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## Status Of Farmers Is Cited By County ASC Chairman

### Hawkins Says Agriculture In Great Danger Of Public Disfavor

Agriculture, as never before in face to face with public disfavor on a dangerous scale. Noble Hawkins, chairman of the Madison County ASC Committee says the farmers' public relation building is on fire and is fast burning to the ground. The farmer is accused on piling up profits expense and is blamed with the high cost of living which is by the word of the consuming public today. Flogging the farmer has become a popular national pastime with most of the public press.

Why has the farmer fallen from the high place in prestige that he held a few years ago to the low esteem that he holds in public relations today? This change has been gradual because he has not noticed the fire in the attic of the public relation building. The farmer today is out numbered by the majority of 9 to 1, yet he is the only one that can prevent this situation from growing worse. Since agriculture is on the defense we must help with our problems. This help can be obtained by converting the public, or our attackers, by furnishing them true facts about the farmers.

Following are some facts that the public should know:  
What the Farmer gives: (1) Food for the American worker is the best buy in the world. Only seven years ago a factory em-

## STATEWIDE FFA LAND JUDGING TO BE APRIL 9

North Carolina's Future Farmers of America will again test their land-judging skills in a statewide meet April 9 at West Rowan High School near Mt. Ulla.

To the winners will go cash prizes totaling more than \$1,200, a \$50 gold watch, a \$100 college scholarship and other awards. The best of the state's 55 FFA federations will participate in the sixth annual event, sponsored by Carolina Power & Light Company and the N. C. Bankers Association. Cooperating groups are the N. C. Dept. of Vocational Agriculture Education, N. C. Agriculture Extension Service, Soil Conservation Service and the N. C. Association of Soil Conservation District Supervisors.

The land judging objective is: (Continued To Page Eight)

## SELF-SERVICE LAUNDERETTE TO OPEN HERE

Hubert Edwards announced this week that a modern self-service coin operated launderette would open soon in Marshall. It will be located in the Edwards Cleaners Building on Main Street and will be equipped with the latest devices.

Mr. Edwards stated that the launderette would be open from 12:15 hours daily for the convenience of customers.

Formal opening dates will be announced in this newspaper.

## Baseball Meeting To Be Held At REA Building Mon. Night

E. C. Teague, president of the Madison County Baseball League, announced this week that a meeting would be held next Monday night at the REA Building beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

## COUNTY SCHOOLS SUPPORT 1960 HEART FUND

Following is a list of the collections for the Heart Fund as realized by the separate schools of Madison County:

Marshall: \$182.45; Mars Hill: \$172.10; Laurel: \$133.77; Ebbs Chapel: \$105.75; Walnut: \$73.56; Spring Creek: \$71.22; Beech Glen: \$42.00; Hot Springs: \$38.80. Total: \$819.65.

Mrs. Anderson from Marshall school was high in the county with \$48.00; Mrs. Jarvis from Ebbs Chapel was second high with \$42.00.

The first named is high and the second named is second high from the respective schools:

Marshall—Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Clark; Mars Hill—Jessie Metcalf, Gladys Ammons; Laurel—Edith Shelton, Helen Shelton; Ebbs Chapel—Mrs. Jarvis, Mr. Wilson; Spring Creek—Mr. Joyce, Miss Reese; Walnut—Miss Chandler, Miss Ramsey; Beech Glen—Mrs. Boone, Mrs. Metcalf; Hot Springs—L. Chandler, Mrs. Moore.

Mr. Anderson and Mr. Ponder would like to express their gratitude for the good work done on the heart fund.

## "RED" RAMSEY IS NEW PRINCIPAL AT LEICESTER

Madison Native And Former  
Marshall High Coach  
Succeeds Edwards

Appointment of Woodrow C. "Red" Ramsey as principal of Leicester High School was announced Saturday by the Leicester school committee and approved by County Superintendent T. C. Roberson, of Buncombe County. (Continued To Last Page)

## Marshall VFW Post Receives Charter Here

Officers Are Elected; Will  
Benefit Local  
Veterans

The newly-organized Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in Marshall was presented its Charter on Wednesday night of last week when State officials and 18 Charter members were present. The meeting was held in the Marshall school building.

