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WMU Leadership Conference At Mars Hill Church Tuesday

All Officials, Leaders Urged To Attend; Pastors Invited

The annual Woman's Missionary Union Leadership Conference will be held in the Mars Hill Baptist Church next Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 p. m. All officers, committee chairmen and leaders of young people's organizations of the French Broad Association are urged to be present. All pastors are always welcome to attend all of these meetings.

"We will meet together for a devotional period led by Mrs. William Lynch, and then go to separate conferences," Mrs. Locke Robinson said.

The following conferences will be held:

W.M.U. Directors and W.M.S. Presidents led by Mrs. W. Locke Robinson.

Activity Chairmen and/or Mission Action Chairmen, Prayer Chairmen, Stewardship Chairmen led by Mrs. Ralph Hogan.

Study Chairmen and/or Mission Study Chairmen led by Mrs. Charlie Clayton.

Y.W.A. Directors and/or Y.W.A. Leaders led by Mrs. Richard Hoffman.

G.A. Directors and/or G.A. Leaders led by Mrs. Kyle Jamerson.

Sunbeam Directors and/or Sunbeam Leaders led by Mrs. Arvel Fisher.

"Bring with you your October issue of Royal Service, your 1969-1970 W.M.U. Yearbook and also your W.M.U. or W.M.S., Y.W.A., G.A., or Sunbeam Manual. Copies of the Yearbook will be on sale for thirty-five cents each. If you know of a woman who is interested in organizing a Woman's Missionary Society in her church, invite her to come with you. If your Missionary Society does not have organized work for Sunbeams, G.A.s and Y.W.A.s we urge you to bring persons interested in starting this work to this meeting," Mrs. Robinson said.

Boy Scout Troop Reorganization Is Planned Tuesday

All boys between the ages of 11 and 18 who are interested in becoming Boy Scouts, are invited to a reorganization meeting of Troop 55 next Tuesday at 7:30 p. m., on the Island.

Many activities are planned and all boys in the Marshall area are encouraged to take part.

Seminary Extension Centers Open Sept. 29

Pastors, Lay People Invited To Join In Study Of Bible

The fall semester of the French Broad Seminary Extension Centers will open Monday, September 29, at 7:30 p. m., with an expanded program of study. Instead of four classes, five classes will be offered for the convenience of all who care to avail themselves of this splendid opportunity for intensive study. At Hopewell (Newfound Association), just out of Walnut, Rev. Albert A. Ferverall, Jr., will be teaching a course in Old Testament, entitled "The Heart of Hebrew History," while at Upper Laurel and Forks of Ivy churches, Rev. M. H. Kendall and Rev. E. R. Youngblood, respectively, will be conducting studies in the Epistle of James, a New Testament Study. In addition, two courses will be offered at Mars Hill: Miss Sue Fitzgerald will be teaching a course in "Our Christian Heritage" and Prof. Vernon R. Wood will lead a class in the study of "Life and Faith of Jesus." There are courses in Department of Bible and Theology at Mars Hill.

CRIMINAL TERM TO START HERE NEXT MONDAY

Judge Harry C. Martin To Preside; Several Appeal Cases

The September term of superior court for the trial of criminal cases will begin here next Monday morning with Judge Harry C. Martin presiding. Clyde M. Roberts is the solicitor.

Among the cases listed for trial are:

Alfred Roberts, Assault and kidnapping; Hubert Rice, Arson; Gib Murray, Assault with deadly weapon; Crime against nature; Johnny Waldroup, Assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill; Jerry Richard Briscoe, Murder; Charles Watson, Escape; Jerry Richard Briscoe, Murder; Ben Allison, Forgery; Robert L. Henry, Jr., Arson (new trial); Robert L. Davis, Petition for restoration of Citizenship; Floyd Fie, Escape; Linda May, Forgery; Ray Calloway, Forgery; Charles Waldroup, Judgment.

Several cases listed are appeal cases from District Court, including Mason King, ADM; Dale Cutshall, ADW; and several traffic violations.

Following is a list of jurors for this term of court:

Mrs. Ira Bullman (Rose Lee), Edward Ray Davis, James Edward Sexton, Jean Hensley, Mrs. Jonah Reece, Mrs. Grant Metcalf (Hazel), Mrs. Treva Fisher, Mrs. Roland Ramsey (Eula), James Gahan Wallin, Mrs. Lodie Banks (Omie), Mrs. J. T. Mays, Paul Dockery, Roberta F. Ramsey, Bulah Rice, Mrs. Vonnie S. Roberts, Mrs. Riley West, Nial Clark, Bob by L. Johnson, Mrs. Thomas C. Askew, Arthel Goforth, Mrs. Lee Wyatt, Steve Moore, Mrs. David Connor (Betty), Mrs. Jake Bailey, Weldon Hensley, Charles Carter, Billy Briscoe, William L. Wibel, Harley McDevitt, Robert W. Franklin, Clarence J. Shelton, Mrs. Gay Merrill (Bula), Wayne R. Ammons, Daniel Quinton Bishop, Cora Bell Cutshall, Rex C. Smith, Chalmers Shelton, James R. Robinson, Mrs. Wade Reator, Ada Lou English, Lewis Naulty, Jenelle Fender, Lewis Gentry, R. J. Robinson, Mrs. Curry Gosnell.

