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Top Priority Is Requested For US 25-70 And NC 213

Commissioner N.C. Hawkins Presents Plans To State Commission

The improvement of US 25-70 from Marshall to Weaverville in Madison and Buncombe Counties has been given a top priority among Primary Road projects by Novile C. Hawkins, Area Highway Commissioner from Mars Hill.

Hawkins gave top rating to this stretch of highway in his recommendations to the full Highway Commission, which is meeting this week to act on the requests of all of its members.

A study of this road was made some five years ago and is available for use by highway engineers, Hawkins said. Estimates in Raleigh are that it will cost \$5 million to make the needed improvements to this highway.

As soon as Commission action is taken on Hawkins' recommendations, then the Commission engineers will start preliminary work and a public hearing will be called to acquaint the public with the exact plans.

Another project for which Hawkins asked priority is the section of NC 213 from Mars Hill to Marshall. This road is now in the preliminary design stage and is estimated to cost \$3 million.

Other roads for which Hawkins asked action are on US 19, from Burnsville to Cane River in Yancey County; improvement of NC 209 in Haywood County and a bypass of US 19-E at Spruce Pine.

The Commission will act on these first requests this week and will update the priorities list periodically during the next few years.

Masons To Meet

French Broad Masonic Lodge No. 292 will hold an Emergency Communication on Saturday, November 8, at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of conferring the Fellowship Degree.

Officers and members take due notice.

Robbinsville Defeats Mars Hill In Playoffs Fri., 20-8

Fumbles Plague Mars Hill; Wildcat Defense Shines

Stymied by a stubborn Mars Hill defense in the first half Robbinsville's Black Knights found their offense in the final two quarters to take a 20-8 District 1A Playoff at Robbinsville Friday night.

The serial combination of Mark Manuel to Dale Walsh was the key to the win, accounting for two touchdowns. Manuel also tossed a two-point conversion.

Manuel hit Walsh in the third quarter for 19 yards. A run for the extra points failed. The Black Knights clicked again early in the fourth on a plunge by Larry Sawyer with Manuel passing to end Lowell Snyder to put the score at 14-0.

Mars Hill, the Appalachian 1-A champ, stirred back with some aerial antics of its own. Sigbee Duck passed 24 yards to Bruce Murray for the score with Ken Castellino running for two more points to make it 14-8.

Smoky Mountain 1-A champ (Continued to Page Four)

OES To Observe "Friendship Night"

"Friendship Night" will be observed by members of the Marshall Eastern Star Chapter during their regular meeting on Monday evening at 7:30 in the Maple Temple.

Direct Dialing Delayed

Westco Telephone Company announced that the plans for Direct Distance Dialing for its Marshall, North Carolina customers would be delayed for a short period of time. Previously, it had been announced that this service could be available beginning October 31, 1969.

Just prior to completing the final steps to place DDD service in operation, an engineering problem was unexpectedly encountered which necessarily resulted in delaying the date on which Marshall customers can begin to dial their own long distance calls.

Efforts to correct the problem began immediately, and it is expected that the delay in providing customers direct distance dialing will not be long.

WHY ARE WE TAR HEELS?

In Colonial days, North Carolina was a big producer of tar, pitch and turpentine and its residents sometimes were called TAR HEELS.

During one of the fiercest conflicts of the War Between the States, North Carolina troops felt they had been let down by a regiment carrying the colors of another state, and thus carried chips on their shoulders when they pulled back from the front after battle.

"Any more tar down in the Old North State, boys?" members of the other regiment chided the battle-weary North Carolinians.

"Not a bit. Jeff Davis bought (Continued To Last Page)

COMMISSIONERS PREPARING FOR BOND ELECTION

Cody Answers Recent Letter From The Board Of Education

The following letter to Supt. Robert L. Edwards from Carl Cody, chairman, Madison County Board of Commissioners, is self-explanatory:

November 4, 1969
Mr. Robert L. Edwards, Supt. Madison County Schools
Marshall, North Carolina
Dear Mr. Edwards:

At the meeting of the Board of County Commissioners on November 3, 1969, your letter of October 23, 1969, concerning the proposed school bond referendum was read and considered. It is encouraging to know that the Madison County Board of Education now desires to proceed with this referendum at an early date.

The Board of County Commissioners has heretofore consulted (Continued to Last Page)

N. C. SYMPHONY WEEK NOW BEING OBSERVED HERE

Concerts Are Scheduled At Mars Hill College On November 21-24

Raleigh — Governor Robert W. Scott has proclaimed the week of November 2-8 "North Carolina Symphony Week."

In proclaiming the week-long observance, Gov. Scott called the N. C. Symphony "one of the finest symphonies in the nation."