Wesley Hutchins, Department Post Activities Director, presented the charter. Other officials taking part in the presentation of the charter included John Best, State Inspector, who presided at the meeting; Dewey W. Beauchamp, Junior Vice Commander of North Carolina; and Dan Griffin, 17th District Commander.

Officers were elected as follows: Dr. Ed Niles, Post Commander; Joe Nix, Senior Commander; Arthur Ledford, Quartermaster.

The organization will meet semi-monthly at the school until permanent headquarters are secured, it was explained.

It was also pointed out that membership would be approved by the organization and applicants would be "screened." There will be no Honorary Members, it was said.

The new VFW Post will be of service to all veterans of foreign wars and will seek to establish various benefits for the veterans with records being kept for constant use.

## COMMITTEE ALL SET FOR HENNY PENNY VOTE

The Madison County committee which will supervise the Henny Penny referendum on April 1, is making final plans.

"We want to be sure that every egg producer in the county votes, whether for or against the penny-a-hen assessment," said Mrs. Pricie Brigman, chairman of the committee. "That includes producers of hatching eggs, too."

Money raised through the assessment will be used by a North Carolina Egg Association, which will be organized if the referendum passes. It's estimated that about \$30,000 will be available to finance the association. One cent will be collected by poultry processors on each hen processed in the state.

The association will use the money to hire an executive secretary and to pay for advertising and promotion of Tar Heel eggs.

"Tar Heel eggs brought about \$75 million in income last year," said Chairman Mrs. Brigman. "Yet North Carolina producers contributed only about \$1,000 towards the \$300,000 given nationally by producers for advertising and promotion of egg sales throughout the nation."

The chairman said that "promotion and consumer education is highly essential to sales of North Carolina eggs both within and without the state. North Carolina is only a few hundred miles, overnight by truck, from the high-consuming centers of population on the North Atlantic coast."

The polling places for this referendum are: County Agricultural Agent's office and Roek Cafe, Marshall.

## Marshall PTA To Meet Monday

The Marshall Parent-Teacher Association will meet in the school lunchroom Monday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock.

All parents and teachers are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

## County Library Board To Meet On Monday, April 4

The regular quarterly meeting of the Madison County Library Board will be held on Monday, April 4, at 3:30 in the Court House.

Handicapped  
It's next to impossible for a narrow-gauge man to progress on a standard gauge track.

## NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK April 3-9, 1960

Statement By Governor Luther H. Hodges

In an effort to encourage the greater use of the library facilities that are available to the public throughout North Carolina, this State will join the Nation in the observance of National Library Week, April 3-9.

We live in a world which demands a reevaluation of the enduring and intellectual and spiritual values essential to the progress of a free people and a free society. This faith in freedom can be derived from a knowledge of our great cultural heritage as revealed by the outstanding writers of the past and present.

North Carolinians are fortunate in having available to them growing collections of books in our school libraries, public libraries, college and university libraries and special libraries—all of which are valuable sources of knowledge and enlightenment, representing the accumulated experience of all mankind.

In recognition of the fact that our freedom to read imposes a responsibility on all of us to make constant and beneficial use of our library facilities, I am glad to designate the week of April 3-9, 1960, as

National Library Week in North Carolina

and urge that all our citizens unite in this national effort to achieve a better-read, better-informed America, to stimulate interest in libraries of all kinds to the end that we realize the full potential of our national purpose.

## MAN WANTED IN THIS COUNTY IS HELD IN SLAYING

Cairo, Ill. — Police have arrested George F. Garner, 37, who already is fighting extradition on a North Carolina murder charge, club operator here.

Garner was arrested with Ted Crawley, also an ex-convict, after a grand jury Friday night returned a verdict of murder in the death of Jake Rubin, allegedly shot by Garner early Friday.

Garner and Crawley were ordered held for the May term of the grand jury.

Witnesses said that Rubin interfered as Garner struck a bartender with a pistol at the club and that Crawley fled with Garner after the shooting.

North Carolina has been seeking for two years to extradite Garner on a 1955 Madison County, N. C., indictment charging murder, burglary and armed robbery. The Illinois Supreme Court is considering the extradition request.

Police said Garner, a coin machine operator, was an associate of Charles (Rocky) Rothschild, former policeman here now serving a robbery-conspiracy term in South Carolina and facing imprisonment in Georgia for a self-admitted murder.

