

Christmas Decoration Contest To Be Sponsored By Garden Club; Prizes Are Offered

Judges Will Make Their Decisions Wednesday, December 20

The Marshall Garden Club will again sponsor the annual Christmas Decoration Contest in this community. Prizes are to be awarded in the following categories:

Best Overall — \$10.00;
Best Window or Door — \$7.50;
Best Outdoor Tree — \$5.00.

Officials of the club announced that judging will take place on Wednesday night, Dec. 20, between the hours of 8:00 and 9:00 o'clock.

Those outside the city limits who wish to participate in this contest are asked to contact Mrs. S. C. Spalding not later than Dec. 15, so the judges can go to their homes.

TOMORROW IS FINAL DAY FOR RECORDINGS

Recordings will be made at Marshall at the BEA Building tomorrow, Dec. 12, 1964. This will be the final day for the recording service department of the Asheville Area Post Office. The post office is sponsoring a "Value from Home" project for the record-keeping project.

The recordings will be 15 minutes in length and will be made at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

This service has been given the recorder plenty of time to think of anything he or she might want to say without remembering afterward of things which should have been said.

And it makes the recording session easier and the message sound better.

Those wishing to make appointments may contact Mrs. Kermit Cody (Dial 2751) or Mrs. S. L. Nix (Dial 4478).

"Everyone should take advantage of these recordings," Mrs. Nix said.

DAMAGE BY RATS AND MICE IS ASTOUNDING

According to Printess W. England, assistant county agent, each rat on your farm costs you \$20.00 per year. Rates annually destroy as much food in the United States as one out of every twenty-five farms produces. This is enough to feed one person out of every fifteen in the country. In the U. S. alone this will amount to an estimated one billion dollars in damage to food, property, humans and livestock. Rats and mice consume animal feed and make it unfit for their use. Rats and mice damage buildings and property. Rats carry harmful parasites and disease. Rats and mice breed rapidly.

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Madison County Women Hear Survey Reports

Group To Begin A Study Of State Election Laws; To Continue Survey

Progress reports on a survey of industry, library facilities, civic organizations and public utilities in Madison County were given Tuesday night at a meeting of the Madison County Women's Good Government League in the Court-house.

Taking part on the program were Mrs. John Corbett of Marshall who read reports on industry by C. E. Mashburn and public utilities by Mrs. Florence Ramsey; Mrs. Harry Doherty of Hot Springs, who reported on library facilities; and Mrs. Susan Stoney of Hot Springs, who reported on civic organizations.

The Rev. Arthur V. Dimes of Hot Springs, newly Civil Defense Director, led a discussion of the

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N. H. GRIFFIN, 72, DIES SUNDAY; RITES TUESDAY

Prominent Baptist Minister Passes In Hospital After Brief Illness

The Rev. N. H. Griffin, 72, of Rt. 6, Marshall, pastor of Chapel Hill and Payne's Chapel Baptist Churches of Madison County, died Sunday morning, December 3, 1964 in an Asheville hospital after a brief illness.

Services were held at 2:30 p.m., Tuesday in Old Walnut Creek Baptist Church.

The Rev. Guy West and the Rev. Ebb Jenkins officiated and burial was in Hill-Price Cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Vergie Beckner Griffin; five sons, Paul, Wayne, James and N. H. Griffin Jr., all of Rt. 6, Marshall, and Olson of Asheville; five daughters, Mrs. Wendell Rice of Crewe, Va.; Mrs. E. B. Rice of Old Fort; Mrs. Joe Bradley and Mrs. Robert Holland of Morganton and Mrs. Robert Rhinocort of Black Mountain; three sisters, Mrs. Jane Crowe, Mrs. Daisy Groves, and Mrs. Frouie Lewis of Rt. 6, Marshall; 29 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Griffin had served as minister in the Newfound and French Broad Baptist Associations for 48 years.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Hill-Price Cemetery.

FIRE UNITS OF WNC PRAISED BY CON. TAYLOR

Western North Carolina's 68 fire departments received praise of Congressman Roy A. Taylor at a meeting of the WNC Firemen's Association Wednesday night.

Rep. Taylor said these fire-fighting units—54 of them entirely voluntary—have an aggregate membership of some 1,000 persons in 29 counties.

"These civic-minded men have become community guardians against the awful dangers of fire," he said. "They have frequently shown their willingness to risk great personal danger to save a life or a neighbor's property."

Rep. Taylor praised the "spirit of teamwork" displayed by association members. He described them as "dedicated public servants."