NO MISTAKES People who profit by mistakes have really made none.

BEEF GRADING HAS CHANGED IN RECENT YEARS

There were many questions asked in our last two yearling steer sales about the tail-head mark being put on steers that hix or seven years ago would have graded the Double A or fancy grade. The beef cattle industry calls this progress. Six or seven years ago these short coupled pony-type cattle were considered to be the ultimate in beef cattle breeding. They topped all the shows; but in the feed lot, they were not the money makers. These pony-type cattle would finish out at 800 pounds or sometimes even less; and top rate of gain on this type of cattle, most of the time, was less than one pound per day. Feeders just could not make money with them.

At last our grading system has caught up with the industry and has recognized these cattle as being inferior to their long legged, longer bodied cousins who will out gain them in the feed lot, making gains in excess of three pounds per day in some instances and averaging above two per day. This is the reason that the graders are discriminating against these pony-type cattle, Fred Boss A.E. Agent, says.

YANCEY SHERIFF PASSES FRIDAY; RITES MONDAY

BURNSVILLE — Services for Donald Banks, 53, Sheriff of Yancey County, who died Friday, September 19, 1969 were held at 2:30 p. m. Monday in Cane River Baptist Church of which he was a member.

The Rev. M. H. Kendall and the Rev. Bert Styles officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Masonic rites were conducted by Burnsville Lodge No. 717 AF and AM, of which he was a charter member.

Honorary pallbearers were Burnsville and Yancey County law enforcement officers and members of Troop F of the N. C. Highway Patrol.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Pauline Maney Banks; a daughter, Miss Dianne Banks of the home; three sons, Johnny, Robert and Herman Banks, all of Burnsville; and three grandchildren.

Mr. Banks, a graduate of Bald Creek High School and a native of Yancey County, was first elected sheriff in 1938 at the age of 24.

A former state senator, he was elected to the second term as chief county lawman in 1968 serving until 1962. His third term began in 1968.

He was a member of the National Sheriffs Association and former chairman of the Yancey County Republican Party.

Roy Taylor Appeals For Reduction Of Prime Interest Rate

WASHINGTON — U. S. Rep. Roy A. Taylor has appealed to President Nixon to reduce the prime interest rate.

In a telegram sent Wednesday to the Chief Executive, the 11th District Congressman said recent hikes in the rate to its present 8 1/2 percent have failed to curb inflation as anticipated by Administration economists.

Instead, he said, "today's unreasonably high interest rates have delayed housing starts and created an intolerable situation in the entire home building industry and for families needing a new home and other major improvements."

Rather than slowing inflation, the Congressman observed that "this high interest rate has added to the cost of living, thereby increasing inflation."

A copy of his telegram was sent to the Federal Reserve Board, which officially sets the prime interest rate. The rate has increased in recent years and is now 8 1/2 percent since 1969, Taylor said.

LOCAL OEO UNIT MEETS TONIGHT IN ASHEVILLE

Directors of The Opportunity Corporation of Madison-Bencombe Counties will meet in regular session at the South French Broad branch of the YWCA at 7:30 o'clock tonight (Thursday), the date set for submitting a candidate for executive director.

Whether a candidate has been selected by the Personnel Committee could not be learned Tuesday. Chairman Jack Edwards could not be reached.

As its August meeting, the board approved a recommendation from the Personnel Committee that it be instructed to submit a candidate to the board of directors not later than Sept. 26.

The Personnel Committee also was authorized to request the services of the Office of Economic Opportunity, the Executive Search Program of the Council of the Southern Mountains and any other available assistance to locate qualified candidates.

Also on the agenda for the Thursday night meeting are reports from the acting director, Finance Committee, Policy Advisory Committee, Planning Committee, Housing Development Corporation and the Functions and Structures Committee.

Savings Bonds Sales In County \$11,366 In Month Of Aug.

Combined sales of Savings Bonds and Freedom Shares during August were \$5,639,168, a 13.2 percent increase over the comparable month a year ago.

January-August sales were \$42,320,825, a 2.3 percent decrease over the same 8-month period a year ago. This represents 71 percent of the state's annual quota of \$59,600,000.

Savings Bond and Freedom Share Sales in Madison County were \$11,366 for August. For the year, cumulative sales amounted to \$89,838, which is 68.8 percent of the county's 1969 Dollar Quota, according to C. L. Radcliff, Jr., volunteer chairman of the Savings Bond Program in Madison County.

