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BIG CELEBRATION HERE NEXT WEEK

Program Will Include Big Parade, Speaking, Boxing and Other Amusements.

With preparations going forward to handle one of the largest crowds ever assembled in Marion, the committees working on the Fourth of July celebration in Marion report that plans for the day are about complete except for a few minor details. The celebration is being sponsored by the McDowell Post of the American Legion, and this organization has gone to quite a bit of expense to make this gala day the most glorious of any that has been celebrated in this section. Legion posts from other nearby towns are expected to attend and take part in the event.

The program will open at 9:00 o'clock with a band concert and will be followed by the grand parade at 10:00 o'clock, headed by the state highway patrolmen of this district. At 11:00 a. m. an address will be delivered by Mr. Gregg Cherry, state commander. In the afternoon there will be races, contests, stunts, band music, and other amusements, including Lee's Riding Devices.

A boxing exhibition consisting of six bouts will be given at the high school auditorium in the evening at 7:30.

At 9:30 Marion's most beautiful and popular young lady will have the honor of being crowned Miss Marion. This young lady will be given a trip to Raleigh as sponsor for the local post of the American Legion and will also be presented with a beautiful silver trophy cup. The coronation ceremony will take place on the court house lawn. This will be followed by a street carnival and dance and a display of fireworks.

Two prize cups will be awarded the most attractive floats, and one prize cup to the best decorated individual car.

All boys between the ages of eight and eighteen are requested to be present at the American Legion headquarters at the Marianna Hotel at 9:30 a. m. July 4. The Legion has something to give them.

MYSTIC TIE LODGE INSTALLS OFFICERS

Officers for the ensuing year, who were elected last week, were installed at a meeting of Mystic Tie Lodge No. 237, A. F. & A. M., last Monday night.

The new officers are: Dr. B. A. Dickson, worshipful master; A. A. Morris, senior warden; R. B. Crisp, junior warden; L. A. Neal, treasurer; H. D. Bishop, secretary; R. L. Conley, senior deacon; H. D. Hoover, junior deacon; J. E. Melton, senior steward; S. W. Blanton, junior steward; C. L. Poteat, tyler; Rev. J. C. Story, chaplain; and Rev. P. D. Mangum, educational secretary.

The new officers were installed by J. H. Beaman, retiring worshipful master.

The next regular meeting of the Mystic Tie Lodge will be held on Friday night, July 5.

FIVE PRISONERS SENT TO THE STATE PRISON

Sheriff O. F. Adkins and Deputy Sheriff C. L. Tate have returned from Raleigh where they took five prisoners to the state prison. The defendants were convicted at the last term of court here and given sentences ranging from eighteen months to ten years.

Sixteen prisoners were also taken to Henderson county for work on the public roads.

CHAS. T. MOORE PASSES.

Mr. Chas. T. Moore died at his home on East Henderson street last Thursday morning after a lingering illness. Mr. Moore was 65 years of age and had been in failing health for several years. He is survived by his wife and three children.

Funeral services were conducted from the residence Friday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. W. O. Goode, assisted by Rev. J. S. Lockaby, and interment made at Oak Grove cemetery.

If you like a gay and entertaining picture, see "OUR DANCING DAUGHTERS" at Oasis Theatre next Monday or Tuesday.

RECEPTION GIVEN FOR MR. AND MRS. W. W. NEAL, JR.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Neal, Sr., entertained at their lovely home, "Overlook Place," last Tuesday evening. The reception was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Neal, Jr., whose recent wedding was a social event in Gainesville, Fla.

In the receiving line were Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Neal, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Neal, Jr., Dr. and Mrs. Bryson, of Bryson City; Misses Frances Gilkey and Rowena Neal, Mrs. H. F. Little, Jr., Messrs. Grayson Neal, Robert Proctor, Neal Morris and Jack Justice.

The house was very attractively decorated with flowers that harmonized with the rooms. In the spacious living room were bowls and vases of purple and yellow garden flowers. The flowers in the dining room where cream and cake were served were all in white, using a lovely silver basket with white larkspur and gypsophila for the center decoration, and silver candlesticks held gleaming white tapers.

