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## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HOLD REGULAR MEETING

### Make Provision for Farm Demonstration Work — Jurors Drawn for July Court.

The Board of County Commissioners was in regular session last Monday and transacted much routine business. Quite a number of people were in town on business before the county commissioners, who had a very busy session.

A very forward-looking and progressive policy was decided upon when the board of commissioners agreed to renew the farm demonstration work in McDowell. Mr. E. S. Millsap, district agent of the Department of Agriculture, was present and presented the matter to the Commissioners in a very forceful manner. He agreed to the appropriation for the expense of the work in McDowell county the sum of \$1200, to be used for the purpose of paying the salary of the Farm Demonstration Agent. After discussing the matter among themselves and with prominent people engaged in farming and business, including T. W. Wilson, J. L. Morgan, J. M. Haney, W. P. Artz and others. Commissioner Wilson moved that the board approve the work and motion was carried and much comment in the way of approval was heard.

It will be the policy of the commissioners to secure the very best man available. Mr. Millsap recommended a young man who had had experience in this kind of work but was not able to state definitely that he would accept, as he is at present employed. He is said to be a young man of splendid qualifications; is a graduate of the State college at Raleigh and has had considerable experience in this particular line of work. It is the intention of the commissioners to have the work begin not later than July 1st.

Jurors were drawn for the July term of McDowell Superior court as follows:

First week: J. B. Burgin, J. M. Goforth, E. P. Denton, J. A. Burgin, J. H. Keller, W. H. Simmons, L. B. Ledbetter, E. L. Reel, A. M. Hogan, Robert A. Brinkley, E. V. Lawing, H. R. Ledbetter, L. G. Hollifield, J. A. Brown, J. F. Gilliam, J. W. Pyatt, Jno. H. Poteat, J. A. Daves, E. W. Davis, D. P. Gardin, Thomas Holland, W. F. Burnett, S. C. Morgan, L. J. P. Cutlar, D. T. Elliott, G. E. Cowan, G. C. Bird, W. H. England, John Rich, J. A. Rader, W. P. Parker, J. F. Marlow, R. B. Carver, L. H. Whitner, A. C. Thomas.

Second week: F. C. Daves, D. C. Bates, J. W. Walker, Boyd Elliott, W. F. Elliott, Geo. M. Lentz, J. E. Crawley, A. C. Owenby, W. H. Early, G. G. Pendergrass, S. L. Dobbins, Luster McCormick, G. E. Bird, Dock Greene, W. E. Cooper, T. Y. Biggerstaff, W. S. Greene, C. G. Wise.

## BIRD-LAIDLAW.

The following clipping from The Andrews paper will be of interest to friends here:

Monday afternoon at the Presbyterian church in Murphy, Rev. E. H. Bird and Miss Edith Laidlaw, of Andrews, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, Rev. Liddell officiating.

The wedding was a very quiet affair, no friends being present except Prof. Nichols and Miss Gene Candler, of Andrews. The trip to and from Murphy was made by auto.

The bride's home is in Marion, N. C., but for some time she has been teaching school here and has made a large circle of friends.

The groom is the Presbyterian pastor here, and since coming to Andrews he has made a host of warm friends.

After the ceremony Rev. and Mrs. Bird left for their cottage home, "Birds-nest," in Oakland Heights.

This paper joins the many friends of the young couple in wishing for them a long and happy married life.

## REPUBLICANS MEET AND NAME FULL COUNTY TICKET

The McDowell County Republican convention met Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, in the court house. There was a large crowd in attendance, there being quite a number of ladies present.

The convention was called to order by Mr. W. R. Chambers, acting as temporary chairman, who asked the people to rise and be led in prayer by Rev. J. T. Bowden. The earnest words uttered in prayer by this devote pastor on such an occasion undoubtedly had a profound effect upon the hearts of the people who heard them. Mr. Chambers then asked that a permanent chairman be selected, whereupon Mr. Fred Washburn was selected and called to the chair. Mr. D. W. Crawford was next selected as permanent secretary of the convention, and the business of the convention was gone into, the most important of which was the nomination of the county candidates. The convention was entirely harmonious, there being no contests for the various nominations.

Mr. P. H. Mashburn, who needs no introduction to the people of the county, was unanimously nominated for the House of Representatives; Mr. E. B. Baber then nominated for Sheriff; Alonzo Cowan, for Clerk of the Court; D. W. Crawford for Register of Deeds; Frank Elliott for County Treasurer; A. B. Halford for County Surveyor; Dr. B. L. Ashworth for Coroner; Messrs. Clifton McCall, Charlie Noblitt and John Yancey for County Commissioners. The various candidates accepted nomination in a few words of thanks and appreciation, and all expressed enthusiasm and belief in Republican prospects of success in November.

The convention endorsed Garrett D. Bailey for Solicitor and J. Q. A. Michael for State Senator.

## DEATH OF WILLIAM

### McGALLIARD, JR.

The death of William McGalliard, Jr., occurred at his home in Morganton Wednesday afternoon, May 31, after a long illness. The funeral services were conducted from the residence there by Rev. Mr. McLean, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and interment made in the cemetery in Marion Friday afternoon.

