

Holders Of Maturing H Savings Bonds Get Ten-Year Extension

Holders Will Be Notified Of Extension Privilege

Some half-million Americans who hold Series H Savings Bonds bought between June 1952 and January 1967 are in for a nice surprise — one that will bring extra money into their pockets.

C. L. Rudisill, Volunteer Savings Bonds Chairman for Madison County, calls attention to a recent change in Treasury regulations permitting owners of these maturing H Bonds to continue holding them for an additional 10 years at a higher rate of interest — a straight 3% per cent annually.

Mr. Rudisill pointed out that these H Bonds were originally issued to pay an average of 3 per cent annually for the nine-year, eight-month life of the bond. "In 1959, this rate was increased so as to bring the final yields to maturity up to a range of 3.12 per cent to 3.36 per cent. Under new regulations, these particular bonds, the first of which matures in February 1962, will return in semi-annual interest checks a straight 3% per cent interest during the extension period.

"Holders of these Series H Bonds will be notified by the Treasury of the extension privilege granted them when they receive their next to the last interest check." (Continued To Last Page)

Virgil Smith Is Directing Band At Marshall

Virgil Smith, Jr., of Marshall, came to the rescue this week when Mr. Clewinger resigned as band director here and at Mars Hill, and is now acting as band director. Fred W. Anderson, superintendent, announced today that Smith, a 1959 graduate of Marshall, was a member of the local band for four years and has also had experience at Atlantic Christian College in Wilson.

It was explained that he would direct the Marshall Band at the present and his duties would not include Mars Hill.

Marshall Loses To Hot Springs 7-0; To Play Rosman Friday

Johnny Combs Scores From Six In Second Quarter For Game's Only TD

Hot Springs slipped and slid to a 7-0 victory over Marshall High in the football opener of the season for both teams on the water-logged island gridiron Monday night.

The game was originally scheduled for last Friday but was postponed by the water covering the field.

Monday's game was a defensive battle from start to finish with both clubs bogging down in the mud.

The first period was a punting battle between the 30-yard lines. The lone touchdown came in the second quarter on a six-yard sprint around left end by right halfback Johnny Combs. Warren Nix bucked over for the extra point.

The touchdown capped a 30-yard march, longest by either team, which was set up by a blocked punt.

Marshall had a scoring opportunity in the final two minutes of the game when it took over on the Hot Springs 25 on a blocked punt. A first down pass fell incomplete and then a run resulted in a five-yard loss. On third down Marshall again attempted to pass but it was incomplete and on fourth down the entire Hot Springs line broke through and Marshall lost another 15 yards on a running play as the game ended.

Coach Work Ahnand said after the game that Marshall will play Rosman Friday.

ASCS ELECTION SCHEDULED ON SEPTEMBER 11

On Monday, Sept. 11, farmers within the 16 communities of the county will determine, by casting ballots at the polls, who their ASC Community Committee and delegates will be for 1962. Announcement was made today by Andy N. Woody, who is chairman of the Madison County ASC Committee, that it is more important than ever before that all farmers take an active part in the election of their ASC representatives by going to the polls on election day and voting for the five persons they think are best qualified to fill the position. The polls will open at 8:00 a. m., and remain open until 6:00 p. m., at each of the 16 community polling places. Any farmer of legal voting age who as owner, tenant, or sharecropper, is participating or eligible to participate in any program administered by the county ASC committee is eligible to vote in his community. Mr. Woody pointed out that the wife of all farm owners are also eligible to vote if they are joint owners by deed and urged them to also go to the polls on Sept. 11 and vote.

The community polling places and the names of persons who have been nominated in the 16 ASC communities (Townships) within Madison County are as follows: Community 1 (Marshall) Wards 1, 2, 3, 4; Place, ASCS Office — Jesse Ammons, Jimmy Baldwin, Frank Briggs, Carl Cantrell, Oliver Ferguson, Albert (Continued To Page Six)

BULLETIN

Court To Be Held Here Labor Day

It was announced today that although offices in the courthouse will be closed Monday — Labor Day — court will be held as usual, according to Herbert Hawkins, clerk of court.

