

## \$5,500 FHA Grant Approved For County Water And Sewer

### Grant Could Benefit Towns And Rural Areas In County

Approval of a \$5,500 Farmers Home Administration grant for Madison County, to promote efficient and orderly development of water and sewer systems in rural communities was announced this week by Congressman Roy Taylor.

Mrs. Frances C. Ramsey, chairman of the Planning Agency, said that the Comprehensive Water and Sewer System Planning Grant will provide information to avoid overlapping, duplication, under-design, or overdesign of the water and sewer facilities that will be constructed in rural Madison County.

The plans financed by the Farmers Home Administration grant will cover all of Madison County with the exception of towns with a population in excess of 5,000 people. The plans will be developed by an engineering firm and will project population growth with provisions for other functions which are essential for orderly growth of the county.

Projections and provisions for future growth will be made for the next 5 to 10 years and for the next 20 years or more. The Comprehensive Water and Sewer Plan will be developed in harmony with (Continued on Last Page)

### At Clerk's Meet

C. N. Willis, clerk superior court of Madison County, is attending the State Clerks of Court convention this week in Asheville. Willis will be back in his office on Monday.

## Marshall And Hot Springs To Have July 4th Programs Fri.

### MARSHALL

In addition to a display of fireworks on the night of July 4th in Marshall, two Little League baseball games have been scheduled on the Island. The first game will begin at two o'clock and the second game will start about four o'clock.

Otto McDevitt, in charge of the games, stated that the mothers of the players are preparing a picnic lunch for all the Little League players.

The fireworks are again being sponsored by the Marshall Merchants Association and the Marshall Volunteer Firemen.

## AROUND TOWN AND COUNTY

(Asheville Times)

The North Carolina General Assembly ought to be well acquainted by now with the Clyde M. Roberts family of Marshall.

Roberts, solicitor of the 19th Solicitorial District (Buncombe and Madison counties) since 1967, served in the State House of Representatives in 1948 and the State Senate in 1960.

His oldest daughter, Cecelia, now married and living in Nashville, Tenn., served as a page in the Senate in 1961.

His daughter, Margot, 19, and now a rising junior at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, served as a page in the House in 1965.

His older son, Morris, 17, now attending summer school at Columbia University, worked for Sen. Bruce Briggs of Mars Hill during the last session of the assembly.

Last week, Roberts' youngest son, Frank, 15, followed his father's example by serving in both the House and Senate.

In Frank's case, said Roberts, the double duty was the result of a family idiosyncrasy.

## NEW OFFICERS OF HOT SPRINGS LIONS NAMED

The newly-elected officers of the Hot Springs Lions Club have taken office for the ensuing year.

They include: President, Jim Lunaford; 1st vice president, Truman Melton; 2nd vice president, Fether Tom O'Donnell; secretary, Joe Templeton; treasurer, John Clawson; Lion Tamer, Ernest Aytzy; Tail Twister, Ray Jackson.

## July 4th Safety Quiz Covers Holiday Driving Emergencies

Suppose during your 4th of July trip an oncoming car veers into your lane and hurtles toward you. Which two of the following four actions do you take?

1. Blow the horn. 2. Apply the brakes. 3. Steer as far right as you can. 4. Switch to the lane the other car should be in.

In all but the rarest circumstances, moves 1 and 3 are best. The horn may wake the other driver up, and a tight steer is more likely to provide escape than braking or turning into the oncoming traffic lane.

If you're one of 400,000 American teenagers who learned to drive this year with the Aetna Drivotrainer system, you not only knew the answer, you put it into the maneuver in the safety (Continued on Last Page)

## TEAGUE SAYS FEES ARE IN GENERAL FUND

Hilliard W. Teague, county register of deeds, stated this week that he wished to clarify certain insinuations written in the bill involving the salary of Mrs. James Lister, deputy register of deeds. According to releases from Raleigh, published in daily newspapers the new bill states: "Beginning Tuesday, Mrs. Lister's salary will be \$3,000 a year. The bill also provides that all fees collected by Hilliard Teague, Madison register of deeds, will be deposited in the county's general fund."

Mr. Teague told The News-Record this week that his fees have always gone into the general fund. "Not only mine," he said, "but all my predecessors for the past 20 years have also deposited all fees into the county's general fund."

In making the clarification, Mr. Teague showed the editor of The News-Record deposit slips and letters from the commissioners verifying that all fees had been deposited in the county's general fund.

"Anyone wishing to see the past records may do so at my office in the courthouse," Mr. Teague said.

## Garbage Pick-up Early This Week

Garbage will be picked up early in Marshall on Thursday of this week, due to the Fourth of July. It has been announced.

## Commissioners Must Pay Lister Salary, Solons Say

### HAM, SKEET AND TRAP SHOOT AT LAUREL JULY 4

Sharpshooters will have plenty to occupy them on Friday, July 4th when the Laurel Skeet Club will sponsor a ham, skeet, trap shoot near the home of Hayes Landers, five miles from White Rock on Shelton Laurel. It will be an all-day affair and shooters are asked to bring their guns and join the fun.

