



EXTENSION NEWS

Thirty Madison farmers will enter a six weeks training course in tomato production next Monday. Vance Edwards and Mr. Dean Cutshall will be the instructors for the tomato part of the course. The farmers will receive four hours of instructions each day in tomato production and two hours instruction in basic education by Mr. Auburn Wyatt.

The course is sponsored by the Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute and the Employment Security Commission as a MDTA course financed by the Department of Labor. The County Extension Office assist in making the course possible.

The course was taken by 29 farmers of the county last year. Farmers who have taken the course have a better understanding in solving the problems of tomato

production.

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Farmers and home gardeners have found that strawberry plants can be purchased cheaper and have a better quality by pooling their orders. The County Extension Office is now taking orders for strawberry plants to be delivered during the month of April. If you have a need for plants this spring, please contact our office.

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The Western North Carolina Cooperative Beef Cattle Sales Committee met on January 7, 1969 at the Courthouse in Asheville. Representatives from Madison County were: Burder Reeves, Sandy Mush Community; Joe Rice, Hopewell Community; and Zeno Ponder, Grandview Community.

The tentative dates for the 1969 sales are as follows: Spring Steer Sale at the Western North Carolina Livestock Yard on the 16th of April; Yearling Steer Sale at the Cattlemen's Livestock Yard on the 9th of September; Yearling Steer Sale at the Western North Carolina Livestock Yard on the 16th of September; Yearling Steer Sale at the Western North Carolina Livestock Yard on the 23rd of September; Feeder Calf Sale at the Cattlemen's Livestock Yard on the 30th of September; Yearling Steer Sale at the Cattlemen's Livestock Yard on the 7th of October; Yearling Steer Sale at the Western North Carolina Livestock Yard on the 14th of October; and Feeder Calf Sale at the Western North Carolina Livestock Yard on the 21st of October.

All of these dates are tentative pending the approval of the State Sales Committee in Raleigh on Wednesday, January 15 prior to the State Beef Cattle Conference on January 16 and 17.

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The Agricultural Extension Office is again planning to place an order for blueberry plants. These plants will be two years of age and 8-12 inches in height. Delivery

of plants would be in early to mid-March. Persons desiring blueberry plants should contact the Extension Office by February 1, 1969.

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Farmers who have had problems with black root rot, should plan to rotate their tobacco fields. If this cannot be done, then grow Kentucky 12. In a Madison County test, Kentucky 12 yielded \$916 per acre more than Burley 21 in a black root rot field.

If the problem is black shank, you should grow either 21 x L8, 12 x L8, 37 x L8, Bu 37, or Bu 49, the first three have given the highest yields in Madison County tests. They averaged \$43 per acre above Burley 37 and Burley 49.

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The first meeting of the 4-H TV Science Club comes to order in front of the home television sets in Madison County, Saturday January 25, at 7:30 a. m. over Station WLOS, Channel 13 in Asheville.

During this 10-week series, boys and girls will have an opportunity to learn about the science of fire, animals, astronomy, plants, archeology, physics, behavior, micro-

Hayes Run Junior 4-H Club Meets

The Hayes Run Junior 4-H Club held its monthly meeting Thursday, January 9 in the Madison Seminary Church Annex. The meeting was called to order by Ricky Harrell, president. The American and 4-H Pledges were led by Faith Wise and Lynn Houston. Rhonda Sprinkle, secretary, called the roll and read the minutes of the last meeting. Miss Madge Guffey was present and helped members choose very interesting programs for the coming year. Refreshments were served and games played.

WARREN WISE, Reporter

Mrs. Mary Ponder, Native Of County, Passes Monday

Mrs. Mary Jane Ponder, 92, of Rt. 3, Weaverville, died Monday afternoon, January 13, 1969 in an Asheville hospital after a long illness.

She was a native of Madison County and the widow of Gilbert Ponder, who died in 1916.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Lewis Chandler of Weaverville Rt. 3 and Mrs. Boyce Page of Honea Path, S. C.; a son, Otis Ponder of Mars Hill; a step-daughter, Mrs. General Scronce of Mars Hill; a step-son, Cornelius Ponder of Mars Hill; three sisters, Mrs. Joe Holcombe of Canton, Mrs. J. J. Eatmon and Mrs. Melvin Eatmon, both of Wellington, Colo.; three brothers, John of Sutherland, Va.; and Charlie and Jim Banks, both of Mars Hill Rt. 3; 22 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Services were held at 3 p. m. Wednesday in the chapel of Holcombe Funeral Home.