Mr. McGalliard was the eldest son of William McGalliard, Sr., and Victoria McGalliard of Morganton and at the time of his death was forty-one years of age. He was married in January, 1912, to Miss Bessie Poteat of this place, who survives him. He was well known here and in Morganton and was a member of the Presbyterian church.

Besides his widow, he is survived by his father, Wm. McGalliard, Sr., of Greenville, S. C.; three sisters, Mrs. Coleman of Morganton, Mrs. Cline of Savannah, Mrs. Hewitt of Philadelphia; and one brother, Fred McGalliard of Portsmouth, Va.

The sympathy of the community goes out to his faithful wife and relatives in their bereavement.

## Evangelistic Meeting at Clinchfield Presbyterian Church

Evangelistic services are in progress at the Clinchfield Presbyterian church. At present only one service is held each day at 7:30 p. m. The attendance is good, and a great revival is expected. The services are conducted by Dr. J. M. Clark, the Evangelist of Concord Presbytery, assisted by Mr. D. R. Freeman, a ministerial student, who leads the music. A cordial invitation is extended to the people of Marion, as well as of Clinchfield, to attend these services.

## Lee Has Majority Over Avery of Almost 17,000

Raleigh, June 6.—Returns received here up to tonight from 90 of the 100 counties show that Chairman W. T. Lee of the corporation commission has received a majority of 16,984 votes over A. C. Avery, for the Democratic nomination for corporation commission.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE COUNTY

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

#### OLD FORT

Old Fort, June 5.—Mrs. Merrill and daughter of Statesville are spending sometime with Mrs. S. M. Hoffman.

Rev. L. W. Dawson of Spray began a revival meeting at the Methodist church Monday night.

Mrs. Hatfield Brown died last week and was buried in the old family burying ground at Cherry Springs.

Mrs. Henry Cole of Catawba was in Old Fort recently for several days visiting her father, J. F. Gilliam.

Joseph and Mrs. Atkins motored to Blowing Rock one day last week.

Several men from Old Fort took advantage of the excursion rates on May 26 and made the trip to our National Capitol. They report a great time.

Mrs. H. C. Marley and daughter, Miss Margaret, who have been on a visit to Mrs. Marley's daughter, Mrs. I. L. Caplan, have returned to their home at China Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Mauney have returned from Raleigh where they went to see their son, Sidney graduate from the A. & E. College on the 30th of May. They also visited relatives and friends in Salisbury and Gastonia while away.

Miss Gertrude Dula, Mrs. Nadine Spencer and Mr. and Mrs. Atkins made a trip to Asheville last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Silver and children spent Sunday in Marion visiting Mrs. Silver's father, Sheriff Nichols.

County Superintendent Steppe was a welcomed visitor in Old Fort one day this week.

Mr. Poteat is installing his roller mill machinery and will soon be ready for operation.

Col. D. W. Adams is working a large force of hands at Catawba Falls constructing a large dam, power house, and transmission lines to Ridgecrest and Black Mountain. He will soon be ready to turn on the lights in the two last named places. He is also constructing a pipe line from the Falls to Old Fort for the purpose of conveying water to be used to furnish power for his mill at Old Fort.

Mrs. J. B. Johnson is still confined to her bed with rheumatism.

Postmaster Grant is on the sick list. Hope he will soon be out again.

Mrs. J. F. Gilliam and daughter of Catawba are on a visit to J. F. Gilliam for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Taylor are on an extended visit to Asheville.

Geo. Marshall has just returned from a business trip to Maryland, New York and other points.

Mrs. I. L. Caplan and children are visiting Mrs. Caplan's parents in China Grove.

William Burgin and Hugh Tate have returned from the A. & E. College, where they have completed a successful year's work. They will leave in a few days for Camp McClellan at Anniston, Ala.

Master Clyde Nesbitt and Master Harry Noblitt happened to the misfortune of getting their arms broken last Saturday. They are getting along all right.

Miss Otelia Cathey is visiting her brother William for a few days in Old Fort.

The Juvenile Sewing Club met last week with Miss Mary-Willie Greene. This week it met with Miss Elizabeth Strickland.

The Old Fort baseball team has built a new court and are now ready to play ball. Come on, boys, with your challenges.

J. O. McDaniel and B. Y. Allison left recently for Middlesboro, Ky., to accept positions with the tannery at that place.

#### LAUREL HILL

Nebo, Rt. 1, June 6.—Quite a number of people from this neighbor-

hood attended the reunion and birthday dinner at the home of I. W. Walker, at Dysartsville on Sunday of last week. All reported a very enjoyable day.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Mangum of Erwin, Tenn., are visiting their daughter, Mrs. G. H. Ellington.

Miss Myrtle Foster of Marion spent last week here with homefolks.

T. C. McDaniel of Cliffside visited relatives here recently.

Miss Leaffie Queen of Forest City, and J. M. Goode of Cliffside were visitors here Sunday.

Misses Kate Waters, Callie Dixon and Estelle Jones of Marion spent the week-end with friends and relatives in this community.

