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Madison Patriots Blitz Blue Devils, 22-14, In Opener

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"You Are Now In Big Blue Country" read the sign beneath the Harris High press box. The sign symbolized the color of the Blue Devils of Spruce Pine while also leaving connotations that anyone who should tread on these grounds should beware of the tenacious devil. However, the Patriots of Madison County accepted the challenge and it was indeed the "Big Blue" from beautiful Madison who brought home the spoils, 22-14.

The forty-seven Patriots, attired in blue with red and silver trim approached the field to the roar of approximately 2,500 anxious

Madison fans. These fans had travelled through Yancey County and into Mitchell County in hopes of witnessing the beginning of a new era in local athletics, an era which would field a competitive team in a much larger league, an era which would find people from Hot Springs, Laurel, Marshall, Mars Hill, and Spring Creek uniting against a common enemy for the first time in history.

The patriots immediately showed the fans that their trip was not in vain. They took the opening kickoff and sustained a 63 yard drive on persistent running by Mike Osteen, Jimmy Ramsey, Carlton Freeman, and Mike Thomas. These backs followed very aggressive blocks by a well

chosen line which included Jimmy Roberts, Jerry Cody, Charles Holt, Dorman Thomas, Michael Boone, Kirk McWilliams and Holden Webb. The running attack was complimented by a strong passing attack. The drive notched paydirt with 7:37 left in the first quarter on a 10-yard pass from Monte Reese to Jimmy Roberts followed by Carlton Freeman's conversion run. Now, for the first time in history Madison County was on the scoreboard 8-0.

Yet, with explosive breakaway backs like Ray Burleson, Dirk Greene and Greg Sagle, the Blue Devils began to show that they would be a formidable foe before the evening had concluded. There was also the ever-threatening

screen-pass which was executed extremely well by Harris High. This explosive offense first delivered with 8:41 remaining in the second period. On fourth down and long yardage, Greg Sagle converted a 30-yard pass to Alan Willis which cut Spruce Pine's deficit to 8-6. This ended the first half.

Halftime showed very proud and enthusiastic faces on both sides of the field. It also witnessed local fans mulling with longtime favorite enemies and becoming good friends. The spirit generated by the fans and cheerleaders was as cohesive as the teamwork displayed on the field. We may all be proud and highly pleased for the loyalty and support shown to our

county and team.

The initial kickoff for the second half introduced a new feeling for the Madison High Patriots. When the drive was capped with a 56-yard sprint by Ray Burleson and conversion run by Dirk Greene, the local boys found themselves trailing for the first time, 14-8.

However, the Big Blue from "dear ole Madison" rose to the occasion, showing much poise, determination and maturity. Supported by 2,500 point-hungry fans, the Patriots campaigned a superbly coached drive which climaxed with a reverse from Reese to Freeman to Osteen, who scampered off right tackle for 25 yards into the end zone. The conversion was a well

executed option pass from Carlton Freeman to Jimmy Roberts that plunged the Patriots back in the lead, 16-14. There was 5:49 remaining in the third period and little did the fans realize that the Patriots would never be headed again. The Patriots' defense came of age and relentlessly turned back the determined Blue Devils. Later, in the fourth quarter, aided by a 15 yard face mask penalty, Mike Osteen plunged over from the 1 yard line for the final score of the evening. These insurance points relaxed the fans somewhat, but the players and coaches realized what the defense must do. Needless to say, the big "D" did the job.

After the final seconds ticked off and the scoreboard read 22-14, in favor of the visiting Madison High Patriots, there was jubilation throughout the visiting fans. People were hugging, handshaking, kissing and congratulating each other.

"To the victor go the spoils" and indeed every Patriot fan shared in this hard fought victory. However, there was one local fan who had mixed emotions. Boyce Mayhew shared in the jubilant feelings and overwhelming joy felt by every other fan. Nevertheless, with tears on his cheeks, there was a noticeable and sincere hurt that he's unable to be on the gridiron this season. He has been sidelined for the season due to an appendectomy.

Celebration in the dressing room indicated happiness and pride as the coaches and players congratulated each other and exhibited a family type relationship. They seemed more happy for each other than for themselves. Looking at the faces showed

that it wasn't an easy battle as both coaches and players perspired heavily. Yet, the celebration showed restraint which indicated that they knew there was a full season ahead. Their apparent maturity told them that the glory would be short lived and Monday would show preparation for a new opponent.

Some unofficial individual statistics which show superb performance were as follows: offense: Mike Osteen, 28 rushes, 138 yards, Avg. 4.9 yds per carry, 2 pass receptions, 62 yds., avg. 31 yds per carry.

