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## STROUDTOWN SCHOOL BOND ISSUE CARRIED

### A Modern School Building, With Equipment, Will Be Erected Before Jan. 1st.

The election at Stroudtown on last Saturday on the question of bond issue for a new school building was carried by a flattering majority. The polls were promptly opened at sunrise and voting immediately began. A majority was cast in favor of the bonds by 10 o'clock, but the voting continued throughout the day in favor of the new school proposition. No organized opposition developed on election day and everything passed off quietly, without any disorder whatever. Only eight votes were cast against the bonds.

The school authorities expect to begin at once to make plans for the erection of the new building. For some time the people have felt the need of more adequate school facilities and as soon as the bonds have been disposed of it is expected actual building operations will begin.

A modern building, and equipment, will be provided. It is the purpose of those having the matter in hand to erect a building in keeping with the demands of the district and to provide opportunities in the Stroudtown district equal to those in other districts in the county. The course of study will be enlarged and a high school department will be added. It is hoped to have the new building and equipment complete not later than January 1st.

## AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

### NEAR MARION

A rather serious automobile accident occurred last Sunday afternoon near the home of Mr. G. C. Conley, on the Nebo road, when a car driven by E. J. Mask ran into a car from L. R. The occupants of the two cars were badly shaken up and four of them were more or less seriously cut from the broken glass of the windshields. In the car from Lenoir were Eugene McGinness, who owned the wrecked car, Fred Warren, who received slight injuries, Miss Alley, her and Miss Grace Warren, both of whom were slightly injured. Charles Puckridge, who was in Mask's car, was more seriously injured than any of the others, he being rather badly cut about the face. The others in the car with Mask were Ava and Josephine Puckridge, who were only shaken up and suffered no ill consequence from the experience. All the injured persons were cared for by local physicians and were able to go to their respective homes Sunday afternoon.

## McDOWELL VETERANS TO GET FREE TRIP TO REUNION

By order of the county commissioners here last Thursday the county will pay the round trip fare of all the Confederate veterans of McDowell county who may want to go to the reunion at Richmond, Va., June 20-22. Veterans desiring to make the trip are requested to file identification blank and make request to Treasurer M. G. Poteat for transportation. The veterans will entrain here June 19.

## MAN KILLED BY TRAIN.

J. Bas Finley, whose home was near Clinchfield, was killed by train number twenty-two near Bridgewater Monday. It is reported that Finley was sitting on the track and it is thought that the train struck him before he had time to get out of the way of the train. He is survived by a wife and one child. He was a young man about 23 or 24 years of age. Interment was made Tuesday afternoon at Oak Grove cemetery.

Deputy Sheriffs J. B. Ledbetter and R. C. Nannery report the destruction of a still on Broad River recently. Deputies A. E. Nichols and G. B. Woody also destroyed a plant on Buck Creek on June 7th.

## HOOVER-CONLEY.

A very quite but beautiful wedding occurred at Cottage Home Tuesday morning, June 6th, at 9:30, when Miss Anna Conley became the bride of Mr. Kirby Hoover of this place. The home was beautifully decorated in pink roses and greenery and the vows were spoken in the spacious parlor before an improvised altar of roses and evergreens.

The bridal party entered to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Mrs. E. N. Giles, sister of the bride. Preceding the bride the groom entered with his brother, Mr. Howard Hoover, as best man. The bride entered on the arm of the maid of honor, her sister, Miss Jennie Conley, who was gowned in a charming frock of white organdie with georgette picture hat and carrying white roses. The bride was very becomingly dressed in a traveling suit of blue tricotine with grey accessories and carried a shower bouquet of white sweet peas.

Rev. P. H. Brittain, pastor of the bride, performed the ceremony during which strains of "Barcarolle" was softly played. Only the immediate family and a few friends of the young couple were present. Following the ceremony the guests were invited to the dining room where refreshments were served. The decorations here were pink roses and evergreens.

The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Conley and is very popular in Marion. After leaving the State College at Greensboro in the spring of 1919 she has been a successful teacher in the county schools of McDowell.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Hoover of this place and holds a responsible position with the Marion Coca-Cola Bottling Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoover left for a short trip through the Western part of the state. They will be at home in Marion after June 15.

## BEAMAN-PADGETT.

A wedding of much interest took place last Monday, June 12th when Miss Pearl Padgett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Padgett of Nebo, became the bride of Mr. Ernest Beaman of this place.

The wedding was quiet affair, witnessed only by relatives and close friends of the bride and groom. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. C. Story of the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Beaman is a young lady of culture and accomplishments. She graduated from the Asheville Normal College a few years ago. She taught school in the county and for the past few years she has held a trusted position with the Beaman Lumber Co.

Mr. Beaman is a native of Tennessee. For a number of years he has lived in Marion and has been engaged in the manufacture and sale of finished lumber. He is a member of the firm of the Beaman Lumber Company and is a young man of sterling business qualities.

