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Liberal Donations Needed To Wage Fight On Polio

The scope of the 1948 polio epidemic was so great, S. J. Westmoreland and M. W. Gordon, co-chairmen of the annual fund raising campaign in McDowell county, said today, that only a "tremendously successful polio fund appeal this month will enable us to carry on the fight against the disease with undiminished vigor."

Organization of the 1949 fund raising campaign is underway the chairmen said yesterday. Until more definite arrangements have been announced contributions may be made to Westmoreland and Gordon. "Polio incidence last year," the local chairman said, "approached the toll of the record year of 1916 when more than 27,000 persons were stricken. The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis was sorely pressed to provide funds for medical care and at the same time maintain its far-flung research program."

Additional March of Dimes funds are urgently needed, Mr. Westmoreland said, not only to carry on research and prepare for possible polio epidemics this year, but also to continue the care of thousands of children and adults stricken during the drastic epidemic of 1948.

"In polio," the local chairman said, "we are dealing with a unique disease. Its death-rate—5 to 10 per cent—is comparatively low, but it is the sore of disease that is with us for year. Growing children periodically require new braces and treatment, while many patients must be kept in iron lungs for years, often at a expense of \$10,000 a year."

As a result, Westmoreland said, the cost of polio is often greater in years succeeding the epidemic than during the outbreak itself. He said, for example, that almost \$500,000 in March of Dimes funds were sent to Idaho by national headquarters last year, although that state's most serious epidemic occurred the year before.

McDowell Urged To Send Delegates To Temperance Rally

McDowell county has been asked to send 100 representatives to a Temperance Rally to be held January 20 in Edenton Street Methodist church, Raleigh, Rev. M. O. Owens, president of the McDowell County Ministerial association, announced this week.

R. M. Hauss, executive director of the Allied Church League, urged representatives to be present to let the legislature know the sentiment of churches in regard to a state-wide referendum on the liquor question.

Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker, president of the Board of Temperance of the Methodist church, Washington, D. C., will be speaker.

Education Commission Report Summarized At PTA Meeting

The program of the Marion Parent-Teacher association Tuesday evening consisted of the presentation of a summary of the report of the North Carolina Education Commission by H. F. Beam, superintendent of the Marion City Schools.

This commission was appointed by former Governor Gregg Cherry at the 1947 General Assembly. The commissioner's purpose was to find the express needs of schools and the children all over North Carolina in order to maintain a more balanced school program and, after a thorough investigation report its findings and recommendations to the governor.

Following the reading of this report, a film illustrating some of the findings of the commission was shown and was explained by Charles Elledge, principal of the Marion High School.

Open Forum

Elledge conducted an open forum during which a number of questions concerning the report of the commission and the general school situation prevailing in North Carolina were discussed. It was pointed out

Funeral Services Held Yesterday For P. M. Proctor

Funeral services were conducted at Garden Creek Baptist church yesterday for Peter M. Proctor, 79, who died Tuesday morning after a brief illness. Rev. Charles C. Parker, pastor, officiated and burial followed in Oak Grove cemetery. He is survived by the widow Mrs. Rosa Lee Pyatt Proctor; two sons and three daughters, Mrs. J. R. Shehan and Robert M. Proctor of Chattanooga, Mrs. Pansy Hoppuss, Miss Bonnie Proctor and Troy J. Proctor, all of Marion; eight grandchildren; two brothers, Sam Proctor of Virginia and William Proctor of California; one sister, Mrs. Tom Cuthbertson of Route 2, Marion.

Pleasant Gardens PTA Has Meeting

The Pleasant Gardens Parent-Teacher association met last Thursday evening with Mrs. Locke Tate, president, presiding.

Rev. Carson Brittain gave the devotional. Mrs. George Sandlin, program chairman, turned the meeting over to Mrs. R. L. Wiggins and Mrs. I. E. Burnette.

Mrs. Wiggins presented Mrs. Caroline Sandlin Fullerton who gave a reading entitled "The White Cliffs," by Alice Duer Miller.

The music score was played by Mrs. Madeline Taylor. The Glee club, under the direction of R. L. Wiggins, rendered vocal selections with piano accompaniment by Mrs. R. K. Davis.

Two special numbers were presented by Inez Morgan, Ralph Justice and Carl McKinney.

Mrs. W. K. Gill's room won the attendance prize for the grammar grades and Mrs. I. E. Burnette's room won the high school prize.

