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### **Beam Re-elected Head of Marion** City Schools

Hugh F. Beam was re-elcted superintendent of the Marion City Schools for a term of two years at a meeting of the school board here last Friday night.

Supt. Beam has served as superintendent of the city schools for the past fourteen years. He was first elected to this office in 1935, having previously served as principal of the Marion Central school. He has been connected with the Marion schools for the past 21 years.

college and completed post graduate Schools by board at meeting Friday courses at the University of North | night. Carolina and Wake Forest college. He has served as lieutenant-governern District of the N. C. Education association and director of the North Carolina Education associa-

The jurisdiction of the office of city superintendent includes the schools of Marion Central, Clinchfield, West Marion, East Marion and Eugene Cross.

The present board of the Marion (Continued on last page)

#### **PLAN PROJECTS** FOR COMMUNITY **COUNCIL WORK**

the Community Council of Marion son and Connolly Miller (cornets), this week. Throughout this week, good progress was made in regard Dean Seagle (trombone), Bobby services have been held in the mornto the selection of projects for the Ricks (French horn), Mickey Walk- ing at 7:45 and in the evening at work of the council. Around ten er (baritone), and Ralph Fender 7:30. Fine crowds have been in atprojects were suggested for the consideration of the council, and three or "Superior" rating. of these proved to be outstanding, Marion should be proud of the exfrom the standpoint of interest of cellent showing of its band and its the council members and of the director, Bernard Hirsch, whose uncommunity as a whole.

projects on these three broad sub- generous gifts of money for transjects: (1) School improvement, (2) portation made the trip possible. Recreation, and (3) Better Government. The committees named are as Frozen Food Packing follows: (1) The school committee consists of Albert Hewitt, chairman, Mrs. B. A. Dickson, E. P. Dameron, C. C. Elledge, and Eugene Cross.

Re-Elected



Hugh F. Beam, above, re-elected He is a graduate of Lenoir Rhyne superintendent of Marion City

#### **ERNEST DYSART** TAKEN BY DEATH; RITES WEDNESDAY

Funeral services for Ernest Gibson Dysart, 54, who died Monday in Fayetteville, where he was employed were conducted at Siloam Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Burial was in Oak Grove cemetery.

Masons were in charge of the graveside rites and a group of Masons were pallbearers.

Dysart was a native of McDowell county, the son of the late M1. and Mrs. Sam Dysart.

He was engaged in construction; work and was employed as superintendent of a new plant being built in Fayetteville.

Death was attributed to a heart

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. (Continued on last page)

#### has been completed, and the transmitting equipment is now being tuned up for equipment tests which May 2, at 1:00 a. m. The transmit-No. 10 highway to Asheville.

## or and president of the Marion Kiwanis club, president of the WestDistrict of the N. C. Educa-Rating In Music Contest

The Marion high school band, Revival Continues showing even better form than formerly, emerged from the Greensboro music festival last Friday with top honors. The band was awarded "Superior" rating, the highest honor to be given.

In addition to the band, two soloists and an ensemble received honors horn, was awarded an "Excellent" pastor, is reaching its peak, with Dr. rating and Harry McCall made a H. H. Stembridge from Forest City At the Monday night meeting of brass sextet composed of Larry Gib- tinues through Friday evening of (bass horn) received the top honor,

tiring efforts brought his band to It was decided that, in addition to the top in both Asheville and the "Clean-Up" committee already Greensboro festivals. The band exfunctioning, committees should be presses its grateful appreciation to appointed to study and plan toward the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs whose

### **Demonstration April 29**

Mrs. Lula P. Austin, home service (2) The Recreation Committee is advisor for the Duke Power comcomposed of M. W. Gordon, chair- pany, will give a frozen food packman, Therman Richie, Mrs. Polly ing demonstration at the Commu-Fox, Mrs. Colen Wright, Rev. P. L. nity building Friday evening, April Smith, and Mrs. Earl Godfrey. (3) 29, at 7:30. The demonstration is The committee on Better Govern- sponsored by the Marion Garden ment includes Otis Broyhill, chair- Club and the public is cordially in-

### Through Friday At The Baptist Church

The revival meeting at the First tendance.

in their classes. Bobby Ricks, French Baptist church, M. O. Owens, Jr., Route 2, died in a hospital at New-"Good" rating with his oboe. The as the preacher. The meeting con- held at St. Timothy Lutheran church

#### Mrs. R. H. Holler Claimed By Death Mrs. Junie Isabell Holler, 71, wife

tests next Monday.

quency of 1250 kilocycles.

of Robert H. Holler of Conover, ton Monday night after an illness of two weeks. Funeral services were

WBRM Goes On The

Air Monday, May 9

Radio Station WBRM will begin

regular broadcasting on Monday,

May 9 at 6:00 A. M. All the equip-

ment is now here and installation

will be completed this week, accord-

will be ready for the equipment

WBRM will operate on a fre-

Surviving are the husband, two Robert Holler of Erwin, Tenn., three sisters and one grandchild.