Those assisting in entertaining were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Winborne and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Neal met the guests at the door, introducing them to those receiving; Mesdames E. H. Dysart and Eugene Cross directed the guests to the porch where Misses Anna Laura Blanton, Rena Neal and Laura Merrill served punch; Mesdames H. H. Tate, Annie Miller Pless and W. K. M. Gilkey next led the way into the dining room, where Mrs. J. Q. Gilkey and Mrs. R. J. Noyes cut cream on silver platters, and Mesdames J. W. Pless, Jr., Guy Kirby, Jr., W. N. Blanton and Chas. Reed, Misses Mary Yancey, Mary Huggins and Alice Roan Cross assisted in serving. The bride, who is a lovely, attractive young woman, was most becomingly gowned in white lace and tulle. She is quite an acquisition to the young married set of Marion.

PROGRAM FOR RECITAL ON FRIDAY EVENING

The following program will be given Friday evening, June 28th, at eight o'clock by pupils of Miss Lois Gilkey.

Quartet: Danse Ecossaise (Baker) Anna Kate Craig, Doris Jones, Mary Willie Barnes, Nelson Parker.

Solo: O Dear What Can the Matter Be; Virginia Mae McCall, Helen Ray, Nancy Barnes, Louise Craig.

Solo: Sunshine Valley (Ellis), Mildred Craig.

Solo: The Contented Bird (Rowe) Virginia Mae McCall.

Solo: The Daisies (Fontaine), Margaret Parker.

Duet: Pride of The Regiment (Crammond), Cecil Gilkey and Nelson Parker.

Solo: In Nature's Garden (Spaulding), Josephine Craig.

Solo: Silver Spring (Heins), Barbara Wagner.

Violin Solo: The Bumble Bee (Risher), Cecil Gilkey.

Song: Vacation Days; Barbara Wagner, Josephine Craig, Mildred Craig, Jessie Parker, Ganelle Butt, Hiram Bishop, Pauline Silver, Cecil Gilkey.

Quartet: Wild Flower March (Kinkel), Mildred Craig, Anna Kate Craig, Mary Willie Barnes, Hiram Bishop.

Solo: Sparkling Dewdrops (Ellis), Cecil Gilkey.

Trio: A May Day (Rathbun), Hiram Bishop, Mary Willie Barnes, Doris Jones, Anna Kate Craig, Barbara Wagner.

Quartet: Rigoletto (Verdi), Mary Willie Barnes, Hiram Bishop, Doris Jones, Anna Kate Craig.

Violin Solo: Pizzicato (Franklin), Roberta Neal.

Solo: Return of Spring (Moelling) Mary Willie Barnes.

Violin Duo: Ave Verum (Mozart), Edith Nichols and Miss Gilkey.

Solo: The Robin's Return (Fischer), Hiram Bishop.

Violin Solo: Petite Marche (Papi-ni), Edith Nichols.

Quartet: Overture to Tancredi (Rossini), Anna K. Craig, Doris Jones, Nelson Parker, Miss Gilkey.

Solo: Michael's Flute (Rofle), Nelson Parker.

Solo: Polonaise (Slunicko), Doris Jones.

Duo: Turkischer March (Mozart), Doris Jones and Anna Kate Craig.

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GOLDEN WEDDING MARION COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. James Morris Celebrate Fiftieth Anniversary of Their Marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. James Morris celebrated their golden wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Streetman on Garden street Tuesday afternoon. Beautiful invitations, printed in gold, were issued to friends and relatives as follows:

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Mr. and Mrs. James Morris request the pleasure of your company at the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage

Tuesday afternoon, June the twenty-fifth, from four to six o'clock at the home of

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Streetman Marion, North Carolina

Mary Moffitt Burgin James Morris Over one hundred guests attended the reception.

