

FDR-WALLACE TICKET CHOICE OF DEMOCRATS

Third Term Tradition Is Broken
By Delegates At Chicago
Convention.

By George A. Barclay
A tradition of 152 years standing was shattered when President Franklin Delano Roosevelt was nominated by the Democratic convention in Chicago. It was the first time in history that such an event has occurred.

From start to finish at the convention it was evident he would be nominated. Even when speakers proposed the names of other candidates, it was apparent that when the vote was finally taken, President Roosevelt would be drafted. A surprise to many convention attendants was the fact that when the nominations started, Alabama did not yield to New York, but gave its junior senator, Lister Hill, the honor of nominating the President.

Greatest speculation centered around the nomination of a vice-president. It became known on the final day that President Roosevelt's choice was Henry A. Wallace, secretary of agriculture. As in the case of the renomination of the President, the delegates knew for whom they were to vote before entering the hall. But it was only after a neck-and-neck race with Speaker William B. Bankhead and a noisy demonstration by a group of delegates and spectators who shouted objections when Paul V. McNutt, federal security administrator, asked withdrawal of his own name, that Mr. Wallace was nominated. His selection is expected to appeal to agriculture and to act as an offset to the same appeal of Senator Charles McNary, Republican vice-presidential nominee.

Acceptance Speech

In accepting the nomination for a third term, Mr. Roosevelt showed himself once more a tradition smasher.

In a radio address broadcast from the White House to the delegates he said that he accepted the nomination only after deep conflict between his personal desire to retire and the urgings of his conscience. But now, he said, the European war had created a public danger in the United States. "In the face of that danger," he told the delegates, "all those who can be of service to the republic have no other choice but to offer themselves for service in those capacities for which they are best fitted."

It was an apparently united party that made the ballot unanimous for Roosevelt after the vote of the state delegations had given the President 946 13-23 of the 1,100 votes in the convention and the other candidates a combined total of 149 2-30. These candidates included Postmaster General Farley, Vice-President Garner, and Senator Millard Tydings. Secretary of State Hull, although not a candidate, had received 5-2-3 votes. One after another the names were withdrawn and finally Mr. Farley, spearhead of the opposition to the third term, moved the nomination of the President by acclamation.

Aside from the balloting and the reading of the planks in the platform, three things stood out in sharp relief in an otherwise unemotional and unexciting convention. One was the candidacy of James A. Farley and the speculation over his future role in the party. The other was the reading by Permanent Chairman Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky of a statement summarizing President Roosevelt's views on the nomination the night before the balloting in which he said he had no desire or purpose to continue in office and released all delegates pledged to him. The third was the dramatic appearance of 82-year-old Senator Carter Glass of Virginia from a sick bed to inveigh against breaking the third-term tradition as he nominated Mr. Farley.

With evidence mounting that Mr. Roosevelt would be drafted when it came time to ballot later in the week, there was little opportunity for suspense or excitement the opening day. The keynote speech of Temporary Chairman William B. Bankhead on

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1940 STANDARD BEARERS



Franklin D. Roosevelt



Henry A. Wallace

ROTARY DISTRICT GOVERNOR TO VISIT LOCAL CLUB FRIDAY

Joe E. Timberlake, who is engaged in the wholesale grocery business and is a member of the Rotary club of Columbia, S. C., will attend the meeting of the Rotary club of Marion on Friday, July 26, in his official capacity of Governor of this Rotary district.

He will meet with President Jenkins, Secretary Rabb, and the other officers and members of the Rotary club of Marion to consult with them and advise on matters relating to club administration and Rotary service activities.

Mr. Timberlake was elected to the office of district governor at the 1940 Rotary convention which was held in Havana, Cuba, during June, and will continue to serve until the 1941 convention in Denver.

The 5,000 Rotary clubs of more than 60 countries of the world are grouped into 149 districts. The 190th district, of which the Rotary club of Marion is a part, consists of 49 clubs located in cities of North Carolina and South Carolina, and has a membership of approximately 2,000 Rotarians.

rites for Captain Artz ARE CONDUCTED JULY 23

Funeral services for Captain Welford Parker Artz, 84, who died at his home in Old Fort Sunday evening, were held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at the Old Fort Presbyterian church. The Rev. W. E. Pettit officiated. Burial was in Johnson City, Tenn., at 2 o'clock. Masons were in charge of the services at the graveside.

