



Telephone Rate Increase Is Opposed; Hearing April 24-27

Wide Opposition Is Voiced Throughout Territory Served

Spearheaded by the McDowell Chamber of Commerce and Mayor Bill Shope of Weaverville, Western North Carolina communities served by Western Carolina Telephone Company are being organized in a joint effort to oppose the telephone company's request to increase telephone rates.

At a called joint meeting of these communities held in Asheville on March 22, an informal organization was set up to oppose the telephone rate increase. D. Pat Davis, president of the McDowell Chamber of Commerce was elected chairman of the group; Bill Shope, mayor of Weaverville, was elected vice chairman and Jim Cheek, executive director of the McDowell Chamber of Commerce, was elected secretary-treasurer.

The group has engaged F. Kent Burns, who is a prominent attorney in North Carolina with wide experience in utility matters and was formerly on the State Attorney General's Staff, to represent them at the formal hearing to be held in the Federal Court Room of the Post Office Building in Asheville April 24 through 27.

A spokesman for the opposition group pointed out yesterday that they feel a partial victory has already been won by persuading the Utilities Commission to hold the full hearing in Asheville instead of Raleigh.

Most of the communities have been contacted personally by representatives of the opposition group and a committee set up in each community contacted to work with the opposition group.

The Marshall Chamber of Commerce at its meeting here Tuesday, went on record as opposing the increase and Mayor Wade Huey and Ralph Ramsey were appointed to spearhead the local opposition group.

These efforts are being coordinated through the McDowell Chamber of Commerce office and communities who have not been contacted directly are urged to join in this effort.

Communities served by Western Carolina Telephone Company include: Bakersville, Burnsville, Bryson City, Cashiers, Cherokee, Franklin, Hayesville, Highlands, Hot Springs, Marion, Marshall, Mars Hill, Murphy, Robbinsville, Sylva, Weaverville and Fontana.

MARSHALL GIRL IS INJURED IN AUTO MISHAP

A Madison County teenager was injured Tuesday night when the car in which she was riding ran off U.S. 70 about a mile north of Marshall, struck a stone column and overturned.

Miss Linda Patricia Goforth, 18 of Marshall RFD 5, was treated at Memorial Mission Hospital about 11:15 p. m., for a fracture of the right shoulder.

Dannie Henderson, 16, of the Little Pine section of Marshall RFD 5, identified by State Trooper C. W. Pearson as driver of the 1960 Ford, suffered a lip laceration. The car was demolished.

The wreck occurred about 10:15 p. m., as the vehicle was traveling south on U. S. 25-70, Pearson reported. The car ran off the light shoulder of the road and traveled some 168 feet before striking the stone pillar, overturned and skidded 225 feet further down the road on its top, the trooper said.

PRESBYTERIANS GET PERMISSION TO RAZE MANSE

Some 60 lay and ordained commissioners from Tennessee and Western North Carolina attended a meeting of the Holston Presbytery of the United Presbyterian Church Monday at Warren Wilson College at Swannanoa.

The Rev. William B. Herd was received from the Presbytery of Carlisle in the Synod of Pennsylvania. Mr. Herd will be the pastor of the Beech and Reems Creek Presbyterian Churches. He will be installed April 29.

The group gave permission to the Madison County Parish to raze the old manse at Walnut and proceed with plans to build a new manse. The Rev. Charles Heier is the minister in charge of the parish.

The Rev. Edwin E. White, who has been a member of Holston Presbytery since 1945 and who lives in Kingsport, Tenn., was honorably retired, effective April 30.

CLEAN-UP WEEK IS PLANNED HERE FOR APRIL 16-21

Mayor Wade Huey announced this week that Clean-Up, Paint Up Week would be observed in Marshall during the week of April 16-21.

Owners of stores and homes are asked to cooperate in fixing up their places of business as well as improving their yards and homes.

Definite plans will be announced later, Mayor Huey said.

PUPILS PICKET OVER FIRING OF PRINCIPAL

Whiteville — Whiteville High School students staged a short walkout Wednesday in protest of the firing of Principal Bernard Brigman.

In his second year as head of the school, Brigman's contract was not renewed Tuesday night at a board of education meeting. And when the news got out, much concern was shown by both students and faculty members.

Classes were held without incident earlier in the day, but at the 10-15 recess, many of the students left the building and would not immediately return to classes.

Many of the students picketed with some bearing signs denouncing the action of the board and Superintendent George Arnold.

Officials of the school, including Brigman, tried for some time before persuading the students to return to classes — which they finally did at about noon.

The board members hinted that the reason for firing Brigman was that he would not follow orders.

Neither Brigman nor Arnold commented on the walkout or the firing.

The local board had voted 5-1 against re-hiring the principal.

Brigman, who also taught a year at Whiteville before becoming principal, had become popular among the students, teachers and patrons of the school, reports indicated. He is a former principal of Marshall High School.

