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French Broad Association Meeting Highly Successful

Holt Is Elected Moderator; Fine Messages Feature Event

The Rev. Robert Holt, pastor of California Creek Baptist Church was elected moderator of the French Broad Baptist Association last Thursday, at the annual meeting.

He succeeds the Rev. Clell Fisher, who had held the post for four years.

Friday's portion of the two-day meeting of the 48-church organization of Buncombe and Madison County churches was held at Bull Creek Baptist Church. President Fred Bentley of Mars Hill College was the speaker.

Elected to serve with the new moderator were the Rev. Edd Jenkins, vice moderator; Joe Morgan reelected clerk; Mrs. Cory Wallin, treasurer; Perry Willis, Sunday School Superintendent; the Rev. Truman Fisher, Training Union Director; Mrs. W. Locke Robinson, WMU director; the Rev. Andrew Grindstaff, brotherhood director, and Mrs. Charles Carter, secretary of music.

Among the highlights of the two-day sessions were the challenging and stimulating messages, all of which were relevant to our times. Speakers included the Rev. W. V. Coffee, the Rev. Dearl Ammons and Dr. Fred Bentley.

Mr. Arthur Edmonds attended the associational gathering for his 47th time and Mr. Liston Carter, according to reliable sources, has attended the sessions since he was eight years of age. "These two records will be hard to beat," one person stated.

Another outstanding record is that of the Rev. David B. Roberts, Associational Missionary, who has faithfully served in his capacity for the past 20 years. Mr. Roberts was recognized for his fine and devoted work during these years. In return, Mr. Roberts expressed his appreciation and gratitude for the cooperation he has received.

School Lunchroom Managers Enjoy Meeting Friday

The County school lunchroom managers held their first meeting on Friday at the home of Mrs. Jean Robinson, County Nutritionist. The topic discussed was the directives for coming years work, and the scheduling of duties in order to prepare food for the menus of the week.

During the social hour Mrs. Robinson entertained with a supper. The guests present were Mrs. Christine Lunsford, of Marshall High School; Mrs. Mayme Drake, Mars Hill High School; Mrs. Mertie Ford, Laurel High School; Mrs. Delda Ponder, Ebbs Chapel; Mrs. Flora Burnette, Hot Spring High School; and Mrs. Ella Cook, Walnut School.

Lunch Menu for County Schools

- WEEK OF AUGUST 22
- MONDAY — Little Dagwood Sandwiches, Buttered Green Beans, Onion Slaw, Sliced Tomatoes, Corn Meal Muffins, Baked Apples.
 - TUESDAY — Ham Salad, Green Peas, Buttered Corn, School Made Rolls, Peach Cobbler.
 - WEDNESDAY — Pigs in Blanket, Potatoes in Jacket, Succotash, Tossed Salad, School Made Rolls, Cookies.
 - THURSDAY — Oven Fried CHICKEN, Mashed Potatoes, Peas with Carrots, Cabbage Pineapple Salad, School Made Rolls.
 - FRIDAY — Fish Sticks, Buttered Orbits, Green Beans, Slaw with Carrots, Sliced Onion, Fruited Jello, School Made Rolls.

JOHNNY RAMSEY KILLS WIFE AND SHOOTSELF

Both Formerly Of County; Incident Happens In Detroit

Reports reaching Marshall this (Thursday) morning reveal that Johnny Ramsey, 39, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ramsey, of the Hayes Run section of Marshall, shot his wife and then himself at their home in Detroit, Mich., about midnight Wednesday. His wife died instantly and late reports this morning reveal that Ramsey had died in a Detroit hospital.

Mrs. Ramsey was the former Geraldine Redmon who lived in Marshall before marrying Mr. Ramsey. Scattered reports revealed that Ramsey shot his wife while she was in bed and then shot himself. Surviving are two children, Gaynelle and Jodie.

They had resided in Detroit for about 16 years.

Mr. Ramsey was a graduate of Marshall High School.

Cedar Cliff Vs. Madison 9 Here Sunday Afternoon

Cedar Cliff will invade the Island here Sunday afternoon to do battle with the Madison Nine Baseball team. Game time has been announced at 3 p. m.

The regularly scheduled game again brings together the two top teams in the Buncombe County League.

Football Practice Underway; MHS-MHHS Clash Aug. 26

HOWARD RECTOR PASSES MONDAY; FUNERAL TODAY

Howard T. Rector, 57, died Monday afternoon, August 15, 1966 in an Asheville hospital after a short illness.

Mr. Rector was a native of Madison County and a son of the late W. L. and Ruth Stanton Rector of Madison County. He was employed as an attendant in a local parking lot, and was a member of Marshall volunteer fire department. He worked for the French Broad Electric Membership Corp. for many years.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Clem Johnson Rector; three daughters, Mrs. Shirley DeWeese of Marshall, Mrs. Clarence Deaver of San Pedro, Calif., and Miss Deborah Rector of the home; five sisters, Mrs. Bessie Dockery and Mrs. Mable Reed, both of Whitmire, S. C., Mrs. William Penland, and Mrs. Frank Sluder, both of Leicester, and Mrs. Ray Foster of West Asheville; four brothers, Jonah of Black Mountain, Pender of Asheville, Albert of Marshall and Edgar Rector of Morganton; a half-brother, Oscar Stanton of West Asheville; and five grandchildren.

