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BIG CROWD HEARD M'Lendon Monday

Thousands of People Listened to Famous Evangelist When He Preached Here Monday on "The Blood;" Sermon

"Cyclone" Mack came to Morganton Monday from Asheville, where he is conducting a meeting, and preached on the court square to a crowd that was variously estimated from three to five thousand. People were here from every section of the county and from neighboring towns. "Mack" brought along his entire party—music director, pianist, workers, etc.—and introduced them to his friends here. The evangelist said he had a very warm affection for Morganton and that everywhere he went he told folks that any town that got ahead of Morganton had to "go some."

Following his preliminary remarks he announced his text and preached a powerful sermon on "The Blood," considered by many who have heard him frequently as Mack's greatest sermon. It follows:

"When I see the blood I will pass over you."—Exodus 12:13.

There was a famine in Canaan and Jacob and his children immigrated to Egypt, and lived there for hundreds of years. Things went well until Joseph died and Pharaoh died and there arose a king that knew not Joseph. He made the Israelites make brick without straw, and bared their backs to the last of the taskmasters, and they had been compelled to submit to all the barbarities and cruelties that a powerful and heartless nation could inflict upon those who were their vassals and slaves.

God had told Joseph that He would come and lead them out. Generation after generation had been born, matured to manhood and womanhood, developed into age, and still God had not come, until I have imagined that the people had begun to think that tradition was mistaken or that God had forgotten and that He would leave them forever to be the slaves of their masters, but our God never forgets. In their grief they cried

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IMMEDIATE ROAD BUILDING IN STATE

Highway Commission Has Al- ready Approved More Than \$18,000,000 Worth To Be Built At Once.

The Raleigh News and Observer carries the encouraging news that immediate construction on 482 miles of roads in North Carolina, costing over \$7,000,000, has been ordered by the State Highway commission, and much of the road will be completed and put into service before the end of the summer. Every district in the State and almost every county in the State, is included in the list of projects approved for immediate construction.

Altogether the commission has approved the building of more than 18 million dollars worth of road, with a total of more than 1,000 miles, since reorganization was effected following the enactment of new road legislation by the last session of the General Assembly. Limitations of material supply and construction forces make it necessary to give some roads preference.

As nearly as possible, construction will proceed simultaneously in each of the nine districts, with an equalized distribution of State money. Many of the counties in the State have come in under the Guilford-Forsyth resolution and in some instances this fact gives on district a larger immediate-mileage than others. Particularly in this so, of the Sixth district, which will complete the Charlotte-Statesville road, hard surfaced for 43 miles, at a cost of approximately \$2,290,000.

Under the Guilford-Forsyth resolution counties desiring immediate work on roads may build them under the direct supervision of the State, the contracts being let by the State, and the counties paying. Later the State will reimburse the county at its own convenience, when bonds are sold or other funds available. Many of the counties have come in under that arrangement, which makes it possible the immediate construction of many roads.

Construction has been distributed in so far as possible, to bring the whole State within communication. Many projects were let several weeks ago, after the second session of the commission here, and are not included in the list of roads laid out for immediate building. Work on many of them is already under way.

Wide difference in cost as between east and west districts have developed on account of grading and availability of material. In the east an excellent gravel road is being built at an approximate cost of \$5,000 to \$7,000 per mile, while in the west the same type of road costs a minimum of \$10,000. In the east the cost of a mile of hard surface road is approximately the same as the cost of the same road in west, despite the heavy grading in the latter. Because of the fact that rock and other material is available on the spot or very near.

LOCAL BRIEFS IN AND AROUND TOWN

Short Items of Local and Personal Interest Gathered During the Week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bradley moved this week in the home of the late Col. Manly McDowell.

The Sunday school class of Mrs. E. A. Kirksey enjoyed a picnic to Presnell's mill on Tuesday.

Isaac Montrose, 2nd, is the name of the little son born yesterday to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Taylor.

Guy Cottrell, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Cottrell, continues desperately ill, we regret to learn.

Brick is being hauled this week and work will begin immediately on the remodeling of Lazarus Bros. store.

We are glad to learn that Miss Gladys Spencer who had her tonsils removed at Grace Hospital last week, is getting along nicely.