Mike Thomas, 6 rushes, 23 yards, Avg. 3.9 yds per carry. Carlton Freeman, 10 rushes,

34 yards, Avg. 3.4 yds per carry. Jimmy Ramsey, 12 rushes, 44 yards, Avg. 3.7 yds. per carry. Jimmy Roberts, 7 pass receptions, 39 yards, 5.6 yds per carry.

Monte Reese, 12 passes, 10 completions, 105 yds, Avg. 10.5 yds per completion.

DEFENSIVE: Mike Thomas, 3 individual tackles, 5 assists. Mike Osteen, 5 individual tackles, 2 assists.

Jimmy Ramsey, 5 individual tackles, 1 assist. Jerry Cody, 1 individual tackle, 4 assists.

Kirk McWilliams, 2 individual tackles, 7 assists.

Troy Reid, 3 individual tackles, 4 assists.

Alan Rice, 6 individual tackles, 4 assists, 2 fumble recov.

Charles Holt, 1 individual tackle, 3 assists, 1 fumble recov.

Obviously, the 1973 football campaign started with a bang for the Madison High Patriots. The coaches and players have put much effort from the fans. The next game will be a home-

affair at Mars Hill College's Meares Stadium, when the Patriots host the Warriors of Erwin High School. Gametime is 8:00. Let's ALL be there!

	Patriots	Blue Devils
First downs	18	10
Rushing yardage	245	170
Passes	6-8-0	5-7-0
Passing yardage	79	95
Return yardage	25	19
Punts	1-32	1-30
Fumbles lost	1	1
Yards penalized	20	2
	Patriots	Blue Devils
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Ham, Turkey Shoot Near Enka

The Fraternal Order of Police of Asheville announces that they will sponsor a Ham & Turkey shoot beginning Saturday, September 1, 1973 and each Saturday and holiday thereafter through the last Saturday in November.

This event will be held at Harold Ford's farm, Sardis Road near Enka. Proceeds will be spent on the Fraternal Order of Police community projects. Come on out and try your luck and support this worthwhile project at 9:30 a. m.

A special shoot will be held Monday, September 3 (Labor Day).

Square Dance Monday Night

A square dance will be held on Bridge Street here next Monday night (Labor Day) beginning at eight o'clock.

The event is being sponsored by the Marshall Volunteer Fire Department.

New Seat Covers At Church

New seat covers have been recently installed in the Marshall Presbyterian Church, adding to the comfort of the congregation and choir

members. Other vast improvements have been made and the pastor, Dr. Arthur F. Williams, invites everyone to attend services at the church.

GLORY RIDGE--What, Where, Why

PART TWO:

The Glory Ridge story last week outlined a brief history of how Glory Ridge began, a local pastor, George A. Moore, being led of God to initiate the development of a local Christian Ministry of camping, conference and retreat facilities; and how Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Goldsmith Sr. agreed to make the land available at a very reasonable price. Part I, also spoke of how the Board of Directors was formed to begin a non-profit, nondenominational, private corporation to promote, oversee and guide the Christian ministry of GLORY RIDGE.

Part 2, seeks to convey more current progress and to detail some of the needs for the future. In February 1973, the Board of Directors appointed a Steering Committee consisting of the following persons: Larry Phillips, then of Mars Hill but presently of Hot Springs, Chairman; Paul and Liz Stiles, Clayton, Ga.; James McDaris, Weaverville; Roy Reeves, Marshall; Ruth Guthrie, Walnut, Dr. Nathaniel Burkhardt,

Asheville, Gussie Rhea, Weaverville; Greg Jewell, Bryan College, Dayton, Tenn. During the Spring of 1973, Larry Phillips and Greg Jewell agreed to serve as Camp Director and Assistant Director respectively, and they with the great help of Paul and Liz Stiles carried a summer activity of great variety.

On June 13, 1973, the first group of nine boys camped on Glory Ridge for four nights. This occasion marked a great step forward in the on going ministry of the camp. In short, the Glory Ridge summer program was a supervised daily program of early morning devotions, a few hours of work, a few hours of fun, some time spent eating the delicious things of Liz Stiles, and for those camping overnight time was spent in worship each evening. The young people involved have, with one accord, indicated their summer was made much more enjoyable because of GLORY RIDGE. Some of the work accomplished this summer include: erecting a very beautiful sign and gate structure, building of roads and clearing walk trails, several small utility buildings are up, the construction of a 50' x 16' pavilion is underway, a wonderful well has been dug with good water, clearing of future building sites, large stacks of firewood were cut, and some young and old alike have a much better understanding of the Christian Faith and how to know the "Abundant Life" in Christ. The Directors say "a big thanks" to all who visited, worked and worshipped this summer on Glory Ridge. A special THANKS to leaders of The Neighbor Youth Corp for making Glory Ridge an approved work site. To all the



THE FIRST CHURCH CONGREGATION to enjoy a picnic and have worship services at Glory Ridge was from the Walnut Missionary Baptist Church, shown above.



