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## Ramsey To Chair Rules Committee

House Rules Committee chairman Rep. Liston B. Ramsey of Marshall is expected to play a key role in disposing of some 100 bills held over from the 1977 General Assembly.

The continuation of the 1977 session is expected to wind up in two to six weeks. House Speaker Carl J. Stewart Jr. appointed Ramsey to the rules chairmanship when Rep. W.S. "Sandy" Harris of Alamance County resigned from the General Assembly to accept a judgeship.

A majority of the 126 bills that were not acted upon in 1977 are now in the House, including 27 in the Appropriations Committee.

One of the 27 spending bills is a measure introduced by Rep. James McClure Clarke of Fairview and backed by the other three members of the Buncombe-Transylvania County delegation to establish a Western North Carolina Museum of History in Asheville.

The bill, as it was introduced, calls for a \$380,000 appropriation. With Gov. Jim Hunt's spending recommendations to the General Assembly using up all available revenues, such an expenditure is unlikely at this time.

However, backers of the move in Asheville say the proposal has been scaled down considerably. It was a priority with Hunt a year ago, but was knocked out in subcommittee negotiations between that project and one for the Smith-McDowell House on Victoria Road.

Another bill, sponsored by Rep. Gordon H. Greenwood of Black Mountain, would create

Development and requiring each of the 100 counties to develop a land use law.

Of the some 35 bills still in the House Finance Committee, one would increase the tax on cigarettes from two cents to five cents per pack and put the extra revenue in the state's general fund.

Still another would repeal the property tax on cash, bonds, stock and other forms

of intangible property — known as the North Carolina Intangibles Tax. It is generally considered a deterrent to getting new industry into the state, as well as wealthy retirees locating here.

Both the cigarette tax increase legislation and the repeal of the intangibles tax are sponsored by Rep. Fred R. Dorsey of Henderson County.

## Johnson Gets 4-10 In Hit And Run Death

Burlin Junior Johnson of Marshall, who was charged with felonious hit and run and vehicular manslaughter in the death of Freddie Cantrell of Marshall on Jan. 16, tendered a negotiated plea of guilty of involuntary manslaughter and received the following sentence in Superior Court here last week:

It is adjudged that the defendant be imprisoned for the term of not less than four nor more than 10 years in the North Carolina Board of Correction. Commitment to

issue this date (May 30, 1978), and as a part of the sentence, in consideration of the plea bargaining or plea arrangement, the defendant is ordered to pay into the office of the clerk of Superior Court the sum of \$2,000.00, \$1,000.00 of which is to be paid this date, and the balance not later than the 16th day of June, 1978, these funds to be dispensed to Della Lee Roberts, who is the administratrix of the estate of Fred Cantrell, and her address is Route 1, Box 145, Marshall, N.C.

It is further ordered that this defendant's operator's license be permanently revoked, and the court will recommend work release.

The defendant is entitled to five weeks and two days credit toward the sentence for time already served awaiting trial. It is recommended that the defendant be granted work release at a prison unit as near Marshall as possible.

This 30th day of May, 1978. The judgment was signed by Robert W. Kirby, presiding judge.



SUE FITZGERALD, director of the Center for Christian Education Ministries at Mars Hill College, shown the Citation for Excellence in Christian Ministry recently presented to her by Southeastern Baptist

Seminary in Wake Forest to several of her Mars Hill friends. Shown with Ms. Fitzgerald are (clockwise) Barbara Bennett, Mildred Bingham, Sadie Wallin, Mary Ihrig and Frances Snelson.

### At Annual Byard Day Festival

## Old Time Frolics Come Alive

On June 17 in the Thomas Wolfe Auditorium of the Asheville Civic Center, beginning at 6 p.m. many Madison County residents will again congregate on stage for this year's Byard Day Festival. The main goal of the festival is to present to the audience music, song and dance that as authentically as possible represents that heard by our forebearers in the Southern Appalachians. The second goal is for audience and performers alike to have an enjoyable evening — one resembling the old time frolics

of the past. Participants from Madison County who have been invited to sing ballads are Inez Chandler, Della Norton, Evelyn Ramsey, Sheila Rice,

Berzilla Wallin, Cas Wallin, and Connie Cramer's group, "The Patchwork Quilt". Old Time String Bands from here will be Byard Ray's "Appalachian Folk", Tommy

Hunter's "Hornpipers", Mark Anderson's "French Broad Jumpers" and Gordon Freeman's "Pink Mountain Boys". Quentin Ramsey will be the Mater of Ceremonies, assisted by B. Lamar Lunsford Jr.

As last year, the English Country Dancers, Pisgah View Smooth Dancers and the Carolina Cloggers will perform. A children's dance group, "The Haw Creek Wee Smoothies" will also dance. Other area favorites who are expected are "Red" Parham, Jimmy Haynie and the string bands of Quay and Luke Smathers. Again various band members will demonstrate some fine twin fiddling, Jerry Smith will play the hammered dulcimer and Betty Smith, the psaltery.

Last year much of the audience was from Madison County, and that is as it should be because the county still maintains such a fine heritage of traditional music. So, let's all come to have a fine evening of entertainment and to support the local performers.

## Wagon Train To Roll July 1 On Annual Trip

The original Madison County wagon train committee extends a hearty invitation to everyone to ride and camp with us on our annual July 4 trip.

