



Girl Scout Week To Be Observed March 12-18

Marshall And Walnut Troops To Participate; Urge Cooperation

Girl Scout Week will be celebrated from Sunday, March 12, through Saturday, March 18, by the Pisgah Girl Scout Council.

Local Girl Scouts will join 3 1/2 million girls and adults across the country in observing the 49th anniversary of the founding of Girl Scouts of the U. S. A. March 12 marks the formation of the first Girl Scout troop in Savannah, Georgia, by Juliette Low in 1912.

In announcing Girl Scout Week, Mrs. Charles U. Culmer, president of Girl Scouts of the U. S. A., cited the organization's birthday years theme, "Honor the Past - Serve the Future." "We do not only encourage girls to become familiar with their own heritage and the origins of Girl Scouting," she said, "but we help them to prepare for their future roles as homemakers, citizens and professional workers. We are proud to see how many former Girl Scouts have distinguished themselves in all of these areas."

"Through our many Senior side programs we offer girls an opportunity to explore and test their abilities in a broad variety of fields," Mrs. Culmer explained. "In addition, we plan youth forums and vocational guidance conferences in specific areas of interest, such as foreign service and the sciences, designed to assist girls of Senior Scout age to select their life work and avocations."

During 1961 Girl Scout Week, the Pisgah Girl Scout Council is out career women in its own community in an effort to evaluate what Girl Scouting has meant to them, and to enlist their aid in Girl Scout programs.

Qualified women will be invited to work with the girls as leaders and troop consultants.

Participating in the observance in Madison County are 46 girl members of the Marshall and Walnut Troops, which include one Brownie and two Intermediate Troops. 11 adults are also participating in Girl Scout Week.

FEED GRAIN ACREAGES NOW BEING RECORDED

Farmers in Madison County who may be interested in a possible...

Cobb Seeks Dismissal Of 3 Madison Suits

Suits Filed Last November By Zeno H. Ponder And 2 Others

State Republican Chairman William E. Cobb of Morganton has asked that three libel suits filed against him in Madison County Superior Court be dismissed and that the three men who brought the charges be taxed court costs. The suits ask damages totaling \$100,000.

The suits were filed last November by Zeno H. Ponder, registrar of the Marshall voting precinct, and Democrat Owen Rice and Republican Frank E. Ransom, precinct judges. The suits are based on charges made by Cobb after Madison County suits were filed in October of 1959 in a state-wide bond election.

Cobb previously mentioned the validity of the suits in a formal address to the largest club held in the county...

C. C. Graham Is Killed Accidentally Last Thursday

Native Of Madison County Killed By Accidental Gun Blast

A gunshot wound took the life Thursday afternoon, March 2, 1961, of a 35-year-old Candler furniture salesman.

Dr. John C. Young, coroner, said C. C. Graham was apparently killed instantly about 12:30 p. m. when a .22 calibre rifle accidentally discharged - sending a bullet into his head.

Graham's body was found about 3 p. m. beneath a fence in the backyard of his home on Crowell road, the coroner said.

Dr. Young said Graham, who had been at home alone during the lunch hour, apparently was searching for animals which reportedly had bothered his dogs. He was carrying an automatic rifle when he attempted to crawl under the fence, Dr. Young said.

Graham was native of Madison County and was a son of the late C. C. and Betty Roberts Graham. He was a member of Edgewood Baptist Church.

Graham was a Navy veteran of World War II and had been a salesman for Candler Furniture Co. for 15 years. He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Mildred Greene Graham; a daughter, Brenda; and a sister, Mrs. Josephine Payne of Alexander.

Services were conducted at 4 p. m. Saturday, in the Edgewood Baptist Church by the Rev. Glen Short and Hobart McFall. Pallbearers were Bobby and Grand Hawkins, Dean Pearson, Leo Meadows, R. G. Moss Jr. and Fred Roberts. Burial was in Forest Lawn Cemetery.

RABIES CLINICS ARE SCHEDULED

Dog vaccination clinics have been scheduled for many areas in Buncombe County. Dr. Margery J. Lord, Madison County Health Director has obtained a schedule of the clinics for the information of Madison County residents who may wish to utilize them.

The following schedule lists (Continued To Last Page)

WOMEN MEETING IN WORKSHOP ON PICTURE FRAMES

Women from our county are meeting today and Friday for a special workshop on picture frame refinishing. Frames that are in need of refinishing could become one of your most prized possessions with a little effort on your part. Do you have family portraits in these frames? Would you like to display them, but just can't bear to look at the frames? Then you are one of our people who need to attend this meeting. Bring your old frames, old toothbrushes, newspapers and two small cans and come to the meeting...

CHORAL CLINIC AT MARS HILL THIS WEEK-END

A choral clinic for high school students, originally scheduled Feb. 3-4 but postponed because of snow, will be held at Mars Hill College on this Friday and Saturday.

Approximately 200 students from 25 high schools throughout the western half of the state will attend.

Dr. Lee Fiser, music professor and director of choirs at Marshall College in Huntington, W. Va., will conduct the two-day workshop, which has been sponsored annually by the Baptist junior college here since 1949.