Police said Garner served an Arkansas prison term for theft, Crawley served an auto larceny term in Illinois.

## VACCINATION FOR BLACKLEG WILL PREVENT LOSS

Max Shelton, a beef cattle and tobacco farmer of the Shelton Laurel community, says he plans to carry out a complete vaccination program for blackleg in his cattle, reports James M. Stewart, assistant county agent. Mr. Shelton says, "I cannot take the chance of losing an animal because I fail to vaccinate. For just a few dollars, in serum, I can vaccinate all of my animals before they go on pasture. The blackleg disease is present and I definitely plan to vaccinate."

Blackleg is a wide spread disease in Madison County and, in time, nearly every community has experienced losses from this disease. All farmers with cattle and sheep need to follow a good vaccination program in order to prevent losses from blackleg.

Blackleg, while it is a disease of six months to two-year-old cattle, can occur in younger and older cattle and in sheep. Farmers who have not vaccinated their cattle and sheep this spring, need to get this job done now.

## PLEASSED WITH WINTER PLOWING

James M. Stewart, assistant county agent says early land preparation paid off for Vestie Baker and his son, Everett, tobacco and beef cattle farmers of the Big Pine community. The Bakers, back in January, plowed twelve acres of land they intended to seed to hay and pasture crops. With the late spring we have gotten, the Bakers are well ahead for doing this winter. They have already fixed their tobacco plant beds and seeded their pasture and hay crops. Without having done this winter plowing the Bakers doubt, very seriously, if they could have accomplished all that they had planned for 1960.

## Asheville Tourist Baseball Tickets Now On Sale Here

Opening game tickets and books of 12 tickets for \$10 are now on sale at The News-Record Office for the Class A Asheville Tourists of the Sally League.

"You get to attend two games FREE by purchasing a book of 12 tickets for only \$10. It also enables you to save time by not standing in line for tickets," Jim Story said.

Opening game tickets for Monday night, April 18, are also \$10.

"We are expecting another strong and exciting team this season and hope that Madison County citizens will again support our Asheville Tourists," said this week.

## ACP PROGRAM AVAILABLE TO ALL FARMERS

The Agricultural Conservation Program is made available by the Congress to advance the over-all conservation accomplishments of the nation by sharing with individual farmers the cost of carrying out soil and water conservation practices which they would not otherwise carry out to the needed extent. According to Ralph W. Ramsey, ASC Office Manager for Madison County, this program is an important part of a coordinated effort to help farmers obtain soil and water conservation objectives. The to-

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## SAYS INTERNAL PARASITES IN CATTLE MUST GO

Mr. Claude Bullman of the Brush Creek community is convinced that the control of internal parasites in beef cattle pays, Harry W. Silver, county agent, said this week. Claude recently had nine yearling Hereford steers which were not doing as well as he thought they should.

Some of the steers continued to scour and none of them were taking their feed as well as he thought they should. After consulting the price he paid for his steers, Claude was sure that they must do well if they returned him a profit and he thought they showed symptoms of worms. With this knowledge he purchased a drench gun and worm medicine, and drenched his steers.

"Within two weeks my calves had stopped scouring, their hair looked better, they were eating better, and, best of all, they were frisky and played when I went (Continued To Page Eight)

## Pre-School Children To Attend Schools In County

Children Will Be Examined  
For Physical  
Defects

Dr. Margery J. Lord, Madison County Health Director, and Mr. Fred W. Anderson, Superintendent of Schools, have announced the schedule for Beginner's Day in Madison County Schools. This is the day when students who are to enroll in the first grade for the school term 1960-61 and their parent will attend school for a day to be introduced to school environment. An interesting and informative program has been planned for both the children and the parents. Mr. Grover Gillis, Madison County Schools Supervisor, will preside for the Department of Education. Dr. Lord, assisted by the public health nurses, will examine the children and point out to the parent and physical defect that should have attention prior to the child's entering school. Mr. John Hutchins, Sanitarian, will discuss school sanitation.

Schedule for Beginner's Day in the various schools is as follows:

Tuesday, April 5th - 9:30 a. m. - Beech Glen School.

