

Maharishi Officials Killed

The three passengers who died along with the pilot of a light aircraft that crashed into a mountainous section of Jackson County near Cashiers Sunday were in search of a site for a proposed world headquarters of Maharishi International University, a university spokesman said Monday.

Meanwhile, Dr. Emil H. Henning, Jr., Jackson County medical examiner, made positive identification of three of the victims Monday.

They are the pilot, Freddie Taylor, 30, of Asheville, son of U. Gary Taylor, Asheville director of aviation; Ronald Michalove, 26, of Winston-Salem; and April Clements, 32, of Highland Park, Ill., both connected with the university.

The identity of the fourth victim had not been determined Monday as dental X-rays were being checked, but in-

vestigators on the scene had tentatively identified the badly burned body as Joseph Clarke, age unknown, of the Washington, D.C. area, also connected with the university.

SPOKE HERE

Ronald Michalove, one of the victims in the plane crash, recently spoke to a gathering of county professional and businessmen when he explained the purpose and plans for the proposed University.

Larry Price said Monday that the university's temporary headquarters in Hot Springs that Maharishi International University (MIU) would observe three days of silence in memory of those lost in the crash.

Price said Michalove was director of campus planning for MIU. He said that Clarke and Miss Clements were not directly involved with building the

university in the Western North Carolina mountains and had flown down for the weekend to inspect possible building sites.

Reading from a prepared statement, Price praised Michalove, Clarke and Miss Clements as "brilliant young leaders who were dedicated to doing good to the world."

"We are all so shocked we are observing several days of silence in their memory," Price said.

Price declined to comment about the future of MIU in Hot Springs.

Ronald Howell, a Madison County attorney, who has been searching the title to land now being surveyed in Anderson's Cove between Spring Creek and Pine Creek near Hot Springs, the proposed site of the university, said Monday that he was last in contact with MIU representatives last week.

They were still trying to work out the problem with the cemetery," Howell said, referring to an abandoned family plot which lies in the middle of the 1,000-acre site.

Michalove had reportedly ordered the old burial ground removed before a settlement could be reached. The cemetery holds the remains of generations of Andersons predating the Civil War.

A spokesman for the Asheville Area Chamber of Commerce, P.R. Elam, said Monday that the university had also been looking at land in parts of Buncombe County. He said another proposed site was near the Madison County line in Barnardsville.

Jim Stebbins of Asheville, who expects to help build the university and become a teacher of transcendental meditation by attending the

school, said Monday that he personally picked out the spot near Hot Springs.

Stebbins said Michalove taught him how to meditate. He said Michalove was an initiate in North Carolina for two years before he became a personal secretary of Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, the former physician who turned monk and began teaching meditation to such famous students as the Beatles and Mia Farrow.

One of Michalove's first assignments under the Maharishi was to find land in the United States suitable for the permanent headquarters of MIU, Stebbins said.

Michalove, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Michalove of Winston-Salem, had spent his high school years at Asheville School. He was familiar with the Asheville area, he told a reporter several weeks before

his death, and wanted the university to be established here.

"Of all the places I visited and search for sites in Europe and the United States," Michalove said, "Western North Carolina was the most beautiful, the most suitable setting for the founding of the university."

"Prior to taking up meditation and studying under the personal attention of Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, the only way a person can become qualified to teach others how to meditate in Italy, where the guru still lives, Michalove spent four years at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as a Morehead scholar.

Should the university be established in Western North Carolina, the Maharishi himself would move to these mountains and conduct training for thousands at the school.

THE NEWS - RECORD



Over 30 teenagers hit the highways of Madison County last Thursday to collect more than \$1,000 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The youths knocked on the doors of more than 300 homes in the area asking for 10c for each mile they rode and often got more.

Pat Franklin, campaign chairman was pleased with the outcome of the ride. "The response in Madison County was superb," she said. "We all certainly want to thank the communities for helping us achieve our goal. It was a real challenge, and I know Danny Thomas will be pleased."