Among the schools which have made reservations are Marshall and Mars Hill, directed by John Lackey and Henry Clay Edwards.

FIRE WARDENS ATTEND MEET AT HOT SPRINGS

The Annual Fire Workers Training Meeting for Fire Wardens on the French Broad Ranger District was held at the Ranger Station in Hot Springs on Thursday March 1, 1961. A very interesting program was arranged by Mr. William A. Tuttle, Assistant District Ranger and presented by the regular French Broad Ranger District personnel.

Topics discussed were Fire Prevention, Safety, The Job of the Crew Boss, Fire Line Construction, Mop-up Standards and Time-keeping. Mr. Moody Chandler, State Fire Warden from Marshall, gave a good talk on Law Enforcement. Mr. Don Shanks, Wildlife Management Biologist from the Supervisors Office in Asheville summarized the meeting and made the closing remarks. Fire Wardens attending the meeting were Fred A. Barnett, Clarence B. Cutchall, W. C. Cutchall, Martin S. Gosnell, David R. Noland, Hardy W. Phillips, Roy Roberts, Grant Shelton and Waymon Waldroup.

3 FACE TRIAL IN ROBBERY

Three teenagers Monday were bound over for trial in Buncombe Superior Court under \$500 bonds each on charges of highway robbery, stemming from the alleged robbery Friday night of \$24 from a 74-year-old Leicester man.

Robert Clark, 19, of Alexander, waived preliminary examination in Asheville Police Court.

Probable cause was found against Lewis M. Hagan, 17, of Leicester, and Andy Cippie, 17, of Rt. 6, Marshall. The trio was taken into custody after Clifford H. Mears, 74, of Leicester, had reported to Det. Sgt. J. D. Baker and J. W. Silvey Jr. that he had been robbed.

Better Living Exposition To Be In Asheville

(More than 40,000 people are expected to attend the Better Living Exposition during its four days presentation at the Asheville City Auditorium, starting Wednesday, March 15.)

According to the officials of the Exposition, there will be 137 booths and special exhibits displaying hundreds of new ideas, inventions and products, valued at a quarter million dollars, conceived for the promotion of better personal and community life throughout our Western North Carolina region. Many products on display will be seen by the public for the first time and will prove interest provoking and intriguing.

It is stated that 79 Asheville and regional business firms will participate in the Exposition with exhibits of services and products for which they are dealers or distributors. Counting the decorators, personnel of participants, auditorium and newspaper employees, over 1,000 people are involved in the project.

An added attraction for visitors will be numerous valuable prizes totaling more than \$6,000 that will be given away during the four-day event.

Taking part in the gala opening of the Exposition will be the Mayor of Asheville, Earl W. Eller, and dignitaries from various communities and counties of Western North Carolina. Pulchritudo will exert its share of attraction in the presentation of Miss Dora, Miss North Carolina, Miss South Carolina and Miss Rhododendron of North Carolina. The Asheville levity will appear in the hilarious antics of Sumner Kelly Jr., America's famous clown entertainer.

The Better Living Exposition will be open to everybody interested in a richer, fuller way of life. There will be a nominal charge for admission of fifty cents per person.

BAPTISTS TO MEET AT MHC; TO MAKE PLANS

Baptists throughout the western half of the state will be invited to a special conference at Mars Hill College on April 6 to help them prepare for a called session of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention in Greensboro on May 4.

At the Greensboro meeting North Carolina Baptists will be asked to launch a campaign to raise \$45 million for the seven Baptist colleges in the state and for the Baptist student work on other campuses.

The meeting here will provide opportunity for discussion of the proposed campaign and give Baptists (Continued To Last Page)

Madison Farm Income Is Showing Large Increase

FIVE JAILED, ONE SOUGHT IN ASSAULT CASE

Sheriff Lawrence E. Brown of Buncombe County reported Monday that five Madison County youths were being held in Buncombe County Jail without bond on charges of raping a 26-year-old widow at knifepoint last Friday.

The five were identified as L. D. Buckner, 19; Bruce Ramsey, 18; Clyde Robinson, 21, of Mars Hill; Charles Randall, 21 and Larry Randall, 19. The latter two are brothers, the sheriff said.

One other man is being sought for questioning and investigation in connection with the incident which allegedly occurred at the head of Baird's Cove, Deputy Fluke S. Moffitt said. Ramsey reportedly met the woman, a Mitchell County resident, at a night spot and persuaded her to leave with him on the pretext of driving her home, Moffitt related.

Ramsey then is alleged to have picked up the other five youths and to have driven to the head of Baird's Cove, Moffitt said. Three of the men have admitted that the woman was threatened with a knife, officers stated.

The woman attends a school in Asheville, has three children, and lost her husband in a drowning accident about four years ago. Sheriff Brown said Charles Randall was sentenced to a prison term in Madison County in 1958 for breaking into a girls' dormitory at Mars Hill College, and escaped about 18 months ago from a prison camp at Troy.