Miss Pearl Hoover, of Marion, has accepted a position at the Burke Mills and arrived in Morganton this week and is stopping at the Patton house.

Friends in Morganton will regret to learn of the illness in Asheville of Miss Bessie Warlick. It is earnestly hoped that she will soon be able to be out again.

There will be an ice cream supper Saturday night near Vine Arden for the benefit of the new church, Hudson's chapel, which is being erected in that community.

Miss Laura Gillam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gillam, was operated on at the Virginia hospital in Richmond last week. We are glad to learn that she is getting along nicely.

The Y. W. A. of the First Baptist church met Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Mary Smith. After the program Miss Smith assisted by Miss Helen Howard served cake, candy and ice cream.

Attention is called to the correction this week of a typographical error in the town tax notice last week. Town tax for 1920 (not 1921, as printed last week) will be advertised if not paid before July 1st.

All local car owners are requested to give the use of their cars to the league entertainment committee next Tuesday afternoon for about an hour, beginning at 4:30. The cars should be at the Methodist church at the hour mentioned to take the league delegates on a drive around Morganton.

The Epworth league will meet Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. A short program on "Missionary Work in South America" will be given by Miss Hortense Bridgers, after which further plans for the Epworth League conference, which is to be held in Morganton next week, will be discussed.

The attention of all water subscribers is directed to the notice in this issue requesting the practice of strict economy in the use of water. We are up against the fact that the town is short of water and until the new well now under construction is completed all must be as economical with water as possible.

Mrs. P. A. Hoke was a visitor at the News-Herald office last week and in speaking of our request to be furnished with family lists of subscribers said there are four subscriptions in her immediate family—herself, two daughters, Mrs. C. V. Jones, of Albemarle and Mrs. R. E. Tate of Knoxville, and her son, George Hoke, of Camp Meade, Md.

A wedding that will be of interest to many of our community took place at noon on Wednesday, the 8th, in Asheville. At the residence of Mr. Alex. P. Diggs, whose wife was Miss Dorothy Landis, her sister, Annie Walton, both daughters of Mrs. Hal Walton Madden, was united in holy wedlock to Mr. David F. Willis, late of Henderson county, the Rev. E. N. Joyner of Morganton officiating. After the ceremony the wedding party partook of a most inviting luncheon, by the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Diggs.

