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County Basketball Tourney To Begin Here Tuesday

Burley Farmers Urged To Vote In Referendum Tues.

Is Of Utmost Importance; Polling Places Are Listed

All Burley tobacco producers in Madison County are being urged to vote in a grower referendum being held on February 20 to decide whether the present government tobacco allotment program will be continued or dropped. If at least two-thirds of the growers participating vote "yes" the present program including 90 percent price supports and acreage allotments will be in effect for the next three years. If the growers do not approve the referendum, there will be no allotments and no loan program for the 1962 Burley crop. The Burley program has been in effect continuously since 1940.

Agricultural leaders are urging all Madison County farmers who are eligible to vote in this election to do so. They point out that Burley tobacco is the number one cash crop in the area, having returned \$2,000,000 in gross sales to farmers in 1961.

Each person who is eligible to vote in this election on February 20 should make every effort to do so, states the Madison Burley Referendum Committee. "This is the farmers' program. Too much is at stake to let someone decide for you."

In Madison County, there are 2,800 farms with Burley allotments totaling 28,000 acres. Any person who shares in the production of Burley is eligible to vote. The referendum will be conducted by the county ASC Office.

Community polling places which will be open from 8:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m. are:

Strict Enforcement Of Local Parking Laws Reinstated

Move Made To Make More Room For Rural Shoppers

Strict enforcement of parking meters and proper parking was reinstated here Monday morning and from a survey, the new enforcement program is gaining in popularity, especially with rural shoppers. In the past many of the meters have been clogged with all-day parking by employees in Marshall, thereby leaving little room for rural customers to park when they come to town. The mayor and board of aldermen met with members of the Marshall Merchants' Association recently and it was decided that strict enforcement of meters is the only practical way to give adequate parking space for the trading public on Main Street.

Mayor Wade Huey announced the program with merchants and employees and urged full cooperation in "off-street" parking of cars which remain in Marshall daily. He was assured by those present that they would cooperate.

Auto Overtakes In Laurel River

Three occupants of a car which straddled off N. C. 208 and turned upside down in Laurel River escaped serious injury Tuesday morning.

The driver was Miss Lucene Ford of Rt. 3, Marshall. Passengers were Brenda Lunsford of Rt. 3, Marshall and Elizabeth Warren of Black Mountain. Damage to the car was estimated at \$700. Miss Ford apparently applied her brakes too hard for the wet road. There was no charge.

THREE ENDORSED FOR ELECTION BOARD BY DEMS

Two Will Be Selected To Serve By State Board In Near Future

The Madison County Democratic Executive Committee met at the courthouse here Monday night and endorsed three county men as members of the county elections board. The three men are Roy Freeman, Ernest Snelson and Lovi Ponder.

The three names were submitted to State Chairman Bert Bennett of which two of the three will be named to serve by the State Board of Elections.

MARSHALL PTA TO MEET MONDAY

Marshall High School PTA will have its monthly meeting on Monday, Feb. 19, at 3:15 p. m., in the school auditorium, with Mrs. George Shupe, president, presiding.

A special Founders Day Program will be presented and past presidents of the local organization will be honored. A Nominating Committee will be elected to name officers for next year. There will be a Silver Tea following the meeting, with the offering being sent to State Headquarters as a Founders Day gift.

LANDING FIELDS NOW FOR AERIAL TOPDRESSING

According to James M. Stewart, assistant county agent, five landing fields for aerial topdressing have been located in Madison County. The landing places are located on the farms of Billy Woody of Spring Creek, Andy Woody of Upper Spring Creek, Roscoe Reeves of Brush Creek, and King Thomas of Mars Hill and Roy McDevitt of Brush Creek.

The landing strips are ones which have been checked and approved by the pilot who will do the aerial topdressing. The pilot has agreed to top-dress any steep pasture land located within a four mile radius of the landing field.

German Shepherd, Doberman Pincher Dogs Are Wanted

The Prison Department is in need of German Shepherd and Doberman Pincher dogs, according to a notice from Major Hugh A. Logan, Jr., Superintendent, Odom Prison 500, Route 1, Box 36, Jackson, N. C.