### Wind Upsets Boat, Marion Fisherman Drowns In Lake

Dr. Maier To Speak At Lutheran Church Here Tuesday Night



Half of Marion turned up in Mor-seven safeties from Charles Parlier,

Marion jumped into an early lead in the first inning. This ended the Duncan was superb from his first scoring until the first frame of the

> Only one error was charged against the Marauders during the Lutheran Laymen's League. On

The line score is as follows:

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David H. Poteat, 28, a G. I. farm trainee, was drowned Sunday afternoon about 12:30 in Lake James when his fishing boat capsized due

to gusty winds. Sheriff C. M. Pool said Poteat was near Conley's Mill, about a mile All singers are invited to attend. from the C. C. & O. railway bridge when the accident occurred.

Sheriff Pool said Owens and Smith were rescued by Oren Dillingger, who brought a motorboat to the scene when he heard cries for help. Poteat's body was recovered Mon-

day shortly before noon. Coroner S. J. Westmoreland termed the death

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 3 p. m. in Chapel Hill Baptist Dr. Walter A. Maier, speaker over Minnie Poteat, Thomas, J. Cephus, and is being spent for the benefit at Hallowe'en, Christmas, Valenthe International Lutheran Hour, J. Morphew, J. LaFayette, Charlie, of the school, not counting money tine, and Easter. A piano was given the world's most widespread broad-land G. P. Poteat, Jr., Mrs. Dallas raised by Room Representatives, the Music department. High School cast, will appear in person at a Lu- Owens, Mrs. John Duncan, Mrs. Ja- which, altogether, would total a- parties in the Gym provided by theran Hour Rally in Asheville's mes Condrey, and Mrs. E. C. Huff- round \$300.00. city auditorium on Sunday, May 1, man, all of Marion and vicinity, Miss at 3:30; and in Marion on Tuesday, Dorothy Poteat of Cleveland, Tenn., any report at this time is incomplete, ment. PTA scrapbook kept. Fought Sammy Bell's Morganton Aggies by running a player across the plate May 3, at 7:30 at St. Matthe v's Lu- Albert Poteat of Washington, D. C., but the window display points up "The Smell". (Elementary School Mrs. Arrie Hewitt of Bridgewater, the following as highlights of the wash rooms.) Equipped a First-Aidand Frank Poteat of Spindale.

### For PTA

A movie is planned for the en- 300. Primary typewriter given by Maier will be guests of the local high school auditorium on Tuesday ed for the Home Economics departlaymen's league, of which Francis evening, May 3, at 8 o'clock. This ment. School amplifyer repaired at Batteries: Marion, Duncan to half million dollars a year. A large bigger crowds at PTA meetings, and tral clock was placed in Elementary Hericinak, 2B, Beam, Erooks (2), Christians of all denominations. themselves of this solution to the Hallowe'en Carnival brought possibility of employing a religious baby-sitting problem.

### 11 Candidates Seeking Posts eer. Erection of the 210 foot tower On Town Board

Legislature Adjourns

After Enacting More

Than 1,300 New Laws

will be conducted Monday morning, TOWN ELECTION \_\_\_ no head The biennial town election to ter building and tower is located on choose a mayor and five aldermen the Roy Curtis Dairy farm on old for two-year terms will be held at the court house in Marion next Mon-The new studio equipment was in- day.

stalled this week in the studios and There are eleven candidates for the five seats on the board of alder- legislature in history. . offices in the Lonon building and men. Mayor J. W. Streetman, Jr., who is seeking re-election for a propriations totaling more than third term, however, has no oppo- \$500,000,000, and they authorized

> tween the three incumbents and roads and to help counties in buildeight other candidates. Those in the ing schools. race are: D. Pat Davis, C. Frank (Continued on last page)

#### Marion PTA Meeting near Hickory Wednesday afternoon Tuesday Night, May 3

sons, C. O. Holler of Marion and Central PTA on May 3 will be the levied except for the contingent last meeting of the school year. The boost in the gasoline levy. program will feature a report of the Eugene Cross, Jr., vice president, was defeated. Mrs. John Setzer, secretary, and Mrs. Wayne Suttle, treasurer.

The meeting will take place at 8

#### Singing Convention

The First Sunday singing convention at Bethel Methodist church, ers. fishing with Dallas Owens, Poteat's four miles south of Old Fort, will brother-in-law, and Raymond Smith be held next Sunday at 2 o'clock. battles was waged over Governor

Raleigh, April 23.—The 1949 General Assembly completed its work late today after 94 days of deliberations. It was the fourth-longest session in state history.

The legislature, whose celiberations were marked by frequent disagreements among themselves and with Governor Scott, wrote more than 1,300 new laws on the books.

Most of these were local measures applying only to a single county or city, but many of them were statewide and will affect every person in the state.

