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**Practically Assured** 

program,

Steam Train To Carry

Passengers Wednesday

"Under the current wheat

payments are to be made to

producers if the national

average market price for the

first five months of the

marketing year is less than the

cases payable on the train.

Children 11 years and under

can ride for half fare. The

entire trip from Knoxville at

7:30 a.m. to Salisbury at 8:00

Museum is a group of East

Tennessee Railfans that have

passenger excursions over

recent years. Many of these

have passed through Marshall

enroute between Knoxville and

Asheville on the route of the old

"Carolina Special". These

excursions are normally sold

out in advance and do not stop

at Marshall for passengers.

This coming excursion has

been scheduled to serve these

local people that wish to ride a

train again to remember the

days when passengers trains

were common, but lack the

time or the cash for one of the

Additional information can

be obtained about the ex-

cursion by phoning the Old

Smoky Knoxville ticket office

at 615-522-0713 between 9:00

a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on week-

longer rides

numerous

The Old Smoky Railway

p.m. has a fare of \$23.00.

sponsored

deficiency

REGISTRATION DESK occupied by personnel of French Broad EMC. Left to right, Florence M. Ramsey (standing), Lora Peek,

Unless there is an increase in

wheat prices over the next four

months, area wheat farmers

will receive federal payments

this fall, according to P. H.

Slade, Acting State Executive

Director for the Agricultural

Stablization and Conservation

On Wednesday, July 27, the

Southern Railway will operate

a one-way steam powered

train through Marshall, under

the sponsorship of the Old

Smoky Railway Museum of

Knoxville. The train is

scheduled to stop in Marshall

at 10:30 a.m. to load and unload

passengers to and from

stations between Knoxville

Powering the train will be

one of the largest steam

engines operating in the

United States today, a 2-10-4

"Texas" type No. 610 used last

year on a portion of the

American Freedom Train

route and leased by the

Southern this year for ex-

This is expected to be the

only train excursion that will

schedule a stop for passengers

in Marshall this year. The one

way excursion feature will

permit riding at a minimum

cost. By driving to Hot Springs

at 10:00 a.m. the train can be

ridden to Marshall for \$2.50. A

ride from Marshall to

Asheville is also \$2.50, in both

cursion operations.

and Salisbury.

Jenice Pegg, Brenda Lower, Walda McDevitt, Ruby Gosnell, Peggy Roberts.

target price of \$2.47 per bushel," Slade explained.

average wheat price for all

farmers was \$2.00 per bushel in

June, compared with \$2.19 in

May. June is the first month of

the five-month period used to

payments. So, the June price

average offers an early in-

dicator that payments will be

made to farmers this fall,"

farmers are faced with serious

economic problems due to low

market prices, it's important

that the provisions for this

additional income source be

reviewed for area wheat

farmers." "Also." Slade said,

"this is the first time such

payments would be made to

wheat farmers under the 1973

rate is determined by sub-

tracting from the \$2.47 target

price the higher of the June-

October national average

price or the national average

loan rate. Using the national

average wheat loan rate of

\$2.25 per bushel as an example,

the deficiency payment rate

farmers are calculated by

multiplying the farm's

established yield times the

farm's allotment acreage, and

multiplying the result times

the deficiency payment rate,"

allotments are automatically

payments, regardless of the

disposition of their wheat.

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"All farmers having wheat

deficiency

Slade explained

'Deficiency payments to

would be 22 cents per bushel.

'The deficiency payment

"Because many wheat

determine

Slade said.

Farm Act.'

deficiency

"The preliminary national

### Exams Wheat Payments

Madison High Football Coach David McFee has announced that physical examinations for all young men planning to participate in football this year will be held at the Madison county Health Department on July 21 at 6:30

This includes incoming varsity candidates.

## **Bridge** Location

North Carolina Department

The plans call for the replacement of a bridge on Bend of Ivey Road (Secondary Road 1576) over Ivey River just downstream from the existing bridge.

Some minor roadwork will be required along Bend of Ivey Road and Gravel Pit Road (Secondary Road 1597) to tie them into the new structure.

The approved plans are the as the proposals presented at the June 9 public hearing held in Marshall. A set of plans and a copy of the Planning Report are available for public review and copying the Madison County Courthouse in Marshall.