The dogs are needed in the N. C. Prison System's Security Dog Program, which is similar to the U. S. Army's K-9 outfit.

The dogs will be given the very best of care, Mr. Logan said. If you have one of these dogs you might call Mr. Logan collect, and he will send after the dog.

MANY STORES TO REMAIN OPEN FRIDAY NIGHTS

New Plan Goes Into Effect Here Tomorrow Night

Leonard Baker, president of the Marshall Merchants Association, again reminded the public that at least seven local stores will remain open this Friday night until 8:30 o'clock. This plan was initiated at a recent Merchants Association meeting when merchants voiced approval stating that many people who work all day have little opportunity to shop when all stores close at the same time.

By remaining open on Friday nights, many housewives and rural shoppers will take advantage of it, thus preventing shopping on Saturdays.

Some of the firms are planning on having Friday Night Specials and it is hoped that the public will respond to the plan so that merchants can make this a regular, year-around plan.

VINE-RIPE TOMATO CROP HIGHLY PRAISED

Hardy Plemmons of the Spring Creek community, says, "from a nine day pick of vine-ripe tomatoes on one acre, I received a clear check of \$1686.30. For my entire acre of tobacco my clear check was \$1430.30." Plemmons, who has grown tomatoes for two years says: "By the time you include your winter work in tobacco you don't have much more labor in tomatoes, than tobacco. The income of one acre of tomatoes compares with income from two acres of tobacco."

Buck Tweed of the Carmen community says, "I sold as many tomatoes from three-tenths acre as I did from an acre of good tobacco in the same field."

John Gentry, of the Spring Creek community, who has grown tomatoes for over three years, says, "I believe the tomato business in Western North Carolina can, eventually, amount to more than the tobacco income. For hours spent, tomatoes pay more per hour than tobacco." This year, Gentry sold \$1985.00 worth of tomatoes from one-half acre. This \$1985.00 is what Gentry received as clear check.

Growers have shown real interest in growing more vine-ripe tomatoes in 1962. Two community meetings have been held in the Spring Creek and Shelton Laurel-Carmen communities. In both communities new growers have indicated a desire to grow more tomatoes this season.

Farmers who are interested in doing a good job with this high income crop and desire further information and assistance should contact the county agents office.

Safe Stolen Wed. Night From WMMH

Thieves entered the back window of Radio Station WMMH Wednesday night and stole a metal safe weighing approximately 100 pounds, Dean Shields, owner, said this morning.

Sheriff Ponder is investigating.

"The joke's on the thieves; there's nothing in it but dust," one member of the staff said.

URGES CONTROL OF CHICKWEED IN ALFALFA

According to James M. Stewart, assistant county agent, the survival of bad weed infested alfalfa fields may be determined by the successful control of weeds. Weeds such as chickweed, henbit, mustard, ragged robin and blessed thistle can be controlled in alfalfa. These weeds can be killed with a material known as Dinitro, or "premerge."

To obtain satisfactory weed control it is necessary to apply this chemical in February, while the seeds are small. The chemical is applied at the rate of one and one-half to three pounds of acid equivalent, per acre, in 30 to 60 gallons of water.

The chemical has been used successfully in a small plot on the farm of Gay Merrill, of Gabriels Creek. The results of the demonstration were good weed control and no injury to the alfalfa. Other demonstrations in the state have shown this to be a practical method of controlling weeds in alfalfa.

The cost of applying this material will be \$2.87-\$4.30 per acre. The material may be obtained through special orders at local dealers.

Farmers interested in using a material to control weeds in alfalfa and need additional information, should contact the county agents office, immediately.

Trumpetist To Perform At Mars Hill College Friday

Trumpet soloist Emerson Head, director of instrumental music at Wake Forest College, will be presented in a faculty exchange recital at Mars Hill College at 8 p. m., Friday.

The performance, to which the public has been invited, will be in Mars Hill's spacious new Moore Auditorium.

A native of Wilmington and a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of the University of Michigan, Head is first trumpetist with the Winston-Salem Symphony Orchestra in addition to his duties at Wake Forest.

