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BEE SPECIALIST HERE THIS WEEK

Meeting and Demonstration at
Nebo Thursday — Pasture
Work and Club Meeting.

C. L. Sams, Extension Specialist in Bee Work, will be in McDowell county on Thursday, May 9th. A meeting and demonstration will be held at L. G. Hollifield's near Nebo at 11 a. m.

Mr. Sams will be at the apiary of J. M. Mull of Morganton at his farm on Highway No. 105 near the Bridge water canal bridge, for a meeting and demonstration on the same day at 9:00 a. m.

At 2:30 p. m. the same day, a meeting and demonstration will be held at Henry Franklin's, Linville Falls. These are joint meetings of the county agents of Burke and McDowell counties. All beekeepers are urged to attend one of the meetings.

Pasture Work

J. R. Sams, Extension Specialist in Pasture Work, State College, was in the county on Thursday and Friday of the past week. R. H. Cowan of Dysartsville, who started some pasture work four years ago, is well pleased with the results and is making preparations to put seven more acres in pasture grass. W. M. Conley also of Dysartsville is well pleased with some grass and clover which he started at the same time. John Ray Jameson of Marion R-3, is planning on putting in about 12 acres of pasture, beginning this fall. Mr. Sams found orchard grass three feet high on the farm of J. E. Jameson, stating that he had never seen such fine grass at this time of the year. Many other farmers throughout the county are making preparations to get some more and better pastures made for their cattle.

CLUB MEETING

The Boys and Girls 4-H Club of Glenwood will meet at the school house Friday afternoon, May 3rd, at 2:30. The first part of the meeting will be given over to instructions, while contests, stunts, and games will be on the program for the last part of the meeting. All members requested to be present. Visitors welcomed.

COLONIAL ART EXHIBIT AT HIGH SCHOOL MAY 6

Everybody is a lover of the beautiful in some form. Most everyone loves beautiful pictures—the masterpieces of the old and the modern artists. A splendid opportunity to see fine reproductions, in colors, of some of the greatest paintings in the world will be afforded the people of this community in the Colonial Art exhibit which will be on display at the Marion High School building for five days beginning Monday, May 6. The originals of the paintings to be shown are in the most famous art galleries of the world.

This marvelous collection of pictures has been loaned to the Marion Schools for the purpose of raising a fund with which to purchase pictures for the various rooms. There will be a small admission charge. Those in charge will take orders for copies of any of the pictures in the exhibit.

The students and teachers are very anxious to make the exhibit a success in every respect. The room of the school that takes in the most money through the sale of tickets and pictures will get a ten dollar picture free for their room. The individual student selling the most tickets to the exhibit will get a cash prize.

Everybody in the community is asked to co-operate with the young people in their effort to make this wonderful exhibit a big success. Each person can best co-operate by doing one or more of the following things: (1) Help advertise the exhibit by telling others about it; (2) see the exhibit; (3) buy a picture for your home.

The churches, the Women's Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Chamber of Commerce and other organizations of the community are being asked to co-operate.

Remember the dates: May 6-10, inclusive. The exhibit will be open to the public from 3 to 5:30 each afternoon.

Ed. Turner was arrested by county officers a few days ago on a charge of bootlegging, and was placed under bond or his appearance at court.

EUGENE CROSS SCHOOL HAS SUCCESSFUL CLOSING

The final program of the closing exercises of the Eugene Cross School was given to a large audience on Monday evening of this week when the seventh grade graduates held their Class Day exercises followed by several interesting numbers composed of songs, dramatizations, etc., by the Primary Department.

For the seventh grade exercises, the program was as follows: Salutatory, Valeria Long. Commencement Time, Pauline Hall Sundry Explanations, Norma Rayburn.

Parting Charge to 6th Grade, Premier Atkins.

A Parting Tribute, Nelle Curtis. Poem to the 7th Grade, Blanche Oliver.

An Appreciation, Ruby Elliott. Our Bonnie Graduates, Ray Miller Valectory, Odella Payne.

