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Spring Creek-Marshall Girls; Marshall-Mars Hill Boys In Finals

Burley Growers Endorse Tax On Tobacco Products

Ponder Speaks In Favor Of Tax At Meeting Monday

Representatives of Western North Carolina's 17 burley producing counties voted Monday to endorse Gov. Bob Scott's call for a state tax on tobacco products.

The tradition-breaking endorsement was in the form of a resolution adopted by the burley tobacco committee of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council meeting in Asheville.

Another resolution passed by the committee asked the state's congressional delegation to support Rep. Roy A. Taylor's bill for the lease and transfer of burley acreage allotments.

Taylor introduced a similar bill in the last session of Congress but it was not acted upon. It is estimated that the ability to lease allotments would add over \$1.7 million to WNC farmers' income.

The tobacco tax resolution got a 10 to 2 vote in favor of passage. Although only five members were present at the meeting, seven members had notified chairman Frank M. Davis of Haywood County of their stand.

The resolution said the tax is a "source for providing urgently-needed revenue without imposing a hardship on our citizens" and would not "adversely affect the sale of tobacco or the income of any of the people dependent on this important industry."

Scott's tax proposal called for five cents on each pack of cigarettes and two cents on each cigar sold in the state. He did not specifically earmark the return

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BILL PROHIBITS KILLING FOXES BY SOUND DEVICE

State Senators Briggs and Wilkie have introduced a bill as follows:

"To prohibit the taking of foxes by use of sounds in Buncombe, Henderson, Madison and Yancey Counties." Prohibits persons to take, kill, or attempt to take or kill foxes by aid of any recorded or electronically amplified sounds or other sounding device in named counties. Provides that violators shall be guilty of misdemeanor.

The bill has been referred to the Committee on Wildlife.

F. B. Coon Club To Reorganize Here Saturday Night

Reorganization of the French Broad Coon Club has been scheduled for this Saturday night, March 1, at the courthouse here beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

All members and others interested in joining the club are urged to be present.

It was also announced that coons will be ordered and anyone wishing to secure a pair of coons should be present.

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ARTICLES ON CIVIL DEFENSE TO BE PRINTED

A series of articles and instructions will be published in coming weeks concerning nuclear hazards in time of emergencies. This information is furnished as a public service by the Office of Civil Defense, Department of Defense, and should be carefully read by the readers of this newspaper.

Although it is hoped that such emergencies will never become realities, it is important that such precautions should be made just in case.

It is suggested that you save the articles and illustrations for your own safety.

LIONS IN 94-85 VICTORY FRI; LAST HOME GAME

The Maryville Scots invaded Chambers Gymnasium Friday night and found the Lions a too aggressive foe and fell, 94-85.

Behind at halftime, 42-40, the Mars Hill quintet, led by Jim Wilmoth and Rudy Reeves, surged ahead as many as 12 points in the second half. It was with the aid of a combined total of 33 of 54 second half points that Reeves and Wilmoth were able to inspire the second half come-from-behind victory.

A stout performance by Warren Morgan and Bill Padgett enabled the Scots to come within seven points (88-81) with 1:12 remaining on the clock. Their efforts, however, were quickly overcome on layups by Wilmoth and Jim Medford.

Friday night marked the last game for captain Rudy Reeves and he celebrated the occasion by leading his team to its best record in fifteen years, 14-11. Reeves, who holds the school record for points in a season (476), was overcome in his rebounding record by Jim Wilmoth, 259 to 253, in a single season.

An elated Coach Harrell Wood was more than elated with this season as it was a year of rebuilding for Mars Hill. "The loss of Rudy Reeves due to graduation will definitely be a factor to overcome next year, but his help in making the Lions a winner will long be remembered."

BANK ROBBER IN 1935 GRANTED NEW TRIAL HERE

Nichols Pleaded Guilty On Wednesday; 35-Day Sentence

Eddie Nichols, one of the seven men convicted in the 1935 robbery of the Mars Hill Bank, was granted a new trial Wednesday in superior court here. Judge J. W. Jackson, of Hendersonville, who is presiding at the term, sentenced the 66-year-old man to 23 years and four months after Nichols had pleaded guilty of the robbery with firearms. However, Judge Jackson, after deliberation and thorough investigation of records, stated that Nichols would get credit for 23 years, two months and 25 days in which he had served in prison. This actually leaves only 35 days remaining for the grey-haired man to serve in the state penitentiary in Raleigh.

It will be recalled that the Mars Hill bank was robbed of some \$2,000 on the 10th of September, 1935, by Nichols and six other men. During the getaway by the men, Dorothy Sanderlin, a student at Mars Hill College, was injured by a stray bullet.

The new trial here was awarded on the grounds that Nichols did not have counsel to represent him in the trial here in October, 1935.

Solicitor Clyde M. Roberts represented the state at the trial here Wednesday and Attorney Joseph E. Huff represented the defendant.

