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OPEN HOUSE at the new Northwestern Bank, located on the Marshall By-Pass, was attended by hundreds of persons last Saturday. Pictured above is a group of local persons enjoying the punch and treats at the attractive and modern facility. Bottom picture shows the present personnel of the bank. Left to right, Hal D. Johnson, assistant vice president; Miss Audrey Hunter, teller; Mrs. Hattie Hailey, commercial loans officer; Clyde Hagan, installment loans officer; and Mrs. Lorraine Cody, teller. The new Northwestern Bank in Marshall is the 148th bank that comprises the Northwestern Banking System. The Bank will be open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. on Monday through Thursday and from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m. on Friday. The Bank is located in Madison Plaza and can be reached by dialing 649-225.

Duncan Heads Northwestern Bank On Marshall By-Pass

Edwin Duncan Jr., president of The Northwestern Bank, announces that Hal D. Johnson has been named assistant vice president of the new Northwestern Bank in Marshall.

Johnson, a native of Burlington, graduated from Burlington High School and attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He joined the staff of Northwestern in 1966 as a member of the Installment Loan Department in the Asheville Office. He was later promoted to manager of the West Asheville Office and served in that capacity for three years. Prior to becoming affiliated with The Northwestern Bank, Johnson was employed by Universal CIT Financial Services.

Johnson is secretary-treasurer of the West Asheville Optimist Club and is on the Board of Directors of the Bank Administration Institute of Asheville. He has served as president of the Asheville chapter of the American Institute of Banking.

Johnson is married to the former Mary Lou Horner of Alamance County and they have two children, Brian and Jean. The Johnsons attend Oakley Baptist Church and reside on Route 7, Asheville.

Beech Glen Defeats S.C. In Twin Bill

The strong Beech Glen 7th and 8th graders' basketball teams defeated the Spring Creek boys with Clay Dodd getting 18 points, Jimmy Carroll, 12 points and Ricky Ingram 12 points. The girls eked out a 23-20 win in overtime with Patsy Buckner hitting two free throws in the final seconds.

The Beech Glen boys easily defeated the smaller Spring Creek boys with Clay Dodd getting 18 points, Jimmy Carroll, 12 points and Ricky Ingram 12 points. Beech Glen will host the Laurel 7th and 8th graders this Friday afternoon.

Sleepy Valley Wide Awake

Sleepy Valley? Yes, that's the name of the Madison County community which annually wins recognition and awards at the WNC Community should be "Wide Awake Valley."

The Sleepy Valley community placed second in Division "A" (less than 75 families) at the annual Awards program held Saturday in Grove Park Inn, Asheville.

Much of the credit belongs to Mrs. Emma Kate Davis who annually spearheads the projects in the community. However, Mrs. Davis is ably assisted by many other Sleepy Valley citizens who have pride and are willing to work hard.

Words are inadequate to express our feelings about this fine community and its fine citizens. We only say, CONGRATULATIONS FOR A JOB WELL DONE.

It's a shame other communities in our county don't follow the example of Sleepy Valley. We also wish to congratulate Virgil Smith, a native of Marshall, who heads the Henderson County Community Development Program which won a coveted plaque for the most outstanding county program in Western North Carolina.

MHS Beta Club Initiates New Members

Marshall Beta Club held its initiation ceremonies on Wednesday, Nov. 14. Eighteen new members were added to the thirty-three returning members. The new members are Pam Maxwell, Cathy Roberts, Brenda Kent, Tammy Green, Sabra Sprinkle, Billy Roberts, Teresa Hunter, Carolyn Sluder, Karen Rice, Danny Boone, Phyllis Buckner, Sandra Ball, Arthur Hensley, Robbie Marler, Ricky Harrell, Ricky Flynn, Sandra Hensley, and Kevin Robinson. Mrs. Ray Waldrop is sponsor. The ceremony was held with the officers giving speeches. Billy Roberts represented the new members.



MRS. EMMA KATE DAVIS, leader in the community development program at Sleepy Valley and devoted citizen in the beautification of that area, was presented a special citation for her efforts at the WNC Community Development program held Saturday at the Grove Park Inn, Asheville. The Sleepy Valley community also placed second in Division "A" (less than 75 families).

