

Name Teachers For Schools In The Marion Unit

Few Changes To Be Made As City Board Re-elect Major- ity Of Teachers.

Only a few changes will be made in the list of teachers and the high school faculty of the Marion City schools for next year. The city school board met on Tuesday evening with Superintendent H. F. Beam to consider the matter.

Only four will not return for the fall term. They are Miss Alice Moritz, teacher of high school history, and Barron Coon, principal and seventh grade teacher at West Marion; Miss Nada Steele of the elementary schools, and Mildred Biggers in the colored grade school. Replacements are not yet selected.

Teachers re-elected to return are as follows:

Marion High School—Howard C. Holland, Principal, Mathematics; E. E. Davis, Science and General Business; Arthur H. Ditt, History, Athletics; Miss Onyce Hewell, French and Latin; Bernard Hirsch, Band director; Mrs. Flora S. Homewood, Home Economics; Mrs. Ruth Ball Honeycutt, Mathematics; Miss Katherine Landis, English and History; Miss Dorothy Morell, Science and English; Mrs. Lois Smith, Librarian; Miss Alba Padgett, English; Miss Eleanor Russ, English and French; Miss Lida Turbyfill, Mathematics; William D. Tuttle, Commercial.

Elementary Schools

Mrs. Mary Finley, 7th grade; Miss Bonnie Burgin, 6th grade; Miss Fannie Lou Sauls, 5th grade; Mrs. Ethel C. Giles, 4th grade; Miss Janie Tucker, 4th grade; Mrs. Effie C. Morris, 3rd grade; Miss Mae Ross, 3rd and 2nd grades; Mrs. Alma Crawford, 2nd grade; Miss Annie Little, 1st grade; Mrs. Pauline M. Neal, 1st grade.

Miss Ruth Greenlee, principal; Miss Nina Greenlee, 7th grade; Miss Pauline Tipton, 7th grade; Mrs. Augusta Morris, 6th grade; Miss Mamie Goforth, 6th and 5th grades; Miss Elizabeth Wylie, 5th grade; Miss Bonnie Padgett, 4th grade; Miss Louise Wilkie, 4th and 3rd grades; Miss Hazel Browne, 3rd grade; Miss Annie Spratt, 2nd grade; Mrs. Ruth T. Laughlin, 1st grade; Mrs. Lona G. Laughridge, 1st grade; Miss Rebekah Lowe, Music.

Miss Mamie Stacy, Principal and 4th grade; Miss Elsie Stacy, 7th grade; Miss Sarah Browne, 6th grade; Mrs. Sarah Margaret Giles, 5th grade; Miss Louise Poteat, 4th grade and music; Miss Wilma Snoddy, 3rd grade; Mrs. Lula S. McCurry, 2nd grade; Mrs. W. A. McCall, 1st grade; Miss Millie Kanipe, 1st grade; Miss Louise Rozier, Home Economics.

Mrs. Garland Williams, Principal and 7th grade; Miss Clara Freeman, 6th and 5th grades; Miss Hattie Taylor, 4th grade; Miss Margaret Patton, 4th grade; Mrs. Blanche Holland, 3rd grade; Mrs. Gladys Smith, 2nd grade; Mrs. Johnnie E. Hitchcock, 1st grade; Miss Emily Blanton, 4th grade; Miss Lacey McLean, 3rd grade and music; Mrs. Kate C. Morgan, 3rd and 2nd grades; Miss Elizabeth Conley, 1st grade.

Colored Schools—F. M. Beaver, Principal and High School; Mrs. Bernice Holly Crisp, High School; Kermit Martin, High School; E. G. Corpening, 6th grade; Margaret Greenlee, 5th and 4th grades; Mrs. Franklyn P. Brown, 1st grade; Sara Louise Bynum, 1st through 7th grades.

LEGION AUXILIARY WILL CONDUCT POPPY DAY SALE

Poppies will be sold on the streets of Marion by the McDowell Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary. Poppy Day is Saturday, May 24.

Members of the Auxiliary with a group of selected high school girls will have the poppies for sale. Mrs. J. F. Miller is chairman of the Poppy Day committee.