For several summers he has been instructor and staff conductor at the Brevard Music Center and he formerly was associated with Jacksonville (Fla.) University.

Mrs. Head will accompany her husband on the piano and will also play two selections alone, "Impromptu in F minor" by Schubert and "Waltzes, Op. 39" by Brahms.

MHC Presented Choral Clinic Concert Sat.

The Mars Hill College Department of Music presented the fourteenth annual Choral Clinic Concert at Moore Auditorium, Saturday, February 10. It was under the direction of Dr. Walker Eberet, Director of Choral at Southeastern High School, Seaside, N. Y. Those from Madison County to participate were:

Mr. Virgil Smith Jr., Director; Judy Buckner, Ronnie Buckner, Jimmy Dodson, Glenna Freeman, Norris Gentry, Joyce Hagan, Carolyn Hale, Patsy Hale, Betty Lot Ray, Carolyn Rice, Shirley Roberts, Lloyd W. Slagle, Sheila Rice, and Arnold Memon of Marshall.

Mrs. Mary H. Crisp, Director; Riley Brady, Edna Buckner, Roger Buckner, Joyce Hunter, Maxine Lettman, Patsy Maynard, Pat Stone and Charles Smith, of Mars Hill.

WEATHER AGAIN DELAYS GLENN ORBIT FLIGHT

Weather prospects and rough seas this morning again caused postponement of the orbital flight of John Glenn from Cape Canaveral.

Another attempt will be made Friday morning if conditions improve.

PUBLIC INVITED TO RED CROSS MEETING FEB. 26

The public is invited to meet with Red Cross officials and other interested persons Monday, February 26 at the REA Building here to discuss ways and means of generating new response and interest in the Blood Bank Program.

The Bloodmobile is scheduled to visit Marshall on March 19 and preliminary plans will be made at the meeting to encourage more participation.

New Antenna Is Installed By Radio Station WLOS-TV

WLOS-TV has completed installation of its new "Traveling Wave" antenna atop its mile-high transmitter on Mount Pisgah in Western North Carolina.

The new antenna, a recent electronic achievement of RCA engineers, replaces a conventional-type antenna. Designed particularly for mountainous regions, the new sending device has been custom-made to provide Channel 18 viewers with a more consistent, brighter and clearer picture. It is also endowed with such mechanical advantages as less wind resistance and fewer icing problems.

A special rigging crew has spent almost three months on Mt. Pisgah getting the new antenna to its position at 6,089 feet. Inelement weather conditions and rugged terrain were among the hardships they encountered on the job, causing RCA to send special supervising engineers from New York to get the installation completed.

W. R. Edwards Is Promoted By Humble Oil Co.

W. R. Edwards has been promoted to senior research chemical engineer in Humble Oil and Refining Company's Research and Development in Baytown, Texas. He is engaged in the development of processes for the manufacture of chemical raw materials and intermediates that may be used for the production of synthetic rubber, plastics and other finished products.

Edwards attended Mars Hill College, two years and received the B. S. degree at North Carolina State University.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards and daughters Janet Ruth and Julia Ann live in Baytown at 124 Caldwell Drive. The former Mildred Evans, Mrs. Edwards is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Evans of Burnsville; Edwards is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Edwards of Mars Hill and Hendersonville.

Clearwater, Fla. — The sun's rays, shining through a clear bottle set fire to a piece of canvas covering a case of bottled soft drinks on the back porch of the F. B. Cole home. The bottles got so hot the beverage in them exploded and got out the flame.

Finals On Saturday Night; JV Games To Start At 6:00

REPUBLICANS NAME OFFICERS HERE SATURDAY

Clyde M. Roberts Again Heads GOP Executive Committee

All officers of the Madison County Republican Executive Committee were reelected at the annual GOP County Convention held at the courthouse here Saturday afternoon.

They are as follows: Clyde M. Roberts, chairman; Miss Billie Rene Hensley, vice chairman; Elbert N. Ward, secretary and Mrs. Roland Ramsey, treasurer.