BRADBURN HEADS NCEA

C. Wayne Bradburn of the Transylvania County school system and former coach at Marshall High School, has been elected Western district president of the North Carolina Education Association.

Donald D. Jones, principal of Lee H. Edwards High School in Asheville was elected vice president and Charles A. Pearce Jr., of Transylvania County was elected secretary.

Results of the recent election were announced by the NOEA board of directors following the canvass of the ballots.

Dr. Lloyd Y. Thayer, assistant superintendent of High Point city schools, was elected state NCEA president and Dan S. Davis, Union County school superintendent, was elected vice president. Thayer and Davis were both unopposed.

GARDNER NAMED TO BOARD OF ED.; TERM CHANGED

J. G. Gardner was named to succeed Owen Tilson on the Madison County Board of Education in a bill introduced Wednesday by Rep. Linton S. Ramsey of Marshall.

Returned to the board were Zeno H. Ponder and B. K. Meadows. The bill also terminates the tenure of the present board on March 30 and from the time of office for the new board to begin (Continued To Last Page)

MADISON CASE MOTION WILL BE HEARD LATER

A hearing in U. S. Middle District Court in Greensboro on a motion to dismiss a law suit started as the result of a Durham law student's arrest in Madison County last fall has been continued.

James R. Vosburgh, third-year law student at the University of North Carolina, contends he was maliciously arrested while observing activities at Upper Spring Creek precinct in Madison County last November. He asks \$500,000 damages.

A consent order setting a new date for the hearing will be submitted to Judge Edwin M. Stanley, the Associated Press reported.

The hearing was originally set for Monday. Defendants in the action are Madison Sheriff E. Y. Meadows, B. K. Meadows, registrar in Upper Springs Creek, Wayne Payne, Wayne Norris and Vestie Worley.

DITUNNO GIVES HOSPITAL FACTS AT CC MEETING

Feasibility Of County Unit Is Discussed; Study To Continue

Dr. John P. Ditunno, popular Hot Springs physician, presented pertinent facts obtained from the North Carolina Medical Commission concerning the erection of a county hospital at the Chamber of Commerce meeting here Tuesday. Groundwork was started at the meeting to further study the feasibility of a county hospital to be erected near the center of the county.

In addition to Dr. Ditunno's remarks others heard at the meeting included Dr. Margery Lord, Madison County Health Department; Mrs. Frances Ramsey superintendent, Madison County Welfare Department; Col. R. F. Hill, Engineer, State Sanitation Department; Dr. W. A. Sams, who introduced Dr. Ditunno; Gaston Gage, manager of Pacific (Continued To Last Page)

Sales Of Crops And Live-Stock, Milk Products Have Increased

Madison County farmers have shown a steady increase in farm sales for the past several years. Sales of crops and livestock have climbed liked steps as follows:

1956, \$4,493,527; 1957, \$4,857,524; 1958, \$5,528,796; 1959, \$5,466,087; 1960, \$5,773,364.

Income from forest, government payments, and miscellaneous farm sales are to be added to these figures to give the grand total farm income in 1960 of \$6,363,526.

This increase in volume was accomplished with a decreasing number of farms and people living on farms.

Some of the more interesting changes in farm sales from Madison County are as follows:

From Tobacco: 1956, \$2,905,057; 1957, \$3,064,755; 1958, \$3,257,096; 1959, \$3,119,848; 1960, \$3,277,823.

From Milk: 1956, \$405,856; 1957, \$483,692; 1958, \$497,550; 1959, \$546,480; 1960, \$565,380.

The tobacco income increased \$312,166. This represents only 12.2%. This increase was the result of a slight increase in yield and price per pound. The increased price was a result of decreased surplus of tobacco and a slight increase in demand. The demand picture may be expected to remain about the same if cigarette consumption continues to increase. The recent increase in allotments by 6% could possibly create burdensome surpluses again, especially if the 1961 and 1962 tobacco seasons are favorable for good production. Madison farmers should do their best to produce good crops of the best quality tobacco they can if they expect to gain maximum cash benefits from the 6% increase.

The increase in income from the sale of milk of \$160,534 represents a 39.5% increase. This in (Continued To Last Page)

PRESBYTERIANS TO HOST SYNOD TEAM SUNDAY

The Marshall Presbyterian Church will be host to the Synod Presbyterian Team for the North Carolina Church this Sunday (Continued on Last Page)

County 4-H Clubs Are Observing 4-H Week

Mars Hill Red Cross Council To Sponsor Bloodmobile, Mar. 23

The Red Cross Council of Mars Hill High School will sponsor the Community Bloodmobile visit on Thursday, March 23, at the First Baptist Church in Mars Hill from 12 noon until 8:00 p. m.

The council has appointed the following to serve as committee chairman for this project: Judy Kinnigh, Project Chairman; Donald Redford, Transportation Committee; Lawrence Smith, Publicity Committee; Judy Allen, Treasurer Committee; and Kelly Parker, Recruitment Committee. Each chairman will have several committee members to help carry out the details of their respective duties.

Three visiting organizations are expected to arrive in Mars Hill (Continued To Last Page)



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