

F. B. Seminary Extension Centers Open Monday

To Be Held In Four Centers For 9 Consecutive Mondays

The spring semester of the French Broad Seminary Extension Centers will start on Monday evening, January 13, at 7:00 o'clock and will be held on each Monday evening thereafter for nine consecutive Mondays. This year, due to popular demand and much interest, four strategic centers have been provided for the increased numbers desiring to avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to study the Bible in depth. The location of the centers, with their teachers, are as follows: Locust Grove, Rev. M. H. Kendall, pastor and Head of the Department of Religion at Mars Hill College; Madison Seminary, Rev. Albert A. Peverall, pastor of Marshall Baptist Church; Mars Hill, Miss Sue Fitzgerald, Minister of Education, Mars Hill Baptist Church; and Upper Laurel, Rev. Horace B. Youngblood, pastor of Forks of Ivy Baptist Church.

The same course, The Life and Prophecy of Isaiah, will be offered at each Center. This course is offered for two main reasons. First, because its teachings are applicable to our times and thus it prepares us for The Crusade of the Americas. Secondly, both new and former students can pursue (Continued to Last Page)

AADC Director



D. M. Robinson

D. M. ROBINSON IS RE-ELECTED AADC DIRECTOR

D. M. Robinson, Manager French Broad Electric Membership, Marshall, has been re-elected a director of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council for 1969 representing Madison County. The election took place at the annual meeting of the 18 county area development association this week.

Purpose of the Agricultural Development Council, which was formed 19 years ago, is to help develop opportunities for increased income and to promote rural progress. A major activity is sponsoring the Western North Carolina Community Development Program in cooperation with the agricultural agencies and local sponsors in each county.

Frank L. Yarbrough of Marion, manager of Duke Power Company (Continued To Last Page)

ESTIMATED TAX SHOULD BE FILED BY FARMERS

Greensboro, N. C. — Farmers who earned at least two-thirds of their 1968 gross income from farming operations should file their declaration of estimated Federal income tax, including self-employment, for 1968 with the Southeast Service Center, 480 Buford Highway, Chamblee, Georgia 30006, on or before Wednesday, January 15, 1969. Form 1040-ES should be used for this purpose.

However, J. E. Wall, District Director of Internal Revenue for North Carolina, said that farmers do not have to file an estimate if they file their 1968 Federal income tax return and pay all the tax due by February 17, 1969.

"Farmer's Tax Guide" (Publication 225), which furnishes information on this subject, may be obtained by dropping a post card to your District Director, Internal Revenue Service, 320 South Asha Street, Greensboro, N. C. 27401, or from your county farm agent.

Fishermen who expect to receive at least two-thirds of their gross income from fishing may file estimates or Form 1040 in lieu of an estimate, on the same dates prescribed for farmers.

COMMITTEE OF 100 TO MEET ON THURS., JAN. 16

Dr. Fred B Bentley, Chairman of the Committee of 100 is calling a meeting for Thursday, January 16 at 7:30 p. m., in the Marshall High School Auditorium. "It is urgent that all members be present," Dr. Bentley said.

33,100 MEN TO BE CALLED IN MARCH

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon called Wednesday for the drafting of 33,100 men in March for the Army and Marine Corps.

Of the quota, the Army will get 31,600 and the Marine 1,500. The call compares with 33,700 announced for February and 26,800 for January.

Change In Listing In No. 7 Township

In the tax listing advertisement published elsewhere in this issue, there is a change, announced this morning. There will be no listing on January 17 at Capps Store, Township No. 7.

NIXON PHOTO NOW AVAILABLE

Berkeley G. Burrell, chairman of concessions for the 1969 Inaugural Committee, announced today that the official Inaugural portrait of President-elect Richard M. Nixon is now on sale.

This is the first time that an official lithographed portrait of the incoming President has been offered for sale by the Inaugural Committee. The committee hopes that the portrait will become an Inaugural tradition.

The official Nixon portrait is a lithograph of an original oil by New York portraitist Gloria Schumann. It is printed on 12x16 inch art paper and will be sold in a parchment-paper folio. The folio features a reproduction of the 1969 Inaugural seal on the front cover. The back cover contains a biographical sketch of President-elect Nixon.

The folio will be sold at Inaugural Committee headquarters, 440 G Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., 20025 for \$2.00. Mail orders may be sent to the Inaugural Concessions Committee at the same (Continued To Last Page)

Near-Record Tobacco Sales Season Reported

Total Of \$7,693,458.93 Paid Farmers By Tuesday; Closes Today

The 1968-69 burley tobacco sales season has given tobacco growers the second highest payoff of any single season in the Asheville Burley Tobacco Market's 39-year history. At the close of sales Tuesday, area farmers had received a seasonal total of \$7,693,458.93 for their tobacco crop.

That's \$1,280,285 more than the 1967-68 total, and \$307,699.95 more than farmers were paid two years ago.

Only the 1962-63 season, when farmers received a record \$7,811,622.62, resulted in a higher payoff than the current season.

