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## McDowell County's Winning Fair Exhibit On Display At Gordon Furniture Company

McDowell County's 4-H exhibit which won first place at N. C. State Fair last week is being reproduced in the display window of Gordon Furniture and Appliance Company this week.

The exhibit features two baseball teams representing a well nourished team and a poorly nourished team. The plywood men have mechanical devices which enable them to make lifelike motions.

## Three McDowell Girls Receive Statewide Recognition

Outstanding among McDowell county 4-H club girls are three who have recently received county and state recognition, says Miss Ruby Lee Kiser, assistant home demonstration agent for the N. C. State College Extension service. The three girls are Dorcas Wilkerson, Ruby Hollifield and Marilyn Brinkley.

Dorcas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Wilkerson of Route 2, Marion, along with her co-worker, Charles Burgin, recently received checks for \$10 each as the county winners in the floor sanding and floor finishing demonstrations. These youngsters have been learning how to operate the sander, how to finish floors, and how to care for the floor, and how to care for linoleum and asphalt tile floors. In an effort to spread the knowledge to other homes of the county they have been demonstrating these points by actually sanding and refinishing floors.

### DRESS CONTEST

The McDowell county winner in the dress contest this year was Ruby Hollifield who also represented the county at the state dress review in Marion. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reid Hollifield of Route 3, Marion.

Ruby has not only done outstanding work in her clothing projects, Continued on next page)

## Funeral Rites For Mrs. Gragg Held Last Sunday

Mrs. Martha Lewis Gragg, 60, wife of Garfield A. Gragg, resident of Marion, route 2, died Saturday morning after a brief illness.

Funeral services were conducted in Bethel Baptist church at 4 p. m. Monday by the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Greene. Burial was in the church cemetery.

She is survived by the husband, four daughters, and six sons; Hoyt Gragg and Mrs. Mary Pyatt of the home, Warren G. Gragg of RFD 2, Mrs. Henry Lanford of Atlanta; Mrs. Manley H. Cook of Concord; Mrs. C. C. Stacey of Rutherfordton, M-Sgt. Lloyd Gragg of U. S. Army, Germany, James F. Gragg of High Point, Ralph E. Gragg of Woodbury, N. J., and Ben Gragg of Spindale; 13 grandchildren, and two brothers, William and Edward Lewis of Old Fort.

## Sunday School To Be Formed at Carson's Chapel

Sunday School will begin at Carson's Chapel Methodist church located on the Buck Creek Road Sunday, October 30, at 10: a. m. Morning worship will follow at 11 a. m., as announced by the pastor Rev. A. Lealon Lytle.

The Melodeers Quartet will present special music at the morning worship and the pastor has a special message planned. Also the doors of the church will be opened if anyone wishes to join.

A welcome is extended to anyone to worship there and join in some group. There is morning worship each second and fourth Sunday morning at 10 a. m. Everyone is invited to attend this special service.

## THERE MAY BE MONEY IN YOUR FUTURE

Want to find some money you didn't know you had? You might do just that by reading page eight of the Progress this week.

There are a number of unclaimed witness fees in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court. The name, the claimant and the amount are listed on page eight of this week's Progress. If you find your name there, you can collect the stated amount from Dysart Martin, clerk superior court.

## HORTON FUNERAL TO BE HELD THIS AFTERNOON

Herbert Leroy Horton, 46, died at a Columbia Hospital Tuesday afternoon.

Funeral services will be conducted at West Marion Methodist church today (Thursday) at two o'clock by Rev. P. L. Smith. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

He is survived by two sisters and four brothers: Ben F., R. Vincent, Mrs. W. M. Conley and Mrs. Walter T. Noblitt, all of West Marion; John W. of East Orange, N. J. and Millard M. of Morristown, Tenn.

Remains will lie in state in the church at McCall's Funeral Home until noon. From one until two o'clock the remains will lie in state at the church.

## Gift Shop Opened In Hotel Building

The new Gift Shop which opened in the Hotel James room formerly occupied by the Queen City Bus Station, reported a good opening day last Saturday.

Mrs. Frances Adkins and W. B. Gibbs, Jr., own and operate the new business. They invite the public to come in and look over the displays.

## Wildlife Theme Of Address At Rotary Meet

WILDLIFE THEME . . . 24 s c P-1 Dwight Rivers, supervisor of the eighth district, explained the work, aims and objectives of the Wildlife Commission to the Marion Rotary club at its luncheon meeting Friday.