Mr. and Mrs. Beaman will make their home in Marion.

The out-of-town guests for the wedding were Mrs. Ruth B. Aston, Mrs. Chas. Biddle, Miss Elizabeth Beaman, of Knoxville, Tenn.; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. English, Miss Ola English and Miss Ruth English, of Asheville, and Miss Margaret Highsmith of Raleigh.

## NEAR EAST RELIEF CARDS.

Mrs. D. F. Giles, chairman of the Near East Relief campaign, who is at present visiting in St. Louis, has left cards in the office of the County Superintendent of Schools to be handed to persons who desire to send packages, to be forwarded to sufferers in the Near East countries. These cards are to be attached to packages and carry all necessary information that is needed in sending these packages. These cards can be secured by making application to the County Superintendent of Schools.

Services at St. John's next Sunday at 11 a. m.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE COUNTY

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

#### OLD FORT

Old Fort, June 12.—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Nichols of Marion spent the week-end with their daughter, Mrs. D. A. Silver.

Misses Nannie Nichols and Essie Mashburn, who are attending summer school at Union Mills, spent the week-end with homefolks.

Alfred Gibson of Asheville visited friends here Sunday.

S. J. Fortune of Asheville spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. J. Y. Gilliam.

Finley Fortune of Asheville spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Fortune.

Harry Ditmore returned home from Chapel Hill Saturday and will spend his vacation with his sister, Mrs. G. W. Sandlin.

Misses Bonnie Fortune, Vivian Sawyer and Louise Flemming left Tuesday to enter the summer school at Asheville.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Hart Taylor and Mrs. P. H. Mashburn spent Saturday in Asheville.

Mrs. D. M. McIntosh and children left Friday to visit relatives in Richmond, Va.

Misses Frances and Lula Hicks left Tuesday for Asheville to enter summer school.

F. M. Bradley left Friday to visit friends in Alabama.

J. L. Lackey made a business trip to Marion Thursday.

Misses Millie and Bula Kanipe, May Allison and Gertrude Durham returned home from Greensboro College last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. Hart Taylor left Tuesday for Abbot, Ala., where they are building a big bridge.

Mrs. James Gilliam and daughter of Catawba returned home Sunday, after spending a week with Mr. Gilliam.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Grant of Greenlee spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moody.

Miss Mamie Lacky and Charles McGee of Waynesville were married June 5th.

#### BETHLEHEM

Old Fort, Route 2, June 12.—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Morgan spent Saturday night at the home of C. N. Hogan.

Marie Jackson spent the week-end with Ethel Carr on Catawba.

The W. O. W. of Old Fort decorated the grave of Robert Poteat here Sunday at eleven o'clock.

Rev. C. P. Holland, who has just returned from the State meeting of the P. O. S. of A. at Charlotte, will preach a sermon on the order here next Sunday. Everybody invited.

Thomas Holland of Old Fort was a visitor here yesterday.

Mrs. J. F. Parker of Marion spent the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gibson.

Thomas Parker of Marion is spending the week with Frank Mills.

Charlie Gibson of Catawba spent Sunday here.

Rattlesnakes seem to be plentiful in this section. Five have been killed here recently.

Due to so much rain the farmers are all behind with their work, but corn is looking very good.

#### CARLYLE

Nebo, Rt. 2, June 12.—James W. Edwards, one of McDowell county's best known and most highly respected citizens, died at his home here Thursday, June 8, at 3:30 o'clock. Mr. Edwards is survived by his wife and eleven children—Marion Edwards of Rhodess, Millard Edwards, Mrs. Henry Arrowood and Thomas A. Edwards of Nebo; John L. and Wesley M. Edwards of Alliance, Ohio; Charles and George Edwards of Moorefield, Ohio; Floyd Edwards

of Canton, Ohio; Bert Edwards of Spruce Pine, and Mrs. Gordon Erwin of Marion—all of whom were present except the latter. He is also survived by forty-seven grand children, eight great grand children and one brother, William Edwards, aged 78. Mr. Edwards had many friends in this section and his passing brought sorrow to many.

Farmers are getting along splendidly with their work.

Charles Buchanan of Hawk was here last week prospecting for mica. Fishing is fine on Lake James. If you wish to spend a pleasant day, visit Lake James at this place.

#### ASHFORD

Ashford, June 12.—Ashford was not dead, but sleeping.

Dewey Brown and Miss Liddy Heffner were quietly married a few days ago. They are now keepink house.

Mrs. E. R. Stair of Dunganon, Va., is visiting her parents and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Greene of Johnson City, Tenn., are visiting relatives here.

Miss Beatrice Brown will attend summer school in Morganton this year.

We are expecting to have a Children's Day exercises at Concord church some time in the near future.

Ray McCall has returned home from Morganton where he has been working.