The grammar grade prize was donated by Mrs. Conn Bost and the high school prize by Mrs. Luther Skaggs.

DRAFT BOARD REPORTS LULL IN REGISTRATION

No colored males have registered at the McDowell County Draft Board office since November 15, Mrs. Virginia James, clerk, said Tuesday.

All male persons are required to register with the draft board on their eighteenth birthday. Those who have failed to do so should register immediately.

at the meeting that those who were interested in seeing the report of the North Carolina Education Commission approved and laws passed at the present session of the General Assembly implementing its recommendations could exercise great influence by writing to representatives and senators at the General Assembly expressing their views.

Mrs. Richard Cook made an announcement that a Community Council had been organized. The Council is composed of representatives of all civic clubs and local organizations to coordinate and promote movements for two and community betterment with especial emphasis on educational improvements.

Miss Betsy Carrigan thanked the P. T. A. for the mixer presented to the Home Economics department.

Rev. Charles Frenzel, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, gave the devotional from Luke 2:41, and Mrs. Sam Yancey, president, presided.

Mrs. G. W. Giles' room won the attendance prize in the elementary and Mrs. Pat Davis in High School.

Funeral Rites For Mrs. Mauney Held Wednesday

Funeral services were conducted yesterday at the First Methodist church for Mrs. W. S. Mauney who died early Monday evening at her home on South Garden street. Rev. J. B. McLarty, pastor, was assisted by Rev. Charles Frenzel, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery.

She is survived by her husband; a son, Rowe A. Mauney of Marion; a granddaughter, Martha Wingate, and sister, Mrs. Charles Murray of Catawba.

Rites Sunday For D. A. Westmoreland

Dean Alvin Westmoreland, 29, veteran of World War II, died Thursday night in Moore General hospital after an illness of several months.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2 p. m. in Clinchfield Baptist church with the pastor, the Rev. Paul Stokes, in charge.

Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery where military rites were conducted by the local American Legion Post.

Surviving are the mother, Mrs. Oma Brooks Westmoreland; five brothers, Brooks, John, Boyd, Lee, and Howard Westmoreland, all of Marion.

Funeral Rites For Pvt. Evans To Be Held Sunday

The remains of the late Pvt. Williams A. Evans who died in action in Holland October 2, 1944, arrived in Marion Wednesday afternoon on train No. 21. The body will remain at McCall's Funeral Home until Saturday afternoon when it will be taken to the parents' residence at Nebo. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. J. E. Floyd, pastor, at St. Paul Free Will Baptist church, Baldwin avenue, at two o'clock Sunday afternoon, and burial will be in Oak Grove cemetery.

He is survived by his mother and step father, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford C. Evans; two brothers and five sisters, Betty, Jean, Pearl, and Raymond Evans, and Mrs. Paul D. Willis all of Nebo; Pvt. Doyle Evans of Fort Jackson, S. C. and Miss Gladys Evans of Charlotte, and one half brother, Jerry Lee Evans, of Nebo.

The American Legion will conduct the services at the grave.

Davis Entertains Kiwanis Directors

Roy W. Davis, president of the Marion Kiwanis club, entertained Kiwanis directors with a turkey dinner at his home on South Main street Monday evening.

Those present were: S. R. Perkins, vice president; V. T. Eckerd, past president; Frank Barnes, J. B. Laughlin, Carl Whiteside, Ray Cline, J. L. Gourley, H. F. Beam, Lee Conley, R. W. Twitty, V. T. Eckerd, Wayne Copenhaver and W. G. Wiatt.

Melton Initiated At Chapel Hill

Carroll Melton, of Marion, was one of 30 new members initiated into the Delta Sigma Pi, professional commerce fraternity of the University of North Carolina at formal ceremonies in Chapel Hill last weekend.

REV. PAUL A. BORIACK TO ADDRESS LUTHERANS

Rev. Paul A. Boriack, former pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, will be guest speaker at the church on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. He is now serving St. John's Lutheran Church of Rome, New York. His talk at St. Matthew's will be on the subject of the church's

HUFFMAN RITES HELD LAST SUNDAY

Mrs. Lillie B. Huffman, 68, widow of Langdon W. Huffman, Marion merchant, passed away at the Marion General Hospital on January 5, 1949, following a long illness.

Mrs. Huffman, the former Miss Lillie Belle Yoder, was a native of Catawba county, moving to Marion 40 years ago. She was a member of the First Presbyterian church of Marion for 40 years.

