

Walnut Notes

By EMMA LOU WAMBLES

Sincerest condolences to the family of Belle Cody. Condolences also to Gene and Jean Breedlove whose twin granddaughter was the victim of crib death.

A reminder to support the Walnut-Brush Creek Community Development Club by purchasing a turkey dinner Sunday Nov. 20th at Walnut School lunch room.

Emma Kate McDevitt and Cheryl Ezell performed well as volunteer librarians at Walnut Elementary this week.

The purpose of covering elementary sports events in this column is not only to inform the readers of the activities, but encourage and reward the little players, who are 'tomorrow's' athletes, for learning and achieving. In addition to the need for recognition, they have another need which should not be overlooked. That is the need to learn good sportsmanship. Failure of a coach to cultivate and employ sportsmanlike tactics deprives their players and is appalling to the spectators. Ad-

vocating questionable tactics can be injurious to both the opposing players and their own players and invites public exposure.

Let's all do what we can to promote a good sportsmanship attitude in those in our trust, in the hopes that their future athletic abilities and conduct will mirror good, thorough early training we've provided.

Two exciting games between Marshall's and Walnut's 7th and 8th graders were played at Walnut Monday night. When time ran out in the girls' game, the score was tied with two foul shots due Marshall. Those foul shots won the game for Marshall. The final score was Marshall 25 — Walnut 23. Charlene Bailey led Marshall with 13 points. Walnut's high scorer was Monica Cameron with 12 points. The boys also played a close game with Walnut the victor by 1 point. 35 to 34 was the final score. Shawn Toler led Walnut with 10 points. Stacy West was high scorer for Marshall with 10 points

also.

The results of the four games played at Walnut Friday night between Hot Springs' and Walnut's 3rd through 6th graders are as follows: Hot Springs' winning score in the 3rd and 4th grade girls game was 10-6. Jimmy Moore was high scorer for Hot Springs with 4 points. Stacey Thomas led Walnut with 4 points also. The 3rd and 4th grade boys' game went into overtime resulting in a victory for Walnut. The final score was Walnut 10 — Hot Springs 8. Eli Jones was Walnut's high scorer with 4 points. Patrick Roberts scored 8 points for Hot Springs. Angie Rice led Walnut's 5th and 6th grade girls to a 28 to 12 victory with 22 points to her credit. Gail Wallin and Malissa Ferguson shared high scores position for Hot Springs with 4 points each. Hot Springs 39, Walnut 31 was the final score of the 5th and 6th grade boys' game. Kelly Harrison led Hot Springs with 22 points. Walnut's high scorer was Jonathan Bullman with 14 points.

Wild

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the town's ministers to get their ideas. Wild said, "I'd like to see a ministerial alliance here in Marshall. I've seen the sort of incredible work and tremendous success such an organization can have when people work together."

The mayor-elect said she welcomes suggestions as she prepares to take office. "I think the most important part of my job is listening. Everyone should have a right to have their problems listened to. People aren't asking for anything that's impossible. You don't need to spend a million dollars to improve things."

Wild said she would proceed with planned improvements to Town Hall recommended by the TVA's Town Lift program. Regarding the proposed improvements, Wild said, "Anything we can do to make Marshall a better place will be looked into." She added that Ruth Gregory is working to have some of the recommended landscaping improvements made.

People have been asking, "Who is Betty Wild?" since news of her victory in the municipal election spread across the county. Wild, the first woman mayor in Marshall history, is a Michigan native. Her husband, a native of the Big Pine section, moved to River Rouge in 1950. The couple have three daughters, Barbara, Margaret and Diana.

The Wilds returned to Madison County in 1980. Although mayor of Marshall will be her first public office, she said she was active in Democratic Party politics for 25 years in Michigan and once ran an unsuccessful campaign for the River Rouge school board.

Asked what she thought turned the election in her favor, Marshall's mayor-elect said, "Prayers, good people and hard work." Wild waged a door-to-door campaign to unseat Lawrence Ponder from the seat he had held for the past six years. Of her campaign, Wild said, "No promises were made and I think that was the biggest factor. We'll start out better."

At the conclusion of her interview, the mayor-elect was presented with a copy of the state Open Meetings Law.

Tobacco

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tobacco acreage in their districts — voted against Conable.

Rose, chairman of the House subcommittee on tobacco and peanuts, and other tobacco strategists warned that upsetting the dairy legislation would have doomed chances for passing tobacco legislation to which the dairy package is tied.

"A vote for Conable was a vote against tobacco," Rose said in an interview.

He said he was sorry the three North Carolina congressmen voted for Conable, and he said Martin's Democratic opponent in the 1984 governor's race could use it as ammunition against the Republican.

"I would be surprised if the Democratic nominee was not fully cognizant of this," Rose said.

Martin told reporters that Rose's comment was "absurd" and that he supported the tobacco legislation. He said he voted for the Conable amendment because it would have benefited North Carolina dairy farmers.

The House defeated the Conable amendment by a vote of 250-174. It would have cut dairy support prices by as much as \$1.50 per 100 pounds.

The House later voted 325-91 to approve the dairy legislation and go directly to conference with the Senate, which has already approved a dairy-tobacco bill. Martin voted for the dairy legislation on the final vote, and the only North Carolinian to vote against the final passage was Broyhill.

The dairy bill would pay farmers to cut milk production, reduce dairy support prices by 50 cents and collect money to promote dairy products.

The vote in the House on dairy now allows a House-Senate committee to iron out differences between House and Senate on the dairy and tobacco proposals.

Rose called the differences minor and predicted no real problems in winning final passage. Both Rose and Whitley predicted there would be no presidential veto because of the political damage that could do President Reagan and Sen. Jesse A. Helms, R-N.C., if they seek reelection next year.

Helms, who is chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, led the effort to pass the Senate version of the legislation that is almost identical to the House dairy measure and the administration now has decided to oppose.

Rose told reporters because of scheduling difficulties the conference committee would not meet until Monday, postponing final House and Senate voting on the conference report until late next week at the earliest.

Congress is scheduled to adjourn next Friday. Saying he needed "insurance" against a delay in the conference committee or a veto aimed at

dairy, Rose convened his subcommittee late Wednesday afternoon to approve backstop tobacco legislation.

The full tobacco legislation as approved by the Senate makes a number of changes designed to cut the costs of the grower-financed program, answer congressional critics of the program and repair problems caused unexpectedly by 1982 tobacco legislation.

The chief features are continuation of a freeze on tobacco price supports adopted for the 1983 crop to the 1984 and possibly the 1985 crops.

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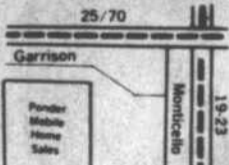
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