Contributions will go directly to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital to finance work being carried on there. Research aimed at finding cures or preventative measures for cancer, leukemia, and muscle disorders in children is being conducted on an around-the-clock basis.

Children of all races and creeds are welcome at St. Jude Hospital upon referral by the family doctor. There is no charge for children who are treated at St. Jude. In fact, the hospital doesn't even have a billing department.

Selective Service Policy Change Is Announced

The Selective Service System has effected a major policy change which will permit men scheduled for induction after July 1 to enlist or be appointed in the National Guard or Reserves after receipt of their induction orders. The Regulations change also will permit men who receive induction orders to join Regular branches of the Armed Forces for a minimum of two years active duty, if such programs are offered. The new policy does not affect men with June reporting dates.

The result of discussions between the Department of Defense and the Selective Service System, the new policy is expected to stimulate recruiting for the National Guard and the Reserve forces. The Guard and Reserve forces are estimated to be 40,000 men below their authorized strength, and both Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird and Deputy Secretary of Defense Kenneth Rush have recently expressed concern over this situation.

The only option open to men who had received induction orders in past months was to join one of the Regular branches of the service for at least three years active duty. No Guard or Reserve enlistments or appointments were authorized after the mailing of induction orders.

The new policy requires that men complete enlistment or appointment processing in the Guard, Reserves, or Regular forces at least 10 days prior to their scheduled induction dates. All registrants are given 30 days' notice of induction, so

men who receive induction orders after July 1 will have 20 days to effect enlistments or appointments in order to allow men scheduled for induction in early July to take advantage of the new policy. Acting Director Byron V. Pepitone has authorized local boards to postpone for 15 days the induction of men scheduled to report between July 1-15 if they are actively being processed for enlistment or appointment and if they request such action.

Men who receive induction orders and desire to enter in the Guard or Reserves must locate unit vacancies on their own. They should request that their enlistments or appointments be expedited in order to meet the 10-day requirement. Enlistments or appointments in the Guard or Reserves require six months active duty for training and five and a half years of drills. Such enlistments or appointments do not reduce the obligation of the Selective Service System to provide requested numbers of inductees.

Al Harazin Speaks To Lions Monday

Al E. Harazin, general manager of the Asheville Orioles, was the guest speaker at the Marshall Lions Club at the Rock Cafe Monday night.

Harazin told of his joining the Baltimore Orioles Baseball organization and how he and his wife, Anne, were delighted to be with the Asheville baseball team. He explained the business side of operating a baseball club and also told

Blasts Whiteside Editorial On Madison Head Start Program

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following statement was submitted by R. L. Edwards, Superintendent of Madison County Schools, who states that the following facts were obtained from J. C. Wallin, Jr., former director of Head Start in Madison County for the past seven years.

On Thursday, May 25, Arthur Whiteside, Editorial Director for WLOS-TV in Asheville, delivered an editorial comment designated "THE TRUTH ABOUT HEAD START IN MADISON COUNTY."

In this editorial, Mr. Whiteside made certain accusations and designated certain facts as "the true facts" and charged the Superintendent of Schools, Robert Edwards, with circulating misleading information with respect to the essential facts concerning the Head Start program. He further charged that there had been veiled threats and intimidations that something might happen to Head Start personnel if Madison County cannot have a summer program instead of the traveling teacher program.

Specifically, Mr. Whiteside stated that for several years Madison County had a summer Head Start program which did little more than let a child adjust to a classroom setting. He asserted that most of the summer Head Start programs have been phased out and replaced by an 8-month program which involves not only a classroom setting but teachers traveling to the children's home. He intimated that such a program involves parental involvement which is essential for success. More importantly, Mr. Whiteside charges that certain serious irregularities were found in the Head Start program in the summer of 1971, when it was under the control of the Board of Education. He charges that an on-the-spot check found less children enrolled than the number claimed and that a number of the children who were participating were not eligible.

