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CalendarMarshall American Legion  
Plans Memorial Day  
Parade Saturday

American Legion Post No. 317 and the Ladies Auxiliary in Marshall will sponsor a Memorial Day parade on Saturday, May 25, beginning at noon. The parade will be held on Main Street in Marshall.

A full day of activities, including a gospel singing, crafts fair and flea market is planned. A 1 p.m. memorial service for veterans killed in action will be held at 1 p.m. following the parade.

The Ladies Auxiliary will hold a meeting on May 23 at 7 p.m. to discuss final preparations for the parade. All Vietnam War veterans are asked to contact Bea Banks or Faye Reid at 649-2436.

## Walnut Creek CD Club To Meet

The Walnut Creek Community Development Club will meet May 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Enon Baptist Church. All Walnut Creek residents are invited to attend.

Mars Hill VFD Auxiliary  
Plans Meetings

The Mars Hill Volunteer Fire Dept. is organizing a ladies' auxiliary. All interested persons are invited to attend an organizational meeting on May 23 at 7 p.m. in the fire station on Main Street in Mars Hill.

## Democrats Plan June 1 Picnic

The Madison County Democratic Party is sponsoring a picnic at Rocky Bluff on June 1 at 5 p.m. All interested persons are invited to attend.

The News Record Office Closed  
For Memorial Day

In observance of Memorial Day, The News Record office will be closed on Monday, May 27. The office will reopen May 28 at 8:30 a.m.

Deadline for all advertisements, classifieds, Community Calendar announcements and stories for the May 29 issue is Friday, May 24 at 5 p.m.

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Mars Hill College  
Awards 281 Degrees

Mars Hill College conferred degrees on 281 graduates Sunday during commencement exercises held in Moore Auditorium as the Baptist-related school brought its 129th academic year to a close. Fifty-one Madison County residents were among the graduates receiving their diplomas.

The diplomas were presented during afternoon ceremonies held at the college. Former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations Jeane J. Kirkpatrick addresses the graduates and their families during a baccalaureate service held on Sunday morning.

During the afternoon commencement exercises, the graduates heard a brief message delivered by Dr. J. Wesley Grayson of Laguna Hills, California. Grayson, known as Mars Hill's greatest living benefactor for his contributions totalling nearly \$3 million, spoke on how he counted the ways he loved the school.

Paraphrasing Elizabeth Barrett Browning's famous poem, "How Do I Love Thee", Grayson said he would love Mars Hill for the knowledge gained, skills acquired, people met and friends made, for four years of memories and for the prevalence of Christian ideals and standards.

Grayson closed his address by challenging the graduates to hold on tight to their ideals and let those ideals guide their future.

Mars Hill College president Dr. Fred Bentley presented the diplomas following a brief address. Bentley told the graduates that he'd recently read the minutes of an executive committee meeting dating back to the 1920's.

The committee dealt with disciplinary actions to be taken against Mars Hill students for various offenses against the school's code of conduct. The offenses included going off to Asheville, slipping up-

town to the Mars Hill Cafe and members of the opposite sexes speaking together without permission.

The committee's conclusions were to put up chains, closing off the campus from the outside world. The school president admitted that he had considered putting up chains, although for entirely different reasons. Bentley told the graduates, "I have become quite attached to you young people and would love to devise a way to keep you a little longer."

Rather than resorting to chains, however, Bentley said Mars Hill would put up a welcome sign, requesting that the graduates return to

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## Madison County Under Consideration

## Nuclear Dump Site Plans Detailed

By ROBERT KOENIG

Plans for the selection of a second national repository for nuclear waste were presented at a public meeting Friday morning in Asheville convened by Eleventh District Congressman Bill Hendon.

Officials of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) explained the detailed selection process for the nuclear waste dump site, and several community leaders and environmental experts spoke out against the plan. Some 75 WNC residents, including more than a dozen Madison Countyans attended the meeting held on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Asheville.

Dr. Maurice F. Bender of the DOE outlined the many steps of the selection process which was begun with the passage of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982. Bender is the Southeast Regional Manager of the DOE's Crystalline Repository Project Office.

Bender explained that the act, passed in Congress in the final days of 1982, calls for DOE to identify two locations for permanent nuclear waste deposit sites. A search process for the first such site is being completed. Bender and his department are also currently studying sites for the nation's second nuclear waste dump, to be placed in service when the first such site nears full capacity.

Construction of the second nuclear waste dump is not required by the 1982 law, Bender said, but DOE is required to identify potential sites for the president's consideration.

Bender said that 236 sites in 17 states are now being considered for the waste dump. Western North Carolina, including Madison County, is included among the areas currently being considered. An initial draft of the site recommendations will be prepared in November of this year.

The initial draft recommendation will narrow the field of potential

waste sites to "about 15", Bender said. At that point, DOE would begin detailed field study of the remaining sites. DOE would then present a list of five sites in 1991. Bender told the audience that the president would then decide on a final location sometime later, perhaps in 1996.

