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City And County Schools To Open Monday, September 25

Complete List Of Principals And Teachers For City And County Schools.

In a meeting held by the Marion City School Board Tuesday evening, it was decided that the Marion City Schools would delay the opening date of school until Monday, September 25. This action was in line with the opening date set by a number of surrounding counties and cities out of consideration of parents concerned over the polio situation.

In reaching the decision to delay the opening of the city schools for an additional week the board thought it was wise to take such action as a precautionary measure. The board considered the fact that the number of polio cases being reported throughout the State showed a steady decline throughout the month of September, with only three cases being reported in the entire State over the past weekend.

Teachers meetings scheduled for September 14 and 15 have also been postponed until September 21 and 22, according to announcement from Hugh Beam, superintendent of Marion City Schools. The announcement stated that all teachers of the city schools are expected to be present for these meetings. The meeting Thursday morning will be held at the high school and will begin at ten o'clock.

Following the action of the Marion City unit the County Board of Education decided Wednesday morning to postpone the opening of the county schools for the same period of time. The County Board of Education felt that every precaution should be exercised for the protection of the county children.

The list of principals and teachers of the Marion City Schools follows:

Marion High School: D. E. Poole, principal, Mrs. Alba P. Blair, Miss Alice Bryant, E. L. Carter, Mrs. Kate Finley, Mrs. Marguerite B. Gilkey, Mrs. Flora Homewood, Miss Ruth Millsaps, Miss Mabel Beach, Mrs. Zella Pemberton, Mrs. Helen Shiffet, Mrs. Sarah C. Wier.

Marion Elementary School: Mrs. Mary Finley, Miss Lucille Roberts, Miss Fannie Sauls, Mrs. Ethel C. Giles, Miss Janie Tucker, Mrs. Effie C. Morris, Mrs. Marshal Dark, Mrs. Mildred Davis, Miss Annie Little, Mrs. Pauline M. Neal, Miss Mary Love Bettis.

Clinchfield: Miss Ruth Greenlee, principal; Miss Pauline Tipton, Mrs. Florence Poole, Mrs. Katherine Bowman, Miss Elizabeth Wylie, Miss Mamie Goforth, Mrs. May Ross Alley, Miss Mildred Miller, Miss Hazel Browne, Miss Annie Spratt, Mrs. Ruth T. Laughlin, Miss Leila McLeod, Mrs. Rebekah L. Hirsch.

East Marion: Miss Mamie Stacy, principal; Miss Elsie Stacy, Mrs. Sara Margaret Giles, Miss Helen Turner, Mrs. Margaret Poteat, Miss Wilma Snoddy, Mrs. Lula S. McCurry, Mrs. Effie L. McCall, Miss Millie Kanipe, Mrs. Louise R. McCall, Miss Louise Poteat.

Eugene Cross: Mrs. Garland Williams, principal; Mrs. Sadie T. Patton, Mrs. Gladys Gibson, Miss Hattie Taylor, Mrs. Blanche Holland, Miss Effie Hicks, Mrs. Jennie E. Hitchcock.

West Marion: Richard A. Shaw, principal; Miss Clara Hemphill, Miss Gloria Tweed, Miss Louise Holland, Mrs. Kate C. Morgan, Miss Elizabeth Conley.

The following teachers have been elected to teach in the McDowell county schools for the coming year:

Pleasant Garden School: W. A. Young, principal; Mrs. W. A. Young, Mrs. Lula D. Sandlin, Miss Lois Turbyfill, Clarence Brooks, Mrs. Mabel Moser, Miss Zelma Atwell, Miss Jennie M. Hunter, Miss Geneva Link, Miss Pauline Brooks, Mrs. Mabel Haire, Mrs. Georgia Corpening, Miss Louise Miller, Mrs. Sallie P. Willis, Miss Elsie House, Miss Lula Hicks, Miss Ola Wall.

