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CROSS MILL EMPLOYEES ARE PROMOTED

Several personnel changes at Cross Cotton Mills Company were announced this week.

L. K. Payne has been promoted from card room overseer to superintendent of manufacturing operations and in this capacity will be assistant to W. Fred Williams, general superintendent.

In making the announcement S. R. Cross, president, said both men have been employed by the Cross Mills since the organization of the mill here in 1916. He commended both the men for their outstanding work in their positions. Payne came to Marion from Taylorsville with the late Mr. Eugene Cross, Sr.

Other changes include the promotion of Howard Bradburn from second shift card room overseer to card room overseer of the three shifts. Virgil Bradburn is promoted from third shift overseer to second shift overseer of the card room.

Robert Morris has been promoted from card grinder to third shift card room overseer.

Instruments Filed During Past Year

The Register of Deeds office recorded 195 marriage licenses, 808 birth certificates, 137 death certificates, 710 mortgages and deeds of trusts, 945 warranty deeds, 635 chattel mortgages and 397 irregular instruments last year, according to figures released by Miss Ruth Lackey, register of deeds.

The figure included 700 birth certificates and 76 death certificates for the Town of Marion. There were 41 birth and 30 death certificates issued for persons within the Marion township, but outside the corporate limits.

Other townships included in total were: Old Fort 26 birth, 8 deaths; Nebo 5 births, 4 deaths; Higgins 1 birth, 2 deaths; Glenwood 4 births, 3 deaths; Dysartsville 5 birth, 2 deaths; Crooked Creek 17 births, 4 deaths; Bracketts 5 births, 3 deaths.

In the year of 1947 there were 1,390 warranty deeds recorded, exceeding last year's total by 445. But there were 40 more chattel mortgages recorded in 1948 than in 1947.

West Marion P.T.A. Discusses Goals For Coming Year

The West Marion Parent-Teacher association held its January meeting at the School Auditorium Monday, January 3. Mrs. W. C. Burgin, vice president, presided.

There was much discussion on projects that the P.T.A. could work on for the year. Matt McBrayer, chairman of the Goals committee, was to select a committee of two teachers and two parents and have a meeting to set up Goals on Friday January 7.

The group voted to send two representatives to the "Coordinated Council for Civic Improvement" being sponsored by the Marion High School P.T.A., for all civic clubs for civic betterment and improvement in Marion.

Mrs. R. C. Frazier, program chairman, had a program of poems given by Miss Elizabeth Conley, and Rev. R. C. Frazier, and Piano Solo's West Marion Baptist church gave the devotional.

The Eighth Grade received the dollar for having the most parents present.

Postal Receipts Show Increase

Postal receipts for the quarter ending December 31, 1948 were \$13,042.18, a gain of \$1,675.38 over the corresponding quarter in 1947, according to figures released by Postmaster John Finley.

Postal savings certificates issued for the month of December totaled \$63,117. The amount paid for certificates was \$62,220, making an increase of \$897 in the amount on deposit.

Bond sales in December totaled \$11,493.75.

City Manager Government Discussed At Kiwanis Meet

The Marion Kiwanis club held its first meeting of the new year Tuesday evening at the community building. S. R. Perkins, vice president, presided in the absence of President Roy W. Davis, who is out of town attending his duties in the State Legislature.

Veron Eckerd, Immediate Past President, was in charge of the program and presented as guest speaker

Fred Helms, City Manager of Morganton. Mr. Helms discussed the city manager form of government, going somewhat into details of the different types of city manager government that could be adopted.

Some interest has been shown by citizens of Marion in a city manager type of government, and the speaker was invited to address the Kiwanians in order that more information might be given on the subject.

Tax Listing in The County Is Under Way

Tax listing is now under way in McDowell county and will continue through the month of January.

All property owners are required to list their property, both real and personal, which they possess on January 1, 1949.

Tax listers appointed by the commissioners have been announced as follows:

Bracketts and Glenwood—A. P. Poteat.

Crooked Creek—Harlow Noblitt.

Dysartsville—C. M. Laughridge.

Higgins—C. Rex Wilson.

Marion—John M. Snoddy.

Montford Cove—Mrs. M. R. Nanney.

Nebo—L. C. Parks.

North Cove—S. M. Avery.

Old Fort—S. F. Mauney.

Property owners are urged to see listers in their respective townships and list property as early as possible.

Driving Violations Head Court Docket

Cases disposed of in County Court here Tuesday consisted mainly of driving violations.

