

## Day Care Centers Are Planned For County

### Volunteers Are Needed To Care For Mentally Retarded

The Marshall office of the Opportunity Corporation and the North Carolina Council on Mental Retardation have announced plans to organize a series of Day Care Centers for handicapped children in Madison County. The centers will serve physically and mentally handicapped children between the ages of 2½ and 16 who are not in public schools. Initially the centers will provide educational and recreational activities three mornings a week, but hopefully will expand to five mornings a week as volunteer staffs are found.

The Opportunity Corporation and the North Carolina Council on Mental Retardation hope to establish day care centers throughout the county wherever there are four or more handicapped children, and wherever a volunteer staff and donated space can be located. The centers will be staffed entirely by volunteers, but will receive as much professional guidance as is necessary. Volunteers will be trained by the staff of the Pre-School Training Center of the Opportunity Corporation in Asheville.

Volunteers are needed from all parts of Madison County. The only requirement is that volunteers be sincerely interested in helping handicapped children. Volunteers may donate as little as one or two mornings per month, or as much as three mornings per week. It is hoped that enough volunteers are found to make it possible to rotate the staff each day of the week. Civic or church groups may also wish to take on part of the work of a center as a project. Volunteers are also needed to help transport children. Play materials such as pots and pans, small chairs, blocks, mats, mattresses, and other play equipment are also needed. Any interested person or group is invited to donate any useable equipment.

Interested people may also assist in the establishment of Day Care Centers by helping locate handicapped children who might use such a service.

Any person willing to donate time or equipment or who knows of handicapped children who might use this service, please contact one of the following persons: Mrs. Dorothy Arrington, The Opportunity Corporation, Box 472, Marshall, N. C., Phone 649-6651, 689-5842 (home).

Mr. Robert S. Brunk, The Opportunity Corporation, Box 472, Marshall, N. C., Phone 649-6651.

Mrs. Beatrice Fulcher 13 Norwood Ave., Asheville, N. C., Phone 254-4190.

## COUNTIES GET \$63,421 GRANT IN OEO FUNDS

Madison and Buncombe Counties, have received a federal grant of \$63,421 for a four-month administrative program for Madison County.

The announcement was made Friday by Leveo V. Sanchez, director, Middle Atlantic Region, OEO.

The applicant agency is the Opportunity Corporation of Madison and Buncombe counties.

This component funds the administrative personnel and related costs, and the outreach personnel, for Madison County, as they phase out of their program development operation.

Under the direction of Marietta Subart, the staff consists of seven professional, and 11 non-professional employees.

### KEEPING AFLOAT

Taking advantage of a raft of friends is the only thing that keeps some people afloat.

## GARDEN CLUB WILL ASSIST IN IMPROVEMENTS

The Marshall Garden Club held a called meeting on Tuesday morning at the home of Mrs. Overton Gregory, president, for the purpose of considering a request from Mayor Bewley Tweed that the group assist in directing certain clean-up and weed removal projects planned for the town.

The group agreed to give time and to enlist volunteers who might give time in assisting in the direction of the immediate clean-up of the street leading to the north side of town, from the vicinity of the Free Will Baptist Church to the intersection of the Walnut Creek Road. Other suggestions were heard, and the Marshall Garden Club pledged total support of the effort being made by the city officials to put to good use the young labor force now available to them. The group expressed the hope that property owners would cooperate where needed, both in this and other improvements being planned. Mrs. W. A. Sams and Mrs. J. B. Tweed were asked to represent the Garden Club in planning with Mr. George Penland, co-ordinator; and Mr. "Chick" Marlor, on-the-job director.

### IRRESPONSIBILITY

One fellow to another in line to receive unemployment checks, "It frightens me sometimes when I realize that this administration with its fiscal irresponsibility, is no sane means of support."

## Phone Complaints Called Justified

### Vice President, Continental Corporation, Makes Statements

The vice president of Continental Corp. told the State Utilities Commission Thursday afternoon of last week that his firm recognized the problems existing with phone service in the area covered by its sister phone companies and was willing to work with the commission and community leaders to solve them.

Robert F. Finch of St. Louis, Mo., stated before the commission's hearing that there was "much justification in most all the complaints" aimed at Western Carolina and Westco Telephone Companies.

The purpose of the four-day hearing held in the federal courtroom at the Asheville Post Office, was to study the adequacy of telephone service in the 11 Western North Carolina counties served by Western Carolina and Westco Telephone Companies.

Thursday brought over 100 witnesses from throughout the area involved to testify with various

WILL OPEN NEXT MONDAY AFTERNOON



The Mats plant, located just off the Marshall by-pass, will open for the third season here next Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Officials have announced that many improvements have been made in the facilities and another successful season is hoped for despite unavoidable weather for tomato production.

