

PARENTS, TEACHERS PLAN YEAR'S WORK IN MONDAY SESSION

Tag Day Coming Soon, District Meeting To Be Held Here Oct. 20—Committees.

Interest and enthusiasm marked the meeting of the Parent-Teacher association, the first of the school year, held in the high school auditorium Monday afternoon. The vice-president, Mrs. J. Homer Beaman, presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. W. R. Alley, who was prevented from attending by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Rena Laughridge.

The meeting opened with the singing of Onward, Christian Soldiers, Mrs. A. A. Morris at the piano. Prayer was offered by Superintendent Hugh Beam. The secretary, Mrs. W. G. Ballew, read the minutes. Miss Laurence reported a balance of \$11.29 in the treasury.

Mrs. Beaman outlined the year's objectives, which look to welfare of the child, closer relations between home and the school, and well-rounded development of the child.

It was proposed that "tag day" be held soon, probably October 16.

A report of gardening and canning was made by Mrs. J. M. Tyler. An acre of ground was planted for the Marion school. Donations included plowing, hoes, fertilizer, seed potatoes, seed beans, okra, sugar, kerosene, berries, apples, lids, rings, tomato plants. Total cost of making garden, \$53.72. The harvest was given as 11 1/2 bushels of potatoes, 120 quarts green beans, 80 quarts soup mixture, 15 quarts tomatoes, 15 tomato juice, 50 berries, 40 apple sauce, 12 of beets, 12 okra, 90 jelly, corn, pickled peppers, and a bed of greens now growing. Canned stuff totals 394 quarts, worth 20c a quart, for school lunch room.

Preparations were started for entertaining a PTA district meeting here October 20.

Dues of 15c a member were collected, for state and national PTA.

Called to the stand, Supt. Beam welcomed the members back to another year of activity, and praised the association for its interest in the schools. He said he was grateful to the PTA as an organization for helping to work out problems as they come up, and efforts to promote cultural influences. He believes the child will be better because of influence of association and school. He introduced new teachers and said they should consider it a high privilege to work with the PTA, a most helpful organization.

After an attendance count, a half-holiday was awarded pupils of Mrs. A. A. Morris in elementary and Miss Joyce Decker in high school. The cake donated by Mrs. J. W. Streetman went to Mrs. Cecil Dobson.

A social hour followed the meeting, light refreshments being served in the cafeteria which was brightly decorated for the occasion.

Standing Committees

Mrs. Robert McCall read the list of committees, as follows:

Ways and means: Mrs. G. B. Justice, chairman; Mrs. J. W. Streetman, Mrs. Roy McNairy, Mrs. J. O. Laughridge, Mrs. Robert Proctor, Mrs. Dean Tainter, Mrs. W. S. Shiflet.

Program: Mrs. C. B. Dobson, chairman, Mrs. W. O. Gibbs, Mrs. H. D. Hoover, Miss Fannie Lou Sauls, Mrs. Robert Smith.

Publicity: Mrs. E. C. Klontz, chairman; Mrs. John A. Potat.

Hospitality: Mrs. R. B. Crisp, chairman; Mrs. Albert Blanton, Mrs. Ralph Alexander, Mrs. W. R. Chambers, Mrs. J. W. Pless, Jr.

Social service: Mrs. Alma Crawford, chairman; Miss Annie Little, Mrs. J. M. Tyler, Mrs. Geo. S. McCall.

Grade mothers: Mrs. Robert McCall, chairman. Membership: Mrs. S. B. Hildebrand, chairman; Mrs. B. S. Clark.

CONFERENCE AT GLENWOOD

The fourth quarterly conference will be held at the Glenwood Methodist church, October tenth, at 11 o'clock. A picnic lunch will be spread on the grounds.

COMMISSIONERS OKAY NICHOLS, RELIEVING ADKINS, TAX COLLECTOR

The county commissioners in session Monday approved the bond of Sheriff Grady Nichols as tax collector and directed that the 1937 tax books be turned over to Sheriff Nichols as soon as completed, for collection of the current year's revenue.

