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GRADED SCHOOL FACULTY

Committee Re-organizes and Elects Teachers for Year—T. A. Holton Re-elected Superintendent.

The regular annual meeting of the Marion Graded School committee was held last Friday when the committee re-organized by re-electing J. Q. Gilkey as chairman and Dr. Geo. I. White, secretary and treasurer. Prof. T. A. Holton was re-elected superintendent for the ensuing year and a vote of thanks was extended him for the efficient manner in which he has conducted the school work during the past year.

Primary and Grammar grade teachers were elected for the year as follows: First grade, B section, Mrs. Faye Craig; A section, Miss May McCurry; Second grade, Miss Nelle Blanton; Third grade, Miss Margaret Winslow; Fourth grade, Miss Ellen Crawford; Sixth grade, Miss Mae Belle Baity; Seventh grade, Miss Ethel Crawford. The teacher for the Fifth grade is to be announced later.

These teachers are well known, having taught in the school the past year, and have rendered excellent service. The committee is glad to have them back and feels sure they will hold up the high standard set during the past year, if not surpass it under normal conditions.

The high school faculty as elected for the year follows: Miss Joyce Decker, Latin and Science; Miss Mary Poteat, English; Miss Lenora Aiken, of Durham, Mathematics and French; Mrs. J. L. C. Bird, History, Domestic Science and Art, Stenography and Typewriting.

In order to give the superintendent more time for better and efficient supervision an additional high school teacher has been added who will relieve him of some of the class-room work.

The high school faculty is considered an unusually strong one. Miss Decker has been a member of the faculty for several years and has given universal satisfaction. Miss Mary Poteat, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Poteat of this place, is a recent honor A. B. graduate of the State Normal College, Greensboro, and comes to Marion with the highest kind of recommendations in every way. One who wrote the committee relative to her and her work says: "Who secures the services of Miss Poteat is to be counted fortunate." Miss Aiken is a graduate of the high school of Durham and a recent honor graduate of Trinity College. She comes very highly recommended and the committee is to be congratulated upon securing her services. Mrs. Bird was a member of the faculty several years and needs no introduction to the people of Marion. The committee and patrons of the school are glad indeed to have her back in the school again.

The school term will be eight months this year. The new school year, 1919-1920, will begin September 15. The primary department, first to third grades, will run on the one-session plan, and all the other grades, grammar grades and high school, will run on the two-session plan.

McCall-Lynch

A wedding of much interest to their many friends in McDowell was consummated at the home of the bride's brother in Winston-Salem on Monday, the sixteenth, when Mr. William Arthur McCall, of Marion, was married to Miss Effie Lynch of Rutherfordton.

The marriage was a quiet affair, being witnessed by only a few friends and relatives of the contracting parties. The ceremony was performed at 12:30 o'clock by Rev. Scink, pastor of the Brown Memorial Church, of Winston-Salem. Following the ceremony a light lunch was served, after which the happy couple left on train No. 21 for their new home in Marion.

Mrs. McCall is well known in McDowell county. She taught in the public schools of this county for a number of years, holding responsible positions at Nebo and other places. For the past eighteen months she has held a position in the Treasury Department of the United States Government at Washington, D. C.

The groom is a native of McDowell county and is one of the leading young business men of this section. For a number of years he was employed by J. D. Blanton, later accepting a position as manager of the large store of Clinchfield Manufacturing Company in the mill village.

Mr. and Mrs. McCall are at present stopping with Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Neal. Their many friends throughout this section extend to them hearty congratulations and best wishes.

Union Revival Services

Beginning July 1st union revival services will be held in the Methodist church, Rev. C. Connor Brown, a Presbyterian evangelist, will do the preaching. The meeting will continue two weeks. All of the Lord's people of whatever creed or name are urged to lend their hearty co-operation and sympathy to the progress and success of this meeting. Let all feel that it is our meeting and pray earnestly for the conviction and salvation of sinners and re-consecration of all Christians to the service of Jesus, their Master.

Dr. Chase Elected President of University

Dr. H. W. Chase, chairman of the faculty of the University of North Carolina, was elected president of the university to succeed the late Dr. E. K. Graham at a meeting of the board of trustees held in Raleigh Monday night.

