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Validity Of Morgan's Vote Up To State Election Bd.

A decision in the battle by Madison County's Democratic party chairman to prohibit the county's Republican party chairman from voting in Tuesday's elections will await review by the State Board of Elections.

Zeno Ponder argued at a hearing in the Courthouse Saturday before the Madison County Board of Elections that Joe Morgan cancelled his registration here when he registered and voted in Robeson County in 1970.

Morgan, chairman of the Madison County Republican party, said that when news stories exposed his double registration last February he wrote to the Robeson County Board of Elections and requested that his name be taken off the books there.

Ponder, who holds the top spot with the Democratic party in Madison, insisted that the Robeson County oath of registration cancelled Morgan's Madison County status as a voter and his party affiliation as well.

It would have been necessary, Ponder said, for Morgan to register in Madison County prior to the Oct. 9 cutoff deadline to be eligible to vote Tuesday.

Ponder left no doubt that his action was prompted in part, at least, by wholesale challenges filed by Republicans in Madison County against registered Democrats, names of some of them being removed from the books in the process.

The challenge to Morgan's right to vote was filed by Ponder, who said "not even the president of the United States" assumes he can vote in an election without being properly registered.

Morgan complained that nobody told him before the registration deadline that putting his name on the Robeson County books would jeopardize his eligibility to vote in Madison County.

He said he had in fact voted in the primaries and was not challenged.

Ponder said at the outset of the hearing that he challenged Morgan's right to vote "with considerable respect for the

man challenged." He noted that Morgan is not only Republican party chairman, but ran four years ago for state superintendent of public instruction.

"But a man of his calibre should know the law. I think he flagrantly did what he did," Ponder said.

Ponder was critical of the board of elections for sustaining 24 challenges filed by Republicans in the Mars Hill precinct at an earlier hearing.

Morgan attempted to involve the 1964 vote fraud hearings conducted here by the State Board of Elections in the proceedings of the brief hearing on the challenge against him Saturday.

He also sought to learn a newsman's source of information that led to public disclosure of his double registration earlier this year. Both moves failed.

"I'm not blameless," Morgan said at one point. But he insisted that his registration in Robeson County, where he had gone to work, was not done with any intention to vote fraudulently.

Mrs. Virginia Anderson, chairman of the Madison County Board of Elections, said after a closed session that the board unanimously voted to refer the matter to the State Board of Elections for review before a decision is made.

She said the county board doesn't want to be involved in

a "political fight," and that it felt this would be charged by one side or the other no matter which way the decision went.

Meanwhile, she said, Morgan will be allowed to vote paper ballots in Tuesday's election, and they will be counted or discarded depending on the final decision.

Ponder said he would not "argue with a unanimous decision," but told Mrs. Anderson that he doubts that Morgan can legally function as a political party chairman with his status as a registered voter in question.

During the course of the hearing, Ponder said, a "conspiracy" could be involved in the whole matter, and told the board that four other Republicans registered in Madison County are also registered in neighboring Buncombe County.

He identified the four as Bennie Hill Davis, Ruth Rector Davis, John G. Ledford and Leta R. Ledford and said they have been registered in the Walnut precinct of Madison County since 1968 and in Buncombe County since 1970.

Led County GOP Ticket



UNOFFICIAL RETURNS indicate that William C. Silver, Jr., candidate for commissioner, was top man in the county Republican column, receiving 2616 votes. Dedrick Brown was a close runner-up on the GOP ticket with 2614 votes.

County Favors Amendments

Madison County voters, like other counties, favored the five amendments, as follows:

No. 1:
For: 1517; Against: 1083

No. 2:
For: 1039; Against: 520

No. 3:
For: 998; Against: 508

No. 4:
For: 1258; Against: 332

No. 5:
For: 965; Against: 537

Henderson Machine Shop Now Open Here



JIM HENDERSON, a native of Madison County, opens machine shop here.

The Henderson Machine Shop is Marshall's latest addition which has added to the economic growth of this area.

The new business enterprise is owned and operated by Jim Henderson, son of Otto Henderson, formerly of Marshall and currently of Trenton, Michigan, and the late Mrs. Henderson.

Mr. Henderson attended the Marshall school until the eighth grade when he and his family moved to Michigan. He graduated from River Rouge High School in 1961.

