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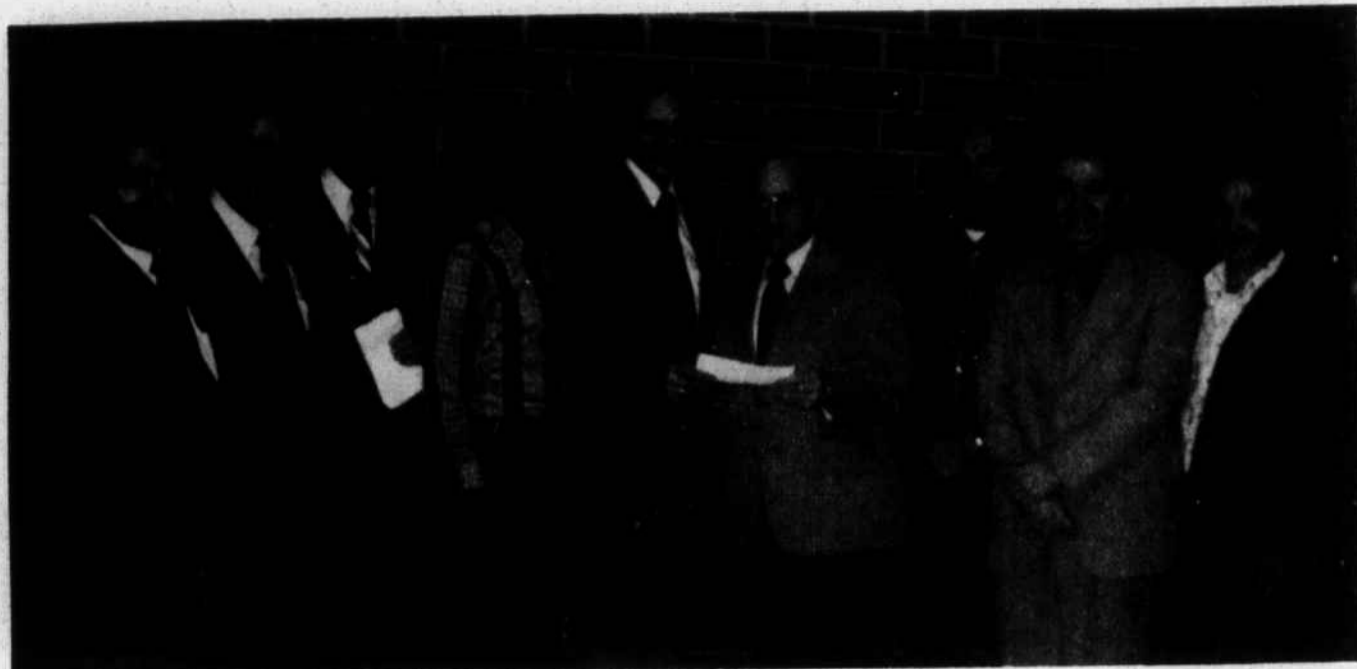
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## Road Needs Aired At Public Hearing



**MARSHALL LIONS CLUB** members donated \$1,000 to start the fund drive for the Marshall-Walnut Medical Center which will be located in the former Madison Grill Building. Renovation of the building is now under way. Lion Clyde Hagan, Lion Club

treasurer (center) is shown presenting the check to Lion Roy Reeves, fund drive treasurer. Other Lions pictured, left to right, are: Tom Wallin, Wade Huey, John Corbett, Ed List, Jack Cole, Jerry Plemmons and Lonnie Plemmons.

A public hearing was held last Thursday night in the courtroom here on the 1978-79 secondary road construction in Madison County. An estimated 125 people were present to listen to DOT officials and voice their road requests.

John Gilky, of the Department of Transportation and Dan Martin, District Engineer, presented the following DOT recommendations and estimated costs:

- Relocate a section of SR 1318 at bridge No. 152 and replace bridge, \$10,000.
  - Resurface SR No. 1370, \$150,000.
  - Widen SR 1411, \$75,000.
  - Replace bridge No. 51, \$100,000.
  - Relocate a section of 1151, \$50,000.
  - Resurface SR No. 1165, 2.9 miles, \$85,000.
  - Resurface SR No. 1390, 1.5 miles, \$45,000.
  - Resurface SR No. 1364, 1.5 miles, \$104,000.
- The DOT officials stated that three bridges on Big Laurel will be let out for contract this year.

that Madison County should be declared a state of emergency since there are 317 miles of unpaved roads which school buses travel each day.