Mr. Whiteside went on to describe the Community Center in the Spillcock section of Madison County which will allegedly be utilized to accommodate the 18 children which will supposedly be enrolled in the Head Start program. He indicated that certain rumors, which he says have been circulated, are false; and specifically, that piped water has been installed in the Community Center and approved by the Board of Health and that a septic tank is being installed and the Community Center meets every health standard. And finally, Mr. Whiteside detailed what he says are veiled threats to the personnel of the Head Start Program. In concluding, Mr. Whiteside stated:

Head Start cont. from another Marshall

But there's a simple reason why some people in high places want a summer Head Start program run by the schools. It makes possible the employment of persons in exchange for political favors. It wouldn't benefit the have-nots. Just those that already have. And maybe that's why Madison County has so long been poor."

Since Mr. Whiteside's editorial contains many statements which are derogatory with respect to the Board of Education, and in particular the Superintendent of Schools, and since—as will be detailed hereinafter—many statements made by Mr. Whiteside are utterly false, misleading and in fact malicious, it is necessary that Mr. Whiteside's editorial be reluctantly dignified with a reply.

First of all, the people of Madison County know that the Board of Education applied for and received a grant directly from the Federal Government for operation of a Head Start program in Madison County. This program was designed to accommodate 180 5-year old children who were qualified under established guidelines. This program furnished qualified teachers, teachers' aids, medical and dental at-

tention, insurance coverage, hot lunches, knacks, and transportation to and from the centers located in the eight schools in Madison County. From 1967 to 1972 the Madison County Board of Education combined with the Opportunity Corporation was the delegate agency. During the seven year operative period of the program the average enrollment was in excess of 170 eligible children all of whom received benefits from the program.

After the completion of the 1972 summer Head Start program, the Opportunity Corporation of Madison-Buncombe counties, with Mrs. Rebecca Stradley as Head Start Director, informed the Madison County Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. R. L. Edwards, that the Opportunity Corporation had planned to revise the Head Start program. The new plan projected an 8-month program having one center instead of the original eight, three teachers instead of ten teachers (with two of the three to be "traveling teachers") going to the homes of the children. The Madison County Board of Education, after consultation with many parents and after evaluating the proposed new program, went on record as opposing this plan of 8 months, inasmuch as it would

Sleepy Valley Enters Beautification Contest

A total of 77 organized community clubs are participating in the roadside improvement competition of this year's Western North Carolina Community Development Program, according to Morris L. McCough, executive vice president of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council, area sponsor of the contest. This is 18 more areas than took part in beautification effort last year.

For the past eight years, since the inception of this contest, something special has been going on in the way of roadside clean-up, pick-up and beautification projects in the organized communities of Western North Carolina.

All 84 organized community clubs entered in the Community Development Program are working on various community projects to improve their areas. However, those in the roadside contest are undertaking to make an extra special effort to clean up and beautify roadsides and make more attractive communities in which to live.

The community in Madison County that has entered the roadside contest is Sleepy Valley.

A long list of improvements has been reported by the rural communities in the roadside effort in past years. Abandoned and junk cars have been hauled

Mars Hill Car Show July 15-16

Plans are presently underway for an antique, rod and custom car show in Mars Hill. The show is being sponsored by the Mars Hill Volunteer Fire Department as a fund raising project. No entry fee will be charged, and each car owner will be given two complimentary passes.

The show will be in the local high school stadium July 15 and 16. The hours will be from 9 a. m. to 11 p. m. on Saturday and from 1 p. m. until 6 p. m. on Sunday.

Grounds will be open to set up your car from 3 p. m. Friday the 14th. All entries must be registered by 12 noon Saturday. Awards will be presented beginning about 5 p. m. Sunday. All cars will be under 24-hour police protection. Lighted displays are planned for 14 to 16 cars on a first come—first serve basis.

Anyone wishing to bring along a camper will be provided with a suitable place to set up on a lot adjacent to the showground. This area will also have 24-hour police protection for safety and convenience.

