

## Senator Reynolds To Speak Here Saturday Night

Speaking Will Be Preceded  
By Torchlight Parade And  
Fireworks.

The Democrats of McDowell county are bringing their pre-election campaign to a grand close Saturday night at the High School auditorium when the high-light speaker of the campaign will deliver an address at 8:00 o'clock.

The occasion is to be celebrated with a torchlight parade at 7:15 beginning at Spring street on South Main; and by fireworks immediately preceding the speaking. The fireworks will be shown on the school grounds.

The speaker for the occasion will be none less than The Honorable Robert R. ("Our Bob") Reynolds, popular United States Senator, who also is a candidate for re-election.

Mr. Reynolds, whose home is in Asheville, is noted as an interesting and entertaining orator, well versed in political matters, widely traveled, and one who has been given credit for doing more to help advertise North Carolina than any other person who has been sent from this state to Washington.

Albert Blanton, county chairman, will preside at the speaking.

W. D. Lonon, McDowell county solicitor, who was Reynolds' campaign manager in this county during the primary, will present Mr. Reynolds as the main speaker.

## HOME CLUBS TO HAVE ALL DAY MEETING

Miss Anne Tucker, home demonstration agent, announces to her club members that an all-day meeting will be held on November 9th at the court house on Beautifying the Home Grounds. The meeting will be conducted by J. H. Harris, extension landscape specialist from State College. The morning meeting will be held from 10:30 to 12:30 and will include a discussion of grading, drainage, walks, drives, lawns, and general fertilization of trees and shrubs.

The afternoon demonstration will deal with arrangement of planting, transplanting, pruning, and propagation. The hours for the afternoon meeting are 2:00 to 4:00.

Miss Tucker calls special attention to the change of the date which previously was announced as Nov. 8th, but was changed to Nov. 9th because of election day.

## JUDGE STORY TALKS AT CROSS MILL SCHOOL

A Democratic rally was held at the Cross Mill school house on last Thursday night with a large attendance present.

Misses Eunice Ayers and Inez Webb provided entertainment in the form of string music, songs and tap dancing.

Attorney Alford Morgan introduced the candidates who, in turn, made brief talks.

Mr. Morgan also introduced D. A. Fox as manager of the meeting which was a part of the local Democratic campaign. Mr. Fox presented Hon. Paul J. Story, judge of the county recorder's court, as the principal speaker of the evening.

Mr. Story made an interesting and instructive talk dealing with national, state, and county issues, and showing how the government has been brought right to the people under the Democratic administration.

Oscar Adkins, former sheriff of McDowell, made a brief talk in behalf of the candidates.

## MORGANTON MAN BUYS MARION, LENOIR STORES

S. R. Wallace, of Morganton, head of the Wallace Five, Ten and Twenty-five cent stores organized in February, Monday announced the purchase of the Emery stores in Lenoir and Marion, bringing to five the number of units in the new chain. Mr. Wallace formerly owned an interest in the Emery stores.

Wallace stores are now operated in Hickory, Mocksville, and Mount Holly, in addition to the new branches in Lenoir and Marion.

## TO SPEAK HERE



Senator Robert R. Reynolds

## RED CROSS LOOKING TO ANNUAL CAMPAIGN STARTING NOV. 11TH

The annual Red Cross Roll Call will be started in McDowell county next week with all schools, clubs and organizations taking part in the membership drive.

The annual membership drive will extend from Nov. 11 to Thanksgiving Day and will be in charge of Mrs. George L. Conley as roll call chairman, assisted by the following members of the Junior Woman's Club: Miss Virginia Conley, Mrs. James, Mrs. Vernon Thompson, Mrs. Albert Shiflet, Miss Bobbie Laughlin, Mrs. Dysart Martin, Mrs. Fletcher Shoemaker, Mrs. Will Erwin, and Mrs. Frank Goldsmith.

Zeno Martin is chairman of the McDowell county Red Cross chapter. Mrs. Conley, roll call chairman, has announced chairmen for the various communities to assist in the work as follows:

Supt. Hugh F. Beam, city schools; Chas. L. Norwood, Glenwood and Dysartville schools; Stanley Livingston, Nebo school; Mrs. Zeb Vance, Pleasant Gardens school; Frank Goldsmith, Cross Cotton Mill; A. F. Hunt, Marion Manufacturing Co.; Miss Ruth Greenlee, Clinchfield Manufacturing Co.; C. E. Bolick, McDowell Manufacturing Co.; Mrs. P. H. Mashburn, Old Fort.

## BROADCAST THROWS COUNTRY INTO FISTS

The daily papers all over the country are reporting frantic results from the effects of a nation-wide broadcast Sunday night which was the dramatization of a fantastic story of the people on the planet Mars waging war upon the earth. Evidently many people did not understand what it was, and it was made so realistic that some were reported to have fainted, others were thrown into hysterics, and police stations were overwhelmed with phone calls from people wanting to know if war had been declared.