Although the General Assembly did not do as much for school teachers as the House and Governor Scott wanted, it authorized the spending of more money than any

The lawmakers made direct apelections on issuing some \$250,000,-The contest for aldermen lies be- 000 in bonds for building rural

To meet these appropriations the Goldsmith and Edward H. Rowe, in-legislature authorized spending of cumbents; Clinton H. Norris, Otis L. more than \$120,000,000 in surplus-Broyhill, M. W. Gordon, Joseph L. funds and all the revenues the Stateexpects to collect in the next biennium. Legislature leaders said thateven so, the budget was out of bal-

Although Governor Scott said the spending program should be met by The monthly meeting of Marion increased taxes, no new taxes were

As a matter of fact the biennial year's work by the out-going presi- revenue measure called for a redent, Mrs. Sam Yancey and the in- duction in taxes of about \$1,000,000 stallation of the newly-elected of- a year. Legislation to remove the ficers of the organization for the sales tax from meals served in rescoming year. These officers are: taurants, which would have cost Mrs. S. W. Blanton, president, Mrs. the State about \$3,000,000 a year

The biennial appropriations bill which was passed on the last day of the session, calls for spending a reo'clock in the high school audi- cord \$427,000,000 to operate States agencies, institutions and public schools during the next biennium.

This would provide a 20 per cent pay increase for State workers and about 28 per cent for school teach-

One of the bitterest legislative (Continued on page 6)

### Highlights Year's Work Marion P.-T.A. In Window Display

church with Rev. Mr. Huff officiat- PTA work by the Marion Central for room needs. Fathers were ining and Rev. R. M. Williams assist- School Organization is represented cluded in Room Representatives Oring. Burial was in Hoover cemetery. visibly in a window display current- ganization. Two radio programs Surviving are the widow, Mrs. ly to be seen in Gordon's Furniture given over WBBO. Attendance at Dorothy Effler Poteat, and an infant Store. This exhibit of the outstand- PTA meetings increased. Movies enson, Dennis David; the parents, Mr. ing projects and accomplishments tertained kiddles during PTA meetand Mrs. G. Posey Poteat; eight sis- of the PTA this year points out the ings. PTA worked for school legisters and nine brothers, Betty and fact that \$1033.00 has been raised lation. Parents helped with parties

Work is still going forward, so

Achieved a paid-up membership of for Classroom Teacher's Banquet.

A record year of achievement in | was given each elementary teacher room representatives.

\$83.50 raised with a card tournayear's w rk up to the present time: room. Worked on draperies and pro-A cake was given as door prize at vided black-out curtains for audieach PTA meeting. A "Suggestion torium. Organized Community Box" was provided. Room represen- council. "Womanless Fashion Retatives Organization f o r m e d. view" cleared \$189.00. Decorated

#### CONGREGATIONAL MEET SET FOR NEXT SUNDAY

There will be a congregational meeting at the close of the morning service at the First Presbyterian church next Sunday to consider the \$642.87 into PTA treasury. \$30.00 educational worker for the summer.

#### vited to attend. (Continued on last page) Duncan Hurls One-Hitter For Marion In First Game Monday

ganton Monday night to see the op- who went the route and delivered ening game in the Western Caro- a good game for Bell's coharts, delina Baseabll League between Mar-spite the six run score chalked up ion and Morganton. Higgins Dun- against him. Long John Beam, can on the hill for Johnny Lanning's rookie first baseman, paced the Ma-Marion Marauders, opened the seas- rauders at the plate with three hits on with a bang, as he came within out of four trips. Brooks, short-stop, two outs of registering a no-hit, no- came in for second honors with two run game for the Marauders. It was bingles to his credit. a no-run game as the locals blanked

pitch to his last as he whiffed elev- sixth when the locals claimed two en opposing batsmen. For eight in- additional scores, which was follownings he and his team mates sent ed by one run in each succeeding inthe Aggies back to their benches. In ning. the last half of the ninth inning, with one man away, Arthur Wrozier, Morganton left fielder, lined Dun- game, as both the infield and out- Tuesday, when Dr. Maier speaks at tainment of kiddles during the PTA room representatives of Primary can's first pitched ball for a double field gave Duncan excellent sup- St. Matthew's church, he and Mrs. meeting to be held in the Marion grades. A mix-master was purchasto short left field, but was stranded port. on second as Duncan fanned the next man and forced the last one Marion \_\_\_\_ 100 002 111-671 Nichols is president. The cost of the project of the attendance commit- a cost of \$20.00. Slip-covers in to pop to second. At no time during Morganton \_\_ 000 000 000 000 000 Hutheran Hour is about one and a tee is planned in the interest of teachers' room were cleaned. A centhe game did an Aggie player advance beyond second base and this Burnette; Morganton, Parlier to part of this sum is contributed by it is hoped that parents will avail building. honor was few and far between.

Marion was able to gather only

DR. WALTER MAIER

theran church. The audience for Dr. Mair's gospel message is estimated at between 10,000,000 and 20,000,000 every Baby Sitters

The Lutheran Hour has been sponsored from the beginning by the

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