

Democrats Win In Landslide Victory In M'Dowell County; Big Majority In Every Case

Nichols Leads Ticket With A
Majority Of Over 1900;
Moody 2nd, Robinson 3rd.

Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 8, broke upon Marion and McDowell county as a dreary, drizzly day and remained so just about all day long. This may have had something to do with the fact that the vote in this county was not as great as it has been in some past elections. The total unofficial vote for the whole county was only 6,422 whereas it has been as high as 8,466 in other years.

The trend of the voting proved a veritable landslide for the Democratic candidates. The ticket was led by Grady Nichols, candidate for sheriff, who polled a majority of 1,996 over his Republican opponent, W. M. Gladden.

J. F. Moody, candidate for Clerk of the Court, ran the sheriff a close second from the majority standpoint piling up 1,946 majority over his opponent, Hubert C. Kanipe.

Third on the ticket in line of popularity from the majority point of view was Ashby Robinson with a lead of 1,923 over Clarence M. Pool for the legislature.

A majority of 1,871 expressed their desire in the form of votes to have Dr. G. B. Justice remain as the county coroner in preference to F. A. Curtis.

Next in line with a majority of 1,848 was Clarence O. Ridings for solicitor against Garrett D. Bailey.

The county surveyor, W. H. Greenlee, was favored with a majority of 1,591 over Weldon Willis.

I. L. Caplan led the Democratic ticket for commissioner with a popular vote of 3,857, while J. Roy Early headed the Republican ticket with a popular vote of 2,447. All of the Democratic candidates for commissioner led the opposing Republican candidates with overwhelming majorities.

Voting in some of the precincts which heretofore have been strongly Republican reported this time with decisive changes toward the Democratic side. Brackets precinct was one very noticeable example of this trend.

Following is the unofficial vote by precincts, the Democratic candidates appearing first in each precinct:

Marion No. 1—For Solicitor: Ridings 732; Bailey 276. For Representative: Robinson 724, Pool 292. For Sheriff: Nichols 741, Gladden 287. For Clerk: Moody 745, Kanipe 274. For Commissioners: Caplan 703, Morris 712, Workman 705; Early 297, Hollifield 303, James 348. For Coroner: Justice 747, Curtis 273. For Surveyor: Greenlee 711, Willis 306.

Marion No. 2 — For Solicitor: Ridings 609, Bailey 320. For Representative: Robinson 590, Pool 302. For Sheriff: Nichols 570, Gladden 286. For Clerk: Moody 582, Kanipe 259. For Commissioners: Caplan 547, Morris 561, Workman, 559; Early 277, Hollifield 259, James 306. For Coroner: Justice 574, Curtis 263. For Surveyor: Greenlee, 547, Willis 283.

Marion No. 3—For Solicitor: Ridings 307, Bailey 70. For Representative: Robinson 309, Pool 81. Sheriff: Nichols 315, Gladden 73. For Clerk: Moody 295, Kanipe 79. Commissioners: Caplan 282, Morris 278, Workman 281; Early 86, Hollifield 88, James 88. Coroner: Justice 295, Curtis 76. Surveyor: Greenlee 278, Willis 90.

Marion No. 4—Solicitor: Ridings, 422; Bailey, 221. Representative: Robinson 433, Pool 221. Sheriff: Nichols 432, Gladden 218. Clerk: Moody, 419, Kanipe 217. Commissioners: Caplan 401, Morris 397, Workman 403; Early 229, Hollifield 221, James 227. Coroner: Justice 414, Willis 218.

Marion No. 5—For Solicitor: Ridings 213, Bailey 185. Representative: Robinson 214, Pool 193. Sheriff: Nichols 214, Gladden 191. Clerk: Moody 220, Kanipe 178. Commissioners: Caplan 198, Morris 197, Workman 202; Early 189, Hollifield 183, James 188. Coroner: Justice

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GRADY NICHOLS
Re-elected Sheriff

STATE CANDIDATES IN SWEEPING LANDSLIDE

News dispatches dribbling in from here and there over the state indicate that the interest in the election was not great as the vote is proving unusually light.

North Carolina as a part of the "Solid South" for the Democratic party, smashed tradition a decade ago when it piled up a big majority for Hoover, but Tuesday's election showed a decisive swing back to its old standard and gave all of the Democratic candidates overwhelming majorities over their Republican opponents.

