

Becky Cody 2nd Runner-Up In N.C. Teenager Pageant

Miss Becky Cody, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle B. Cody of Mars Hill was named 2nd runner-up in the Miss North Carolina Teen-Ager Pageant held Friday and Saturday in Charlotte. In addition to a trophy Miss Cody received a scholarship from The Fashion Institute of America, a division of Massey Junior College in Atlanta, Ga. Miss Monta Mackie of

Hickory won top honors. There were 65 contestants in the statewide event. Miss Cody was sponsored by Bald Mountain Development Corporation of Mars Hill. Attending the pageant from Mars Hill were Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Cody, Randall Blankenship, Charles McGee, Vickie Wheeler and Lt. Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Bill Lowrance

of Hopewell, Va., grandparents of Miss Cody. The other Madison County contestant was Miss Cynthia Niles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Niles, of Marshall. Attending the Pageant from this area in addition to her parents, were her sister, Mrs. Thomas Setzer and Mr. Setzer of Asheville, and Mike Livesay of Marshall.



MISS BECKY CODY

State ASC Committee Is Named

Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz recently named Trenton B. Jordan of Jackson Springs as chairman of the North Carolina State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee. He also appointed as members Henry L. McGimpsey of Morgantown, Sam E. Rouse of Kinston and James P. Turlington of Salemburg.

soybeans, tobacco and broilers. He is a graduate of Salemburg High School and studied business administration at Oak Ridge Military Academy and North Carolina State University. Turlington is a member of the Sampson County Farm Bureau, Salemburg Lions

Club, Salemburg Industrial Council, and a member and trustee of the Salemburg Baptist Church. He is a past member of the Agricultural Extension Service Advisory Committee and past chairman of the Salemburg School Board. Turlington has been on the committee since Feb. 1972.

Tax Deadline Monday

Greensboro—Over 6000,000 North Carolina taxpayers have yet to file their 1972 federal income tax returns, Robert LeBaube, acting district director of the Internal Revenue Service in Greensboro, said today.

IRS expects to approve more than 58 million refunds this year and the Treasury Department estimates the amount will total in excess of \$20 billion.

The deadline for filing federal tax returns is midnight, April 15, less than two weeks off.

Despite extensive news coverage of the option to help finance the Presidential election campaign, less than three percent of the returns received so far included a Form 4875 indicating the taxpayer's desire to participate.

Through the end of March, 11 million of an estimated total of 18 million returns from North Carolina were received at the Memphis Service Center. Over 750,000 returns have been processed. Of this total, about 100,000 resulted in refunds to the taxpayer, with the average refund amounting to \$253.

As provided in the 1971 legislation, taxpayers may designate \$1 of their taxes (\$2 on a joint return) to go to the political party of their choice or to a general fund, to help finance the 1976 Presidential election campaign. The designation does not affect any refund or tax due Form 4875 is included in the tax packages that were mailed to taxpayers and also is available at IRS offices and at many banks and post offices.

Approximately 58 per cent of those returns yet to be filed will result in refunds, LeBaube said. "However, because they will be among over 1,500,000 individual returns expected to arrive at the Memphis Service Center immediately following the deadline, late-filing taxpayers due refunds can expect to wait about five weeks for their checks."

LeBaube added, "Even five weeks is an amazingly short time when you think of the tremendous volume of returns that are involved. Up to now, all of the 1,500,000 refund checks for taxpayers in the Southeast were mailed only four weeks after the return was filed. We consider that an accomplishment to be proud of, and we are."

However, taxpayers sometimes inadvertently cause their refunds to be delayed," LeBaube said. "Taxpayer errors, such as missing documents and signatures, can hold up processing for weeks. Historically, last-minute filers make mistakes in their haste to meet the deadline."

Nationally, the 10 IRS service centers around the country have received more than 44 million or 60 percent of the expected 77 million individual income tax returns. These include 28 million Standards Form 1040's and 15 million Short Form 1040A's.

About 33 million refunds amounting to \$7.5 billion had been approved as of March 21.

Eric Blackwell of Mars Hill is one of 12 students at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine who have been elected to membership in Alpha Omega Alpha, national medical honor society.

Election to AOA is based on scholastic achievement and character.

Blackwell, a Reynolds Scholar, is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Hoyt Blackwell. His father is a former president of Mars Hill College.

A graduate of Duke University, Blackwell completed a year at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, where he studied as a Rockefeller Brothers Fellow, before entering medical school.

The aims of Alpha Omega Alpha are the promotion of scholarship and research in medical schools, the encouragement of a high standard of character and conduct among medical students and graduates, and the recognition of high attainment in medical science.