Services were held at 11 a. m. this morning (Thursday) in the chapel of Bowman Funeral Home. The Rev. Jack Thomas officiated and burial was in Bowman-Rector Cemetery. Members of the Marshall Fire Department served as pallbearers.

Mars Hill Man Speaks To ABC

Walter Smith, director of public information for Mars Hill College, gave a talk about the future plans for the college at the Tuesday meeting of the Asheville American Business Club.

RED CROSS SETS OCTOBER FOR ANNUAL DRIVE

County Quota Increased To \$3300.00; Directors Meet Sept. 2

The month of October has been set for a membership drive for the local chapter of the American Red Cross. D. M. Robinson, County Chairman, announced that the budget for this year had been increased and that the quota set for Madison County was \$3300.00 in 1966. He stated that the coordinators and community workers would be announced at a later date.

The next meeting of the Directors of the Madison County Chapter will be held in the office of French Broad Electric Membership Corporation at 3:00 p. m. on September 2. After that date, further announcement of the membership drive will be made.

One Million Dollars From Tomatoes By '71

Senate Votes LBJ New Authority To End 'Umbrella'

The Senate voted solidly Wednesday to give President Johnson standby authority he did not seek to call thousands of young Reservists and National Guardsmen to duty, as individuals, for possible use in Viet Nam.

The 66-21 vote tying the provision into the \$58-billion annual defense money bill came after hours of heated debate.

SCOTT HARVEY ADDRESSES GOP HERE LAST FRI.

Republican Candidate For Congress Lashes Out At LBJ Administration

Addressing the Republican Women's Club of Madison County at their meeting at 7:30 p. m. in the Madison County Courthouse, Friday the 12th of August, Scott Harvey, Republican Candidate for Congress in the 11th District, lashed at the credibility gap in the Johnson Administration.

"The Press has been told by the Assistant Secretary of Defense not to expect the truth about the Vietnam war from the government."

"Now we find Orville Freeman, Secretary of Agriculture, telling Democratic candidates to 'slip, slide, and duck' questions about the rising cost of food and about (Continued To Last Page)

The study committee of the Extension Advisory Board on Trelised Vine-ripe Tomatoes included representation from each school district of Madison County. Every member on the committee has had experience as a producer or is associated with a marketing structure.

Advisory Board Member



Spencer Rollins of Meadow Fork Member of Madison County Extension Advisory Board and of the Study Committee on Trelised Vine-ripe Tomatoes.

Spencer Rollins, from the Spring Creek school district, an experienced tomato producer, is also a member of the Agricultural Production Committee of the Extension Advisory Board. Spencer served with Fred Barnett, of the Hot Springs school district, an experienced producer; Gordon Shelton, a producer of the Laurel school district; Vance Edwards, a producer from the Mars Hill school district; and Leonard Baker, secretary of Mato Packing Co., Inc., of the Marshall and Walnut school districts.

Information relative to the outlook of summer tomatoes, national labor policies, growth history of Trelised Tomatoes in Madison County, marketing trends, production possibilities, labor availability, and attitude of farmers were studied and analyzed. Attention was given to disease problems, things to be learned by farmers in order to become successful tomato producers. Possible hazards of marketing structure and organizations were studied by the committee. After serious thought and study was made on the major factors relative to a sound educational program in vine-ripe tomatoes, the committee agreed that reasonable goals for tomato production and marketing from Madison County by 1971 could be an increase in acreage production over the 1965 season in each school district of 100% from Spring Creek; from 75% to 100% from Hot Springs; 100% from Laurel; by 200% from Mars Hill; and 100% from Marshall.

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General Cut In Title I ESEA Projects Hits County

CRAIG NAMED N.C. WELFARE HEAD

Raleigh — Assistant Commissioner of Welfare Clifton M. Craig was elevated to commissioner last week after Dr. R. Eugene Brown resigned the post, effective Oct. 31.

Brown, 68, gave his age as the reason for his resignation. Brown read his letter of resignation to the State Welfare Board at its regular meeting. Chairman Robert C. Howison then announced the appointment of Craig. Craig will assume his duties Nov. 1. He has been assistant commissioner since Feb. 1, 1965. He is a retired Marine Corps colonel and was formerly with the Chamber of Commerce in Durham, his hometown.

Brown will stay with the department "for a few months following his resignation as a consultant," Howison said.

"This is a step we feared would be taken," Howison said.

"When I became chairman of the board in September, Mrs. Brown indicated his desire to retire but I asked him to stay on at least during the initial months of my tenure."

Brown has been with the department since 1925. In 1962 he was named assistant commissioner and was elevated to the job as commissioner when Dr. Ellen Winston resigned to become the first U. S. commissioner of public welfare.

