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THE NEW REGISTRATION

Who Must Register—Places of Registration and Registrars—Registration Day Sept. 12.

The new registration under the Selective Service Law takes place on September 12th, 1918. The Local Board issues the following statement for the benefit of every man who is within the age limits.

THE AGE LIMIT: 18 to 45 both inclusive; that is, every male person who has reached his 18th birthday and who has not reached his 46th birthday on or before the 12th day of September is subject to registration. Figure up and see if you are within the limits.

WHO MUST REGISTER: Every male person within the age limits above stated, unless he comes within the exceptions stated under "who does not have to register."

WHO DOES NOT HAVE TO REGISTER: No person in either the military, the naval or the marine service is required to register. No person who has heretofore registered in any one of the three registrations which were held on June 5th, 1917; on June 5th, 1918 and on August 24th, 1918. But if any person was subject to be registered under any one of those registrations and who did not register, he must now register.

HOURS OF REGISTRATION: Registration begins at 7 a. m. and continues to 9 p. m. at every registration place.

ABSENTEES MAY REGISTER: Any person subject to register who is away from his permanent home may apply to any local board and have a registration card filled out by any member of or clerk to the board and he may then mail it to the local board of his home address in time to get there by registration day. Full information can be obtained at any local board.

SICK PERSONS MUST REGISTER
How: If any person subject to register is sick and unable to attend a registration place, he may have a friend apply to the local board for authority and it will be granted.

PLACES OF REGISTRATION AND REGISTRARS: The local board has as a rule followed the usual voting places in each precinct in the county for places of registration but where a more convenient place was found and where more places were required, they have been selected. The places follow, the first named in each group being chief registrar and others assistants:

Marion Precinct, Clinchfield Store: W. L. Morris, J. M. Edwards.

Marion Precinct, Marion Mfg Co. Store, S. L. Copeland, J. F. Parker.

Marion Precinct, Office Local Board: O. H. Bumgarner, D. E. Hudgins, C. R. McCall, W. W. Neal, E. H. Dysart.

Marion Precinct, Court House: D. T. Harris, J. E. Neal, M. F. Poteat, A. W. Grayson, N. F. Steppe.

Buck Creek, Garden City: J. E. Jimerson, J. G. Patton.

Turkey Cove, M. L. Good's Store: M. L. Good, Dock Hicks.

North Cove, Voting Place: R. J. Lonon, R. H. Hennessee.

Cedar Cove, Voting Place: J. C. Connelly, E. E. English.

Nebo, Voting Place: J. Frank Wilson, George D. Taylor.

Nebo, Camp No. 2: S. T. Jones, Jr.

Dysartsville, Voting Place: R. H. Cowan, W. H. Taylor, Herbert Daves.

Bracketts, Voting Place: M. P. Flack, P. D. Nanney.

Glenwood, Voting Place: T. W. Wilson, John Goforth, A. P. Poteat.

Higgins, Voting Place: C. B. Morgan, W. F. Witherow.

Montford's Cove, Voting Place: W. M. Wilson, Morris Nanney.

Crooked Creek, Voting Place: J. L. Bird, J. M. Gibson.

Broad River, Voting Place: T. B. Ledbetter, Andy Nabitt.

Old Fort, Voting Place: F. M. Bradley, J. L. Nichols, J. N. Nesbitt, J. F. Harmon, Wm. Treverton, J. M. Kanipe.

BE PREPARED TO GIVE DATE OF BIRTH: Every male person must settle the question as to whether he is subject to registration before registration day. The registrars will have every thing they can do on that day getting men registered and time will not permit them to ferret out these questions with you. So, every male person is urged to find out his age from someone who knows, if he does not know it himself. You must be prepared to give your age in years, and also be prepared to give the date of your birth, naming the month, day and year. You should attend to this before you go to register if you can find out.

COME EARLY AND REGISTER 100%: It is urged that every man register as early in the day as possible. Tell every body in your neighborhood of the day, ages, places, and see that no one is ignorant of either. McDowell county has made a splendid record in the previous registrations and we must not let up in this the greatest registration. Let's register 100% and continue the record of which we are proud. Let patriotism bubble afresh, and give a few licks to Germany.

