

FAMILY AND PERSONAL

J. Y. Finley spent last week in Bakersville.

Miss Gladys Goodson has been quite ill for the past week.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Ledbetter, the 15th inst., a son.

Mrs. W. T. Covington and children, of Raeford, are here on a visit to relatives.

Misses Roland and Van Castex, of Goldsboro, are visiting Miss Julia Burton.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Eaves, of Rock Hill, S. C., are here on a visit to relatives.

Mrs. W. M. Peoples, of Charlotte, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Kirby.

W. M. Silver, of Caroleen, and Frank Suttles, of Busick, were visitors here Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Lynch, of Chapel Hill is visiting at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. C. T. Ross.

Misses Marguerite Sloan and Hazel Killian, of Waynesville, are the guests of Miss Bruce Landis.

John Kirby, of Charlotte, returned home last Thursday after spending a week with relatives here.

Mrs. C. T. Ross, who has been critically ill with appendicitis for the past ten days, is greatly improved.

Mrs. George Trogden and children, of Toccoa, Ga., are here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Clay.

Mrs. W. A. Colvert and children, of East Monbo, and Miss Toby Turner, of Statesville, are here on a visit, stopping at the home of Dr. L. C. Goneke.

D. N. Lonon, who has been at the hospital in Morganton for some time, returned home Monday and his friends will be glad to learn that his condition is greatly improved.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Griffin are visiting in Charlotte.

Miss Essie Bugg, of Henderson, is the guest of Miss Maggie Hudgins.

Miss Mary Presnell, of Morganton, is the guest of Mrs. Geo. I. White.

Dr. M. F. Morphew will erect a one-story brick building to be used for store rooms on his lot near the Southern depot. Excavation is now in progress for the foundation.

R. E. McCall has let the contract to David Newman for a seven room house on South Main street. The foundation is completed and construction work is now in progress.

The July term of McDowell Superior court convenes next Monday, Judge Webb of Shelby presiding. The first three days will be given to hearing criminal cases and the balance of the term to the civil docket.

The Tigers and Pirates played the first game of baseball here Thursday, July 14. The Tigers defeated the Pirates 5 to 4 in an exciting game of ten innings. Batteries for Tigers, Carr and Patton; for Pirates, Atwell, Curtis and Ellis.

The county pension board was in session last Friday. Applications of ten widows and eight soldiers were passed upon and recommended to the State board for pensions. Mr. W. M. Blanton was appointed a member of the board to succeed the late J. M. Neal.

We have been mailing statements to a good many of our subscribers who are behind with their subscriptions and trust they will all pay up their back dues promptly and not be dropped from our lists. There may be some we have overlooked that are in arrears also and we ask all such not to wait for a statement but send in renewals at once.

THE PASSING OF A LANDMARK.

Major James Moore Neal Passes Away in His 84th Year.

Major James Moore Neal, one of the most prominent citizens of McDowell county and this part of the State, passed away on Thursday last.

Major James Moore Neal was born in McDowell county (then Burke) about six miles from Marion on January 19, 1826. His parents were Joseph Neal and Rebecca Neal, foremost of McDowell's citizenship. Major Neal was twice married, his first wife being Miss Mary Wilson of McDowell county, and two children were born of this union, neither of whom survives.

On March 26, 1862, and some years after the death of his first wife, Major Neal again married, this time his bride being Miss Margaret C. Satterwhite. Eight children were born of this union, four of whom survive, namely: J. E. Neal, Miss Rena Neal, Mrs. Gaston B. Justice, all of Marion, and Mrs. W. T. Covington of Raeford, N. C. Two sisters survive—Mrs. Thomas Parks of Nealsville, and Mrs. G. W. Ivey, Lenoir.

Major Neal's standing in the community was always that of an honest, upright and christian gentleman and was ever revered by those who knew him. It is no wonder that he was called upon to serve his county in many different capacities. Major Neal was sheriff of McDowell county when the late civil strife broke out. Feeling the highest call of duty and patriotism he resigned as sheriff of the county to go to the front as captain of the first company sent from McDowell. Here his ability as a leader and his magnetic personality shown pre-eminently, for his record as a valiant warrior fighting for the lost cause speaks for itself. He saw constant service during the war until he received a severe wound during the battle of Seven Pines.

After the war he engaged in mercantile business and railroad construction work, and also being a member of the county pension board. Because of his exceptional ability he saw service as legislator in the lower house and senate. During the Cleveland administration he was postmaster at Marion. Major Neal was probably the oldest Mason in the State, having joined that order at the early age of 21.