Miss Mary Yancey and Mrs. L. J. P. Cutler served punch to the guests on the porch and they were met at the door by Mrs. L. A. Neal and Mrs. J. C. Rabb who introduced them to the reception line, composed of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Streetman, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. James Morris, Mrs. Kate Gowan, Mrs. Margaret Sinclair, Mrs. J. W. Streetman, Jr., Rev. and Mrs. J. P. Morris, of Hickory Grove, N. C., and Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Lockaby. Mrs. E. J. House led the way to the dining room where Mrs. P. D. Sinclair and Mrs. C. A. Workman presided at the table.

A color scheme of gold and white was artistically carried out in the decorations of the rooms and the refreshments.

Misses Frances McPeeters, Virginia Yancey and Elizabeth Neal assisted in serving. Miss Florence Yancey was at the register table.

Mrs. Morris was charming, being gowned in white Elizabeth crepe and wore a corsage of white carnations, sweet peas and fern.

The afternoon was greatly enjoyed by all and Mr. and Mrs. Morris received many gifts.

MORGANTON GIRL DROWNS AT LAKE JAMES; ON PICNIC

Morganton, June 20.—A family picnic at Lake James today resulted in the drowning of Miss Atwood Fleming, 16 year old daughter of W. T. Fleming, well known Morganton plumber. The oldest son, Solon Fleming, came home yesterday from Asheville on a short visit and today the family packed lunch and fishing tackle for a day of fishing and bathing at the lake, about 11 miles from Morganton.

Atwood waded out too far in the water and was drowned before her father and brother, who were at some distance fishing, could rescue her. The body was recovered within a short time but all means of resuscitation proved futile.

Awaiting word and the arrival of a brother and sister in Pennsylvania, funeral arrangements have not yet been made. Atwood was one of Morganton's prettiest and most popular young girls. She was exceptionally vivacious and attractive and the entire town was shocked this afternoon at the news of her tragic death.

RUTHERFORDTON MAN IS NAMED DEPUTY COLLECTOR

Rutherfordton, June 18.—Dudley W. Crawford of Rutherfordton has been appointed a deputy collector in the Statesville district by the Collector of Internal Revenue, Gilliam Grissom, of Raleigh, and has just entered upon his new duties. This appointment came as a surprise to Mr. Crawford and his many friends, although application was made some time ago. Mr. Crawford is well known in Rutherfordton county, having come from McDowell county in 1913. He has been active in the business, civic and political life of the county since coming here. He was for several years connected with the banking business and for the past four years has been engaged in the real estate and insurance business.

Mr. Crawford has been active in the interest of the Republican party. His name has been on the county ticket several times, having been defeated for representative in the last general assembly by a small majority by Hon. Geo. Biggerstaff.

COURT ADJOURNED LAST SATURDAY

Criminal Docket Completed—Civil Cases Continued—Six Divorces Granted.

Court adjourned last Saturday afternoon after having completed the work on the criminal docket and continuing cases on the civil docket until the July term of court. This term will begin July 8 with Judge John H. Harwood presiding, being a three weeks term of civil court.

During the two weeks term which closed Saturday a large number of cases were disposed of on the criminal docket.

Frank Wells, charged with manufacturing whiskey, was sentenced to six months on the roads.

Charles Hendricks, for attempted larceny, was given nine months on the roads.

Clarence Shehan, driving car while drunk, was sentenced to four months on the roads.

John Lail, on a charge of assault with a deadly weapon, was sentenced to two years on the roads. Appeal taken.

J. Y. Jordan, forgery, was sentenced to eighteen months in the state prison at Raleigh.

During the term six divorces were granted as follows: Clarisa A. Bowman vs. William D. Bowman, Tina Woodby vs. Luther Woodby, Dessie Wilson vs. R. W. Wilson, Alice Morgan vs. A. C. Morgan, Lillian L. Bond vs. Albert Bond, and Garland C. Hall vs. Ardell E. Hall.

FORESTRY TRUCK PLANS VISIT TO W.N.C. COUNTIES

Raleigh, N. C., June 21.—Twelve western North Carolina counties extending from the South Carolina to the Virginia Line are included on the itinerary mapped out in a tentative schedule for the showing of forestry and game motion pictures during the next three months, Charles H. Flory, assistant forester of the Department of Conservation and Development, made public Friday.