Nickels For Know-How Referendum To Be Held Nov. 25

On Tuesday, November 25, farmers of Madison County will decide whether or not to assess themselves five cents per ton on all feed and fertilizer. The proceeds from the assessment is used for education, research, and Extension in problems facing farmers in agricultural production and marketing in North Carolina. The payment is voluntary on the part of each farmer in that he may demand a refund if he is not in favor of supporting the Nickels for Know-How Program in the State.

The Nickels for Know-How Referendum which has been held every three years for the past several years will not be held again until 1975. All persons using feed or fertilizer, including their wives or husbands, are eligible to vote in the referendum. Young men and women, members of FFA, FHA, and 4-H club members who produce crops or livestock are also eligible to vote in the referendum.

The referendum idea originated with farm organizations in North Carolina which requested the 1961 General Assembly to pass the enabling act promoting people to arrange for contributions by them to be used to support a program of research, teaching, and Extension. Farmers in the state have supported this program for the past eighteen years.

The referendum will be held in Madison County this year on Tuesday, November 25. Felling places are announced on the bulletin board in the County Extension office.

GOLDEN HILLS The golden rule is something that should be followed by all.

SCOTT PRAISED FOR AUTO STUDY OF INSURANCE

The North Carolina Automobile Rate Administrative Office Monday applauded Gov. Bob Scott's appointment of a commission to study automobile liability insurance rates.

"The governor's appointment of a special commission to study these factors is a positive step that can favorably influence the pocketbooks of thousands of motorists in North Carolina," said Paul Mize, general manager of the rate office, in a prepared statement.

"If the costs of parts and repairs is not curbed and if the frequency of accidents continues to rise, insurance companies will have no alternative but to continue to seek increased insurance rates," Mize stated.

He said statistics gathered by his office from garages in eight way cities show that in 1964 they were charging \$4.50 to \$5 an hour and now they are charging \$7 to \$8 an hour. But he said the office has no evidence "that excessive repair charges are being made."

Gov. Scott appointed the 15-man commission last week. It had been authorized by the 1969 General Assembly to study whether liability rate hikes are justified and if so, how the need for increases can be curtailed.

The rate administrative office and its 251 member insurance companies have asked the state insurance Commission for a rate increase that they say would hike most driver's premiums by 4.6 percent a year.

Square Dance Here Saturday Night

There will be a Square Dance Saturday night at the Marshall Memorial Park sponsored by the Madison 9 Baseball Team. Quentin Ramsey and The Roadrunners will furnish the music.

Proceeds from this dance will be used to support a county baseball team next summer.

Everyone invited to come and "HAVE FUN."

NOT SO DANGEROUS!

"Girls were harder to kiss in your day, weren't they, Grandpa?" "Maybe so, but it wasn't so blame dangerous. I never heard of a parlor sofa running off the road and smashing into a telephone pole."

ASC Committeemen Are Named; 2,224 Voted

PRES. NIXON CONGRATULATES WM. L. TILSON

President Richard M. Nixon commended the action of William L. Tilson, of Mobile, Ala., during the recent Hurricane Camille.

Mr. Tilson, formerly of Marshall, is a brother of Fred O. Tilson, of Marshall, and Joe Q. Tilson, of Hot Springs.

THE WHITE HOUSE Washington, D. C. Sept. 10, 1969

Dear Mr. Tilson:

I read of your tremendous dedication to duty as you alerted citizens to the impending dangers of Hurricane Camille and I just want to add my thanks to those of the many who heeded your warning to evacuate their homes. Quick action is particularly difficult at a time of turmoil when people are faced with the heartbreak of abandoning their homes and it is no easy task to tell people they must leave and seek refuge, yet I understand you brought the urgent message to people along the Gulf Coast with a compassion and concern that hastened their departures and resulted in saving the lives of thousands.

As you have said, there are many heroes born of this tragedy. I just want to express my gratitude to one of them.

With every good wish, Sincerely, RICHARD NIXON

BLOODMOBILE TO BE HERE ON NEXT THURSDAY

Residents of Madison County will have two opportunities during the October to donate blood in the county. The Bloodmobile will visit Marshall at the French Broad Electric Membership Building on Friday, October 2, between the hours of 2:00 and 6:00 p. m. There will also be a visit at Mars Hill College on Friday, October 23.

It is hoped that both visits will be highly successful.

Increase Of 300 Votes Over Previous Years; Increased Interest Shown

In announcing the results of the recent mail election of ASC Community Committeemen Ralph Ramsey, County ASCS Office Manager stated that farmers within the county showed a greater interest than usual in this year's elections. He explained that the County ASC Committee publically tabulated the election ballots on Friday, Sept. 19 and the count revealed that 2,224 farmers cast timely ballots in the mail balloting which ended on September 16. This number represents an increase of 300 over the number taking part in the previous years community committee elections.

