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HIGHWAY SOUTH OF MARION TO BE BUILT

Link on Highway No. 19 Will Be Included in the Next Letting—Distance Shortened.

It has just been learned from H. E. Noell, district engineer of the Eighth District, that he had conferred recently with A. M. Kistler, commissioner of the Eighth district, concerning the construction of Route No. 19 from Marion to McDowell-Rutherford County line. Mr. Kistler has given his consent for this road to be built and has instructed the Raleigh office to have this project placed in the next highway letting. With this link of highway constructed, or rebuilt, will mean a saving of two miles between Marion and the McDowell-Rutherford County line, and at the same time means that this road will be straightened out and taken off the famous Bald Alley Mountain. The new survey virtually follows the old highway which was built years ago and prior to the changing to the Bald Alley Mountain.

This road will be constructed and surfaced with either topsoil or sand and gravel, and it is the opinion of the engineer that this road will be oil treated next summer, or early fall.

Highway No. 19 was built this year between the McDowell-Rutherford County line and Rutherford County with a saving of two miles in distance. This road is now being treated with tar and should be ready for the traveling public by the middle of November.

The total distance of this road from Marion to Rutherford County was formerly 28 miles. After the McDowell County link is completed, it will cut this distance from Marion to Rutherford County to 24 miles.

The Equalization Fund, which was enacted by the Legislature of 1929, has greatly helped the Western part of North Carolina. Eighty-five thousand dollars of this fund is to be spent on the construction of the Marion-Rutherford County road in McDowell County.

ENJOYABLE PROGRAM AT THE MARION HIGH SCHOOL

Coming as a complete surprise, the students of Marion High School were given a chapel program last Tuesday morning that was both enjoyable and profitable.

This program was given by Dr. L. F. Hackemann, of Lenoir-Rhyne College, who delivered an address on education; and by Fred Hoke, Harry Mooney, Brown Trexler, and Ralph Chandler, who rendered several musical numbers for their audience. These boys were also from Lenoir-Rhyne College and make up the Freshman quartet of that institution.

After being introduced by Supt. F. R. Richardson, Dr. Hackemann delivered a very interesting thirty minutes address on "The Value of a College Education." He stressed the value of such an education to every individual by comparing the lives of those who have had the advantage of a college education with those who have not had that opportunity. Dr. Hackemann, by quoting statistics compiled in the office of Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, pointed out to students the money value of a good education. "A day well spent in a high school has a money value of thirty dollars," concluded Dr. Hackemann.

Just before and after the address the quartet gave several delightful numbers. Before going to Lenoir-Rhyne this quartet could have been found at the Spencer High School, which, at that time, was under the direction of Supt. F. R. Richardson.

Dr. Hackemann and the quartet were entertained at the local Kiwanis luncheon, being guests of Supt. Richardson.

PIE SUPPER

There will be a pie supper at Curfew School, Saturday night, Nov. 2. Everybody cordially invited to attend. The proceeds will be used to buy equipment for the school.

Thursday and Friday at Marion Theatre, "THE WEDDING MARCH" a spectacular and lavishly produced picture, part of which is in color.

JUNIOR WOMAN'S CLUB ORGANIZED IN MARION

The first meeting of the Junior Woman's Club of Marion was held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. D. F. Giles, District Director. Mrs. J. Quince Gilkey, president of the Woman's Club, congratulated and welcomed the new members. Those present were: Mrs. G. B. Justice, Mrs. Nerah Penny, Mrs. Edwin Pless, Mrs. R. B. Crisp, Mrs. Guy Kirky, Jr., Mrs. Jimmie Goode, Mrs. A. V. Nolan, Mrs. Harry Ditmore, Mrs. J. S. Lockaby, Mrs. L. J. P. Cutlar, Mrs. Ralph Alexander, Mrs. W. W. Neal, Jr., Miss Mildred Hudgins and Miss Alice Roane Cross.

