

Awards Will Be Made At Horse And Cattle Show

Prizes In 55 Classes To Be Given At Annual Event Here October 4.

McDowell county's annual horse and cattle show, to be held here at the fair grounds Friday, October 4, will offer first prizes in 55 classes and second and third awards in each of these classes to entries in the show.

A standard track, measuring 125 by 200 feet, was completed at the fair grounds this week and a small house has been built in the center for the judge's stand. Parking has been provided around the ring to enable spectators to watch the horse show from their cars. There will be a small parking charge for use of this space.

The fair grounds, located just off the Rutherford road at the foot of Mt. Ida, have been graded. Parking space has been provided for approximately 500 cars. Space has been provided for the showing of draft horses and cattle. Entrance to the grounds has been made possible by the construction of a bridge leading off the Rutherford road.

C. J. Lynch, a member of the Tryon Riding and Hunt club has been engaged to judge the saddle horses in the show. About 25 entries are expected in this class. The judging of draft horses and cattle will be by J. A. Wilson, farm agent of Polk county.

The horse and cattle show is being sponsored this year by the Marion Kiwanis club and is being supported by other civic organizations. Arrangements for the show are under the direction of S. J. Westmoreland who is being assisted by S. L. Homewood, J. C. Rabb, J. R. Jameson, W. C. McIver and Frank Goforth. Persons entering saddle horses in the show have been requested to notify Mr. Westmoreland. Draft horses and cattle entries will be handled by Mr. Homewood.

Awards will be made to saddle horses in the five gaited, three gaited, ladies, walking, pony, adult and child and girl and boy classes.

Awards to draft horses will be made to the best stallion, horse or mare, colt, team and mare with colt at side. Prizes will be given in the mule and jack class to the best jack, mule, team, colt and mare with mule colt at side. Beef cattle will be judged for the best mature bull, bull 2-3 years old, bull 1-2 years old, bull under 1 year of age, mature cow, cow 2-3 years old, heifer 1-2 years old, heifer under 1 year; Grade—mature cow, cow 2-3 years old, heifer 1-2 years old and best steer. Guernsey dairy cattle will be judged for the best mature bull, bull 2-3 years old, bull 1-2 years old, bull under 1 year, mature cow, heifer 2-3 years old, heifer 1-2 years old, heifer 6 months to one year old, baby heifer, get of sire and best produce of dam.

Jersey cattle will be judged for best mature bull, bull 2-3 years old, bull 1-2 years old, bull under 1 year, mature cow, cow 2-3 years old, heifer 1-2 years old, heifer 6 months to 1 year old, and best baby heifer; Grade — best mature cow, cow 2-3 years old, heifer 1-2 years old and best heifer under 1 year.

A Guernsey bull calf will be awarded to the owner of the best cow in milk and the best heifer.

COOLEY TO SPEAK AT CATTLE BREEDERS MEET

T. F. Cooley, manager of the famous Klondike Farm at Elkin, one of the South's leading Guernsey Breeding establishments, will be the guest speaker at a meeting of McDowell county Guernsey breeders to be held at the Pleasant Gardens Community building Wednesday night, October 2. All Guernsey breeders of McDowell and persons interested in cattle are requested to attend the meeting.

On October 1 Mr. Cooley will be at the annual Guernsey cattle show in Morganton where he will judge the entries in the show. On October 2 he will visit with Guernsey breeders in McDowell prior to the night meeting at Pleasant Gardens.

BEAM SUGGESTED FOR PRESIDENCY OF N.C.E.A.

Hugh F. Beam, superintendent of Marion city schools, is being suggested for president of the western district of the North Carolina Education Association. N. F. Stepe, superintendent of McDowell county schools, sent out letters some time ago to a number of school people suggesting Mr. Beam for the presidency and he has received replies promising support for Mr. Beam's candidacy. The election of officers of the N. C. E. A. will be held at the district meeting of the association in Asheville, beginning October 18.

Mr. Beam has been very active in school, civic and business activities in Marion and McDowell county for the past 14 years. He began his work here 14 years ago as a teacher in the Marion high school. After a few years he was made principal of the high school and for the past five years has been serving as superintendent of Marion city schools.

He is a past president of the Marion Kiwanis club and is now serving on the board of directors of this organization. He has long been active in church and Sunday School work and is now teacher of the Young Men's Bible class of the Presbyterian church. For several years he has been active in Boy Scout work and has served as scout master. He is well known throughout the state in educational circles.