Girl Scout Happenings

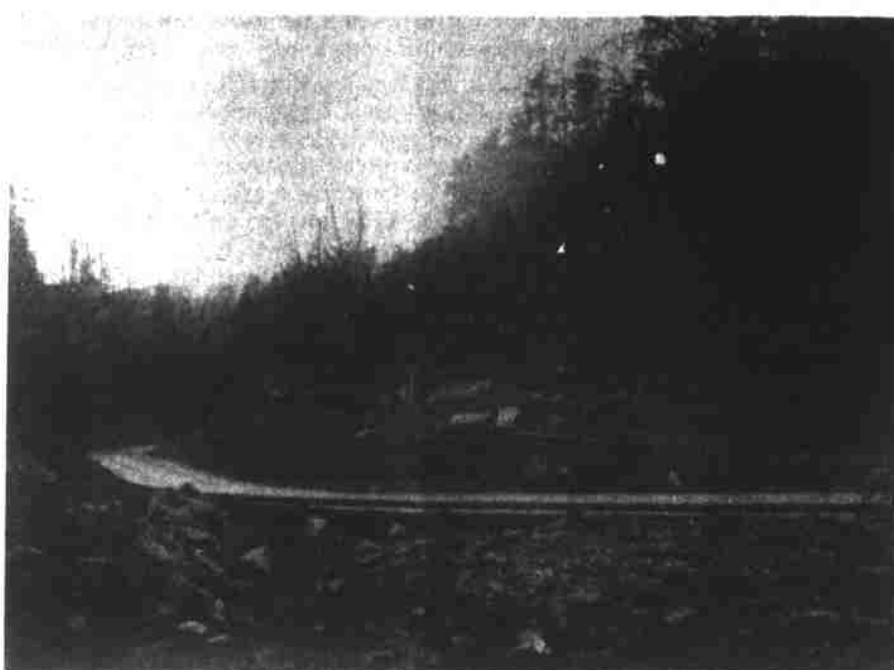
Over 100 girls participated in out-door skills, learning and teaching. They are now proud wearers of a "Skill-A-Rama" patch because they passed their final test on Nov. 17. Marshall girls were left out. Why? Because there is a lack of volunteer leaders for our troops in this area. Won't you volunteer?

Tobacco Lease And Transfers

The laws and regulations governing the burley tobacco poundage quota program provide for the leasing and transferring of quotas between farms within the same county so long as the two owners execute and secure approval of a lease and transfer at the County ASCS Office.

This year's crop of burley appears to be heavier than last year's on many farms which means more producers than usual are finding their production exceeds their effective quota. Even with the provision for exceeding the farm quota by as much as 10 percent through borrowing from the following year's quota, several farmers have produced tobacco in excess of their 110 percent quota can market such excess, penalty free, by leasing pounds to their farm from a farm which underproduced its quota.

There are several farmers who produced no part of their quota this year as well as several that underproduced their quota from whom excess producers might lease. A marketing card should never be used to market tobacco which was produced on a different farm and that such use constituted a violation on which stiff penalties will be assessed. If there are any questions about leasing contact the ASCS Office in Marshall.



PICTURED ABOVE is the present appearance of the "Dr. Sams Curve," located on US 25-70 just northwest of Marshall. It is hoped that in the near future the new span will be completed which eliminates the dangerous curve formerly located in front of the Sams residence. The residence was located adjacent to rock wall seen above highway.

Madison Patriots Defeat Harris And Owen Teams

The 1973 Madison High School Patriots, both girls and boys, remain undefeated thus far this season, having won from Harris High of Spruce Pine on Tuesday night of last week and then sweeping a twin bill from Owen High last Friday night on the Marshall hardwood. Also undefeated are the Jayvee boys who

likewise defeated the JV's of Harris and Owen.

HARRIS-MADISON Girls
MADISON (45) — Robinson, 13, Plemmons 10, Davis 8, Reed 6, Hensley 4, Yelton 4.
HARRIS (27) — Snipes 10, Percy 9, Branch 4, Blevins 2, Robinson 2.

JV SCORE: Madison 57, Harris 53.

Boys
MADISON (71) — Roberts 25, Wood 8, Keener 6, Freeman 8, Treadway 4, Franklin 29.
HARRIS (65) — Slagle 14, Phillips 12, Willis 11, Greene 10, Burleson 9, McCloud.

Owen — Madison
Madison's boys got 14 points from Jim Roberts and Carlton Freeman to win their initial MAC game 51-41 over Owen at the Marshall gym last Friday night. Carl Moore had 14 points for the visiting Warhorses.

The Patriot girls made it a clean sweep with a 55-31 win over the Owen ladies. Lynn Plemmons, Donna Davis and Yvonne Coates all scored in double figures for Madison while none of the Owen girls cracked the two-figure mark.

Girls' Game
OWEN (31) — Hussey 1, Miller 4, McTaggart 2, Stepe 4, Smith 8, Greer 5, Stewart 6, Holder 1.

MADISON (55) — Coates 10, Plemmons 15, Davis 12, Hensley 3, Reed 4, Yelton 4, Greene 2, Landers 1, Evans 2, D. Reed 2.

JV SCORE: Madison 58, Owen 52.

Boys' Game
OWEN (41) — Dillingham 6, Gwathey 3, Moore 14, Stafford 11, Spencer 7.

MADISON (51) — Roberts 14, Wood 4, Freeman 4, Treadway 4, Franklin 7, Mayhew 6.

