



Annual Meeting Of Co-Op Held On Island Saturday

Estimated 700 Attend; List Of Prizes, Winners Given

If investor-owned power companies and cooperatives can't agree on such major problems as duplication of facilities, legislation should be worked out to settle the issue, some 700 members of the French Broad Electric Membership Corporation were told Saturday afternoon at their annual meeting in the high school gymnasium here.

"It is a shame that privately owned utility firms and cooperatives have to spend so much time defending themselves," State Rep. Lacy Thornburg of Jackson County told the gathering.

Thornburg, a candidate for reelection to the State House for Representatives, said other problems that private power companies and cooperatives fail to agree upon are taxation of cooperatives' earnings and situations which arise with municipal expansions.

"Private enterprise picks industries off with duplication of facilities by simply running a line mile after mile over areas served by cooperatives," Thornburg said. "Countless measures were introduced during the last General Assembly, but the legislation was defeated consistently by supporters of private companies. And no alternatives or suggestions were offered," Thornburg said.

Thornburg described what he called the effects of the work of lobbyists and propaganda mills in distorting the image of electric membership cooperatives in which they picture the co-ops as "destroyers of free enterprise."

He said the private firms, in (Continued To Last Page)

COUNTY BOND SALES REACH \$12,125 IN MAR

Cash sales of Series E and H U. S. Savings Bonds in North Carolina totaled over \$4 million in March, representing a gain of nearly 5 percent over sales of March a year ago.

Series H Bond sales showed a whopping increase of better than 104 percent, while Series E Bonds were off slightly more than 1 percent.

In the first quarter of this year bond sales in the state totaled \$14,009,622. This is an increase of more than 1 percent over the same 3 months' period of last year and represent 28 percent of North Carolina's quota of \$50 million for 1964.

Madison County sales in March were \$12,125. For the year, they amount to \$44,590. This is 27.3 percent of the county's quota of \$163,200 for 1964, according to Craig L. Radisill Jr., Volunteer County Chairman.

Chairman Radisill, in making this release, expressed his appreciation to those persons who buy and hold U. S. Savings Bonds, adding that "Today Savings Bonds are the country's most widely held securities and are absolutely guaranteed both as to safety and earnings."

Marshall-Hot Springs Game Here Monday

The Marshall-Hot Springs baseball game which was postponed due to weather, has been rescheduled for next Monday on the island at 3:30 o'clock.

WESTCO HEAD SAYS INCOME INADEQUATE

The president of Westco Telephone Co. testified at a rate increase hearing Wednesday that the company needs a rate boost because it failed by \$16,105 last year "to earn its fixed charges requirements."

"That is, it failed to earn what it is required to pay in interest on mortgage notes already issued," said Thomas H. Sawyer of Weaverville at a hearing before the State Utilities Commission.

No one appeared at the hearing to contest testimony offered by Sawyer and other company witnesses.

Sawyer and the other company witnesses testified that the \$238,227 rate boost being sought by the company would bring the com- (Continued To Last Page)



HOT SPRINGS STUDENTS NOW ON ANNUAL TRIP

30 Juniors, Seniors Left On Monday Night For Washington; N. Y.

30 members of the Hot Springs senior and junior classes left Monday night by chartered bus for the annual trip to Washington and New York City. They will spend days in the nation's capitol and two days in New York. The group plans to return Saturday night.

While in New York, the group will attend the World's Fair, as well as other points of interest. In Washington they will have guided tours to the numerous interesting points.

Accompanying the group were Roy Reeves, principal; Jimmy Lewis, junior sponsor; and Mrs. Hester Sams, senior sponsor.

COUNTY WOMEN ATTEND DEMO. MEET IN WASH.

Will Hear Pres. Johnson; Reception In White House

Six members of the Madison County Democratic Women's Club left Wednesday night for Washington, D. C., where they will attend the 1964 Campaign Conference for Democratic Women which convenes in Washington today (Thursday). The six members are Mrs. Dorothy B. Shupe, president of the county club; Mrs. Vernon Rynnion, Mrs. J. D. Buckner, Mrs. Glenwood Franklin, Mrs. Odell Cook and Mrs. Rankin Wallin.

Activities at the conference will include an address by President Johnson, lunch with Democratic members of the Senate and House of Representatives, and finally a reception at the White House with Mrs. Johnson as hostess.

President Johnson will address the ladies at 8:30 p. m., Thursday. Conference registration opens at 3 p. m., Thursday, followed by an informal get-acquainted session from 5:30 to 7:30 p. m.

Workshops are scheduled in "Political Action Projects," and "Campaign Communications."

There will be two continental breakfasts, and at least one "gala dinner" has been planned.

The delegates will pay tribute to the late Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt Saturday at a luncheon.

Topic of the luncheon tribute will be "Tomorrow Is Now." The Madison group plans to return Sunday night.

Jan Plemmons Is Vice President MHC Commuting Students

Norman Eugene Garrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom E. Garrison of Rt. 2, Weaverville, has been elected president of the Mars Hill College commuting students for the 1964-65 school year.