At the same time, the commissioners finding that former Sheriff O. F. Adkins had faithfully accounted for all the moneys collected during his term of office, he and his bondsmen were relieved of further responsibility in connection with the McDowell county taxes.

The commissioners received petitions from several groups of citizens of the county, requesting repairs and construction of county roads. They were from Strouttown, the Catawba River road, and a road leading from Sugar Hill road toward Curtis Creek and the mail route by Harding Noblitt's.

COUNTY HEALTH BOARD ADOPTS AN ORDINANCE TO SAFEGUARD PUBLIC

The county board of health held a meeting in the office of the superintendent of education Monday afternoon, Dr. J. B. Johnson presiding; N. F. Stepp, secretary.

Carl S. Gibson was continued as milk inspector.

The board adopted an ordinance requiring all places of residence in the county to be equipped with sanitary toilet facilities of a type approved by the state sanitary inspectors, unless already equipped with approved types.

State law requires such sanitary facilities, and this requirement has been extended to isolated sections of rural areas in order that pollution of streams and spreading of disease may be prevented.

It is understood that householders may be aided by WPA facilities in cases where the owner provides the materials.

WIDE INTEREST SEEN IN USE OF AIR MAIL HERE OCTOBER 11-16

In compliance with the plan of the postoffice department and Governor Hoyer's proclamation, Marion people are joining others throughout the state in observance of air mail week in North Carolina October 11 to 16.

Miss Rena Neal, local postmaster, said many pieces of mail have been arriving here during the last 10 days, sent by people from all sections who desire to add to their collection, covers mailed here on the occasion of the first airplane service from Marion.

A mail plane will land at Francis Marion Field on October 12, next Tuesday, to pick up the air mail. All mail matter intended to be stamped with a special cachet in honor of the occasion and mailed with this plane should be deposited in the Marion office early.

WOODLAWN HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION WILL FOLLOW NEW SURVEY

Engineers are at work on relocation of the road from No. 70 to Woodlawn, it was learned at the office of John A. Potat, district engineer.

When the survey is completed it is expected that a contract for construction of a hard-surface highway will be let by the state highway commission.

Two branches of the highway, from Woodlawn to Little Switzerland and from Woodlawn to Linville Falls having been constructed, improvement of the Marion-Woodlawn end will give this section hard-surface outlet to the Appalachian Scenic highway.

POSTAL RECEIPTS SHOW SILGHT GAIN

Patrons of the Marion postoffice purchased stamped matter of the value of \$6,679.19 in three months ending September 30, W. R. Bursell, assistant postmaster said. In the quarter ending June 30, total sales were \$6,625.36. Money order sales continue to run to large sums, money transferred to other points for mail orders and other purposes.

In the quarter ending September 30, 1936, a year ago, receipts for stamped matter were \$6,682.13.

CHAMBERS ELECTED HEAD, BLUE RIDGE BAPT. ASSOCIATION

Smith, Wilson, Patton Other Officers — Meet Next Year With Bethlehem Church.

Closing the ninth and very interesting session of the Blue Ridge Baptist association, held at Clear Creek church Tuesday and Wednesday, W. R. Chambers was elected moderator, Rev. R. L. Smith, vice-moderator; R. O. Wilson, secretary and treasurer; M. B. Patton, historian.

Tuesday's program opened with solemn service conducted by Rev. R. L. Smith, moderator, followed by organization and appointment of committees, an address on law and order by Rev. M. A. Adams, of Rutherfordton, and sermon by Rev. Dewey Hodge, also of Rutherfordton.

In the afternoon, four missionary talks were made, for the association by Rev. G. A. Condrey; state missions, Rev. D. C. Wesson; home, Rev. W. R. Kendall; foreign missions, Dr. B. F. Bray. The Baptist co-operative program was presented by Rev. J. W. Pipes, and an address on Christian education by Dr. Hoyt Blackwell.