"The five million people of our great state have the opportunity to enjoy music at its highest level due to the presence of this respected orchestra, Gov. Scott said. The governor's proclamation praised the Symphony for its years of service to the Tar Heel state, citing more than 200,000 miles of travel and over 2,800 concerts given in a quarter-century of statewide touring.

The North Carolina Symphony is committed to growth in quality. (Continued To Last Page)

\$15 Million Expansion At Bald Mountain Is Planned

Mars Hill Band Introduced New Fight Song Sat.

The Mars Hill College band introduced a new fight song Saturday when the football took on Gardner-Webb College of Bowling Springs at Mars Hill.

The music was written last spring by organ major Dan S. Lockley of Charlotte, and the words by band trumpeter Donald Peach of Reidsville. The words were worth \$25 to Peach. His lyrics were judged best last week in a contest sponsored by the student literary magazine, The Callender.

College band director Raymond Babelay said that other than the alma mater, the school lacked a song of its own. In lieu of a short peppy song, he said, the band used "Dixie" as a "spirit rouser."

He and the band were on the practice field getting ready for Saturday's game, the last home game of the season.

The college band performed a pre-game show starting at 7 p. m.; and the Enka High School band, directed by John Lackey the halftime show.

Development Transferred To Dynamic Systems, Inc. On Friday

An estimated \$15 million expansion of the plant and residential facilities at the Wolf Laurel Boundary over the next five years was announced Friday.

At the same time an announcement was made by Kenneth E. Allen and C. P. Edwards III that an contract had been signed for financing the major portion of the Bald Mountain Development Co. and Wolf Laurel Properties Inc., from the Edwards family to Dynamic Systems Inc.

Allen is president of Dynamic, which is a subsidiary of 60 Minute System Inc. No purchase was disclosed. An exchange of stock was involved in the deal.

60 Minute System Inc. is a public company with 300 dry cleaning establishments throughout the United States. On Oct. 20, the firm opened a dry cleaning store at 180 Charlotte St., in Asheville. Allen said he felt that these 300 outlets will be instrumental in enticing visitors and investors to East Tennessee and Western North Carolina.

John L. Hopwood, president of 60 Minute Systems Inc., of Melbourne, Fla., expressed enthusiasm toward the future growth of Bald Mountain and Wolf Laurel. "The economic impact of this development, traveling the basic program," established by Mr. Ed- (Continued To Last Page)

Madison County Voters Approve 1c Sale Tax Tuesday, 856-404

How County Voted Tuesday

Below are the unofficial results by precincts of the 1% sales tax referendum in Madison County on Tuesday.

| | For | Against |
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| Marshall | 237 | 104 |
| Laurel | 48 | 32 |
| Mars Hill | 256 | 60 |
| Beech Glen | 71 | 62 |
| Walnut | 82 | 42 |
| Hot Springs | 76 | 34 |
| Ehbs Chapel | 43 | 32 |
| Spring Creek | 43 | 38 |

Baley Is Named County Attorney; Succeeds Briggs

James M. Baley, Jr., Asheville attorney, formerly of Marshall, was named County Attorney by the county commissioners at the meeting here Monday. Mr. Baley succeeds Bruce Briggs, who is now Assistant U. S. District Attorney.

Mr. Baley has served in many positions, including U. S. District Attorney and State Chairman of the Republican Party for three years in the past. He was also prominent in civic and religious activities here.

He will be assisted in this county by Harry Chene a member of the McGuire, Baley & Wolf law firm of Asheville.

Youth Council Board To Meet Here On Monday

The Board of Directors of the Youth Council of Madison and Rural Buncombe Counties will meet Monday, November 10, at 7 p. m., in the Marshall Community Center. All chairmen of the community youth groups are asked to attend. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the budget, constitution and by-laws, radio program, and seating of representatives of newly organized groups.

TAX REJECTED IN 75 COUNTIES; APPROVED IN 25

Morrisey Thinks Remaining Counties Will Eventually Have Tax

Voters in 75 of North Carolina's 100 counties rejected Tuesday a proposal that they levy a unique 1 per cent sales tax on themselves. But the outcome left the issue far from settled.

"I think approval by 25 counties is a remarkable showing and there's no question that the levy will be in effect in every county within three years," said John Morrisey, executive director of the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners.

Morrisey said the association, a prime mover behind the tax proposal, will press for bringing the proposal before voters again at the earliest opportunity. Under the law which set up Tuesday's referendum, that would be in January of 1971.

The counties which approved the levy were scattered geographically from the mountains to the sea, but most were either small and (Continued to Last Page)

COUNTY GETS TASTE OF SNOW AND SLEET WED.

Madison County got its first taste of snow this season as light snow flurries began falling Tuesday night. Sleet also was in evidence Wednesday morning.

One inch or more of snow was reported at higher elevations in the area and a section of the Blue Ridge Parkway was closed to traffic late Tuesday night due to snow and ice.

