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MARSHALL LIONS CLUB officers were installed Monday night at Ladies' Night held at The Pedler in Asheville. Approximately 30 Lions and Lionesses were present as Lion Jerry Plemmons served as installing officer. The new officers are pictured above, left to right, front row, Roy Reeves, president;

John Corbett, first vice president; Page Brigman, second vice president; Ralph Rice, treasurer; second row, David Caldwell, secretary; Clyde Hagan, director; Earle Wise, director. Not present for picture, Steve Wallin, third vice president; Marvin Ball, tail twister; and Ed List, Lion tamer.

Madison Gets \$682,000 For Secondary Roads

Madison County has been allocated \$682,200 for work on its secondary roads during the next 12 months.

The money is part of \$3.6 million appropriated for secondary road construction in the 13th Highway Division, seven counties which include Madison.

Highway officials have already conferred with the Madison County Board of Commissioners on projects

under consideration. According to secondary roads councilman Ted Smith, most counties have decided to spend most of the money on paving top priority roads and in making road improvements.

Last year Smith said, the counties used a formula that allocated 50 percent of the funds for paving top priority roads, 25 percent for spot improvements (such as school bus routes)

and 25 percent for adding new roads on to the state maintenance system.

"However, some counties have elected to do a little more improving than last year," he said. "It depends on the will and pleasure of the county commissioners."

"We feel — our professional people and me — that we are way behind in improvements. Lots of roads, desperately need improvements."

Crafts Fair To Open Festival On July 1

On July 1 at 10 a.m. the Madison Crafts Fair and Exhibition will open a 10-day festival period in celebration of our nation's 200th birthday. Craftsmen from all over the county will gather at the Madison County High School to demonstrate crafts older than the nation itself and will exhibit their work for viewing and for sale. To visit these craftsmen will be experiencing "living history" as they split boards and demonstrate other farm chores as the first pioneers did when they came to the mountains. The women will be carding, spinning, weaving, quilting, sewing, churning, making soap, etc., very much as their forebears did when the Patriots of '76 fought the War of Independence. Visitors to the fair may also have the

unusual experience of sharing in a meal which could have been served to the Burgesses within the halls of early Williamsburg taverns. Of course, there will also be foods that 20th century tastes may prefer. The meal will be prepared and served by the women of the Greater Ivy Community. They will serve the dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. in the evening. Sandwiches and drinks will be available all during the day. Tickets are on sale through the several community organizations, or may be purchased at the door.

And, to make the evening meal an even greater pleasure there will be free entertainment. From 5 to 6 p.m. "The Appalachian Folks", a group of musicians which includes Byard Ray as fiddler,

will provide an hour of real mountain music. At 6:30 p.m. "The Stump of Approval," a barber shop quartet which includes a trophy-winning bass, will give a program of old fashioned backer shop singing. The public is invited for the entire day, or for any part of the day, to help us celebrate our heritage in mountain crafts.



BILL BRIGMAN, who has served as principal of the Red Oak Elementary School for the past seven years, has accepted the principalship of the Marshall Elementary School, succeeding Clive Whit, who retired. Brigman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Knox Brigman. Other school administrators will be named later, Supt. R. L. Edwards announces.

County Musicians To Sing In Capital

Ten Madison County singers, musicians, and dancers will be in the nation's capitol in early July, participating in a festival designed to show American life and folk customs from across the nation.

The gathering, "A Festival of American Folklife," is sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution and the National Park Service and began June 15. It will last all summer. The festival will bring together five categories of participants, including regional Americans, working Americans, native Americans, old ways in the new world, and African diaspora.

The 10 Madison County natives will participate in the regional America category, designed to present music and craft traditions from several regions of the country, including Maritime life in New England, a timber carnival from the Northwest, ranching and animal handling from the Midwest, and leatherworking and cowboy skills from the West. The Madison County representatives will present their music and crafts during the week of July 7-11, representing the Upland South.

The 10 are all residents of the Upland section of Madison County and include Cui Wallin, Debbie Norton, Debbie Norton, Brenda Wallin, Martha Chandler, Evelyn Ramsey, Paula Rice, Byard Ray, Tommy Hunter, and the only non-Madison resident, Lou

Therrell, assistant professor of education at Mars Hill College. Visitor participation is built into each exhibit of the festival, craftspeople will demonstrate their skills, and in some cases urge the visitors to try their hand at the craft. Regional food will also be prepared and will be available to sample and taste. Music, of course, will be a primary attraction.

Race Your River Raft July 4th

By FR. JEFF BURTON, S.J.

The Hot Springs area chamber of commerce will sponsor a river raft race starting at the bridge over the French Broad River on the evening of bicentennial day, July 4. The river raft race will start at 6 p.m. from the shore located at the site of the Smoky Mountain River Expeditions operated by Edch and Sandy Wist. The Wists will provide 20 of their rafts to teams that sign up before June 30 by contacting them in Hot Springs. Each team of four persons that participates will contribute \$5 for their team that will be used as prize money for the first, second, and third place finishers. The prizes are \$25 for first place, \$15 for second, and \$10 for third place. Already there are nine teams participating. It is hoped that all 20 rafts will be filled for the river raft race that will cover a distance of two full miles. Refreshments will be served and be on sale at the starting point of the race as well as at the finishing point. All clubs and organizations in Madison County and the Newport, Tenn., area are urged to participate.