Speakers Tuesday night were Mrs. R. O. Wilson, who talked on WMU work; Dr. John Arch McMillan, orphanage; and sermon by Rev. O. K. Webb. Good music was provided by the congregation.

On Wednesday, Rev. W. H. McMahan and A. H. Mitchem opened the program; Rev. J. A. McKaughan spoke on temperance; training unions were presented by Miss Mabel Starnes and Rev. Howard Ford. Stewardship sermon by Rev. O. J. Haigler.

Delegates from the churches considered this one of the best meetings in association history, featured by strong and instructive addresses on timely subjects by good speakers deeply interested in the work.

SCHOOL BAND PLAYS FOR HORSE SHOW; TO STAGE MINSTREL SOON

Music by the high school band added greatly to the pleasure of the horse show at the fair grounds. Under leadership of Bernard Hirsch, the young people played a number of selections with skill and spirit, giving the extra touch needed to make the whole program enjoyable. There were about 35 pieces in the band.

Band officers recently elected are Robert Streetman, president; Sam Bowman, vice-president; Pete Edwards, secretary.

The band and glee club together will give a minstrel show during the month, Director Hirsch said. The glee club officers are Mary Lois Laughridge, president; Marianna Johnson, vice president; Frances Packard, secretary.

NEW REGULATIONS ON DEER HUNTING BEAR SEASON OCT 20

Paul Kelly, secretary of the state board of conservation and development by legal notice in today's paper extends regulations affecting the taking of deer in McDowell and Yancey counties.

The board declares it to be unlawful to take deer in these counties until further notice except that deer may be taken without dogs in Yancey county from October 1 to October 10.

The open season on opossum runs from October 1 to February 1, according to state regulations. Bear may be taken in western counties from October 20 to January 1. The open season on squirrel is from September 15 to December 15.

The dove season, now open, will close October 15 and open again December 20.

All persons hunting or fishing should be provided with proper licenses.

MAMMOTH PUMPKIN

Cowan's Market exhibits a huge pumpkin, winner of first prize at the county fair. The pumpkin tips the scales at 108 pounds, a product of the Vickers farm at Dysartville.

NEAL, JR., NAMED ON SCHOOL BOARD TO FILL VACANCY

Action Taken by City Council At Meeting Held in the City Hall Tuesday Night.

The city board of aldermen Tuesday night elected William Weaver Neal, Jr., as a member of the city school board to fill the vacancy caused by the passing of Ernest J. House. No other name was offered and Mr. Neal was elected unanimously.

The new school committeeman is a native of Marion, and is an alumnus of Duke University. After leaving college, he became associated with his father in the management of Marion knitting mill here. Later the business was incorporated and Mr. Neal became its vice president. In that position, he is an active figure in the affairs of the progressive factory.

Mr. Neal has been for years a member and at times an officer of the Marion Kiwanis Club. He is a member of the First Methodist church.

PUBLIC CALLED TO COOPERATE IN FIRE PREVENTION PROGRAM

C. E. Bolch, chief of Marion's fire department, urges the local public to cooperate with firemen to prevent fires, especially this week, which is fire prevention week, October 3 to 9.

Chief Bolch said North Carolina stands among the leading states with a low percentage of fire losses. Likewise, Marion has an enviable record, being on the state's honor roll with one of the lowest percentages of fires.

The fire authorities, the mayor and council, request all persons in Marion to observe fire prevention week by taking extra precautions to prevent fires. Household should clean up their premises, remove any inflammable material, have chimneys and flues put in order, and take any other steps that may reduce fire hazards, Chief Bolch said.

NYA OFFICES OPENED HERE, MISS PITTMAN TEMPORARY DIRECTOR

National youth administration offices for the western district of the state have been opened on the second floor of the city hall, as the center of NYA activities in 46 counties from and including Guilford county west.

Mrs. D. F. Giles, district director, who will administer NYA affairs from the Marion office, had not completed the work incident to disbanding of Camp Eleanor at Rutherford College this week but will arrive to assume control here within a short time, it was said.