On June 30, we will set up camp at Joe Young's property within the Burnsville city limits. On July 1, the wagon train will begin pulling on N.C. 19-23 cross Windy Gap and camp out that night at Ebbs Chapel School. July 2 the wagons will cross Bear Branch, Flat Branch, and Long Branch to camp at the Claude Cody property. On July 3 the train will cross

Walnut Mountain and down Grapevine to set up camp on the Lewis Boone property. July 4 the wagons will roll down Grapevine to N.C. 213 and complete the journey at Mars Hill.

"Everyone is welcome and we're sure you'll enjoy the old-fashioned way of life," Wayne Boone, chairman, stated.

For further information contact Earnest Boone (Marshall, 649-3827); Wayne Boone (Marshall, 649-3749); Herman Hughes (Burnsville, 682-6264); or Arthur Thomason (689-2919).

### Draft Horse

### Pulling Contest

### Draws Crowd

An added attraction to the Marshall Horse Show, sponsored by the Marshall Lions Club held last Saturday on the Island here, was the draft horse pulling contest which was held between the afternoon and night shows of the regular horse show.

Arlon Duckett's team of Waynesville won top honors when the 3,200 pound team pulled 6,255 pounds.

Other entire winning cash prizes were:

Henry Treadway of Marshall, team weight, 1,720, pulled 3,040 pounds; "Dube" Deaver of Marshall, team weight, 3,000 pounds, pulled 4,485 pounds; Sway Taylor of Alexander, team weight, 1,000 pounds, pulled 1,985 pounds; Jay Johnson of Arden, 660 pounds (single), pulled 2,050 pounds.

### Horse Show

### Winners List

### Not Available

With only a partial record available of the winners in the Marshall Horse Show held Saturday on the Island, there are no results published since the complete list could not be printed. Many of the cards used in scoring were not filled out sufficiently. We regret this omission.

—The Editor



HORSE SHOW officials are shown above prior to the annual Marshall Charity Horse Show held on the Island last Saturday. The event is sponsored by the Marshall Lions Club. Left to right, Lloyd Thompson, of Asheville, master of ceremonies; Honorable

Ronnie Kirby, of Simpsonville, S.C., western judge; Maurice McAlister, of Marshall, ringmaster; and Honorable Dean Smith Jr., of White Pine, Tenn., English Judge. (Photo by Jim Story)

## 500 Attend GOP Kick-Off

More than 500 persons attended the 11th Congressional District Republican party's campaign kick-off dinner held in the National Guard Armory in Asheville last Saturday.

U.S. Sen. Robert Dole of Kansas was the featured speaker. Dole spoke in favor of less taxes, less regulations and a balanced budget in a competitive free enterprise system. He was introduced by R. Curtis Ratcliff, GOP candidate for Congress from the 11th District.

Mrs. Faye Ball, Republican candidate for tax collector of Madison County, led the pledge of allegiance. Her husband, Phillip Ball, was in charge of the food service.

Thirty Madisonians were present, among whom in addition to Mrs. Ball were the candidates or office holders:

Perry G. Willis, candidate for county commissioner; Mrs. Frances Crafton Ramsey, candidate for board of education (District II); C.N. Willis, candidate for clerk, Superior Court; William P. Powell, mayor of Mars Hill; district attorney, Clyde M. Roberts; Edward B. Krause, candidate for state Senate.

The dinner was for the benefit of Republican office seekers in the 11th District. Contributions for the "Ratcliff for Congress committee were solicited for the full campaign.

Dr. Larry N. Stern, chairman of the Madison County GOP Executive Committee, was recognized.



SEMINARY EXTENSION DIPLOMAS were presented by Mrs. David B. Roberts, wife of the late Rev. David B. Roberts, to the Rev. Lester Murphey, Van

Jamerson and the Rev. Worth Emory recently at a Recognition Service at California Creek Baptist Church.

## Murphey, Jamerson, Emory Receive Seminary Diplomas

Having completed the necessary courses of study, the Rev. Worth Emory, Van Jamerson and the Rev. Lester Murphey received seminary extension diplomas in a recognition service May 12 at California Creek Baptist Church. Presenting the diplomas were Mrs. David B. Roberts, wife of the late Rev. David B. Roberts, who was superintendent of missions in French Broad Baptist Association for 20 years. In was under his direction 11 years ago the seminary extension program was begun in the association.

During the 11 years the French Broad Association has sponsored 73 courses of study. They have been held in 22

different churches. The enrollment for the 73 classes has been over 950, and nearly 85 percent have completed the class in which they enrolled. The Rev. E.J. Jenkins is director of missions for the association.

The Rev. Worth Emory, pastor of Ivy Hill Baptist Church, and the Rev. Lester Murphey, pastor of Middle Fork Baptist Church, received the diploma in pastoral ministries. Van Jamerson, deacon and Sunday school teacher at Upper Laurel Baptist Church, received the diploma in educational ministries. To receive a diploma requires the completion of 16 courses: four Biblical, four practical, four

historical-theological and four selected from any area. This represents 288 class hours.

### Ivy Youth Elect Officer Slate

The youth group of Greater Ivy community is planning to have a very successful summer this year. They have newly elected officers to represent the community. The officers are as follows: president, Kathy Pack; vice president, Joyce Metcalf; co-secretaries, Dewayne Buckner and Mike Hensley; reporter, Pam Anderson; and treasurer, Mark Anderson.