The western district of the N. C. E. A. is composed of North Carolina counties west of and including Burke

HIGHWAY 105 IS BEING RESURFACED, NO. 26 OPEN

Highway No. 105, from Highway 70 through Nebo to the Burke county line, was closed to traffic last week as workmen began resurfacing the stretch with tar and gravel. Preparations for the surfacing were made this summer when several curves were eliminated and much grading was done. People going to the Marion Lake club have been forced to walk after getting as near as possible by round-about roads.

Highway No. 26, from Woodlawn to Mitchell county, was opened to traffic yesterday after being closed for some time. The road has been resurfaced and now shows little evidence of flood damage.

Equipment of the State Highway and Public Works Commission is being moved to the North Cove section of McDowell county to make needed repairs to Highway No. 221 as soon as possible. Much grading, resurfacing and filling in are required on many stretches of the highway.

McDOWELL FARMS THIS YEAR MAY EARN \$23,582.78

It is possible for McDowell farmers who have signed for compliance with the 1940 soil conservation program to earn \$23,582.78 this year, according to figures released by County Agent S. L. Homewood.

Of the total of 1,394 farms in this county 1,050 have signed for compliance with the program this year. The 344 farmers who failed to sign under the program could have made \$9,262.47 in soil conservation payments. If all farmers in the county had complied with the AAA program 100 percent, payments amounting to \$32,845.25 would have been distributed this year.

Of McDowell's 1,394 farms, 75.3 percent are working under the conservation program this year. By full compliance the 75.3 percent may earn \$23,582.78 as compared to \$22,116.01 last year.

According to information available so far this year, it is expected that complying farms in McDowell will earn 90 percent of the maximum payment for soil conservation work.

LEONARD TO ADDRESS MARION WILLKIE CLUB

J. Paul Leonard, of Statesville, secretary of the North Carolina Fair Tax association, will be the guest speaker at a meeting of the Marion Willkie club to be held in the club headquarters here tomorrow night at 8:00 o'clock.

Mr. Leonard comes to Marion in connection with the plan of the local Willkie club to secure prominent speakers to address people interested in the candidacy of Wendell Willkie for President of the United States.

Construction And Remodeling Are Under Way Here

WPA Projects And Private Building Bring Small Boom To Marion.

Marion is now witnessing a small building and remodeling boom as workmen are employed in all parts of the town on construction projects. Two WPA projects are now under way here. Approximately 50 workers are now employed at the Marion high school building, tearing down burned portions of the structure and beginning reconstruction work. Plans for the \$100,000 project call for the repairing of eight class rooms and enlarging the library. A new building on the school grounds will house four classrooms, a music room, and a gymnasium. Work on the new structure will not be started until repairs to the old building are complete.

The \$49,135 WPA project for a three-story addition to the county jail is nearing completion, the exterior walls having been completed for the first two stories and workmen now being employed on interior construction.

The razing of the old R. F. Burton home on North Main street has been completed and workmen are expected to start soon on the construction of a three-story building to house the Smith Furniture Company. The new furniture store will be a modern structure and will have a 60 foot frontage on Main street. Most of the space on the three floors will be used for furniture display.

The East Court Motor Company on East Court street will be housed in a new building in the near future. A new one-story metal frame building has been planned to house the motor company. The structure will have a brick veneer front. Framework for the building has been completed.

Preparation for the rebuilding of the Main Street Texaco filling station on North Main street was begun last week. Workmen have been employed in clearing property around the station to make way for the larger building. The new station will be a one-story structure with a metal roof and will house a greasing and washing room in addition to the office.

The remodeling of the store front of Belk-Broome's store on Main street was begun last week. Two new entrances will be constructed to the store, an additional show window will be provided and the exterior of the front will be finished in Black glass.

Permits for the construction of three houses in Marion have been issued by the town since July 1. The new home of E. W. Parker on Morgan street is nearing completion, work having been started on the structure this summer. Two houses on Spring street will be built this fall, permits having been issued to Hubert Hensley and J. H. Hensley for their construction.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE OF P-T SET FOR OCT. 1

The annual conference of district No. two of the North Carolina Congress of parents and teachers will be held at the Blowing Rock high school building next Tuesday, October 1. The morning session will open at 10 o'clock. Mrs. Doyle D. Alley, state president, will speak on "The Responsibility of Parent Teacher Associations in a Democracy." A business session will be held during the morning; committees will be elected and reports will be given.

Featured at the afternoon session will be an address by Dean J. D. Messick of Elon College, speaking on "Community Cooperation and Coordination." Officers will be elected and the conference will adjourn at 3:00 o'clock.

Mrs. Homer Beaman of Marion is secretary of the second district of the Congress and state chairman of publications in the district. Counties in the second district are Ashe, Avery, Burke, Caldwell, Cleveland, Mitchell, McDowell, Polk, Rutherford, Watauga and Yancey.