Our Parting Pledge, 7th Grade. Presentation of Diplomas, Mrs. Williams.

Acceptance of Class Diplomas, Valeria Long.

Farewell to the School, 7th Grade. Duet, Nelle Curtis, Mrs. Davis.

The Primary children were interesting in their parts. The dramatization of the third grade was a costume affair and was very pretty. The program from the Primary Department was as follows:

Dramatization — Billy Bobtail, 1st Grade.

Song, Come where the Blue Bells Ring.

Dramatization, 3rd Grade.

Song, Blossom Time.

Duet, Norma Rayburn, Ruby Elliott.

Primary Operetta, Midsummer Eve.

The Monday evening exercises brought to a close the most successful year the school has had. In her talk to the patrons and friends, Mrs. Williams, the principal, expressed the appreciation of the school to the people of the community for their fine co-operation and help. The teachers at the school for the past year were Mrs. Garland Williams, Principal; Misses Hattie Taylor, Alice Roan Cross, Jimmie Florence and Pearl Bomar. Mrs. Roy Davis has been of great help to the school as music teacher.

R. V. M'GIMSEY GIVEN A SURPRISE PARTY

Mr. R. V. McGimsey, Superintendent of Public Welfare of McDowell County, who lives at Nebo, was caused to wonder what was going to happen on the evening of the 23rd when a large number of his neighbors and friends began to arrive at his home. Mr. McGimsey, having many things to think about, had forgotten that the 23rd of April marks a milestone in his life. His friends continued to pour in and when his good wife invited Mr. McGimsey and his friends into the dining room, they were confronted with a table well laden with good things to eat, in the midst of which was a cake carrying forty-six candles. It then dawned upon Mr. McGimsey that it was his birthday and the affair was given as a surprise. It was an evening of much pleasure to all present. Several hours were passed in telling jokes, and having a general good time.

At a late hour, his guests bade Mr. McGimsey good night with wishes for many more happy birthdays. Those present were Mr. H. E. Stimson, Fred Abernethy, E. L. Tate, J. E. Sigmon, N. L. Wessinger, A. B. Moore and R. O. Wilson.

TOWN ELECTION MONDAY

The regular election for the town of Marion will take place next Monday, May 6th. Mr. H. H. Tate, who has been mayor for a number of years, has announced his candidacy for re-election. The members of the Board of Aldermen have also announced their candidacy for re-election. The present board is composed of M. S. Laughridge, L. A. Neal, J. Clay Conley, J. F. Wilkinson and H. D. Bishop.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

Slight changes in schedules of passenger trains on the Southern passing through Marion became effective Sunday, April 28. The arrival of No. 22 was changed from 12:15 to 12:10 p. m.; No. 16 from 6:08 to 6:33 p. m., and No. 21 from 6:08 to 6:12 p. m. No. 35 on the Marion-Rock Hill Division was changed from 4:20 to 4:10 p. m.

ALLEGED ROBBERS LODGED IN JAIL

Neat Piece of Detective Work
Is Done to Catch Men After
Spruce Pine Robbery.

Spruce Pine, April 27.—The story of Spruce Pine's latest robbery was revealed yesterday when Joe Lewis and Gordon Hollifield, of Marion, were lodged in the Bakersville jail, following one of the neatest pieces of detective work witnessed recently in this section. Upon arriving at Spruce Pine Store No. 2 last Thursday morning, Crawford Wilson, manager, found that robbers had been there during the night and escaped with several hundred dollars worth of merchandise, mostly ready-to-wear goods. Entrance had been made through the floor.

Two hours after the robbery was discovered, Sheriff Adkins, of McDowell county, called the Spruce Pine Store Company, and told them that he had found a cap with the Spruce Pine Store company's name on it. He immediately put his deputies to work and soon located a lot of the stolen loot in the woods near where the cap was found. Immediately after the call from Sheriff Adkins, Sheriff Reid Berry, of Mitchell county, and S. B. Cannon, manager of Spruce Pine Store Company; Ave Burleson, chief of police of Spruce Pine; Crawford Wilson, with the Spruce Pine Store Company, and L. H. Wright, deputy, left for Marion. Upon their arrival Sheriff Adkins and Sheriff Berry called in their other deputies and went to work on the case.

