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ASCS Reporters Being Trained To Measure Farms In County

Compliance Is Explained; Local People Are Involved

The big job of checking compliance is now underway in Madison County, according to Ralph W. Ramsey, manager of the Madison County ASCS office. Some twenty-nine reporters have been trained, or are in the process of being trained, to measure some 2860 tobacco farms and 395 feed grain and wheat stabilization farms in Madison County.

In commenting on this work, Ramsey says that compliance is the backbone of ASCS farm programs. First, it establishes eligibility for payments, for marketing cards, and for price supports. Second, and more fundamental, the successful attainment of objectives of farm programs provided by agricultural legislation is in direct proportion to the degree of compliance with these programs.

To accomplish these purposes, acreages must be measured and crop and land use determinations made as soon after planting as practical in order that farmers may be given an opportunity to adjust their acreages before incurring unnecessary production costs or before it is time to issue marketing cards or make program payments.

Local people are employed as ASCS reporters at the county level to measure acreage and to obtain necessary information from farmers to establish compliance with the various programs. Compliance reporters are given thorough training before they are employed. The training includes instructions in the methods to be used in determining compliance and the program provisions for compliance determinations.

Field training and practice is given each before they begin work. In addition to the training, they must pass a written examination. The work of each reporter is checked by county and state compliance supervisors throughout the season. This enables ASCS to get an accurate job done and to maintain effective standards of work.

The ASCS reporter must secure the assistance of the farm operator or his representative when he visits the farm to make acreage

Madison Nine To Play French Broad Here Sat.

Meet Brevard Here Sunday; County Is Well Represented

Baseball fans in this area will have an opportunity to watch the Madison Nine, a team composed of players from various sections of this county, on the island here this Saturday and also on Sunday. On Saturday afternoon the undefeated county will host French Broad at 3 p. m. Both teams are battling for first place in the Buncombe County League.

On Sunday afternoon Brevard's strong team will come to Marshall to face the Madison Nine in another league game. The new 1965 team, managed by J. C. Wallin, is exciting and is loaded with potent material. Well balanced, the team has speed, pitching, defense and power. Thus far, the team has five consecutive victories and has not tasted defeat.

Taking a look at the roster, the Beech Glen-California Creek area is represented by Roger Buckner, Vonno Anglin and the Ponder brothers, Doug and Tony, who incidentally, are leading the team in batting percentage. Players from the Marshall-Walnut area include such "pros" as "Squash" Payne, Roy "Nationwide" Reeves, Bruce Ramsey, Tommy Mix and Manager J. C. Wallin. New faces include Harry Briggs, Larry Coody, Jerry Reed, Larry West, and others.

If you want to see some exciting baseball, attend the games here Saturday and Sunday.

KATHY BRIGGS CROWNED DAIRY PRINCESS HERE

Rebecca Cody Is Junior Dairy Princess; Entries Named

Miss Kathy Briggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Briggs of Mars Hill was crowned the 1965 Madison County Dairy Princess Monday night. She was crowned by Miss Ronnie Buckner, the 1964 Dairy Princess. Kathy was chosen from thirteen entries. Miss Hilda Gosnell and Miss Jewell Ball rounded out the top three finalists. Other entries were Loretta Lynn Gosnell, Charlotte Shupe, Judy Ann Ray, Virginia Ann Gosnell. (Continued on Last Page)

FB DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S CLUB MET ON FRIDAY

The French Broad Democratic Women's Club of Madison County met Friday night, June 11, in the Mars Hill Community Center. Mrs. Joseph B. Huff, president, presided.

Several new members were recognized and welcomed into the club after which Mrs. Huff spoke on the activities of Democratic Women's Clubs with particular emphasis on the activities, projects and projects of the French Broad club.

In the absence of the program vice president, Mrs. Otis Duck, the president announced projected program plans for that committee. Mrs. Gerald Young, membership vice president, reported on the club's membership drive and gave an additional welcome to the new members present. The minutes and treasurer's report were read by Mrs. Bruce Murray, recording secretary-treasurer, and the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Walter Smith, read a letter which the club had received from Governor Dan

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MISS PONDER IS NAMED OFFICER FOR TEEN DEEMS

Emagene Ponder, vice president of the Madison County Teen-Dem Club, was elected vice chairman of the 11th Congressional District at the caucus held Friday night at the 4th Annual State Teen-Dem Convention held at N. C. State University in Raleigh June 11-12. Her campaign speech was given by Charlotte Shupe, second vice president of the Madison Teen-Dems.