The nearest motel or hotel accommodations are in Burnsville or Asheville, each about 20 miles from Mars Hill. Because of the distance for some who may wish to attend or participate, the Fire Department has arranged with Mars Hill College to provide lodging if such is desired. Only a small fee will be charged for this accommodation, but linens will not be furnished. For a room at the college, two weeks advance reservation is required.

Vehicles will be classified according to rules and first, second, and third place trophies will be awarded in each class. In addition several special award trophies will be given along with a "Best Car in Show" trophy.

This is the Mars Hill Fire Department's first show. They plan to make it an annual event if it is successful and urge your help by having your car in the show, as well as your suggestions on how the show might be improved.

For more information about the show, contact Dennis McCurry, Asst. Chief, Mars Hill Volunteer Fire Dept., phone (704) 689-4779 or P. O. Box 102, Mars Hill, N. C. 28754.



TOM WALLIN

Lions Installation July 11

Tom Glenwood Wallin, president-elect of the Marshall Lions Club, will be installed as president of the club on Tuesday evening, July 11, in the Red Carpet Room of Buck's Restaurant on Tunnel Road in Asheville.

Wallin, who has served as secretary of the local club during the past year was recently cited for the second year as a "100 per cent secretary."

Other officers to be installed during the Ladies' Night at Buck's include Lions Norris Gentry, first vice president; J. C. Wallin, Jr., second vice president; Charles Huey, secretary; and John Fisher, treasurer. New directors are Overton Gregory and Earle Wise.

Gentry Named MHC Advisor

Norris Gentry of Marshall has been named to the Board of Advisors at Mars Hill College. The college's board of trustees set up the advisors' board several years ago to broaden, diversify and strengthen their administrative leadership of the Baptist college. There are some 80 advisors working with the trustees in public relations and in fund-raising matters.

Gentry, an alumnus, is assistant manager of French Broad Electric Membership Corp. Also named to the advisors' board is Mrs. Fritz C. Nyland of Hamburg Mountain Rd., Weaverville Rt. 1. She is a retired librarian and active in friends of the Library and serves on the board of Family Counseling Service.

Blackwell To Preach Here

Dr. Hoyt Blackwell of Mars Hill, retired president of Mars Hill College, will be guest speaker at the Marshall Baptist Church on Sunday, July 2 and Sunday, July 9 while the pastor is on vacation.

Dr. Blackwell is also a former pastor of the Marshall Baptist Church.

Spears Arrested

Darrell Clifford Spears, charged with the murder of Kenneth Pender, of Marshall, near the Municipal Golf Course in Asheville on March 7, 1968, was arrested Tuesday night in Dade City, Ga.

Spears, declared an outlaw, had been sought following his escape from a prison camp. More details will be published next week.



Practically all business and professional firms and agencies will be closed next Tuesday in observance of Independence Day July 4.

MARSHALL

The Marshall Volunteer Firemen are sponsoring a Wildwest Rodeo on the Island. There will be two shows, the first at 1:30 p.m. and a night show beginning at 7 o'clock.

A varied display of fireworks will be "blown off" at 10 o'clock, sponsored by the firemen and the Marshall Merchants Association.

One of the highlights of the 4th will be the arrival of the Wagon Train on the Island Tuesday afternoon in time for the Rodeo. More than 15 wagons and 75 horses are expected which will terminate the train.

HOT SPRINGS

The Hot Springs Lions announce that their annual Fourth of July Program will be held July 1st on the hotel grounds in Hot Springs. Every one is invited for a day of celebration, visiting old friends, and meeting new ones.

Starting at 10 a. m., there will be pony rides, concessions and skeet shooting with Bingo to start at 1 p. m., fish fry at 3 p. m., and fireworks at 10 p. m., with a square dance beginning at 11 p. m. and lasting until 1 a. m.

A 30-30 rifle and bicycle will be awarded to the lucky ticket holders prior to the fireworks.