Captain Artz, who had been a resident of Old Fort for 37 years, died after a brief illness. A native of Nova Scotia, he went to Old Fort as superintendent of the Union Tanning Company a subsidiary of the U. S. Leather Company. He held that position until he retired fifteen years ago.

Captain Artz was a master Mason; was a McDowell county road commissioner for eight years, and for several years was a member of the Old Fort board of aldermen. For 37 years he was a member of the Old Fort Presbyterian church and he was also a member of the board of deacons.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Carrie Hoss Artz, a native of Johnson City, Tenn.; two daughters, Mrs. William F. Eissing, of New York, and Miss Claire Artz, of Old Fort, and a son, John Artz, of Gatesville. Active pallbearers were C. W. Graybeal, J. Harvey Rockett, Claybourne Gray, Horace Early, Don Gosorn, C. L. Norwood, J. L. Lackey and Burroughs Miller.

Honorary pallbearers were P. H. Mashburn, W. W. LeFevre, Millard Hensley, Charles McGee, Avery Fleming, E. W. S. Cobb, Clyde Miller, Fred Bradley, Charles Faucette, I. L. Caplan, William Treverton, C. F. Noblitt, A. C. Tate, J. M. Kanipe, Henry Westerman, Will Westerman, S. A. McDuffie, S. F. Mauney, Geo. Gildersleeve, Johnson City, Tenn., Ben LeFevre, Middlesboro, Ky., W. H. Gildersleeve, Columbus, Ind., R. J. Noyes, J. F. Snipes, J. W. Winborne, W. W. Neal, J. L. Nichols, J. L. Martin, all of Marion; George E. Moore, of Old Fort, and E. P. Morris, of Montford Cove.

PLANS PROCEED FOR "OLD TIMERS" REUNION IN MARION AUG. 16TH

Preparations for the entertainment of from 300 to 400 visitors at the sixth annual meeting of the "Old Timers" Memorial Reunion in Marion on August 16 are now under way, announced George W. Sandlin, chairman of the committee on arrangements and entertainment, this week. Assisting Mr. Sandlin is W. K. M. Gilkey, of Marion.

A group of ladies met at the home of Mr. Sandlin last Thursday night and arranged for providing lunches for visitors at the Reunion. The work of the ladies in preparing for the meeting is being directed by Mrs. G. W. Sandlin, assisted by Mrs. J. Q. Gilkey. Mrs. L. B. Coone of Marion heads the luncheon committee with Mesdames W. K. M. Gilkey, J. C. Rabb, J. E. Rayburn, of Marion, W. E. Teague, W. W. LeFevre, K. G. Rhinehardt, D. S. Gosorn, of Old Fort, Fred LeFevre, Russell Green, R. S. Simpson, Miss Lorene Butler and Miss Irene Parker, of Glen Alpine. At the meeting Mrs. Sandlin was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Millaway, in serving tea.

Taking part in the Reunion celebration will be officers and employees who have worked on the Asheville Division of the Southern Railway for 30 years or more, employees of other divisions of the railroad, employees who worked in the Asheville Division at any time during the past 30 years, and widows of deceased Southern employees.

Mrs. Mamie Burgin Morris, of Marion, now in her eighty-first year, met the first train to arrive here in the year 1870. She is expected to speak to the "Old Timers" at the reunion. The invocation will be given by some local pastor.

The meeting will get under way in the Marion high school auditorium on the morning of the 16th at 10 o'clock. Most of the visitors are expected to arrive on a special train, running to Marion from Asheville.

The complete program for the Reunion has not been announced, but preparations are being made for a full day of entertainment, said Mr. Sandlin.

MRS. STAUFFER HEADS CRAFT WORK OF N Y A

Mrs. H. W. Stauffer, former assistant district supervisor of District No. 3, of the National Youth Administration, has been appointed State Supervisor of Arts and Crafts, State NYA Administrator John A. Lang announced this week.

Mrs. Stauffer left the NYA last May to return to her private business in Marion and has so arranged her local shop that she may now give full time to youth work.

"During the coming year Mrs. Stauffer plans to establish retail outlets for youth craft articles and will coordinate work activities to that end," stated Mr. Lang. Mrs. Stauffer will be employed in the establishment and supervision of shops in Eastern and Western North Carolina for the sale of articles made by young people of the NYA. Her headquarters will be in Asheville.