Funeral services were conducted by Dr. Carl W. McMurray, her pastor, assisted by Rev. Marvin Dameron, at the First Presbyterian church at 2:30 o'clock, January 17. Burial followed in Oak Grove cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Glenn Bradley, John M. Stepp, Guy Kirby, John A. Finley, S. E. Collins and George W. Smith. Members of her circle of the Ladies of the Church were in charge of the flowers.

Mrs. Huffman is survived by one son, Carl W. Huffman of Marion; two grandsons, J. C. Raburn, Jr., of the home, and Wilburn B. Huffman of Marion; one granddaughter, Mrs. Phyllis Raburn Crotts of Winston-Salem and one great grandson, Joseph L. Crotts of Winston-Salem. Also by one brother, Clyde Yoder of Cincinnati, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Carrie Harren of Hickory, and Mrs. Ora Williams of Ludlow, Kentucky. Her only daughter, Mrs. Katie Huffman Raburn died in 1925.

Davis Discusses 1949 Legislature At Kiwanis Meet

Roy W. Davis, McDowell County member of the State Legislature, was in Marion Tuesday and presided over the regular meeting of the Marion Kiwanis club Tuesday evening.

The program for the evening was a round table discussion, and the Kiwanians requested Davis to give a report on the activities of the State Legislature. He discussed the organization of the 1949 Legislature, including the inauguration of Governor Scott. It was pointed out that the first two weeks of work was composed largely in organizational activities, with the election of a speaker in the House and a president pro tem of the Senate, as well as the appointment of the various committees that will handle the masses of legislation coming before the law making group this season.

Davis has been assigned to nine of the several committees of the legislature. He is a member of the all-important appropriations committee. He told the Kiwanians that the State Budget Commission had proposed a budget for the biennium in excess of \$466,000,000, and that it would be a hard task in allotting and proportioning appropriations to the various agencies of the State.

Kiwanian Lee Conley, chairman of the Membership committee, called a meeting of his group immediately after the adjournment of the club.

Davis Speaks At Rotary Meet

Pat Davis entertained members of the Marion Rotary club with an eye witness account of the Alligator Bowl game at the regular meeting held Friday noon in the community building.

Dr. William Gladden was the guest of Gordon Morris, Glenn Early was the guest of Howard Hawkins and Sterling Bower was the guest of David Gray. Bill Stanley, Marion High School honor student of the month, was a guest of the club.

Mountains in Western North Carolina cover an area of approximately 6,000 square miles.

SUPERIOR COURT DOCKET INCLUDES VARIED CHARGES

Steppe Speaker At North Cove PTA

N. F. Steppe, superintendent of county schools, spoke on "The Community," at the January meeting of North Cove Parent-Teacher association last Thursday evening.

In commending the speaker, Mrs. Charles McCall, publicity chairman, said: "the members were not only entertained, but inspired by the wonderful way he discussed the community of yesterday and today. The moral, social and economic phases of community life and education were well discussed."

Business of a routine nature was transacted and attendance prizes were awarded the sixth and eleventh grades.

Scouts Advanced At Court of Honor Last Friday Night

Bill Rowland, of troop 3, Marion, was advanced to the rank of Star Scout and Wayne Bradburn, of troop 4, Marion, to Life Scout at the McDowell County Boy Scout Court of Honor held at the First Methodist church last Friday evening.

Other advancements were made as follows:

Tenderfoot rank: James Mart, Jr., troop 2; Franklin Hammett, V. E. Condyre and Garland Higgins, troop 3; Bill Frisbie, Frank Whisenant, troop 5, all of Marion.

Second class: Franklin Helms, troop 2; Frank Harberode, Donald Seagle and Frank White, troop 3; Bobby Byers and Sammy Yancey, troop 6, all of Marion.

First class: Lee Holland, Bronson Montieith, Kerry Montieith, and Donald Wilkerson, all of troop 1, Sugar Hill.

Merit Badges

Art: Norman Melton, troop 1, Sugar Hill.

Athletics: Wayne Bradburn, troop 4, Marion.

Cooking: Robert Parker, troop 1, Sugar Hill.

Electricity: Fred Frisbie and Harold Sartan, troop 5, Marion.

Firemanship: F. H. Hughes, Bill Roland, Dean Hughes and Frank Locke, troop 3, Marion; R. L. Carmody, troop 4, Marion; Johnnie Pyatt, Eugene Hawkins and Joe Lytle, troop 5, Marion; Bill Bradford, troop 6, Marion.