James Harrison Delaney plead guilty to reckless driving and was sentenced to 30 days on the roads, sentence suspended on payment of the costs.

Margaret T. Patterson plead guilty to driving drunk and no operator's license and was sentenced to four months in the county jail and assigned to work by the State Highway and Public Works Commission, suspended on payment of \$125 and cost and on condition that defendant not operate a motor vehicle on the highways of North Carolina for one year.

Edna Sluder, assault with deadly weapon, was sentenced to 30 days in jail, suspended on payment of \$25 and costs.

Ralph Shook plead guilty to aiding and abetting driving drunk and was sentenced to four months on the roads suspended on payment of a fine of \$100 and costs and on condition that defendant not operate a motor vehicle on the highways of North Carolina for one year.

Jack Goodrum, possession, was sentenced to three months on the roads, suspended on payment of \$25 and costs and on condition that defendant not violate prohibition laws of North Carolina for two years.

Bulwinkle Improving From Spinal Ailment

Washington, Jan. 3.—Rep. Bulwinkle (D., N. C.) was reported improving today from a spinal ailment.

Officials at the Naval Hospital in Bethesda, Maryland, said he "has been able to walk around his room and is improving after an acute illness."

Bulwinkle entered the hospital several weeks ago. Hospital aides said they are not sure how soon he will be able to leave.

Rev. Paul Boriack To Preach Here

Rev. Paul A. Boriack, who was pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church from 1932 for about ten years, will return to the congregation for a visit on Wednesday evening, January 19. He will be guest speaker at a service at 7:30 p. m. The present pastor, Charles Frenzel, received a letter on Monday from Rome, New York, saying, "I shall be mighty happy to meet with everyone. Give all my best regards."

PERKINS BUYS BALLEW HOME

S. R. Perkins has purchased the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Ballew on South Garden street. Mr. and Mrs. Perkins plan to occupy the residence the latter part of this month.

Officers Elected At St. Matthew's

J. H. L. Miller was re-elected president of St. Matthew's Lutheran church for 1949 in a meeting held on Sunday afternoon. The elections held at that time, together with previous elections, gives St. Matthew's the following officers:

H. Weberson is vice president; V. T. Eckerd, treasurer; B. M. Eckerd, treasurer. To the board of elders John Cassell was elected for four years and will serve with Glenn Klutz, Harvey Fox, and Herbert Hall. To the board of deacons, in charge of financial matters, Richard Shaw and Francis Nichols were elected for two years, and will serve with Poly Fox and Elmer Ervin.

For the Sunday school Poly Fox was elected superintendent, and Francis Nichols as assistant. Teachers will be Rev. Charles Frenzel, adult Bible class; Mrs. Richard Shaw and Mrs. L. M. Hemphill, Junior Bible class; Mrs. Poly Fox, seniors; Poly Fox, intermediates; Miss Lois Ann Finley, juniors; and Mrs. V. T. Eckerd, primary.

In the organizations of the congregation the following were chosen for officers. In the Lutheran Laymen's League: president, Francis Nichols; vice president, Elmer Ervin; secretary and treasurer, V. T. Eckerd. In the Lutheran Women's Missionary League: president, Mrs. V. T. Eckerd; vice president, Mrs. Poly Fox; treasurer, Mrs. Francis Nichols; secretary, Mrs. Charles Frenzel. In the Walther League: president, Gale Hilton; secretary, Norma Jean Hall; treasurer, Tommy Shuford.

In the department of music Mrs. Charles Frenzel will serve as church organist and choir accompanist; Mrs. Herbert Hall will serve as choir mother.

In the service next Sunday there will be installation of officers and Pastor Frenzel will preach on the Epiphany theme: "The Costly Gifts of Personal Service for the Christ-Child."

Parking Meters Pay Off Well

Collections received from parking meters on Marion streets during the past year totaled \$8,214.87, according to figures released by B. B. Byrd, clerk for the Town of Marion. August was the best paying month with a total of \$1,365.58.

Violations paid into the Town office during the past year added up to \$1,093.

Marion Rotarians Aid The Blind During Christmas

Members of the Marion Rotary club told of their visits with the blind in this county when the regular weekly meeting was held last Friday noon in the community building. Rotarians, who have been working with the blind for the past few years, voted to distribute gifts to the blind during the Christmas season and also to visit with them.

R. C. Spratt received a three year, perfect attendance pin. Presentation was made by Walter Thompson.

Captain H. L. Garriss was the guest of Leland Hairr.