After serving in the U. S. Navy for four years, he served his apprenticeship at Major Tool & Die, Grand Rapids, Michigan, where he received his Journeyman's card. From 1961 to 1967, Henderson worked in various shops learning all aspects of welding, and close tolerance machinery.

In 1967 he joined Ford Motor Company as a member of supervision until resigning to enter his new business here.

He and his wife, the former Mary Alice Rector, also a native of Marshall, purchased part ownership of the former Redmon & Worley Motor Co., Building on Main Street here and subsequently leased the building to Deringer Manufacturing Company. He recently rented the former Marvin Silver building on the Marshall-Walnut highway where part of his machine shop is located. He also purchased the Liston Ramsey building at lower end of Main Street. "I guess you would say I'm at present operating a dual business in two separate buildings but eventually plan to combine the machine shop in a single building," Mr. Henderson stated.

"Being a native of North Carolina, I have always wanted to come 'back home,'" he said, and added, "I have

Highway Project Approved

RALEIGH - Bids for three Western North Carolina road improvement projects were approved by the State Highway Commission Thursday in Raleigh.

An Asheville firm, Warren Brothers Co., was awarded two contracts for road work in Madison and Swain counties.

In the Madison project, 10.9 miles of U.S. 23 from the Tennessee State Line to N.C. 213 will be resurfaced at a cost of \$228,005.

Pageant Dates

Dean Shields, coordinator of the annual live Christmas Pageant here, has announced that the pageant this year would be held on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights, December 21-23-23.

Nightly performances will begin at 7:30 o'clock on the courthouse lawn.

Sleepy Valley To Be Judged On Wednesday

The annual judging to select the organized communities in Western North Carolina that have shown the greatest progress during the year will start on Monday, November 13 and run through Thursday, the 16th. The occasion will be the area judging of the 1972 Western North Carolina Community Development Program. At stake will be top honors in the rural improvement contest and over \$6,000 in awards.

County winners, all previously announced, will be judged in competition in three divisions according to the number of families. Sleepy Valley community will represent Madison County in Division "A" (less than 75 families).

Sleepy Valley will be judged on Wednesday, November 15 at 4:30 p.m.

Winners of the pioneer WNC Community Development Program, now completing its 23rd year, will be announced at the annual awards luncheon of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council in early December at the Asheville City Auditorium. A total of 84 communities in 15 counties have participated in the program this year.

Issuance Of Burley Marketing Cards

Cards for use in marketing this year's crop are being issued to Madison County burley producers by mail, according to announcement by Ralph Ramsey the issuing officer with Madison County ASCS.

Ramsey explained that operators of burley farms should be on the "look-out" for their cards in this week's mail and cautioned producers to not misplace or lose them in that it will require a weeks time to secure a replacement card from the Kansas City, Missouri, Processing Center. He said that this is the first time since the poundage quota program went into effect that marketing cards are being issued by mail and that it's success will determine the manner in which they will be issued in the future.

The issuing officer stated that there are a few cases where the cards will not be issued by mail. They would include cases where producers have not filed their certification on use of DDT or TDE, farms which are to initially receive more than one card and the operator hasn't

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In conclusion Ramsey said that a letter explaining the legal use and handling of marketing cards would accompany each card issued by mail and urge farm operators to become familiar with those instructions so as to comply with the marketing quota laws. He also stated that farm operators who do not receive their cards in this week's mail should visit or call their Office how to divide his quota on his cards, and producers on the USDA debt records.

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Selwyn Joins Social Services

Robert E. Selwyn, Jr. of Route 3, Mars Hill joined the staff of the Madison County Department of Social Services as Social Worker I on November 1st. Prior to coming to Madison County he had worked in the Yancey County Department of Social Services for a year.

A native of Harlan, Ky., Mr. Selwyn has resided in North Carolina since April, 1971. He is a graduate of Harlan High School and received his Bachelor of Science degree in journalism from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in 1968.

Selwyn is married and has a three months' old son.

Madison County Offices Won By Democrats



ERVIN ADAMS
Commissioner



W. T. MOORE
Commissioner



JAMES T. LEDFORD
Commissioner



HILLIARD TEAGUE
Register of Deeds



HAROLD WALLIN
Tax Collector



EMERY METCALF
Auditor

Fred O. Tilson Passes; Funeral Held Wednesday

Fred Osborne Tilson, 81, of Rt. 2, Marshall, died at 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 6, 1972, at his home following a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in the Marshall Presbyterian Church of which he was a member and past elder. Dr. Arthur F. Williams, pastor, officiated and burial was in Bowman-Rector Cemetery. Pallbearers were Clyde M. Roberts, C. E. Mashburn, Ed Niles, Walter Ramsey, Gordon Smith and Roy Smart.