Miss Clara Pittman, of Swansboro, as district supervisor, is in charge at present.

The clerical force of the Marion office is composed of Miss Mattie Snipes, of Asheville, secretary; Miss Georgia Rankin, Asheville, and Mrs. Grace E. Irvin, Charlotte, district timekeepers.

LOCAL OFFICERS ARREST MAN LONG ESCAPED FROM PEN

Oscar F. Adkins, state fugitive officer, T. C. Jordan, highway patrolman and other patrolmen, with the sheriff of Spartanburg county, S. C., early Sunday morning arrested one Rhodes who had escaped from the state prison farm at Spindale three years ago.

Rhodes is 64 years of age. He was given a sentence of 30 years after killing a man in Polk county in an election row and had served only a few months when he escaped from the prison camp in 1934, officers said.

Although Rhodes had said he would not be taken alive and was armed with a pistol, rifle and shotgun when found in a house near Inman, S. C., he surrendered without resistance and was returned to the camp from which he had escaped three years ago, officers said.

TRAFFIC LIGHTS SOON IN OPERATION, HOUR'S PARKING IS RENEWED

The city council placed an order for traffic lights which will be installed at Court and Logan streets as soon as practicable, H. D. Bishop, of the board of aldermen said yesterday.

Enforcement of parking regulations has again been ordered. Hereafter, cars may be parked one hour, from 8:00 a. m. to 7:00 p. m. on Main street between State street and Sinclair and Standard filling stations. On the north side of Henderson and on both sides of Logan from Henderson to Court, cars may be parked only parallel with the curb, at any time of day.

An order was placed for an improved type of water mains, to be laid between Spring and Garden streets, and northward from Garden and east toward the airport road.

The aldermen voted continued cooperation with the county board of health in maintaining the milk inspection program.

City tax books are now open for payment of 1937 taxes, Mr. Bishop said. A discount of 3% is allowed on cash payments in October, 2% in November.

NEWSPAPER EXECUTIVES STOP HERE OCTOBER 14 MAKING TOUR OF STATE

On a 12-days tour of North Carolina, more than 85 executives, writers and editors of newspapers and magazines will stop for a short period in Marion on the morning of October 14.

The governor's hospitality committee, the state board of conservation and local officials will be hosts to the visitors who will stop in 56 towns and cities, beginning in Asheville October 10.

It is believed this is the best opportunity the state has ever had to get some effective advertising, the sponsors of the tour said.

Preparations are being made at each scheduled stop to entertain the visitors, of which further announcement will be made.

SCHOOLMASTER'S CLUB HEARS ASHEVILLE MAN ON PROPER TRAINING

R. H. Latham, superintendent of Asheville schools was guest speaker at the meeting of the schoolmaster's club at Pleasant Gardens Monday night. He talked on "Education that will prepare for life's work". The gist of his remarks was that the pupil should be trained practically in order that he may be equipped for emergencies that may arise as the years go by.

Short talks were made by N. F. Stepp, county superintendent, Dr. J. B. Johnson, chairman, and W. L. Morris, member of the board of education. A reading by Mrs. W. A. Young and solo by Miss Velma Atwell was on the program.

The schoolmaster's club is composed of the principals and representative teachers of county schools. D. C. Mosteller is president, E. V. Gouge vice president, W. P. Whitesides secretary.

NEAL TALKS ON FISH AND FISHING, AT CLUB; DELEGATES ARE NAMED

Members of the Kiwanis Club were given an interesting illustrated lecture on deepsea fishing by Grayson Neal at the Tuesday night's meeting. Mr. Neal has had much experience fishing for game fish in Florida waters, having qualified as an outstanding sportsman and successful angler. He described means and methods used to catch denizens of the deep, of which his prize catch was an 800-pounder.

Delegates to the meeting of the Carolinas district in Charlotte October 28-30 were named, Albert Carpenter and C. B. Dobson, the president, Hugh Beam, attending by virtue of his office. Alternates are J. D. Henry, Lee Conley.