Doubt Is Cast On Passage Of Gun Bill

Committee action on a bill to control gun sales was blocked Wednesday, and Sen. Russell B. Long of Louisiana, acting Democratic leader, predicted no legislation will be passed this year.

A meeting of the Senate Judiciary Committee to take up the bill was canceled after only five of the 16 members showed up. This was four short of a quorum of nine.

ASC Community Committee Election To Be Held Soon

CEDAR CLIFF, MADISON GAME RAINED OUT SUN.

The Madison Nine and Cedar Cliff fought to a 13-inning deadlock and then the rains came Sunday in a Buncombe County League baseball game. The game will be picked up with an 8-8 tie going into the 14th frame at an undetermined time.

The game was picked up in the sixth inning after having been delayed once before. It was a preliminary to a regularly scheduled game which was also rained out.

Madison led 6-5 going into the bottom of the sixth. Bill Pace walked and came home on two consecutive singles to tie the count.

Madison went ahead again in the ninth when it scored on a walk, a single and Doug Ponder's double to left which sent two runs across.

Cedar Cliff again knotted the count at 8-8 in the last half of the inning on Pace's single, Bill Drake's triple and Robert Newton's single.

Cedar Cliff threatened to wrap it up in the 12th when it loaded the bases with none out, but Doug Ponder came on to pitch and set the next three batters down in order.

WEST ACCEPTS PASTORATE OF M.H. BAPTIST CH.

To Begin Duties September 1st; Is Well Qualified

Dr. Elmer S. West, Jr., pastor of the Ravensworth Baptist Church in Annandale, Va., has accepted an invitation to become pastor of the Mars Hill Baptist Church on September 1.

Well known throughout the Southern Baptist Convention, he was secretary for missionary personnel for the convention's Foreign Mission Board in Richmond from 1953 until 1963. He left the Board in November 1963 to become minister of the seven-year-old church in suburban Washington.

"My move to the more restricted area of the local church," he explained in leaving the Board, "will not diminish my commitment to world witness nor my desire for involvement in the larger task, the vitality of the local churches and the commitment of the individual believer to his Lord."

The church to which Dr. West has been called is closely affiliated with Mars Hill College. The (Continued on Last Page)

Advanced First Aid Course To Start Sept. 14

John Martindale, Red Cross First Aid Instructor, announced this week that an Advanced First Aid Course would begin in the REA Building here on Wednesday, September 14 and will continue for five weeks or more. Sessions will be from 7 p. m. to 10 p. m. every Wednesday, it was explained.

Instructors will be Ron Rogers and Bill Guterwill, both Red Cross instructors.

For further information, contact Mrs. Faye Reed, Marshall.

Will Not Affect Teachers; Some Equipment Is Curtailed

O. E. Roberts, county ESEA coordinator, made the following statement this week:

"On August 15th we were advised by the United States Office of Education that a general cut for the year 1966-67 for Title I Projects has been made. This cut in Madison County funds amounts to \$70,648.00.

"Personnel connected with the administration department of your local ESEA Title I Agency have worked for the past three months to establish and promote a program of education in Madison County. This cut has greatly curtailed our program which is to be regretted by all citizens interested in the education of our children. There is nothing that we can do to remedy this withdrawal of funds from our county.

"Apparently many of the 1,000 counties participating in this program have failed to use the funds allotted to them. The failure of many counties in the United States to use their appropriated monies has been responsible for the government making this deduction of funds. We hope the general public will understand why the local ESEA Title I will have to greatly limit their program for the coming year.

"Since January 18th, 1966, we have spent a total of \$332,000.00 in the school system of our county. We feel that none of this money has been misused and that our children have been greatly helped by the program provided for them."

Mr. Roberts explained, however, that this general cut in funds will not affect the teaching program under ESEA Title I in any of the county's schools. He also stated that equipment would continue to be placed in schools although the total amount will not be as great as first planned.

PONDER BLASTS DANIELS ABOUT FDR INCIDENT

Following recent newspaper articles which revealed some of the contents in a book written by Jonathan Daniels, of Raleigh, which concerned the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt and his personal life, has been criticized by many throughout the nation. Although many believe it proper to inform the public on such matters, others consider it poor taste and unethical.

Below is a letter written to Mr. Daniels by Zeno Ponder, which clearly reveals Mr. Ponder's feelings in the matter:

August 15, 1966

Mr. Jonathan Daniels
News & Observer
Raleigh, North Carolina
Dear Mr. Daniels:

I am not accustomed to writing to editors. As a matter of fact, this is the first time I have ever attempted to do so.

The AP story datelined New York, revealing some of the contents of your book was, I believe, the most sickening lines I have ever read from a newspaper.

As an assistant to FDR, I believe along with many others that common decency, to say nothing of the code of ethics of the news media, would forbid stirring up a new and unproven and perhaps unfounded rumor which tended to destroy the leadership of one of the greatest Presidents this country has ever had.

Mr. Daniels, I met you personally and I know you come from a fine heritage and I know of the connections of your family with another great President, Harry S. Truman. Please tell me if you can, why you consider it worthwhile, helpful, or even necessary (Continued To Last Page)