Need For WNC Engineer Center Is Outlined Tues.

A community engineering center is needed to attract qualified engineers to this area, members of the Asheville Civitan Club were told at a luncheon meeting Tuesday in George Vanderbilt Hotel.

Fraser Hammarlund, business manager of Hammarlund Manufacturing Co., of Mars Hill, told the group that it is difficult to attract qualified engineers to industry in this area because of the lack of research and educational facilities.

Otherwise, the speaker added, the living advantages of the region would attract many engineers and their families.

James M. Baley Jr., club president, presided, and welcomed Dr. W. Pinkney Herbert, formerly of Asheville, who is the only living charter member of the Asheville Civitan Club.

MVF Auxiliary Rummage Sale Here April 7

The Marshall Volunteer Firemen's Auxiliary will sponsor a rummage sale in the former Model Grocery Building on Main Street here on Saturday, April 7, beginning at 9:00 o'clock.

Anyone wishing to donate clothing or other items for the sale are asked to bring them to The News-Record office. If you wish the items picked up, dial 3261 (The News-Record) or contact any member of the Auxiliary.

Hot Springs Gets Grant For Study

The Area Redevelopment Administration Wednesday announced the approval of an \$18,000 technical assistance contract for a study of the feasibility of developing major recreation, tourist, health and rehabilitation in Hot Springs, N. C.

Hot Springs residents recently completed a study of the town's resources and gained widespread support for a program designed to restore the town to its former position as a leading health and vacation resort.

HANDBOOKS FOR JURORS GIVEN TODAY AT COURT

Presentation Made By A. E. Leake; Judge Clarkson Comments

A. E. Leake, representing the North Carolina Bar Association, today (April 5) presented to Judge Francis O. Clarkson, for use in the Superior Court of Madison County a supply of "Handbooks for Jurors." The handbooks were presented at formal ceremonies preceding the opening of court as a part of the observance of Law Day.

In making the presentation, Mr. Leake in part said:

"The North Carolina Bar Association has been primarily concerned with improving the administration of justice."

FEED GRAIN SIGN-UP MORE THAN LAST YEAR

Reports on the progress of the sign-up under the 1962 feed grain program continue to be optimistic, A. P. Hassell, Jr., Executive Director, N. C. ASCS State Committee, said today.

In many states, including North Carolina, officials say that the sign-up for corn and grain sorghum is far ahead of comparable feed grain program figures over the same period last year.

While bad weather in some areas has slowed activity to some extent, the meetings held to explain the program have been well attended, and farmer interest high. In areas where the sign-up is well under way, a substantial number of "new" participants — who did not take part in the 1961 feed grain program — are filing intentions to cooperate in 1962. A great many farmers are signing up for much more than the minimum required diversion.

Those farmers who are not

BUBAS SLATES TWO SUMMER CAGE CLINICS

Duke Coach Vic Bubas will conduct two one-week sessions in his Basketball Clinic for Boys this summer. The dates for the clinic are June 10-16 and June 17-23.

Bubas is tremendously pleased with the enthusiasm and response to the clinic. "The unique approach of living on our beautiful campus, eating in the University Dining Hall, and playing in the indoor stadium has captured the

RED CROSS COURSE AT HOT SPRINGS CHURCH

A volunteer Red Cross instructor, Mr. Eugene Jarvis, is conducting a Red Cross standard course at the Hot Springs Presbyterian Church. The first meeting was held Tuesday night. The next meeting will be held Friday night and those desiring to take the study course are urged to attend this meeting, Friday, April 6, at 7 p. m. This will enable those that missed the first meeting to proceed with the group. The entire study will require ten hours, and those finishing the full period will be issued a certificate.

REPUBLICANS TO MEET HERE SATURDAY NIGHT

Elsewhere in this issue is an advertisement announcing an important meeting of the Republicans in the courthouse here on Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock.

The Madison County Republican Executive Committee also announces that many candidates are expected to be present and urges all Republicans to attend.

COMPLETE WOOL SALES RECORDS ARE STRESSED

With the 1962 wool marketing year just starting, growers were reminded today of the importance of keeping complete records on their sales of wool and unshorn lambs. Wool and unshorn lambs marketed not later than March 31, 1962, are eligible for payments under the 1961 program, marketings after April 1, will be eligible for payments for the 1962 program.

Emory Robinson, Chairman of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation County Committee, points out that wool growers' sales documents must show the true net sales proceeds, including deduction.

Operation Support Underway Here

Mrs. Marvin McClure has been named chairman of "Operation Support" for Madison County Women's Democrat Party, it was announced today by Mrs. Ted L. Daniel, of Raleigh, state chairman.