Joe Penland, president of the county club, served on the Constitution Committee. Elaberry Wyatt, program chairman, was in charge of campaign materials.

The group participated in work shops, discussed political issues, and voted on resolutions as well as candidates. The convention followed state and national procedures and delegates were grouped according to districts.

Principal speakers at the convention were William Creech of Washington, D. C., and John Bottorff, 27-year-old Secretary of State of Indiana.

The Teen Dems were chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. George H. Jones of Walnut, advisors for the club.

MISSING MAN DROWNS; FOUND HERE TUESDAY

The body of William Albert Cutshall, who was reported missing Saturday night, was found lodged against the lower bridge over the French Broad River here Tuesday afternoon.

A 13-year-old boy, Richard Meadows, discovered the body as he was walking across the bridge at 6:30 p. m. He and some companions retrieved it from the water and Dr. W. A. Sams, county coroner, said Cutshall had apparently drowned accidentally.

No inquest will be held. Cutshall, who lived on Alexander Rt. 1, was last seen Saturday. He is believed to have gone fishing on the river and the supposition is that he fell, either from a boat or the bank, into the water.

Services were held this (Thursday) afternoon at 2:30 in Oak Ridge Baptist Church, with the Rev. Alvin Ballard and the Rev. Kinsey Ball officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

M. H. COLLEGE CONFERENCES ARE SCHEDULED

Summer conferences on the campus of Mars Hill College are expected to attract almost 2,000 persons, college officials reported this week.

Nine off-campus groups have made reservations to use the dormitories, cafeteria and meeting rooms of the college for workshops and conferences.

First of these is the Baptist Faculty Fellowship Conference, which begins today (June 17). Sponsored by the Student Department of the Southern Baptist Convention, the meeting will attract about 75 Baptists who teach at colleges and universities throughout the South.

Four distinguished Christian educators will lead the three-day discussions. They include Dr. John Killinger of Kentucky Southern College; Dr. Kenneth Latourette, professor emeritus of Yale; Dr. Theron Price of Furman University; and Dr. Charles Wellborn, newly appointed as chaplain and professor of religion at Florida State University.

Largest group scheduled to (Continued on Last Page)

Methodist Pastors Remain Status Quo In This County

So far as can be learned, local Methodist pastors will return to this county following appointments made last week.

Returning are: The Rev. W. C. Clark, Marshall; the Rev. Durward Hoffer, Mars Hill; and the Rev. Harry Sellers, Hot Springs.

\$100 Reward Is Posted By Local Merchants Assn.

A \$100 reward has been posted and will be given for information leading to the arrest and conviction of anyone breaking into and/or robbing or damaging any firm operated by a member of the Marshall Merchants Association.

This action was taken Monday night at a meeting of the Association at Roberts Pharmacy. This precautionary measure was taken in hopes it would deter anyone who might think it easy to get away with a break-in or robbery.

By such action, it would also be beneficial for more merchants to join the association in order to get this added "protection." The \$100 reward only applies to stores or firms whose management is a member of the association.

EQUALIZATION BOARD RETAINS POWER HERE

A Republican effort to oust the Madison County tax equalization board and turn its responsibilities over to the county commissioners is dead.

A bill, introduced by Madison Rep. Mrs. F. Crafton Ramsey, will not be reported out by the House counties, cities and towns committee.

Chairman Henry Hill of Catawba said his committee will not act on the bill. The committee held its last meeting last week when it conducted a public hearing on Mrs. Ramsey's bill.

At that meeting, former Madison Rep. Liston B. Ramsey, the county Democratic Party chairman, said the tax board has completed 90 per cent of the work on a countywide revaluation program.

The work has cost about \$1,000 thus far, he said, and if the board is removed from office before the job is completed, he said, the money would be "thrown down the drain."

Hill said Wednesday a number of committee members did not feel that it would be wise legislation to interrupt a tax program nearing completion.