Arrest of Lewis and Hollifield followed and they were taken to jail at Bakersville. Officers believe they have a strong case against the two men, who, they think, are leaders of a gang of thieves. They have warrants and evidence against other parties. Stolen goods worth \$300 were found scattered between Old Fort to near Morganton in Burke county. (Carl Lewis, who is also charged with having taken part in the robbery was arrested here Monday by Sheriff Adkins and deputies and placed in jail.)

NEW BRIDGE TO SPAN RIVER AT SPRUCE PINE

Spruce Pine, April 26. — A new walkway bridge nearly 400 feet long is soon to span Toe river and the C. C. and O. railroad tracks just above the present swinging bridge in Spruce Pine. It will be six feet wide and the cost will be \$7,000.

Work has already begun on the concrete piers. M. L. Angel of Penland has the contract to build them. The steel spans will be furnished and erected by the Asheville Supply and Foundry company and will measure 200 feet in length. The bridge is expected to be completed in a very short time.

This bridge will fill a long felt need, replacing the unsafe and very unsatisfactory wooden bridge now being used.

FOREST CITY LOSES GAME TO THE MARION OUTFIT

The Marion High School baseball team defeated the state championship Forest City team here Friday in a well played game. The score was 6 to 0. Arrowood held the Champs to four scattered hits, while his mates pounded the visiting hurler's in timely fashion. Murray, Marion catcher, hit a homer and a triple to account for 5 Marion runs. Blanton and McKeithan played well for Forest City. Grose, Forest City hurler, gave up but five hits but most of them were extra bases.

Batteries: (Marion), Arrowood and Murray; (Forest City), Grose and Beam, Whitlock.

CANTON LOSES TO MARION

The Marion High School baseball team defeated the Canton team here Tuesday 8 to 2. Murray, Rabb and Conley were the hitting stars for Marion while Hargrove looked best for Canton. Arrowood pitched excellent game, allowing only two hits.

If you want to enjoy a pleasing comedy-drama, synchronized with music and sound effects, see ALICE WHITE and JACK MULHALL in "NAUGHTY BABY" at Oasis Theatre next Monday or Tuesday.

DR. F. S. CLARK DIES IN HIS AUTOMOBILE

Death Comes Suddenly While
Driving From Oriental to
New Bern—Wife With Him.

New Bern, April 25.—Dr. Franklin S. Clark, 64, wealthy lumber dealer, of Palm Beach and Fayetteville, died suddenly this morning about 10 o'clock at the wheel of his Pierce Arrow sedan, as his wife sat on the back seat, while enroute to New Bern from Oriental where they had gone Monday for a few days rest. Death came quickly before Mrs. Clark could reach the wheel to prevent the ditching of the car.

The body was brought to a local funeral parlor where it was prepared for burial. It will be sent tomorrow to New York; former home of the deceased. Mrs. Clark left tonight to join her son there. The funeral will probably be held Sunday, with interment in Woodlawn cemetery, New York.

Mr. Clark was the founder and owner of the Georgia Pine and Turpentine company, operating plants throughout the south. One of them was located at Fayetteville, where he has spent much time during the past few years. His official residence was maintained at Palm Beach, Fla.

For some time he had been complaining of indigestion, Mrs. Clark stated today. In the car he mentioned several times a tightness in the chest. About a mile from Bridgeton he slumped under the wheel. The car was not damaged and Mrs. Clark was not injured by its slow entry into a ditch. Coroner J. R. Latham was summoned, but an inquest was not deemed necessary.

Besides the widow, the deceased is survived by a son, Franklin S. Clark, Jr., of New York, and two daughters, Miss Marie Clark, of Palm Beach, who has been visiting at Lexington, Va., and Miss Dorothy Clark, a student at Cathedral School, Orlando, Florida.