The Democratic National Committee's "Operation Support" for the President's program was developed as a result of many requests from across the country asking how individuals and Party

Madison Man Injured Saturday In Wreck

Roy Wilson, 23, of RFD 3, Mars Hill, was injured about 3 p. m., Saturday when the car he was driving overturned down a 150-foot slope about 12 miles south of Mars Hill on Ponce de Leon Road, the State Highway Patrol reported.

Wilson was admitted to St. Joseph's Hospital in Asheville suffering a fractured collar bone and lacerations and abrasions. His condition was reported as fair Sunday night.

State Trooper A. L. Feldman, who investigated, said he had charged Wilson with auto larceny, reckless driving and no operator's license. The car, Feldman said, was reported stolen about 3 p. m. Saturday by the owner, Charles Hensley, also of RFD 3, Mars Hill.

A hearing has tentatively been set for April 23 before a Mars Hill justice of the peace.

ATTENTION FISHERMEN! Trout Season Opens Saturday In County

AIR ATTACK ON FOREST FIRES COMES TO STATE

Southern Appalachian Wildfires Target Of Aerial Assault

Three federal agencies, the U. S. Forest Service, National Park Service, and the Indian Service, have joined in portions of Tennessee, North and South Carolina, and Georgia to bring the latest in aerial techniques to the control and prevention of forest fires.

If you spot a white cloud cascading into forest lands of the mountain forests, it very likely will be a bomber attacking a forest fire. A World War II torpedo bomber based at the Knoxville, Tennessee, airport will bombard leading edges of forest fires with a white chemical, diammonium phosphate, which retards the spread of wildfire in the woods.

The chemical, although non-poisonous, is potentially dangerous to a person if hit directly by a load. It has a beneficial after effect though. When its effects as a damper is over, it remains in the woods as a fertilizer, aiding tree recovery from scorch damage and speeding future growth.

Wildfires in the southern Appalachian Mountains sometimes build temperatures on steep slopes into what fire fighters call a "blue up" fire. In these cases, the fire races through timber, searing everything in its path. Ground crews find control of such fires nearly impossible with tractors and other ground equipment.

A TBM plane loaded with 600 gallons of the chemical is called to attack the point or leading edge of the fire. Ground control then becomes possible by plowing fire

JOSEPH B. HUFF NAMED COUNTY RIHA CHAIRMAN

Joseph B. Huff, Marshall attorney, has been named Madison County membership chairman of the Roanoke Island Historical Association, it was announced this week by Mrs. Fred W. Morrison of Washington, D. C., chairman of the association's board of directors.

As one of the state-wide "committee of 100," Mr. Huff will join with other county chairmen this spring in actively promoting membership in the historical association. Mrs. Sam J. Erwin, Jr., of Washington, D. C., is state membership chairman.

Mr. Huff reports that association

Dean Lynch Has Article In May 'Baptist Student'

A Mars Hill College administrator has contributed an article to the May "Baptist Student," Southern Baptists' collegiate magazine.

Dean William L. Lynch dean of students, writes on "Meeting Personality Problems in College. Through anonymously presented examples of students he has known, he pictures the types of personality problems collegians frequently are confronted with and suggests helpful means of solution.

The "Baptist Student" is published monthly for the nine months of the school year by the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville.

9,000 Trout To Be Released In County Streams By May 1

A total of 1,800 miles of trout water will be opened to public fishing next Saturday, April 7, when the curtain goes up on the 1962 trout season.

Of the 1,800 miles of streams, 300 of the total flow in wildlife management areas, where an additional fee of \$1 is required for the privilege of fishing. The season ends Sept. 3, although a number of designated state streams will continue to be open water until the end of the month at a reduced creel limit of five fish per day. The regular season's daily limit is 10 trout per day of any size.

On opening day, it will be illegal to start fishing in any stream until 7 a. m. Thereafter, fishing will be permitted through the daylight hours from dawn until dusk. Night fishing is prohibited in all trout waters.

All residents over 16 years of age who fish with hook and line or rod and reel must have a statewide fishing license as well as a trout license. State and federal hatcheries plan to stock a total of 627,000 fish, which is slightly more than was planted last season.



In order that the readers of The News-Record may have some background of the two county men who are seeking the Democratic nomination for tax collector, below is published a brief summary:

Byard Ray

Byard Ray, 51, of Revere, has announced for the nomination of tax collector for Madison County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters in the May 26 Primary.

Mr. Ray is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Champ Ray, of Marshall RFD 1, and has long been active in the Democratic Party of Madison County.



Howard R. Edwards

Howard R. Edwards, 39, of Mars Hill RFD 1, (Gabriel's Creek Road) has announced for the nomination of tax collector for Madison County, subject to the will of the Democratic voters in the May 26 Primary.

Mr. Edwards is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Edwards of Mars Hill RFD 1, and the grandson of the late R. A. Edwards who once served as county commissioner.