RONNIE WALLIN OF MARS HILL ON ALL-STATE TEAM

Star Wildcat 2nd Baseman Only WNC Player Chosen

Ronnie Wallin, star second baseman of the Mars Hill Wildcats, this week was honored by being selected on the All-State High School Baseball Team. This honor was announced by the Greensboro Daily News sports department who took a poll of the coaches in all classifications for nominations to the team. This includes Class A, AA, AAA, and (Continued To Last Page)

Union Bible School To Begin At Walnut Pres. Church Mon.

The Walnut Union Bible School will begin at the Walnut Presbyterian Church next Monday morning at 8:30 o'clock and continue classes daily through July 2. Classes are being arranged from nursery age through junior high school age. On closing day, July 2, a picnic will be held on the church grounds at Noon and the closing program will be presented at 7:30 o'clock that night.

Zink Gives Report Of Convention To Lions Club Here

Lion Jack Zink of the Marshall Club, was principal speaker at the semi-monthly meeting of the local Lions Club Monday night at the Rock Cafe.

Zink, who attended the recent State Convention of Lions International, in Fayetteville, gave a report of the convention and also told of the added tours and attractions while at the convention.

Following the report, members of the club discussed the Ladies' Night and Installation services to be held by the club on Monday, June 28 at the S&W Cafeteria in Asheville.

Lions Zink, Jim Story and Jack Cole are in charge of the program and arrangements. 14 members were present at the meeting.

Boosters Club To Meet Monday Night

Members of the Marshall Boosters Club are reminded that the regular monthly meeting will be held next Monday night in the home economics room of the school at 7:30 o'clock.

All members are urged to attend.

Head Start Program Gets Underway In This County

JEWELL BALL IS 4-H DRESS REVUE WINNER MONDAY

Wilma Gosnell, Runner-up; Sandra Hunter Is Junior Winner

Miss Jewell Ball of Little Pine was chosen as the 1965 4-H Dress Revue winner Monday night. She wore a white suit of 100% arnel triacetate and a red polka dotted blouse of 100% dacron, which she had made. She will represent Madison County in the district 4-H dress revue on June 22 at Clyde A. Erwin High School.

Runner-up in the senior event was Miss Wilma Gosnell of the Grapevine Community 4-H Club. She wore a coat and dress ensemble; the coat was of white cotton pique and the dress of pink and white dacron.

Sandra Hunter of Walnut Creek was the Junior winner, wearing a coat and dress outfit. The coat was of blue cotton, fully lined and the dress was of blue polka dotted dacron.

All of the girls who entered did a good job with their outfits. Other entries were: Margaret Lou Plemmons, Charlotte Shupe, Shirley McIntosh, Amelia Coates, and Maxine Rector.

Judges for the event were Mrs. John Denton and Mrs. Mary Runion.

CATHOLICS OF HOT SPRINGS START EFFORTS

Bible School Is In Progress; Volunteers Are Assisting

In efforts to further acquaint many in Madison County with the Catholic faith, a Bible School is in progress in Hot Springs daily from 9:30 to 12 Noon and in Revere from 2:30 to 4:30 o'clock with the public invited.

In addition to the Bible School, two Catholic Sisters - Sisters Mary Dolorine and Sister Mary Sheila are serving as mission helpers of the Sacred Heart.

Four college volunteers who are sacrificing summer vacations in (Continued to Last Page)

M. H. CIVITANS NAME JIM COX AS CITIZEN OF YEAR

Officers Installed Tuesday; Jack Belt Guest Speaker

Jim Cox, Mars Hill business and civic leader, was named "Citizen Of Year" by the Civitan Club members last Tuesday when officers were installed at the Community Building.

Paul Lockhart, Lieut.-Governor, Zone One, West, served as installing officer and Jack Belt, of WLOS-TV was guest speaker.

Other features of the program were the selection of two Wildcat representatives and recognition of the Mars Hill Wildcats, State Class "A" Champions.

Officers installed were: President, Jim Cox; vice president, John Denton; secretary, treasurer, Dennis McCurry.

Members of the board of directors are Dr. Charles Powell, Dr. Bruce Sams, Don Henderson, Howard Higgins, Owen Tilson and John Anderson.

Cox was lauded for his outstanding civic and community accomplishments during the past year.

BIDS RECEIVED FOR NEW M.H.C. BUILDING WED.