Old Fort: C. L. Norwood, principal; Miss Elizabeth Whitesides, Mrs. Lilly M. Huss, Miss Mary Chambers, Harry Swofford, Miss Marie Scott, Miss Elizabeth Long, Mrs. Lola A. Lonon, Mrs. Gladys Kanipe, Miss Carolyn Albright, Mrs.

Emily Bradley, Mrs. Sarah Brown Lewis, Miss Margaret Marley, Mrs. Alice Biddix, Mrs. Grace Steppe, Miss Maggie Taylor, Mrs. Elizabeth L. Lindley, Mrs. Maude E. Leonard, Miss Glossie Pyatt, Miss Mary C. Burgin, Mrs. Beulah Nichols, Miss Della Williams.

North Cove: Frank W. Howell, principal; Mrs. Frank W. Howell, J. M. Tyler, Mrs. Hazel Lombardy, Miss Pearl Prichard, Miss Mamie Whitesides, Miss Faye Dixon, Mrs. Raymond Wilson, Mrs. Letha Brown, Mrs. Martin Hennessee, Miss Frances Hicks.

Nebo: E. W. S. Cobb, principal; Rose Stacy, Mrs. Margaret Gourley Miller, Mrs. Lucille Parker Guthrie, Thomas W. Stacy, Mrs. G. F. Greer, Mrs. David Gray, Miss Lottie Wilson, Miss Selma Boyd, Mrs. Bertha M. Hemphill, Miss Dorcas Cline.

Glenwood: W. H. Davis, principal; Miss Mary Frances Harrill, Mrs. Mabel T. Bradsher, Miss Louise Phillips, Mrs. Charline B. Teague, Mrs. Lois E. Shaw, Miss Mary B. Beam, Mrs. Dessie Lawing, Mrs. Mary A. Cochran, Miss Ellen J. Crawford, Mrs. Edna Hemphill, Miss Essie Hemphill.

Sugar Hill: Mrs. Geneva A. Tisdale, principal; Mrs. Daisy J. Hemphill, Miss Beatrice Harris, Mrs. Laura Brown.

Dysartsville: Mrs. Annabel Westmoreland, principal; Mrs. Charles Steppe, Mrs. N. G. Lonon.

MERCHANTS ASSN. TO MEET THIS EVENING

The regular monthly meeting of the Marion Merchants Association will be held Thursday night, Sept. 14, in the fireman's room city hall, at 8 o'clock. Several decisions are to be made which will be of special interest to each member. Business discussions will be held. Entertainment is being planned by the Program committee which is composed of Watson Wilson, John Ray Jimeson and C. B. Grubb. Refreshments will be served. All members and non-members are expected to be present.

PROPERTY OWNERS ARE ASKED TO KEEP THEIR RENT CHARGES IN LINE

The Price panel of the local office of the War Price and Rationing board stated yesterday that several complaints with reference to rising rent on houses and apartments had been registered recently. It was pointed out to those making the complaints that Marion is not in a rent control area, but that should rents continue to advance that an investigator from the Charlotte office would be called to Marion to make a survey of housing costs here.

Inasmuch as Marion is not located near a defense project, and since many former residents are away from their home either in some branch of the war services or defense project work, the housing situation here should not be acute. Citizens owning property for rent are asked to keep their charges in line, and in this way keep it from becoming necessary to request that Marion and McDowell county be made a rent control area.

MINISTERS MEETING MONDAY AFTERNOON

The fall meeting of the McDowell County Ministerial association will be held with Rev. and Mrs. R. I. Corbett next Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at their cottage on Lake James. Plans have been made for a picnic luncheon and all members are requested to bring baskets of lunch.

Officers for the ensuing year will be elected at this meeting, it was stated.

AUCTION SALE OF HOME SITES NEXT SATURDAY

Seventy wooded home sites at East Marion owned by Jack Morris and J. F. Snipes will be offered for sale at public auction next Saturday, Sept. 16, at 1:30 p. m. The sale will be conducted by the Cyclone Realty Co.

CERTAIN FOODS NOT RATIONED BUT STILL UNDER PRICE CONTROL

Removal of several processed foods from rationing September 17 does not mean that these items will be removed from price control, according to information released from the local office of the War Price and Rationing board. It was emphasized that it was not likely that these items, or other basic foods, would be lifted from price control any time soon.