Governor Works On Draft Plans For This State

Local Boards Soon To Be Named By Hoey; Number Computed.

Raleigh, Sept. 24.—Governor Hoey will soon name the local draft boards which will classify men according to their ability to serve in the nation's drafted armed forces.

The chief executive announced today that the number of draft boards needed in each county was being computed and said that as soon as the figures were completed, the county court clerks, county school superintendents and county election board chairmen would be asked to recommend the draft board members.

He said he had directed the state elections board to order registrars on duty October 16 to register those between the ages of 21 and 35 for possible compulsory military service.

The 1,916 registrars will be on duty at regular polling places for the day. The governor expressed the hope that competent and patriotic persons would volunteer to aid the registrars.

Adj. Gen. J. Van B. Metts has been designated state director for the compulsory military training program. He will be assisted by members of his staff, who have taken special training in draft methods.

Col. Gordon Smith, assistant adjutant general and procurement officer for the draft, conferred today with printers regarding blanks which the estimated 403,000 North Carolina registrants will fill out. It has been said that North Carolina's quota under the first draft of 400,000 men might be about 13,000, less whatever credits the state may receive for voluntary enlistments with armed forces.

Governor Hoey displayed a letter from President Roosevelt, noting that election officials and draft board members would be expected to serve without pay as their "contribution to national defense," just as young men will devote a year of their time to military training.

MORETZ NOW SUPERVISOR FOR FSA IN McDOWELL

McDowell county has been combined with Burke and Caldwell counties to form a unit working under the Farm Security Administration and D. Grady Moretz, of Boone, is now supervisor of the three counties, it was announced here this week.

McDowell was formerly combined with Rutherford county as a unit under the Administration. Both were under Supervisor Truman Westmoreland. Because of the great amount of business of the Administration in Rutherford, Mr. Westmoreland was made supervisor of that county alone.

Mr. Moretz now has full charge of the Farm Security Administration in McDowell and has office hours in the Town Hall in Marion every Tuesday and Friday. He was supervisor of Burke and Caldwell before McDowell joined the unit.

CHEVROLET DEALERS HAVE MEETING HERE

The annual Chevrolet dealers re-contracting meeting for district No. 2 was held here in the Community building yesterday with approximately 25 dealers from this district present. The meeting was presided over by C. J. Peters, of Charlotte, zone manager of Chevrolet.

The dealers had lunch in the Community building and held a business session afterwards. The business done by dealers last year was discussed. Last year's meeting was held in Asheville.

Chevrolet salesmen for district No. 2 and dealers held a promotion meeting in the Community building here last Thursday night. The new features of the Chevrolet cars were discussed and methods of promoting sales were explained. The meeting was presided over by E. B. Ham of Charlotte, zone manager of Chevrolet. The meeting was attended by salesmen and dealers from all parts of the district.

GEORGE EAVES, FORMER MARION MAYOR, PASSES AT HOME IN TENNESSEE

George G. Eaves, 90, former resident of Marion, died early Saturday morning at his home in Chattanooga, Tenn. The remains arrived here on train No. 22 Sunday and interment was made in Oak Grove cemetery on Sunday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. W. A. Jenkins, pastor of the First Methodist church.

Mr. Eaves, a native of Rutherford county, was married to Miss Kathryn Burkin in 1877 and moved to Marion in 1878 to practice law. While here he became interested in the printing business and edited the Marion News for several years. He was elected to the state senate and for a number of years was mayor of the town of Marion.

About 35 years ago, he moved first to Knoxville and then to Chattanooga, where he has taken an active part in public and social affairs.

He is survived by five sons and four daughters: C. B. Eaves, of Mintone, Ala., Mrs. Luther Beard, of Jellico, Tenn., Mrs. W. S. Freeman, of Salisbury, G. G. Eaves, Jr., of Meritt B., Beverly M., and Lynn Eaves, Mrs. Austin Leigh and Mrs. Earl Smith, all of Chattanooga.

MARION HIGH TO PLAY LENOIR HERE FRIDAY

Seeking a remedy for the costly fumbles that lost the Newton-Marion game for the local high school eleven last week, Coach Art Ditt is putting the squad through intense training this week as the local grid-ers prepare to meet Lenoir high school here Friday afternoon. The Friday event will be the homecoming game at Marion high school. The game will begin at 3:30 in the afternoon.

Lenoir rolled over the local eleven last year 26 to 6 in a rough game. This year, with no injuries on the squad and a better team in many respects, the Marion squad stands a good chance of avenging the defeat. Both teams have lost one game this year, Marion losing to Newton 6-0 and Lenoir going down before Asheville.