Permit Required To Build Septic Tanks

The Madison County Board of Health has recently passed an ordinance requiring anyone, who plans to build a septic tank, to obtain a permit from the local Health Department before beginning construction.

The ordinance reads as follows:

Section I. Every person, firm or corporation building a septic tank, or any property owner on whose property a septic tank is proposed to be built, shall first procure from the Health Officer a permit therefor, prior to commencing such construction. Plans and specifications for such proposed septic tank shall be submitted to the Health Officer for approval before such permit shall be granted.

Section II. It shall be necessary to obtain an inspection of all septic tanks.

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Clewinger, Band Director, Resigns; New Director Sought

Fred W. Anderson announced this week that Gerald Clewinger, band director at Marshall and Mars Hill schools, resigned Tuesday.

Mr. Anderson stated that he is now making a new band director for the two Madison County schools.

RED CROSS DRIVE CONTINUES IN THIS COUNTY

Calves To Be Given Away In September; Make Donations Now

County leaders in the current Red Cross Drive are urging the public to make their donations immediately to the drive to assure continuance of the vital services of the Red Cross, including the blood program.

The public is again reminded that with each donation of \$1.00 a ticket will be given the donor which entitles them to the opportunity to win a prize calf, either in Marshall, Mars Hill or Hot Springs in September.

The Mars Hill drawing will be held on September 8 while Marshall and Hot Springs will hold their drawings on September 9. All drawings will be at four o'clock, and it is not necessary for you to be present to win.

Some of the persons soliciting the donations report brisk response but in order that the Red Cross services be continued in the county it will be necessary to raise at least \$3,000.00, it was reported.

ERSKINE, REESE TRANSFERRED TO WEAVERVILLE

McIntyre Is New "Trouble-Shooter" For W. C. Telephone Co.

J. V. Erskine and Howard Reese, "trouble-shooters" for the Western Carolina Telephone Co., in Marshall, Mars Hill and Hot Springs, this week were transferred to Weaverville where they will serve in that area.

Mr. Erskine owned and operated the company from 1911 to 1949. Reese has been a "trouble-shooter" in this area for the past 24 years. Both men are well-known in this area for the splendid work they have done during the years of service.

Jim D. McIntyre, of Lakeland, Florida, has succeeded the two men in the Marshall, Mars Hill, Hot Springs area. McIntyre previously worked for the American Telephone and Telegraph Company in Cincinnati, in Southern States.

Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre have moved to Mashburn Hill where they reside in a trailer. They have one son.

"We wish to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to the citizens of the three towns who have been so kind, patient and cooperative," Mr. Erskine and Mr. Reese said this week.

PT PHRASING
Reno, Nev.—A father-son banquet at the Reno Indian colony's Christian Center recently was billed "Buck and a Half Night."

PATROLMEN URGE SAFETY SEPTEMBER 1-4

Motorists To Drive With Lights On As Symbol Of Pledge

Drivers will be requested to drive with lights on as a symbol of their Pledge for Safety in recognition of their awareness of the traffic accident problem in all of its seriousness from September 1 through September 4.

Lights on will indicate to other highway users that the driver is conscientiously observing all safety rules in a cooperative effort to keep the Labor Day week-end accident experience as low as possible.

Patrolman C. W. Pearson stated this week that the safety program will be used in this county and that lights on will be observed during the day as well as for night driving.

This program is statewide. Patrolman Pearson said and urged motorists to take the Light Your Pledge for Safety and cooperate in making the Labor Day holidays safer.

Stores, Banks, Courthouse, Etc., To Close Monday

Practically all business will be at a standstill in Marshall on Monday — Labor Day — when most places of business will be closed. Also observing the holiday will be the banks, post office, courthouse, and the various agencies such as ASC, Welfare, etc.

