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Girl Scout Court Of Awards Held Monday

Impressive Program Held; Promotions And Achievements

Approximately 100 parents and friends of the Brownie, Junior, and Cadette Girl Scouts of Marshall, Mars Hill and Walnut, attended the impressive Court of Awards observance at the Marshall Presbyterian Church Monday night.

Mrs. Clyde M. Roberts, of Marshall, Madison Neighborhood Chairman, presided at the meeting and welcomed the guests and Scout officials.

Three members of the Mars Hill Junior Troop, Marilyn Chandler, Judy Ballard and Paula Sams, had charge of the opening flag ceremony with Marilyn serving as flag bearer. The entire group sang, "America," and the Marshall Brownies entertained the group with a song.

Mrs. Ellis (Betty) Edwards, Girl Scout Advisor for Madison County, recognized the Scouts who had sold over 100 boxes of cookies during the past year and also paid special recognition to the girls who had sold more than 100 boxes for more than one year.

Perhaps the most thrilling portion of the program was when the girls who were eligible for advancement crossed over the "bridges" neatly improvised at the altar which signified that they were now advanced into older groups. Each advancing Scout was welcomed to her new group by a Sister Scout.

Also entertaining were the numerous groups citing their experiences and achievements during the year.

A plaque bearing the Girl Scout Promise was presented to Mrs. Edwards by the Marshall Junior Scouts. The plaque will be displayed in the Scout Headquarters on King Street in Asheville.

The regular Awards program was concluded with a talk by Mrs. O. A. Gregory, Council President. Mrs. Gregory cited the responsibilities of parents in assisting their daughters in Scout activities and showing continuous interest in their achievements.

A delightful social hour was held in the Fellowship Hall of the church where refreshments were served.

Sprinkle, Brazil Are Named Marshall Grid Co-Captains

Bob Terrell Is Speaker At Banquet Here Last Friday Night

Marshall High School announced its athletic team captains for next year at the school's annual sports awards banquet Friday night in the gymnasium.

James Sprinkle and Ronnie Brazil will co-captain the football team, Buddy Ramsey and Brazil will co-captain the basketball team, Buddy Ramsey will captain the baseball team, and Pat Smith and Linda Adams will be co-captains of the girls basketball team.

Bobby Fisher was given an award as the most outstanding football player and Ralph Candler was voted best offensive performer. Buddy Ramsey was voted most outstanding baseball player and James Sprinkle the most improved.

Arnold Fox was voted the Senior Sports Award, Ralph Candler honored for four years participation in football and basketball and Buddy Ramsey got the sophomore award.

James Friesee and Johnny Fisher were voted the outstanding 9th grade students.

And finally the girls basketball coach, Jack Cole, showed how to solve a problem by naming all 12 of the girls who played on his Madison County championship team the most outstanding girls basketball players.

In other honors, Margaret Roberts was chosen "Cheerleader of the Year" and Faylin Niles received the "Most Improved" award.

CONE SPEAKS AT MHS ATHLETIC BANQUET TUES.

Program Enjoyed; Awards Are Presented By Roy Ammons

Fred Cone of the Clemson University Athletic Department, one of Coach Frank Howard's leading talent scouts, was the principal speaker at the Mars Hill High School athletic banquet Tuesday evening.

Athletes for all sports were honored at the fete sponsored by the Mars Hill Civitan Club.

The following program was enjoyed:

Invocation by the Rev. Charles Davis, pastor of Mars Hill Baptist Church; Welcome, John Anderson, president, Mars Hill Civitan Club; Toast, Dean R. M. Lee, Mars Hill College; Response, Ronnie Wallin; Music by high school group; skit, "Casey at the Bat," by the senior boys; Presentation of Awards, Coach Roy Ammons; Introduction of speaker, Principal Fred Dickerson, Mars Hill High School; Speaker, Fred Cone; Presentation of Civitan Club's best all-round athlete award, Jim Cox.

FLUORIDATION IS APPROVED BY ASHEVILLE TUES.

Asheville voted in favor of fluoridation of its water in Tuesday's municipal election by a margin of 1,074. The vote was 5,602 to 4,428.

Also in the Asheville election, the Democratic administration won reelection over a surprising showing by the Republican candidates.

WASTE OF TIME

If all the useless words spoken were placed end to end, they would reach some man trying his best to concentrate.

1,550 TROUT RELEASED IN COUNTY WATERS

In accordance with previously approved plans, the Wildlife Resources Commission has completed stocking 1,550 trout averaging 8 to 10 inches in length, in the waters of Madison County. These fish were produced at the Federal Fish Hatchery located near Pisgah Forest. Madison County Game and Fish Protectors Raymond Ramsey and Clyde Hunter directed the release of the fish and solicited assistance from members of the local wildlife club and other interested sportsmen.

