

New Year Greetings

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Some Of The Happenings In County During 1971

Scanning the pages of the News-Record during 1971 the following headlines appeared. Space prohibits more headings but below are a few of the happenings since last January 1:

JANUARY
Office Space Controversy Rocks County Courthouse.
Commissioners lock Solicitor's office.
County Airport plans are discussed here.
Mrs. Grace English retires post after twenty years.
Dr. Jerry Rice director of WCU summer school.
Court order unlocks door for solicitor in court house.
Lawson Rice home destroyed by fire.
Messer, Ramsey given key house assignments.
Ramsey, Wyatt new personnel rescue squad.
Mars Hill group to study pollution in county.
The Rev. George A. Moore installed as pastor Greater Parish.
Miss Cynthia Burban, new county 4-H leader.
Sales tax ruling stuns legislators.
Mrs. Geneva Hensley Edwards, Marshall's oldest woman, celebrates 90th birthday January 18.

FEBRUARY
Shopping center, airport favored by Commissioners.
Commissioners approve solid waste proposal.

Quorum Fabrics, Inc., lease Frank Coxe building in Marshall.
Mrs. R. V. Ramsey honored on 90th birthday.
Burlington Employees get attendance awards.
County Burley farmers win honors.
Liquor bill offered for Madison County.
Liquor bill opposed by Baptist Ass'n.
Marshall girls, Mars Hill boys basketball champions.
Wayne McDewitt seriously injured in shooting.
Hot Springs woman charged with murder of brother.
\$36,713.66 in sales tax sent to county.
Johnny Kirkpatrick, Spring Creek senior wins scholarship to Chile, S. A.
Wreck kills Alberts Sams and wife of Spring Creek.

MARCH
Paula Sams is winner in Civitan Essay contest.
Plans formulated for consolidated high school here.
New Boy's Home fills a need in Hot Springs.
Cecil Blackwell is dog warden for county.
Leatherwood speaks at Mars Hill Lions Club.
Quorum Plant now in operation here.
Thomas L. Bailey is new forester in Hot Springs.
Craft store opens in Mars Hill.
Norris Gentry "Airman of Quarter."

Johnny Fisher elected president of MHC seniors.
APRIL
Local sales tax restored in county.
Ramsey, Ray are cited in New York Times.
4-H talent show huge success.
Snow covers county, 6 inches reported in county.
Board of Education members sworn in here.
Charlotte Shupe is president of Appalettes.
Controversy over ambulance drivers rocks Marshall.
Farm poundage quotas for burley tobacco.
Hot Springs citizens recruit medical help.
School bond anticipation notes sold.
Jack Ray killed in shooting.
R. L. Edwards elected NCAE President of 8th district.
Oren Roberts dies; was sports figure.
Price spike at REA meet here Saturday.

MAY
Town elections are held in county.
Madison County farmers favor quota on burley.
Mrs. E. Y. (Orla) Ponder retires after 40 years in classroom.
News-Record goes to standard page size.
Bill would change county industrial development group.
Mars Hill firemen install new alarm system.
Mars Hill seniors visit captiol.

Marshall senior class visits Washington, D. C.
Girl Scout council gets \$4,870 grant.
Cutshall awaiting third trial; in jail here.
Committee approves redistricting bill.
MHS alumni meeting set.
MHS athletes honored at banquet here.
Larry Leake is tapped for Phi Beta Kappa.
Gosnell murder case being heard in criminal court here.
370,144 acres trees planted under ASCS Program.
Yancey house fire kills Mrs. Ella Chandler and son, Gus Chandler.
Miss Willis honored at Mars Hill College.
Margot Roberts honored in drama, speech.
Taxi rates increase here.
Horse show on Island, June 5.
Ambulance personnel here is finally settled.
Ronnie Brazil, Marshall youth, improving after pistol wound.
Scholarships awarded students at Mars Hill.
Use of DDT and TDE on tobacco banned.
Bob Caldwell spoke at MHS Alumni.

JULY
Mrs. Tweed found guilty; is sentenced.
Appalachian workshops set this summer at Mars Hill.
Lease and transfer of Tobacco quotas.

Summer sessions start at Mars Hill.
Mrs. Stines and Mrs. Roberts retire after spending 79 years in the classroom.
Mary R. Franklin ends 45 years of teaching.
Savings bond sales in April totals \$58,964.
Schools awarded environmental project.
Body of Joe Denton found in river.
Bids opened for Marshall Housing Project.
\$640,000 grant approved for V. E. F. at new school here.
R. L. Edwards elected model Madison Chariman.
C.N. Willis, Jr. heads Mars Hill Housing Authority.
Nancy Morgan Murder probe continues after a year.
Mars Hill Horse show successful last Saturday.
Swannanoa pair being held for Lawson murders.
French Broad EMC announces rate adjustment.
Albert C. Lynch ordained a Deacon by the Virginia United Methodist Conference.