Senator Robert R. Reynolds, outstanding New Dealer who made only a few campaign speeches, swept to easy victory over his Republican opponent, Charles A. Jonas, who was elected to Congress from the old tenth district in the 1928 upheaval.

With more than half of the state's precincts reported, Reynolds was leading by far more than 100,000 majorities.

MILLIONS OF PEOPLE VIEW MOON'S ECLIPSE

Millions in Eastern America were treated to a view of a phenomenon Monday night which is so rare that it may never be seen more than once in a lifetime. It was an eclipse of the moon which began while the sun's rays were still visible from the setting sun. The eclipse lasted until shortly after seven o'clock. The earth's shadow passed across the face of the moon as the latter was rising in the eastern skies as the sun was setting in the west. Before the eclipse was entirely completed, the moon had risen high in the eastern skies permitting a good view of the wonderful sight.

In Marion the scene was interrupted occasionally with fleeting clouds which almost obscured the moon at times, but many were permitted to get clear views of the eclipse before it was entirely over.

MARION'S PRINCIPAL BROADCASTS SPEECH

At the regular weekly broadcast sponsored by the Appalachian State Teachers College from Station WBT at Charlotte from 11:45 to 12:00 o'clock a. m. on Tuesdays and conducted by Coach Kid Brewer of that institution, the coach introduced Miss Marion Williams, secretary of the alumni association of the college at Boone who introduced Zeb Vance, president of the alumni association, and principal of the Marion High School.

Mr. Vance made an interesting talk to the alumni of the Appalachian State Teachers' College which he concluded with a very appropriate poem.

MARION PTA HOLDS MONTHLY MEETING

The Marion Parent-Teacher Association held its regular monthly meeting in the high school auditorium Monday afternoon with the president, Mrs. G. B. Justice, presiding.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Paul A. Boriack, pastor of the St. Matthew's Lutheran church, and a song by the entire group.

The program was musical and was featured with the display of the new Kimball Grand piano recently acquired by the association for the school.

Bernard Hirsch, musical director at the high school, gave a saxophone solo, "Beautiful Colorado," accompanied by Miss Julia Burton on the piano. Mrs. Roy Davis and Miss Virginia Mae McCall rendered piano solos.

Hugh Beam, superintendent of Marion schools, made a talk and took the occasion to thank the association for the piano before getting into the subject of his address which was on the theme of American Education Week, a very appropriate subject as it was given at the beginning of that week. Mr. Beam urged all parents to visit the schools during education week, Nov. 6 to 12.

The Social Service Committee made its report stating that 35 underprivileged children had been fed in the school cafeteria at a cost of 13-10 cents per meal.

Mrs. Alma Crawford's room won the attendance prize in the elementary school and Miss Joyce Decker's room was awarded the attendance prize in the high school.

MARION SCHOOLS TO OBSERVE BOOK WEEK

Book Week will be celebrated in the local schools next week, Nov. 13 to 19. The theme for this year's observance is "New Books — New Worlds". The various departments of the Marion high school are working together on an exhibit built around the theme of Book Week. This, when completed, will be displayed in a window of the McDowell Hardware store. Other interesting exhibits are being worked out for display in the library and school, with the idea of calling the pupils' attention to books and the pleasures of reading.

A group of high school girls will tell stories in all the grade schools. These girls are Ruth Eaker, Phyllis Raburn, Ella Mae Tate, Cleo Lingerfelt, Marianna Johnson, and Mildred Ragan.

There will be a Book Week play, "Lost in the Woods," presented in the high school auditorium at the regular chapel program next Monday. Throughout the week various projects will take place in connection with regular class work, both in high school and in all the grade schools, in an effort to make this special week interesting and profitable.

BARTLETT'S TURNIP BEAT

The two pound seven ounce turnip brought to The Progress office recently by T. H. Bartlett of the Glenwood community was dwarfed by one which was brought in Saturday by E. V. Lawing of Montford's Cove.

Mr. Lawing's turnip weighed 4 pounds 2 ounces, measured 21 inches around. It was the purple top white globe variety, he said.

Mitchell Summit To Be Reached By New Highway

Will Do Away With The Old
Toll Road; Places The Top
Within Hour From Here.

