



Regional Council Receives Water Quality Grant

The Land-of-Sky Regional Council has been notified of approval of an Area-wide Waste Treatment Management Planning grant. The grant is for a two-year water-quality planning program, totaling \$416,000. R. Curtis Ratcliff, Chairman of the Land-of-Sky Regional Council, stated that, "The Council is happy to receive this grant, which will help to meet 1983 water quality standards in Region B." He adds that, "The Council received significant Congressional support from U.S. Senators Jesse Helms and Robert Morgan and also from Representative Roy Taylor. With this Congressional support, the application was the only one selected from North Carolina out of four which had been applied for under the grant funds provided for under Section 208 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972." The "208" program stresses planning by local government. Specifically, it calls upon local governments in a particular

area to work together to find and implement solutions to their common water quality management problems. It is designed to give local planning agencies a means to solve these problems where simply applying standard waste treatment technology might not do the job. It also calls for the development of a special management structure to carry out action specified in the plan. Considered in the two-year planning program will be the treatment of municipal and industrial waste and issuing of discharge permits which require industries to reduce their discharge of pollutants over a specified period. The type of area-wide planning anticipated is the most effective mechanism for dealing with "non-point" sources of pollutants, which are often difficult to control. Examples are stream water runoff from cities and farms, erosion at construction sites, and the seepage from septic tanks. It also provides a structure to coordinate water quality

programs with other environmental activities such as air quality improvement, solid waste management, and land use. The significance of the approval for this Region B project at this time is that after July 1, 1975, funding will be reduced to 75 percent federal and 25 percent local. The Regional Council's grant is 100 percent federal funds. Robert Shepherd, Executive Director of the Land-of-Sky Regional Council, states that the Council will employ two persons with engineering and planning expertise to oversee the project and to be responsible for many of its technical aspects. The balance of the funding will be used to hire technical consultants in the areas of water quality, management engineering, and land use. The Act requires substantial citizen participation not only through the board of the Regional Council but also from committees which contain local officials and citizen members.



'OPEN WIDE' - Young catbirds had a simple response when this paper's photographer disturbed their privacy recently, as they opened their mouths apparently in anticipation of a tender morsel from mommy, maybe an earthworm or insect.

Junked Car Ordinance Fully Effective July 1

The junked and abandoned automobile removal service operated by the Madison County Health Department over the past two years has been successful in removing many eyesores caused by junked autos throughout the county. Through cooperation with interested citizens in each community it has been possible to remove approximately 1800 junked autos from our county.

An ordinance governing removal and disposition of junked and abandoned autos was passed by the county commissioners in 1973. Since this ordinance becomes fully effective on July 1, 1975, it is important that each citizen be reminded of its requirements. The following excerpt from the ordinance outlines the

most important provisions. Further information can be obtained by calling the Madison County Health Department or Madison County Landfill. A complete copy of the ordinance may be examined at the office of the Madison County Register of Deeds.

Article 7. It shall be unlawful for any person to abandon any motor vehicle within the county, and no person shall leave or allow to remain any partially dismantled, non-operating, junked, or otherwise dismantled vehicle on property under his control. Penalty will be maximum sentence of \$50 fine and/or thirty (30) days imprisonment.

Article 8. Any person having

on premises owned, occupied, or leased by him, two or more inoperable, dismantled, or damaged motor vehicles or major portions thereof, shall be deemed to be a junk dealer and will be required to purchase the privilege license required by Chapter 106-102 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and the current privilege license resolution adopted by the County Commissioners. Such vehicles shall be listed for taxes annually according to law, for a minimum value of \$25 per vehicle. This article will become applicable twenty-four (24) months after ordinance is adopted.

Article 9. Effective twenty-four (24) months after the ordinance is adopted the county will charge a fee of \$5 per vehicle for removing vehicles from privately owned premises.

Effective date of this ordinance shall be July 1, 1975. Any persons wishing to have junked autos removed from his property may call the Madison County Landfill (689-2311), Mars Hill Town Hall (689-2301) or Hot Springs Town Hall (622-3214). Release forms must be signed before autos are removed.