(Dr. Clark is well known in Marion, having married in this county. Mrs. Clark was formerly Miss Lillian Yancey and is a sister of Messrs. John and S. H. Yancey of Marion and Mrs. C. M. Corpening and Mrs. Hessie Lonon of Woodlawn.)

SCHOOL WILL GIVE ART PROGRAM MAY 6

On Monday, May 6th, at 8 o'clock an art program will be given at the school auditorium. The program will consist of tableaux or living pictures, representing the finest and best-loved paintings, readings, sketches of artists' lives and appropriate music. A number of students throughout the grades will take part.

The school is anxious that the children shall cultivate for art love and appreciation and for the great artists interest and admiration, and programs such as this one will help to do this.

No admission will be charged to this program, and it is hoped that a large number of school patrons and any others who are interested in art will attend.

On the evening of this program an opportunity will be given to individuals to donate to the school pictures that may be purchased through the Colonial Art company that will have an exhibit on at the school at the time.

DEATH OF CHILD

J. R. Mainer, two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Mainer, of East Marion, died Saturday morning of complications following whooping cough, and was buried at Hoover cemetery, near Garden City, Sunday afternoon.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. F. McMahan, assisted by Rev. J. N. Wise and Rev. A. A. Walker. The little flower girls were Novella Ayers, Ruth Elliott, Lillian Moore, Margie Toney, Irene Mask, and Lucy Mills. The pall-bearers were Cecil Mask, Conley Elliott, Verrel Wood and Charles Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Mainer have the sympathy of a host of friends and neighbors.

OFFICERS KEPT BUSY

Sheriff Adkins and deputies had a busy day last Saturday, reporting nine arrests during the day. The charges include drunkenness, disorderly conduct, reckless driving, etc.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DIRECTORS HOLD MEETING

At a special meeting of the board of directors of the Marion Chamber of Commerce last Friday night, E. A. Beaman, C. F. James and H. D. Bishop were re-elected members of the board, and plans were made for another membership drive which will begin the fourth year of the organization. The directors unanimously agreed that the Chamber of Commerce had been a big success, and it had accomplished much during its three years of operation in spite of a small budget which it had to work with. The closing year has been the biggest of the three with a total of \$3,232.50 paid in to date and \$350 of collectable dues which will pay all of the obligations of the organization when collected. The organization's finances have been conducted in a very economical way, officials pointed out.

Marion has been very fortunate in conducting such an efficient organization with such a low budget. Officials believe that it is very doubtful if any community in the country has accomplished more with its Chamber than Marion has if a dollar and result comparison could be made.

"The Marion Chamber of Commerce," it is announced, "began effective work a year after its organization when it had had time to get the people of Marion thoroughly acquainted with its purpose. The Marion Chamber of Commerce has sold itself to the civic minded citizens of Marion and McDowell county. Every man and woman in the county who has the county's welfare at heart is proud of the accomplishments made through this organized effort."

N. C. POULTRY SHIPMENTS TOTAL 5,000,000 POUNDS

Raleigh, April 27.—Co-operative poultry shipments in car lots so far this season have reached a total of approximately 5,000,000 pounds, as compared with 3,700,000 the same date last year, it was learned Saturday from the state department of agriculture, which co-operates with county agents and other agricultural workers in this undertaking. The marketing work for the department is done under the direction of F. W. Fisher.

Shipments this season, it was pointed out, have netted the producing farmers in the neighborhood of \$1,500,000, against \$1,000,000 last year, when prices were lower than they have been during the present season.

Mr. Fisher said that he hoped the total for the entire season would reach 10,000,000 pounds. While he could not make a forecast, he continued that if shipments did not reach that figure, they would undoubtedly total 8,000,000, which would be a seasonal total of approximately 1,000,000 pounds in excess of last season's shipments. He named 8,000,000 pounds as the minimum to be sold in carlots.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

On Saturday night, April 27th, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Greer of Pleasant Garden entertained a number of young people with a birthday party in honor of their daughter, Bertha.

The rooms were tastefully decorated in pink and white, with a profusion of potted plants and cut flowers. The honoree wore a beautiful dress of pink satin.