MARS HILL LIONS CHARTER NIGHT NEXT MONDAY

Charter Night will be observed by the Mars Hill Lions Club next Monday night at the Mars Hill Community Building, it has been announced.

The Marshall Club is sponsoring the Mars Hill Club. Many Lionesses will accompany their husbands to the observance.

Lion Official Gudgeon Cade will be the principal speaker and Governor J. P. Ramsey will present the Charter. Many 31-A District Lion officials and members are expected to be present.

The dinner meeting will begin at 7:30 o'clock.

NEWS AT A GLANCE

THE NATION

President Nixon has picked Rep. Rogers C. B. Morton of Maryland to be the new Republican national chairman.

Snow fell on eastern New England for the third successive day Wednesday and 27 storm deaths were reported. Californians got relief from three days of heavy rains and mudslides.

THE STATE

A three-judge federal court panel has decided that North Carolina statutes outlawing union activities by police and fire department employees are unconstitutional.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Thursday's forecast calls for increasing cloudiness and continued cool temperatures.

The high will be in the upper 40s with a probability of precipitation near 20 per cent.

Wednesday's high was 45 with a low of 30.

Republican Club To Meet Thursday

Madison County Women's Republican Club will meet at the courthouse in Marshall, Thursday, March 6, at 7:30 p. m., in the court room.

Mrs. Elizabeth Crocco, of Mars Hill, president of the club, will preside.

ASTONISHING

Secretary — "Yes, Mr. Culver is at liberty now."

Office Visitor — "Oh, I didn't even know he had been in jail."

JV Finals And Third Place Battle Slated Friday Night

LEGISLATOR WOULD CURB 'GIVE-AWAYS'

A Charlotte legislator said Tuesday he is having legislation drafted to curb "gasoline station and food store give-away games in North Carolina."

"The little store owner is subjected to unfair competition by the big chain and the corner service station operators bear the brunt of promotional costs for the major oil companies, and the consumer pays the added bill," Rep. Art Jones, D-Mecklenburg, told newsmen in a statement.

Jones said his proposed legislation would not affect trading stamps.

All Games To Be Played At Mars Hill College Gymnasium

Plagued by heavy snows and slippery roads, the 1969 high school basketball tournament scheduled has been forced to be altered greatly from the original dates. However, weather permitting, the tournament will resume in the Mars Hill College gymnasium this Friday night.

At 6:15 o'clock, the Hot Springs girls battle the Mars Hill girls for third place honors. At 7:15, the Laurel and Hot Springs boys will vie for third honors in the varsity division.

The championship games in the junior varsity division will also be played Friday night with the Marshall girls playing the Mars Hill sextet at 8:30 o'clock and the Laurel boys playing the Spring Creek boys at 9:30 o'clock.

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Awesome Mars Hill High shattered a school record and quite possibly a state high school scoring record Thursday night in the Madison County basketball tournament by destroying Laurel's boys, 157-24.

Tommy Boone, a 6-1 senior, racked up 55 points in leading the clawing Wildcats to their devastation of Laurel. Coach Pat Sams saw his charges romp at an unprecedented pace from start to finish. They led at the half, 76-16.

A total of 10 players saw action for Mars Hill with all but one scoring. Fred Ray and Lloyd Briscoe contributed 25 and 23 points respectively.

In girls action Spring Creek, (Continued to Last Page)

Madison Had Bumper Burley Crop Last Year

Survey Reveals Producers Grossed \$3,600,000 In 1968

In spite of the drought conditions which prevailed in parts of the county this past year, burley producers had a better yielding crop than that of 1967.

According to Emory Robinson, chairman of the county ASC Committee, a preliminary summary of marketings from the county's 1968 crop reveals 4,597,930 pounds were marketed from 1968.54 harvested acres with an average yield of 2386 pounds per acre. Robinson explained that the county's preliminary summary as compiled by the USDA Data Processing Center did not include some late marketings which were made after the closing of the markets in our State and that the final total year's marketings would exceed 4,597,930 pounds by a small amount but the final county's yield per acre would change very little.

In comparing the county's 1968 tobacco production record with that of the two previous years, Robinson said the record reveals that growers marketed 4,115,372 pounds from 1945 acres in 1967

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COUNTY LIONS ATTEND DIST. MEET SUNDAY

Several members of the Hot Springs and Marshall Lions Clubs attended the District 31-A cabinet meeting which was held at Fontana Dam last Sunday.

Various activities and reports from the clubs were heard and a bountiful dinner of bear meat was enjoyed.

Those attending from Hot Springs club were Lion President Steve Burns; Warren Nix, secretary-treasurer; Jim Lunsford and Ray Jackson.

Those attending from the Marshall club were Lions Jack Cole, president; Wiley DuVall, secretary; and Wade Hoey, Zone Chairman.