Proceeds from the sale of poppies is used by the local Auxiliary unit entirely for assistance to crippled veterans, for veteran rehabilitation, contributions to veterans homes and hospitals, and general welfare work.

BUSINESSMEN URGE DRIVE FOR ADDITION TO HOSPITAL

A group of representative citizens of Marion urged L. J. P. Cutlar, president of Marion General Hospital, to proceed at once to gather support for a drive to enlarge the hospital.

Mr. Cutlar, at an open meeting held Monday evening, explained the crowded condition existing and the dire need now for more beds. A report last week, he said, revealed 51 patients being cared for in the institution of 30-bed capacity.

An addition, Mr. Cutlar pointed out, should be built to provide 18 more rooms for patients.

The consensus of opinion of those at the meeting supported the idea to contact all local service clubs and solicit their support. Mr. Cutlar agreed to begin the proposal at once and meet with both Kiwanis and Rotary clubs this week to ask their aid in a drive for funds. Francis Marion club will be contacted at its next meeting also.

TOURIST COURT UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN MARION

A first-class tourist court is being constructed in Marion. This, the only venture of its kind in Marion, will provide private accommodations for tourists.

The site of the court is the former Martin property on East Court street. It will consist of a one-story building of modern architecture and will be of brick veneer construction, painted white.

The undertaking is by W. W. Neal Jr., and M. W. Gordon, Jr., both local businessmen.

The building will consist of eleven sleeping rooms, each joined by a private bath with shower, and closet facilities for clothes. The rooms are to be made sound proof and will be furnished with modern and comfortable furniture in hotel style. An office will be located in the center at the front.

A driveway and parking space will surround the building, giving it the appearance of a large court.

L. N. Grindstaff is the contractor in charge of the work, which is already under way. It is expected that the court will be opened about the middle of July.

WIDOW FILES SUIT FOR \$50,000 IN COUNTY COURT

A \$50,000 suit for damages has been filed with the clerk of McDowell County Superior Court incident to the death of Ernest M. Crawford. W. R. Chambers, of Marion, attorney for the plaintiff, Mrs. Alma M. Crawford, widow, took this action on Monday.

The action is placed against Marion Buick Company, Inc., owner, and Winslow G. Ballew, driver of the car in which Mr. Crawford met with the accident on December 9, 1940, that resulted in his death the following day.

Mr. Crawford was riding with Mr. Ballew and three others when the accident occurred on Route No. 70 at a sharp curve just west of Marion.

The complaint charges Mr. Ballew of driving the car "carelessly, negligently and wantonly" and at an excessive rate of speed as he attempted to round the curve that caused the car to plunge from the road down an embankment.

HIGH SCHOOL BAND TO PRESENT FINAL CONCERT

Marion High School Band will offer its final concert of the school year next Monday evening. A complementary program will be presented to their patrons of Marion and community in appreciation of their splendid response and support given to provide their trip to Richmond.

This is the last time the band will play together. Twenty members are in the class to be graduated this year and this is the final appearance of this group as a unit.

The program, which will be given in the high school auditorium, beginning at 8, will consist of the band selections played at Richmond.

Tickets may be procured in advance, free of cost at Marion Drug Store, Rabb-Hitchcock, Belk's, Workman's, McDowell News and Marion Progress offices. Those not securing tickets before Monday evening will be charged an admission at the door.

Marion Topped All In Class B At Richmond

Seven Of Ten Soloists Won No. 1 Ratings; Band Unit No. 2 in Marching Contest.

The Marion High School Band was outstanding among all others at the National Music Contest in Richmond, Va., last week. This band and seven of its ten solo contestants returned home with eight top ratings and four Number 2 ratings.

Competing with three other representative bands from North Carolina, Marion's group of 52 musicians alone were awarded No. 1 rating for concert playing. This included a number 2 rating in sight reading, but the band's splendid ability offset this.

In final parade of all bands Marion received No. 2 rating, second only to Hendersonville.

Bonnie Kirby was the first to reveal how fine the musicians from Marion can perform. She won a No. 1 rating in the class B clarinet contest. She is as well, it is reported, also winner of a new and very fine wood clarinet from her parents as a result of her achievement.