NEW WHEAT PROGRAM FOR 1962 ANNOUNCED

According to an announcement by the Secretary of Agriculture, Congress has provided for a 1962 wheat program to help correct the wheat situation and at the same time help the wheat producers. The new legislation is intended to bring about a decrease in the Government stocks of about 100 million bushels, reduce the net income by about 10%. Program objectives will be achieved through reduced acreage, improved production control, strengthened price support, and payments to wheat farmers who divert a portion of their 1962 wheat acreage to soil conserving uses. The enactment of the new wheat program was dependent upon the outcome of the wheat referendum which was held on August 24 in that it would be made effective only if as many as two-thirds of the producers voted in favor of the program.

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Swollen River Threatens Marshall Last Thursday

Notice To Our Subscribers

We don't like to mention it, but there's a 3% Sales Tax on newspapers throughout North Carolina. This recent tax was passed by the legislature and became effective July 1, 1961. The tax is to be used for improved educational program for North Carolina, often referred to as "the Quality Education Program."

When subscribing or renewing, please don't forget to add the 3% tax to the subscription charge.

Example: Year's subscription in Madison and Buncombe Counties: \$2.50 plus 8c (Sales Tax); Total: \$2.58.

WILDS STRUCK BY TRAIN AT ROLLINS SAT.

Stockley Wilds, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wilds, of Marshall RFD 1, was struck by an east-bound freight train at Rollins Saturday night about 10:30 o'clock. According to reports, Wilds was sitting on the rail and evidently didn't realize a train was approaching.

He was rushed to the Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville where it was discovered that he had his right leg broken above the knee and numerous lacerations of the face and body.

His condition is reported improved.

MIGRATORY GAME REGULATIONS FOR N. C. CITED

Raymond Ramsey, Madison County Wildlife Protector, urged hunters this week to not only observe all hunting rules and regulations, safety measures, precautions against forest fires, etc., but to also note open season (split season for doves), shooting hours, daily bag limits and possession limit.

Following is listed these items of information, with the species, open seasons (dates inclusive), shooting hours, daily bag limit, and possession limit in that order.

Dove: Sept 9-Oct 14; Dec 13-Jan. 15; 12 noon to sunset; 12; 24.

Rails and Gallinules: Sept. 20-

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RICHARDS, NEW PATROLMAN, IS ON DUTY HERE

State Patrolman Jerry E. Richards, is now stationed in the Marshall area and began his duties on Monday of this week.

Patrolman Richards is married to the former Miss Edna M. Mull, of Shelby. They have one son, Tracy. They have moved to the garage apartment of Vernon Runion on Walnut Creek.

Richards recently completed his basic training. He will work with Patrolman C. W. Pearson for eight weeks of on-the-job training. During this time he will learn the territory and the operation in Madison County. Progress reports will be compiled during this time and if satisfactory he will take up regular SHP duties.

COUNTY BURLEY GROWERS RATED GOOD FARMERS

Madison County farmers have become known throughout the burley tobacco producing area as good tobacco farmers. This year 2658 acres of burley tobacco were planted in Madison County, Harry G. Silver, county agent, states.

Mr. Preston Wilson and his three sons have one of the better burley tobacco crops in the county on the farm of Mr. Howard Payne in the Paw Pay community. Last year Preston produced 3595 pounds of tobacco on 1.4 acres on the same farm. Preston stated recently that he believed this year's crop was better than that produced on the farm last year. One one 1.4-acre allotment.

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Execution Order Served On William Cobb In Libel Case

Marshall Water Taste And Color Cause Deep Concern

There's no use reminding residents of Marshall that our "pure mountain water" is not pure. They are fully aware of it. Its present taste is almost repulsive. The supply is also not conducive for bathing or even washing clothes.

Delmar Payne, water commissioner for the town, told this paper this morning that everything possible is being done but there was little optimism for immediate relief. He said that Col. Hill, State Health Officer, had studied the situation and had informed the town officials that there will be no clear water until the supply at the dam on Hunter Creek is "full."

Mr. Payne, however, said this (Continued To Last Page)

Water Covers Large Portion Of Island; Recedes Friday Night

Marshall residents were fearful of another episode comparable to the August, 1940 flood last Thursday night when the French Broad River rose rapidly to near flood-stage. The swirling waters, caused by heavy rains in Henderson, Buncombe and other counties, brought many businessmen and helpers back to their stores Thursday night to move merchandise from basements to higher floors.