Recreation Center's Hours

The Madison County Recreation Center's Hours for the week of June 30 - July 2 are as follows:

Mars Hill - Monday 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Tuesday 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Wednesday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Marshall Monday 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Tuesday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Wednesday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Walnut Mon. 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Tuesday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Wednesday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Laurel - Monday 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Tuesday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Wednesday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Spring Creek - Monday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Tuesday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Wednesday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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Hot Springs - Monday 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Tuesday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Wednesday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
July 3-6 - ALL CENTERS CLOSED

Shelton Brothers Are Killed In Wreck Sunday

Two young Madison County men were killed in a one-car accident Sunday night on N.C. 212 near Catshall's Store in Madison County.

They were Darrell Keity Shelton, 20, of Rt. 7 Marshall and Mark Jay Shelton, 18, of the same address.

Trooper A. L. Cooper said the two were brothers. Also injured in the wreck were Billy Johnson of Marshall and Lana Haynes also of Marshall.

Cooper said the car they were riding in was traveling east at a high rate of speed when it ran off the road on the right hand side.

The car pulled back into the roadway and skidded 280 feet, overturning twice.

The two that were injured were taken to a hospital in Greeneville, Tenn., where they were treated and

released. Cooper said it was not certain at this time who was driving.

FUNERALS WEDNESDAY Joint services for the Shelton brothers were held at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at Carmen Church of God.

The Rev. Winfred Shelton officiated. Burial was in the Shelton Cemetery. Friends were pallbearers.

They were natives of Union County, Tenn., and had lived in Madison County for eight years.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Shelton of the home; a brother, Troy W. Shelton of Springfield, Mo.; and three sisters, Mrs. Herman Nicholson of Chucky, Tenn., Mrs. James Galbreath of Woodard, Mo., and Miss Rebecca Shelton of the home.

Bowman Funeral Home was in charge.

EMC Fight Still Rages

The Battle of the French Broad EMC is still accelerating as it takes on new implications almost daily! The Battle began early in March when several hundred Dale consumers met at Madison County High School to protest the sudden gigantic rate increases which had just become apparent on billings mailed out from French Broad EMC a few days prior to that time!

Several attempts were made at establishing communication with the EMC and its manager, John Darlington. "But he still thinks volumes of data sheets and piles of pamphlets, charts, and graphs will substitute for communication," consumer leaders insist! "Darlington and his advisors have attempted to cloud the issue by injecting elements into the controversy

which have no bearing on the case," consumer group chairman Bruce Phillips says. He further stated "We are not out to prove anything. The people are supposed to control the EMC. Rather it is eminently clear that in fact the EMC is and has been a self-perpetuating organism which has had very little actual participation by consumers! Regardless of whose fault that is, now the people are going to insist on their inherent right and obligation to control and participate in EMC affairs."

Chever Metcalf, Frank Fox, and other leaders of the consumer group have been working more recently in the counties around Madison in efforts pointing toward the annual EMC meeting July 19 at Madison County High School!

\$75,000 Grant Approved

U. S. Rep. Roy A. Taylor announced the approval of a grant of \$75,000 from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to the Land of the Sky Regional

Youth Employment Underway

A summer employment program for disadvantaged youth is now underway in Henderson, Madison and Transylvania Counties under a grant of \$217,037 through the Department of Labor and the N. C. Office of Manpower Services. The program is designed to provide summer

income to youths from low-income families to encourage them to remain in school and interest them in possible career choices for the future. Approximately 300 youth, aged 14-21, in the three-county areas will be employed for an average of 40 hours per week at minimum wage in public or non-profit agencies beginning this week. Job opportunities for program participants include working in conservation efforts as the French Broad River Clean-up in Transylvania County, assisting with recreational programs for younger children, and serving as teacher aides in child care centers, sheltered workshops for handicapped individuals, and elderly day activity programs.

