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Payrolls In County Up 17% In Past Two Years

Survey Reveals 17 Percent Increase In Taxable Payrolls

According to data just released by the government, the number of business establishments in operation in Madison County is at a high level.

In proportion to population, there are more of them flourishing in the local area than in many other sections of the country.

The facts and figures are contained in a report, issued by the Census Bureau, covering every county in the United States. It provides information on the number of people employed in each community, on their distribution by industries and on the size of local payrolls.

It is based upon tax reports that were submitted by employers to the Social Security Administration, relative to last year's operation.

Listed in Madison County are a total of 109 business firms that employ one or more persons.

Of this number, 64 have 3 employees or less, 27 have from 4 to 7 employees and 14 have 8 to 19. The rest are larger.

The figures show that moderate-size enterprises predominate in the local area, as is the case generally throughout the country, and that they are able to operate successfully despite the competition of big business.

Approximately 96 percent of the total businesses have fewer than (Continued to Last Page)

HALLOWE'EN CARNIVAL HERE NEXT THURSDAY

Plans are being made for another enjoyable Halloween Carnival which will be held next Thursday night in the Marshall school auditorium. The program will begin at 7:00 o'clock and plenty of fun is in store for those attending.

In addition to the selection of a King and Queen, games will be played, contests held, fortune telling, bingo and other attractions enjoyed.

"Make plans now to attend this year's Halloween Carnival," one member of the school faculty said.

300 Democrats Enjoy Fund Raising Dinner Here Saturday

"Pat" Taylor Main Speaker; Others Speak; Skit Enjoyed

Approximately 300 people attended the fourth annual \$5 a plate fund raising dinner Saturday night in the Marshall School cafeteria sponsored by the Madison County Democratic Women's Club, according to Mrs. George B. Shupe, president, who served as mistress of ceremonies.

H. Pat Taylor, candidate for lieutenant governor scoffed at predictions that the Democratic Party is in trouble. He said that Republicans who make such predictions are deceived. "We just like a fuss," he said of Democrats, "and when we are fussing we are just multiplying."

Taking up where Woodrow Wilson left off 50 years ago, Taylor said the Republican Party hasn't had a new idea in 100 years. Wilson, in 1918, had charged that the GOP hadn't had a new idea in 50 years.

Taylor reminded his listeners of the Herbert Hoover era — "his back, Hoover cars, and when there wasn't standing-room in the black-berry patch."

Also speaking was Lamar Outger, Western North Carolina chairman of the Citizens for Humphrey-Muskie. He drew some parallels between this election and that of 1948. Twenty years ago, he noted, Harry Truman was running against a Wall Street lawyer named Tom (Continued to Page Two)

JUNIORS' FLOAT WINS FIRST PLACE FRIDAY

The Junior float was judged the best in the Homecoming parade which was held here last Friday afternoon. The float featured a student "professor" with his hand on a giant artificial report card. In the white bedecked float were printed "A Winner Never Quits."

The Senior float won second place and featured a giant football player on white flooring made of hundreds of napkins.

Other floats were by the Sophomores, Freshmen, Future Homemakers. All were extremely attractive.

Adding to the Homecoming parade was the North Buncombe High School band, Girl Scouts, Brownies, Class officers, organizations, beautiful horses and ponies, clowns, fire trucks and a car bearing Mayor J. B. Tweed.

Although rain fell most of the day, very few drops were noticeable during the actual parade, much to the delight of spectators and students.

M.H.C. STUDENTS NOW TEACHING IN CLASSROOMS

County Students Are Listed; Are Directed By Sears

The Education Department of Mars Hill College sent out 65 seniors Monday into 31 schools in Haywood, Madison, Buncombe and Mecklenburg counties for eight weeks of in-the-classroom teaching experience.

The complex task of keeping up with them falls on the shoulders of a soft-spoken, friendly South Carolinian who is a newcomer to the faculty of the Baptist college. He is Dr. William J. Sears, a product of the tiny community of Olar in Bamberg County near Orangeburg, S. C.

Sears, 30, and his attractive young wife joined the college staff during the summer, working with the newly established Upward Bound Program for 55 disadvantaged 10th and 11th graders. He was associate director, and she taught home economics and served as guidance counselor for 32 girls involved in the program.

When the fall semester of the college began in late August, Sears assumed his new duties as instructor in educational psychology and director of student teaching. Mrs. Sears succeeded him as associate director of the Upward Bound Program.