The congressman called attention to the "extremely vital" civil defense role which would be performed by firemen in the event of a nuclear attack.

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Nine County Men Inducted Into U. S. Army On Wednesday

Nine Madison County men left Wednesday for Charlotte where they will be inducted into the U. S. Army. They are as follows: William Adair Shelton, John Rex Edwards, Robert Howell Souza, Leonard Franklin Pender, Johnny B. Meier, Arthur Chandler, Ronald Lawrence Blackford, James Kenneth Hensley and Charles Gordon Medall.

Tuesday night they left for their course.

CONSERVATION RALLY TO BE HELD IN WAYNESVILLE

U. S. Senator Sam Ervin will be the principal speaker at the Conservation Rally to be held in Waynesville, Saturday, Nov. 14. He will be introduced by Congressman Roy A. Taylor.

A. W. Newatt, chairman, Western Area SWPC, will preside at the meeting. L. H. Melling, mayor, Waynesville, will present the Conservation Award and Depot J. Young, Asheville, will present the Conservation Award.

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GOSPEL SINGING HERE DEC. 16 TO AID XMAS TOYS

A Gospel singing program will be held at the First Baptist Auditorium at 8 p.m. Dec. 16, beginning at 7:30 p.m. It was announced that the proceeds from the program, sponsored by the First Baptist Church, will be used to assist Mrs. Paul H. Hensley, a Madison County woman, in her efforts to provide Christmas gifts for needy children in the county.

All singers are invited to bring their own instruments.

The concert and honorable three Christmas gifts will be presented from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 100 N. Main St., Waynesville.

Judges And McIntire Cases Continued; Court Adjourns

INJURED IN MADISON COLLISION

Debris of two vehicles involved in a head-on crash on U. S. 19 in the Middle Fork section of Madison County were admitted Monday afternoon to an Asheville hospital.

Highway Patrolman Jerry Richard listed the drivers as Pearl Ray Metcalf, of Rt. 2, Mars Hill, and Fred Garret Falls, 44, of Charlotte. He said both were in fair condition and expected to be released from the hospital Tuesday.

Richard said the woman was making a left turn into Levi Hunter's service station and was driving north in Falls' south-bound lane at the time of the accident. She was charged with failure to see that the intended movement could be made in safety.

The patrolman said her 1954 model car was a total loss and estimated damage to the other vehicle at \$600 to \$700.

M. G. RAMSEY IS VICTIM OF HOME MISHAP

Coroner Rules Death Is Due To Accidental Drowning

McKinley (Ken) George Ramsey Sr., 54, of Marshall, was found dead in his home Sunday afternoon, December 3, 1964.

Dr. W. A. Sams, Madison County coroner, ruled the death due to accidental drowning and said no inquest would be held. The body was discovered about 5 p.m., by a stepson, Lawrence Navas, the coroner said.

The coroner said Mr. Ramsey, who had been in declining health, apparently had sat down on the edge of the bathtub preparatory to taking a bath and had fallen into the tub.

Mr. Ramsey was a son of the late G. Henry Ramsey and Mrs. Eugenia Ramsey Wilson. He was a retired farmer and former construction worker, a member of Marshall Baptist Church and of French Broad Lodge No. 292, AF and AM, and a former member of the U. S. Army.

Services were held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock in the Marshall Baptist Church. The Rev. Glen A. Ramsey Jr., officiated. Burial was in Ramsey Cemetery.

pallbearers were Masons and the Masonic Lodge had charge of graveside rites.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. J. E. Ramsey, of Hot Springs, Mrs. L. K. Baker of Wood Lake Beach, Fla.; five brothers, J. Ramsey of Chuckey, Tenn.; L. A. and N. P. Ramsey of Whitesburg, Tenn.; and W. C. and G. Henry Ramsey of Asheville; and three half-brothers, H. A. Wilson of Nixon, N. J., W. A. Wilson of Hixsonville, Ala., and A. W. Wilson of Marietta, Ga.

Bowman-Rector Funeral Home was in charge.

Civil Court To Begin Here Monday; Fronsberger Presides

The December term of superior court for the trial of criminal cases started here Monday morning with Judge P. C. Fronsberger presiding. The term was adjourned early Tuesday afternoon after two of the main cases had been continued until the February term of court.

The re-trial of State vs. L. L. Hodges and Mrs. Burlie Gosnell in connection with the slaying of Creamer Gosnell on November 12, 1960 in a family fight, was continued until the February term.