Marshall Liquor Bill Is Passed By Senate

Legislation authorizing an election in the Town of Marshall in Madison County on the establishment of a liquor store there was passed by the Senate and sent to the House Monday night.

The bill calling for a vote on the establishment of an Alcoholic Beverage Control store in Marshall would self-destruct if the Madison County Board of Commissioners should decide to set up county

stores within 60 days after ratification. County boards of commissioners are empowered to call ABC elections without unusual provision would allow the Madison board to take the initiative up to two months after the Marshall bill becomes law. The Marshall ABC store would be the second in Madison County. Presently, the county's lone liquor store is located more than 20 miles away at Hot Springs near the Tennessee state line. The Marshall bill makes an allocation of 33.3 per cent of net profits of the proposed store to the general fund of Madison County. Five percent of the total would go to Marshall earmarked for law enforcement and the remainder would go into the general fund of the town.

Preacher Dies In Religious Service

"And these signs shall follow them that believe: In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues. They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."

Apparently become alarmed at Pack's death and called authorities. Williams rode home in his truck and pulled up in his driveway after taking the poison, Ramsey said. "The (Coke County) rescue squad was there with an ambulance waiting to take him to the hospital, but he refused to go."

Ramsey said deputies and rescue squad members told Williams about Pack's death and encouraged him to go with them to the hospital. "God will take care of me. I don't need medical treatment," Ramsey quoted Williams as saying in response to the pleas.

Funeral services for Pack were held Wednesday afternoon at his home. The Rev. John Brown officiated. Burial was in Naulty family cemetery.

Mr. Pack was a native of Coke County, Tenn. and a resident of Madison County for the past six years. He served four years in the U. S. Army during the Vietnam War.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Katie Naulty Pack; three daughters, Lena, Kathy Jo and Melissa and a son, James Buford Pack, all of the home; seven brothers, Edgar, Liston, Donald, Eugene, J. C., Darrell and Leon Pack, all of Newport; four sisters, Mrs. Deberly Waldroup, Mrs. Jackie Dickerson and Mrs. Teresa Pack all of Newport and Mrs. B. J. Clevenger of Loudon, Tenn.

Ramsey said Pack died at his brother's house, his brother, Liston Pack, is the minister of the church where the poison was taken, the deputy said.

Ramsey said Williams lived about two miles from the church and that Liston Pack lives about 100 yards below the church.

Ramsey said Liston Pack and members of his congregation, disturbed over the sheriff's department "interfering" in their religious practices, had vowed to take more strychnine in services Sunday night. No deaths, however, had been reported late Sunday.

Coroner Brown said he "just got disgusted and left" the church after being called to the scene to investigate. He said Sunday night that he had made no ruling on the deaths. He said he would have to discuss the matter with Dr. David McConnell, Coke County medical examiner.



NORRIS GENTRY
Lion President

Local Lions Name Officers; Cite Events

The Marshall Lions officially elected officers at their semi-monthly meeting Monday at the Rock Cafe and plans were initiated for Installation and Ladies' Night to be announced later.

Also, the Lions have recently accepted two new members to the active club. They are Mike Bradley and Charles Tolley.

Plans are also being made for the annual charity horse show which will be held on the Island on Saturday, June 3, sponsored by the Lions Club. More details will be published later.

It was also announced that a carnival will be held on the Island June 11-16 with enjoyable rides and concessions. This event is also sponsored by the Marshall Lions.

Officers elected at the meeting Monday night are as follows: President, Norris Gentry; first vice president, E. C. Teague; second vice president, Maurice McAlister; third vice president, Steve Wallis; secretary, Charles Huey; treasurer, Ralph Rice; tall twister, Lawrence Ponder; Lion Tamer, Charles Davis. New directors are O. A. Gregory and Roy Reeves.

Ramsey said members of the congregation included people from South Carolina, North Carolina, Georgia, and Tennessee. He said the church has about 50 members.

The deputy said the last death in his memory that was due to a religious practice was several years ago when a man from Big Stone Gap, Va., was bitten while handling a rattlesnake.

"He refused treatment also. We later heard that he had gone back home and died from the snake bite."

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Motor Inn Group Elects Ray Redmon



Ray Redmon, assistant manager, Quality Inn Redmon, Asheville, was elected vice chairman of Region 3 of the International Operators Council of Quality Inns International at the regions 1973 meeting in Greensboro April 2.