In that season, however, the average price per 100 pounds was \$61.62. This year's average price per hundredweight is a record \$73.71 — better than \$2 above the previous record average of \$71.48 last season.

Alton Boswell of Wilson, sales supervisor, said today that the 1968-69 crop is "about all in."

The market closes today (Thursday) (Continued to Last Page)

RICHARD NIXON IS OFFICIALLY ELECTED PRES.

The electoral college system ground to its inevitable result for 1968 Monday as Richard Nixon was finally and officially proclaimed president-elect.

The final electoral vote total — after a dispute over one North Carolina vote was settled — was Nixon 301, Hubert Humphrey 191 and George Wallace 46.

Sen. Richard Russell of Georgia announced the final tally. The job would have fallen on the defeated Humphrey, as current vice-president and president of the Senate. But, Humphrey was in Norway attending the funeral of Trygve Lie, so he missed the unhappy task.

Nixon had the same duty — and did it — in 1960 after his defeat by the late John F. Kennedy.

The Senate and House met in joint session in the House's chamber (Continued to Last Page)

On House Rules Comm.



Rep. L. B. Ramsey

RAMSEY NAMED TO HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

Ramsey and Holshouser Are Vice-Chairmen; Others Named

Five Western North Carolina legislators — three Democrats and two Republicans — were appointed Tuesday to the House and Senate Rules committees for the 1969 General Assembly which begins Jan. 15.

They are Sen. R. T. (Ted) Dent of Asheville, a Republican; Sen. Clyde M. Norton of Old Fort, a Democrat; Rep. Henschel S. Hopkins of Asheville, a Democrat; Rep. James E. Holshouser Jr. of Boone a Republican; and Rep. Linton B. Ramsey of Marshall, a Democrat.

Rep. Hugh S. Johnson Jr., a Democrat from Duplin County and a legislative veteran, will serve as chairman of the House committee, while Sen. Hector McGeachy, a Cumberland County Democrat, will head the Senate committee.

The selection of the committees were announced by House Speaker Earl Vaughn and Lt. Gov. Pat Taylor Jr., at a joint news conference. Taylor will preside over (Continued to Last Page)

ACP IN BRIEF

PROGRAM OPENS JANUARY 10

Stable soil that resists erosion, healthy stand of trees, luxuriant growth on pasture and rangeland, disposal of excess water or conservation of scarce water, plentiful habitat for wildlife, and a beautiful countryside are the goals of the Agricultural Conservation Program.

It is a joint effort by landowners and the U. S. Department of Agriculture to preserve our Nation's land, water, and timber resources.

Significant progress has been made in natural resource conservation over the past 33 years. But a great deal of work remains. In fact, most of the Nation's privately owned land is not yet receiving adequate conservation treatment.

Conserving these resources is a big job — often too big and expensive for a farmer to accomplish on his own. Yet the job must be done if we are to provide food, fiber, water, and shelter — the necessities of life — for this and future generations.

Under ACP, the Federal Government assists agricultural producers to combat their most pressing conservation problems by sharing the cost of performing needed conservation work on the land.

While the farmer bears the primary responsibility for conservation of the land, the public needs to agree that the Nation's natural resources will be available for productivity use by future generations (Continued to Last Page)

Eddie English Is Acting As First Deputy In County

Eddie English, of Mars Hill, is acting 1st deputy at present, Sheriff Roy Roberts announced this week.

English replaced Carl Shook who resigned as 1st deputy last month.

R. L. Cuthbert, who was serving as 2nd deputy, also resigned last month, it was announced.

At present, Shook is employed by Anderson Patrol in Asheville.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

THE NATION

Democratic leaders were reported Wednesday to be centering their choice for National Committee chairman on Sen. Fred R. Harris of Oklahoma.

Gov. Nelson A. Rockefeller, who has increased New York state spending more than any of his predecessors, surprised legislators Wednesday with an economy plan and a five per cent cut in state spending.

Most of the nation's major oil companies reported their gasoline supplies were ample Wednesday, as a strike by nearly 60,000 oil workers dragged through its fifth day with no settlement in sight.

THE WORLD

The race issue stirred up the British Commonwealth summit conference Wednesday. An Asian member called for curbs on racial discrimination in member nations.

THE STATE

North Carolina's general fund revenue collections showed an increase of \$6.6 million for December compared with the same month of 1967, state Revenue Commissioner I. L. Clayton reported Wednesday.

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649-9231

Wednesday Final Date For Estimated Fed. Income Tax

Greensboro — Wednesday, January 15, 1969, is the deadline for the final payment of 1968 estimated income tax, J. E. Wall, District Director of Internal Revenue for North Carolina, said today.

Some persons may have to make an amended 1968 estimate by January 15, 1969, if income changed substantially during the last quarter of 1968. Space to amend the estimate is provided on the notice of installment received by taxpayers or on a Form 1040-ES (amended). "Declaration of Estimated Income Tax for Individuals," which can be obtained from any IRS office.

Others may have to file an original 1968 declaration on Form 1040-ES by January 15, if they just met the filing requirements during the fourth quarter.