SHOWN ABOVE is a group of young people from the Marshall-Walnut area who helped at Glory Ridge this summer. They cleared trails, cut brush, moved rocks, etc., and the girls did the cooking.

local folks who donated canned food and fresh vegetables, THANKS.

Some one has remarked that a new Madison County is being born with the Consolidated School bringing social unity with the Madison Plaza and new industry giving economic hope, and the Glory Ridge providing a ministry that all Christians will be able to feel a part of and find unity of purpose. Much truth may be in that observation on the future of our county. For certain the Directors of Glory Ridge have outlined Christian Unity as one of the primary hopes for the future of this young ministry.

Several questions continue to arise and below we attempt to answer them.

1. Glory Ridge is a private cooperation not backed by any

denominational group.

2. Individual contributions and donations from various congregations will be the source of support for this work. Local churches could help by letting Glory Ridge become a part of the Home Mission giving.

3. The Board of Directors will, as needed, elect persons to fill the vacancies on the Steering Committee and the Board.

4. We want everyone to feel free to visit Glory Ridge, however, due to its limited facility for parking, picnicking, etc., the Board requests that anyone planning to come for picnics or wish to camp overnight must have reservations in advance, by calling Ruth Guthrie, at 649-3885 or write to GLORY RIDGE, Registration Rt. 4, Box 29.

Republicans

Plan Rally,

Picnic Here

The Madison County Republican Convention will be held in the courthouse here on Saturday night, September 8 beginning at 7 o'clock. More details will be published next week.

On that afternoon a picnic will begin at five o'clock on the Island with Senator Charles Taylor, of Brevard, being the featured speaker.

Walk-A-Thon Planned For Band Uniforms

Beta Omega Chapter of ESA International Sorority is sponsoring a Walk-A-Thon September 15. The proceeds will be used for purchasing bank uniforms for the new consolidated Madison County High School.

The Walk-A-Thon will begin at 9 on the Island in Marshall and continue for ten miles up Mashburn Hill across the Marshall By-Pass and back to the Island on highway 25-70. Police escorts will be provided by the Marshall Police Department and Sheriff's Department. Free refresh-

ments will be served along the route for the walkers. Walkers must be at least twelve years old and if under eighteen must have parents or guardian's permission.

Pledge cards may be obtained by contacting any of the following people: Joyce Plemmons 649-3536, Katherine Boone 649-3280, Lucille Burnette, Karen Sams, Spring Creek, Alex Farkas 622-7343 Hot Springs, Everette Shelton, Mars Hill 689-3851, Peggy Cutshaw 656-3851 and Father Graves, Hot Springs 622-3248.

The walkers will begin taking pledges on September 1. Everyone is urged to support the Walk-A-Thon. The walker collecting the largest amount of money will receive a 73-74 season pass to all home football and basketball games, so please support the walkers.

Volunteers are needed to help with refreshment stands, if you can help call Donna Rice at 649-3740 or Katherine Boone at 649-3280. Volunteers are also needed in each community to help in providing transportation to and from Marshall.

Labor Day To

Be Observed

Here Monday

Labor Day--next Monday--will be observed here as most stores will close. Offices in the courthouse will also be closed so will the banks and various agencies. This means that many people will not be laboring on Labor Day.

Random Sampling Check On DDT-TDE Residues In Tobacco

Random sampling of tobacco at the marketplace is being continued this year to check on possible residues of DDT or TDE pesticides, reports Nila R. Mann, Acting County Executive Director of the Madison County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

Tobacco growers who have used DDT or TDE are not eligible for Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) support loans on their crops.

Before a tobacco marketing card can be issued, the producer is asked to certify whether or not DDT or TDE was used on the tobacco after it was field-planted. False certification is a violation of federal law.

The random samples of tobacco, taken at a time of marketing, are chemically analyzed to determine DDT or TDE residues, if any. In the

last few years tobacco buyers, both domestic and foreign, have been concerned about the level of DDT and TDE pesticides in their purchases.

Mrs. Mann pointed out that cooperation is vitally needed to eliminate the use of these pesticides on tobacco, commenting that even a small amount of tobacco with DDT or TDE content can adversely affect the marketing situation, as tobacco from a number of farms commingled by grade prior to being packed into hogheads.

"Buyers are quite concerned because large quantities of tobacco can be affected during the redrying and packing process. Many indicate a strong preference for buying in areas where they have the best assurance that there will be no DDT or TDE residues on tobacco," said Mrs. Mann.

