

## TANTER TO OPEN NEW DRUG STORE IN BUILDING HERE

### Remodeling To Get Under Way; Plans To Open Latter Part Of April.

Dean Tainter, Marion druggist, will open a new drug store here during the latter part of April, it was announced this week.

The store will be located on the corner of Main and Court streets in the T. F. Wrenn building opposite the James Hotel. It was formerly occupied by the Lake City Drug Store but is now vacant.

According to Mr. Tainter the new store will offer a complete luncheonette service. It will also offer full soda fountain service, and a complete stock of drugs will be carried. A registered pharmacist will be on duty there at all times and the filling of prescriptions will be handled by him.

Considerable remodeling will be done to the building before the stock of the new store is placed. New fixtures will be installed throughout and equipment to handle the luncheonette part of the business will be new and of attractive design. The front of the store will be remodeled and the outside will be refinished in black glass.

The building belongs to T. F. Wrenn of High Point.

Work on the new drug store is expected to be begun next week. It is expected that equipment will be installed during the latter part of April and the store will soon afterwards be open for business.

### TWO DIE, TWO INJURED IN PLUNGE OVER CLIFF

Miss Mabel Stout and Miss Marie Greer, both of Elizabethtown, Tennessee, are confined to the Marion General Hospital here with injuries sustained Sunday when the car in which they were riding left the Marion-Linville Falls road and plunged over a 200-foot cliff. Raleigh H. (Happy) Lynch and Harley Davenport, both of Elizabethtown, were killed in the wreck.

Miss Stout is said to be suffering from a fractured skull, a fractured pelvis, and possible internal injuries. Miss Greer suffered cuts, bruises and abrasions.

Lynch, said to have been the driver of the car, was instantly killed when the car plunged over the precipice. His body was taken to Newland, Tenn. Davenport died in the Marion General Hospital a few hours later.

The accident occurred about half a mile south of Linville Falls at about 5:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. It was investigated by State Patrolman J. J. Johnson.

### MERCHANTS TO DISCUSS TRADE DAYS TONIGHT

A meeting of Marion merchants will be held in the City Hall tonight at 8:00 o'clock to discuss the spring sales festival to be held in the latter part of April.

The different committees for the festival will make their reports at the meeting and further plans will be made for the carrying out of the trade program.

The date of the trade festival has been set for April 18-20 and it is being sponsored by the Marion Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants' Association.

### ISAAC GRIFFIN DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Isaac C. Griffin, retired member of the University of North Carolina summer school faculty, died of pneumonia at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Allen Larima at Manchester, New Hampshire early Saturday morning, after an illness of only a few days.

Mr. Griffin was superintendent of the Marion city schools for several years and was well known here.

Besides his widow, he is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Larima, and two sons, I. C. Griffin, Jr., of Chapel Hill and Harold Griffin.

### BARKER URGES PROPER TEACHING FOR CHILDREN

Emphasizing the importance of raising children to be better men and women, Dr. Charles E. Barker, speaking here in the courthouse last Friday night, told parents of Marion that children are taught everything today but how to develop into good fathers and mothers.

Dr. Barker was brought to Marion by the local Rotary club. He is widely known as a teacher of the principles of health and right living to young people, and has been lecturing throughout the United States and Canada for the past 26 years.

Between the ages of 14 and 20, he said, boys and girls are making up their minds how to live. Their views of life and the character of these children are determined by the actions of their parents and men and women around them. For children emulate the actions of grown-ups, he said. Parents therefore should set good examples for them.

As an important step in building of better men and women Dr. Barker urged Marion parents to support the Boy Scout drive being conducted today. He pointed to the scarcity of Scouts who develop into men with criminal records.

It is of great importance that parents should teach their children the value of discipline. Likewise it is necessary for parents to teach their children the fundamentals of sex problems early in life, he said. Adequate attention given to these matters by parents will enable them to raise better men and women, he concluded.