Three of the students who are doing their "practice teaching" at Mars Hill High are Elaine Allen, Mike Pressley and Mrs. Sandra Wiles. Miss Allen is teaching English under the supervision of Mrs. Fred Wood. Pressley is (Continued to Last Page)



Sergeant Robert M. Ammons

AMMONS AGAIN IS RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICES

Latest Honors For Services At Fort Bliss, Texas

The following citation was presented Command Sergeant Major Robert M. Ammons in August:

The President of the United States of America, authorized by Act of Congress, July 20, 1942, has awarded the Legion of Merit to COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR ROBERT M. AMMONS UNITED STATES ARMY

for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services: Command Sergeant Major ROBERT M. AMMONS distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious (Continued to Last Page)

NEWS AT A GLANCE

THE WORLD

An Egyptian memorandum to U. N. envoy Gunnar V. Jarring asked him to find out from Israel whether it will withdraw from all the Arab territories it occupied last year.

POLITICS

Republican presidential hopeful Richard Nixon, campaigning in Michigan Wednesday, escalated his attacks against his Democratic opponent Vice President Hubert Humphrey. Humphrey meanwhile, was campaigning in Texas, and third party candidate George Wallace met hecklers as he affirmed his support for organized labor.

THE STATE

Municipal and county election officials — the people who are closest to the voters — say probably the largest vote in North Carolina's history will be cast in the Nov. 5 general election.

Commodities Eligibility Lowered In County

County OC Now Furnishing Transportation or Many

The Food Distribution Division of the N. C. Department of Agriculture has recently lowered the qualifications for eligibility to obtain Surplus Food Commodities. The maximum monthly net income has been raised as follows:

No. in Family, Old Rate, and New Rate in order below:	Old Rate	New Rate
1	\$ 85	\$110
2	110	140
3	135	170
4	160	195
5	185	215
6	210	230
7	235	240
8	260	255
9	285	270
10	310	280

Any person drawing welfare assistance is eligible. These figures apply to those not receiving as-

County Men Arrested On Counterfeit Money Charge

Bogus \$20 Bills Are Also Reported In Marshall And Area

REPUBLICAN RALLY TO BE HERE ON NOV. 2

W. B. Zink, chairman of the County GOP, announced this week that a county-wide Republican rally will be held in the courthouse here on Saturday, November 2, at 2:30 p. m.

"Make plans now to attend the rally and meet and hear your Republican candidates," Mr. Zink stated.

DEMOCRATIC FISH FRY HERE SAT., OCTOBER 26

Dr. W. A. Sams, chairman of the Democratic Fish Fry Committee, announced this week that a fish fry would be held in Marshall school lunchroom on Saturday night, October 26, beginning at 5:00 o'clock.

Dr. Sams, who will serve as master of ceremonies, cordially invites all Democrats and the general public to attend.

VOTING LINEUP ON MACHINES ON LAST PAGE

A diagram of the voting machines for the November 5, 1968 election in Madison County is pictured on the last page in this issue. The sample was furnished by the Madison County Board of Elections and the State Board of Elections.

Cloudy Skies, Cool Temperatures Here

Cloudy skies and chilly temperatures are prevailing in Madison County and WNC today. The high expected today will be in the upper 60s and the chance of scattered showers is 30 percent.

"Voice From Home" Program To Start At RC November 11

On November 11, the Asheville Area Chapter of the American Red Cross will begin the "Voice from Home" program for immediate families of men and women in active military service.

This program makes it possible for families in Buncombe and Madison counties to send taped recordings to their service personnel who will not be home for the Christmas holidays. This spoken message is one of the items most frequently suggested for a Christmas gift by the military and Red Cross persons serving at military installations.

Families may begin recording tapes, by appointment, on November 11 through December 6 at Red Cross Chapter Headquarters, 518 Kenilworth Road. The only cost to the family will be the postage for mailing the recording to the serviceman or woman. It is preferred that individuals plan their message before the appointed date for making the tape.

For further information, contact the Asheville Area Red Cross Chapter, 254-9603.

CHIEF CRITICS

People who are too busy to go to the polls usually have plenty of time to complain about their government's policies.

