

THE NEWS - RECORD



THE REV. GORDON BALL, extreme left, is shown with a few members of the Belva Baptist Church standing beside church bus which is used to promote the work of the progressive church.

Watch Belva Baptist Church Grow

Watch Belva Baptist Church grow, or better still, join the energetic group of people who have accepted the challenge for building an active Baptist Church in this area of Madison County. Nine months ago the Belva Baptist Church was a mission church. It had been a mission project for various churches over a period of twenty-two years. Grassy Branch Baptist Church in Buncombe County was the last church to sponsor the Belva

Mission, before the French Broad Association undertook the task.

On July 23, 1972, Belva became a fully organized and constituted Missionary Baptist Church and was the forty-ninth church to join the French Broad Baptist Association. There were ten members to start this project in faith on this night in July. Today the church has thirty members and a record Sunday School attendance of fifty-three. The 1972 Daily Vacation Bible School had an enrollment of sixty-three children.

The Rev. E. I. Jenkins, Associational Missionary for French Broad Baptist Association initiated the movement to bring life back into the Belva Church. But, it was the Rev. Gordon Ball, Moderator of the French Broad Baptist Association, who made the decision to become the first pastor of the constituted church at Belva. He also insisted that he must live in the community in order that his ministry could be extended over seven days in the week. Mr. Ball brought the young enthusiasm and the Christian zeal to convert Belva from a struggling mission project to a church of great promise. Belva's program for growth has already taken on projects of considerable magnitude. First, there is a weekly visitation program every Thursday evening. Teams of four—two men and two women visit the sick, the elderly, and the prospects for membership. Their theme is "We at Belva care about you."

Growth of the church is already demanding a building program. It has been concluded that the present church building is too inadequate to consider for renovation or expansion. So the church has voted to raise \$6,000 during 1973 in order that a new building may be started by March 15, 1974.

To celebrate the church's first anniversary on July 23, 1973, the pastor and members have set a goal of one hundred to be enrolled in Sunday School. The men in the church have leased some tobacco acreage and this summer they will grow tobacco and the money from the crop will be applied to the church's building fund.

If you would like to know how it feels to work and worship with a "live" group of church members, and you are not attending church anywhere, come and join the group at Belva Baptist Church. Belva is a project in faith.

State Alumni To Meet In Raleigh

RALEIGH—Led by the golden and silver anniversary classes of 1923 and 1948, North Carolina State University alumni will return to the campus May 4 and 5 for annual Alumni Weekend festivities.

The two-day event will include class dinners, the annual awards luncheon, a reception at the home of Chancellor and Mrs. John T. Caldwell, campus tours and a dance and social.

A highlight of the alumni gathering will be a breakfast Saturday morning, featuring talks by Chancellor Caldwell, football coach Lou Holtz and basketball coach Norman Sloan.

Classes holding five-year reunions in addition to the golden and silver anniversary classes are the NCSU Forever Club, made up of alumni graduating more than 50 years ago, and the classes of 1928, 1933, 1938, 1943, 1948, 1953, and 1958. (The classes of 1963 and 1968 will hold reunions at Homecoming, October 13, 1973.)

Festivities will get underway on May 4 at 1 p.m. with the awards luncheon at the University Student Center and will conclude with the campus tours Saturday morning.

"Postal Week" To Be Observed Apr. 29-May 5

Postmaster Frank Ramsey of the Marshall Post Office announced plans today for "Postal Week" to be celebrated here April 29 through May 5. The Marshall Post Office and Walnut Branch will join with the nation's 31,000 other post offices in issuing 10 special stamps honoring the nearly 700,000 postal employees. These ten eight-cent commemorative stamps on the same sheet, each depicting a service performed by postal people—from window clerks selling stamps to workers on the workroom floor to letter carriers—will be issued on Monday, April 30.

Postmaster General E. T. Klassen said the Postal Week observances are "an appropriate occasion for recognition of the vital responsibilities assigned to the mail service and a valid time to take stock of the challenges which must be jointly met by postal people and by the millions of citizens throughout America who depend upon the mail as an essential part of their personal and business lives."

A special souvenir envelope honoring Postal People with a design printed on the lower left corner of the envelope will be offered free to the public as long as the supply lasts.

Marshall Mayor Lorado Ponder has proclaimed the week of April 30 through May 5, as "Postal People Week" in honor of the local Postal employees.

French Broad EMC Meeting On Island Here Saturday

The 32nd annual meeting of the members of French Broad Electric Membership Corporation will be held at the Marshall High School Gymnasium this Saturday with registration beginning at 10 a.m. and ending at 1 p.m.

A free barbecue dinner will be served in the lunchroom from 11:00 until 1:00, officials have announced.

At the business session beginning at 1:00, members will take action on the following matters:

1. Report of the officers and directors
2. Election of three directors of the cooperative
3. All other business that may properly come before the meeting

C. L. Proffitt, secretary, said that in connection with the election of three directors, the following members have been nominated for directors by the Committee on Nominations appointed by the board of directors pursuant to the by-laws:

C. E. Buchanan, Mitchell County; Novile Hawkins, Madison County; J. A. Rice, Union County.

Guest speaker for the occasion will be Walter Harrison, Director NRECA, of Washington, D. C.