The tentative schedule as outlined by Forester Flory follows: Rutherford—June 24 to July 6; McDowell—July 8 to 13; Burke—July 15 to 20; Caldwell—July 20 to 27; Alexander—July 29 to August 3; Wilkes—August 5 to 10; Surry—August 12 to 17; Alleghany—August 19 to 24; Ashe—August 26 to 31; Watauga—September 2 to 7; Avery—September 9 to 14; Mitchell—September 16 to 21.

When the proposed schedule is completed, Forester Flory said the motor truck carrying the moving picture equipment will be transferred to eastern North Carolina for presentation of motion pictures at county fairs and afterwards to continue programs in this section of the state through the winter months.

J. ED. KANIPE NAMED DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR

J. Ed. Kanipe, of Asheville, was yesterday named deputy prohibition administrator to succeed the late Ben C. Sharpe, according to dispatches from Washington, D. C. Mr. Kanipe, it is announced, will be commissioned at once and move to headquarters in Charlotte. Mr. Kanipe is a son of the late D. A. Kanipe of Marion.

MRS. STEPPE UNDERGOING TREATMENT IN CHARLOTTE

Mrs. N. F. Steppe is in Charlotte taking treatment by Dr. Bernizer for enlargement of the thyroid gland. Reports from the hospital state that she is getting along nicely and expects to return home in a few days.

AGED CITIZEN PASSES.

Enos Green, a well known citizen of the county, died at his home at Dysartsville last Friday and was buried at Trinity Church Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. H. E. Stimson. Mr. Green was 98 years of age and is survived by ten children.

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OLD TIME SINGING CONVENTION AUG. 25

An old time singing convention will be held at Oak Grove Church near Marion, on the fourth Sunday in August, it is announced by T. J. Shell, president and J. C. Burnette, secretary, of the organization. The announcement follows:

Many of our singing people and those who are interested in singing have for some time been asking for an old time singing convention, and what we mean by an old time singing convention is one of the old style where all our singing people take part, where all our singing leaders bring their whole choirs both young and old and all sing.

At a recent meeting of some of the singing people of Burke, McDowell and Avery Counties, an Old Time Singing Convention was organized and plans made to hold the convention the fourth Sunday in August of this year at Oak Grove Church, located near the north bank of Lake James, nine miles east of Marion and twelve miles west of Morganton on No. 105 highway. This location offers all conveniences necessary, such as good roads, good shade and plenty of parking space as well as beautiful scenery.

All people of Burke, McDowell and other adjoining counties are invited to attend and bring their song books, old or new, and a basket of dinner as we expect to make this a day of feasting and singing but not to make nor hear speeches. Everybody come and enjoy one of the greatest Old Time Singing conventions ever held.

For further information concerning convention, see or write J. C. Burnette, secretary, Marion, N. C.

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY HERE

J. L. Calvert, of Norfolk, Va., traveling passenger agent, Southern Railway, was in Marion yesterday conferring with Mr. M. F. West, local representative for the Southern, and chamber of commerce officials, regarding summer travel from this section.

According to Mr. Calvert, the Southern Railway has recently issued several new booklets and folders, in which are featured the many points of interest in Virginia along the seashore. Mr. Calvert is arranging to have copies of these booklets on hand at the local office of the Southern for the people of this community.

Mr. Calvert reports that both Ocean View and Virginia Beach, the two largest resorts at Virginia Seashore, are even now attracting capacity crowds. "Never before at this time of the year have I seen such crowds at Norfolk's resorts," said Mr. Calvert. "More than a million dollars were spent at Ocean View during the past year. Many new amusements have been installed at the amusement park and as a result this park now ranks as the third best amusement park in America."

Specially attractive round trip excursion fares and season round trip rates are in effect from Marion to Norfolk and the seashore resorts of that section.