Ramsey said that Madison County is divided into 16 ASCS communities for administrative purposes and that each year the farmers within the respective communities elect a three-man community ASC board and two alternate members to represent them in ASCS farm programs. The position of board members is determined by the number of votes received in the election. Newly elected community committeemen will begin their term of office on October 1, 1969 and serve for one year.

Follows is a list of the recently elected community committeemen for the 16 ASCS communities, along with the number of farmers casting ballots. They are listed in the order of chairman, vice-chairman, regular member, first and second alternate.

Community A-1: Albert Freeman, Jr., Oliver Ferguson, Carl Cantrell, Cecil Briggs, and Olin Jarrett (867 votes); E-2: Walter Gosnell, Enoch Gunter, Clarence B. Cutshall, Lance Wallin, and W. B. Shelton (234 votes); C-3: J. Albin Buckner, Carson Roberts, Hardy Merrill, Clifford T. Waldrop, and Marcus Cody (144 votes); D-4: Wayne Estmon, Grover Tomberlin, Warren Anders, Hix Robinson, and T. Leroy Snyder (164 votes); E-5: Harold Wallin, Dick Murray, J. Walter Cody, George Hamlin, and James F. Ramsey (124 votes); F-6: Randall Buckner, Neale Bradburn, D. J. Graham, Gail Brown, and Burton Reeves (94 votes); G-7: Frank Payne, Arthur Payne, Leonard Payne, T. June Worley and Burion W. (Continued on Last Page)

Rosman Tigers Hand Tornadoes Defeat, 20-12; Spruce Pine Downs Mars Hill Wildcats, 28-6; MHC Lions Defeat Catawba JVs, 28-6

Rosman - Marshall

Two first-half touchdowns by halfback Jimmy Kitchen sparked the Rosman Tigers to a 20-12 triumph over the Marshall Tornadoes in an Appalachian Conference football game here Friday night.

Kitchen plunged one yard in the first quarter and circled right end for 25 yards in the second period. Weldon Whitmore's two-point conversion plunge gave the Tigers a 14-0 lead before Marshall hit the scoreboard.

A 25-yard run by fullback Ronnie Owen gave Rosman an insurance TD in the final period.

The Tornadoes scored just before half on a 26-yard pass from Wayne McDevitt to brother Rickie McDevitt, and again just before the game ended, on a 10-yard end run by halfback Calvin Rhinehart.

Despite the defeat, the Tornadoes displayed a greatly improved attack and the blocking was vastly improved from previous games. Robert Cameron, tall and rangy Tornado end, displayed uncanny ability to catch passes although the ball was wet and the game played in a steady rain.

Wayne McDevitt passed well considering the playing conditions existing on 11 September in Marshall.

Mars Hill - Spruce Pine

Spruce Pine Blue Devils conquered tough Mars Hill, 28-6, in a stunning upset Friday night at Spruce Pine.

The Blue Devils, sparked by the running of Gary Ledford and Jerry Hefner, compiled 264 yards on the ground. Spruce Pine's defense permitted the Wildcats only a first-period touchdown and 160 yards rushing.

The Wildcats got on the scoreboard first when Tom Castellone raced 59 yards around end for a TD with four minutes gone in the contest. The run failed.

Ledford swept end for 16 yards to deadlock the count, and his conversion run gave the Blue Devils a 6-0 lead.

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Catawba - Mars Hill Lions

David McFee, a junior from Asheville, booted three field goals and the defense played a steady, hard-hitting game to lead the Mars Hill College Lions to a 28-6 victory over the Catawba Junior Varsity at Mars Hill Saturday afternoon at Mears Athletic Field.

The victory was the first in two starts for coach Dal Shenley's Lions and came against a junior varsity array that included more than half of Catawba's varsity starting players.

The Lions, hard-knocking defense recovered four fumbles to put the Lions' offensive unit in good scoring position and the home-side made the most of it.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

FRIDAY: Bakerville at Marshall; North Buncombe at Mars Hill; Hot Springs at Cane River. Monday Night, Sept. 29: ...

	C	MH
First downs	11	11
Rushing yardage	91	10
Passing yardage	78	114
Return yardage	107	59
Punts	5-18-1	2-30-0
Fumbles lost	1-0-0	2-0-0
Yards penalized	20	0
Catawba J.V.	8	0
Mars Hill	8	19

Scoring summary:
 Catawba: 3 FGs by David McFee, 1 TD by Tom Castellone.
 Mars Hill: 3 TDs by Gary Ledford, 1 TD by Jerry Hefner.
 Catawba: 1 TD by Tom Castellone.
 Mars Hill: 1 TD by Tom Castellone.