A free barbecue dinner will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., officials have announced.

Free prizes will be given away, including electric dryer, fry pans, irons, mixers, radios, blenders, fans, toasters, and



WALTER HARRISON, Director NRECA, of Washington, D. C., will be the featured speaker at the 32nd annual meeting of the French Broad Electric Membership Coop to be held this Saturday in the Marshall school gymnasium.



JOHN A. DARLINGTON, formerly of Atlanta, Ga., is the new General Manager of the French Broad EMC. He succeeded D. M. Robinson, who retired last December.



THE 1972 ANNUAL REPORT of the French Broad EMC is dedicated to D. M. Robinson who served the co-op from 1940 to 1972. He retired as General Manager on December 31, 1972. The dedication was made in appreciation of his services in this important field of rural electrification.



E. C. TEAGUE, of Marshall, President of the French Broad Electric Membership Corporation.

many other prizes. You must be present to win, it was announced. Free tickets to the Land of Oz and Tweetsie Railroad will be given to kids and a week-end, all-expense paid "vacation" for some

lucky parents and kids to Beech Mountain will also be given away. This includes a tour of Land of Oz and Tweetsie Railroad, also. You must register for this opportunity.

Rally, Workshops Are Planned By Methodists

United Methodists of the Asheville District will hold a rally at Central Church in Asheville April 29 in behalf of the Lake Junaluska development drive and the Key 73 visitation program.

Bishop Paul Hardin Jr. of Lake Junaluska will be the speaker in the district rally and some of the Lake Junaluska singers will present a musical program.

Prior to the district rally, workshops will be held in three areas of the Asheville District in connection with the Key 73 visitation program. The workshops are scheduled Thursday night, April 26 in the Biltmore, Mars Hill and Cummings Memorial churches.

The Biltmore workshop, primarily for United Methodists in the Asheville area, will be conducted by the Rev. Terry Hammill and speakers will be the Rev. Tom Stockton, the Rev. Ralph Reed and the Rev. Phil Gibbs.

Mars Hill workshop, with the Rev. J. E. Rink as chairman, has the Rev. James Long, the Rev. Bryce Parker and the Rev. Ralph Jacks as speakers.

The Cummings Memorial workshop at Horse Shoe has the Rev. John Emory Jones as chairman, with Jones, the Rev. George Robinson and the

Rev. Robert Tuttle as speakers.

The Asheville District rally at Central church is being planned by a committee consisting of Dr. J. Clay Madison, Asheville district superintendent, Carl B. Hyatt, Asheville and the Rev. Terry Hammill of Candler.

Bishop Hardin will speak on "Visitation in Key 73." It is expected that teams from all the United Methodist churches in the district will attend.

The area workshops in the three sections of the district will draw teams of laymen and ministers committed to evangelism visitation during May.

WNC Draft Boards To Be Consolidated

Selective Service boards in 19 Western North Carolina counties will be consolidated administratively into four central offices by Dec. 15.

However, registration of young men will continue to be carried out in their respective home counties if arrangements can be made, Mrs. Ethel Leonard, executive secretary of Local Board 11 in Asheville said Thursday.

Potential registration places where local offices close include schools, colleges, post offices and courthouses.

The consolidation, or "relocation" program, was begun following the decision of President Richard Nixon to halt the military draft insofar as it was used to raise manpower for the armed forces after the Vietnam settlement was reached.

The Selective Service Act remains in effect, however, as a standby measure. Young men still are required to register with their local boards between 30 days before and 30 days after their 18th birthday, receive classification by their local boards and in their 19th year acquire a random sequence number from the yearly lotteries.

"We can induct no more after June 30," Mrs. Leonard said in citing instructions from the director of Selective Service, Byron Peptone, and North Carolina director, William M. McCachran.

The tentative date for the Asheville area move to begin is July 17. Mrs. Leonard said. The Asheville office will have a staff of four, as compared to three full time and one part time worker at present.

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The administrative merger will reduce the 101 units in North Carolina to 21 locations. Files will be brought to the consolidated site, Mrs. Leonard said. Local boards will determine where to hold meetings. If in the home county a clerk will be assigned to be present for the meeting.

In mergers already carried out, Mrs. Leonard said, there have been 12 administrative positions vacated in North Carolina through April 12, by retirement, transfer to other agencies or finding employment elsewhere.

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Union Service At Ponder's Chapel Sunday

The North Buncombe Fellowship Union will meet at the Ponder's Chapel Baptist Church this Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The speaker will be the Rev. Edgar Waters, Jr., of Asheville. The Young Men's Chorus of the Rock Hill Baptist Church will furnish the music Sunday morning.

Lunch will be served at 1 p.m. at the church. The afternoon session will begin at 2:45 o'clock. The Rev. Sherman Forney will deliver the afternoon sermon. He is pastor of the A.M.E. Zion Churches of Newport, Tenn. The chorus of the church will furnish the music.