OVER 150 PEOPLE ATTEND FOOD STAMP MEETING

On Tuesday night over 150 people attended the meeting on Food Stamps called by the Rural Development Council of Madison-Buncombe Counties.

After an explanation of the program was given by Kenneth M. Sanchagrin there was an opportunity for the candidates to speak to the people. Many questions were asked and the people expressed their dissatisfaction with the commodity foods.

Mr. Clark from the Shutin community asked for a show of hands so that everyone including those who did not get a chance to speak could express their opinion. Mrs. Myrtle Ray, Council Chairman, asked for all those who preferred the food stamp program to raise their hands. The vote in favor was unanimous, according to a member of the RDC.

A complete report on the meeting will be printed in next week's News-Record.

FHA EMERGENCY LOANS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Melvin H. Hearn, State Director of the Farmers Home Administration reminded farmers in Madison County that emergency loans will be available in their county until June 30, 1969.

This county was designated as being eligible for the emergency loan program administered by Farmers Home Administration due to abnormal weather conditions substantially reduced yields.

Loans are available to farmers who are unable to obtain sufficient operating credit elsewhere to finance actual needs at reasonable rates. (Continued to Last Page)

A Madison County man was charged Friday in connection with counterfeit money which has circulated in Buncombe County for the last few months.

Buncombe County Sheriff Harry P. Clay identified the man as Ransom Jeter Johnson, 37, of RFD 3, Marshall, being held in lieu of \$15,000 bond under charges of aiding and abetting in fraudulently obtaining merchandise and other things of value with counterfeit money.

Clay said Johnson was arrested around 5 p. m. in a tavern on the outskirts of Asheville. Johnson's car, Clay said, was confiscated by the U. S. Treasury Department under suspicion that it was used to haul counterfeit money.

Johnson was bound over to the next term of Superior Court by a justice of the peace.

Clay said that in the last couple of weeks more than \$300 in counterfeit bills have been recovered by his department. Some of the bogus money was passed to local bankers and merchants and the remainder discovered in downtown Asheville.

In the last two months, Clay said, an estimated \$1,000 in counterfeit money was reported. (Continued to Page Nine)

CONSOLIDATION APPROVED BY LAUREL P. T. A.

The Laurel Parent-Teacher Association joined the other county organizations in endorsing the effort to consolidate the high schools of Madison County.

The action was taken at the meeting on Monday night and was unanimously approved, Ray Tweed, principal, announced this week.

REAL GONE

When a man's honesty and integrity break down, he can't find a place to get spare parts.

\$750,000 Allocated For Improving M-MH Highway

Stikeleather Says Further Details To Be Announced Soon

MISSSES BUCKNER, GOFORTH ARE CROWNED HERE

Activities Are Held In Rain Prior To Football Game

Despite rain and mud, Homecoming ceremonies were held prior to the Mars Hill-Marshall game on the Island last Friday night.

Winning the coveted honors were Miss Judy Buckner and Miss Joyce Goforth.

Miss Buckner, a junior, was crowned MHS 1968 Football Queen by Miss Gail Mayhew, 1967 Football Queen. Miss Buckner is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buckner.

Miss Joyce Goforth, a senior, was crowned 1968 Homecoming Queen by last year's queen, Mrs. Gays Lynn Henderson. Miss Goforth is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Goforth.

Other members of the Court were Miss Glenda Bryan, Miss Ruth Ann Castrell and Miss Dolores Bradley.

Escort were Gary Smith, Calvin Ball, Denny Goforth, Gary Wayne Ramsey and Jackie Ball. The ceremonies were under the direction of Miss Billie Jean Redman, a member of the faculty.

Highway Commissioner James G. Stikeleather, Jr., announced this week that \$750,000 has been allocated for the widening and resurfacing of NC 213 from Marshall to Mars Hill.

Improvements to the Marshall-Mars Hill route will benefit the county in that the highway serves Mars Hill College and is an important artery of traffic within the county.

Stikeleather said that the project is much needed and indicated details concerning construction would be issued in the near future.

DEMS TO MEET AT LAUREL H.S. WED., OCTOBER 30

J. C. Wallin, Chairman of the Madison County Democratic Executive Committee, announced this week that there will be a Democratic meeting held at Laurel High School Wednesday night, October 30, starting at 7:30 o'clock.

All local candidates as well as candidates for House of Representatives and State Senate will be in attendance.

It will be an Open Forum with questions and answers. The public is invited.