It is hoped that many others will join the club at the next meeting.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. L. J. P. Cutlar, president; Mrs. Ralph Alexander, vice-president; Mrs. W. W. Neal, Jr., secretary, and Mrs. J. S. Lockaby, treasurer.

A membership committee and program committee were appointed by the president.

It was voted that the club meet every two weeks but the place of meeting will be left entirely to the hostesses. Mrs. Ralph Alexander and Mrs. Jimmie Goode will be the hostesses at the next meeting which will be held Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 3:30 at the home of the former.

Mrs. Harry Ditmore, Mrs. R. B. Crisp and Mrs. Edwin Pless comprise the program committee for the next two months.

Plans were discussed for the year's work and several interesting projects were mentioned.

After the business was transacted Mrs. Giles served a delightful salad course, carrying out in a most clever and attractive way the Halloween motif.

THREE INJURED IN ACCIDENT THURSDAY

On last Thursday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Crawley had a serious accident, when their truck load of produce turned over near Ashford. Mrs. Crawley was taken to the Marion Hospital, suffering from bruises about the body and face. Mr. Crawley had a ligament torn in his shoulder.

Mr. Crawley, who lives near Dyarsville, was enroute home with a load of cabbage, apples and chestnuts. He stated that while coming down the steep mountain road, his truck got beyond his control on account of the brakes and transmission burning out.

Mr. W. R. Suttles was also in the car. He had a severe cut on his right foot, and was taken to Crossnore where he received medical aid.

BLACK MOUNTAIN TO MEET MARION FRIDAY

After having successfully disposed of Canton last Friday the Marion High School football warriors are turning their eyes toward Black Mountain.

The Black Mountain combination will be played in Marion next Friday at 3:30 o'clock. Little is known of the Mountain boys, but it can be a safe bet that they will put up a healthy scrap.

Due to rain the Marion coaches worked their boys early in the week behind the closed doors of the gymnasium. The remainder of the week was spent in conditioning the boys and in signal drill.

There is a possibility that a change in the lineup will be seen Friday but in all probability those starting the game will be: Bowditch, center; Moore and Mashburn or Glenn, guards; Captain Gilkey and Clay, tackles; Williams and Ledbetter or Holcombe, ends; Ouzts, quarterback; Rabb and Roper or J. Finley, halfbacks; Martin, fullback.

CREAM ROUTE GROWING

About forty farmers have joined the Dysartsville-Marion "Cream and Egg" route. This new organization is growing fast. It is believed that eventually more than a hundred farmers will be patrons of this new established route. Those who organized this route are optimistic, and think that it will be a great boon to the farmers.

BOX SUPPER

A Halloween party and box supper will be given at the North Cove school house, Saturday night, November 2nd. No admission charges. Everybody welcome.

APPOINTMENTS OF M. E. CONFERENCE

Rev. W. O. Goode Returns to First Church Here; Rev. E. W. Fox New Presiding Elder

The appointment of the ministers to new charges for the year brought to a close the fortieth annual Western North Carolina M. E. Conference at High Point Monday morning. The appointments were read by Bishop Mouzon.

Examination of the lists of appointments for the new year revealed a number of changes. Rev. E. W. Fox was made presiding elder of the Marion district, succeeding the Rev. E. O. Cole who has completed his fourth year here. Mr. Cole was elected conference treasurer with headquarters in Charlotte. Mr. Fox comes to this section of the state from the Mt. Airy district where he has been serving as presiding elder. Rev. W. E. Poovey, who has served three years at Lenoir, and a former pastor of the First Church at Marion, was made presiding elder of the Mt. Airy district.

Rev. W. O. Goode is returned to the First Church of Marion for his second year.

Rev. J. H. Strickland succeeds Rev. J. N. Wise at East Marion and Mr. Wise goes to New London in the Salisbury district. Rev. H. E. Stimson, who has served the McDowell Circuit for the past five years, goes to Westford in the Salisbury district. He is succeeded on the McDowell Circuit by Rev. D. C. Ballard.

Rev. W. L. Hutchins, who has served two years at Hickory, goes to Waynesville.