JULY
Alpha McDevitt, "Mother of 22".
So.
Storkeeper, Warren Pickett killed in gunfire.
Fire destroys home of Willard Rice Monday.
Commissioners set County tax rate at \$1.90; Budget explained.
Elmer Sexton, county man is

hit-run victim; soldier arrested.
French Broad EMC plans no rate increase.
"Jeannie", a three-year-old Beagle, delivered distress note of injured lady here.
Hot Springs area gets medical care.
Charlene Francis Ramsey, 10-year-old Hot Springs girl, drowns in Spring Creek.
Norton murder case waived to Superior Court.
Taylor hopes to extend Appalachian program.
Albun Buckner appointed FHA committeeman.
18-year-olds must register despite present draft status.
School bus overturns; Mrs. Ruth Ramsey Briggs hurt.
Remains of stolen autos recovered from river.
3 Burlington plants to convert to new product.
AUGUST
Madison's 'Aunt Rilla' Ray tuning up for folk festival.
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wild kidnapped; now at home.
Mrs. Beverly Hough and Mrs. Emma Kate Davis nominated Young Women of America for 1971.
Mars Hill telephone numbers change.
Porter Patrick killed in hunting accident.
Red Cross reorganizes; meeting well attended.
Clinic in Hot Springs receives \$5,000 grant.
Economic information at ASCS office here.

SEPTEMBER
Corn Leaf Blight studied in county.
Cutshall murder trial set for Sept. 27.
Russell Barnes killed in truck accident here Monday.
Bobby J. Brady new district ranger in Hot Springs.
Questions on wage price order answered at ASCS.
John A. Corbett promoted to Wilmington bank.
Horse and Mule Vaccination program.
Jeff Burton rural council program developer.
Mrs. Ralph Ramsey honored for Thanksgiving poem.
Cutshall murder case begins here Monday.
Kathy Tipton joins All American Red Heads.
LOOK magazine quitting business.
Mark Cody winner in Sun-flower contest.
Cutshall murder trial is in progress here.

OCTOBER
Lansford's Mountain Music Festival at Mars Hill Saturday.
Cutshall found guilty; attorney files appeal.
Obay Ramsey featured in 74-page book.
Bid awarded for clearing, grading of school site here.
Mars Hill gets grant for new auditorium.
Appalachian Consortium holds 'Open House' at Mars Hill College.
Jurors find Norton not guilty

of murder charges.
Angela Susan Britt killed in car wreck Saturday.
Hot Spring's Changing Scene. Second fire within week destroys Brown property at Barnard.
2,000 horses vaccinated in county.
Quorum to move to Weaverville soon.
Tornadoes defeat Rebels 22-0 in final game of season.
Sleepy Valley pumpkins win National acclaim.
Groundbreaking at Mars Hill College.

NOVEMBER
Jeter C. Duck, wife and son killed in wreck.
Homecoming ceremonies held at Mars Hill.
Richard Freeman enjoys moon hunt on Little Pine.
Madison County is top Burley producer.
B.J. Norton retires from CP&L after 41 years.
Burlington Industries reports 1971 sales, earning decline.
Important highway hearing Tuesday.
FHA District rally is held at Mars Hill.
Dedication of new Hot Springs Bridge.
Dr. A. V. Graves returns to Hot Springs.
The Rev. John Reid now at Wake Forest.
Full support voiced for Weaverville-Marshall highway.
Pat Taylor spoke at

Democratic dinner.
The Rev. Glenn Whitley accepts astoroteat Baptist Church here.
Dr. W. A. Sams, Prominent county physician, passes.
GOP State Convention in Charlotte.
J. B. Payne injured in police car wreck.
Donald Stines chosen 'Man with 40,000 Sweethearts.'
Vernon E. Wood collection of pitchers on display.

DECEMBER
Paul Kelley sentenced for kidnapping.
Work starts on shopping center here.
Tour of homes enjoyed in Mars Hill.
Vernon Rankin given service award.
R. L. Edwards named to WCU board.
Mrs. W. C. Clark honored at Berea.
State ASCS recognizes local editor.
J. B. Payne, policeman, succumbs to injuries.
Fire destroys Bill Stanton home near Walnut.
Hot Springs organizes C of C. Presnell killed by wife.
Buren Princes honored on anniversary.
Christmas Pageant ends 8th year here.
County Health Fairs planned.

Christmas Lighting Contest Winners

Winners in the Christmas lighting contest sponsored by the French Broad Electric Membership and the Marshall Garden Club were announced Wednesday, Dec. 22.