Earlier in the afternoon of July 4, there will be a parade in Hot Springs starting at 2 at the Hot Springs Clinic that will proceed to the grounds of the Hot Springs Catholic Church where the ministers of the area will offer a bicentennial religious service with singing and this will be followed by a covered plate lunch on the grounds of the church. At 6 p.m., the river raft race will follow. All are invited to attend these activities.



River Rafts In French Broad River Near Hot Springs

Civil Court To Start Monday; Panel Named

The June term of superior court for the trial of civil cases will begin here Monday morning with Judge Robert D. Lewis presiding.

Cases on the docket include: Cecil Clark, Adm., estate of Wayne C. Clark, plaintiff, vs. William H. Israel, d-b-a Blue Ridge Tractor & Implement Co. defendant.

Board of Transportation, plaintiff, vs. Homer Bailey, et al. defendants.

Claude Honeycutt, et ux, plaintiff, vs. Board of Transportation, defendants.

Inez Haynie, Admrx. estate of James Haynie, plaintiff, vs. Louise Griffith and Donald Paul Frisby, defendants.

Donald F. Harrell, et ux, plaintiffs, vs. Turn Key Builders, Inc., defendants.

Board of Transportation, plaintiff vs. Lois Davis, et ux, defendants.

Grady Dockery, plaintiff, vs. French Broad Chevrolet Co., Chevrolet Motors Division, General Motors Corp., defendant.

Scott Duncan, by guardian.

Escapees Are Still Missing

Sheriff Ponder reported Tuesday morning that the three prisoners who escaped from the jail here on June 14, are still at large and the search is continuing.

The three men are Edward Gosnell, Steve Franklin and Odis Searcy.

Gosnell, 27, of Leicester, was awaiting trial on charges of breaking, entering and larceny. Ponder said he had also been sentenced earlier in Buncombe County on a bad check charge. Franklin and Searcy were scheduled to be moved to the state prison system to begin serving time for breaking and entering, Ponder said.

ad item, Hoyle Duncan, plaintiff, vs. Charles Waters and Harget Waters, defendants.

Albert Carver, plaintiff, vs. Rachel Tillery, defendant.

Tom L. Merrill, et ux, plaintiffs, vs. Andrew Jackson Bridges, defendant.

A list of jurors drawn follows:

Ruth Rogers Edwards, Clinton King, R. L. Ferguson, Lanny E. Hill, Juanita Evelyn Payne, Roy David Worley, Jim Stewart Higgins, Tony Ulysses Gamble, Floyd Hensley, Jessie Ball Roberts, Walter Stevenson Wilson, Faye Slagle, Jefferson Rice, Tillman Bliss Reese, Cline Willie Gosnell, Vernon Carver, Mrs. R. R. Ramsey, Grace Buckner, M. H. Kendall, Mayme Harriett Drake, Carroll Robert Twesed, Altha Mars, Catherine Justice Ledford, Larry Wayne Proffitt, John A. Bucy, Nancy Lee Hensley, Andy Wyatt, Helen King Rice, Eddie James Payne, Pender V. Shook, Barbara Lambe Bullman, Yvonne Price, Max T. Wilson, Kenneth Edwin Thorpe, Loyd Payne, Ray Waldroup, Brenda

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Time Capsule To Be Buried On July 4

July 4 will be an important day in the history of our nation and in the history of Madison County. The day begins with "Festivals of Faith" in churches all over the county. This will be a time when each one of us can thank God for all of the rich blessings which are ours. At 2 p.m. bells will be rung for two minutes in our county and all across our nation. This was the time when the Liberty Bell was rung for the first time to proclaim the freedom of these United States.

At 3:30 p.m. every resident of Madison County is invited to the campus of Mars Hill College to witness the burial of the Time Capsule. It will be entered next to the Country Boutique and will remain there for 100 years until our grandchildren and great-grandchildren open it on July 4, 2076.

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Registration Deadline Is August 17

The Madison County board of elections reminds voters that the registration deadline for the Aug. 17 primary is July 19 at 3:30 p.m.

This deadline also applies to those who have changed their address or moved to another precinct. "Those voters residing in the north and east precincts who have moved should contact the board of elections to make sure they are registered in the precinct where they now live. Madison County voters should contact the board of elections at 287-2222 for more information."

Hearing Set Monday On County Budget

A public hearing has been set for June 28 at 10 a.m. in the courthouse here for presentation of the 1976-77 Madison County Budget.

Commissioners are considering a budget of \$3.3 million with a tax rate of 88 cents per \$100 valuation and a 10 cent tax for school renovation and construction, which would make a total tax rate of 98

cents per \$100 valuation. The current budget totals \$4.3 million. Chairman James T. Ledford said the new budget represents a more realistic figure under new laws requiring greater disclosure of funds which channel through county accounts. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection in the auditor's office.

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