MARION DISTRICT

Appointments for the Marion district are as follows:

Presiding elder, E. W. Fox. Avery, E. E. Yates. Bakersville, B. A. Sisk. Bostic, J. E. Hipp. Broad River, R. P. Fikes. Burke, C. S. Plyler, supply; D. D. Holt, Jr., preacher supply. Burnsville, J. L. Reynolds. Cliffside-Avondale, D. H. Rhinehardt.

Crossmill, J. N. Snow, supply. Elk Park, G. F. Houck. Forest City, M. F. Moores. Gilkey, J. W. Parker. Glen Alpine, M. A. Osborne. Henrietta, A. W. Lynch. Marion First Church, W. O. Goode. Marion Mills, J. H. Strickland. Marion Circuit, T. G. Smith. McDowell, D. C. Ballard; Mica-ville, D. G. Smith.

Mill Spring, P. T. Dixon. Morganton, First Church, H. K. Boyer.

North Forest, A. A. Kyles. Morganton Circuit, D. S. Richardson.

Old Fort, J. C. Umberger. Old Fort Circuit, O. P. Routh. Rutherfordton, J. W. Hoyle, Jr. Rutherford College, W. L. Scott. Spindale-Pleasant Grove, W. A. Barber.

Spruce Pine, J. S. Folger. Table Rock, J. L. Rayle. President Rutherford College, E. P. Billups.

MARION PROGRESS ADDS NEW MEMBER TO STAFF

The Marion Progress has enlarged its force. It has employed C. W. Kipka as news reporter and solicitor. Anyone having a news item or advertisement please phone 64 and he will be at your service.

It is the chief aim of the Marion Progress to work for the best interests of the town and its community. Mr. Kipka's home is in Mooresville, and is a late graduate of Elon College. He will be glad to call at any time on those who need news matter written, or who wish to insert an advertisement, or who have a subscription.

ENDEAVORS OBSERVE REFORMATION DAY

Reformation Day was observed by the Christian Endeavor Society at the First Presbyterian Church on last Sunday evening with a very entertaining and instructive program. Mr. W. T. Morgan, prominent attorney of Marion, gave an interesting address on Martin Luther to a large audience. The lecture was constructive, helpful and interesting.

BASKETBALL SEASON OPENS NOVEMBER 1

Championship Series Opens With Nebo vs. Old Fort; Glenwood vs. Pleasant Gdns

McDowell county is to have another championship series in basketball. The athletic heads representing each high school met in the County Superintendent's office last Thursday and drafted rules and regulations to govern a contest in the county championship series beginning Nov. 1st. The contest for 1929-30 will be open to Marion, Old Fort, Nebo, Glenwood, and Pleasant Gardens. W. B. Harrill, chairman; M. W. Gordon; Fred Abernethy; A. V. Nolan, ex-officio; and S. B. Smith were the members who drew up regulations under which each team must be governed.

Each team is to play two games with every other school. Owing to the fact that Marion is playing football and will not enter the contest until after Christmas, the winner from the other four schools will play Marion a three game series for the county championship.

SCHEDULE OF GAMES

The schedule of games for the season follows:

Friday, Nov. 1: Old Fort at Nebo; Pleasant Gardens at Glenwood.

Friday, Nov. 8: Nebo at Pleasant Gardens; Glenwood at Old Fort.

Friday, Nov. 15: Old Fort at Pleasant Gardens; Nebo at Glenwood.

Friday, Nov. 22: Nebo at Old Fort; Glenwood at Pleasant Gardens.

Friday, Nov. 27: Pleasant Gardens at Nebo; Old Fort at Glenwood.

Friday, Dec. 6: Pleasant Gardens at Old Fort; Glenwood at Nebo.