Successful Meeting at Greenlee.

Rev. W. F. McMahan, pastor of Garden City and several other Baptist churches, has just closed a most interesting meeting at Greenlee school house. It lasted for about two weeks and during much of the meeting the house was crowded. More than forty experienced conversion and on last Sunday twenty-one persons were baptized in Mackey's creek, just below Mrs. M. M. Burgin's home. During the first few days of the meeting Mr. McMahan was assisted by Rev. Mr. Styles, but for the greater part of the time conducted the services alone.

James M. Greenlee returned from Camp Jackson recently regretting very much that he was not considered good soldier material.

Rev. T. G. Tate to Wed.

Mrs. Charles E. Griffith, of Nashville, Tenn., announces the marriage of her daughter, Miss Sallie Morrow Griffith, to Rev. Thomas Greenlee Tate on Thursday evening, the twelfth of September, 1918, at 8 o'clock, at Glen Leven Presbyterian church, Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. Tate is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Tate of Greenlee and has a wide circle of friends in McDowell county. He has been engaged in Y. M. C. A. army work at Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., for the past several months.

John Robinson's circus will visit Statesville Sept. 24th.

HIGH SCHOOLS OPEN

Nebo, Old Fort and Glenwood High Schools Begin the Fall Term With Large Attendance.

The High Schools at Nebo, Old Fort and Glenwood opened on last Monday under very favorable conditions. The school at Nebo started off with the largest initial enrollment in the High School Department in the history of the school. The dormitory was opened up on Monday for the reception of students, and was filled to its full capacity on the first day. On Tuesday a number of students came in and it became necessary to secure outside rooms for the accommodation of these pupils. A number of boys are in attendance from various parts of the county and a nice cottage has been rented adjoining the school property where the boys under the care of the Principal and his wife are being housed, taking their meals at the dormitory dining room.

On Tuesday the school opened up for work. Supt. N. F. Steppe was on hand and talked to the student body and visitors about the school and the work expected of it. Mrs. J. G. Beaman was present and made a short address on the Junior Red Cross, urging upon the students of the school to secure membership and to do everything possible for this organization. It is expected that every child in Nebo school will become enrolled in the Junior Red Cross, and that they will do much towards furthering the interests of it.

Talks were made by Mr. George C. Conley of the High School Board, Rev. Fry and Rev. Kaylor.

The people at Nebo are very much impressed with the outlook and are taking great interest in the school this year. The new Principal Mr. F. A. Penland has a number of plans in mind which he expects to set on foot for the purpose of enlarging the scope of the school, and of making it of greater service to the community of Nebo and McDowell county. He will be assisted in the work by Misses Nan McCall as lady principal, Mary Greenlee, Rosa Stacey, High School teachers, Faye Padgett, Louise Brown, Nan McCall, grade teachers. Mrs. Masters who has been connected with the school for a number of years as matron, will have charge of the dormitory again. Mrs. Masters is very efficient and the school deems itself fortunate to have her services again.

The Glenwood High School had the best opening in its history. Quite a number of the patrons were on hand on the first morning to see the work start off. Supt. N. F. Steppe was also present and made a short talk to the student body and visitors. Teachers for the year are Miss Nannie Leach, principal, Miss Elsie Stacey, Miss Louise Crawford and Miss Bessie Raburn. Miss Leach outlined what she had in mind for the school for the coming year and the things which she expects to set on foot towards its development. The people of Glenwood are taking a great interest in the school and its work. They, like Nebo folks voted additional taxes and bonds for school purposes, and they expect to be more fully equipped at no greatly dis-

tant day.

The Old Fort High School starts off this year under very bright prospects. The faculty is practically new, with Mr. G. B. Strickland, Supt., Miss Frazier and Mrs. Strickland as High School teachers, Mrs. Charles Steppe, and Misses Burgin, Griffin, Tomlinson, as grade teachers. There is one vacancy as yet to be filled.