Paying tribute to Mrs. Stauffer's ability, Mr. Lang stated, "Mrs. Stauffer has long been recognized as one of the leading national authorities in craft work."

PROGRESS ENDS 44TH YEAR WITH TODAY'S ISSUE

Usual August Birthday Rate
Offered Its Subscribers, Both
Old And New.

Today marks another milestone in the life of The Marion Progress, the 44th anniversary of continuous publication since it was published in August 1896. The management of the paper is proud of its record, feels grateful for public support and looks forward to continued service pledged to carry on its established policy of serving the people in every honorable way a clean weekly newspaper can be helpful to the public and its patrons.

In observance of this 44th anniversary and in appreciation of its loyal patrons, The Progress is again offering the public at the usual "August birthday rate" of one dollar a year. New subscribers who make payment during the month of August will receive the paper one full year for one dollar. Likewise, any old subscriber who has paid or does pay any arrears due, will have The Progress extended one year for a dollar plus any amount due to date. Old subscribers will not receive the dollar rate unless arrears are paid, if any.

The Progress invites all its old friends to accept the August offer of the paper one year for a dollar, if any arrears are paid, and also the other good people of Marion and McDowell to subscribe during the month.

On this occasion the management of The Progress extends best wishes to its readers and any to whom this may come.

BOARDS APPROVE PLANS FOR WORK ON BUILDING

Members of the McDowell Board of Commissioners and the Marion city School Board officially approved plans for the remodeling and reconstruction of the fire damaged Marion high school building here Monday and affixed their signatures to the plans.

The details of the project, as approved by state officials of the WPA, were explained to the boards by Lindsey Gudger, Asheville architect who will have charge of the construction.

Only one step remains before the work on the school building will begin—approval of the project by national officials of the WPA. The plans for the work were forwarded to Washington upon approval by the local boards.

According to Hugh F. Beam, superintendent of Marion city schools, work on the building should begin within the next few weeks. "Since it is evident that the building cannot be completed for the opening of school, temporary plans are being made to take care of the emergency," he stated.

MOVE FOR GUARD UNIT AND ARMORY CONTINUES

The Marion movement for the establishment of an armory and national guard unit here advanced this week with the announcement that 164 young men had signed their names to a petition, signifying their willingness to join the national guard.

The local committee directing the movement for a national guard unit has asked for a hearing before state officials and it is expected that the request may be granted this week. Two Marion men who are expected to appear before the state officials are Mayor Zeno Martin and Grayson Neal.

A group of local business men, meeting last week, agreed to furnish a suitable site for the construction of an armory, if and when the project should be approved.

According to Chamber of Commerce Secretary Walter J. Cartier, efforts are being made to secure all the local support possible before the requests for the national guard unit and an armory are presented before state officials.

The nation's motor vehicle traffic took a toll of 32,600 lives in 1939.



NEW RECTOR — Rev. David N. Peoples, of Savannah, Ga., who will become rector of St. John's Episcopal church here next month.

NEW RECTOR TO PREACH AT ST. JOHN'S AUG. 4

Rev. David N. Peoples, who has been serving a church in Savannah, Ga., for some time, will become rector of St. John's Episcopal church in Marion in August and will preach his first sermon here August 4.

He has been serving as rector of Saint Paul's church in Savannah since 1938. Rev. Peoples for three years organized and directed the Associate Mission in the diocese of South Carolina, leaving there to take the rectorship of the Savannah church.

He graduated from St. Stephen's College, Columbia University, at Annandale-on-Hudson, N. Y., with an A. B. degree in 1931. After attending the General Theological Seminary in New York City for some time, he entered St. Luke's Seminary in Sewanee, Tenn., and received his B. D. degree there in 1934.

Rev. Peoples was ordained deacon in 1934 and priest in 1935. Since becoming a priest he has been engaged in mission work and as rector of the Savannah church.

In a letter received by The Progress this week Rev. Peoples stated, "I am looking forward with the greatest pleasure to coming to St. John's church and of ministering in that parish. It is my intention to leave Savannah on August 1st and arrive in Marion either that night or the following morning. At any rate, I shall be there for your accustomed services on Sunday, August 4th."