## 82 Die In Plane Crash Wednesday

### Hayes Run 4-H Club To Sponsor Square Dance Saturday

The Hayes Run 4-H Club Square Dance Team is sponsoring a Public Square Dance at the Marshall Skating Rink this Saturday night at 8:00 o'clock. Admission will be \$1.00 per adult couple; students 25c. The Square Dance Team has been invited to 4-H Club Week in Raleigh to perform and proceeds from the dance will help to pay their way to Raleigh.

### Jet Liner - Private Plane In Collision Near Hendersonville

A two-engine private plane, flying in an area for which it had not been cleared by the Asheville Airport tower, collided Wednesday with a Piedmont Airlines jet liner which had just taken off from the Asheville facility. Eighty-two persons, including Navy Secretary-designate John T. McNaughton died in what witnesses described as at least two explosions and a fire which plunged to earth in a trash dump near a private summer camp, Camp Pine-wood, two miles northeast of Hendersonville and only 200 feet from Interstate Highway 26.

Seventy-nine — 74 passengers and a crew of five — were aboard the airliner. Three others were aboard the private plane, a Cessna 310. The crash occurred almost precisely at noon.

Narrowly escaping injury or possible death were the 150 boys and girls at the camp. In addition 36 passengers who got off the ill-fated Boeing 727 just before it departed Asheville Airport could thank Lady Luck they hadn't decided to extend their travels.

Ferishing with McNaughton were his wife and son, 11, who were returning from summer camp. It was the third and worst fatal accident for 19-year-old Piedmont Airlines, which has its headquarters at Winston-Salem, and the worst in North Carolina history.

Although pieces of the two planes and bodies of passengers plummeted over a mile and a half area of the crash site, no resident on the ground was hurt. A young girl was hit by some of the debris at her home on Highway 64 about a mile and a half from the crash scene, according to Henderson County Sheriff James F. Kilpatrick. The child (Continued To Last Page)

## Work, Plans of Community Action Are Explained Here

### HARWELL NAMED DIRECTOR NYC IN M-B COUNTIES

Jerry Harwell, a native North Carolinian with experience in coaching, sales, and business administration, has been named director of Neighborhood Youth Corps for the Opportunity Corporation of Madison-Buncombe Counties.

The Opportunity Corporation is the local community action agency for Madison and Buncombe Counties and receives funds for its operations from the North Carolina Fund, the Office of Economic Opportunity, and the Department of Labor, as well as from local sources.

Harwell, 34, will join The Opportunity Corporation staff on July 24. For the past four years he has been contract manager for Pritchard Paint and Glass Company on Ashland Avenue.

He is a native of Maiden, N. C., where he attended elementary and high school. He graduated from Appalachian State Teachers College in 1957 with majors in mathematics and physical education, with special courses in psychology and education.

Prior to coming to Asheville, Mr. Harwell was employed by a glass company in Florida as a salesman. He also taught school and served as physical education instructor. His military experience includes four years with the U. S. Navy as an aviation electrician.

### MARSHALL BOYS ARE INJURED IN AUTO WRECK

Rennie Brazil and Johnny Reid, both of Marshall, escaped serious injury last Friday night around midnight when the car they were riding in struck a bank and slid across the highway toward the French Broad River where it overturned. The accident occurred about six miles from Marshall on Highway 25-70 near the Bob Carter place.

Both young men were rushed to an Asheville hospital. Ronnie received deep cuts on the arm and facial lacerations. Johnny received head injuries and cuts about the face. They are both recuperating at their homes here.

Konnie is the son of Mrs. Charlie Nix and Johnny is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fleet Reid.

The 1965 Chevrolet, driven by Brazil, was demolished. Observers stated that both young men were wearing seat belts which probably prevented more serious injuries.

### Mr. Merchant!

Serious thought is being given the possibility of practically all stores in Marshall remaining open every Friday night until 11 o'clock. By doing this it will afford the public an opportunity to shop in Marshall after getting out work.

The subject was discussed at the Marshall Merchants Association meeting here Tuesday night and it was decided to have a public hearing of the matter next Tuesday night in a room to be named.

Another important topic under consideration is a promotion to coincide with the Mats tomato season. Preliminary plans indicate that a Tomato Queen will be selected during the promotion probably in the middle of August. This, too, will be discussed by the merchants next Tuesday night.

All merchants interested in cooperating to make Marshall a more progressive town are urged to attend.

### SPRING CREEK CLASS REJOINS AFTER 30 YEARS

All but one of the members of the Spring Creek High School class of 1937 attended the first reunion of the class Sunday, July 9 at the school.

Hard Woody, who was killed in action in World War II, was represented by his sister, who was Bonnie Woody and now lives in Ohio. She was the class mascot in 1937.

Mr. and Mrs. Romaine Meadows, who were the class sponsors, also attended from Knoxville.

Plans to continue the reunion on a five-year basis were discussed.