Hot Springs Boys' Home

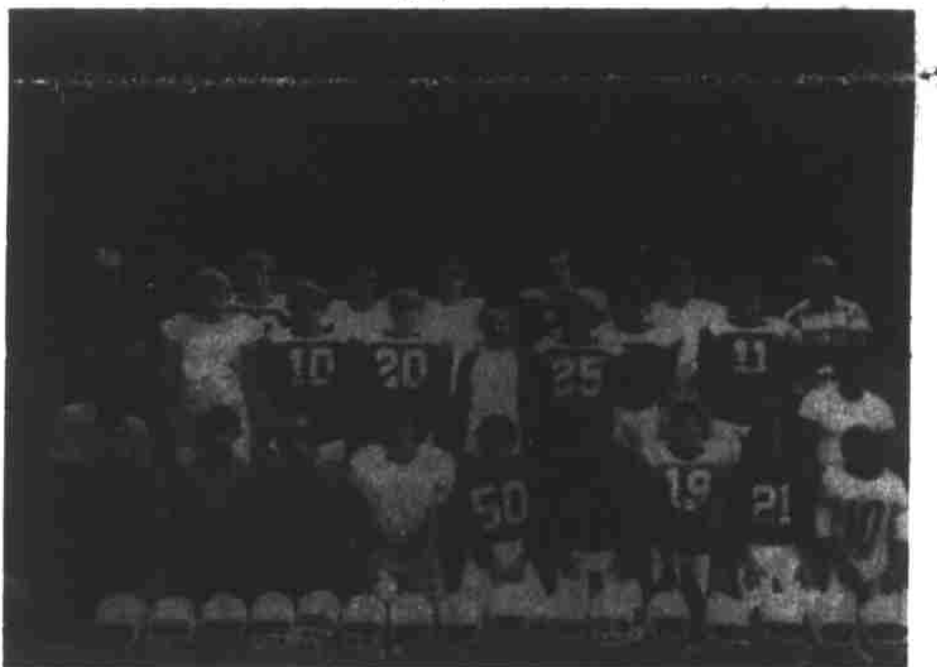
Initiates Fourth Year

On Thursday August 16th the Boys' Home and Youth Hostel in Hot Springs opened its doors to the youth of Madison County. Six boys have already been accepted for the present school year. The following four boys have been welcomed to the Home: Terry Thomas from Paint Rock, Billy Ramsey from Marshall, Stanley Edwards from Mars Hill, and Joe Norris from Hendersonville. Two other boys are expected in September. During the first week of activities the boys have spent a considerable number of hours working on the grounds and inside the Home. On Sunday, September 2nd, the Home will take over the administration of the Times Movie Theatre in Hot Springs. The following films will be shown to help raise funds to operate the Home: On Sept. 2nd, "Brother Sun, Sister Moon"; on Sept. 8th,

"Hitler, The Last Ten Days"; on Sept. 15th, "The Godfather". All are cordially invited to attend the shows.

The band based at the Home, known as "The Broad River" will begin its activities on Saturday Sept. 8th, with a dance at the Home. The band will also travel to Charlotte and Baltimore for shows later in the year. The band is made up of the following youth: Terry Thomas, Louis Ray Zimmerman, and Kevin Overington.

The Hot Springs' Boys' Home was founded in September of 1970 and is administered by Fr. Jeff Burton, S.J. Over seventeen boys have stayed in the Home and six of this number have graduated from the Hot Springs High School; one from Montreat Anderson College, and



PICTURED ABOVE are the Central Madison "Moonshiners" Little League who are ready to start the football season. Head coaches are Max Edmonds and Doug Adams, assisted by Richard Meadows, Jack Marlor and Clyde Griffin. The players are from 6-7-8 grades of the Marshall and Walnut schools and are hopefully future "Patriots". The league includes eight teams and games will be played on Saturday nights at North Buncombe, Mars Hill and Marshall. Front row, l to r, Coach Richard Meadows, Michael Griffin, Kris Robinson, Terry Roberts, Keith Deaver, David Nix, Eddie Dill, Barry Chandley, Holden Nix; second row, Coach Doug Adams, Jesse Duncan, Scotty Proffitt, Steve Adams, Mark Wilds, Scott Duncan, Gary Griffin, Paul Boone, Max Edmonds, coach; third row, Gene Clark, Randy Hodge, Tommy DuVall, Bobby Chandler, Steve Wild, Coach Jack Marlor.



CHEERLEADERS for the Central Madison "Moonshiners", under the direction of Miss Marilyn Wyatt, are pictured above. First row, l to r, Jackie Buckner, Teresa Brigman, Renee Wyatt, Diana Caldwell, Wendy Sams, Jackie Sue Davis, Lisa Riddle; second row, Kim Snelson, Sherri Ramsey, Sharon McKinney, Stephanie Adams, Felicia Bishop, Sheila Gyle, Linda Webb, Linda DuVall; third row, Karen McKinney, Mary Waters, Paula Sams, Denise Deal, Lynn Massey.

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