Job placement will seek to match youth interest and aptitude with job opportunities designed for community benefit. Counseling services will be available for all participants to assure job adjustment and facilitate the provision of supportive services as transportation to job sites,

health or social services. The project is operated by the Board of County Commissioners in each of the three counties through a contract with Land-of-Sky Regional Council. The Regional Council will assist program operation by providing assistance in fiscal management, monitoring and evaluation of the progress of the program.

Approximately 140 of the youth will be employed in Henderson County, 90 in Madison County and 70 in Transylvania County. Interested youth should contact the Chairman of their County Board of Commissioners.

Garbage Collection On July 3

Announcement is made that garbage in Marshall will be picked up on Thursday, July 3, instead of on Friday, July 4th, which is a holiday. The public's cooperation is urged.

Rodeo To Be Here July 4-5

The annual Southern Rodeo Association Championship will be held on the island here on Friday, July 4 and Saturday, July 5, it has been announced. The events are being sponsored by the Marshall Volunteer Fire Department and the Marshall Merchants Association.

On Friday, July 4th, there will be two shows. The first show will begin at 1:30 p.m. and the night performance at 7:30 o'clock. On Saturday, July 5th, there will be a night performance only beginning at 7:30 o'clock.

Among the events listed will be bronc riding, calf roping, bull riding, barrel racing, bull dogging, ribbon roping, and other thrilling events.

Admission will be \$1.50 for adults and 75c for children.



Annual Wagon Train

The wagon train will be held this year during the week of July 4th. Train will start at Wilbur Allen's in Del Rio, Tenn. at end of 107. Monday train will travel to Max Patch; Tuesday, Spring Creek; Wednesday, Sandy Mush; Thursday, Turkey Creek, where trophies will be given away. Friday, wagon train will be in Marshall. For detail information please contact President Coy Griffin, or Wagon Master Henry Treadway.

MHC Receives Grant For Community Service Project

Mars Hill College has been awarded a \$23,000 Title I grant for community service in the area of local government assistance. The College was

informed of the grant in a letter of approval from Mr. Allen W. Rodeheffer, Director, Title I of Higher Education Act.

The project written with assistance of Land-of-Sky Regional Planning Staff and Mr. James T. Ledford, Chairman of Madison County

Commission, provides workshops for local elected officials and faculty consultants to regional and county boards and commissions.

The Director of the project, Dr. Donald Anderson, Chairperson of the Social and Behavioral Sciences Department at Mars Hill College, stated that Appalachian Colleges and Universities have tended to facilitate the out-migration of mountain young people with rather serious results on community renewal efforts. Anderson further stated that "mountain colleges have a special responsibility to serve mountain communities through partnership with community leaders who seek to preserve and enhance Appalachian culture."

Mr. James T. Ledford, Chairman of Madison County Commission and an active participant in Land-of-Sky Regional Council, indicated that regional Colleges are becoming more responsive to the real needs of local communities and that the Mars Hill College project was an excellent example of College and community cooperation.



DR. DON ANDERSON, left, Director of Project and JAMES T. LEDFORD, Chairman County Commission, looking at \$23,000 Title I grant for community service in the area of local government assistance.



THE MADISON COUNTY SCHOOLS and Mars Hill College have been awarded a grant of \$23,000 under the Ethnic Heritage Studies Program. This particular program is listed under Title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and is funded through the Office of Education in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. The grant provides funds to develop curriculum materials for students from the Appalachian Region. The curriculum materials will be developed to help elementary students in Madison County understand their Appalachian heritage and be proud of it. As a result of these materials, there is evidence to prove that the reading level of the children should be improved. Miss Linda Patterson and Mrs. JIM HANCOCK are coordinators of the project and will be working with the following teachers during 1975-76: Ruby Anderson, Jamie Briggs, Marie Cady, Shirley Cady, Wanda Edmonds, Wanda Hollifield, Connie Kravner, Ann Presgrave, and Della Wallis. The Director of the project is John M. Hough, Jr., Associate Dean of Mars Hill College. Pictures above with grant are Robert Rodeheffer, School Superintendent, and John Hough, Jr., Director of the project.