Decisions were made by three out-of-town judges and prizes were awarded as follows: Best decoration using a religious theme, Mr. and Mrs. Maco Wallin of Walnut Creek Road; best over-all decoration, Mr. and Mrs. John Corbett of

Walnut Creek Road; and best decorated door, Jobie and Toby Sprinkle, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Fain Sprinkle of Hayes Run Road.

Second prize in the general category went to Mr. and Mrs. J. Moody Chandler of Walnut Highway.

Sponsors of the contest wish to congratulate winners and to thank all persons who entered for their interest.

Lions Announce Winners In Donations

The winners in the Marshall Lions Club annual Christmas donation project are as follows: First prize: Gil Ramsey, c-o Mrs. Cora Ramsey, Marshall, Route 4; second prize, Ishmael Davis, Mars Hill, Route 1; third prize, Pritchard Duckery, Marshall, Route 5; fourth prize (pony), Faye Ramsey, Marshall; fifth prize, Jim Dowtin, Asheville.

Adult Basic Education Classes Begin At Mars Hill January 3

Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute announces continuous classes in Adult Basic Education beginning at the Mars Hill Town Hall on Monday, Jan. 3, 1972, at 6:30 p.m. Classes will continue meeting weekly on Monday and Thursday night.

The classes are designed for adults needing any level of basic education from basic reading and writing through preparation for a high school equivalency diploma.

The classes are free of charge and all materials are furnished. Subjects available include basic reading and writing, English, math, social studies, and science.

All adults are welcome and may enter at any time.

Persons who have completed high school but know of others who could benefit from this program should encourage others to attend.

Madison County residents are urged to take advantage of this free educational opportunity. **COME AND BRING A FRIEND!**

WCU Dean's List

Four hundred and eighty-four students from Western North Carolina were named to the dean's list at Western Carolina University for the fall quarter according to Dr. W. Newton Turner, vice president for academic affairs.

From Madison County the following students are on the Dean's list:
Hot Springs, Thomas E. Huff and Elizabeth R. Wright.
MARSHALL, Fred C. Haynie, Lola G. Mayhew, Lynda L. Payne and James D. Tipton.
MARS HILL, Linda K. Buckner and Elissa L. Halley.

Local Women Honored By Sorority

Mrs. Peggy Cutshaw, Mrs. Carol Gunter, Mrs. Pat Franklin and Mrs. Joyce Plemons have just won the highest honor their sorority, Epsilon Sigma Alpha International, can bestow on a new member: the First Pearl Award. These members of Beta Omega Chapter here, earned their award by completing a difficult series of achievements for their chapter.

They received their First Pearl Award at a special ceremony during the joint Christmas Banquet of Alpha Lambda of Greeneville, Tenn., and Beta Omega, of Marshall held in Greeneville. The award was presented by Mrs. Betty Taylor, President of Alpha Phi in Johnson City, Tenn.

ESA, one of the world's foremost leadership-service organizations for women, emphasizes educational and philanthropic accomplishments in attaining the First Pearl Award. Epsilon Sigma Alpha's 1,700 chapters annually raise and distribute more than one million dollars for local charities, scholarships and other philanthropic projects.

278 Children Checked By Lions Screening Van

The Lions Mobile Eye Screening van which recently operated in Madison County for nine days checked 278 children with 25 of those found to have eye problems which should be seen by an eye doctor. Mrs. Paula Mattson, a registered nurse, operated the van. Lion Wiley Duvall, of the Marshall club, was county chairman of the Lions Pre-School screening drive.

This was just another example of what the Lions Clubs of Hot Springs, Mars Hill

and Marshall are doing with money raised through their various projects. When a donation is made to either of these clubs it is used for the benefit of the blind or some such worthy cause.

Singing

The regular first Sunday afternoon singing will be held Sunday, Jan. 2 at 2 p.m., at Memorial Church of God. All singers and listeners are invited.

Advise ASCS When Farmland Changes

Farmers participating in programs administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service should report to the County ASCS Office any sale, purchase, lease or rental of farmland, according to Ralph Ramsey, County Executive Director for the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

"I strongly urge those who have added to or reduced the size of their farms to get the information to the county office as soon as possible," said Ramsey.

He pointed out that when the size of a farm is changed, the ASCS records must be changed, including recalculation of farm allotments, quotas, bases and yields. "We call it farm reconstitution," he said, "and if

the reconstitutions have been made and approved by the county committee before sign-up time, it saves time and effort for everybody."

Group Leaves For Tour Of Holy Lands

A group of citizens left Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock by plane from the Asheville Airport en route to the Holy Lands and Greece on a sight-seeing tour.