Speaking to members of the Marion Rotary club and guests at the regular meeting of the club on last Friday, he urged men of this town to back up every move for the betterment of the community. "He profits most who is serving the best," he stated in urging all civic clubs to work together. He pointed to the worthlessness of a club that does nothing to better the community in which it exists.

The greatest institution in Marion is its high school, he said. It is turning out young men and women into the world. But the real teachers of these children are the business men and leaders of Marion. All men and women should be governed in their actions by the determination to set good examples for children, he said.

### AWARDS MADE TO KINZIE, MOST VALUED CITIZEN

Rev. Norman F. Kinzie, voted Marion's most valuable citizen for the year 1939, was last Thursday night presented with an award by the Francis Marion club.

Rev. Kinzie was selected by the Francis Marion club as the outstanding citizen for his work with underprivileged children of the community, for his contributions of leadership and aid to the Boy Scouts, his help in securing education for several children, and his efforts to benefit the town of Marion.

The naming of Marion's most valuable citizen and the awarding of prizes to persons receiving the honor has been made an annual practice of the Francis Marion club.

The new officers of the club, recently elected, were installed at the Thursday night meeting. New officers are: Frank Goldsmith, president; Hugh Conley, vice-president; and Oliver Cross, secretary-treasurer.

Eugene Cross, Jr., was presented an award for being the most valuable member of the Francis Marion club during 1939.

Members of the club voted unanimously in favor of aiding other civic clubs of Marion in the drive for funds for McDowell county Scouts. The drive is being conducted today.

The anniversary of the Francis Marion club was observed here last Friday night by a fancy dress ball at the Marion Lake club. A large number of guests attended the ball, which was held from nine to one o'clock.

### EASTER SERVICES AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Thursday morning at 9 a. m. Holy Eucharist.

Thursday evening 8 p. m. Study Class.

Good Friday service from 12 a. m. to 3 p. m.

Easter Sunday Holy Eucharist 8 a. m., Church School and Bible Class 9:45. Holy Eucharist at 11 a. m.

## NORTH COVE AND OLD FORT WIN IN COUNTY CONTESTS

### Martha Justice and Zeyland McKinney Receive Awards In Annual Meeting.

Representatives of the Old Fort and North Cove schools were winners in the annual recitation-declaration contests for high schools in McDowell county held in the Nebo school Monday night.

Miss Martha Justice of Old Fort was declared the winner in the recitation contest for her rendition of "Brotherly Love." Zeyland McKinney of North Cove won in the declamation contest for his presentation of "Unknown." Gold medals were presented to each of the winners by N. F. Stepp, superintendent of McDowell county schools. Silver cups were awarded to the schools represented by the two winners.

The winning school for two years prior to these contests was Pleasant Gardens. The school was allowed to keep a silver cup last year, having won it two years in succession.

County schools represented in the contest and their entries follow: Old Fort, Marvin Giles and Martha Justice; Pleasant Gardens, Julia Cranford and Homer Lee Walker; Nebo, Thelma Fender and Harold Brooks; North Cove, Myrtle Ollis and Zeyland McKinney; and Glenwood, Calvin Ledbetter and Wilmer Byrd.

### SEALS FOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN GO ON SALE

The sale of Easter seals for the benefit of crippled children will be conducted here Friday and Saturday, March 22-23, announced Mrs. G. W. Kirkpatrick this week.

The seal sale this year is being directed by Mrs. Kirkpatrick. Other members of the McDowell County Society for Crippled Children are Mrs. C. A. Workman, Mrs. T. H. Henderson, J. L. Nichols, and S. J. Westmoreland.

Money derived from the sale of the seals each year is used to take crippled children to a clinic held at the Asheville Orthopaedic Home and to provide appliances such as crutches, artificial limbs, special shoes, and braces to children whose families are not able to take care of their needs.

