died Dec. 24, in Johnstown, Ohio.

Mrs. Thomason, who will be 95 years old next September, was born near Mars Hill College in 1865. She was the former Miss Augusta Merrell, granddaughter of Ransom Merrell, one of the founders of Mars Hill College.

Her first marriage was to the late J. W. Ammons. She was left with six children to care for when he died.

She next married William C. Thomason of Buncombe County. Mrs. Thomason is perhaps the only Confederate War widow in the county or perhaps this whole area. Thomason, several years her senior at the time of their marriage, had enlisted in the Confederate Army at the age of 18 and served throughout the four-year (Continued To Page Eight)

Pictures Will Be Made At Newspaper Office From 4 To 8 O'clock Tuesday

Next Tuesday, February 23, The News-Record will have a photographer here to take pictures of business and professional men and women. The pictures will be made up into single column cuts and used by The News-Record at opportune times.

"We want to keep our files of cuts up to date," Jim Story, editor, said.

Since engravings of uniform size and quality are more desirable, The News-Record has arranged with Fox Studios, specialists in this work, to take the pictures and furnish the engravings. There is no charge nor obligation but if those having pictures made wish reprints, they may purchase from the studio.

Photographs will be made from 4:00 p. m. to 8:00 p. m. The sittings will not require more than five minutes.

"This is all a part of the process of building a better newspaper, in the interest of community service," Mr. Story said.

All business and professional men and women of this section are (Continued To Last Page)