OPENING BALL AT LAKE TAHOMA FRIDAY

The casino at Lake Tahoma has been leased for the season by Mr. J. H. Sanford, of Augusta, Ga., and announcement was made that the opening dance will be given Friday night, June 28. Music will be furnished by the Strickland Bonbreast Capitols Orchestra. This orchestra has a national reputation, having furnished music for President Hoover's inaugural ball and being in demand for radio hook-up programs. A large attendance is expected.

HUDSON SALES INCREASE

Totals announced by the export department of the Hudson Motor Car Company covering the first five months of 1929 show an increase of 18 per cent over the sales over a similar period of 1928, the previous best period in Hudson's history. This would indicate that the 1928 record will be broken by a substantial majority, says J. S. Draper, general export manager. Export sales continue to parallel domestic sales which are also setting new high records.

Trees equivalent to 500,000,000 fence posts are cut every year for that purpose in the United States.

The Cowan Grocery Company has installed a new electric refrigerator.

STATE HIGHWAY PATROLMEN NAMED

J. R. Smith, S. D. Moore, G. I. Thompson, Patrolmen This District Group Here Tuesd'y

Allocation of the twenty-seven patrolmen and nine lieutenants of the new state highway patrol through the nine highway districts was announced Saturday by Chairman R. H. Doughton, of the State Highway Commission. For the time being, the office of the district engineer in each district will also be the office of the patrol commander for that district, and will be the headquarters for the lieutenant in command.

The officers and patrolmen will all meet in Raleigh on Monday, July 1, to be sworn into active service and to be reviewed by Governor O. Max Gardner, after which the officers and men will at once proceed to their respective districts to begin active duty.

Each officer is equipped with a Ford Coupe, painted olive drab and bearing the insignia of the state highway patrol, as well as a motorcycle. All of the patrolmen are equipped with large twin-cylinder police type motorcycles.

The assignment for this district was as follows: Lieutenant Lester H. Beck, of Aberdeen; Patrolmen J. R. Smith, of Wilmington; S. D. Moore, of Asheville; and G. I. Thompson, of Lexington.

The entire patrol, commanded by Captain Farmer, passed through Marion Tuesday morning on a tour of the state. The patrol made a fine appearance and attracted considerable attention as they paraded through the streets of Marion en route to Asheville.

The patrolmen will be given a furlough over Friday, Saturday and Sunday before going into active service Monday, July 1.

SURVEY CREAM ROUTE

The committee appointed some time ago to work out a plan to solve the problems in connection with the marketing of dairy products in this county is busy on its task. The committee has decided that for the present it would be advisable to sell the surplus milk in the form of cream on the butter-fat basis. One proposed cream route is being surveyed to determine the amount of cream available and learn the interest of the people in dairying. Some work is also being done in sections not covered by the proposed route in the interest of short cream routes to lead direct to Marion.

This committee is also working to get rid of every scrub bull in the county and replace him with a pure-bred bull; to have as our motto: Five good cows on every farm; and to hold monthly meetings to discuss the dairy problems.

TWO MEN ARRESTED ON LIQUOR CHARGE

Chief of Police R. S. Clay had an unusual experience Tuesday when two men drove up on Main street and one of them informed him that their car contained five gallons of whiskey. The men, who gave their names as Archie Johns, of Morganton, and Grose Banks, of Asheville, were arrested and put in jail, Banks claiming the whiskey belonged to Johns. The whiskey was found under the rumble seat of the car and taken in charge by the officers, as was also the car, which proved to be the property of a U-Drive-It company of Asheville.

STORES TO CLOSE FOURTH.

Following a canvass of the retail merchants, regarding closing of stores on the Fourth of July, it was found that almost one hundred per cent were in favor of closing for the day. Therefore, with the exception of the drug stores, all the stores will be closed for the Fourth of July.

DEATH OF CHILD

Billie Edward Shuford, nineteen-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shuford, died last Saturday night at the home of his parents on Park Avenue, following an illness of several days with colitis. Funeral services were conducted at the residence Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by Rev. W. O. Goode and interment made in Oak Grove cemetery.