A string band composed of Messrs. Brackett, Bost, Nannay, Early and others from Marion, were visitors at the home of J. M. Walker on last Saturday night and rendered some very fine music to the delight of the large crowd attending. We extend to them a hearty invitation to return again some time.

Misses Vera Queen, Ethel Foster and Guy Cochran of Cliffside spent a few hours with friends in this community last Sunday.

Jesse Price made a business trip to Marion last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Walker, of Spindale, visited relatives here recently.

B. F. Whitener of Spindale visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Whitener last week.

J. L. Waters was in Marion Monday on business.

#### HANKINS

Marion, Rt. 3, June 5.—L. C. Burnette of Switzerland, visited his brother, Eldridge Burnette, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Lottie Wise visited relatives in Morganton Monday.

Miss Annie Wall of Greenlee spent the week-end here.

George Hall made a business trip to Glenwood Saturday.

Walter Edwards of Rhodess spent the week-end here with relatives.

Mrs. George Cooper and Miss Lottie Wise were shopping in Marion Saturday.

Mrs. E. J. McNeely and grandson are visiting the former's daughter, Mrs. Rudolph McCulloch, at Glenwood.

Misses Ellen and Lula Finley have returned home from Spindale.

A protracted meeting will begin at Caparnaum July 2nd.

#### CATAWBA VALLEY.

Old Fort Rt. 2, June 5.—Walter Hoyle of Asheville visited his father, John Hoyle, the latter part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Byrd of Mt. Hebron visited C. P. Lytle and family Sunday.

Miss Mae Gilliam of Broad River visited her sister, Mrs. O. A. Davis, last week.

Miss Hattie Gilbert spent Saturday night with Mrs. Don Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Gibson of Arden are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Davis.

Misses Carmel and Fannie Melton of Marion spent the week-end with their parents here.

Mrs. C. W. Lavender and Mrs. Floyd Lavender of Rock Hill, S. C., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Lavender.

Lee Lavender of Wake Forest is at home for a short vacation before returning to summer school.

Thomas Beach has gone to Charlotte where he has accepted a position.

#### CHAPEL HILL

Chapel Hill, June 5.—Miss Lena Swann of Marion spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Swann.

W. C. Goodman of Flat Rock was a visitor here the latter part of the week.

Mrs. C. D. Holland, who has been ill, is improving.

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## NEWS ITEMS FROM OVER THE STATE

### Items Concerning Events of Interest and Importance Throughout the State.

The annual convention of North Carolina Baracca-Philathea association will be held at Hendersonville for four days, commencing Thursday, June 15.

The Catawba county strawberry crop sold for more than \$20,000, according to W. J. Shuford, Hickory business man, who is said to have handled more of the berries than any other shipper.

Asheville, June 5.—Republican leaders today declared that an official count will be necessary to determine the winner in the tenth district Republican congressional contest between R. R. Fisher, of Brevard, and Dr. W. S. Pegram, of Canton.

A part of the 100,930 acres of forest land authorized by the national forest reservation commission to be purchased by the government soon are in North Carolina. This land will be purchased with a part of the \$2,000,000 recommended as the budget of 1924 for the purchase of additional forest lands by the government. The acreage of the North Carolina purchase, as has been recommended, is 1,027.

## ONE KILLED AND TWO INJURED AS TRAIN DERAILS

Asheville Citizen, 7th.

Gilbert Smith, of Old Fort, was instantly killed and Elsie Lester and Sidney Carter, of Salisbury, injured, when engine No. 5654 of the Southern railroad, pulling freight train No. 82, derailed eight cars on the mountain between Ridgecrest and Old Fort, about 7:30 o'clock Tuesday night. It is believed, according to information received in railroad circles following the accident, that the three men were trespassing on the freight riding down the mountain, when the accident happened. The derailment occurred at Dendron.

A train was immediately operated from Asheville to bring in the passengers from train No. 21 from Salisbury, and they were transferred and arrived in the city several hours late.

## J. L. WALSH PASSES.

J. L. Walsh, an aged and highly respected citizen of this community, died at his home on Friday, May 26th, after a prolonged illness. Mr. Walsh had lived in this section for many years and was 82 years old at the time of his death. He was a native of Germany, having come to this country when a young man. Mr. Walsh left his native country when a mere lad, being about 14 years old. He landed at New Orleans, without friends or funds. In a short time the war between the States broke out and notwithstanding his extreme youth Mr. Walsh enlisted in the service of the Confederacy. While in the service he met up with a McDowell county boy and at the close of the war he came here and settled. He married a Miss Krause, who survives; also one son, L. B. Walsh, of this place.

The funeral was conducted from Providence church Saturday afternoon by Revs. J. P. Hipps and Terrell. Mr. Walsh had been a steward of Providence Methodist church for more than 40 years, and his passing brought great sorrow to the hearts of his many Methodist friends and others.

The sympathy of the entire community is extended to the sorrowing relatives in their great hour of distress.

## DAVIS-YOUNG.

Jeter C. Davis and Miss Leona Young were quietly married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Young, parents of the bride, Saturday afternoon, June 3rd. A few intimate friends witnessed the ceremony which was performed by Rev. J. T. Bowden.