The county commissioners stated that they would like to see all improvements possible

with the allocations made to Madison County. The commissioners have reviewed all the recommendations made by the Department of Transportation and have submitted recommendations which they feel would be most beneficial to Madison County.

Many citizens spoke of various secondary road needs in different sections of the county and the ultimate plans and recommendations by both the DOT and the county commissioners will be further studied and definite projects will be announced later.

## Medical Center Fund Drive To Be Extended

Tom Wallin, president of the Hot Springs Health Program, announced Monday that due to weather conditions and hazardous secondary roads the fund drive for the Marshall-Walnut Medical Center has been extended. This move was decided so that community workers may reach every household in the Marshall-Walnut areas as soon as possible.

Wallin stated that the drive, which was held last Saturday and Sunday, was well received by those who were contacted. "I know that everyone will want to make a contribution to the success of the Marshall-Walnut center which will be located in the former Madison Grill between Marshall and Walnut. Renovation of the building is in full swing," Wallin said.

Citizens are urged to contribute when solicitors visit them and it is hoped that the response will be overwhelmingly positive. Those wishing to make a contribution within or outside the Marshall-Walnut areas may send a check to Hot Springs Health Program and mark it for the Marshall-Walnut Medical Center. All donations are tax deductible, it was explained.

Contributions may be addressed to any of the following: Linda Mashburn, 649-2800; Roy Reeves, 649-2011; Bob Adams, 649-2456; Cloice Plemmons, 649-3816; Tom Wallin, 649-2554; Jerry Plemmons, 649-3536.

Persons making a contribution of \$100 or more will have their names printed on a plaque in the waiting room of the center. Dedication of rooms will be made to families or persons who make larger contributions.

"I feel that the new center can be put into operation by April 15 if the citizens will make their contributions of a substantial amount immediately," Wallin commented.

"If there should be any questions or further explanations about the medical center, feel free to ask or call any of the above board members," Wallin concluded.

## Service Delivery Workshop Set

MARS HILL — "Improving Techniques of Service Delivery to Older Adults" is the title of a workshop sponsored jointly by Mars Hill College and Land of Sky Regional Council. The workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to noon, March 10 at the Land of Sky offices on 25 Heritage Drive, Asheville.

The service delivery workshop is one of 10 Mars Hill is producing using funds from a \$4,000 Title IV-A, Older Americans Act grant which was awarded through the Land of Sky council. All of the workshops are free of charge to anyone working with older citizens on a professional or voluntary basis or anyone interested in working with the elderly in the four county area of Madison, Buncombe, Henderson, and Transylvania covered by Land of Sky's Region B.

The workshop will be taught by Fay Walker, director of the social work program at Mars Hill. She will be assisted by Fay Ramsay, services coordinator and project supervisor at the Opportunity Corporation.

## EMC Reduces Voltage By 5 Percent

French Broad EMC has reduced voltage to its members by 5 percent at the request of Carolina Power and Light Co. as they go into Phase II of their energy conservation plan. The cooperative is also contacting the large power users telling them of the voltage reduction and asking for voluntary curtailment of electric usage by 10 percent.

All coop members are asked to cut their usage in every way possible. Please turn down the thermostats on electric heat, cut off unnecessary lights and appliances and limit the use of hot water.

If it becomes necessary to put Phase III and IV into effect, members will be notified of this action.

## Mrs. Robinson Heads Heart Fund Drive

Mrs. Latrelle Robinson has been chosen as Fund Raising Chairman for the 1978 Heart Fund Campaign, according to Ernestine Plemmons, public information chairman for the Madison County Heart Fund.

Plans are being made to hold the Heart Fund Campaign during the month of March. Bad weather prevented this being held during February, which is usually considered Heart Month. Volunteers are being recruited for the campaign. If you are called upon to be a volunteer or to make a decision, please say yes.

Money raised in the Heart Fund campaign will be used toward public education about controlling the risk factors associated with heart attack and stroke and for research projects.

## EMC Committee Postpones Meet

Due to a conflict, the meeting of the French Broad EMC Women's Committee has been postponed from March 13 until March 20, at 2 p.m.