The case of State vs. J. E. McIntire, former vice-principal at Mars Hill High School, charged with larceny and molesting, was also continued until the February term.

Jerry Webb and McArthur Shelton, charged with breaking, entering and larceny, were sentenced to not more than 18 months nor less than 12 months.

Richard Reeves, charged with forgery, was sentenced to two years on the roads.

Several other minor cases were disposed of and four divorces were granted.

A one-week term of civil court will start here Monday with Judge Fronsberger again presiding.

Following is a list of jurors drawn for the term of court starting Monday:

B. H. Colbecton, J. W. Bailey, Harold Anderson, Roy Franklin, Kermit Lewis, L. F. Freeman, Elmer Cantrell, Tony Hester, Nelson Franklin, Donald E. Edwards, James Gibson, Bill Taylor, James H. Smith, J. C. Brown, J. H. Cantrell, Ray L. Henderson.

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Third Drawing Held Here Sat.; Prizes Are Listed

- 1951 Buick Sedan, Mattress and Springs, Other Prizes Listed
- Another huge crowd is expected to be in Marshall this Saturday afternoon for the third drawing for prizes in the Christmas Promotion being sponsored by the Merchants Association.
- With each drawing the crowd increases and Marshall is expected to be "packed" at three o'clock when the drawing starts in front of the courthouse.
- A list of prizes to be given away on December 9 is published below:
- Postpedic Mattress and Springs, \$159.00 value, Merchants Association.
 - 20-pound Ham, \$11.00 value, Merchants Asso.
 - 1951 Tudor BUICK Sedan, straight drive, good tires, radio and heater, \$295.00 value, Merchants Asso.
 - \$10 basket Groceries, Dodson's.
 - ¼-inch Electric Drill, \$19.95 value, Coal, Feed & Lumber Co.
 - One recapped Tire, \$12.00 value, The Tire Shop.
 - One Spot Light, \$20.00 value, French Broad Chevrolet Co.
 - \$25 Saving Account, Citizens Bank.
 - 5-pound Fruit Cake, \$5.00 value, Rost Bakery.
 - Boy's Bicycle, \$59.95 value, Merchants Asso.
 - Two Wool Blankets, \$16.00 value, Merchants Asso.



THE WINNING CROP in the 1964 Junior Tobacco Show and Sale held Friday in Fletcher's No. 2 Warehouse in Asheville, is exhibited by (l-r): James E. Davis, Yadonville County Agricultural Agent, and one of the judges, Jock Fender, A-1 Club member from Marshall. The crop was the product of the 1964 tobacco season.

government grader on the Asheville market, and Earl Wise, assistant agricultural agent in Madison. Jock had a total of 1,450 pounds in his winning crop and was paid \$956.64. The contest was sponsored by the N. C. Agricultural Experiment Station, Voluntary Agricultural Machinery, and prizes were awarded by 12 Asheville business firms.

Jock Fender Wins Top Tobacco Crop Award

Madison County Teams "Shine" At Tobacco Show Friday

Jock Fender of BFD 1, Marshall, representing Marshall 4-H Club, took top prize of \$40 over 19 other entries in the crop show of the annual Junior Tobacco Show Friday in Fletcher's No. 2 Warehouse in Asheville.

The Mars Hill FFA grading team took top honors in the grading contest.

Buyers paid \$11,457.14 for 16,880 lbs. of the best material by the junior farmers. The average of \$67.35 was 10 cents per 100 lbs. below that on the regular market.

Fender's 1,450 lbs. won for \$956.64, an average of \$66.25 per 100 lbs.

The Mars Hill FFA grading team, composed of Paul Thompson, James Smith and Harry Smith, won the top prize of \$100.00 in the grading contest.

Franklin of Laurel High School FFA for first place in individual judging scores. The boys won \$5 each for this event.

Other winners, in order, were: Crop show — Larry Pender, BFD 6, Marshall, \$30 prize, 440 lbs., \$396.22, an average of \$90.22; Eddie Edwards, BFD 1, Burnsville, \$20 prize, 1,000 lbs., \$1,007.34, an average of \$100.73; James Hester, BFD 1, Burnsville, \$15 prize, 1,500 lbs., \$2,260.50, an average of \$150.70; Larry Pender, BFD 1, Marshall, \$10 prize, 1,000 lbs., \$1,007.34, an average of \$100.73.

With this year's tobacco show, the FFA boys have won a total of \$1,000.00 in prizes. The boys have also won a total of \$1,000.00 in prizes.