It was also decided at the convention that any Republicans attending the Congressional meeting in Waynesville on February 24 and the State Convention in Durham on March 3 would be declared official delegates from Madison County.

Mars Hill Grange Supports Burley Tobacco Program

Members of the Mars Hill Grange voted Tuesday night to support continuation of the burley tobacco program in the Feb. 20 referendum. The Grangers also agreed to favor a program under which a tobacco allotment could be leased from one farm to another in the same county for one year.

Junior Varsity Pairings Are Made; Officials Named

Madison County basketball fans and players will converge on the Marshall gymnasium next Tuesday when the 1962 Madison County high school tournament begins. Play will continue nightly through Saturday when the finals will terminate the annual event.

Four games nightly should provide the fans with plenty of excitement and suspense. The junior varsity games will be played at six o'clock and seven o'clock with the varsity contests at eight and nine o'clock.

Individual and team trophies will be awarded following the final games Saturday night, and capacity crowds are expected at all games.

The varsity pairings will not be made until this week's games are completed, it was stated. The junior varsity pairings, however, have been announced as follows: Spring Creek and Mars Hill girls drew byes in the opening round. Tuesday night pits Walnut vs. Laurel in the 6 o'clock game. Mars Hill and Laurel boys drew byes in the opening round. Marshall will collide with Walnut in the 7 o'clock game Tuesday.

Officials for the tournament are as follows: Scorers: Miss Martha Fleming, J. D. Wallin, Billie Jean Redmon and Judy Henderson. Timers: Jack Cole, Jimmy Shelton, Ronald Higgins and Garland Woody.

Game Officials: Grady Carlin, Joe Connor, R. J. Piemmons and Bill Dunn.

Tobacco School To Be Held In Marshall On February 22

FEED GRAIN SIGN UP NOW UNDER WAY

Sign up under the 1962 Feed Grain Program got under way in Madison County on Feb. 5 and will continue through March 30, 1962, according to Ralph W. Ramsey, office manager. To date 9 farmers have filed their intention to participate by diverting all or a part of their corn base to soil conserving use in 1962.

In commenting on this, Ramsey said the purpose of the Feed Grain Program is to decrease accumulation of feed grains, to prevent decline in price, to decrease the Government cost of storing price supported grain, to assist feed grain producers financially and to encourage the shift of land to soil conserving uses.

While the Program is voluntary, farmers who grow corn must participate by diverting at least a minimum acreage of 20% of the base acreage in order to be eligible for price support on the normal production of their 1962 corn crop.

In conclusion, the Manager said that farmers who are interested in participating in the 1962 Feed Grain Program should contact their ASC Office between now and the end of the sign-up period.

NEVER TOO OLD

Denver — Records revealed that William Wyness and Mrs. Isabel Barker, both of Denver recently applied for and obtained a marriage license.

They had known each other for 60 years and there is nothing unusual revealed, yet. Except that Wyness is 90 and Mrs. Barker is 75.

Farmers To Learn How Six County Farmers Grow 3,000 Lb. An Acre

Madison tobacco farmers have increased their production efficiency in tobacco by 360% over a 30-year period. How has it been possible to do this?

The rapid rate of improvement was made possible by know how. Know how and its application by the farmer is the answer. Know how discovered on the farms, on our experiment stations, by commercial concerns, and from many other sources finding their way to application by Madison farmers, has made it possible to grow as much tobacco on one acre as was grown on 3.6 acres 30 years ago. Is there room for more improvement?

Improvement and progress is our hope, our future; the answer to keeping ahead.

You, Mr. Tobacco Farmer, have a chance to share in this progress. You can grow 3,000 pounds of good quality tobacco per acre consistently! Farmers are doing this. How?

(By learning more and putting (Continued To Last Page)

New Fiberglass Firehouse Door Is Now Installed

The new fiberglass door at the Marshall fire house has been installed and remodeling of the interior is in progress.

The firemen met for the first time last Friday for the annual session of the training club. The course is being conducted by Lt. L. D. Dinkins, former fire chief at Marshall.

Donations by Mrs. Annie ... and Mr. ...