During the past few years Major Neal had been confined to his room as an invalid, and while his condition had not been so promising for the few days immediately before his death, his sudden death on July 14th came as a great shock to his many friends and relatives. Thus closes the life of a man whose record as a man and a leader of men is worthy of emulation, and whose death is an irreparable loss to his family and to his community.

The funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Neal residence, the services being opened by Rev. Jordan and Black and concluded by the Masonic service whose Worshipful Master, C. E. Prestwood, officiated. The pall-bearers were Thomas Morris, D. F. Giles, J. L. Morgan, A. P. Poteat, J. C. Smith and J. S. Downey.

Old Fort News.

Old Fort, July 18.—A great deal of interest is now centered on the coming base ball game on the Old Fort Diamond next Saturday the 30rd. Manager H. M. Burgin has secured a game between the Al. P. Gibbs, St. Louis Stars, a team consisting of seven girls and two boys, who travel in their own private car and carry their grand stand and canvas for enclosing the grounds, and the home team. The game will be called at 3 p. m. and large crowds are expected from the surrounding towns and country.

There are quite a number of summer boarders here now which speaks well for the health and climate of Old Fort. J. H. Salisbury is spending his vacation with his family here.

A. H. Spencer, has returned after two months absence which was spent in traveling over the West, and says there is no place like Old Fort. He is again in charge at the depot.

Miss Inez Weaver, of Weaverville is visiting her sister Mrs. Booth.

Mrs. Huff and children of Asheville were visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Blackwelder Sunday. J. T. B.

Dysartsville Dots.

Dysartsville, July 18.—Lester Waters and Miss Edna Bowles were married on the 10th instant, B. B. Harris officiating.

W. A. Laughridge and W. H. Taylor were delegates to the Asheville convention.

The great scramble for office is rather a reflection on our civilization.

R. H. Cowen had a bad sick spell last week but is much better.

The Baptist people have agreed to commence their revival meeting on the fifth Sunday and to ask W. F. Hill to assist in the meeting.

Miss Gertrude Walker of Marion is the guest of her father, L. L. Walker.

Corn is extremely scarce and is hard to get, even at one dollar per bushel.

The crop of vegetables is abundant and one's table can be bountifully supplied.

The farmers are getting on pretty well laying by their crops considering the rain.

ZERO.

Miss Ruth Cowen of Waynesville is a visitor here.

Business Locals

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July 21, 1910.

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H. W. DYSART

Crooked Creek News.

Crooked Creek, July 16.—School opened at Bethlehem the 11th with no large attendance on account of the people not being through their corn. The promise is better for next week.

The people are now through with their corn and most of the grain in stacks. "Snowball," but you all will soon catch up. It is too bad about Dr. Cook deserting right in the worst of the fight.

We have a good many "school teachers" with us on the creek now—Miss Hunter, at Bethlehem; Miss Poteat, Piny Knob; Miss Tate, Stump Ridge, and Mr. Ledbetter, Belfont.

We are needing some rain on some parts of the creek; things are getting dry.

Recon folks ought to say something about politics times like these but Uncle Rube doesn't know much about that now.

Glad to have you back again, Trizie. UNCLE RUBE.

Sugar Hill News.

Sugar Hill, July 18.—J. A. Scott is on the sick list at present.

Dr. Furgerson was a professional visitor last week.

Misses Camp and Green opened school last Monday with fair attendance.

Shell McCall of Ashford was a pleasant visitor last Saturday and Sunday.

Quite a crowd of the Sugar Hill people attended the "Old time singing" at Providence church, near Marion, last Sunday.

Allen Harris is very sick with typhoid fever. We hope a speedy recover.

Miss Bertha Morris, who has been on extended visits to Marion, Bridgewater and Dysartville, has returned home.

There will be services at Pleasant Grove church next Sunday at 3 p. m. Crops are in a little better shape now. SNOWBALL.

School News.

Miss Bessie Poteat began school in district No. 4, Crooked Creek township, July 11, with an enrollment of six.

The public school at Hawkins began Monday, July 11th, with an enrollment of 40 pupils. L. C. Camp, principal, and Miss Anna Sue Camp, assistant.

The Belfont School opened the eleventh. The enrollment is 26. The pupils are very much interested in school. The work done on the school ground is proof that they are interested. A. T. Ledbetter is in charge.

Bell Connection.

The Bell Telephone Company has lately established Bell connection with the local central office, and while this is a step toward a means of general communication to the outer world, it none the less necessitates one's going to the central office to get advantage of the Bell connection or have separate lines run to one's residence.

There will be at an early date two or three booths located at the different hotels of the town. There will be one put in immediately at the Marianna Hotel.

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