WOMAN'S CLUB HOLDS INTERESTING MEETING

A most interesting meeting of the Woman's Club was held Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. J. P. Cutlar. A large number of members were present, also a number of young matrons were visitors, who held a short meeting after the club session to formulate plans for a Junior Club. The president, Mrs. J. Q. Gilkey, welcomed these young ladies, and promised every assistance of the club members in organizing the new club. Mrs. D. F. Giles, in a very pleasing manner, thoroughly explained the work of the Junior Club and stated she was happy to enroll them in the district.

The club passed resolutions to endorse the proposal for accession of the United States to the World Court and urges the Senate to ratify without delay the new protocol when presented.

A comprehensive educational program was planned by Mrs. Annie Miller Pless. Mrs. Pless read an interesting paper on "Lilies". Mrs. J. E. Decker's paper dealt with the "Lily bulb, and its planting and growth". A round table discussion followed, during which time much information was gleaned as to proper planting and selecting the right kind of bulbs.

The next meeting will be in the form of a musical program, which will be prepared and presented by the Music Club of Marion. This club has kindly consented to take charge of the music department of the Woman's Club for the year, and it is hoped that the music lovers of the town will attend these meetings, regardless of their membership to the Woman's Club.

At the conclusion of the program, Mrs. Cutlar, assisted by Mesdames H. H. Tate and J. W. Streetman, served delicious refreshments. The dining room was thrown open, and from a beautifully appointed table, with a centerpiece of roses and candles, a tempting ice course was served.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PAPER WEEK NOV. 3-10

Rev. J. C. Story announces that November 3-10 will be observed as Church Paper week. He states that those who read religious literature will become well informed members of the church. The two leading papers are the Presbyterian Standard and the Christian Observer. The auxiliary will canvass the congregation for subscriptions during this campaign.

MARION HIGH DEFEATS CANTON BY 26-6 SCORE

The Marion High football gridders added another victim to their list when they defeated Canton 26-6 on the local high school athletic field last Friday afternoon.

The game started off with a boom Marion kicked off to Canton and Canton returned the ball ten yards. After several line bucks and sweeping plays they registered a first down, but at this point the Marion lads refused to yield additional territory, so Canton had to kick. Ouzts received the ball, and with beautiful interference returned the ball to mid-field. Marion did not lose the ball until they chalked up their first touchdown late in the first quarter. Rabb's drop kick for the extra point failed to cross over the bar.

To begin the second quarter Canton received the ball, and after it had been exchanged several times, Canton again had possession in mid-field. It was at this point in the game that Canton staged her strongest drive, never letting up until the pig skin had been pushed over the final white line. The half ended; Marion six, Canton six.

Shortly after the beginning of the second half there was little question about the outcome of the score. Marion started a drive that was not stopped during the remainder of the afternoon. Sweeping end runs seemed to be a favorite for Ouzts, fleet little quarterback; Martin hit the line like he liked it, and several times drove on forward for three or four yards after he had been tackled. Rabb handled several nice fakes and with Roper ran beautiful interference. In short the whole backfield played splendid ball.

Marion's line also featured. After Canton's strong attack in the second period the rush line was a stone wall. Moore played well at guard and sport writers will have to consider him when they are making their all western pick. Captain Gilkey also played a splendid game.

RED WALKER IS GIVEN DECISION OVER BRADLEY

Red Walker, of Marion, was given a close decision over Rough Dan Bradley, a mysterious fighter from Hickory, in a six round bout taking place in the local high school auditorium last Thursday night. The match was close, both fighters exerting every ounce of energy until the closing bell was heard.

Outsmarting his less experienced opponent, Bill Keeling, veteran Hendersonville boxer, won over Ed Griggs, of Newton, by a technical knockout in the fourth round of their scheduled ten round bout in the final match of the local show. Guarding himself from the dynamite punches of the Newton youth in the early rounds, the veteran out-boxed Griggs and had him goofy at the end of the third round. Griggs failed to return for the fourth round of the fight.

Dal Hefner, Hickory's little ton of dynamite, clearly outpointed Eddie Wilke, former University of North Carolina boxer, in the eight round semi-final bout of the show, taking seven of the eight rounds.