## Grain Sign-Up Slated

New farm legislation effective for 1978 provides for a set-aside program for wheat and feed grains. The set-aside is strictly voluntary but is a requirement for eligibility for program benefits. To be eligible to participate in this program farmers must have planted or intended to plant either wheat, barley, corn or sorghum or any combination thereof for harvest this year. The set-aside requirement is 10 percent for feed grains

planted for harvest and 20 percent for wheat. Each farm has been assigned a normal crop acreage (NCA) base. This NCA base is the total of corn, wheat, barley, oats, rye, grain sorghum and soybeans planted in 1977 and reported to the ASCS. Farmers who failed to report their planted acreages for 1977 will be assigned a zero acres for the NCA base unless they file a late report of planted

acres to one of these crops. Notices of NCA bases have been mailed to all producers including zero notices.

Program benefits available to eligible participants are (1) commodity loans (2) deficiency payments and (3) disaster payments. To qualify for full program benefits, the 1978 acreage of designated crops plus the set-aside cannot be larger than your NCA.

The sign-up for the program begins the first of March and continues until May 1. Further information will be available at the county ASCS office.

## Some 17-Year-Olds Eligible To Register

Persons not already registered who will become 18 years of age by the Nov. 7 general election and are otherwise qualified have until April 3 (5 p.m.) to register for voting in the May 2 primaries and second primary (if called).

April 3 is also the deadline to change party affiliation and transfer precincts for those who have moved since the last time of voting.

The names and telephone numbers of the precinct election officials authorized to register voters will be published in the News Record next week.

Those who are not sure if they are properly registered should contact the Board of Elections at 649-3731.



VICTOR V. MCQUIRE JR.

## Mrs. Franklin Enters Education Contest

Nell C. Franklin of Route 3, Marshall, a native of the Laurel section of Madison County, announces as a Democratic candidate for the Madison County Board of Education, District II. She is married to Talmadge Franklin and they have one son, Bobby Dean, of Greeneville, Tenn.

what is best for the children of our county and further states that if elected, she will do what she considers best for all the children attending Madison County schools.



NELL FRANKLIN

## McQuire Joins Health Center As Counselor

Victor V. McQuire Jr. has joined the staff of the Madison County Office of the Blue Ridge Community Mental Health Center as an alcoholism counselor, it was announced Friday by Claudio Rabello, director of outreach.

McQuire formerly was the pastor of St. George's Church in Asheville, for 11 years.

A native of Virginia, and a resident of North Carolina for 45 years, McQuire is a graduate of Asheville High School, Duke University, and St. Luke's Seminary at the University of the South in Seawannee, Tenn.

For the time being, McQuire works in the Madison County office two days a week — Tuesdays and Fridays. For more information telephone 649-2367.



ONE-WAY TRAFFIC is a familiar scene on Marshall's Main Street as new water lines are being installed. When the

project is completed and weather is suitable, plans call for a new surface for the street and widening a portion of Main Street.

## Wise Wins Morehead Scholarship At UNC

Warren Earle Wise, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earle Wise of RFD 7, Marshall, has received a Morehead Award to study at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The announcement was made by Hugh G. Chatham of Elkin, chairman of the board of trustees of the John Motley Morehead Foundation.

1978 Morehead awards presented to students of superior achievement and potential. Academic standing, character, evidence of leadership and service, physical vigor and ambition are the qualities looked for in a Morehead Scholar.

The scholarships currently are worth \$12,000 for North Carolina students for four years of study at UNC-CH. Out-of-state scholars receive the same stipend but the foundation also pays the out-of-state tuition differential.

Morehead Scholar selection followed a year-long screening process which culminated in final interviews in Chapel Hill Feb. 24-27. All finalists who did not receive Morehead awards were tendered North Carolina Merit Tuition scholarships funded by the Morehead Foundation.

Wise, a senior at Madison High School, is vice president of the senior class and a member of both the Student Council and varsity track team.

He is one of 64 high school seniors who have received

## 4-H Club

## Hosts County

## Kite Contest

The Brush Creek 4-H Club members will be host at a county-wide kite flying contest March 18 at Glory Ridge near Walnut. Activities will begin at 10:30 a.m.

There will be two divisions of kites, one division will be for homemade kites and the other will be for store-bought kites. Junior and senior winners will be selected in each division. Prizes, courtesy United 5&10 store will be presented.

Officials stated that there would be "supplies aplenty" on hand for participants. For more information call 649-3302 or 649-3451.



WARREN WISE