Preceding the fish story, which the members considered very entertaining, the club enjoyed a good supper served by ladies of St. Matthew's Lutheran church.

FARM DEMONSTRATION

A specialist from the extension department of State College will be in the county October 22 to give demonstration in the use of a light drag in terrace construction, County Agent Homewood said.

BETTER QUALITY HORSEFLESH SEEN IN THURSDAY SHOW

Committee with Public Support Put on an Exhibition of Real Merit, County Fair.

A marked improvement in quality of mounts seen at Thursday's horse show was noted by capable and impartial observers, who expressed the opinion that the annual exhibit of good horses and good sportsmanship is having a beneficial effect.

Nearly fifty horses were entered in the two-day show, which included not only saddle animals, but several other classes as well.

The horse show committee, S. J. Westmoreland, Mrs. Dorothy Newton, Mrs. John A. Potat, and J. C. Rabb, worked untiringly for weeks in advance of the show, and with the cooperation of a number of local business men had managed to organize an exhibition of merit.

Following are the winners in the first day's events:

Men's Three-Gaited

First, Peavine Bay Girl, owned by S. J. Westmoreland; second, Bob, M. S. Laughridge; third, Brownie, John Staton. Trophy, \$5, and \$3.

Men's Five Gaited

First, Belle, W. L. Morris; second, McDonald Dife, Fairfield Farm; 3rd Frank, Bruce Gibbs. Trophy, \$5, and \$3.

Ladies' Class

First, Bob, owned by M.S. Laughridge, ridden by Mrs. Sam M. Yancey; second, Peavine Bay Girl, Westmoreland, Mrs. John A. Potat; third, McDonald Dine, Fairfield Farm, Mrs. Chas. Greenlee. Trophy, \$5, \$3.

Open Five-Gaited

First, Wallis Warfield, John Bunn; second, Rex, Jack Morris; third, Belle, W. L. Morris. \$15, \$10, \$5.

Open Three-Gaited

First, Perfect Lady, John Bunn; second, King, Billy Hamby; third, Silver Tip, Roy Case. \$15, \$10, \$5.

Plantation Class

First, Wallis Warfield, John Bunn; second, Rex, Jack Morris; third, Rusty, Roy Case.

Boys Three-Gaited

First, King, Billy Hamby; second, Bob, John Mack Laughridge; third, Peavine Bay Girl, Cap Miller. Prizes \$5, \$3, \$2.

Awards made Friday afternoon:

Pony Class, Boys

First, Tony, Charles Dobson; second, Rex, Charles McGimsey; third, Black Chief, Pete Gibson. Trophy, \$2, \$1.

Mares and Colts

First, Tom Porter; second, Mike Watson.

Pony Class, Boys or Girls Under 8

First, Black Chief, Jimmy Gibbs; second, Bonnie, John A. Potat, Jr.; third, Jack, Clara Justice.

Work Horses, Pairs

First, Tom Porter; second, W. J. Black; third, G. N. Carter.

Parent and Child

First, M. S. Laughridge, John Mack Laughridge; second, S. J. Westmoreland, Margaret Westmoreland; third, W. B. Gibbs, Jimmy Gibbs.

Pony Class, Girls 8-13

First, Shorty, Louise Miller; second, Tony, Mae Helen Dobson; 3rd, Jack, Katherine Ballew.

Morris Laughridge's gray horse, Bob, was entered in four events, placing first in two and second in two, for one cup and three cash prizes.

20 PHYSICIANS OF FOUR COUNTIES IN GROUP MEETING HERE

A meeting of physicians here on September 20 was attended by 20 doctors of McDowell, Polk, Rutherford and Cleveland counties. Refreshments were served during the afternoon, after the meeting was called to order at 3:00 o'clock.

Professional topics were discussed by the doctors who meet from time to time to study and improve their skill in treating human ills.

Members of McDowell Medical society acted as hosts to the visitors, all being members of the North Carolina Medical society.