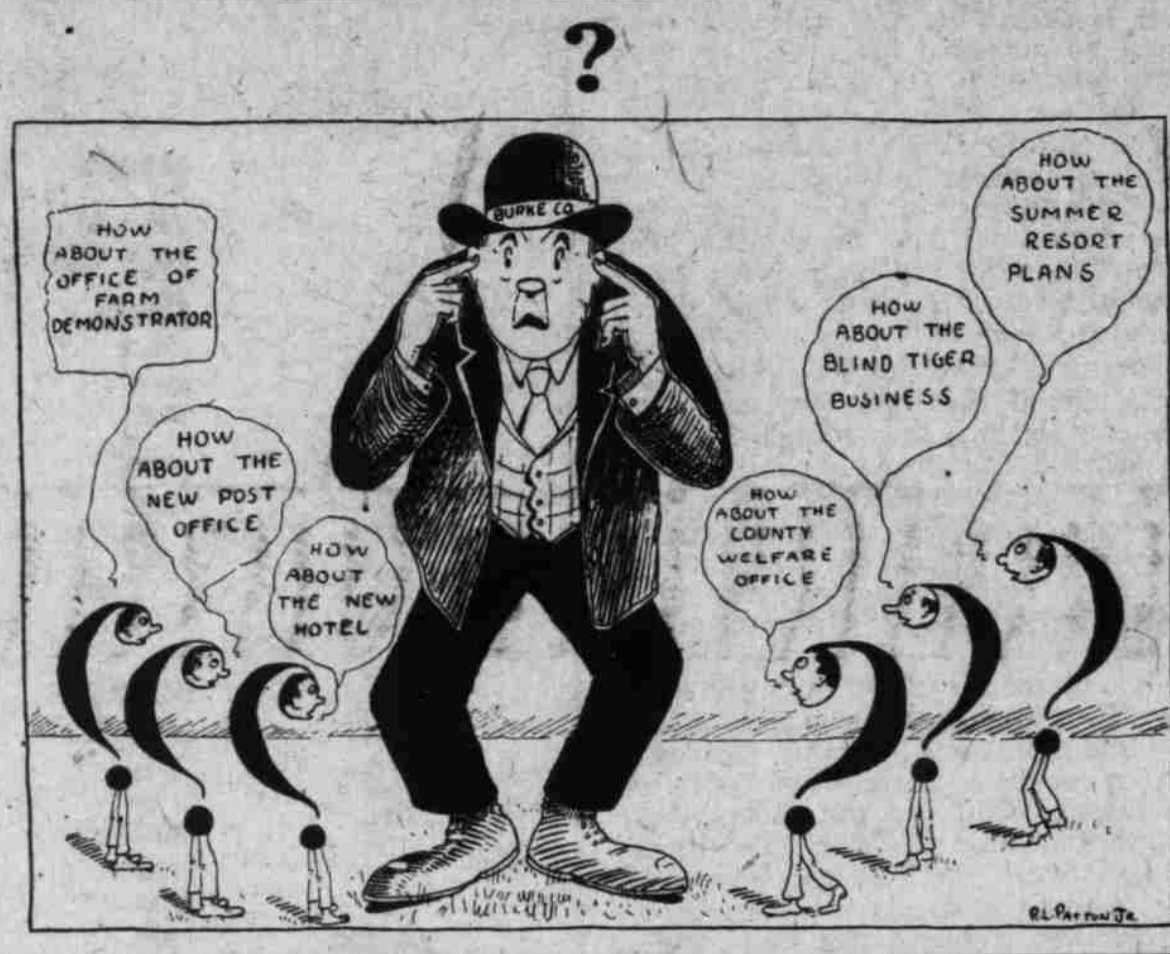
LEAGUE CONFERENCE HERE NEXT WEEK

Over Two Hundred and Fifty Young People Expected Next Week to Attend W. N. C. League Conference.

Every mail is bringing lists of delegates who will be here next week to attend the League conference at the Methodist church. More than two hundred and fifty young people representing all the larger churches and many of the smaller churches of the W. N. C. Methodist conference will be here and the meeting is expected to be one of the big events of the summer in Morganton.

The delegates will begin arriving on Monday's trains, and the program, which is printed in full elsewhere in this issue, will begin on Monday night. Among the prominent speakers will be Dr. W. K. Cunningham, a missionary from Cuba; Miss Alice Cone, field secretary of the Epworth League; Dr. F. K. McLarty, of Asheville; Dr. J. B. Craven, president of Davenport College, Lenoir, and Dr. Henry Grady Hardin, the latter to be the principal speaker Tuesday night.

A man used to be able to travel to obtain a liberal education, but with the present high railroad rates, he is obliged to attend the university.



CHILDREN BRINGING QUANTITIES OF CANS

Town Being Cleaned of Tin Cans Which Children Use For Pic- ture Show Admissions.

The tin can campaign is proving a great success and it looks now as if the town is to be rid for once in its history of all cans. On Monday night 1485 were brought to the New Theatre, Alexander Mull bringing 405 of this number and now standing the best chance of winning the prize for the largest number. Tuesday night over seventeen hundred were exchanged for picture show tickets. The children are having a great time getting up cans, delighted with the opportunity to give ten for admission to the picture show.

Mr. W. I. Davis deserves the thanks of the community for this public spirited act and it is to be hoped that the crusade against tin cans will be continued even after his generous offer closes on Thursday night.

CONTRACT LET FOR SCHOOL ADDITION

Six-Room Wing on North Side of Present Building to Be Constructed at Once; Con- tract to Mr. McGalliard

The school board has let the contract for the immediate construction of a wing on the north side of the present school building on Green street. The addition will have the same appearance from the front as the wing that was added a few years ago on the south side of the building but will contain six rooms instead of four. It will carry out the plan that was in the minds of the board when the other wing was built and will give the entire building a more symmetrical appearance.

Mr. J. M. McGalliard has the contract for the work. His bid, which was the lowest made, was \$14,764. The bid next to his was about sixteen hundred dollars; more and the highest was \$18,500.