Thursday, April 7th - 9:30 a. m. - Ebbs Chapel School.

Wednesday, April 13th - 9:30 a. m. - Walnut School.

Tuesday, April 19th - 9:30 a. m. - Laurel School.

Thursday, April 21st - 9:30 a. m. - Marshall School.

Tuesday, April 26th - 9:30 a. m. - Hot Springs School.

Tuesday, May 3rd - 9:30 a. m. - Spring Creek School.

Thursday, May 5th - 9:30 a. m. - Mars Hill School.

A parent is urged to attend school with the child for this red-

letter day. A pleasant introduction to school can greatly benefit a child's entire school career.

## '58 Pulpwood, Lumber Value Is \$419,123.00

## APPEAL IS WITHDRAWN IN HENSLEY CASE

Don Hensley, in the Superior Court yesterday, requested permission of the court to withdraw his appeal to the Supreme Court of North Carolina. He had been sentenced to life in prison for the murder of Elmer Cantrell Jr. His request was granted and commitment was ordered issued.

Mr. Hensley, through his counsel, stated that he did not wish to cause the people of Madison County the additional heavy expense of appeal to the Supreme Court and a possible new trial.

## LANDOWNERS GET MILLION FREE SEEDLINGS

Landowners in Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson and Madison counties applied for 1,233,500 white pine trees seedlings offered free to landowners in these counties by Champion Paper and Fibre Co. Announcement was made by H. L. Setzer, manager of the wood procurement department of Champion and R. A. Campbell, chairman of the Forestry Commission of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council, which sponsored the seedling program with Champion. Setzer and Campbell stated that the deadline for the free seedlings was March 15 and that no further applications can be accepted.

Largest number of seedlings (Continued To Page Eight)

## SCHOOL NEWS MEET RE-SET FOR APRIL 9

A symposium for newspaper people and education officials has been rescheduled for April 9. It will be held at The Manor in Asheville, starting with a "Dutch" buffet supper at 5 p. m. D. Hiden Ramsey of Asheville, (Continued To Last Page)

## TROUT SEASON TO OPEN SATURDAY; STREAMS FULL

Madison County anglers, as well as sportsmen in other counties, were please and happy to read the headlines in Tuesday's Asheville Citizen that the trout season had been re-scheduled to open April 2. The article follows:

The State Wildlife Resources Commission Monday decided to open the mountain trout season April 2, even though it will be impossible to do much pre-season trout stocking in the western streams.

Executive director Clyde P. Patton said a telephone poll of commission members reversed a decision to delay the opening date until April 30. The commission agreed, he said, that the delay is not acceptable to the majority of trout anglers.

The postponement was voted March 15, at the height of record snow falls in the west.

"The commission realizes that due to weather and road conditions little or no pre-season stocking can be done," Patton said. However, he added, this would give an opportunity to check the ability of trout waters to supply native fish.

"Most of the trout taken during the early part of the 1960 season — before the streams were stocked — will be native fish," he explained, "and it will be interesting to see how well the natural production of our trout streams will supply the demand of early season trout fishermen."

Fish distribution personnel have been instructed to begin taking fish from hatcheries for release in the mountain streams as soon as the road conditions permit, Patton said. "All trout sportsmen groups and individuals will be appreciative of this decision."

## Champion Paper And Fibre Co. Supplies Seedlings To County Farmers

According to Harry G. Silver, county agent, most Madison County farmers consider their woodland as relatively unimportant as a source of income on their farm and to the county. Sawmills which operated in Madison County during 1958 offered employment for 136 workers, approximately 216 people obtained gainful employment from logging and pulpwood cutting. About 48 people obtained gainful employment from hauling lumber, pulpwood or other forest products in the county.

A total of 8,674 cords of pulpwood were marketed from Madison County from woodland in 1958. This pulpwood has a value of \$125,773.00. During the same year, 5,867,000 board feet of lumber were harvested which had a value of \$293,350.00. The combined marketing value of the lumber and pulpwood from the county was \$419,123.00. In addition to this income a number of farmers received money from the sale of veneer bolts, fence posts, Christmas trees and Christmas decorations and from ornamental shrubs dug from their woodland and sold locally or shipped out of the county. The sale of these (Continued To Last Page)

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