ROY W. DAVIS left Monday for Raleigh where he will begin his duties as McDowell county's representative in the 1949 General Assembly, which convened there yesterday. He was accompanied by Mrs. Davis who will spend at least two weeks in Raleigh.

COMMISSIONERS DRAW JURORS

The County Commissioners in session Monday re-appointed T. C. Bradley county electrician and approved a road petition recommending that the Moffitt Hill road, approximately one-half mile from Moffitt Hill church to a point near Will Moore's bridge, be graveled.

Jurors for the February term of Superior Court were drawn as follows:

First Week
Robert R. Hall, H. K. Patton, Alvin McGinnis, Ed Denny, Harlow Moody, H. D. Bishop, Lester H. Knupp, George R. Grindstaff, Ernest Banks, J. B. McEntyre, Clarence Buckner, E. B. Grindstaff, C. Rex Wilson, Charles L. Biddix, A. C. Crouch, Herman Walker, C. F. Barnes, Kenneth Young, Harrison Church, J. L. Haney, C. M. Murphy, Troy Burrell, Madison Hensley, W. B. Pyatt, W. J. Roe, Ewart Walker, Robert McCraw, Elvis Turner, B. H. Lowery and A. J. Hewitt.

Second Week
Walter Jackson, John Ray Jimerson, George D. Baker, Lloyd Shell, Ben C. Epley, R. O. McCurry, O. J. Pannell, H. S. Quinn, L. M. Hemphill, W. W. Neal, Jr., Paul Laughridge, H. C. Lavender, Earl Benfield, A. D. Quinn, R. V. Price, Hardy Murphy, L. A. Carver, D. E. Lonon, James Vess, R. G. Lambeth, G. G. Moore, Gibb Dennie, Luther Toney, R. L. Knupp, Melvin C. Burgin, Boydston Frisbie, J. S. Hensley, Eugene Brown, Lewis Rash and J. R. Holland.

Mrs. Maggie Hyams Passes Wednesday

Mrs. Maggie Young Hyams, 82, widow of the late George Hyams, died at her residence in Old Fort early Wednesday morning. Funeral services will be conducted at the Old Fort Presbyterian church Thursday afternoon at two o'clock by Rev. Spence of Montreat, assisted by Dr. H. E. Walden, pastor of the Old Fort Baptist church and burial will be in the family plot in the old Old Fort cemetery.

She is survived by six daughters and four sons, Misses Lucille and Thelma Hyams, Mrs. W. L. Dalton, George and Charles Hyams of Old Fort, Mrs. Thomas Sandlin and W. T. Hyams of Bryson City, Mrs. C. G. Conner of Ridgeway, Pa., Mrs. L. W. Coletrain of High Point and T. H. Hyams of Asheville; twenty-six grand children and a number of great grandchildren. Grandsons will act as pallbearers and granddaughters will be in charge of the flowers.

The Old Fort Eastern Star will have a part in the service. The body will lie in state for one hour before the service.

Play To Be Given At Dysartsville

The Dysartsville School Lunch Room committee has announced plans to sponsor a play at the Dysartsville School house at eight o'clock, Saturday evening, January 8.

Proceeds will go into a fund to secure a school lunch room at Dysartsville.

Inspection Lane Periods For Cars In 1949 Are Announced

Pary Ensemble To Give Concert Here January 11

The Bary Ensemble will be presented at the Marion high school at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, January 12, under the sponsorship of the Marion Community Concert association.

The Bary Ensemble has been acclaimed from coast to coast as one of the sure-fire hits of current musical attractions. Interspersed among the trios, piano quartets and arrangements by the entire ensemble the program will include piano solos by Gertrude Bary, violin solos by Mary Becker and celo solors by Virginia Peterson.

Home Demonstration Club Schedule

The Home Demonstration club schedule for the month of January has been announced by Miss Jean Steele, county agent, as follows:

North Marion: Tuesday, January 3, at two o'clock in the office of Miss Steele.

White Pine: Tuesday, January 11, at 7:30 p. m., home of Mrs. Virgie Wilkerson.

Laurel Grove: Wednesday, January 12, at two o'clock, (place to be announced later).

Bethlehem: Thursday, January 13, at two o'clock, at the lodge hall.

Providence: Thursday, January 13, at 7:30 p. m., (place to be announced later).

West Marion: Friday, January 14, at 7:30 p. m., (place to be announced later).