John Snoddy followed by winning a No. 1 rating on the tuba. Bob Gourley with the baritone horn, Mike McCall with the saxophone, Henry Leonard with bass clarinet, Bryan Gibson with trombone and Virginia Mae McCall on the piano equalled that accomplishment, and Miss McCall was also given a 1-plus rating besides.

Marion high school's other three soloists each won No. 2 ratings. They are Bill Alley, French horn, Katherine Leebetter, oboe; and Harold Little, cornet.

The accomplishment of this band this year is one to be proud of. At the state contest in Greensboro, the Marion band was particularly honored. It was hitherto not known that Marion was awarded not only top rating among class B bands but in a special letter received by the Director Bernard Hirsch last week a "plus" rating was also added to their standard and attached to the band's certificate.

The award received by the band at Richmond is a plaque for regional top honors. Each solo participant received certificates.

DISTRICT MASONIC MEETING HERE JUNE 17

Masons of the 44th North Carolina district, comprising McDowell and Rutherford counties, will gather here for their annual district convention on June 17.

Arrangements for the affair, which will include educational work in Masonry in the afternoon, probably a banquet, and a recreational program that night, are to be made by F. C. Kinsie, of Spindale, deputy grand master for this district.

The Mystic Tie Lodge of Marion will be host to Masons from Hollis, Old Fort, Rutherfordton, Spindale and Forest City.

Plans have been made for Dr. Charles P. Eldridge, of Raleigh, grand master of the North Carolina lodge, to be here for the occasion, it is announced.

Having won the attendance cup for the past three years in succession, Marion now has it permanently. Another cup, however, will be awarded at this convention, but, since Marion is the host lodge, it cannot compete for the cup.

ESCAPED BAD BURNS

Morris Laughridge, son of Mrs. M. S. Laughridge, escaped severe burns as flaming gasoline sprayed him while enroute to Richmond with the high school band. The accident resulted when a blazing gasoline can was thrown to the ground near him. He was not deterred from playing in the national contest.

WILL BEAUTIFY PARKWAY

T. K. Pease, landscape engineer attached to the National Park Service, will locate here to conduct the work of beautifying the Blue Ridge Parkway area as the parkway drive is completed. Mr. Pease will move his family from Galax, Va., to Marion.

Lutheran Board Favors Buying Camp In Avery

Will Definitely Negotiate For 30-Acre Property To Estab- lish Bible Camp.

Negotiations are not yet completed by the Southeastern Lutheran Laymen's League to lease or purchase a property for a summer Bible camp. But agreement is under transaction with the owner of a girls' camp site in Avery county, and both parties are favorably inclined. The deal may be consummated in about two weeks, according to the report of Rev. Paul A. Boriack of Marion.

Members of the board of governors of the League met in Marion last Friday evening to consider the matter finally with Mr. Morton, of Wilmington, who has conducted the camp site under consideration.

Definite decision was made to proceed with the negotiations, but not until this body has worked out a definite plan to finance the proposition, said Mr. Boriack, will a lease containing an option for purchase be signed.

Should the option be signed for the property soon, the denominational Bible camp site will be established for this summer as a trial period.

Mr. Boriack stated as his belief that the expenditure here, if purchase is made and proposed new buildings are erected, will amount to \$10,000 to \$15,000.

Men who attended the board of governors' meeting with Mr. Morton in Marion last week were George McRee, of Hickory, president of the Southeastern district group, L. L. Flowers and Rev. J. L. Summers, both of Hickory, R. K. Bolick, of Conover, Vernon T. Eckerd and Mr. Boriack, of Marion.

PILGRIMS SET OUT FOR TWO-DAY TOUR YESTERDAY

A group of between 50 and 75 people are enjoying the Parkway Pilgrimage. They are expected to return home late tonight from their two-day tour.

Quite a number from Asheville swelled the group. There were about twelve cars and a small bus to leave Marion at 9:35 Wednesday morning. A number joined the procession at Burnsville and also another group at Blowing Rock.