Construction Will Start In Near Future; Bids Total \$1,340,965.00

Bids totalling \$1,340,965 for construction of a huge new physical education building at Mars Hill College were received Wednesday by the buildings and grounds committee of the board of trustees.

Apparent low bidder for the general contract was Dickerson, Inc., of Monroe, N. C. Low bidders on subcontracts were Moser (Continued on Last Page)

EOA DIRECTORS TO MEET MONDAY AT COURTHOUSE

Corporation Is Approved; Charter On Way; Name Organization

The Rev. Jack Thomas, temporary chairman of the county EOA organization, stated this morning that the corporation papers had been approved and filed by the office of Secretary of State in Raleigh and that the charter was now in the mail.

He also said that the official name of the organization will be Madison Community Action, Inc.

As a result of this action, Mr. Thomas has called for a meeting of directors next Monday night at the courthouse at 7:30 o'clock when by-laws will be adopted and formation of a permanent organization will be set up.

All directors are urged to attend.

HARD TO CHANGE

In a school essay on "Parents," one little girl wrote: "We get our parents when they are so old it is hard to change their habits."

Tobacco In County Being Damaged By Black Root Rot

100 PATROLMEN AUTHORIZED

The North Carolina Legislature Monday night authorized the addition of 100 State Highway Patrolmen within the next two years. Fifty of the patrolmen would be added this year, 50 more the following year.

The measure, which will cost \$525,000 the first year and \$939,200 the next 12 months, cleared both the House and Senate without debate.

Fred Boss Receives Foot Injury In Mower Accident

Fred Boss, assistant agricultural extension agent here, received painful injuries last week-end while operating a power lawn mower on his property in Waynesville.

An inch of his first toe was cut off, the second toe was reset and the third toe was cut.

He is recuperating in Haywood County Hospital in Waynesville.

Ebbs Chapel, Beech Glen Tops In Response; Others Slow

J. C. Wallin, director of the Head Start Program in this county, stated this week that the actual teaching program in the eight centers got under way last Monday.

He stated that the teachers were busy visiting in various sections of the county trying to explain the benefits of the program for pre-school age children. Although the response was slow as the program got underway this week, Mr. Wallin hopes that more parents and children will participate as the program is further explained.

It will be recalled that this county receives 100% aid from the Economic Opportunity Act in administering this program and it is primarily for children of extremely low income families. The children are acclimated to school conditions, taught the many small methods and manner which will help the child when he enters public school next session and also gives them an opportunity to enjoy tours and playground recreation.

Mr. Wallin announced that Ebbs Chapel and Beech Glen led percentage-wise in participation of parents and children. "We are most encouraged with some sections but are disappointed in others," Mr. Wallin said.

"One of the main drawbacks at the present is the lack of volunteers to help in the transportation of children from their homes to the centers and back to their homes daily," Mr. Wallin explained.

"The Head Start program is not a "give-away" program but it is to encourage the less fortunate to help themselves with the aid of volunteers from higher income bracketed families," he said.

The program, itself, depends greatly on volunteer help for transportation as well as volunteers for tours, lunchroom aid, playground aid, etc. Approximately 200 county children should be involved in the program but they must have ways to attend classes, Wallin reiterated.

Parents wishing to get further information are asked to contact Mr. Wallin or R. L. Edwards, superintendent of schools.

BY HARRY G. SILVER
County Extension Chairman

Black root rot in burley tobacco forced many farmers to discontinue producing burley tobacco before 1931. In 1931 the Agricultural Experiment Stations developed Ky. 16, the first variety of burley tobacco with resistance to black root rot, "tobacco sick." During recent years all of the released varieties of burley tobacco have been showing susceptibility to black root rot. There is some variation in the resistance to black root rot with Burley 12 probably giving more resistance than any of the released varieties.

There are a number of factors which cause black root rot to be more prevalent. Continuous production of tobacco in the same land is an open invitation for trouble with black root rot. The application of stable manure in excess of 3 tons per acre causes black root rot to be more severe when it is present. Cover crops such as rye and other small grains, also make black root rot more severe. Rainy weather with cold nights seem to favor the development of the black root rot fungus.

Many Madison County farmers are experimenting with black root rot resistant varieties. It is hoped that these varieties will be available to the farmer in the near future.