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LEST WE FORGET.

We desire to call the attention of our readers to the call of the ladies Benevolent Society for aid. This society is undertaking a work which should have the support of our people...

Marion on this day has much to give thanks for, her people as a whole are prosperous and happy but there are a few who know neither prosperity or happiness and who need assistance.

While we gather around the warm cheerful fireside, with a pantry well stocked let us not forget the few unfortunate people whose pantry is empty and whose fire place there glows only a few small embers.

It is for the protection of those people that the Benevolent Society was organized and maintained. This society is in need of warm clothes, shoes and other articles for distribution among the poor.

THE TRUST OF TRUSTS

The Sylvan Valley News, Brevard, N. C. says: "A 16 page Booster edition of the Marion Progress—for 14 years the McDowell Democrat—was issued last week, and in its leading editorial we find the following truthful expression:

A newspaper's duty is to protect the interests of the people, rich and poor alike, without fear and without thought of personal aggrandizement. Horace Greely called a newspaper, "the watch dog of the people's interests."

"This tells the duty of a newspaper in as few words as it can be told. The News was started here 15 years ago to put the people on their guard against the rapacity of the trusts which were robbing the people. Its first fight was against the money trust—the parent of all trusts. Now it is the duty of the people to sustain the News in its fight against a consolidated move of local dealers to control prices, instead of meeting competition.

If the people are with us we can win and they will be benefited. If the people are against us we must surrender. If you believe we are right make it known by getting your name on our list of subscribers."

We are not casting a rose for a rose but we wish to explain to the readers of this paper the last paragraph of the above. The merchants of Brevard are alleged to have met and decided on a certain scale of prices on meat, flour and other products used daily in the household.

The writer of the above letter has been in correspondence with a business firm and will probably visit Marion in the near future.

FINE CORN.

Some of the Corn Entered in the Marion Progress Contest Cannot Be Beat. The contest started by the Marion Progress for the best farm products raised in McDowell county will close the second Thursday in December and the winners of the prizes will be announced. These prizes will be given by H. W. Dysart, real estate and insurance agent and the Marion Progress.

A full list of the entries, those which have not been already published, will appear in next week's paper.

This is the home stretch of the contest and we hope that all the farmers in the county who have exceptionally good corn, apples, turkeys and etc will bring them in the coming week.

The corn which has already been brought in is some of the finest raised in this section.

News of C. C. & O. The following article from the Spartanburg Herald will be of interest to the people of this section.

"We will be ready to do business by the end of the week. We are only waiting for a decision as to our charter, which the Supreme Court of South Carolina has just advised."

Whether the decision is for or against us we will inaugurate a school, which we now have completed, by the end of the week.

That was the announcement made by M. J. Caples, vice president and general manager of the C. C. & O. railroad, at a public meeting last night. Mr. Caples was accompanied by General Superintendent Phillips, arrived in Marion yesterday afternoon, having left Jacksonville at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Mr. Caples said that the railroad work is moving along faster than he anticipated and that within ten days or two weeks the whole work will be completed. The road is now ballasted to a point within ten miles of Marion, the work on this side of the Broad river having been done since the Broad river bridge was completed a week ago. There are now four hundred men at work between here and Boston.

From the report of last week's Progress it seems that some one is badly mistaken in regard to the new road to the C. C. & O. station. Instead of being one fourth mile nearer via E. H. H. it is only one-tenth, and from the observations which I have had the route on the north side of the railroad can be built at a considerable less cost than the one on the south side. But I trust that it will be understood that I am impartial to either side, and that I am only making this correction in self defense as I made both surveys and don't wish any one to think that the statement in last week's paper was made by me.

Very truly yours, D. M. Guess.

In Marion. The mountains tower proud in autumn hues the forest. The sun set glows the longest. And heaven itself seems closest.

In Marion. Public spirit burns the strongest. Love of home the truest. Improvements are the latest. And real estate business surest.

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In Marion. The factory wheels move bravest. Stocked with enterprise the newest. By men that are the liveliest. Here where prohibition's strictest.

In Marion. The water flows the purest. From a reservoir quite gemiest. Nearby a road that's straightest. Because this proposition's still the toughest.

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Nix Creek News.

Special to The Progress. Nix Creek, Nov 25. Scott Parker of Crooked Creek, spent Friday night with J. L. Walsh enroute to Marion.

Valice Tule of Rutherford College spent part of week last with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Tate returning on Monday of last week.

Miss Hattie Grant spent last week with her sister Mrs. J. M. Wolfe of Marion. Mrs. Ellen Lewis and Miss Newell of Stroud T. W. were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. M. Curry Monday.

Mrs. Dave Arner of Nix Creek spent Saturday with her parents here. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Adams.

Mrs. J. S. Tate was a visitor here at the home of Mrs. Fannie Lewis Monday afternoon.

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Women's Winter Underwear.

I have on hand a very large stock of women's heavy weight underwear at 40 cents a garment or 75 cents a suit. The above goods are usually retailed at 45 cents or 50 cents a garment. I bought the above goods when cotton was five cents a pound lower than it is now is why I can sell the underwear at price named. I also have some women's wool underwear at \$1.00 and 1.25 a garment.

J. D. BLANTON

COLD WEATHER IS COMING.

McCALL & CONLEY

Harness, Collars, Saddles.

We make them for you and can save you both the jobbers and retailers profit. Think of this when you want anything in HORSE WEAR. You have an opportunity that many people do not enjoy. We claim superiority for these goods and only ask a chance to make good.

Big stock of Leather Belts from 1 to 6 inch at jobbers prices.

C. E. TROUTMAN

"THE HARDWARE MAN"

A REPORT

Not the puny rattle of a bean gun, nor the scarcely audible snap of a boy's cap pistol, but the deafening belch of a ponderous, strictly modern, large caliber, rapid firing, well aimed gun mounted to defend the interests of the community in general and the depositors of "The old Reliable" in particular.

READ THE REPORT

Its adoption is by unanimous vote of a large majority of our honorable citizens.

The First National of Marion

Table with columns for Merchants & Farmers Bank, Capital, Surplus, and various financial details.

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