Army Now Has New Two-Year Enlistment

The United States Army has just announced a new two-year enlistment option. The option offers either training in a skill of the ap-

plicant's choosing, or assignment in Europe following successful completion of required training in a skill selected by the Army. The option includes training in over 120 occupational areas and is open to male and female applicants. Major General John Q. Henlon, Commander of the U. S. Army Recruiting Command said the new option "reflects an exciting opportunity for young men and women to experience a valuable addition to their lives and at the same time render an important national service."

"Our research indicates there are a good many young men and women in this country who would enlist in the Volunteer Army if they could arrange a two-year tour as an initial enlistment." For more information on the Volunteer Army's new option, contact SFC Art Wheelless, the Army representative in this area, at 252-4070 (collect).

Hot Springs Hunter Killed When Hit By Freight Train

A Hot Springs man was killed Saturday while hunting with friends when a Southern Railway freight train struck

him about 11:30 a. m. in the Paint Rock section.

Killed instantly was Gordon Robert Cogdill, 48, of Mountain High Street, Hot Springs. Sheriff Ponder said Cogdill was hunting with two companions and had jammed his gun. While one of the friends walked to his car about a half-mile from the accident scene to fix the gun, Cogdill was hit by the train, westbound extra 2610, Ponder said.

Apparently, Cogdill had tried to get out of the way of the train but tripped and fell, Ponder said.

A lifelong resident of Madison County, Cogdill was a construction worker and a veteran of World War II.

Surviving are three sons, Robert Lee Cogdill of Nashville, Tenn., Lavoy Cogdill of Pompano Beach, Fla. and Daniel Cogdill of Deerfield, Fla.; two daughters, Mrs. Marietta Pierce and Miss Shirley Lynn Cogdill of Pompano Beach; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Cogdill of Hot Springs, three sisters, Mrs. Aileen Roberts of Oliver Springs, Tenn., Mrs. Elmer Black of Hartford, Tenn. and Mrs. Wanda Green of Hot Springs; a brother, J. R. Cogdill of Mevietta, S. C. and nine grandchildren.

Services were held at 2:30 p. m. Tuesday at Zion Baptist Church, Bluff. The Rev. Lloyd Ponder and Hubert Lamb officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were friends of the family.



Jury Frees Man After Weekend Of Deliberating

A verdict of acquittal was given in the case of Raymond Allen Litteral, 18, of Mars Hill by a Buncombe Superior Court jury Monday morning at 10:30. The trial on second degree murder or manslaughter charges began last Thursday.

Judge Harry C. Martin charged the jury Saturday morning and deliberations began before lunch. During the afternoon the jury asked for further instructions on self defense, and then returned to announce it could reach no verdict.

When Judge Martin was told the jury was hung at 11 to 1, he sent it back to deliberate further, but allowed it to recess for the weekend at 5 p. m. Deliberations resumed at 9:30 a. m. Monday.

Litteral was arrested after the death of James Robert Boyd, 33, of Alexander on September 22. He was the second man originally charged with murder to be freed by a Superior Court jury in the past week.

Cantata Dec. 9 At Baptist Church Here

"Born A King" a Christmas cantata by John Peterson will be presented by the adult choir of Marshall Baptist Church on Sunday evening, December 9th at 7 o'clock.

Charles Huey is accompanist, Mrs. Jim Shores is choir director and Keith Greene is narrator.

Soloists will be Joe Greene, Jim Shores, Mrs. Joe Greene, Mrs. Spencer LeGrand, Miss Cheryl Reeves, Neil St. Clair and Mrs. S. L. Nix. The Rev. Spencer LeGrand is pastor of the church. The public is invited to attend.

Story Hour Begins At Library Sat.

A "story Hour" for children, age 3 to 6, will be held in the Community Room of the Madison County Public Library on Saturday, December 8th at 10:30 a. m. The "Story Lady" will be Mrs. Bettie Gehring of Mars Hill.



A NEW JURY LIST for Madison County, containing 1,571 names was locked in the metal box at the courthouse last Thursday afternoon. Pictured above locking the box are, left to right, Raymond Stines, of Walnut, chairman of the county Jury Commission; Ernest English, of Rt. 3, Mars Hill, member of the commission; and Judson Edwards, of Rt. 1, Mars Hill, clerk of superior court. Swain Hall, of Hot Springs, the other member of the commission, was not present when picture was made. Members made the following statement: "We the Jury Commission for the year 1974-75, submit to the Register of Deeds, a list of jurors placed in the jury box for the next two years. This was taken by agreement of the Jury commission from every youth name on the tax and voter's registration books. We have eliminated no one from either group, up, because of age, creed, race or politics. We have eliminated to the best of our knowledge any duplication of names to said list, and any person who served on a jury for the past two years."



THE TURKEY BRANCH JUNCTION BAND performed before more than 4,000 persons last Saturday in the Richmond, Va. Arena at the Richmond Wharf Festival. Other musicians on the program included Lester Flatt, Bill Monroe, Mike Wiseman and 10 other bands. Members of the Madison County band, left to right, Neal Shelton, J. C. Boone, Bill Boone, Randall Blankenship and Woodrow Boone.