The Wildlife Resources Commission points out that the cooperative effort of all those interested in the State's fish and game resources will be required to bring about better fishing, the favorite outdoor recreation of so many Americans.

THINK!

All the safety laws in the world are no substitute for the motorist who is safety-minded.

Legislative Committee Hears Row Over Education Board

MHS ALUMNI BANQUET HERE SATURDAY NIGHT

The Marshall High School Alumni Banquet will be held this Saturday night at 7:30 o'clock in the school cafeteria.

Last-minute reservations should be sent to Mrs. Bernard Reece, president, Box 444, Marshall.

Bill Rotan, a junior at Mars Hill College and Minister of Music at the Marshall Baptist Church, will have charge of an informal musical program. He will be assisted by other students of the college.

IMPORTANT EOA MEETING HERE TONIGHT AT 7:30

The first countywide meeting of the Economic Opportunity Act will be held tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 in the courthouse.

The responsibilities of the citizens of this county will be explained by a representative from the state office, Mr. Ward or Dr. James L. White. They will also explain possible benefits to be had in this county.

The public is urged to attend.

About 200 Citizens Attend Raleigh Hearing

Bulletin! Robins Take Off! (Picture On Page 6)

Legislative Committee Will Vote On Bill Next Week

RALEIGH — Madison County Democrats traded harsh words here Wednesday over a Republican sponsored bill to oust the present County Board of Education and its politically controversial chairman, Zeno Ponder.

The verbal exchange came at a public hearing by the House Education Committee.

The bill was introduced by Republican Rep. Mrs. F. Crafton Ramsey. It would install a new five-member bipartisan board June 1 to hold office until 1966 when members would be elected on a non-partisan basis.

At present the county board is appointed by the General Assembly and all of its five members are Democrats.

But some 200 Madison residents, many identifying themselves as Democrats, showed up here to support the effort to remove the Democratic board from office.

Two Democratic spokesmen vigorously protested the way the present board operates schools in the county while two other Democrats, including the school superintendent, defended it.

The House committee, all of whose members are also Democrats, postponed voting on the bill until next week.

Dr. W. O. Duck of Mars Hill told the committee Madison "has had enough and perhaps too much adverse publicity. The people are tired of it."

He said much of the present trouble in the school system stems from a crisis in 1961 when the principal of Mars Hill's School, Ralph Neill, was fired.

That resulted in a student boy-

Highlights Are Cited For 1965 Feed Grain Program

383 County Producers Will Divert 1,258.2 Acres To Conservation

Final reports on the 1965 feed grain sign-up confirm a new record in numbers of enrolled farms, intended acreage diversion, and amount of feed grain base acreage on signed farms, according to Emory Robinson, chairman of the Madison County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Committee.

Throughout the nation, sign-up totals for the program show 1,489,222 farms enrolled 36,722,900 acres for diversion, and base acreage of 87,024,000 acres on signed farms.

In North Carolina, 62,205 farms are enrolled in the 1965 feed grain

program, 709,355 acres to be diverted, and base acreage on signed farms total 1,112,952 acres. In Madison County, 383 feed grain producers have signed intentions to divert 1,258.2 acres of their corn base to a conservation use under this year's program.

Robinson pointed out that participating in the feed grain program is voluntary. If producers carry out program provisions as signed up, they qualify for acreage-diversion payments, price-support loans and price-support payments. Substitution of feed grain for wheat is possible, but the extent to which the substitution provision is used won't be known until program performance is checked prior to harvest this

summer and fall.

If farmers keep their intentions of diverting 36.7 million acres, production of around 2 billion bushels of feed grains will have been averted, and carryover stocks could be further reduced by the end of the 1965-66 marketing year. Peak end-of-marketing feed grain carryover, for 1960-61, was 3,188 million bushels. At the end of the current 1964-65 marketing year, the estimated carryover is 2,145 million bushels, a reduction of more than a billion bushels, or more than one-third. The 1965 program should result in additional reduction in feed grain stock, officials have said.

Highlights of the 1965 feed (Continued To Last Page)

12 WNC Funeral Homes To Stop Ambulance Service

Twelve funeral homes in Buncombe, Haywood and Madison counties have announced they will discontinue ambulance service to the general public at midnight June 30.

The announcement noted that "because of the necessity for purchasing complicated and expensive equipment, the maintenance of 24-hour service and the advancing demands of the wage and hour laws, the continuation of this service has become economically unfeasible."

"Consistently we have suffered great financial losses which have been highly detrimental to the continued operation of our facilities in the best funeral home tradition. We have postponed our decision to discontinue ambulance service when the same should have been done many years previously."