The project is part of the Carolina Highway Improvement Program

stated here Monday that the the water supply and "it no officials and also a way could have affected the representative from the State water' Health Department had gone Officials explained the "bad over the entire 1100 acres on taste" during recent weeks the water shed property and in was caused by the mandatory regards to the dead horse lowering of the water level in rumors, it was true that an old the storage lake which was

ALL MAN DE HAND

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carcass of a horse had been Spokesmen for the town discovered but was miles from

on Walnut Creek was con-

Town officials also anfrom wells and Hunter Creek

ordered when the earthen dam spring water which is clear

The supply is slowly innounced that the million- creasing and is, at present, gallon reservoir had been adequate, but the public is throughly cleaned and is now urged to conserve all the water being supplied with water possible during these hot

## **Football** Scheduled

After weeks of peculiar

tasting water, conditions are

now greatly improved, local citizens are glad to realize.

Adding to the problem of

water have been rumors that a

dead horse had been found

near the water storage lake on

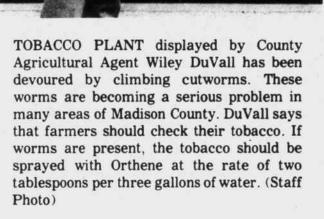
Walnut Creek. According to

town officials, this rumor is

treshmen who plan on playing freshmen football and all

# **Approved**

of Transportation (NCDOT) officials have approved the location and design plans for the replacement of an old steel truss type bridge east of Marshall in Madison County.



### In Colorado

# **Turpin** Recaptured

Phillip Eugene Turpin, who Debbie Romero were denied escaped last week from an their requests not to be aging jail in Cripple Creek, Colorado, was captured following a 48-hour search. Sheriff Ponder announced this

was previously Turpin arrested in connection with the murder of two Yancey County men in Madison County.

Sheriff Gary D. Shoemaker, of Teller County, Colorado, said that the successful arrest of Turpin was the result of more than 35 officers and volunteers, aided by horses and dogs, combing the area in Teller County.

Turpin is presently being held in the Cripple Creek jail but is expected to be released to Madison County officers in a few days, Ponder stated.

Three in Jail Here Ponder also stated that Alonzo Crews Jr., 21, and prison last week-end and they are now in the local jail. Ponder said no bond had been Turpin's mother, Evelyn C. Alemany, 36, charged with aiding and abetting in the slayings, remains in the

returned to Madison County

for trial in connection with the

murders of Hutchins and

Norton. Ponder received or-

ders Friday night signed by

Tennessee Governor Ray

Blanton, stating the denial of

the requests of the two

defendants. Sheriff Ponder

brought the two defendants

from the Dresden, Tenn.,

county jail here, also. 'We expect to have all four of the defendants in jail here in

the near future as soon as Colorado releases Turpin to be returned here," Ponder said.

### Corbett Reelected EMC President

taken at the Annual Members G. Plemmons, treasurer. Meeting held in the Marshall Elementary School. Also re-Yancey County.

At the regular board immediately meeting following the annual meeting,

John O. Corbett of Marshall Corbett was elected president the wholesale rate to the was elected to a three-year of the board. Other officers term on the French Broad elected were Novile Hawkins, conversion to monthly billing EMC Board of Directors vice president; I. E. Saturday. This action was Clevenger, secretary; and W.

Charles Tolley, general elected for three-year terms manager, gave a report to the made in Burnsville district. He were W. G. Plemmons of members and announced that Buncombe County, and James the Federal Power Com-Ray and Hazen Ledford of mission had delayed the 7.5 per and had made the billing and cent wholesale rate hike for collection procedure more CP&L for three months. This would delay any rate increase the maintenance program of by the EMC until such time as clearing right-of-way and CP&L was allowed to increase replacing bad poles which is

Cooperative. Tolley cited the as one of the main accomplishments during 1976 as all of the Marshall District is currently being billed monthly and rapid progress is being stated this had lessened the number of billing complaints efficient. He also reported on

about 60 per cent complete.

Even though it is anticipated the entire service area will be covered within the next year to 18 months, much of the area will be ready to go over again due to the rapid growth of trees and bushes. Mr. Tolley also reported on a loan the Cooperative had recently received which will be used for extension service to new members and other system improvements. He urged continued conservation of energy by the membership.

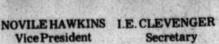
#### Officers And Directors Of French Broad Electric Membership Corporation

Between 400 and 500 persons attended the annual meeting of the French Broad Electric Membership Corporation held on the island here last Saturday despite torrid temperature.



Vice President







W. G. PLEMMONS



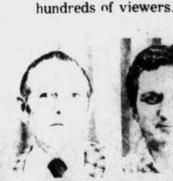
JAMESW. RAY



C. E. MASHBURN



JOHNO. CORBETT



Albert Freeman Jr.



Joe Justice



In addition to the business session, a variety show with many dancers

and musicians was enjoyed as well as a Crafts Fair which attracted



Carl Ramsey