Seals this year will be sold in the local schools and a campaign will be conducted through all the business establishments of Marion. Half of the money from the sale of the seals will be used in McDowell county. The other half will go into a national fund for crippled children.

According to Mrs. Kirkpatrick, the major part of services for crippled children are carried on through the Welfare Department in McDowell county. "There is now an active load of 40 persons receiving treatment, hospitalization, or who are under observation. There are 40 closed cases, persons who have received treatment, hospitalization, vocational training, and have been provided with limbs, shoes, crutches, braces and the like," she said.

### LAKE TAHOMA PURCHASE MEETING IN MORGANTON

Representatives of the Marion Chamber of Commerce attended a meeting in Morganton on last Friday night to discuss the purchase of the Lake Tahoma property from the Kistler estate.

Persons interested in the project attended the meeting from Morganton, Marion, Valdese and Hickory. The plans for the purchase of the property and how it should be developed were discussed.

### GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER SERVICES AT ST. MATTHEW'S

St. Matthew's Lutheran will observe Good Friday in a service at 7:30 p. m. on March 22nd. The subject will be "Mysteries of Calvary." Easter services with Holy Communion will be held on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. At both services on Sunday every family represented will receive the daily meditation booklet, "Victorious Living."

## COUNTY SCHOOLS ARE TO PRESENT MUSICAL PROGRAM

### Annual Affair To Be Held At Pleasant Gardens Friday Night.

The annual high school music program for schools of McDowell county will be presented at the Pleasant Gardens school building on Friday night, March 22, at 7:30 o'clock.

Taking part in the program are choruses from seven schools in the county.

The program for each school entered in the music festival follows: Dysartsville: Song of the Light-Bells, The Monkey Man, The Mill Wheel, and I Love a Little Cottage.

Glenwood: Beautiful Dreamer by Stephen Foster, My Wild Irish Rose by Chauncey Olcott, and Anchors Aweigh.

Sugar Hill: When Song is Sweet by Gertrude Sans Savá, Ol Carlina by James F. Cooke, and Missouri Waltz.

Nebo: Give a Little Whistle from Pinnocchio, Stars of the Summer Night by Woodbury, Sleepy Hollow Tune by Kountz, and A Toast.

Pleasant Gardens: Caisson's Song, an American Army Song; Boats of Mine by Miller, I hear the Bees A-Humming by Zamecnik, and Easter Parade by Berlin.

Old Fort: Pale Moon by Logan, An Apple for the Teacher by Monaco, The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise by Seitz and Lockhart.

North Cove: The Old Refrain by Kreisler, Curly Headed Baby by Chutson, Why by Phyllis Fergus, and Pale Moon by Logan.

### TRAINS CONDUCTED FOR TRAIN ACCIDENT VICTIMS

Funeral services for John Glenn Melton, 23, and Arthur Delbert Melton, 37, brothers, who were fatally injured when they were hit by a north-bound C. C. & O. freight train near Marion last Sunday afternoon, were conducted from the Yancey Street Baptist church in Clinchfield at 10:00 o'clock on last Tuesday morning.

John Melton was instantly killed when struck by the train Sunday afternoon and Arthur Melton died shortly afterwards in the Marion General Hospital.

The two men were said to have been sitting on the railroad track and apparently did not notice an approaching train. Dr. G. B. Justice, coroner, said that no inquest into the death of the two men was necessary. The accident was investigated by Sheriff Grady Nichols, State Highway Patrolman Johnson, and Dr. Justice.

Arthur Melton had been employed by the Clinchfield Manufacturing Company. John Melton was employed as a WPA worker.

Funeral services for the brothers were conducted by Rev. Clayton, Rev. Fender, and Rev. C. C. Russell. Interment was in the Nebo cemetery.

Arthur Melton is survived by his wife, Mrs. Annie Plemmons Melton, and two step-children, Richard and Bernice Roberts.