The Rev. E. W. Jenkins officiated. Burial was in Anderson Cemetery. Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Well, What Do You Know? fun, games and knowledge

by MARTHA GLAUBER SHAPP, Editor, The New Book of Knowledge

Why doesn't a spider get caught in its own web?

The spider never gets caught in its own web for two reasons. The chief one is that a spider runs along its web on the dry silk threads. It avoids the sticky, insect-catching ones. Also, a spider's body is oily, and the oil helps to keep the spider from sticking.

If you had artificial wings could you fly like a bird?

Man is specialized for life on the ground. In order to fly with artificial wings a man would have to be built somewhat like a turkey! Birds' entire bodies are specialized for flight. They have extremely large and powerful breast muscles to move their wings, and a keel-like projecting breastbone to give these powerful muscles a firm attachment. Birds are also light in relation to their size; much of their bulk consists of feathers. Hollow bones further cut down total body weight.

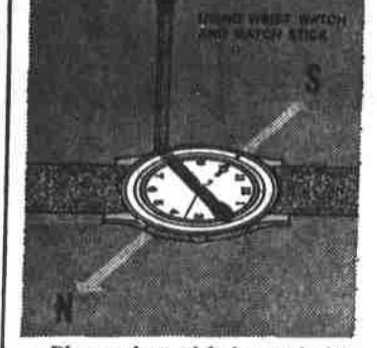
How big is an atom?

Atoms are so small that they cannot be seen even under the most powerful microscopes. An atom is smaller than anything you can imagine. Even a speck of dust is gigantic when compared to an atom. About 25,000,000 atoms placed side by side would stretch only across the head of a pin. Compared to anything in the everyday world, an atom is also

extremely light. It would take 1,000,000,000,000,000 (a billion billion) uranium atoms to weigh an ounce!

Can a watch tell you more than just the time of day?

Your watch can also be a direction guide, you can find North by using your wrist watch. Place your watch face up on the ground.



Place a short stick (a matchstick will do) upright at the edge of the watch. Turn the watch carefully until the hour hand and the shadow of the stick coincide. Halfway between the shadow and 12 o'clock will be South for people in the Northern Hemisphere. North will be opposite South. If you live in the Southern Hemisphere, halfway between the shadow and 12 o'clock will be North.

(For a free booklet, "The Magic Carpet", illustrated in color from The New Book of Knowledge, send name and address to Martha Glauber Shapp, Box 47, Putnam Valley, New York 10579.)

LIST YOUR TAXES NOW GIVE IN YOUR POLL

Notice is hereby given that the List Takers for Madison County will sit at the following places at the time and places listed below. All property owners and taxpayers are required to return to the List Takers for taxation, for the year 1969, all the Real Estate and Personal Property which each one shall own on the first day of January or shall be required to give in then. All male persons between the ages of 21 and 50 years are to list their polls during the same time. Return of property and giving in of polls are required, under the pains and penalties imposed by law.

All Motor Vehicles Will Be Checked Against State Registration Cards.

There will be NO EXTENSION of time given unless an emergency arises.

ALL TAXES MUST BE LISTED DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Following are the List Takers for 1969 With Dates and Listing Places