Locally it was reported that family prayer was held in homes where the good old custom was unusual.

## CHANGE IN PENDER STORE MANAGEMENT

John Runion, who has been connected with Pender's store in Shelby is succeeding W. C. Edison as manager of Pender's store here. Mr. Edison has been transferred to Winston-Salem.

## INSTALL WATER SYSTEMS

Two more McDowell farmers have just installed hydraulic rams for private water systems on their farms during the past week.

L. V. Bradley completed work on his system last week at his farm of Highway 70 near Nebo; and James Hogan finished work on his water system about the same time on his farm in the Crooked Creek community.

## FIRE MONDAY

A small residence in the colored section known as Morehead City in the Marion Manufacturing Company village was burned Monday afternoon about 3:00 o'clock. The Marion fire company assisted in saving surrounding property belonging also to the company.

## Hunters Prove Hazard In Woods During Drought

Forester N. F. Rogers Cautions  
Against Smoking In The  
Forests.

The long continued drought in this section has caused forest fires to become a menace, according to Forester N. F. Rogers.

Mr. Rogers says that hunters are the main hazard at the present time as many of them are in the woods hunting bears and squirrels. He cautions especially against smoking in the woods while the fallen leaves, underbrush, and timber are so dry.

Among the worst fires which have been reported over the weekend and up to the present time are one near Blowing Rock over the week-end which burnt over 3,000 acres; one at Montreat which started Friday and was still burning at the time this was being written Tuesday and threatened some of the homes at Montreat and destroying about 1,000 acres of forest; one about one mile off the Mt. Mitchell motor road burning 25 acres but was brought under control Tuesday; in our own county, one at Greenlee last Friday and Saturday burned over 30 to 35 acres; and one at the head of Pepper's creek in North Cove the first of this week raged through 100 acres.

The men of the CCC have helped greatly to bring these fires under control and to save untold thousands of acres of timberland and National park and forest lands from being denuded of their beauty and invaluable growths.

Some crews of WPA workers also have been called in to help the CCC men, it was learned.

## MARION HIGH SCHOOL DEFEATS ASHEVILLE TEAM

The Marion high school football team was scheduled to play Lenoir last Friday on Lenoir's ground, but the game was cancelled by Lenoir. To replace the scheduled game, Marion arranged a game on her own field with the B team of the Lee Edwards high school of Asheville.

Marion made a touchdown in each quarter of the game and was successful in each instance in kicking the goal for the extra point, leaving a score of 28-0 in Marion's favor.

Dean kicked all of the extra points. The touchdowns were made by Dixon, Ayers, and Hawkins, Ayers making two.

Coach Donald Robinson of the Marion team said the blocking and tackling of his team was the worst he had witnessed this season. He says that the team has a lot of work to do this week to get in shape to tackle the strong Forest City team on the latter's gridiron Friday.

Mr. Robinson said he believed Treadway would be able to enter the game against Forest City.

Two more games are on the schedule to be played on the Marion home grounds before the season is ended.

## HALLOWE'EN QUIET HERE

No serious damage was reported on Halloween as having been done by pranksters. The night was celebrated here by many young people who came out in comical costumes and make-ups. Show windows on the main business square had to be washed next day to remove marks which had been made with soap. Some of the markers had such a depraved sense of humor as to write indecent words on some of the windows which is regrettable. There also were some hoodlums abroad who were so lacking in reason as to let the air out of parked automobiles thereby causing the owners to be liable to serious circumstances in case some emergency arose or causing them to be late to their work.

## GREGORY HOME BURNS

A fire alarm at about 2:30 on Thursday morning of last week called the Marion fire company to a house off State street which was the property of Shuf. Blackburn, but was occupied by Larry Gregory. The house, a 5-room structure, was a total loss and only the radio and one pillow were saved of its contents. The origin of the fire was undetermined.

## Norman Kenzie New Rector of St. John's Church

Will Conduct Services Sunday  
With Celebration Of Holy  
Communion.

The Rev. Norman Francis Kenzie, of Florida, has accepted a call to become rector of St. John's Episcopal church here. He will succeed Rev. J. S. Lockaby who resigned as rector of St. John's over a year ago to accept a call to St. Andrew's church in Charlotte. Mr. Kenzie, who has been in charge of the services at St. John's church for the past two months while assisting in supply work at Morganton, will move here this week and take up his duties here as rector. He will be accompanied by his mother, Mrs. G. F. Kenzie, who will reside with him in the rectory on South Main street.