On Friday night the patrons of Old Fort school met with the teachers and School Board for a conference about matters of importance to the school and its work. It was found that the school does not have adequate funds to maintain the previous high standard that it has set up. It was the unanimous opinion of those present that more money must be provided. Various ways were discussed whereby this could be done, it finally being decided that more tax was the only solution. A petition was circulated on Friday securing a very large majority of the voters, the same being presented to the County Board of Education and the County Board of Commissioners on Monday asking for an election to determine the wishes of the people in the District on the question of additional taxes. The people of Old Fort have always responded to the needs of the school and it is thought that there will be little if any opposition to the proposition for additional funds.

Marion Graded School to Open September 16.

The fall term of the Marion Graded School will open September 16. Parents and friends are cordially invited. Come and give your child a good start. We desire and solicit your hearty cooperation from the very beginning. It is hoped that every child of school age will be present on opening day and continue to be present all the other school days throughout the year. Those children who are beginning school for the first time are especially urged to be present. Children of the B and A First Grades are requested to bring 25c to buy pencil, tablet, crayons, etc. The teacher can buy these supplies more satisfactorily than the child, and then each child will have what is required. Let us strive to have as few tardy and absent marks as possible this year. At the close of school we wish to give a certificate of honor or something of value to those who have a perfect attendance record.

Those children who have recently moved to town and have not been in this school are requested to bring their books and report to the graded school office Monday, September 9, in order that they may be classified and save much congestion on opening day.

Monday morning, September 9, I will give examinations to those desiring to take them from the Sixth to the Eleventh grades. If you have a deficiency and wish to make it up you will be given the opportunity before school opens. Here is your chance.

At this time I wish to take advantage of this opportunity to express my appreciation for the cordiality shown me and my family since taking up our abode with you. We wish to know more of you.

Very respectfully,
T. A. HOLTON, Supt.

REGISTRATION DAY 12TH

All Men Between 18 and 45 Not Already Registered Will Enroll on Next Thursday.

Washington, Aug. 31.—All men from eighteen to forty-five years of age in the continental United States, except those in the army or navy or already registered, were summoned by President Wilson today to register for military service on Thursday, Sept. 12.

Machinery of the provost marshal-general's office was set in motion to carry out the second great enrollment under presidential proclamation issued soon after the president had signed the new man power act extending the draft ages. The bill, completed in congress yesterday had been sent to the white house for the president's signature today soon after the house and senate convened.

It is estimated that at least 12,778,758 men will register this time, compared with nearly 10,000,000 on the first registration of men from twenty-one to thirty-one on June 5, 1917. Of those who enroll now it is estimated that 2,300,000 will be called for general military service, probably two-thirds of the number coming from among the 3,500,000 or more between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one.

General March has said all registrants called into the army will be in France before next June 30, swelling the American expeditionary force to more than the four million men expected to win the war in 1919. The last to be called will be the youths in their eighteenth year but those of that age who desire and who have the necessary qualifications may be inducted into service on October 1 for special technical or vocational training.

Registration this time will be conducted as heretofore by the local draft boards. All federal, state, county and municipal officers are called upon to aid the boards in their work, to preserve order and to round up slackers. All registrants will be classified as quickly as possible under the questionnaire system, and a drawing will be held at the capital to fix the order of registrants in their respective classes.

The provost marshal general's estimate today places the number of men under twenty-one now in the army at about 245,000 and the number of those from thirty-two to forty-five at 165,000.

Minnick-Bobbitt.

The following from the Asheville Citizen of last Sunday will be of interest to friends here, Miss Bobbitt having formerly resided in Marion, where she has a large circle of friends and relatives:

"A few intimate friends and relatives were present at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Bobbitt Masters, No. 5 Aston lane, to witness the marriage of her daughter, Miss Martha C. Bobbitt, to Mr. W. E. Minnick, of Lynchburg, Va., which took place yesterday morning. Dr. R. F. Campbell, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, officiated. Immediately after the ceremony a delightful wedding luncheon was served. Mr. and Mrs. Minnick have gone on an extended honeymoon through the east."