Payment of the last installment or the filing of an original or amended declaration otherwise due January 15, 1969, is not required if the taxpayer files his 1968 income tax return and pays in full the balance of tax due by January 15, 1969. (Continued to Last Page)

CANCER WEAPON IS PROMISING SCIENTIST SAYS

WASHINGTON — Government scientists have reported exciting developments in controlling certain transplanted animal cancers with a new drug. They said they plan further explorations of it as a possible new weapon against human cancer.

The National Institutes of Health researchers said they hope to try the new injectable synthetic chemical against such slow-growing tumors in man as lung cancer and breast cancer which have not responded well to other anti-cancer drugs.

Up to now non-solid cancerous conditions—such as leukemia—have been virtually the only (Continued to Last Page)

Courthouse Offices To Start Closing On Saturdays Soon

New Schedule Is Effective February 1; Daily Hours Changed

R. D. C. PASSES VITAL MOTIONS AT DEC. MEETING

Waller Is Named Advocate Planner; Vacancies Are Filled

At its regular meeting on December 13, at the REA Building the Madison-Buncombe Rural Development Council passed the following motions:

1. The Council will sponsor a student intern from M.H. College to do a research project on the feasibility of changing from the Surplus Food Program to the Food Stamp Program. Mrs. Jessie Chandler will act as advisor for the project.

2. Thomas Waller was confirmed and hired as Advocate Planner for the Council.

3. Mr. Waller was directed to seek out further sources of funds, such as private foundations, to support the Council's projects.

4. Support was given to a home improvement project sponsored by Operation Mainstream.

5. At the request of the Opportunity Corporation vacancies on the Policy Advisory Committee and Delegate Assembly of the Opportunity Corporation were filled. The following were elected: Mrs. Myrtle Ray, Mrs. Wilson Payne, Mr. Elmer Sexton, Mr. Carson Green.

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The board of county commissioners have announced that effective Saturday, February 1, 1969, offices in the courthouse will be closed all day on Saturdays.

The change in schedule was made following a study of the decrease in courthouse traffic after the new court system ordered the office of the clerk of superior court closed on Saturdays, recently.

In making the new change, the commissioners announced that effective February 1, offices in the courthouse will be open daily from 8:30 a. m. to 5:00 p. m., including the noon hour, except on Saturdays.

Madison Included In Road Projects

The State Highway Commission issued a call for bids for the January 28, 1969 highway letting. Thirty-one projects in thirty counties are included involving more than 79 miles of road construction.

All bids for the projects must be received by the Highway Commission no later than 10:00 a. m., Tuesday, January 28, 1969.

Included in the projects is: Madison — 3.707 miles of grading, coarse aggregate base course, bituminous concrete surface and culvert to improvements on SR-1502 from SR-1803, northerly to about 312 feet north of intersection with SR-1501.

Burlington Report Tells Highlights Of Record Year

Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 8 — Burlington Industries highlights a year of record sales and earnings and a continuing program of capital expenditures for expansion and modernization in its 1968 Annual Report being sent this week to the Company's 32,000 shareholders.

The report covers the 1968 fiscal year in which Burlington sales were \$1.6 billion, an increase of 19 per cent over the prior year, and earnings were \$2.10 per share, a 26 per cent increase.

Capital spending totaled \$120 million for expansion and modernization (Continued to Last Page)

\$125 million to \$150 million in 1968.

"The past year saw a continuation of our strong drive to increase participation in the growing and changing textile markets of Europe," Charles F. Myers Jr., chairman and CEO of Burlington, said in his letter to shareholders. "We believe there is real opportunity for profitable growth ahead. . . . We are stepping up our investment in Europe and have recently announced that we have purchased three cotton mills and new yarn spindles, and we are (Continued to Last Page)



Shown above is Mrs. Myrtle Ray, of Route 4, Marshall, chairwoman of the Madison-Buncombe Rural Development Council, receiving a check Saturday from Thomas Waller, of Asheville, the Advocate Planner. The check for over \$7,000 will cover the salary and supportive services of the Council's Advocate Planner position.

—Staff Photo

Two Grants Are Received By Opportunity Corporation

Total Nearly \$26,000; Local Groups May Apply For Grants

Mrs. Myrtle Ray, chairwoman of the Madison-Buncombe Rural Development Council has announced receipt of two grants from the Opportunity Corporation of Madison-Buncombe Counties. One grant in the amount of \$16,844 was received to fund the Council's Incentive Grant program. The other grant totaling nearly \$10,000 was received to cover the salary and supportive services of the Council's Advocate Planner position.

The money received for the Incentive Grant program will be used to finance demonstration in Madison and rural Buncombe (Continued to Last Page)

Counties on the basis of applications received by the Council from organized communities which have proposed worthwhile projects for improving local communities.

Mrs. Ray stated that any local group which met the following requirements could apply for a grant of up to \$1,500. The group must be organized and meeting regularly, it must have at least ten members, and the majority of the members of the group must have incomes below the federal poverty guidelines.

The Incentive Grant funds will be awarded competitively in three separate judgments. Those grant applications submitted for the first judging must be submitted by (Continued to Last Page)