Mr. Kenzie was born and reared in Fort Myers, Florida, and graduated from the University of Florida in 1933. He received the degree of Master of Arts from Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., in 1934, and entered St. Luke's Seminary of the University of the South at Sewanee, Tenn., in the fall of the same year. In June of 1936 he was ordained to the diaconate. He received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity from Sewanee in June 1937 and was ordained Priest on June 3, 1937.

Before coming to Western North Carolina to assist the Rev. W. S. Stony in the work at Grace church in Morganton, Mr. Kenzie was engaged in supply work in the diocese of Florida.

Mr. Kenzie will conduct services at St. John's next Sunday, with celebration of Holy Communion, at 11:00 a. m.

## GARDEN CITY VOTERS HEAR ROY DAVIS TALK

Attorney Roy Davis addressed the voters of McDowell county in a Democratic rally at Garden City in the Pleasant Garden school auditorium Friday night at 8 o'clock.

The meeting was opened with string music, songs, and tap dancing by Misses Eunice Ayers and Inez Webb of West Marion.

D. N. Lonon was master of ceremonies. He called upon L. J. P. Cutlar to introduce the candidates, most of whom are on the ticket for re-election. The candidates responded with brief remarks.

Mr. Cutlar also presented Mr. Davis, the principal speaker. In his address, he gave a concise summary of the national achievements of the Democratic administration; of the state's progress under Democratic leadership over the past 38 years; and then presented concrete facts in connection with the county's Democratic rule. He pointed out that, in addition to the county's financial obligations having been met, even through the depression years, a sinking fund of more than \$300,000 has been established, about half of which has been invested in the county's own bonds bought at a premium, and part in government bonds the maturity dates of which fall so that they meet the payments of the county's interest payments and other obligations at the rate of about \$40,000 a year thereby saving enormous sums for the taxpayers.

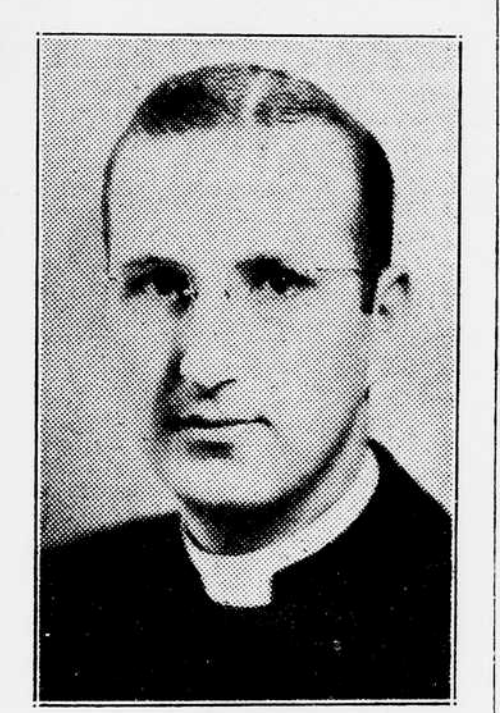
The speaker called attention to the additional buildings added to the county's school system, and to the lowering of the ad valorem tax rate from \$1.20 to \$1.16. He then traced the gradual decline in the rate from \$1.89 1/2 in 1928 to the current rate of only \$1.16 which he said has been brought about through the business-like administration and careful planning of those in charge of county affairs.

A large audience gathered to hear Mr. Davis.

## MOVES OFFICE

W. A. McNeill, resident highway engineer, moved his offices to Morganton Monday of this week. Completion of Mr. McNeill's work on the Marion to Woodlawn highway was given as the cause for discontinuing the office here. It was learned. Mr. McNeill's work in Morganton will be on Highway 181 from Morganton to Rutherfordton, it is understood.

## NEW RECTOR



Rev. Norman F. Kenzie, who has accepted a call as rector of St. John's church here.

## Republicans Get In Full Swing; Gudger Here Friday Night.

The Republican political campaign got into full swing with a big rally at the Old Fort Community building Tuesday night. Dr. Dean H. Crawford presided and presented the candidates. W. R. Chambers introduced George M. Pritchard as the keynote speaker of the occasion.

Mr. Pritchard, an attorney of Asheville, is a former United States congressman from the 11th district, and is a son of the late Judge Jeter Pritchard who also was a senator.

Vonno L. Gudger, Asheville attorney and Republican candidate for Congress from the 11th district will speak at the court house at Marion on Friday night as a part of the Republican campaign; and on Saturday night there will be a Republican rally at Cherry Springs school house with William Meekins as the principal speaker.

Mr. Meekins is an Asheville attorney and a son of the well known Federal Judge Isaac Meekins.

## UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS PAID BY MARION OFFICE AMOUNT TO LARGE SUM

Raleigh, Nov. 1.—More than three million weekly continued claims had been handled on the 342,152 original claims that had been filed for unemployment benefits in the nine months from January through September, 1938, Dr. W. R. Curtis, director of the division of research and statistics of the North Carolina Unemployment Compensation Commission, shows in a recent report. The weekly continued claims numbered 3,090,625.

In the same period, 949,137 checks were issued for a total of \$7,076,086.79, while a breakdown shows the amount of money, numbers of checks, and numbers of original claims handled through the 65 district and branch offices in the state.

The Charlotte district, embracing nine counties, topped the list of the ten districts in amount of money distributed with \$1,627,935.82. The Winston-Salem district, with eight counties, was second with a distribution of \$1,174,992.93.

The Gastonia local office, embracing Gaston and Lincoln counties, topped the list in amount of money distributed by one office, with \$532,116.47 in benefits paid. The Charlotte white office distributed in Mecklenburg and Union counties \$383,237.39. The Rutherfordton office, serving Rutherford and Polk counties, distributed \$240,089.29.

The Asheville office received 33,834 original claims and 294,845 weekly continued claims during the nine months, and delivered 100,609 checks amounting to \$811,485.45. The Marion office distributed 17,110 checks amounting to \$132,787.92 in this area.

## FIRE DAMAGES HOUSE

Old Fort, Nov. 2.—Fire, originating in the kitchen flue, damaged the roof of the house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Greene around noon Monday. The Old Fort fire department was prompt in extinguishing the blaze. Mrs. Effie Mashburn, of Asheville, is owner of the property.

## Changes Being Made Today In Methodist Circle

Reverends Cornett and Jenkins Moving Here; Jenkins To Preach Sunday.

Several changes are taking place in Methodist circles here today as transfers made at the recent conference go into effect.

Rev. J. C. Cornett comes from his recent charge as pastor of the First Methodist church of Hickory to assume his duties as presiding elder succeeding Rev. John W. Moore.

Rev. Mr. Cornett does not come to Marion as a stranger. He has delivered sermons here during the time he was pastor of the church at Morganton previous to his going to the Hickory church.

Rev. Mr. Moore, upon leaving Marion, has been granted Sabbatical leave for one year. He will rest a while at Lake Junaluska, leaving there shortly to visit in Florida and in High Point where he has a daughter. In July, Mr. Moore will accompany Bishop Arthur Moore on a three-month European tour. Upon his return from Europe, he will assume duties on a new charge, it is understood.

Rev. W. A. Jenkins also is expected today to assume charge of the pastorate of the First Methodist church. Mr. Jenkins comes here from Elkin while Rev. P. W. Tucker, whom Mr. Jenkins relieves here, will go to Elkin. Mr. Jenkins will hold morning and evening services at the Methodist church Sunday.

Mr. Jenkins has held important charges in Chapel Hill and Charlotte, and he was one time president of Davenport College at Lenoir.

Other changes include the transfer of Rev. A. J. Barnwell, pastor at Cross Mill, to Dallas while Rev. M. A. Lewis comes to Cross Mill; and Rev. W. E. Rufty succeeds Rev. J. P. Higgs on the Marion circuit, the latter being transferred to Belmont; on the McDowell circuit, Rev. W. A. Kerr is succeeded by H. C. Freeman, and Mr. Kerr was transferred to Todd in the Statesville district.

Those who are leaving Marion and McDowell county have expressed regrets at departing and appreciation for the many kindnesses shown them while residing here.

## MARION MAN ELECTED TO DISTRICT OFFICE

A district meeting of the Junior Order will be held in Valdese tonight for the purpose of installing the newly elected district officers for the Fourth district which includes the Marion council.

Jack Cowan of Marion Council No. 309 was elected District Conductor at a district meeting held at Morganton on Oct. 11th, and is among those to be installed at the meeting in Valdese tonight. He has been asked to bring a delegation from the Marion lodge with him to the Valdese meeting.

## SODA DEMONSTRATION

A nitrate of soda demonstration has been completed on the Morgan place about three miles west of the city on Route 70. John Kaylor, tenant on the place, conducted the experiment. On the land where the soda was used, 50 bushels of corn to the acre were produced. On the land where no soda was used, the yield was 33.2 bushels of corn to the acre, it was stated.

## BEAR HUNT

An organized bear hunt will take place Friday and Saturday in the Mt. Mitchell Wildlife Management Area. The hunting party will be composed of A. J. Hutchins heading a party of 25 hunters from Canton. This is the first of three hunts to take place in the area this fall, it was learned.

## BAND TO GIVE CONCERT

The Marion High School Band is preparing to present a concert to the public in the high school auditorium on November 22nd. The receipts will be used for the benefit of the band, it was stated by Bernard Hirsch, director of the band.