Dr. Chase is a Massachusetts graduate of Dartmouth College and Clark University, Massachusetts, and came to the University of North Carolina in 1910 as professor of philosophy of education. Later he became professor of psychology and in 1918 successively dean of the college of liberal arts and chairman of the faculty.

Capt. John Alcock and Lieut. Arthur W. Brown, British officers, completed the first non-stop air flight across the Atlantic ocean Sunday morning, landing at Clifden, Ireland, from Newfoundland from which place they started Saturday afternoon. The distance of 1,900 miles was accomplished in 16 hours and 12 minutes, on an average of a bit over 117 miles an hour.

NEWS FROM THE COUNTY

Brief Mention of Some of the Happenings in McDowell County—Items About Home People.

WOODLAWN

Woodlawn, June 16.—Rev. Mr. Drake, of Nebo, held his usual monthly service at Woodlawn, Sunday. At the close of the service Mr. Drake presented his resignation, much to the regret of his friends here. Mr. Drake will engage in home mission work. While his friends here regret his leaving they wish him success in his new work.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hennessee made a visit to Marion, Friday.

Mrs. Charles Ray, formerly Miss Anna Brinkley, is visiting homefolks at Woodlawn.

M. L. Good made a business trip to Marion during the week.

J. Y. Lonon was a visitor here recently.

Miss Mary Yancey and a party of friends from Marion were visitors here Sunday.

Ercy Huskins was in Marion on business Saturday.

Mrs. Ella Greenlee and family spent several days at Woodlawn during the week.

OLD FORT

Old Fort, June 13.—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. I. Garrison have sold their home here to W. J. Souther and will go to Akron, Ohio. Mrs. Garrison and children, accompanied by Mrs. M. A. Young, will leave Saturday, June 21, for Akron.

Mrs. R. L. Young of Blue Ridge, Fla. has returned home after spending two weeks with relatives and friends in Old Fort.

The continual rains are putting the farmers behind with their work, and corn crops in this community are not very promising.

A number of young folks enjoyed an ice cream supper Saturday night at the home of Mr. Bailey.

The old veterans of Company K met here Sunday and held memorial services in honor of their deceased captain, James Young.

Lem and George Lytle left Wednesday for Seattle, Wash. We wish them much success in their new location in the far west.

Mr. and Mrs. John Steppe and children visited relatives here during the week.

THOMPSON'S FORK

Thompson's Fork, June 16.—Mrs. J. N. Yelton visited relatives in Nebo Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie Tate visited her son, Ed Tate, in Nebo last week.

Miss Bessie Cope of Morganton, was the guest of Miss Jesse McNeely last week.

James Hemphill, of Marion, visited his sister, Miss Maggie Hemphill, one day last week.

Miss Mary Lou McNeely spent last Saturday with her parents here.

Misses Rena Hemphill, Hattie Taylor, Sallie Gibbs and Messrs. John and Ben Hemphill, of Nebo, were visitors here Saturday.

Dallas Rowe entertained a large crowd of friends and relatives at a candy stew Saturday afternoon. Music was rendered by the string band and the affair was enjoyed by all present.

Miss Kary Tate visited friends in Winston-Salem last week.

Robert McNeely visited friends in Bridgewater Sunday.

J. H. Tate and two children, of Marion, spent Sunday with his father here. Sewell McNeely was in Nebo Saturday.

The farmers of this section are cutting wheat. The wheat crop is fine.

Work Room Closes July 1.

All Red Cross workers having Belgian garments to make will please have same completed and at Red Cross rooms by July 1. The work room closes on that date until further notice. However, the Home Service office will remain open.

MRS. J. F. CONNIFFE.

Social Affairs.

The last meeting of the Twentieth Century Club was held at the home of Mrs. R. F. Burton Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Burton and Mrs. Pless being hostesses for the afternoon. Roll call was responded to with the noted artists of France. This was followed by the regular program, France of Today, by Mrs. P. A. Reid. The election of officers was made as follows: Mrs. J. W. Pless, president; Mrs. J. W. Winborne, vice-president; Mrs. R. F. Burton, secretary and treasurer. The program committee will be appointed later. The hostess served light refreshments during the social hour and Miss Burton entertained the guests with her brilliant music.