AMERICA'S FINE SPIRIT YET LIVES SAYS HUGHES

This Country, Exemplar of Free Institutions, Will Continue To Aid Humanity.

Secretary of State Chas. E. Hughes told a gathering of his fellow alumni of Brown University yesterday that it was not desirable that America's "helpful influence should be frittered away by relating ourselves unnecessarily to political questions which involve rivalries of interest abroad with which we have no concern."

"It is equally true," he said, "that we cannot escape our responsibility in the economic settlements in Europe." He said the prosperity of this country depended upon the economic settlement in Europe.

America, the exemplar of free institutions aiding humanity, he said, called forth free endeavor in the world war. This sentiment is still with us, he added.

TOWN SHORT OF WATER

Few people realize possibly that Morganton is up against a very serious water shortage. The supply was already short and has been made even more so by the continued dry weather of the last few weeks. To have enough to go around for necessary purposes there must be strict economy. The town is requesting that just so much be used as is needful for comfort and sanitation. A new well is being driven and a pump ordered but until this work is completed the town as a whole must economize in water or some must do without.

THE OXFORD FOUNDRY

A new business to be opened within the next two weeks will be the Oxford Foundry which will be located in the old Oxford blacksmith shop below the depot. Mr. Ed Oxford will be the manager. All kinds of foundry work will be done.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS RECEIVE PENSIONS

Checks For More Than Seven Thousand Dollars to Burke Veterans and Widows.

The semi-annual pension checks for Confederate veterans and widows came yesterday and are being distributed. The total amount to be given out is \$7,710.

There are now no first-class pensioners in the county and only one in the second class. His check is \$50. Six veterans in the third class receive \$40 each and 108 in the fourth class get a total of \$3780. 104 widows will receive checks aggregating \$3640.

Each time that the checks come in the number has been thinned.

BOY SCOUTS ON CAMPING TRIP

Fifteen Boy Scouts, with Scout Master Johnston Avery and Mr. Virgil Walker, are members of a camping party at the Bridgewater lake. They left Tuesday morning and will return today or tomorrow. The boys have pitched camp near Noblett's store, on the Linville side of the lake and it goes without saying that they are having the time of their lives. The Scouts in the party are Bill Erwin, Hamp Erwin, Richard Michaux, Billy Davis, Tommy Cloutz, Peter Patton, Jake Patton, Cecil Hallyburton, Ira Duckworth, Hollman Sigmon, Harry Hallyburton, Waits Gordon, Norman Bridgers, Ross Moore and Benedict Bristol.

COUNTIES CHANGE TAX VALUES

The State board of equalization met in Raleigh yesterday with Commissioner of Revenue A. D. Watts to pass upon property valuation as made by the county commissioners.

Horizontal reductions recently made by some forty-odd counties, some having been hoisted and later lowered; one county is reported as having changed three times before finally finding a suitable figure. The State board's task is to equalize the values in the 100 counties in North Carolina.

More than one day will be required to complete the work after the board members get down to work.

MACK'S HAT

Everyone who saw "Cyclone Mack" on Monday could not help being attracted by the unusual hat he wore—a large felt, light tan and of cowboy style. The News-Herald had curiosity enough to ask about it and was told that the hat was a gift to the evangelist from Cole Blease, who is a great admirer of Mack, and that there was only one other like it, the other belonging to Blease himself. The two hats were a special order and cost the former South Carolina governor \$150 each.

PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED SOLDIERS

The Celebration committee plans to give a group of prizes for the best dressed and most soldierly-appearing Burke county soldiers, sailors or marines in the parade on July 4th. The first prize is \$5, second \$4, third \$3, fourth \$2, and fifth \$1. These prizes are given in order to stimulate interest in appearing in uniform and every soldier in the county is URGED to wear his full uniform that day.

FAMILY REUNION

There was a family reunion at the home of Mrs. Dock Patton near Calvin on Sunday, June 5th. Present were Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Berry and children, of Drexel; Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Whitley and children, of Morganton; Mr. and Mrs. C. Rabb and children, of Marion; Mr. T. S. Paton, of Inman, S. C.; Mr. Walter Patton, of Glen Alpine, and Mrs. Emma Patterson, of Morganton. The occasion was the sixty-ninth birthday of Mrs. Patton.