The guests were Misses Wilma Greer, Ana Burleson, Bonnie Pitman of Marion; Wilma Edwards, Thelma and Delores Quinn, Messrs. Ray Quinn, David Shuford, Vernon Ellis, Arthur Davis, Jack Gibbs and Reid Byrd of Pleasant Garden; Ben Childers, of Nebo; Winfield Wall and Miles Young of Greenlee.

A delicious salad course was served by Mrs. Greer, assisted by Miss Delores Quinn.

WILSON-JONES

East Marion, April 29.—A rather surprise wedding was that of Mr. Bertie Jones and Miss Odessa Wilson which took place last Saturday evening at East Marion parsonage, J. N. Wise officiating.

Mr. Jones is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harlie Jones of East Marion and holds a position with the Marion Manufacturing Co. Mrs. Jones is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Wilson of East Marion. Their many friends extend them many good wishes. For the present they will make their home in East Marion. We are glad to welcome them in our midst.

COUNTY SCHOOL HEADS END MEET

Discuss New Law and Adopt
Reports of 5 Major Committees
on Educational Work.

Raleigh, April 26.—Adopting reports of five major committees, which constituted a declaration of principles on various phases of the school problem, county superintendents and board chairmen wound up their five days of training in efficiency here this afternoon.

Members of the county boards of education formed a permanent organization before leaving the city, electing H. S. Averitt of Cumberland county as president and Charles H. Ireland, of Guilford, as secretary and treasurer.

Ninety-eight counties were represented at the meeting which was called for Monday morning by Supt. A. T. Allen of the State Department of Public Instruction, in compliance with a mandate of the General Assembly inserted in the 1929 school law.

Summing up the results of the five days of study, Superintendent Allen said all were agreed that strict economy must be practiced in the administration of the schools during the next several years. Much good will come of the contacts formed by the school officials and the resulting exchange of information and ideas, he predicted.

While the principles of economy were endorsed on every hand, the committee on comparative costs, headed by Supt. Clyde A. Erwin, of Rutherford, in its report, which was adopted along with the reports of other committees, went on record as opposing the sacrifice of efficiency and safety in the name of economy.

In the same way the committee on competitive buying, with Supt. B. S. Siske of Duplin as chairman, advocated buying on a competitive basis, but warned that low bids should not be accepted unless the article offered meets a recognized standard.

The committee on sound administration and economy of which Supt. J. T. Jerome of Wayne was chairman urged the necessity of well trained superintendents, supervisors and teachers to make the most of every dollar spent for school costs.

Dr. Allen expressed the opinion that one result of the conference would be the elimination of any prospect of friction between the school officials and the State equalization board which has supervisory power over county budgets. Members of the board attended several of the sessions of the "economy and efficiency school."

MR. BROWDER TAKES PLACE WITH HOGGSON BROTHERS

L. Earl Browder, who resigned as secretary of the Chamber of Commerce Friday night, has accepted a position with Hoggson Brothers, architectural and building construction engineers of New York and Chicago. This firm specializes in designing and constructing bank buildings, having designed and constructed more than one thousand bank buildings in the United States. Mr. Browder will hold the position of contract man in the states of Alabama and Georgia. His headquarters will be in Birmingham. Mr. Browder will report to the New York office May 15th. The connection was made thru Mr. F. J. C. Dresser, an official of the company who was in Marion last fall.

MITCHELL MAN FACES 8-YEAR OLD MURDER COUNT

Logan, W. Va., April 24. — Paul Glenn, of Little Switzerland, N. C., was brought to Logan Tuesday by officers to answer an eight year old murder charge.

Glenn, who was arrested in Elizabethton, Tenn., several days ago, was charged with slaying Silas Walden, a contractor, on December 22, 1920. Walden, officers said, was shot to death in his sleep on the night after he had discharged Glenn.

More than 800 communities in the United States have established public playgrounds under trained leadership.

Don't forget to go to Oasis Theatre on Monday night and get you a piece of free silverware.