The pilgrimage leading over Blue Ridge Parkway to Roanoke and return via Wytheville, Marion, Va., Mountain City, Tenn., and Boone covers a distance of 530.3 miles. It was sponsored by McDowell County Chamber of Commerce.

FRANCIS MARION CLUB PLANS A JULY FROLIC

Francis Marion Club is planning a July Frolic this year. Members at their meeting last Thursday discussed plans at length and will hold the event at the latter end of July at the Community building in Marion. A banquet and dance will feature the event. Joseph Noyes, chairman of the social committee, was placed in charge of arrangements.

A challenge has been sent from the club to the Kiwanis Club of Marion to participate in a golf tournament which began Sunday and will terminate this Sunday. Will P. Erwin is chairman of the committee and arranged the event with W. W. Neal, Jr., of the Kiwanis club. Seven foursomes are in play.

The club members were urged by their president, S. R. Cross, to attend the banquet to the public at Buck Creek CCC camp Friday night and the Parkway Pilgrimage this week.

MISS BRITT WINS FIRST PLACE IN LEAGUE CONTEST

Miss Evelyn Britt of Marion won first place in dramatic reading at the State district talent quest held at St. John's Lutheran church in Winston-Salem last Sunday. This will entitle Miss Britt to enter the International Walther League contest to be held in New Orleans on July 16-20. About 100,000 young people will participate in the contest.

CALENDAR OF GRADUATION EXERCISES OF CITY SCHOOLS

From the office at Central High school has come a calendar for the examination period, graduation and the termination of the school term.

Senior examinations will be held Monday and Tuesday, May 19 and 20. Other high school examinations will be on May 21, 22 and 23.

High school graduation exercises begin with the baccalaureate Sunday evening, May 25, by Rev. B. F. Bray, pastor of the First Baptist church of Marion. Class day exercises will be the following Tuesday. Commencement is to be Wednesday evening, May 28, with Dr. W. T. McFall, Asheville, speaker.

Elementary school stunt night will be held here this evening when grade pupils and groups will render special acts and subjects. Promotion exercises will be held Monday evening, May 26.

All events scheduled will be held in the high school auditorium. School ends Wednesday, May 28.

Registration of high school students in the subjects they will pursue next year will be held May 27. Teachers will spend this day advising students in selecting proper subjects, which is a part of the guidance program instituted in the school.

CAMPING PRIVILEGE TO BE AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN FROM McDOWELL COUNTY

A group of community-minded citizens of Marion are taking a profound interest in preserving for this section the grand opportunity for its boys and girls to share equally with those of other and larger towns the use of the Toe River camp.

This camp, established through federal agencies several years ago, is under the jurisdiction of the WPA recreational division and the U. S. Forest Service, which in turn places it in the charge of a central committee of citizens.

The central committee, just organized recently, has on it five members who are residents of Marion. Paul O. Nafe, editor of a local newspaper, has been made chairman of the committee and other members are Mayor Zeno Martin, W. J. Cartier, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, Mrs. Homer Beaman and Mrs. John Poteat, both organization leaders here.

Toe camp is to be one of the two recreation camps in North Carolina, instituted through federal agencies to provide a two-weeks' summer outing for approximately 300 boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 16 who would otherwise not enjoy the privilege of a camp experience. This camp will provide such opportunity for children of the Western part of the State. Its location is along South Toe river near the game refuge, not far from Marion.

The camp, it is stated, will officially open for girls on July 1, and for boys on August 1.

The Forest Service here will maintain the camp and WPA will furnish a staff of select officials. There will be no costs to be met by the public. Children who will be availed opportunity to enjoy the camp, will be charged only \$5.00 weekly. It is believed that organizations from every community in the area will provide the opportunity for children in their own area who are not in a position to ordinarily enjoy camp life.

Already, it is reported, applications are being received by the committee from a number of communities from Asheville to Statesville. The Marion representatives, therefore, are alive to the occasion and are contacting local service clubs to sponsor at least one boy and one girl in their work in the behalf of the young people.

ROY MORROW OPENS NEW STAND ON SOUTH MAIN ST.

A new fruit and vegetable market will be opened in Marion at the end of this week. Roy Morrow has erected a small one-story building for his store on South Main street, opposite the Farmers Federation.