Janice Carole Plemmons has been elected vice president of the commuting students for next year. Garrison is a rising senior at the Baptist College.

Miss Plemmons, a rising senior, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Woodard Plemmons of Rt. 4, Marshall.

List Of County Precinct Officials Not Yet Available

Liston B. Ramsey, chairman of the Madison County Democratic Executive Committee, stated that a complete list of Precinct Officials, elected last Saturday, was not available.

Mr. Ramsey did, however, state that the complete list would be confirmed at the Democratic Convention to be held in Marshall on Saturday, May 9.

Soil Stewardship Week To Be Observed May 3-10

BIDS ARE OPENED ON FOUR WNC ROAD JOBS

Four Western North Carolina road projects were among 13 road building jobs on which the State Highway Commission opened low bids totaling \$4,630,980 Tuesday.

The following jobs and apparent low bidders for Madison County: 4.857 miles of grading, base course, bituminous concrete base, bituminous surface treatment and structures on Secondary Road 1395 from a point near its intersection with Secondary Road 1375 north-easterly to Secondary Road 1318; \$27,650.00, Asheville Contracting Co.; Structures, \$68,996.65, B. G. Young and Sons, Johnson City, Tenn.

Asheville Firm Buys Stock Of Local Car Dealer

The entire stock and equipment of Redmon & Worley Motor Company was purchased last week by Dependable Dodge Inc., of Asheville, it was announced this week by T. R. Worley, of Marshall.

Future plans of the Dodge Dealership in Marshall are uncertain but it was stated that officials of Dependable Dodge, Inc., will transfer the stock and equipment to their Asheville firm.

MARSHALL AND LAUREL TEAMS WIN HONORS

The Blue Ridge Federation Livestock Judging Contest was held at T. C. Roberson High School, April 23. The Marshall Future Farmers of America placed first in Dairy Judging and Laurel placed second. Members of the Marshall team were Stanley Boone, Edwin Wilde, Jerry Dale Hunter and Ralph Baldwin. Entering the contest from Laurel were Jerry Wallin, Gary Cook, Alvin Cutshall, and Russell Franklin.

In the beef judging, Laurel placed fourth with James Warren Franklin, Grover Gosnell, James Cutshall and Clarence Ginter as team members. The Marshall beef team was made up of Raymond Norton, Clarence Davis, Tony Graham and Everett Mace.

These teams are coached by B. L. Lunsford Jr., of Laurel High School and Jack C. Cole of Marshall High School.

The Marshall and Laurel FFA dairy judging teams will represent the Blue Ridge Federation in the District Dairy Judging Contest at Biltmore Farms, May 9.

FORTUNE HUNTING

The fortune hunting season is always open, but very few hunters hit the bull's-eye.

Protection Of Soil Is Very Essential; Use Judgment

Soil stewardship week, a nationwide observance which places emphasis on man's obligations to God as stewards of the soil, water and other related resources, will be celebrated locally May 3-10, according to E. C. Teague, chairman, Madison Soil and Water Conservation District.

This year's observance, with the theme, "To Each Among Us... A Share," underscores the responsibility which each citizen has in meeting the responsibilities of soil stewardship. The Madison Conservation District and some 2,940 companion districts throughout the nation are sponsoring this event for the tenth consecutive year.

Among the local events designed to encourage wide-spread recognition of Soil Stewardship Week are sermons in many churches, with emphasis on good stewardship of soil and water, and use of programs, booklets and posters. Place mats which direct attention to the value of responsible stewardship will be used by local restaurants.

The Madison Conservation District will distribute, upon request to churches of all faiths, bulletin inserts and booklets created particularly for this year's observance.

Through the 1964 theme emphasis is placed upon the fact that there is a clearcut need and opportunity to improve upon the conservation, wise use, and development of the nation's valued soil and water resources. In this year's booklet each citizen is asked to consider his share—

"In the great Society of mankind, (since) each of us has a God-given purpose for being. In our time each among us fulfills a mission in the long progression toward the ultimate design of our Maker.

"To each among, God has assigned a share in the expanding brotherhood of stewards. It is a membership of service, dedicated to the husbandry of lands and waters, forests and ranges, and the fish and game He has placed at our disposal."

Marshall PTA To Install Officers Monday Night

The Marshall Parent-Teacher Association will meet Monday night, May 4, at 7:30 in the school auditorium. A program of interest will be presented by some of the high school students. This includes a skit and special music. In addition to the program, officers will be installed.

Annual French Broad WMU Meeting To Be Held Tuesday

ANOTHER TAX CUT IS SEEN FOR FUTURE

Less than two months after an \$11.5-billion income tax reduction went on the books, President Johnson has held out the prospect of trimming taxes further—but not for a few years.

"It is still too early to make firm promises on further tax (Continued To Page Four)

Gabriel's Creek Baptist Church To Host Event

The French Broad Woman's Missionary Union will hold its 60th annual meeting on Tuesday, May 5 at 5 p. m. The meeting will be at the Gabriel's Creek Baptist Church, of which the Rev. Orlando Hawkins is pastor and Mrs. Clifford Bates is president of the Woman's Missionary Society.