Explaining the set up of the Commission, he said it is doing a good job and wildlife is on the increase in his state. Wildlife is important to the business man as well as the hunter or fisherman, he said, because more than one hundred million dollars was spent in North Carolina on hunting and fishing last year. This included amounts spent for shells, guns, clothes and other equipment.

Citing one way in which business men could play a part in promoting good sportsmanship, he suggested (Continued on last page)

## ROAMING JOHN THE BLACK BEAR STOPS ROAMING

Roaming John, the black bear who frequently roamed through Linville, North Cove and other parts of western North Carolina, won't roam any more. He wasn't disturbed last week when Carl Freeman, of Edneyville, shot him four times with a .22.

But when Freeman called W. B. (Bill) Gibbs at 4:30 a. m., last Wednesday to bring his dogs and come with him to go roving after "Roaming," his days were numbered—to one day, that is. Before night he stopped his roaming for all time.

He was shot with a 30-30 on Broad River. Speaking of Broad, John was a broad minded fellow. He measured 15 inches between his ears, but then he weighed 520 (Continued on last page)

## Rotarians Set The Date For Farmers Night

Farmers' Night will be observed on December 2 by the Marion Rotary club, according to announcement last week.

This annual observance is the occasion for awarding the prizes to 4-H youth for outstanding yields in corn production.

## Red Cross Bloodmobile Visits Cross Mill Tuesday

## Mrs. Ollie Jenkins Dies Monday; Funeral Tuesday

Mrs. Ollie Jenkins, 70, widow of Elijah Jenkins, died at her home Marion, route 2, Monday after a brief illness.

Funeral services were conducted at the home Wednesday afternoon and burial was in the family plot in Oak Grove cemetery.

She is survived by four sons and two daughters, Troy Jenkins of Marion, route 2, Roy Jenkins and Mrs. Lela Wright of Clinchfield, Charles Jenkins of East Marion, Mrs. Louise Barnes of Hickory and Walter Clark of Waynesville; 21 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; one brother, Mitchell Clark of Waynesville.

E. C. Carnes, new president, presided over the luncheon meeting of the Civitan club last Thursday. Business of a routine nature was transacted.

## MARION KIWANIS CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

### Perkins Named President; W. G. Wiatt, Vice-President

### POLICE CHIEF ISSUES WARNING FOR HALLOWE'EN

Chief of Police D. W. Smith issues warning this week that Hallowe'en must be celebrated in a modern, orderly manner.

"It used to be the practice to damage property, remove porch chairs and commit many pranks, but we haven't had much trouble of this kind since I have urged orderly celebrations," Smith said.

"I am reminding everyone that removing or damaging property belonging to someone else is a violation of the law and anyone committing such acts are subject to prosecution."

S. R. (Dick) Perkins was elected president of the Marion Kiwanis club for the year 1950 at the regular weekly meeting of the Marion Kiwanis club held in the community building Tuesday evening.

W. G. Wiatt was elected vice president to serve with Perkins during 1950.

The new Board of Directors of the Kiwanis club were elected as follows: R. W. Twitty, Coleen Wright, I. A. McLain, Dr. R. S. McCall, Cato Holler, E. P. Dameron, Francis Bradsher, Ray Cline and Lee Conley. The incoming Board of Directors will meet at an early date and elect a secretary-treasurer for the organization.

The elections committee was composed of Vernon Eckerd, Hugh Beam, W. G. Wiatt, R. W. Twitty and Dr. B. A. Dickson.

The regular program of the club was dispensed with in order that the vote for new officers could be tabulated and announced before the close of the meeting.

## Hallowe'en Carnivals Planned By Local Schools

### McDOWELL 4-H'ERS WIN FIRST PLACE AT STATE FAIR

McDowell county, with an exhibit on nutrition, walked off with top honors in the white 4-H Club division of the North Carolina State Fair in Raleigh last week.

The county received a cash prize of \$300. Second place honors and a prize of 250 went to Lenoir county, with a display showing fourfold development in room improvement; and third place and \$225 was awarded to Union County, with an exhibit entitled "Grading Eggs for Market."

Other exhibits, which were not rated competitively, received \$200 each in cash. There were: Watauga county, sheep production; Catawba, dairying; Rockingham, soil conservation; Greene, pork production. (Continued on last page)

Hallowe'en should be a gay season for boys and girls this year when plans of local Parent-Teacher associations and other school groups materialize.