The public is invited.

Two Oliver Rays Cause Confusion

The story in last week's issue of this newspaper concerning Elizabeth "Betty" Ray, a native of Marshall, who is making a success in Washington, D. C. as a model, receptionist and movie star, failed to fully identify her. The paragraph stated that the girl is the daughter of Mrs. Norman Roberts, of Route 1, Marshall, and the late Oliver Ray.

Since there were two Oliver Rays in the county, the one referred to was formerly of Marshall Route 1, and NOT Mars Hill.

Stern Elected Treasurer Of YRC Federation

Professor Larry Stern, of Mars Hill College, was elected treasurer of the North Carolina Federation of Young Republicans at the recent State Convention held in the St. Walter Hotel in Raleigh. He is presently a director of the 11th District Young Republican Club. Incidentally, this district led all others in North Carolina in chartering new Y. R. Clubs in this state.

The incident occurred in a parking lot adjacent to the Exxon Service Station on the Marshall By-Pass about 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Ponder said. He said Wyatt and his brother, David, 18, were arguing when Wallin stepped in without apparent cause.

The sheriff said Wyatt was shot once with a single 22 caliber pistol. The bullet entered his left chest just below the heart, Ponder said.

Ponder said Wallin voluntarily submitted himself for arrest at the county jail several hours after the shooting.

Wyatt reportedly worked part-time at the service station but was not on duty there Saturday night.

Ambulance, Truck Collide In Asheville

A Marshall ambulance carrying a patient to the Memorial Mission Hospital was struck by a pick-up truck Monday afternoon about 4:35 o'clock on Biltmore Avenue and miraculously, no one was injured in the wreck.

According to reports, the Marshall ambulance was driven by Jack Ramsey while Celora Ramsey, of the ambulance service was administering oxygen to Mrs. Plato Worley, of Marshall, who was being rushed to Memorial Mission Hospital suffering from a heart attack.

As the ambulance reached the intersection of St. Joseph's Hospital driveway and Biltmore Ave., the truck, driven by Harold George Lunsford, of Asheville, struck the ambulance. Instead of taking Mrs. Worley to Memorial Mission, she was taken quickly to St. Joseph's

Hospital. No one received injuries from the wreck, it was stated.

Mrs. Worley was in intensive care from the heart attack on Tuesday.

The Marshall ambulance was "totaled" it was stated.

Ramsey Hopes To Keep Roads Formula Alive

Rep. Liston B. Ramsey of Marshall said after the highway reorganization bill got through the House that he was "very happy" that an amendment he put in it wasn't taken out during floor debate.

The bill is now headed for the Senate for final action, and Ramsey urged senators from the mountain counties to stay on their toes and not allow the provision for a formula allocating secondary road funds to be removed from the legislation.

Ramsey argued in the House Roads Committee against leaving the allocation of such funds up to a Secondary Roads Council appointed by the governor.

He won passage of an amendment which he says favors the mountain counties. It is identical to the formula used under the present system.

"I certainly hope our senators will be equally interested in making a strong effort to retain the provision for this formula," Ramsey said.

The formula provides that the allocation of secondary roads construction be made on an annual basis, with the distribution based on a percentage of the total unpaved mileage in the state.

Each county's share would be determined by its percentage of the total unpaved road mileage in the state.

Yes, it's that time again to change from Eastern Standard to Daylight Savings Time. Don't forget to turn your clocks FORWARD one hour when you retire this Saturday night.

Shadowline Featured On WWNC Sunday

Shadowline of Mars Hill was featured on the radio program PROFILE over Station WWNC in Asheville, last Sunday at 6:15 p.m.

Grant Jones, Plant Manager of Shadowline was interviewed by Fred Brown, WWNC staff announcer, on the 15-minute program.

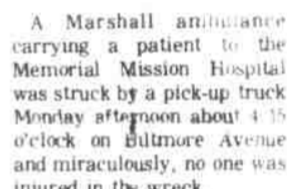
Following the broadcast, Shadowline received a Profile Award from WWNC and North Carolina Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Inc., sponsor of the program, for its outstanding contribution to the industrial growth and development of North Carolina. The citation was signed by Rogers C. Wade, acting president of North Carolina Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Inc., and by Robert Bunelle, president of the Citizen-Times Publishing Company.

The Profile Award was presented to Shadowline by David Luckado, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of N. C.'s representative in the Asheville District Office.

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David Metcalf Scholarship Recipient



David Miles Metcalf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph R. Metcalf of Mars Hill, Route 2, has been awarded a George Foster Hankins Scholarship at Wake Forest University.

Metcalf, a senior at Cane River High School at Burnsville, is among 32 scholarship winners whose names were announced by William M. Mackie, associate director of admissions and financial aid.

The scholarships range in potential four year value from \$1,200 to \$13,200. The 20 boys and 12 girls, all North Carolina High School seniors, were chosen for their outstanding records of scholarship and leadership potential.

Metcalf is a member of his school newspaper staff, student council, Beta Club and French Club.

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