BUS LINE TO LENOIR IS A GOOD SUGGESTION

A Morganton citizen has suggested to The News-Herald that a bus line from Morganton to Lenoir, or better still from Shelby to Lenoir by way of Morganton, would be well patronized during the summer months, when Blowing Rock is so popular. We pass the suggestion along for what it is worth.

July 4th will be in Morganton.

LYCEUM ATTRACTIONS AGAIN NEXT YEAR

Course Will Consist of Three At- tractive Numbers; Dates To Be Given Later.

A representative of the Alkahest Lyceum Bureau was here last week and a contract signed for three lyceum attractions for next season. The dates for these entertainments will be announced later and fuller announcements will appear from time to time.

The program consists of a lecture by John Temple Graves, one of the South's most famous orators, a light opera and a magician.

MISS ADDIE WALTON DIED MONDAY NIGHT

Member of One of County's Most Prominent Families Died Monday; Burial Tuesday.

Miss Addie Walton, a daughter of the late Col. William Walton, of Brookwood and a member of one of the most prominent and influential families in this section of the State, died here Monday night after a lingering illness.

Miss Addie was the second daughter of the family; the oldest sister, Miss Lola, died last year. She would have been 69 years of age this month. Soon after the burning of the beautiful country home of the Waltons about two years ago Miss Addie suffered a fall from which she was never able to recover and ever since her general health had been very much enfeebled.

The funeral on Tuesday afternoon at 5:30 at Grace church was conducted by Rev. E. N. Joyner and interment made in the churchyard.

Surviving members of the family are four brothers, Messrs. W. E. Waits, Frank and Thomas Walton, and two sisters, Misses Kate and Louise Walton, all of Morganton.

A sweet, gentle little woman of noble bearing and quiet, unassuming manner Miss Addie had a warm place in the affection of many friends. She was a consistent and consecrated member of Grace church, devoted to its services and it is most fitting that her body should rest under its shadows.

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS FROM OVER BURKE

Items of Interest Gathered From Different Sections of the County By News- Herald Correspondents

BRIDGEWATER

Mrs. Lee Dameron and children of Star, and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hewitt of Hickory, visited Mr. J. T. McGimsey recently.

Mr. Astor Yelton returned to Winston-Salem last week.

Miss Myrtle Hemphill returned to New York last week after spending a month with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ballengee and daughter, Virginia, and Miss Marguerite Anthony went to Morganton Monday to hear Rev. Baxter McLendon.

Misses Charlotte and Glennie Anthony and Miss Virginia Rust returned from the Normal school at Asheville Tuesday.

Misses Ruth Martin and Johnnie Conley, of Marion, and Messrs. Greenwood and Frank Cothran of Greenwood, S. C., were visitors of the Misses Anthony Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ellis, of Norfolk, stopped over here Sunday night on their way to Penland to visit Mr. Ellis' parents.

Mrs. S. P. Tate was shopping in Marion Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Jay Ballew and two children are spending the month with relatives in Arkansas and Colorado.

Miss Julia Rust is attending the summer school at Greensboro.

Mrs. H. H. Mills and Mrs. Ben Seale were shopping in Morganton one day last week.

Mary Elizabeth is the name of the little girl which arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. McDaniel, of Laurens, June 12. Mrs. McDaniel was before her marriage Miss Cecelia Ballew.

Misses Gladys and Effie Wise, of near Glen Alpine, spent the week-end with their sister, Mrs. W. C. Gibbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Robinson and children, of Granite Falls, and Mr. (Continued on sixth page)

REV. N. C. DUNCAN CALLED TO GRACE CHURCH

Preached Here Last Sunday and Was Extended Call By Vest- ry of Local Church.

A visitor to Morganton Saturday and Sunday was the Rev. N. C. Duncan, archdeacon of Raleigh, of the Episcopal church. Mr. Duncan has been warmly invited by the vestry of Grace church to become rector of the parish. He assisted in the service on Sunday at Grace and St. Margaret's, and preached on each occasion an able and timely sermon. The impression he made upon all who met him was so favorable that it is hoped that he will see his way to accept the position offered him. Mr. Duncan is a North Carolinian, of Lincoln county.