Western North Carolina is being considered for the huge waste depository because of the area's mountains, Bender said. The 1982 act calls for DOE to consider land-based storage of nuclear waste in crystalline rock formations. Solid rock foundations are considered stable enough to safely house the toxic nuclear wastes.

The proposed waste dump would cost approximately \$2.3 billion to construct and would occupy as much as 20,000 acres. Construction would employ as many as 5,000 workers, while the dump site's operating staff would number as many as 1,500 workers. Nuclear waste arriving at

the site would be stored below ground in a 2,000 acres facility. Bender said the proposed facility would have a capacity of 50,000 metric tons and would operate for 30-40 years. An additional 18,000 acres surrounding the site would be restricted for safety purposes. Bender added that state and federal lands, such as Pisgah National Forest, are not restricted from consideration in the site selection process.

Addressing the meeting prior to Bender's address, Rep. Hendon reiterated his opposition to locating the site in Western North Carolina. The speakers who followed the DOE chief's address also voiced opposition to the plan.

Western North Carolina professors Daniel Yerkovich and Joe Beck both opposed the DOE project. Yerkovich said DOE has not obtained sufficient geologic and seismic information on WNC mountains to make an in-

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## Kirkpatrick Tells Mars Hill Graduates: "Always Do Good"

By ROBERT KOENIG

Alternately quoting from Mark Twain, Eric Hoffer and Harry Truman, former UN ambassador Jeane J. Kirkpatrick addressed Mars Hill graduates Sunday morning during the school's baccalaureate service.

Kirkpatrick came to attend the Mars Hill College exercises because her niece, Whitney Jordan, was among the 281 seniors who were awarded degrees during Sunday's ceremonies in Moore Auditorium.

Kirkpatrick told the graduates and their families, "Always do right. It will gratify some of the people, and will astonish the rest." The former ambassador to the UN also used the quote from Twain as she concluded

her remarks. Reflecting on her past years in the United Nations, Kirkpatrick reminded the graduates, "Sometimes it seems to me that the world is balanced on a razor's edge. On the one side is democracy, prosperity and peace; while on the other side is tyranny, violence and stagnation." She cited terrorism, starvation in Africa and balancing the federal budget as challenges the U.S. must address in the years ahead.

Kirkpatrick said that democracy provides prosperity by allowing people to make decisions. She cited the growth rates in North and South Korea and East and West Germany as examples. In North Korea,

Kirkpatrick said, growth over the past five years has been less than two percent. In South Korea in the same period, growth has stood at seven and one-half percent.

"There is no difference in the culture," the former ambassador said. "There is no difference in the people—they are all Koreans. There is no difference in the location. Only the system is different. Some systems rest on freedom."

Kirkpatrick said the U.S. has a great deal at stake in Central and South America. She said progress has been made in the region, pointing to democracies now operating in Brazil, Peru, Ecuador and Belize. "In these Americas, there has been a veritable

explosion of freedom. Only a decade ago, more than half the nations of Latin America were governed by dictators. Today, 95 percent of the people of Latin America live under governments chosen in free elections."

Appointed as the U.S. ambassador to the UN by President Reagan in 1981, Kirkpatrick resigned her post earlier this year. The former ambassador switched her party registration recently to the Republican Party, sparking speculation that she would enter politics. Kirkpatrick has denied the rumors and says she plans to return to teaching at Georgetown University in the fall.



FORMER UN AMBASSADOR JEANE KIRKPATRICK addressed Mars Hill College graduates during commencement exercises held Sunday.

Marshall Students Take  
State History Day Honors

Nine students from Marshall Elementary School who won honors at District Competition at Western Carolina University recently participated in the State History Day Contest at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. For the third year in a row, Marshall won the team trophy which is now retired and will be placed permanently at Marshall school.

Marshall Elementary also had the most winners at the state competition at Charlotte with the following students competing: Kim Mace, Kirby Boone, Mike Weaver and Michelle Tipton with a group performance reenacting the Shelton Laurel Massacre of the Civil War era in Madison County entitled "Bloodshed in the Laurels" which won first place in the district and first place in the state. These students will compete with 40 other state winners at the National contest to be held at the University of Maryland from June 11 thru 15. Awarding first place honors at the National contest were Rosanna Thomas, a Marshall student, and

"The Southern Appalachian Woman: An Endangered Species" depicts the slowly dying tradition of the true Southern Appalachian woman in an age of ever-changing technology and modernization. Rosanna will also compete in the National contest at the University of Maryland.

Other entries from Marshall at the state contest which won at the District level were Paula Crowe with her project on stressful events in history, Melanie Rice with her performance of the triumphs and tragedies of the Appalachian Woman featuring four generations of family traditions and Chris Stinson, Mike Davis and Shone Plemmons with a group project on Triumphs and Tragedies of the Space Program. All of the students placed third in the state competition.

This will be the fifth year in a row in which Marshall school has made it through district and state competition and entered in the National contest. The students were advised by teachers that they were advised



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