Processed foods to be removed from rationing include jams and jellies, fruit butters and the following canned vegetables and related products: asparagus, fresh lima beans, corn, peas, pumpkin or squash, mixed vegetables, baked beans, tomato sauce, tomato paste or puree, soups and baby foods.

Commenting on this action, District OPA Director L. W. Driscoll said: "The decision to take these foods off rationing was a decision of the War Food Administration which has the responsibility of determining when there are adequate supplies of food to allow removal from rationing. The action has been taken quickly and there may be some inconvenience to the trade and the consumer at first, but we are doing everything we can to see that this move is put into effect in as orderly a manner as possible."

DOBSON DISCUSS V-E DAY AT KIWANIS MEET

C. B. Dobson, former commander of the American Legion, McDowell County Post No. 56, outlined plans for V-Day at the regular Kiwanis Club meeting Tuesday evening. Following the collapse of Germany plans are being arranged for church services to be held in all churches in McDowell county especially observing prayer and thanksgiving, thanksgiving for the defeat of one enemy and prayer that the other may soon be brought to unconditional surrender. There will also be a parade which will be followed by an address of Judge J. Will Pless, Jr.

S. J. Westmoreland reported that the campaign to raise funds for the polio drive were progressing satisfactorily and insisted that all who could make their contributions to one of the committee as soon as possible.

The directors will meet Thursday evening with Kiwanian D. E. Poole. Guests at the meeting were Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., F. O. C. Fletcher of Asheville, Charles Dobson, U. S. Army, and John McMurray, U. S. Navy.

NOYES AND BIGGERSTAFF AID IN BOND CAMPAIGN

Corporal Lee P. Biggerstaff, of Nebo, and Private First Class Robert J. Noyes, of Marion, have "bought themselves a piece of the air force" a released from an eighth AAF fighter station in England received this week stated.

They were among the first soldiers stationed on this Eighth Fighter Command Mustang base to make purchases in the War Bond campaign staged by the Eighth Air Force to buy a "Victory Squadron." All planes flown by the Eighth will be represented in the "Victory Squadron," and each officer and enlisted man buying bonds in the drive becomes a "shareholder."

N. C. THANKSGIVING SET AS NOVEMBER 23

Raleigh, Sept. 8. — Governor Broughton reiterated today that Thanksgiving would be observed this year on November 23, the fourth Thursday. He said queries continued to come to him about the date.

The fourth Thursday is the traditional date for Thanksgiving and has been fixed by congressional act, although the act affects only the District of Columbia and federal agencies. The states may fix their own dates.

SCOUT MEETING SET FOR FRIDAY NIGHT

The court of honor for McDowell county Boy Scouts will be held at the First Methodist church here Friday evening, Sept. 15, at 7:30 o'clock. This will be the first court of honor since June and all members of the organization are urged to attend.

Marion Rippers Preparing For First Fall Game

Opening Game Will Be At Newton On Sept. 22; Sec- ond Game At Waynesville.

The Marion High School Rippers began practice about a week ago for the hard football schedule which confronts them. Since that time all football candidates have been working hard daily in preparation for their opening game with Newton. This game will be played in Newton, under the lights there, on September 22. This opening game is a conference tilt and tough opposition is expected.

Practically all members of last year's team which was an excellent combination under Coach Gilmer Graham are gone. To date only three letter men of last year's squad have reported for duty.

Hugh Beam, Superintendent of Marion City Schools, is acting as football coach, this agreement being necessary as a result of the inability of the High School to procure a full time coach.

Mr. Beam has been working daily with the football players in an effort to get them in shape for the tough assignment confronting his team in the approaching game with Newton. He stated that the number of boys reporting for football try-outs was one of the largest in recent years but that the boys were exceptionally young, light, and inexperienced.

Most of the workouts so far have consisted of conditioning exercise and practice on the fundamentals of charging, blocking, tackling, punting and passing. