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SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Arrival and Departure of Trains
at Marion, N. C.

No. 36—Eastbound	5:33 am
No. 15—Westbound	6:47 am
No. 22—Eastbound	11:50 am
No. 11—Westbound	12:20 pm
No. 12—Eastbound	4:12 pm
No. 21—Westbound	4:53 pm
No. 16—Eastbound	6:29 pm
No. 35—Westbound	1:25 am

Charleston Division

36—Rock Hill-Marion, ar. 11:45 am
35—Marion-Rock Hill, lv. 4:17 pm
Phone 64 for Job Printing.

LAND FOR SALE

Take notice that under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed by T. L. Nichols and wife Hattie Nichols and Grady Nichols and wife Mabel Nichols, which deed of trust is dated September 19, 1928, and recorded in book 31 at page 100, McDowell County deed of trust records, and conveys to the undersigned as trustee for the Old Fort Building and Loan Association the lands therein and hereinafter described as security for an indebtedness therein described, there having been default in the payment of the said indebtedness as in said deed of trust provided, the undersigned will, for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, on Tuesday, June 9, 1931, at 12:00 noon, at the court house door in Marion, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following described lands:

That certain lot in the town of Old Fort, N. C., known as the Goodrum lot and being lot No. 1 in Block L of Colyer's map of the Town of Old Fort, N. C., which map is recorded in Map Book one at page 129A of McDowell County Map Records, and being the same land described in a deed from Paul McCasles to T. L. Nichols and Grady Nichols, dated June 14, 1928, and recorded in Book 73 at page 551, McDowell County Deed Records, reference to which deed and map is here made for more specific description.

Said sale will be for cash and subject to confirmation by the Court This May 7th, 1931.

F. M. BRADLEY, Trustee.

LAND FOR SALE

Take notice that under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain deed of trust executed by M. E. Greene and wife Dora Greene to the undersigned as trustee for The Old Fort Building & Loan Association, dated June 25, 1927, and recorded in Book 31 at page 67, McDowell County Deed of Trust Records, conveying to the undersigned as trustee the lands therein and hereinafter described as security for an indebtedness therein described, there having been default in the payment of said indebtedness according to the provisions of said deed of trust, the undersigned will, for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness, on Tuesday, June 9, 1931, at 12:00 Noon at the courthouse door in Marion, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder, the following described lands:

That certain tract of land lying and being in Marion Township, McDowell County, N. C., near what is known as Stroudtown, and being those two tracts of land described in a deed from Mrs. A. G. Hadley to M. E. Green and wife Dora Green, which deed is dated April 23, 1927, and recorded in Book 72 at page 547 McDowell County Deed Records, to which deed reference is here made for further description.

The terms of said sale are cash and subject to confirmation by the Court. This May 7, 1931.

F. M. BRADLEY, Trustee.

LAND FOR SALE

Take notice that whereas on the 31st day of August, 1929, Mrs. Estelle Hennessa and husband, John Hennessa, executed and delivered to J. W. Winborne, Trustee, for the benefit of the Home Building & Loan Association of Marion, North Carolina, a certain deed of trust recorded in Book 26 at page 241 of McDowell County Mortgage Deed Records, conveying the lands therein and hereinafter described as security for an indebtedness therein described, which deed of trust provided for sale by foreclosure in the event of default in payment of the said indebtedness as therein provided, and

Whereas, there has been default in the payment of said indebtedness and demand has been made upon the undersigned Trustee by the said association to sell land under the terms of said deed of trust for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness.

Therefore, the undersigned will on Saturday, the 6th day of June, 1931, at twelve o'clock noon at the courthouse door in Marion, N. C., offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness.

All that certain piece, parcel and tract of land lying and being in the County of McDowell, N. C., bounded and described as follows: Being two certain lots, 36 and 37, section B of Garden City Forest Subdivision—map of which is recorded in Map Book 1 page 147, McDowell County Map Records. And being the same property described in two certain deeds: (1) From J. H. L. Miller and wife to Mrs. Estelle Hennessa dated 2nd day of October, 1926, and recorded in Book 74 page 81 McDowell County Deed Records, and (2) From J. H. L. Miller and wife to Mrs. Estelle Hennessa, dated the 29 day of August, 1929, and duly filed for registration.

The terms of the sale will be cash subject to confirmation by the court. This the 4th day of May, 1931.

J. W. WINBORNE, Trustee.

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BUSINESS PITFALLS IN FARM DISTRICTS

Bankers Point Out Hazards of Unsound Practices and Help Farmers to Avoid Them.

WAYS in which bankers may discourage unsound farm practices are described by President F. D. Farrell of the Kansas State Agricultural College in the American Bankers Association Journal. He says:

"In Kansas in connection with the importation of dairy cattle, a large shipment of very inferior animals came into a county to be sold at auction to local farmers. The county agricultural agent informed the bankers that the cattle would be a detriment to the community. The bankers refused to finance the purchase of the cattle and the sale was abandoned. The cattle were shipped to another county. The county agent and the bankers there did as was done in the first instance and the second county escaped.

"A year ago creamery promoters began trying to capitalize the Kansas farmers' desire to improve his markets by inducing communities of farmers to purchase creamery plants before production and local conditions justified them. Informed of this by the State Agricultural College, the bankers association sent warnings to every bank in the state, leading many to refuse to support the creamery promoters until the college approved the plant for the community concerned. This saved many communities loss from the premature establishment of plants.

"A third way bankers can discourage unsound practices is to refuse to finance farmers who wish to pyramid their enterprises, a temptation difficult to resist. This is illustrated among farmers who buy cattle for feeding purposes. A farmer feeds two or three cars of cattle one year and makes a good profit. This induces him to buy twice or three times as many the second year, still more the third and so on until he finally loses more by having too many cattle on feed in a year of bad prices than he made in several previous years with smaller numbers and better prices. When bankers discourage bad practices their action is a positive benefit to the farmers concerned."

WHAT A KEY BANKER DID FOR HIS COUNTY

The farmers of one county in Tennessee are receiving \$400,000 additional annual income from new farm enterprises started since 1926 through the efforts of a "key banker" and the county agent, according to estimates from the Tennessee College of Agriculture. A "key banker" is a part of the state bankers' association voluntary field force cooperating with the American Bankers Association in its nationwide plan for bringing about better agricultural conditions through combined banker-farmer effort. New projects started in this particular county are tobacco, Irish potato and cabbage production for cash crops, and dairying and poultry raising for livestock.

The key banker, looking for something to do to better his community, first attempted to procure a county agent but was unable to get the county to make the necessary appropriation, so he and other leading citizens made up the requisite funds through private subscription among farmers and business men and an agent was employed.

Up until 1926 grain was the principal farm production in the county. The banker recognized the disadvantages of this. It afforded a low cash income, and the land was too hilly and rough for profitable grain raising. His idea was to introduce cash crops that offered more return per acre and were better fitted to the county. It was decided that the county should standardize on the Green Mountain potato and to market it in carload lots. Through his bank he sponsored the buying of a car of certified seed potatoes. He likewise bought some high quality tobacco seed and several hundred settings of purebred eggs. These supplies were distributed at cost through the banks to the farmers.

After considerable effort a market for dairy products was assured the farmers when in 1928 a national cheese company located a factory there. A county appropriation was secured for county agent work in 1928.

In 1929 the cash crop program resulted in farmers selling \$45,000 worth of milk, \$150,000 worth of tobacco and fifty-five carloads of potatoes and cabbage, mostly through cooperative sales. "This was some step from the \$25,000 worth of cash crops in 1926," the county agent says, "and indications are that this amount will be doubled."

Banks Favor Diversification

Emphasis was placed on the strategic position the banker holds through the use of directed credit at a recent meeting of the Alabama bankers' agricultural committee. Alabama is confronted with the problem of over-production of cotton. The committee recommended to banks that credit be extended on the basis of a twenty-five per cent reduction in cotton acreage. The value of growing other crops than cotton was strongly stressed and county outlook meetings are being planned with the thought of bringing about a more balanced agricultural program in the various communities.

Read the advertisements. It pays

MRS. MOORE HOSTESS TO S. SCHOOL CLASS

The Gleaners and Young Men's Class of the Methodist Church, South, were entertained at the home of Mrs. Geo. E. Moore Thursday evening. For the occasion the house was artistically arranged with vases of flowers. In the entrance hall spring flowers gave a cheerful note of color.

Music was furnished by the school orchestra, directed by Miss Kathryn McCall.

At the conclusion of the games, the hostess presented Miss Mildred McDade, teacher of the Gleaners Class, who will leave Saturday for her home in Boone to spend the summer vacation, with a lovely picture and vase.

Those assisting the hostess in serving delicious refreshments, consisting of lemonade, cakes and home made candy to the sixty-five guests, were: Mrs. Horace Early, Mrs. J. L. Rayle, Mrs. Hugh Hensley, Misses Annabelle Noblitt, Helen Nesbitt, Marie Sabom and Mildred McDade.

"WHAT NEXT?"

The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by Dr. John E. Calfee of the Asheville Normal School, on Sunday night at the high school auditorium. The invocation was pronounced by Rev. M. E. Hansel of the Presbyterian church, and the scripture reading was by Rev. J. L. Rayle of the Methodist church.

Dr. Calfee's address to the graduating class of the Old Fort school was forceful and inspiring. His subject was in the form of a question, "What Next?" This question impressed on the minds of the entire audience. Dr. Calfee stressed the importance of good books or reading matter that was both informative and elevating. "Unless a love of books and the desire for more information had been created by their past years of study their time spent in the high school had been a failure," Dr. Calfee stated.

A large and appreciative audience was present on Sunday night. A solo was rendered by Miss Hazel Swann. The benediction was delivered by Rev. E. J. Ingles.

MISS McCALL'S CLASS GIVES MUSICAL RECITAL

Miss Kathryn McCall presented her pupils in recital at the high school auditorium on Monday night.

The stage was beautifully decorated with roses, which were arranged very artistically.

The program consisted of vocal and piano solos and duets, quartets, which were well rendered.

A gypsy chorus, featuring many gypsies in colorful costumes, added much to the evening's entertainment. A large crowd filled the auditorium.

MRS. H. C. FISHER HOSTESS TO NEEDLECRAFT CLUB

Mrs. Henry C. Fisher was a delightful hostess to members of the Needlecraft Club on Wednesday afternoon. Delicious refreshments were served during the meeting. Members present were: Mrs. H. C. Marley, Mrs. I. L. Caplan, Mrs. W. W. LeFevre, Mrs. G. W. Ledbetter, Mrs. D. A. Silvers, Mrs. A. V. Nolan, Miss Maude Crawford and Mrs. S. B. Smitley.

BALL GAME FRIDAY

Quite a large crowd of Old Fort people attended the ball game in Asheville on Tuesday when Old Fort high school team played the Asheville high school team. The score was 12 to 7 in favor of Asheville. Asheville will play a return game at Old Fort on Friday of this week.

MEN STILL AHEAD

The men are still running ahead in the race for membership or attendance contest, being conducted at the Baptist church at Old Fort.

Col. D. W. Adams and son, accompanied by A. N. Fuller and friends from Spruce Pine, spent Wednesday night at Mile Hi and enjoyed some trout fishing before returning to Old Fort Thursday.

When the Old Fort High School baseball team met Asheville High on Tuesday at McCormick Field, the afternoon's game resulted in a score of 12-9 in favor of the Asheville nine.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Mauney, who left by motor for Fort Worth, Texas, a short time ago, arrived at their destination after four days travel and are much pleased with their new location.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL ITEMS OF INTEREST

Hugh Noell was in Old Fort on Tuesday.

Mrs. Teague spent Friday in Asheville.

Miss Elva Noblitt was in Asheville Wednesday.

Mrs. W. W. LeFevre was in Asheville Tuesday.

Mrs. Geo. Moore spent Wednesday in Asheville.

Misses Millie and Bula Kanipe were in Nebo Sunday.

P. H. Mashburn was a visitor in Asheville on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Nolan were in Old Fort Sunday evening.

Mrs. Geo. W. Sandlin was a visitor in Asheville on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Haynes spent the week-end in Asheville.

Gordon and Otis Grant motored to Davidsboro, Ga., this week.

Wilbur Turner of Cranberry was a visitor in Old Fort Saturday.

F. M. Bradley made a business trip to Charlotte last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jordan of Asheville spent Sunday in Old Fort.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nesbitt were visitors in Asheville Saturday.

Wilbur Turner of Spruce Pine was the week-end visitor of Ewart Grant.

Mrs. S. B. Smitley and Mrs. Geo. Moore were in Asheville on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Graybeal made a business trip to Marion on Monday.

Miss Blanche Finley of Marion was the week-end guest of Mrs. J. L. Lackey.

Miss Estelle Lavender, a teacher at Marion, spent the week-end at her home here.

Howard Gosorn, who has been quite ill the past week with tonsillitis is improved.