Home Repairs: William Devoid Morrow and Bobby Hall, troop 2, Marion; Bobby Hughes and Willie Hughes, troop 3, Marion; Jimmy Laughridge, troop 6, Marion, and Paul Lawing, troop 1, Sugar Hill.

Masonry: Kerry Monteith, troop 1, Sugar Hill.

Metal Work: Billy Wilkerson, troop 6, Marion.

Personal Health: Wayne Bradburn, troop 4, Marion.

Pioneering: Charles Burgin, troop 1, Sugar Hill.

Safety: Donald Wilkerson, Robert Parker, William Jaynes, Lee Holland and Bronson Monteith, troop 1, Sugar Hill.

Scholarship: Gene Cross, troop 6, Marion.

Woodwork: F. H. Hughes and Bill Roland, troop 3, Marion.

The 1948 Tar Heel soybean crop totaled about 3,500,000 bushels—2 per cent more than in 1947.

The January term of McDowell County Superior Court was convened here Monday with Judge Felix R. Alley presiding.

In the case of the State vs. Theodore Silvers and Howard Kelley a non-suit verdict was granted by the court and the solicitor converted the charges to an affray. The case was continued.

Several breaking and entering and larceny cases were included in docket. William Twitty plead guilty and was sentenced to two years on the roads and on a second count was sentenced to 12 months. Willie Lou Black also plead guilty and was sentenced to two years on the roads.

In the case of the State vs. Nathaniel Pete Logan on charges of breaking and entering and larceny the defendant was found guilty of larceny and sentenced to three years on the roads. In the case of the State vs. Charles Corpening, breaking and entering and larceny, the defendant plead guilty to breaking and entering.

Other cases tried included: State vs. E. C. Jaynes, assault on a female, the prosecuting witness was charged with frivolous prosecution and prosecutrix, Mrs. E. C. Jaynes, was required to pay the cost of the action. State vs. Clint Simmons, assault on a female, the defendant plead guilty. Upon recommendation of the Solicitor judgment was suspended and case dismissed on payment of costs.

State vs. Frank (Sid) Harbison, grand larceny, the defendant plead guilty and prayer for judgment was continued during period of good behavior. State vs. Willie Black, disposing of mortgaged property, the defendant was sentenced to twelve months on the roads. State vs. Junior Finley the defendant plead guilty to possessing illegal whisky and was fined \$50 and costs and defendant sentenced to be imprisoned, the sentence will not go into effect except on motion of the Solicitor in any subsequent term within five years from the rising of this court and upon satisfactory proof that the defendant has been guilty of violating the prohibition laws of North Carolina.

Linda Blagk plead guilty to receiving and concealing stolen property and was sentenced to six months in prison or pay costs of action and a fine of \$50. Paul Chapman plead not guilty to a charge and was required to pay costs. Prayer for judgment was continued during good behavior.

Gordon Van Brewer was fined \$100 and costs and sentenced to 60 days in jail on a charge of driving drunk, sentence suspended on condition that he not violate the prohibition laws of North Carolina for five years.

Benjamin E. Hammett plead guilty to a charge of no operator's license and was required to pay the costs. Prayer for judgment was continued during good behavior.

Divorces were granted as follows: Patricia K. Jay vs. Edward T. Jay; Paul T. Cornett vs. Mariam Cornett; Katherine Bullock Godsey vs. Furman Lewis Godsey; Roy C. Redding vs. Othell Adams Redding; William Moore vs. Caroline S. Moore.

State vs. Ralph Jamison, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill, defendant was found guilty of

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PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION ORGANIZED AT DYSARTSVILLE

A Parent-Teacher association for Dysartsville school was organized last Tuesday evening and officers elected as follows:

Mrs. Bruce Cowan, president; Mrs. William Duncan, vice president; Mrs. Howell Buchanan, secretary and Mrs. Clay McIntosh, treasurer.

W. A. Lonon was named chairman of a Ways and Means committee. Others appointed to serve on the committee are: Mrs. William Duncan, Howell Buchanan, William Blanton, Henry Sprouse, Albert Dale and J. E.

Allen, principal.

The membership committee is composed of: Elijah Blankenship, chairman; Dewey Arrowood and Mrs. William Duncan.

Members voted to purchase a movie projector and sponsor the showing of films to raise funds for the lunch room project. During the meeting a total of \$230 was raised toward purchase of the projector.

Announcement was made that \$638 had been raised toward the \$1,000 necessary to provide a lunch room for the school.