The 6-0 score in the Marion-Newton game fails to tell the story. For the greater part of the afternoon the Marion eleven held the ball in Newton's territory. A Marion fumble, recovered by Newton, led to the only score of the afternoon. Only on one or two occasions did Newton threaten to score.

The Friday game promises to be an important event at the local high school. The school band will be out for the game and all preparations have been made to care for a large crowd for the first home game of the year.

C OF C MEMBERSHIPS REACH TOTAL OF 218

The McDowell Chamber of Commerce now has 218 memberships and some committees and drive workers have not been heard from as yet, stated Secretary Walter J. Cartier this week in commenting on the Chamber drive for members.

Several memberships in the Chamber have been taken out by individuals in Marion who are not in business here, he said, and indications are that the goal of 300 memberships will be reached. The drive is now being completed in Marion and all parts of the county will be covered this week.

As soon as the drive is completed, the different departments of the Chamber of Commerce will hold meetings.

WESTERN AUTO STORE TO HAVE NEW LOCATION

The Western Auto Associate Store of Marion will move into new quarters on South Main street this week end. The proprietor of the store, J. R. Abbe, Jr., has stated that the entire stock of the firm will be moved to the new location Saturday night and the store will be open for business on South Main next Monday morning.

The new location of the store is between Streetman's Drug and Greene's Jewelry stores, in the building formerly occupied by Wilson's Clothing store. The new quarters of the Western Auto store are larger, providing more shelf space and larger show windows.

Library Work Is Expanding Under Project Of WPA

Large Book Circulation And Organization In County Made Possible By Agency.

Workers of the McDowell county WPA library project are achieving their aims of extending library service and encouraging the use of books, judging from a report of the work done over a period of twelve months. During this period the WPA has organized three public libraries, five school libraries and three reading rooms.

Organization work has led to increased circulation of books and to a wider use of them in McDowell, the report showing that 15,130 volumes were circulated from public libraries during the 12 month period and 3,340 volumes were circulated from school libraries. This wide circulation was achieved by the six public libraries and reading rooms in the county having a total of 3,890 volumes and five school libraries having a total of 3,808 volumes.

Renovation, repairing and servicing books are important tasks which WPA workers perform. During the 12 month period 4,423 volumes have been made fit for public use and approximately 1,000 books are yet to be worked over.

An example of the library service offered by the WPA was a bookmobile demonstration that was conducted in the county for two months last year. The bookmobile covered five routes in McDowell, made 45 stops and circulated 5,435 books, more than were circulated by public libraries in four months. This book service reached people in remote sections of the county and demonstrated its value so well that the county commissioners have been requested to provide permanent bookmobile service for the county.

The new library units in the county will be organized within the next few weeks, according to Mrs. Ann C. Hawkins, county supervisor. The units are North Cove high school library, with Miss Edna Brinkley as clerk, and the Sugar Hill elementary school library. The Buck Creek CCC Camp library was organized early in the year by the McDowell library project and officials at the camp expressed themselves as being well pleased with the work.

At present there are 12 people employed in the county library project. These include library clerks, the county supervisor, Mrs. Hawkins, and Mrs. Mary C. Logan, office and organization work assistant.

Libraries and reading rooms in McDowell totally manned by the WPA, the library clerks and the number of volumes in each library are as follows: Florence Thomas Memorial public, Miss Mary Sue Craig, 1,523; Old Fort public, Mrs. Edna B. Smith, 775; East Marion public, Miss Jennie Clay, 708; West Marion reading room, Miss Margaret Potat, 376; Pleasant Gardens reading room (summer only), Mrs. Ethel Crisp, 396; Dysartville reading room (summer only), Miss Jessie Satterwhite, 112; Old Fort high and elementary school, Miss Celia M. Davis, 1,229; Pleasant Gardens high school, Mrs. Ethel Crisp, 952; Nebo high school, Mrs. Eva L. Howell, 570; Glenwood high school, Miss Joyce Westmoreland, 945; and Dysartville elementary school, Miss Jessie Satterwhite, 112.

NAME MARION YOUTH FOR POST AT BERE A

Harding Noblitt, of Marion, junior at Berea College, was recently elected treasurer of the student body of governors. Mr. Noblitt, active in forensic affairs, was winner of the first place in the Home Peace oratorical contest last spring. He is a graduate of Marion high school, where he took part in literary events and won medals for oratory. Among his achievements is honorable mention for a contribution sent to the American Magazine for the Youth forum contest in 1938.

Mr. Noblitt, the son of Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Noblitt, is majoring in history and political science.