WATER AND AIR POLLUTION NOW BEING REDUCED

Cost-Sharing System Aids Farmers In Saving Properties

Measures to reduce water and air pollution are being developed under the Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP) in North Carolina, according to Emory Robinson, chairman of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation County Committee.

"I understand our State ASC Committee is among the first in the Nation to write detailed specifications for ACP anti-pollution measures," said Robinson. "We believe North Carolina farmers will continue to lead in the campaign against pollution, a campaign which concerns every American."

"While agriculture-related pollution is but one part of a nationwide concern for cleaner water and air, it is well for farmers and the public to remember that roughly 80 per cent of our total land area is cropland, woodland, or forest land. Preventing pollution here helps everyone," Robinson said.

Robinson visited farms and fields in the highest mountains to pollution of mountain waters from the development of resorts in the Blue Ridge area.

Marshall OES To Sponsor Rummage Sale Saturday

Members of the Marshall Odd Fellows Lodge will hold a rummage sale Saturday at the Marshall Community Center.

Six Other WNC Counties Approve Tax; Voting Is Light

The one-cent sales tax for the benefit of local government was approved overwhelmingly by Madison County voters in Tuesday's statewide referendum.

Madison was one of seven out of 19 Western North Carolina counties voting to enact the additional penny tax, based on complete but unofficial returns.

The county commissioners and the county board of education both backed the passage of the measure although they are political opponents.

All eight precincts voted in favor of the additional 1c sales tax in what was termed as a "tight" vote on Tuesday.

Buncombe County voters, like Madison, voted better than two to one in favor of the tax. Unofficial returns in Buncombe showed that 18,548 voted for the tax and (Continued to Page Four)

TAX SHARES FOR COUNTY ESTIMATED

Below is published the financial effects of the local option sales tax in Madison County which was one of the 25 counties in the state to adopt the plan.

The first column shows the total amount of revenue the Department of Tax Research estimates will be collected through the tax in Madison County. The second column shows the total amount of money which would be received by Madison County and the three municipalities under the revenue-sharing provisions of the tax.

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| Madison County | \$104,000 |
| Hot Springs | 4,900 |
| Marshall | 7,000 |
| Mars Hill | 19,600 |
| Total | \$135,500 |

Mars Hill Lions Win Over Gardner-Webb, 27-2 Sat.

Lions Overcome Gardner-Webb In Second Half For Victory

A defense that held firm all the way, and an offense that exploded brilliantly in the second half, carried the Mars Hill Lions to a 27-2 victory over the Gardner-Webb Bulldogs at Mars Hill Saturday night.

The Lions were virtually stymied by a stubborn Gardner-Webb defense in the first two periods, but did a complete about-face to score two touchdowns in each of the two final quarters.

Quarterback Marvin Perrott was the sparkplug of Mars Hill's form reversal. He passed for two touchdowns and ran another in the 27-point second half.

The only score of the first half was a 2-point safety for the Bulldogs. It came on a bad center snap that sailed through the end zone as the Lions attempted to punt from their own 15.

The Lions moved 65 yards for their first TD with Perrott tossing to Rick Harris for the final eight yards.

Spur by Ford West and Robert Griffin, mixed with two Perrott passes, set the stage for Perrott to run in from the 13 to make it (Continued To Last Page)

RC&D Project Could Benefit County; Funds Are Available

Local Leaders Tour Tenn. Project To Learn Values

By BILL BROWN, Soil Conservation Technician in Madison County

A Resource Conservation and Development Project is made up of two or more counties. They are formed when the people of an area come together, select their sponsors (county commissioners, soil and water conservation districts, a town, or public development corporation) and apply for assistance. These projects were authorized under the Food and Agriculture Act of 1962, and are administered by the Soil Conservation Service.

In RC&D Projects, all interests of the area — farm, business and citizen — work together to develop plans. These plans are designed to meet the needs and desires of the county will be (Continued to Last Page)

Cites RC&D Benefits



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clude loans which are available at a very low interest rate and in some cases outright grants are available.

Hershel Ramsey, Chairman of Madison County Soil and Water Conservation District; Lorenso Ponder, Mayor of Marshall; Bill Brown, Soil Conservation Technician; Ormand Williams, District Conservationist; and L. D. Curle, Area Conservationist, toured a Resource Conservation and Development Project last week in Tennessee. The project covering an eleven-county area, is known as the Bull-York-Lakeand RC&D Project. The purpose of the tour was to see first hand what this project is accomplishing with the hope that a similar project can be started in the Upper French Broad Area — including Madison, Marshall, Haywood, Henderson and Transylvania Counties.

The Bull-York-Lakeand Project is a joint effort of the Soil Conservation Service and the Tennessee Department of Conservation.