Region 3 consists of 31 Quality Inns open and under construction in North Carolina. Redmon is the son of Grover Redmon, owner and operator of Quality Inn Redmon. Mr. and Mrs. Grover Redmon are both natives of Madison County. Their five children Ray, Ricky, Ronnie, Helen Beck and Faye Smith are all employed by Redmon Interprise. Grover Redmon and sons have been engaged in building and land developing in the Asheville Area for many years. Their last two subdivisions being developed were Redwood Forest with homes ranging in price from \$25,000 to \$35,000 and Beaver Lake Heights homes ranging from \$40,000 to \$50,000. Quality Inn Redmon is located on 301 Tunnel Road, Asheville.

Henry Hinson, operator of Quality Inn Red Oerr's, Rocky Mount, was elected to his second one-year term as chairman of Region 3.

Quality Inns International is a system of more than 100 motor inns and 20,000 rooms in the United States and Canada and is endorsed as an approved program by the American and Foreign Travel Trade Association. The total number of rooms open last year was 10,000.

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FHA Farm Loan Funds Are Increased For '73

Farmers Home Administration announced today that funds for Farmers Home Administration real estate and farm operating loans were recently increased and will be available for the remainder of this fiscal year ending June 30, 1973.

Farmers Home Administration State Director James T. Johnson, reported that an additional 170 million dollars has been made available for loans to farmers for annual operating expenses, and for financing purchases of farm equipment, livestock and other capital needs on terms up to seven years.

These funds were made available to help fill the need for operating money arising from the termination of the emergency loan program. Johnson said as a result of rains and flooding, both last year and this year, North Carolina has about half its counties eligible for emergency loans and will receive a greater proportion of the available operating funds. He further stated that farmers who were considering purchases of farm equipment of livestock in the near future would be wise to consider these purchases before June 30, while funds are in adequate supply.

Johnson reported that funds for long term real estate loans for land purchase, farm development, refinancing and other similar purposes were also adequate for the remainder of the fiscal year. These loans are at 5 per cent up to 40 years terms and have a maximum amount of \$100,000.

Both types of loans can be made to farmers for non-farm enterprises such as adding a business to their farming enterprises or for recreational purposes. Many North Carolina farmers have found that non-farm businesses or recreational enterprises have added greatly to their farm income.

Farmers Home Administration has assisted more farmers this year through their farm loan programs than in any other year, both in loans made in dollar volume of total loans. All loan funds for these programs are provided by Farmers Home Administration through the insured loan program whereby the agency resells its notes to private investors. This provides a continuous source of funds without the use of federal government appropriated funds.

Farmers interested in these loan programs should contact W. E. Hill, County Supervisor, Farmers Home Administration, Marshall.

ASHEVILLE—Tom J. Mallonee, 11th Congressional District Assistant to Congressman Roy A. Taylor, is now making scheduled visits to the county seats and other sections of the counties.



On Tuesday, May 1, he will be at the Madison County Courthouse, Marshall, from 9:30 to 10:30; at the Yancey County Courthouse, Burnsville, from 1 to 2; and at the Town Hall, Spruce Pine, from 3 to 4.

Mallonee To Visit Marshall May 1

Any person who has plans or official business pertaining to Congressional matters to be discussed is invited to meet with Mallonee at the above specified times.

Bloodmobile In Marshall On Thursday

Donors are urged to arrange to visit during these hours and contribute. Youngsters between the ages of 18 to 21 may give blood without parental consent. Employees are usually given time off to visit the bloodmobile if a request is made.

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will visit Marshall on Thursday, April 12, from 2 o'clock to 6 o'clock in the afternoon. The unit will be located at the REA Building located on Main Street in Marshall. The last visit of the Bloodmobile in October at this location was disappointing.

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Mrs. Norton At Clerk's Office

Mrs. Thula Norton, of Marshall Route 4, has succeeded Mrs. Leonard Ponder as Deputy Clerk Superior Court, following Mrs. Ponder's resignation.

Mrs. Norton who has previously served in the Clerk's Office, started her new duties on Monday, April 2.

THE 55-YEAR-OLD BLOCK STRUCTURE, known as the Redmon & Worley Building, opposite Deringer Mfg. Co., on Main Street here, is shown being torn down last week to make room for additional parking of new and used cars belonging to Pioneer Ford, Inc. Lyndall English and "Buddy" Buckner, owners of Pioneer Ford, Inc., recently purchased the building and property from several Marshall businessmen.



ANOTHER OF MARSHALL'S landmarks is shown being razed. The above house, now completely removed, was the old King Property before being bought by the Marshall Methodist Church. Used once as a parsonage, the two-story structure has been rented in recent years. The French Broad EMC has leased the property which is located opposite the co-op and next to the Marshall Presbyterian Church, and will use it as a parking area. On left is church and on right is telephone building.