### ASCS Office To Be Closed July 4th

The ASCS office will be closed Friday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

### Awarded Degree

James Hall, son of Mrs. Frank B. Nunton of Marshall, was recently awarded the Bachelor of Science degree from Southern College of Optometry, Memphis, Tenn. James is spending the summer in Marshall with Mr. and Mrs. Nunton.

### HEALTH FAIR SCHEDULE IS ANNOUNCED

#### Hot Springs Headquarters For Activities, Tests, And Recreation

The Madison County Health Fair, with cooperation of Madison County Health Department, has announced the following schedule:

July 6-12  
Mornings: Health Team Visits Head Start Classes  
Tuesday, July 8, 9:00 Spring Creek; 11:00 Hot Springs.  
Wednesday, July 9, 9:00 Laurel School; 11:00 Walnut School.  
Thursday, July 10, 9:00 Mars Hill; 11:00 Marshall.  
Friday, July 11, 9:00, Ebbs Chapel; 11:00 Beech Glen.  
Tests, Shots.  
Tuesday through Saturday at Russell Clinic, 2:00-5:00 p. m. and 6:30-9:00 p. m.

Transportation Schedule  
Tuesday: Bus will begin at mouth of Spring Creek at about 12:00 noon, go up Spring Creek. (Continued on Last Page)

### SERVICES ARE HELD FOR MRS. LUTHER HODGES

Funeral services for the late Mrs. Luther Hodges were held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Hodges, on Monday.



Obray Ramsey (left) and Byard Ray (right) signing exclusive recording contracts with ABC Records at the company's New York headquarters. With them are record producer Arthur Gorson (left center) and ABC executive Bill Szymek. Their record "White Lightning," is to be released nationally during the next month.

## Obray Ramsey, Byard Ray ABC Album To Be Released

From all indications, two Madison County "music-makers" might well hit the "jackpot" soon when an album on ABC records will be released.

It was during last February that Obray Ramsey and Byard Ray were invited to New York City and to Central Sound Studio where Producer Arthur H. Gorson, of ABC, Incorporated, made the recordings.

Amidst Ramsey and Ray were many other well-known musicians who supply "background" accompaniments. The album, entitled "White Lightning," includes the following songs:

Pretty Sparrow, All The Good Times Are Past And Gone, Saro, Pretty Polly, The Unloaded Day, New River Train, Down In The Willow Garden, Crazy Arms, and Amazing Grace.

Following are sketches of the two men:

**OBRAY RAMSEY**  
Obray Ramsey, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ramsey, was born in a log cabin in Soda Mountain in 1918. He completed elementary school in Laurel and received his high school diploma from American School in Chicago, Illinois. He also has a diploma in Taxidermy.

**BYARD RAY**  
Byard Ray, whose forefathers were Scotch-Irish, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Champ Ray, of Rt. 4, Marshall, and was born on Laurel July 17, 1910. At the tender age of seven, Byard started picking up a fiddle and the his grand father and father, respectively, showed him what picking was in his hand. He learned to play the fiddle and guitar and also played the mandolin.

## COUNTY YOUTH COUNCIL IS NOW IN OPERATION

The Madison County Youth Council summer recreation program is in full operation now.

Comprised of youth from 10 to 25 the program is aimed at those youth in need of recreation equipment and training. Operating within the O.E.O. guidelines the most far reaching of the activities is placement of recreation equipment in 20 communities in Madison County.

Other activities include camp scholarships to 4-H, Girl Scout, and Sport Camps. Swimming lessons are being provided in the morning for youth from designated areas who have not had an opportunity previously to benefit from such programs.

The next meeting of the M.C.Y.C. will be Monday, July 7, at 7:30 in Marshall Memorial Park. All interested persons are invited and all those now participating in the program are encouraged to attend.

## House Approves Phone Co. Probe

### DeBruhl Says Firms Have Not Complied With Directives

RALEIGH — The North Carolina Utilities Commission would be directed to reopen a probe of two telephone companies serving mountain counties under legislation adopted by the House Friday.

A resolution directing the commission to look into the service provided by Western Carolina Telephone Co. and North Carolina Telephone Co. was adopted by the House Friday.

### Senate Votes 22 To 8 In Favor Of Ramsey Bill

Raleigh — Senator Bruce B. Briggs of Mars Hill lost a last ditch stand Monday against legislation ordering the Madison County Board of Commissioners to put a deputy register of deeds on the payroll and to hand over to her \$1,500 in back salary.

Senate voted 22-8 to enact a bill introduced by Rep. Linton B. Ramsey of Marshall directing the Republican commissioners to put Mrs. Christine Lister on the county payroll Tuesday at a salary of \$325 a month.

An amendment Briggs attempted to hang on to the bill to prevent the measure from deciding a law suit still in court on the salary controversy was defeated, 17-12.

A blistering debate between Briggs and Sen. M. Hector McGeachy Jr., of Fayetteville preceded the failure of the amendment and adoption of the bill.

"There is no finer example of horrible government, poor government, and I must say — stupid government," McGeachy, president pro tem of the Senate, said of the Madison controversy.

"And this amendment is an example of poor Republican legislation," McGeachy said.

"It is, no doubt, a good example of poor, corrupt government," Briggs fired back.

But he said he was referring to the General Assembly's action and not the failure of the Madison County Board.

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