Believing that young people have a right to expect holiday entertainment and yet wanting to prevent the destruction of property, plans have been made more elaborate this year than ever before.

Announcements received from various schools this week are as follows:

### MARION HIGH

Marion High School will be the scene of a Hallowe'en Carnival next Monday night with the Parent-Teacher association as sponsor. The time is set for seven o'clock, Monday night, October 31. For a number of years the Hallowe'en Carnival has been one of the major event projects of the Parent-Teacher Organization.

Following discussions at Executive Board Meetings, Grade Mother Meetings, Teachers' meetings and Meetings of the Budget and Finance Committee, in an effort to incorporate the wishes of all interested groups, and acting on wishes expressed by parents regarding the "King and Queen Contest," the pro- (Continued on last page)

## FUNERAL RITES FOR H. S. BROWN HELD MONDAY

Funeral services for Henry Seawell Brown, 74, of Ashford, were conducted in Concord Methodist church last Monday. Rev. H. D. Jessup assisted by Dr. Carl McMurray officiated and burial was in the Brown family cemetery.

He was born May 10, 1875, entered Davidson Military College at the age of 17 and remained two years. He married Mary Jane English, December 31, 1895.

He joined the Concord Methodist church when he was 15 and for years was superintendent of the Sunday School. He was a Mason for years, discontinuing his membership when he could no longer attend meetings.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary English Brown, two daughters, Miss Beatrice of the home and Mrs. G. G. Moore of Ashford, five sons, Dewey, Rhom, Hudson and Gene of Ashford, Jack of Marion; one brother, Benjamin C. Brown of Covington, Kentucky, and nine grandchildren.

## PRINCIPAL NAMED FOR HUDGINS HIGH; TEACHER ADDED

D. A. Horne has succeeded F. M. Beaver as principal of Hudgins School, H. F. Beam, superintendent of Marion City Schools, announced this week. Paul Dusenburg, of Asheville, has also been added to the faculty.

Horne, who was already a member of the faculty, assumed the duties of principal last Thursday.

In making the announcement Superintendent Beam said: "Both these men come highly recommended and have had a number of years of experience. Their experience includes terms at Stevens Lee High School in Asheville, a senior high school."

## Building Permits Issued By Town

Building permits have been issued by the Town of Marion during the past week as follows:

John W. Setzer for a brick business building on North Logan street. Cost was estimated at \$33,000.

Davis and Workman a composition, frame office building on West Henderson street. Cost estimated at \$250.

C. E. Anthony, concrete block, business building on East Court street. Cost estimated at \$3,000.

## Corbett Supply Pastor At Stanley

Rev. R. I. Corbett is serving as supply pastor at the Bruington Memorial Baptist church at Stanley, N. C.

Rev. Corbett will serve in this capacity until a regular pastor for the church is obtained.

## Eugene Cross P. T. A. Will Meet Thursday

The Eugene Cross P. T. A. will meet at the school Thursday, October 27, at 2:45. A large crowd is expected.

## Holler's Being Converted Into Self-Service Market

A remodeling program is underway at Holler's Market to convert the store into a Self-Service market. The interior of the building is being redecorated and most of the equipment will be replaced with modern and efficient fixtures. There will also be a new type of flooring.

The new system will allow customers the opportunity of waiting on themselves, but the delivery service will be continued. Cato Holler, owner, said. Telephone orders will be accepted or orders may be left with the clerks to be filled.

The very newest system of lighting, a recent improvement over the original fluorescent type, will be installed.

Holler said he hopes to have the entire program completed by December.

## Funeral Services For D. W. Toney Held Last Friday

Dock Williams Toney, 77, former resident of the Nebo section, died early Thursday morning at the home of his son, Dan W. Toney of Marion.

Funeral services were conducted Friday at 2 p. m., in Harmony Grove Baptist church by the Rev. Millard Hall and the Rev. Ebb Wheeler. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving, in addition to the son, are three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Mirgan of Marion, RFD 2; Mrs. Lawrence Sparks of East Marion and Mrs. Mac Wyatt of Canton; a sister, Mrs. David Anderson of Marion, RFD 1; two brothers, Jack Toney of Nebo and Ed Toney of Nebo; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.