Tilson was a veteran of World War I attaining the rank of Major in the U. S. Army Artillery. He was an official of Olin-Matheson Chemical Corporation for over 35 years until retirement. He also served as Director of Southern Golf Association and Chairman of Rules Committee. He was a past member of the Marshall Chamber of Commerce and the Marshall Civilian Club.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Sydney (Sallie) Gutman, of Amherst, N. Y.; Mrs. Richard (Ann) Thomas, of Marshall; one brother, William Tilson, of Mobile, Ala.; and one grandson.

Clinic To Start At Hot Springs

The Hot Springs Health Program will begin holding monthly Family Planning Clinics at the Hot Springs Clinic, starting November 21, at 9:00 a.m. The clinics will be held at the same time on the third Tuesday every month.

They are sponsored through the Comprehensive Family Planning Program and will be staffed by Dr. E.W. Lyda, an Asheville Obstetrician and Gynecologist. The services will be offered free of charge, and transportation will be provided those needing it.

Persons interested in these services may call 622-7311 or 656-2611 for further information or to request transportation. Appointments will not be needed.

Thanks for your help, Linda Ocker



HILLIARD TEAGUE, Register of Deeds, led the county ticket in Tuesday's election when he received 3057 votes. This was the second consecutive election that Teague has been "high man."

Unofficial Results of November 7, 1972 Election In Madison County

	President	Senate	Congress	Governor	State Senate	Representative	Dist. Ct. Judge	Judge Sup. Ct.	Commissioner (1)	Commissioner (2)	Auditor	Reg. Deeds	Tax Collector																		
	Mrs. Governor	Nixon	Schmitz	Chapman	Holms	Taylor	Jedbetter	Bowles	Halschouer	Fettyjohn	Crawford	Brudger	Messer	Ramsey	Smith	Biggs	Braswell	Zlood	Booker	Adams	Ledford	Moore	Brown	Harrell	Silver	Metcalf	Wallin	Teague	Morgan	Wallin	Roberts
1-1 Marshall	451	707	4	675	581	738	529	688	592	2	669	674	672	700	530	561	544	659	524	686	674	684	574	573	575	696	548	747	523	691	569
1-2 Sandy Wash	69	42	3	82	41	94	35	90	17	0	83	85	83	85	35	36	36	81	36	82	84	85	37	37	37	83	38	93	33	86	36
2 Laurel	210	264	0	302	206	313	197	309	217	3	293	292	289	295	195	202	197	286	195	328	300	305	212	196	202	295	201	310	201	300	207
3-1 Mars Hill	247	659	6	442	495	544	416	431	539	1	412	414	398	384	481	617	530	418	438	351	401	353	524	517	531	376	530	402	503	402	508
3-2 Grapevine - Fork	86	245	2	165	177	192	154	163	186	0	173	174	170	175	158	178	170	167	160	166	176	163	173	169	174	175	164	174	170	175	165
4 Beech Glen	205	380	9	335	300	379	292	352	306	0	342	343	340	339	284	304	292	334	282	339	344	331	284	286	291	345	289	342	279	353	277
5 Walnut	130	396	6	214	332	257	294	218	344	3	210	210	210	209	304	315	304	207	203	224	207	207	323	319	324	220	300	240	297	223	311
6 Hot Springs	323	166	7	358	145	380	125	366	135	1	356	359	359	360	127	130	129	354	128	355	353	358	139	135	139	360	135	358	133	358	138
7 Ebba Chapel	93	318	0	139	274	150	267	143	283	0	135	137	145	142	262	279	261	133	262	141	145	143	267	267	266	149	268	146	265	157	264
8 Spring Creek	225	90	1	242	84	247	76	242	84	1	240	239	243	243	77	84	79	238	76	242	242	247	82	84	77	244	79	245	77	244	78
Total	2839	3267	38	2854	2635	3294	3385	3002	2783	11	2913	2927	2909	2932	2463	2706	2542	2877	2304	2874	2926	2876	2445	2583	2676	2943	3057	2489	2989	2393	