The Round Dozen Book Club was entertained by Miss Ellen Crawford at her home on Morgan street Tuesday afternoon. During the afternoon 108 was enthusiastically enjoyed by the guests. Miss Crawford was assisted by Miss Ethel Crawford in dispensing the hospitality of this well known home.

An enjoyable dance was given at the McDowell hotel Wednesday evening in honor of the boys from the 30th division who took part in the play, "The Hickory Nuts." Dancing began after the performance and lasted until a late hour. Music was furnished by the 16-piece orchestra with the company.

Wednesday afternoon Mrs. W. T. Morgan gave a most pleasing reception in honor of Mrs. J. T. Bowden, wife of the Baptist minister, who has recently located here. Mrs. Morgan's home was lovely in its decorations of cut flowers. During the afternoon a number of ladies of the Baptist church called to meet the honoree. In the spacious dining room ice cream and cake were served by Mrs. A. D. Stoner, Mrs. Ben Price, Misses Ellen and Ethel Crawford.

The members of the Senior Baptist Young People's Union cordially invite the young people of the town to be with them at their "Social Hour" Friday night, June 20, at 7:30 o'clock. The purpose is to get more young people interested in the Union and to secure more active workers. A pleasant hour is promised all.

The Hickory Nut Minstrels of the 30th division gave a most enjoyable and varied entertainment at the graded school auditorium Wednesday evening. From the opening to the closing act their singing, dancing and various stunts and impersonations were of a high order and were given general applause by a large and representative audience.

State News.

Professor Edwin F. Shewmake, Jr., for the past three years adjunct professor of English in the University of Virginia, has resigned and will become head of the English department of Davidson college after September 1.

Rev. Dr. J. B. Shearer, president of Davidson college for 13 years, and vice-president since 1901, died Saturday evening at the home of his sister at Davidson, where he has been ill for some time. He was in his 87th year and had been confined to his bed for several months.

Wednesday night the plant of the Blue Ridge Milling Co. at Roaring River, Wilkes county, completely destroyed by fire supposed to have caught from an electric wire. The loss is estimated at \$50,000 with \$10,000 insurance. The mill had only been in operation since October.

THE FINAL PEACE TERMS

Germany Must Accept Or Reject Within Seven Days—Time Limit Up Monday

Paris, June 16.—The final reply of the allied and associated powers to the conditions of peace handed to the Germans at Versailles, May 7, was delivered to the German delegation today and made public shortly afterward.

The Germans were allowed five days to accept or refuse the treaty as it stands, but two days additional have been granted. If they accept, peace will be signed at once; if they do not accept, the armistice will terminate on Monday, June 23, and the powers will take such steps as may be necessary to enforce their terms.

The principles of the original conditions have been vigorously upheld, as establishing a peace of justice, but certain modifications in detail and many express limitations of the effect of the execution are made. The reply is made in two parts—a general covering letter and seriatim discussions of the general counter-proposals. The changes include:

A plebiscite for upper Silisia, with guarantees of coal from that territory.

Frontier ratifications in West Prussia.

Omission of the third zone in the Schleswig plebiscite.

Temporary increase of the German army from 100,000 to 200,000 men.

Declaration of the intention to submit within a month of signature a list of those accused of violation of the laws and customs of war.

Offer to co-operate with a German commission on reparations, and receive suggestions for discharging the obligation.

Certain detailed modifications of the finance, economic and ports and waterways clauses, including abolition of the proposed Kiel canal commission. Assurance of membership in the league of nations in the early future, if Germany fulfills her obligations.

Big Road Project for McDowell

A large road improvement project under consideration by the United States department of agriculture, says the Asheville Times, is that between Marion and Mica-ville, through McDowell and Yancey counties.

Big Toe township in Yancey county has voted \$30,000 bonds to aid the federal government in the improvement and McDowell county is said to be ready with its share of the cost. The portion of this highway between Marion and Garden City is now in good condition and the section between Mica-ville and Harvard is graded but not well surfaced. The fifteen miles intervening is in bad condition, and this is the principal section that is to be improved. At the present time South Toe township has no outlet to the Southern railroad excepting through Buck Creek, and these roads are in extremely poor condition. South Toe is well populated and the necessity of an outlet is urgent.

Services at St. John's next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m.