On last Tuesday, June 6, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. English of this place had a reunion of their family at the old home place. This was also their golden wedding day. Every member of the family was present except two. It was wonderful to see that large family gathered around a long table covered with good eats.

#### HANKINS

Marion, Rt. 3, June 13.—Mrs. Murtie Cooper and Mrs. Fannie Lewis visited relatives in Morganton Friday.

Misses Cora McNeely and Edna Whetstone were shopping in Marion last Saturday.

Mrs. M. A. Craig and grandson of Glenwood spent the week-end here.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Erwin, a daughter, June 9th.

George and Joe Hall were visitors at Carlyle Sunday.

A number of young folks from Carlyle were visitors here Sunday afternoon.

J. C. Burnett made a business trip to Marion Saturday.

R. D. Barnes of Marion visited his daughter, Mrs. J. C. Burnett, last week.

#### NEBO.

Nebo, June 11.—Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Mason and little son returned home yesterday after spending some time with Mrs. Mason's mother near Glenwood.

Watson Wilson, of Marion, spent the week-end with homefolks here.

Miss Lonnie Snipes, who holds a position in Marion, spent Saturday and Sunday with homefolks here.

Misses Betty Bowman and Georgia Sigmon were shopping in Marion last Saturday.

There will be preaching at the Methodist church next Sunday night at 7:45 o'clock.

#### GARDIN

Gardin, June 12.—Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mason of Nebo have been visiting relatives here.

James Morgan made a business trip to Glenwood last week.

A large crowd of young people of this place attended Children's Day exercises at Bethel, Sunday.

A singing was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Wacaser Friday night.

Miss Mayme Bowman of Marion spent the week-end with homefolks. Crops are progressing nicely.

#### CURFEW

Old Fort, Star Route, June 13.—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Morgan visited C. N. Hogan Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hawkins of Marion visited the former's parents

## NEWS ITEMS FROM OVER THE STATE

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

Christian Endeavor societies of North Carolina will meet in Charlotte Friday, Saturday and Sunday. It is believed some 600 delegates will be in attendance.

Willie Lee Goforth, aged 22, of Winston-Salem, died Saturday as a result of injuries which he sustained Thursday at North Wilkesboro when he fell 56 feet from a smokestack he was painting.

E. B. Cozort, prominent farmer of Durham county, claims the prize cow of 1922. Thursday, according to Mr. Cozort, the cow in question gave 41 quarts of milk at one milking. It is said that four people helped in the milking and it took two hours to complete the job.

Plans for the apple show to be held in Asheville this fall, will be discussed at a meeting to be held June 23 at the Swannanoa test farm of the North Horticultural society. This organization includes practically all the large apple growers of Western North Carolina.

### TO ERECT MONUMENT FOR JOSEPH McDOWELL

Asheville Citizen, 10th.

Plans for marking the grave of Colonel Joseph McDowell in Pleasant Gardens cemetery, in McDowell county, were set in motion at yesterday's meeting of the McDowell-Erwin Clan. A committee composed of William and E. E. McDowell, of Asheville, and A. M. Siler, of Weaverville, was appointed to visit the grave and formulate plans for the erection of a suitable monument in memory of the Revolutionary hero. Joseph and Charles McDowell participated in the Battle of Kings Mountain and while the grave of Charles McDowell at Quaker Meadows, Burke county, is marked, no monument has ever been erected at the grave of Colonel Joseph McDowell.

During the business session of the clan yesterday William A. Erwin, of Durham, was elected chief; J. E. McDowell, of Asheville, vice-chief; Mrs. Margaret McDowell Siler, of Weaverville, re-elected secretary; W. M. McDowell, of Asheville, re-elected treasurer.

In the absence of Chief F. Boevar McDowell, of Charlotte, who was unable to attend this year's meeting, Vice Chief J. E. McDowell, of Asheville, presided over the session yesterday. A revision of the constitution and by laws constituted the principle business handled. The revision included a reduction of the amount of annual dues.

It was announced that books giving the history of the McDowell and Erwin families would be revised.

### CHURCH NEWS.

There were one hundred and twenty young men in the Baraca class at the First Baptist church last Sunday morning. The photographer was on hand and made a picture which is to be used in the State work to show what can be done by the men when they get together. This was a great occasion and a splendid victory for the boys, but they say they can and will go one better. Next Sunday they propose to have one hundred and fifty. This class will have a delegation at the Baraca-Philathea convention which is in session at Hendersonville this week. They will bring back inspiring reports for the class next Sunday morning.

Saturday night and were the guests of Mrs. R. D. Parker Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Reel and children spent Saturday night at J. W. Hogan's on Crooked Creek.

The farmers of this section are busy cutting grain.

Mrs. J. F. Parker and children of Marion spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gibson. Grayson Peñdergrass and family of Greenlee were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Morgan Sunday.