THREE TEACHERS CHOSEN FOR SCHOOLS IN COUNTY

The appointment of three teachers to McDowell county schools was announced this week by County Superintendent N. F. Steppe.

J. R. Hagaman has been appointed to the teaching staff at the Pleasant Gardens school. He will take the place of Mrs. S. J. Westmoreland, who will not teach because of illness. Mr. Hagaman has had a number of years of experience, said Mr. Steppe, having taught in the Elk Park elementary school for the past five years.

Mr. Ralph Abernathy has been chosen to succeed Mr. Leonard Huggins at Nebo. Mr. Abernathy is a recent graduate of Appalachian State Teachers' College at Boone. He will be in charge of athletics in addition to classroom work at Nebo.

Miss Margaret Wilson, teacher last year at the Sugar Hill school, has been appointed to the faculty of the Old Fort school. She will succeed Miss Marley, who resigned to take up school work in Lenoir.

OXFORD SINGING CLASS TO GIVE CONCERT HERE

The Oxford Orphanage Singing Class will give a concert at the Marion high school auditorium on Tuesday evening, July 30, at 8 o'clock.

The program will consist of songs, recitations, pageants, and patriotic drills.

This year the public is invited to attend as guests of the Masons. No admission will be charged as in former years, but a free will offering will be taken which will go directly to the upkeep of Oxford Orphanage.

During their stay here, the 14 children in the group will be the guests of the local Masonic group.

WATERS OF LAKE JAMES CLAIM LIFE OF YOUNG CHILD

Twelve-Year-Old Lucille Hill
Perishes, As Two Others Are
Pulled From Lake.

Little Lucille Hill, age 12, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Briscoe Hill, of East Marion, drowned in Lake James yesterday and George Sprouse, of East Marion, was confined to the Marion General Hospital after he had unsuccessfully attempted to save the life of the little girl and her playmate, Alma Allison.

According to information received here, Lucille and her family, together with Mr. and Mrs. Allard Allison and family, of Brevard, and Sprouse were having a picnic and fishing party at the lake. The children were playing in the water when the Hill Girl and Alma Allison, age 11, strayed off into water over their heads.

Sprouse was said to have rushed to the rescue of the two children, but was overcome in the attempt to save them. Mr. Allison, fishing on the lake nearby, heard the cries of the children and their parents and rushed to save the girls. He succeeded in pulling his daughter, Alma, from the lake and, with the assistance of a rope thrown to him by his wife, succeeded in saving Sprouse. He was practically overcome by his efforts and was unable to locate the Hill girl, it was said.

The drowning was said to have occurred about 12 o'clock yesterday. A rescue party rushed to the lake about 12:30 and the body of the little girl was recovered about 1 o'clock by Mike McCall, of Marion. Artificial respiration failed to revive her. The drowning happened at a place on the lake near the intersection of the Hankins road and the highway around the lake.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 o'clock Friday afternoon at the East Marion Baptist church. Rev. R. Von King and Rev. L. H. Clayton will officiate.

WORK ON JAIL ADDITION RUNNING ON SCHEDULE

Work on the jail addition to the McDowell county court house is running according to schedule, stated County Commissioner I. L. Caplan this week.

Workmen have completed the exterior construction of the basement of the addition and are now doing the outside brick work on the first floor. Windows have been placed on the first floor and the walls are taking shape on all sides.

It is expected that the work on the addition will be completed by the end of this year, but some interior work and the remodeling of the old jail will still remain to be done, stated Mr. Caplan.

Painters drew near the completion of their work of recoating the interior surfaces of the courthouse this week, as they were employed in putting coats of black paint on the window frames. Interior walls and stairs of the building have recently been covered with several coats of paint.

SUTTON APPOINTED TO LOCAL POLICE FORCE

The appointment of Ossie L. Sutton, of Marion, as an addition to the local police force was announced this week.

Sutton will go on night duty here tonight and Officer Ralph Penland will be shifted from night work to day duty.

Sutton has been a resident of Marion for some time, having been employed here in the James Hotel and recently with the J. F. Snipes Motor Company.

Penland has been shifted to day duty to act as a city patrolman, as a result of action taken by the town board of aldermen recently to curb speeding and traffic law violations in the town. The aldermen voted at their last meeting to employ a policeman to enforce traffic laws in Marion.

The new schedule for the officers will go in effect tonight with Penland beginning patrolman work tomorrow