Members who attended were Hazel Balding Suttles, Mars Hill; Burgess Brown, Swannanoa; Noeland Coward, Miami; Ruth Davis, Leicester; Edith Ferguson Plemmons, Clyde; Dallas Holland Mathis, Hazelwood; Wilma Holt Weston, Tulsa, Okla.; Wilbern Packett, Marion; Cole Plemmons, Dearborn Heights, Mich.; Grace Plemmons Woody, Melvindale, Mich.; Wiley Plemmons, Marshall; and Agnes Reeves Kirkpatrick, Morristown, Tenn.

### Mayor Invites Public To Town Officials' Meetings

Mayor J. B. Tweed invited "anyone who can help solve our many problems" to attend the aldermen's meeting at the city hall on the second Thursday night in each month at 7:30 o'clock. "Maybe some of those persons who are continually griping can help solve some of the problems," Mayor Tweed commented.

### On-Going Projects Are Cited; Low-Income Families Helped

A grant to employ 27 people to combat poverty in Madison County has been received by The Opportunity Corporation of Madison-Buncombe Counties.

This grant of \$3,421 from the Office of Economic Opportunity will make possible the continuation of work begun by Madison Community Action, Inc., and continued by The Opportunity Corporation of Madison-Buncombe Counties, since the two agencies merged in February. The program will use a two-pronged attack against the problems of low-income people. This will be done through improvement of community services and through community action by organizations of low-income people.

Most of the jobs will be filled by low-income people. The grant also provides for a project director, a director of community services, a director of community organization, a social worker, a public health nurse, and a job developer.

A multi-purpose center to be housed in the Marshall Community Center will allow coordination of Opportunity Corporation services with services of local, state and Federal agencies. The Center will provide outreach operation into the homes as well as referral services and transportation for people in isolated areas.

The community service director, Robert Brunk, helps to coordinate existing social service agencies, both public and private, and to fill the gap with services provided by the staff of The Opportunity Corporation. Under his supervision, the social worker and public health nurse will work with low-income families and with other agencies. There will also be several community service workers working with families to help them to get better social services.

Henry Zingg, director of community action has under his supervision a job developer, Bob Drummond, who will work with local agencies and local people to try to find more and better jobs. He will also have several community action field workers who will work with community (Continued To Last Page)

### Connor Promoted To Police Chief

David Connor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Connor, of Marshall Route 2, has been promoted to police chief of Marshall. Connor has been serving regularly as policeman for more than a year.

### Marshall By-Pass Gets New Surface

A new surface from the Ivy Bridge to the north end of the Marshall By-Pass is almost completed.

"It's a vast improvement and makes for much more enjoyable driving," one motorist said.

## Late Blight -- A Threat To Madison Tomatoes

Tomato late blight is doing serious damage to some tomato crops in Madison County. This disease could do serious damage to every tomato crop in the county, Harry Silver, farm agent, said this week.

### HISTORY

Late blight of tomatoes is caused by a fungus, "Phytophthora infestans." This fungus causes blight in potatoes and was first known in 1850. In 1864 it caused the potato famine in Ireland which resulted in the death of 600,000 people. Thousands of other people from Ireland came to

the United States to avoid starvation.

### HOW LATE BLIGHT STARTS

Late blight lives through the winter in potato tubers. If weather conditions become favorable and tomatoes have not been kept covered with a good spray material the disease may break out. Weather conditions most favorable for the spread of late blight are as follows: (1) Low night temperatures, below the point when dew forms, (2) High humidity, 91 to 100 per cent and, (3) Cloudy, overcast days. Under these conditions the seedling bodies, spores, of the late blight fungus produce in abundance and spread over a wide area.

Early appearance of late blight on tomatoes is irregular, greenish-black, water-soaked patches on older leaves. These spots grow fast and a white downy growth can be seen on the under-side of the leaves. With fast spreading the plants almost look like they had been hit by frost. Tomatoes on the affected plants may show a grayish green, water-soaked spot, which enlarges and may cover half the fruit. It later turns brown and sunken.

This disease can spread on to

tomatoes in storage and in shipment.

### HOW TO CONTROL

#### LATE BLIGHT

Since potatoes are the source of the disease they should not be followed by tomatoes. If potatoes are near tomatoes they should be sprayed.

Maneb as Manasat D, Diathene M-22 Special or other brand names are the best recommended chemical for control. Maneb should be kept on the plant at all times, both on the under surface and on top of the leaves. This

will require spraying at least every five days and in rainy weather more often.

Maneb will not control botrytis blight; so Dyrone should be included in the spray for control of botrytis.

Some of the copper compounds such as Copper-A Compound, or Tri-basis Copper Sulfate will control late blight, but they WILL NOT control early blight, or botrytis blight.

Tomato producers who keep a good spray program and get good coverage will not be a victim of late blight.

## TAX RATE FOR COUNTY SAME - \$2.05 PER \$100

The summary of the Madison County budget estimate reveals that the current tax rate is the same as in the past — \$2.05 per \$100 valuation.

The complete budget estimate, itemized, will be published at a later date.

### COMING OR GOING

The measure of any kind of trouble depends a lot on whether it is coming or going.