The announcement was not signed by seven funeral homes in Buncombe County, including five Negro funeral homes, and one in Haywood County.

The twelve which will discontinue service are Anders-Rice; Lewis; Dunn and Williams; Groce; Morris-Hendon-Black, all of Asheville; Crawford in Canton and Waynesville; Garrett in Waynesville; Wells in Canton; Bowman in Marshall; Holcombe in Mars Hill; and Harrison in Black Mountain.

Not included are West Funeral Home in Weaverville, Barryman-Hall Funeral Home in Asheville and Stanley Funeral Home in Canton.

The funeral directors declared

in their announcement that "it's our earnest conviction that the community will be able to replace this service by some adequate means or facilities. We extend our knowledge and our personal efforts to this end."

The decision apparently will place the burden of providing ambulance service on the governing bodies of the cities and counties affected.

Asheville City Manager J. Weldon Weir said he would direct the city's Public Safety Department and the Police Department to make a study to determine whether there would be adequate service after the announced discontinuance date.

Jesse Ray, owner of Jesse Ray Funeral Home, said that Negro funeral directors are considering whether to take similar action, but that no decision has been made.

Other funeral homes in Asheville are Henry, Hammessee, Allen, and Wilkins Mortuary.

Asked about the decision, J. William Hendon of Morris-Hendon-Black Funeral Home declared that the demand for ambulance service has become so great that "we can't function in our proper capacity as funeral homes."

Last year the loss to the 12 funeral homes who signed the announcement amounted to some \$100,000.00. There is no law which requires people to pay for ambulance service, and our collection ratio has been less than 50 per cent."

He pointed out that a recent survey conducted by the N. C. Ed-

ucation and Research Foundation in cooperation with the Institute of Government recommended legislation to establish ambulance service as a public utility.

Under such legislation, he said, ambulance operators would come under the jurisdiction of the State Utilities Commission.

He pointed out that the trend is toward abandonment of ambulance service by funeral homes, noting that Henderson County has been operating such a service for some time.

On the other side, Glenn West Jr., manager of West Funeral Home in Weaverville, declared that his firm will continue to provide service in the Weaverville area.

"We just want to take care of our own area," he said. "We want to be sure that our people are protected. We can't afford to walk off and leave the people who keep us in business."

Although his firm does lose money by providing the service, West said, his firm will continue doing so until some solution can be worked out to provide adequate service to all sections of the county.

He said he would be glad to get out of the ambulance business if and when he is assured that residents in his area are protected.

Dr. John E. Hoskins, president of the Buncombe County Medical Society, said he could not speak for the society because the group had received no notice of the action.

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Five Members Of MHC Faculty To Be Feted

Horse Show At Black Mountain On May 15-16

A horse show will be held at the Monte Vista Farm, Black Mountain, on next Saturday and Sunday. The event is sponsored by the Asheville Horse and Saddle Association.

The event will start Saturday afternoon at 1:00 o'clock and in addition to the afternoon show, a night show will get underway at 7:00 o'clock. Sunday afternoon's show will start at 2:00 o'clock.

Practically every kind of performance known will be displayed.

The public is invited to attend and thousands of horse lovers from this area are expected to be on hand to watch the performances.

MHS Boosters Club To Meet Monday

The Marshall Boosters Club will hold its regular monthly meeting next Monday night in the Home Economics room of the school.

All members are asked to attend.

WORRY ANGLE

Foreboding would be a greater institution if less of it was devoted to easing troubles that never happen.

Five members of Mars Hill College faculty who are retiring will be honored by the faculty and administrative staff at a dinner Friday night.

They are Dr. Ella Pierce, head of the English department; Harvey Lance of the math faculty and his wife, who is an assistant in the Student Center; Mrs. Cora Charles, hostess in Huffman; and Mrs. Ethel Moyers, a member of the English faculty.

In behalf of the college, President Hoyt Blackwell will present a remembrance gift to each of them and oral tributes will be paid by John McLeod, J. V. Howell and Dean Mary Logan.

Special music will be presented by four members of the music faculty, Mrs. Dorothy Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rich and Douglas Therrell.

A member of the faculty since 1925, Dr. Pierce will retire at the close of summer school. Not surprisingly, however, the vivacious little woman will not take up residence in her beloved rocking chair. She will move to Montebello, N. C., her family home, and join the English faculty of Chowan College, a Baptist junior college in the town.

Mrs. Lance, who has been a member of the math-teaching staff since 1944, and Mrs. Lance, who has worked in the library and held other jobs on campus, will return to their home near Washington, D. C. Mrs. Charles, who has been the housemother in Huffman for 15 years, will return to her home in Raleigh.

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