Mr. Morrow, who operated a grocery store in partnership with J. Clay Conley in East Marion, has sold out his interest to Mr. Conley and will spend his entire time at his new stand.

Announce List of Teachers For County Schools

Appointments For Next Year Are Announced By Super- intendent Steppe.

From the office of the County Superintendent, N. F. Steppe, it is announced that the list of principals and teachers of the schools of McDowell county for the coming year will show few changes. All of the principals have been retained in their present positions. The list of principals and teachers who will return next year are as follows:

PLEASANT GARDENS—High School: W. A. Young, principal; Mrs. Theodora Johnson, Miss Caroline Gray, Mrs. Nell W. Young. Elementary: Mrs. Minnie C. Hinshaw, Mrs. Mabel M. Haire, Miss Edna May Henderson, Miss Zelma Atwell, Miss Geneva Link, Mrs. Carl S. Gibson, Mrs. Sallie P. Willis, Miss Elsie H. House, Miss Lula Hicks, Miss Ola Wall.

OLD FORT—High School: S. A. McDuffie, principal; E. W. S. Cobb, Harry Swofford, Mrs. Lucile C. Gray, Elementary: Glenn Tolliver, Mrs. Margaret K. Greenlee, Mrs. Gladys W. Kanipe, Mrs. Margaret L. Harris, Mrs. Emily H. Bradley, Miss Florence Hughes, Mrs. Margaret W. Hartley, Miss Laura Hicks, Miss Marjorie M. Hinsdale, Miss Esther Beam, Miss Charline Hemphill, Miss Mary G. Burgin, Mrs. Beulah C. Nichols, Miss Della Williams.

NORTH COVE—High School: B. C. Wilson, principal; J. M. Tyler, Miss Ruebelle Anderson, E. Conley Bost, Jr. Elementary: Mrs. Gay M. Grant, Miss Locky Hennessee, Miss Stella Tate, Mrs. Grace M. Steppe, Mrs. Laura H. Brown, Miss Harriet Wilson.

NEBO—High School: Stanley Livingston, principal; Ralph A. Abernethy, Miss Rose L. Stacy. Elementary: Ralph H. Beam, Thomas W. Stacy, Miss Lottie H. Wilson, Mrs. Georgia S. Corpening, Miss Maggie S. Taylor, Mrs. Mabel G. Hemphill.

GLENWOOD—High School: C. L. Norwood, principal; A. L. Eggers, Miss Marie Fitzgerald, Mrs. Thelma P. King, Miss Mary Frances Harrill. Elementary: Mrs. Lola A. Lonon, Mrs. Faye L. Wells, Miss Lillie Pyatt, Mrs. Lois E. Shaw, Miss Iris Landis, Miss Evelyn Tanner, Miss Barbara Wagner.

DYSARTSVILLE Elementary School: Geo. T. Greenway, principal; Miss Glossie Pyatt, Miss Inez (Continued on last page)

SOIL CONSERVATION FOR McDOWELL UP TO FARMERS

Earl Meecham, assistant Soil Conservationist from the Farm Extension Service in Raleigh, has spent three days this week in McDowell county. With County Agent S. L. Homewood he has spoken at nine meetings of farmers and land-owners in the county.

Mr. Meecham was here in the interest of urging farm owners to vote the McDowell area into the Catawba Soil Conservation program. Federal funds are available for this project. Failure of farmers in this project area to vote in support of the program for North Carolina will divert the appropriation to another state.

A vote for McDowell county's participation will be taken May 29, 30, 31 at the Farm Agent's office in the court house.

CHARLOTTE LUTHERAN MEN TO PLAY MARION L L L

B. M. Isenhour, president of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, announces that the local L. L. L. of St. Matthew's church will play the Mt. Calvary Lutheran League of Charlotte, in a dart baseball game Friday night, May 16th, at 7:30 in the church hut. These games are arranged between the various Lutheran Laymen Leagues in preparation for a general tournament later in the season. All members and friends are invited to attend.

In the United States grizzly bears are said to be extinct in all states except Montana and Wyoming.