They plan to return home on Friday, Jan. 7.

The group which left Marshall included Wade Huey, tour host; Mrs. Wade Huey, Mrs. E. Y. Ponder, Mrs. James Plemons, Mrs. Harvey Franklin and Mrs. Eva Sams.

Several persons also left from the Mars Hill area including the Rev. M. H. Kendall, Dr. and Mrs. Fred Diercks, Dr. James L. Blevins, The Rev. John Bussard, pastor Forks of Ivy Baptist Church; and the Rev. Worth Emory, pastor, Ivy Hill Baptist Church.

The Rev. M. H. Kendall will be in charge of the morning worship service Sunday on the Mt. of Beatitudes.

Joyce Franklin Aids In Warren Wilson Play

Joyce Goforth Franklin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Goforth, Route 5, Marshall, a junior at Warren Wilson College, Swannanoa, helped in the production of "Ode To A Critter" as a Fine Arts project. The play was written by Billy Edd Wheeler especially for Warren Wilson College, his home school.

Joyce was a graduate of Marshall High School in 1969. Under the production of Len L. Bauer the play was a complete success.

Mars Hill 4-H Christmas Party

On Monday, December 20, the Mars Hill 4-H Club had their Christmas party and meeting at the Community Center. New officers were elected as follows: president, Ellen Feldman; vice-president, Vicky Merrill; secretary-treasurer, Randy Cody; and Harrell Wood, reporter.

Following the elections the members went caroling in Mars Hill, and later returned to exchange gifts at the meeting. Refreshments were served.

Courthouse Closed Saturday, Monday

It has been announced that the courthouse here will be closed this Saturday and also on Monday, Jan. 3.

Mars Hill College Names Building For Cornwell

A proposed \$550,000 classroom-office building at Mars Hill College has been named Cornwell Hall in honor of George Thomas Cornwell of Morganton, an alumnus and member of the college's of trustees.

The action was taken last week at the winter meeting of the trustees.

Cornwell, a pharmacist and owner of a drug store chain in the Morganton area, has been a board member since 1952. He is a junior college graduate of Mars Hill and earned a pharmacy degree in 1934 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The Mars Hill trustees cited Cornwell for his "significant contribution to the college through personal leadership, support and service."

College president, Dr. Fred B. Bentley, said construction contracts for the three-story building should be awarded in early February. The facility will contain six classrooms, eight seminar rooms, 22 faculty offices, English and foreign language laboratories, a central secretarial pool, and a faculty conference room. It will be built at the east entrance to the central campus.

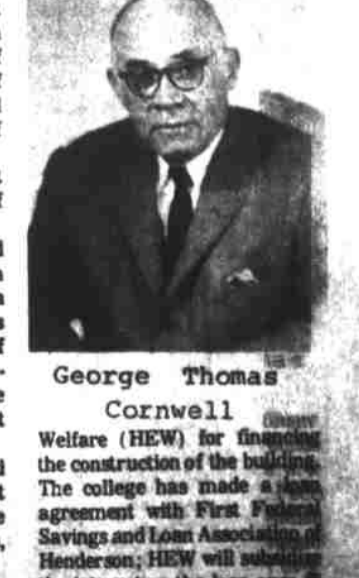
The board of trustees also accepted an interest subsidy grant from the U. S. Department of Health, Education and

George Thomas Cornwell

Welfare (HEW) for financing the construction of the building. The college has made a loan agreement with First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Henderson; HEW will subsidize the interest on the loan over 25 years, paying the interest above 3 per cent.

A similar arrangement has been made with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the construction of a \$1 million college union, for which contract was let last week.

Governmental participation in these two capital projects of the college were approved by the Baptist State Convention, with which Mars Hill is affiliated.



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Men In Service

Airman Roy H. Radford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harmon W. Radford Rt. 1, Mars Hill, has completed his U. S. Air Force basic training at the Air Training Command's Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Chamblee AFB, Ill., for training in vehicle maintenance. Airman Radford is a 1970 graduate of Mars Hill High School.



PICTURED ABOVE is the new office building of the Farm Credit Service (Mountain Production Credit Association and Federal Land Bank Association of Asheville) located on the Marshall By-Pass. Clolee Plemons, Branch manager, invites the public to "Open House" on Friday, Jan. 7. "The office will be open all day and we hope you will visit us and inspect our new quarters. There will be refreshments for all," Plemons stated.



RONNIE BRINKLEY, 12-year-old son of Mrs. Connie Brinkley, has assisted 4-H'ers with making log candle holders. He helped six members of the Grapevine Club on December 23. Ronnie learned to make these in school last year. He is a member of the Marshall Helping Hands 4-H Club.