County Musicians Record Records In New York Recently

Obay Ramsey and Bard Ray, well-known county musicians, recently returned from New York City where they spent two weeks recording folk, pop, and jazz music at the Radio City ABE network headquarters. They reported that in addition to an album they also recorded two single records.

The two county men experienced the deep snow while there and commented that they had a great deal of fun walking in the 14-inch snow.

More information will be published when the records are released, they stated.

Citizens Bank's New Flooring Is Almost Complete

Frank Moore, of the Citizens Bank, announced this week that new improvements at the bank were just about complete and the new flooring was ready for use.

"We regret the inconvenience during the past several days but are glad to announce that everything is back to normal now," Mr. Moore stated.

COMMITTEE OF 100 TO MEET AT SCHOOL TONIGHT

The full Committee of 100 will meet tonight (Thursday) in the Marshall School auditorium at 7:30 o'clock.

All members are urged to attend.

Court Adjourns Here Wednesday

The February term of superior court for the trial of criminal cases was adjourned Wednesday afternoon. Judge J. W. Jackson, of Hendersonville, presided.

The principal case tried involved Eddie Nichols. (Story elsewhere in this issue).

Many of the cases were continued or sent to district court for preliminary hearings.

Brinkley Predicts Fighting In Vietnam Will End Soon

Speaks Before 1,300 At Mars Hill College Saturday

David Brinkley, the post-halftime of the famed Huxley-Brinkley news team, predicted at Mars Hill Saturday night that the "influence of liberalism in American life is seriously waning if not entirely ended."

The Wilmington-born newsmen whom 20 million Americans watch nightly was at Mars Hill to deliver the keynote address at the fifth annual Symposium of Mars Hill College. He spoke to approximately 1,300 persons assembled in the college auditorium.

Identifying himself as a liberal, Brinkley predicted the rise of

liberalism in America from the early days of the administration of Franklin D. Roosevelt. The liberalism, he explained, put its faith in two institutions: the federal government and labor unions.

"But," he said, "liberalism has been betrayed by both institutions."

He said some of initial liberal manipulations by Roosevelt's government were good. These included Social Security, regulation of the stock market and efforts to control unemployment. However, the federal government has become a "monstrous bureaucracy," he asserted, "heavy-handed, overbearing, out of control."

Brinkley also made much of his criticism at what he called the

"vast military bureaucracy of the Pentagon."

He cited figures to show that welfare programs which many people blame for spiraling taxes take only about 10 per cent of federal government income, whereas the military budget is about 65 per cent.

Labor unions were labeled as "one of the most reactionary institutions in current American life." He said they have become arrogant, listless, unwilling to change.

"If liberals are ever again going to have significance in our society," Brinkley said, "they are going to have to remember what liberalism originally was and what

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County Residents Help In New Children's Home

TWO INJURED AS CAR LEAVES HIGHWAY SAT.

A Weaverville couple was injured Saturday afternoon when the car in which they were riding skidded off the Marshall-Mars Hill Highway at Hayes Run, turning over and landing in the creek.

They were identified as Mr. and Mrs. Billy Burrell, of Weaverville.

Sheriff Roy Roberts, assisted by others, lifted the car off of the two persons who were pinned beneath the car. They were rushed to the Memorial Mission Hospital where it was found that Mrs. Burrell escaped serious injury but Mr. Burrell was critically injured and remains a patient in the hospital.

Sheriff Roberts stated that it was miraculous that the two escaped drowning or freezing while pinned under the car.

The highway was slippery at the time of the accident and it is thought that the car skidded off the highway.

\$11,868 Pledged Or Given By Madison County Citizens

A home for dependent, neglected and homeless children in Western North Carolina will soon be a reality because of the manner in which the residents of Madison County are supporting the efforts of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina to raise money to establish this much needed facility.

More than \$321,000 has been pledged or received for this home with Madison County contributing \$11,868.00. Seventeen Western counties are involved in this program with additional contributions coming from persons in other locations throughout North Carolina.

The proposed home, named the Broyhill Home in honor of the J. E. Broyhill family of Lenoir, will be located on a 96 acre tract between Waynesville and Clyde. It will provide group care for about 50 boys and girls from the Western part of the state and will serve as the hub from which will radiate all the various child care services and ministries of the Children's Homes.

"Preparation of the campus site will begin this Spring and

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School Lunchroom Managers To Meet Friday, March 7

The regular monthly meeting of school lunchroom managers is scheduled for March 7, Friday, at 3:30 p. m., at RSHA office.

The managers may write their staff to attend. Note books and pencils will prove useful.

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Opportunity Corp. Changes Emergency Food Schedule

Beginning Monday, March 2, applications will be taken and vouchers issued for Emergency Food and Medical Services on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays ONLY, from 8:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m. at the Marshall Community Center. Priority will be given to the most needy families.