Other survivors of the two brothers are their father, James A. Melton of Clinchfield; five brothers, Lonnie and Vernie Melton of Inman, S. C., Lucius Melton of Asheville, and Carl and Ernest Melton of Clinchfield; and two sisters, Mrs. Lee Farmer of Asheville, and Mrs. Pink McElwath of Black Mountain.

### REVIVAL SERVICES AT EAST MARION BAPTIST CHURCH NEXT WEEK

The East Marion Baptist church will begin a series of services to be conducted throughout the week of March 24 to March 31st, with a sunrise service Easter morning at 6 o'clock. Rev. Franklin Justice and Rev. Millard Hall will assist the pastor, Rev. R. Von King, in these services to be held each evening during the week at 7:15 o'clock.

Rev. J. A. Brock of Spencer Baptist church, Spindale, N. C., will assist the pastor in a revival the last week in May and the first week in June.

### TWO ARE CONFINED TO HOSPITAL AFTER WRECK

The condition of Miss Lois Biggs, of Washington, D. C., who received serious cuts on her face and whose nose was severed in a wreck near Marion, is reported to be improving. She is confined to the Marion General Hospital.

Miss Biggs and Jack Harvey, both of Washington, were seriously injured about 9:30 o'clock last Thursday morning when the car in which they were riding skidded and turned over five times about five miles east of Marion on Highway No. 70.

John A. Harvey and Miss Annie Lee Varn, two other occupants of the car, also of Washington, were released from the local hospital last Thursday afternoon after being treated for minor injuries.

Jack Harvey is still confined to the hospital here. He is suffering from a broken back and cuts and bruises.

Miss Biggs was reported to have been driving the car when the accident occurred. The automobile evidently skidded on the wet pavement and the driver lost control, said Sheriff Grady Nichols, who investigated the accident.

The occupants were said to have been on their way to Asheville from Washington.

### EAST MARION LOSES TO RHODISS IN GOLD MEDAL TOURNAMENT

Last Saturday night in a basketball thriller, Rhodiss stopped East Marion 39-38 to win first place in the Pleasant Gardens Gold Medal basketball tournament. The score was tied eight times during the game. East Marion leading most of the way.

Hollis All Stars defeated Nebo 30-27 to win third place. The results of the games in the tournament follow: Thursday night—Glenwood 57, North Cove 38; Spindale "B" 36, Nebo 29; Rhodiss 36, Hollis All Stars 28; East Marion 49, Pleasant Gardens Woodmen of the World 30.

Friday night—Hollis All Stars 57, North Cove 34; East Marion 26, Spindale "B" 21; Nebo 41, Pleasant Gardens W. O. W. 20; Rhodiss 55, Glenwood 31.

In the Francis Marion tournament held in Marion some time ago both Rhodiss and East Marion were finalists. East Marion won the tournament 26-21 after playing a hard game all the way.

The all-tournament team in the Gold-Medal play in Pleasant Gardens was chosen as follows: Kaylor, East Marion; Broome, East Marion; Henson, East Marion; Fred Dunn, Rhodiss; Frank Dunn, Rhodiss; Hicks, Rhodiss; D. Davis, Spindale "B"; Hudson, Spindale "B"; Martin, Hollis.

Merit awards were made to Kaylor of Glenwood, Jaynes of Nebo, Simmons of Nebo, Crowe of Hollis, Melton of Hollis; Teague of Hollis; McCall of North Cove, and Lonon of North Cove.

Honor awards were made to Hicks of Rhodiss, Henson of East Marion, and Fred Dunn of Rhodiss.

Other awards were made as follows: sportsmanship medal, S. Livingston of Nebo; spectacular shot medal, C. Marlowe of Glenwood; high scorer for game and tournament medals, Hicks of Rhodiss; manager of championship team medal, Harry Moffitt of Rhodiss.

Officials in the tournament were W. J. Waters, referee; W. A. Young, timer; and Paul S. Withrow, scorer.

The tournament was said to be very successful, the teams playing before packed houses every night.