TO CELEBRATE 4TH HERE IN GREAT STYLE

Plans For Big Celebration With American Legion Posts of Four Counties Participat- ing; Program for Day

Plans are getting rapidly under way for the big celebration here on July Fourth. In this celebration four counties will take part—Burke, Catawba, McDowell and Caldwell. The American Legion posts in these counties have arranged to take turns in celebrating this patriotic holiday and Burke's time comes first. The word is being passed around and publicity given to the fact that a general invitation is extended to all soldiers and sailors (this including the veterans of other wars) and all civilians are invited to join with the Burke county post of the American Legion and the people of Morganton in making July 4, 1921, a day that will long be remembered.

Local contributions amounting to \$917 have been secured already and neither time nor expense will be spared in making it a celebration worth while.

A tentative program has been prepared and during the next few weeks the committees that have been appointed will spare no effort in assisting the program committee to carry out their plans.

In the morning there will be a grand parade, in which military organizations, bands, floats, etc., will take part. A prize of \$15 will be given for the best float, \$10 for the second best, \$5 for most comical and \$5 for the most attractively decorated automobile.

Possibly the biggest feature of the day's program will be the novelty entertainments just before noon. These will include daylight fireworks and aerial candy bombs for the children. Few people in this section have ever witnessed daylight fireworks and doubtless this feature alone will attract thousands.

For all soldiers and sailors there will be a barbecue dinner from 12:30 to 2 o'clock on the court square, this followed by an address by Supt. R. E. Simpson of the Southern Railway, a Burke county boy who has made good in a big way.

Fire races and drills in which Lenoir, Hickory, Marion and Morganton companies will take part will come in the afternoon. Morganton and Lenoir, ancient baseball rivals, will match teams for a game at 4 o'clock later in the afternoon there will be a balloon ascension, with the daring triple parachute leap.

Music for the day will be furnished by the Morganton, Marion, Hickory and Valdese bands.

Troop "C," North Carolina National Guard, will be here.

At night there will be shown the most gorgeous and spectacular display of fireworks ever shown in Western North Carolina.

The New Theatre will run moving pictures all day, with a special feature for the Fourth. All members of the American Legion and men in uniform will be admitted free.

As can be seen from this general summary of plans for the celebration there will be something doing all the time. It is expected that if the weather is favorable there will be the biggest crowd that has ever come here on a similar occasion. We expect to celebrate in great style.

AGED WOMAN OF ENOLA DEAD

Mrs. Tempy Mary Ann Poteet died Tuesday, June 7th, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. N. Dale. She was the widow of S. E. Poteet, who died fifteen years ago, and had reached the advanced age of 89 years.

Mrs. Poteet was the mother of fourteen children, nine of whom are living. The sons are Messrs. E. H., J. B., H. N. and J. M. Poteet; the daughters Mrs. Mary Dale, Mrs. A. H. Brittain, Mrs. T. L. Duckworth, Mrs. M. J. Poteet and Mrs. Lillie Mathis. There are 61 grand children, 223 great grandchildren and 36 great great grandchildren.

In young womanhood Mrs. Poteet had joined the Baptist church and had lived a consecrated Christian life.

WILL HAVE HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING ALSO

Announcement that the wing will be built at once to the old school building should not be taken to mean that the high school building will not be built. As soon as plans can be decided upon and bids received construction of the latter will be started also. The crowded condition of the school last year makes more room absolutely necessary before another term and the addition to the old building will be completed in time for that while the high school building will not be pushed so rapidly.

PROMINENT STATESMAN DIED ON SUNDAY

News of the death at his home in Rocky Mount, Sunday morning, of former Lieutenant Governor Elisha L. Daughtridge, was received with sorrow in Morganton where Mr. Daughtridge had many friends. He was 59 years of age and had been ill nearly 18 months. Mr. Daughtridge was a candidate for governor against T. W. Bickett but was defeated for the nomination by the latter.

Plan to see the daylight fireworks in Morganton July 4th.