In this Baptist Jubilee Year we will have as the theme for the program "For Liberty and Light." Dr. Forrest Feezor, interim pastor of the First Baptist Church of Asheville, will be the Missionary speaker. Before coming to Asheville recently, Dr. and Mrs. Feezor spent a year as missionaries in Taiwan. Dr. Feezor's message will close the program. The covered dish supper will be (Continued To Last Page)

TWO MARSHALL STUDENTS ARE GIVEN HONORS

Are To Attend Governor's School In Raleigh This Summer

Miss Donna Mary Parris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles "Bud" Parris, of Marshall Rt. 1, and Miss Cecelia Oriene Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde M. Roberts, of Marshall, have been selected to attend the Governor's School of North Carolina this year.

The two Marshall High School students have been notified of this (Continued to Last Page)

Marshall Lions, 4-H's To Serve Dinner On Island May 10

MHC Chorus Will Present Music Sun.

The combined voices of the Mars Hill College chorus and the touring choir will perform "A German Requiem" by Brahms in Moore Auditorium at Mars Hill at 3 p. m., Sunday, May 3.

Robert C. Rich, director of the two choral groups which comprise 110 students, said visitors will be welcomed and there will be no admission fee.

Soloists will be Mrs. Lee Haney (Continued To Last Page)

Second Sugar Cubes In Anti-Polio Drive To Benefit Thousands

As everyone should know by now, Sunday, May 10, is the time to get your second and final anti-polio immunization treatment at the various schools in Madison County. This second treatment is a duplication of the first treatment held March 8 throughout the county. It consists of swallowing a tiny sugar cube—that's all. It consumes only a few minutes time but the total protection a person gets lasts a lifetime. It's too great an opportunity to "forget" the second sugar cube.

For persons visiting the Marshall school, they will have an opportunity to get out of fixing dinner, too, as the Lions Club and 4-H Club is working together in sponsoring a delicious chicken dinner. (Continued To Last Page)

COON HUNTERS TO MEET HERE FRIDAY NIGHT

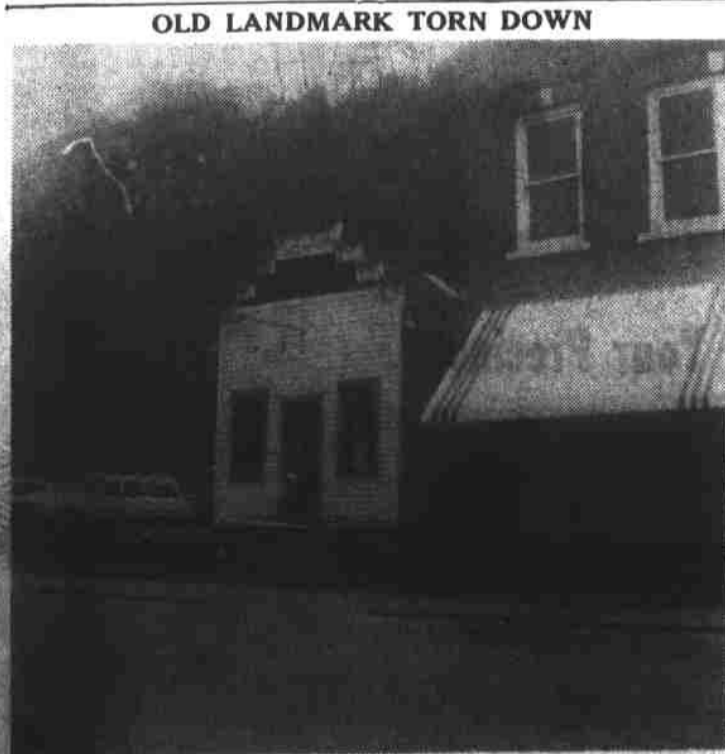
The Madison County Coon Hunters Association will have an important meeting at the Courthouse in Marshall, Friday night, May 1, at 8:00 o'clock.

All members, prospective members and other hunters are urged to be present at this important meeting.

BLOODMOBILE AT MARS HILL NEXT MONDAY

The Red Cross Bloodmobile is scheduled to be at the Baptist Church at Mars Hill next Monday, May 4 from 12:00 noon until 5:00 p. m. They will be prepared to receive 125 pints of blood.

It is hoped that a large number of persons from the community who usually give blood will respond to the call as well as a number of students from the college.



OLD LANDMARK TORN DOWN

Pictured above is one of Marshall's few remaining landmarks. Picture was made as former J. A. Hendricks law office, later used for different businesses was being torn down to make room for a parking area owned by Bowman Funeral Home.



MR. ROBERT EDWARDS (right) is seen with Governor Terry Sanford discussing plans for the North Carolina drive for the benefit of the John F. Kennedy Library. Mr. Edwards is serving as chairman for Madison County. The tribute, featuring Dr. Billy Graham as speaker, will take place on May 17 at Kenan Stadium on the University of North Carolina campus. Tickets are now on sale.