### SINGERS ARE TO HOLD CONVENTION IN MARION

An all-day singing convention will be held in Marion on Sunday, April 7. Singers from McDowell county, from other counties in the state and from states adjoining North Carolina will take part in the program.

The convention is held semi-annually and the programs are made up of old songs. Quartets and other combinations present songs on the program.

The program for the convention is under the direction of A. H. Mitchem who is president of the society. Other officers of the organization are John C. Burnett, vice-president, and Mrs. D. T. Roughton, secretary.

## DRIVE FOR FUNDS FOR BOY SCOUTS IS BEGUN TODAY

### Goal Of \$800 Will Be Sought In Campaign Headed By Local Clubs.

Representatives of all the civic clubs in Marion are taking part in a drive today to raise the sum of \$800 for the use of Boy Scouts of McDowell county.

The money raised in the campaign will be used for summer camp work for Scouts of this county and for general operating expenses.

A meeting of the civic club representatives was held in the Westmoreland Funeral home last night, where final plans for the campaign were made. This morning the group was scheduled to meet at the James Hotel for breakfast and leave from there to conduct the drive.

The attempt will be made to complete the drive today. Chairman of the campaign is S. J. Westmoreland.

In cooperation with the drive for funds the Marion Theatre is conducting a show Saturday morning, the receipts to go to the Scouts.

Marion residents who had planned to take part in the campaign are: from the Kiwanis club, Rev. Norman F. Kinzie, H. D. Bishop, S. J. Westmoreland, Hugh Beam, J. G. Beaman, Cecil Dobson, J. B. Laughlin, Dr. B. A. Dickson, S. L. Home-

wood, W. S. Shiflet, Neal Morris, and Dr. Donald McIntosh; from the Junior Woman's club, Mrs. Katherine Erwin, Mrs. Jack James, and Mrs. Rowe Mauney; from the Senior Woman's club, Mrs. W. B. Gibbs, and Mrs. Ben E. Henley; from the Rotary club, Rev. W. A. Jenkins, Jack James, Dr. P. N. Devere, and Bill Abee; and from the Francis Marion club, Frank Goldsmith, Will Erwin and Joe Noyes.

### MARION THEATRE IS TO GIVE SHOW FOR SCOUTS

In cooperating with the drive for funds for Boy Scouts of McDowell county the Marion Theatre will present a full length picture here Saturday morning, March 23, at 10:15 a. m. The announcement was made by W. P. Erwin, manager of the local theatre.

Featured will be Joe E. Brown and Leo Carillo in "Flirting with Fate." Entire proceeds of the show will be turned over to Scouts of McDowell county.

Tickets for the show went on sale early this week. They may now be obtained from Boy Scouts of Marion or at the ticket office of the Marion Theatre.

In presenting the picture Saturday morning the Marion Theatre is cooperating with representatives of the various civic clubs of Marion who started the campaign for funds for the Scouts today. The money raised in the campaign is to be used for defraying summer camp expenses for county Scouts and for purchasing equipment and supplies that are needed.

### EDUCATION GROUP GOES TO STATE CONVENTION

Nine representatives of schools in McDowell county attended the convention of the North Carolina Education Association in Raleigh last week-end.

Those attending from county schools were N. F. Stepp, county superintendent, S. A. McDuffy, principal of the Old Fort school, W. C. Tweedy, teacher at North Cove, and Miss Evelyn Tanner, teacher at Glenwood.

From the Marion city schools, Hugh Beam, principal, Mrs. S. L. Home-wood, Miss Ruth Greenlee, Miss Dorothy Morrell, Miss Mae Ross, and Miss Frances Fowler, attended.

### EARLY BROTHERS STORE AT OLD FORT IS ROBBED

Old Fort, March 18.—The grocery store of Early Brothers in Old Fort was robbed Sunday night by thieves who entered by breaking the glass in the front entrance. Only a small loss in goods was reported.