J. Q. Gilkey, vice-chairman of the state board of conservation and development, announced here that construction work will begin in early January on a 50-room lodge and 20 or more cottages in the Mount Mitchell park area. The project includes water, sewer and lights, it was said.

Members of the State Highway and Public Works Commission are expected in Marion this week to go over plans also for a road project from the new parkway at Toe River Gap to the peak of Mount Mitchell and re-entering the parkway at Balsam Gap, it was stated. This road is to be a free road and will do away with the old toll road which has been the only means of reaching the summit by automobile.

Mr. Gilkey points out that this new road will place the summit of Mt. Mitchell within about one hour's drive from the City of Marion by way of Lake Tahoma and Buck Creek Gap. This is a distinct advantage for Marion and should be capitalized, it was pointed out, as Mount Mitchell is the highest peak in Eastern America, and one of the main attractions to tourists who come to this section. The road from Marion to Mt. Mitchell over the new route affords scenic advantages which were not to be had when the old toll road was the only highway to the top, it was noted.

AN IMPORTANT REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION

Among the more important real estate transactions which have taken place in the city recently was the sale last week of the old Catawba Lumber Company plant including about four acres of land and a warehouse and office building situated on State street between the Southern railway tracks and the 3-C branch line. This was a part of the property of T. F. Wrenn of High Point.

The purchase was made by A. Rockwell of Johnson City, Tenn., formerly of Greensboro. The deal was made through W. H. Hawkins, real estate agent, and Robert Proctor, attorney.

The purchaser, Mr. Rockwell, is making his home at Hotel James for the present and already begun business on the property as a wholesale junk dealer.

Mr. Rockwell will operate several trucks over a wide area to collect junk, it is understood, and will ship scrap iron and other materials in car lots. A side track already was alongside the warehouse which he purchased.

TO OBSERVE ARMISTICE DAY FRIDAY, NOV. 11TH

The First National and Marion Industrial Bank and the Post Office will be closed Friday, November 11, in observance of Armistice Day.



ASHBY ROBINSON
Elected Representative

DECORATION TO BE PRESENTED TO POST OFFICE

S. W. Purdum, 4th Assistant Postmaster General, now Acting Postmaster General, has officially informed Barron P. Caldwell, Marion Postmaster, that a decorative sculpture is to be presented to the post office here to be placed in the lobby of the building. The sculpture was made by Bruno Picarelli, artist.

Mr. Purdum is a personal acquaintance of Mr. Caldwell.

The local postmaster stated that business at the post office is on a steady increase. The receipts for the quarter ending on Sept. 30 exceeded the last quarter by \$303.76. The receipts for the month of October were the greatest of any month in the history of the local office with the exception of certain Decembers when the Christmas rush boosted the stamp sales, it was stated.

CATO HOLLER HOST TO KIWANIS CLUB DIRECTORS

Cato Holler was host to the directors of the Kiwanis club last Thursday night. The entertainment was in the form of a delectable turkey dinner with all of the accessories. The banquet was served in the basement rooms of the Presbyterian church with the ladies of the church auxiliary serving.

Directors who were present were the host, Cato Holler, and his guests, Cecil Dobson, Sam Homewood, S. J. Westmoreland, J. D. Henry, J. G. Beaman, Dr. B. A. Dickson, J. P. Laughlin, Hugh Beam, and Dr. Donald M. McIntosh, Jr.

Lee Conley and Grayson Neal were absent.



FRED MOODY
Re-elected Clerk

Red Cross Will Start 1938 Drive Friday, Nov. 11

Funds Collected Here Not All
Sent To The National
Headquarters.

Having a goal of about 500 memberships for the McDowell County Red Cross chapter for 1938, chapter officials, under the direction of Mrs. Geo. L. Conley, roll call chairman, assisted by members of the Junior Woman's Club and others, are making plans for reaching and surpassing this goal. The membership drive will begin Friday, Nov. 11, and continue through Thanksgiving day.

A checkup reveals that the money subscribed here to the cause does not go elsewhere altogether to help other people. Much of it is spent right here in out midst for the benefit of our own underprivileged citizens and perhaps others who are in distress in various ways.

Only fifty cents from each membership solicited locally is sent to national headquarters. Last year the amount sent to National Headquarters from McDowell county was only \$194.99 while approximately \$300 was spent locally.