The muddy and dangerous waters crept upon the island and by 9:00 o'clock had reached the walls of the main school building. Employees and volunteers quickly moved school equipment and fixtures from the basement of the school to higher floors. By 11:00 o'clock, the football field was a lake of muddy, churning water. School buses were moved from the island and by midnight all school equipment which could be moved was out of danger.

Workers at the Sprinkle-Shelton Wholesale Company, and Coal, Feed & Lumber Company, both on Upper Bridge Street, toiled fast and furiously moving merchandise. Several other places of business also used every precaution possible to avoid water damage.

Naturally, there was no school Friday although the waters had receded during the early morning hours. Additional rains, however, sent the river back up Friday afternoon and night but by Saturday morning, the worst was over and with clearing skies, the river dropped back down to near normal.

The football game, scheduled for Friday night, was postponed until Monday night. School was resumed on Monday.

Although the river reached above flood stage, no great damage has been reported although several basements showed evidence of the high waters.

Appeal To State Supreme Court Did Not Halt Execution

Burke County Sheriff Ray A. Sigmon has served on state Republican chairman William E. Cobb an execution issued out of Madison County Superior Court in the case of Zeno H. Ponder vs. Cobb in the amount of \$40,650.

A jury last month awarded Ponder, registrar of the Marshall voting precinct, \$40,000 in a libel suit growing out of charges made by Cobb concerning election procedures in Marshall. Two other precinct officials were awarded \$4 each in the proceedings.

Sheriff Sigmon said Monday night that he received the execution on Aug. 10 and served it on Cobb six days later. The execution, which is returnable on or before Nov. 8, requires the sheriff to attempt to collect the full amount from Cobb's assets, which are now being checked by the sheriff.

Cobb's attorney, W. C. Meekins of Asheville, explained Monday night that an appeal of the case to the State Supreme Court did not halt execution.

"The only way to have avoided execution would have been to post a supersedeas bond in the amount of \$40,000 — an amount very close to the amount of the judgment," Meekins said.

Ammons Resigns From Mars Hill School Board

Fred W. Anderson, superintendent, announced this week that Brown Ammons has resigned from the Mars Hill School Board. Mr. Anderson stated that Mr. Ammons said he was resigning for "personal satisfaction to myself."

The resignation was dated August 1. No successor has been named by Mr. Anderson.

Ammons served on the board since 1958 and was a member of the board during the past year.

Strong Steps Must Be Taken; Participation Needed By Public

Philip Hammer, president of Hammer and Co. Associates, presented his firm's final report on Western North Carolina's economic potential Wednesday at a luncheon-meeting held at the Asheville City Auditorium. The study was endorsed by the Western North Carolina Regional Planning Commission.

Madison County was represented at the meeting which was termed by them as "most instructive."

Of primary importance to this county are the following summary and conclusions which were presented by Mr. Hammer.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS
The economy of the 6-county

French Broad Basin of Western North Carolina faces a substantial break-through in the years immediately ahead if strong and concerted efforts are taken at regional development.

One primary factor will be a sharp anticipated increase in the area's participation in the growing industrialization of the Southeast region.

Another major factor will be the tremendous expansion anticipated in the nation's tourist and recreation business.

Increased local consumer demand based on expanded area population and income, plus growth in food processing for export to other areas will strengthen local agriculture.

The region's population is projected to reach approximately 2,000,000 people in 1975 and

600 in 1980.

These anticipated future gains will be substantially greater than population increases in the past as shown below:

GAINS: 1940-50 — 25,039 people; 6.9%; 1950-60 — 3,244; 8%; 1960-70 — 38,900; 9.9%; 1970-80 — 94,000; 21.8%.

The five counties of the French Broad Basin sub-area (Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson, Madison and Transylvania) will show these comparative gains: 1940-50 — 35,300; 1950-60 — 104,500.

The region's future population gains are based largely upon strong anticipated increases in non-farm employment.

Estimated non-farm employment in 1980 will reach 124,000 with a projected gain of 40,000 or nearly 48 percent over 1950.

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