Turkey Cove: Monday, January 17, at two o'clock, (place to be announced later).

Nebo: Tuesday, January 18, at two o'clock, (place to be announced later).

Cherry Springs: Wednesday, January 19, at two o'clock, community building.

Glenwood: Thursday, January 20, at two o'clock, (place to be announced later).

Pleasant Gardens: Thursday, January 20, at 7:30 p. m., (place to be announced later).

Greenlee: Friday, January 21, at 7:30 p. m., (place to be announced later).

Dysartsville: Friday, January 21, two o'clock (place to be announced later).

Chapel Hill: Tuesday, January 25, two o'clock, club house.

North Cove: Wednesday, January 26, two o'clock (place to be announced later).

Old Fort: Thursday, January 27, two o'clock (place to be announced later).

Rites Held Tuesday For Mrs. Ida Page

Funeral services for Mrs. Ida J. Page, 79, who died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lee W. Erwin, were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence. Rev. James B. McLarty, Rev. P. W. Tucker and Dr. C. M. McMurray officiated. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Page was the widow of J. Z. Page and a daughter of the late Maj. Thomas B. Young.

Surviving are the daughter; one son, Gordon C. Page, of Marion; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Inspection Lane To Open Here Jan. 11th

The motor vehicle inspection lane will open here next Tuesday, January 11, for a five-day period. This will be the only visit of the traveling lane here during January. Other dates will be February 17-22; March 28-31. The equipment will be set up on North Logan street.

PRE-INDUCTION CALL
The McDowell County Draft Board will send 14 men to the pre-induction station at Greenville, S. C. for examination on January 12, it is announced this week.

The Motor Vehicle Department today announced inspection periods for various model vehicles for the first half of 1949.

The Mechanical Inspection Law, passed by the 1947 Legislature, provided that all vehicles registered in North Carolina be inspected once during 1948 and twice a year thereafter.

According to a new Inspection Manual, released by the Mechanical Inspection Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles, the first semi-annual inspection period for each year will begin on January 1 and end on June 30. The second semi-annual inspection period will begin on July 1 and end on December 31.

The Manual sets for the inspection deadlines for all vehicles for the first inspection period as follows:

Vehicles up to and including models 1936 must be inspected on or before Jan. 31.

Models 1937 and 1938, on or before Feb. 28.

Models 1939 and 1940, on or before March 31.

Models 1941 and 1942, on or before April 30.

Models 1943 through 1947, on or before May 31.

Models 1948 and 1949, on or before June 30.

The Manual further states that "the operation of any vehicle after the time limit set for inspection, without displaying the official seal of approval, will be a violation of the Motor Vehicle Laws of 1947."

A provision is made that beginning January 1, 1949, the owner of a vehicle will have 30 days from the date of acquisition of a vehicle to have it inspected, provided that pending inspection, the owner shall have with him at all times a bill of sale or other sufficient evidence to show the date and place of acquisition of that vehicle.

Lane schedules for the first three months in Marion are January 11-15; February 17-22; March 28-31.

Police Department Reports Busy Year

The Mayor's court of Marion held 500 hearings during the year 1948 and collected \$4,431.75 in fines and costs, according to a report released by Chief of Police D. W. Smith.

The hearings included 464 drunks, 7 disorderly conduct, 20 traffic violations, one for shooting a pistol in the Town of Marion, 3 vagrancy, 4 fighting and one assault on a female.

The Police Department also reported 71 cases tried in recorder and superior courts. The charges included, 2 assault with deadly weapon, 10 larceny, 1 carrying concealed weapon, 20 breaking and entering, 20 driving drunk, 12 speeding and reckless driving, one resisting arrest, one hit and run, one attempt to steal a car, one pepping Tom and 2 for shooting firecrackers in the Town of Marion.

Fines from county and superior courts totaling \$1,900 will be allocated for school funds. Costs of county and superior courts were listed at \$914.20 and total amount received from parking violations at \$1,093.

A summary of the above figures reveals \$8,338.95 collected by the Police Department in 1948 from fines, costs and parking violations.

Smith also said 3,175 parking violations tickets were issued during the year, including the courtesy tickets given to out of town cars reminding motorists of the violations, but not making a charge.

Board of Aldermen Has Meeting Tuesday

The Board of Aldermen in session Tuesday evening named Mrs. Julia Stanley tax lister for the Town of Marion for 1949.

A report was presented by the Howard Bebee company of Spartanburg showing how the water supply of Marion could be increased to provide for the increase in water consumption.