Of the money spent in this county last year by the American Red Cross society, \$160 went for milk to feed undernourished children; \$126.07 was spent for groceries used in school lunch rooms for children from indigent families; \$50 bought yeast which was used in pellagra control.

The society also sent Mrs. Alma Crawford to the aquatic school at Camp Carolina at Brevard in June, 1938, for special training in life saving and first aid. Mrs. Crawford taught a class of 30 a first aid course from Sept. 30 to Oct. 29 for the McDowell chapter of the American Red Cross. This was a standard first aid course. The Red Cross furnished textbooks and other supplies for the course. Mrs. Crawford was provided with a certificate authorizing her as an instructor of the American Red Cross Society to conduct Junior, Standard, and Advanced First Aid courses in the Marion chapter.

Zeno Martin is chairman of the Marion Chapter; Mrs. E. C. McMillan is secretary; Miss Doris Hill is treasurer. Other members of the board are George W. Crawford, Mrs. George Kirkpatrick, Barron P. Caldwell, Mrs. Margaret Kern Greenlee.

OVER \$1,000,000 PROJECT APPROVED, STATE HOSPITAL

Dr. Guy S. Kirby, chairman of the board of trustees of the State Hospital at Morganton, attended a meeting of the board last Friday morning in Morganton.

Dr. Kirby stated that the board approved an architect's estimates on a new tubercular ward building, a new laundry, boiler equipment, fireproofing for the whole institution, and a new residence for the superintendent, all to be erected at an early date.

The tubercular building is to cost approximately \$100,000; fireproofing of all the buildings will cost about \$870,000; and the new residence for the superintendent will cost about \$15,000, it was stated. The superintendent has been living in one of the hospital buildings heretofore, it was explained.

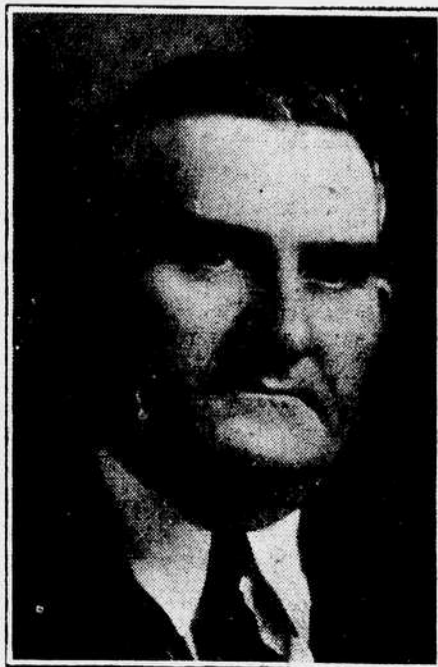
The enormous expansion and improvement program is a state project to be carried out with WPA aid, it was said. Including the new laundry the job will run well over a million dollars, it was said.

REV. NORMAN F. KINZIE ADDRESSES KIWANIS CLUB

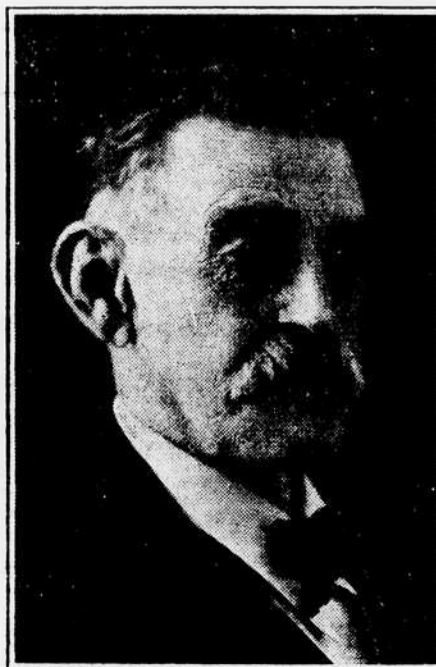
The Kiwanis club assembled at the Community building in regular meeting Tuesday night with President Lee Conley presiding. The ladies of the Methodist church served a delightful meal.

Alford Morgan was in charge of the program. He introduced Rev. Norman F. Kinzie, rector of St. John's Episcopal church. Mr. Kinzie addressed the club on the subject of "Citizenship". Members of the club stated that the talk was very impressive and filled with interest.

Commissioners Re-elected



I. L. CAPLAN



R. P. MORRIS



C. A. WORKMAN