Baby Quillens, experienced little Asheville scrapper, had his hands full in winning a decision over Baby Hefner, of Hickory. The decision was given by the referee, but press reports gave Hefner two rounds, Quillen one round and one a draw. The fight was one of the best of the entire show.

The boxing exhibition was sponsored by the local unit of the American Legion and the proceeds went to the high school athletic association; however, only a small crowd was present and the amount received was small.

187 PROSECUTED FOR GAME LAW VIOLATION

Raleigh, Oct. 23. — There were 187 prosecutions conducted in North Carolina on charges of violations of the state game law during the first month of the current game season. Charles H. England, state game warden, has announced.

SALE SATISFACTORY

S. Surasky, owner of the Surasky chain stores, reported to the Marion Progress that he was highly pleased with the results of his grand opening sale. Mr. Surasky is deeply impressed with the progressive spirit of the people of Marion, and is confident that business relations will always be pleasant.

MILL QUIET AFTER STRIKE TROUBLE

Interest Centered on Special Term of Court Nov. 11; 119 Defendants Face Trial.

Although the strike situation still remains in effect, Marion is back to a quiet that approaches normal, following the riot on October 2. Interest is now centered on the special term of court called for Nov. 11.

A total of 119 persons face trial on charges ranging from murder down to breach of the peace. Judge G. V. Cowper, of Kinston, has been appointed by Governor Gardner to preside at the special term of court. Although the court is called for November 11, it is assumed that it will be the following day, since November 11 is Armistice Day.

Eight of the 119 defendants are deputy sheriffs and special deputies charged with murder. Fifty-three, including Alfred Hoffman, organizer of the United Textile Workers Union at Marion, are to be tried on charges growing out of the disorders that occurred after a strike had been declared at the Clinchfield Manufacturing Company on August 19. Thirty-seven strikers face trial on charges in connection with the battle at the Marion mill on October 2. Seventeen are charged with an assault with a deadly weapon on R. W. Baldwin, president of the Marion Manufacturing company. And four are charged with "exploding dynamite" in connection with the various dynamitings that occurred during the strike.

A special venire of 100 men have been summoned from Rutherford County for this term of court.

Troops on duty at Marion will be kept there for a while longer, stated Governor Gardner last Saturday.

Governor Gardner was visited by a delegation from Marion, headed by R. W. Baldwin, president of the Marion Manufacturing company, and requested that the troops be continued on duty until some 40 families in the two mill villages, classed as "undesirables" by both mills, have been moved to other places.

He announced his decision in the following statement: "In view of past experience and the continuing intensity of feeling existing at Marion I have decided it would be unwise to remove the troops at this time. This decision was arrived at after the receipt of full reports from Marion and a discussion with the council of state."

The Winston-Salem troops were removed last Monday, and troops from North Wilkesboro have taken charge.

The shooting in the Clinchfield mill village Friday night resulted in no casualties. Sheriff Adkins conducted an investigation Saturday.

He interviewed Constable Broad Robbins with reference to charges of women living in the village that Robbins took part in the shooting, and was assured by the officer, the sheriff said, that Robbins did not leave his home on Friday night.

Several of the families, classed as "undesirables", are moving peacefully from the Marion and Clinchfield Manufacturing companies' houses. However, there will be some few families who will have to be forcibly ejected from the mill owners' property, it is believed by local officers. The allotted time on ejection notices terminates Wednesday, October 30, at noon.

METHODISTS PLAN NEW HOSPITAL FOR ELKIN

High Point, Oct. 25.—The Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was continuing its sessions Friday after having received assurance Thursday that the first hospital sponsored by the denomination in the state is a certainty.

Reporting for the conference hospital board, Dr. H. K. Boyer announced that \$70,000 for construction of a hospital at Elkin had been raised and that a 15-acre site had been donated by members of the Chatham family of Elkin.

The town of Elkin donated \$35,000 for the project and the Duke Foundation a like amount. The institution will be known as the Hugh Chatham Memorial Hospital.