J. C. Mason and sons, Emmett and Allen, of Nebo, were visitors in Nebo Saturday.

Mrs. J. S. Bradley, Miss Maude Crawford visited relatives in Asheville on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reid Grant and Miss Mary Sue Grant were visitors in Marion on Saturday.

Colonel Adams, and Carter Hudgins of Marion, made a business trip to Burnsville Saturday.

H. E. Adkins of Raleigh stopped in Old Fort Tuesday en route to Johnson City, Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. William Barnett and family spent the week-end with relatives in Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bright of Swannanoa, stopped in Old Fort on Sunday en route to Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Greene and Miss Polly Greene of Asheville were visitors in Old Fort Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Maness and children of Marion were guests of their cousin, Miss Margaret Maness, Sunday.

Miss Mary Virginia Adams, Juanita Adams, Jessie Silvers and Hazel Swann were visitors in Marion on Saturday.

Revival services are being conducted this week at the Wesleyan church this week by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Capps.

Mrs. Susie Whitmire and daughter, Miss Olive Whitmire, of Asheville, were guests of Mrs. E. E. Epley on Sunday.

Misses Kathryn McCall, Mildred McDade, Bula and Millie Kanipe were the dinner guests of Mrs. Carl Noblitt Sunday.

Mrs. W. O. Nichols and son, who have been in Asheville for some time, returned to her home in Old Fort Saturday.

Miss Fannie Nichols, who has been working in a hospital in Trenton, N. J., for the past year, returned to her home here this week.

Miss Katherine Finch, who has been attending business school in Marion this winter, is at home for the summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Bistline and family left on Friday for Narrows, West Virginia, where they spent several days on business.

Friends of Tom Gilbert, a former resident of Old Fort, will be sorry to learn of his serious illness at his home in Black Mountain.

Miss Aleda Gilleland, nurse at Aston Park Hospital, is spending a few weeks at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Gilleland.

Mrs. Geo. Moore, Mrs. P. H. Mashburn, Miss Elva Noblitt and little Mary Louise Moore were visitors in Asheville Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Manuey attended a dinner given for the Red Cross workers of McDowell county by Mr. Beaman in Marion Thursday night.

Kimball Miller, who is employed with the State Highway Commission at Morganton, spent the week-end with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Miller.

Mrs. T. M. Jenkins, who has been the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Jenkins for the past week, returned to her home in Seneca, S. C., on Tuesday.

Miss Elaine Mashburn, student nurse at Aston Park Hospital in Asheville, is spending a two weeks' vacation with her mother, Mrs. Effie Mashburn.

Dr. E. S. Warlick of Asheville is substituting for Dr. McMullan as druggist at the Old Fort Drug Company during the latter's absence in Washington.

Mrs. J. L. Nichols and daughter Edith of Marion visited relatives here Wednesday while en route to Black Mountain to see her brother, Tom Gilbert, who is very ill.

Franz Strickland, of Lake City, S. C., spent Wednesday and Thursday in Old Fort on business, also greeting old friends. He announced the arrival at his home, of a son.

Miss Elizabeth Hansel, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Hansel, who graduated this week from Flora McDonald College, arrived in Old Fort on Friday where she will spend the summer at home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Epley, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jordan, Mrs. E. J. Burgin, Miss Addie Thompson and Edwin Epley attended the decoration day exercises at Snow Hill church at Bridgewater on Sunday.

Dr. F. H. McMullan left on Monday for Washington, D. C., where he will visit friends and relatives for the next two weeks. He will be the guest of relatives in Waverly, Va., before returning to Old Fort.

Bill Barnett, recently a student of the Curtis Wright Aviation Corps of St. Louis, Mo., is spending some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Barnett, in Old Fort. Mr. Barnett has 24 hours solo flying to his credit.

Miss Fannie McKoy, of Asheville, visited her sister, Mrs. William Barnett, on Thursday and was accompanied home by Mrs. Barnett's young daughter and son, Elizabeth and Kenneth, who are attending school in Asheville.

Mrs. Chas. Steppe attended the commencement exercises held at the Asheville Normal school on Tuesday. Miss Arwyn Steppe and Miss Nellie Allison received their diplomas at this time. Misses Steppe and Allison will return to their home in Old Fort this week.

A bumper crop of oat and vetch hay is being grown in Johnston county this year for the first time. The combination is fast gaining popularity in the county.

The Cleveland County Poultry Association plans to store their surplus eggs in cold storage for later marketing.

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