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| <p>T-1 W-1 — Marshall — Mrs. Frances Buckner
Month of January at Court House; Hours: 8:30 a. m. - 4:30 p. m., Monday through Friday; Saturdays, 8:30 a. m. - 12:00 noon.</p> <p>T-1 W-2 — Sandy Mush - Little Pine — Mrs. Roy Payne
Jan. 11, 18, 25; Feb. 1, at Court House; Hours: 9:00 a. m. - 2:00 p. m.; Jan. 9, Reeve's Store, Sandy Mush; Jan. 16, Davis Store, Redmon; Jan. 23, Ash's Store; Jan. 30, Goforth's Store, Redmon; Hours: 9:00 a. m. - 3:30 p. m.; other week days at home.</p> <p>T-2 — Laurel — Dean Cutshall
Jan. 8, Hubert Cutshall's Store; Jan. 11, Norton's Store, Revere; Jan. 15, Rance Hensley's Store; Jan. 18, Clarence Cutshall's Store, Shelton Laurel; Jan. 22, Ward Rice's Store; Jan. 25, Odell Cook's Store, Belva; Jan. 29, Clarence Cutshall's Store; Feb. 1, Earl Rice's, Big Laurel; other week days at home.</p> <p>T-3 W-1 — Mars Hill — Harry Hawk
Each Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday through Feb. 1 at Mars Hill Town Hall; Hours: 9:30 a. m. - 4:30 p. m.</p> <p>T-3 W-2 — Petersburg — Mrs. Elwood Waldrup
Jan. 11, H. C. Cody's Store; Jan. 18, W. C. Silver's Store; Jan. 24, H. C. Cody's Store; Jan. 25, A & C Grocery at Center; Jan. 31, A & C Grocery at Center; Feb. 1, Oak Grove Community Center.</p> <p>T-4 — Beech Glen — Wayne Eatmon
Jan. 10, Lee Maynard's Store; Jan. 11, Levi Hunter's Store; Jan. 17, Fred Rice's Store; Jan. 18, Boyce Willis' Store; Jan. 24, Levi Hunter's Store; Jan. 25, Lee Maynard's Store; Jan. 31, Boyce Willis' Store; Feb. 1, Frank Maney's Store; other week days at home.</p> | <p>T-5 — Walnut — Mrs. Clement Buckner
Jan. 11, Jack Guthrie's Station, Brush Creek; Jan. 16, Roy Roberts' Store, Barnard; Jan. 18, Bob Johnson's Store, Walnut; Jan. 23, Walnut Supply; Jan. 25, Jack Guthrie's Station, Brush Creek; Feb. 1, Fred Price's Esso; other week days at home on Big Pine.</p> <p>T-6 — Hot Springs — Eugene Goode
Jan. 11, 18, 25; Feb. 1, Hot Springs Library; Jan. 9, Ricker's Store, Paint Rock; Jan. 16, Barnett's Store, Antioch; Jan. 23, Rathbone's Store, Shutin.</p> <p>T-7 — Ebbs Chapel — Mrs. Jasper Jenkins
Each Tuesday and Saturday through Feb. 1, at Jasper Jenkins' Store;</p> <p>T-8 — Spring Creek — Mrs. Spencer Rollins
Jan. 8, Goforth's Store; Jan. 11, Lee McGaha's Store; Jan. 15, Leo Willett's Store; Jan. 18, T. J. Meadows' Store; Jan. 22, Homer Plemmons' Store; Jan. 25, Stewart Plemmons' Store; Jan. 29, Lee McGaha's Store; Feb. 1, Leo Willett's Store.</p> |
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W. B. ZINK, Tax Supervisor

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biology, meteorology and chemistry. The youngsters can conduct easy-to-do experiments designed to help them understand some of the basic principles in these sciences. Approximately 350 boys and girls in the 4th, 5th, and 6th grades in Madison County enrolled in the Science Series and paid for the manual which has the suggested experiments.

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Today's Meditation

Read Ephesians 4:14-23
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Many, many times I have turned to this benediction and found it to be a source of comfort and strength. It is a characteristic prayer with which the apostle Paul closes his Epistles.

Whenever I experience some stress or strain, disappointment or frustration, sickness or affliction; whatever it may be that causes my spirit to sink, I turn to these words and repeat them over and over to myself. I try to personalize them the more by saying: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ is with my spirit."

When used in this way I find these words amazingly strengthening. They bring Christ close with

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A man must learn to bridle his tongue if he expects to travel in double harness.

all His sustaining and enabling grace. They bring the light and guidance of the Holy Spirit to lift my spirit again.

Prayer: Our Heavenly Father, we look to Thee with grateful hearts for all Thy mercies in Christ our Lord — for His wondrous light, salvation, and strength. Help us to trust completely in Thee, and believe that in Christ we can do the Father's will and overcome the world. In His blessed name. Amen.

Thought for the Day: When we have confidence in Christ's presence in times of need, we receive His help.

—J. Harold Gwynne (Fla.)

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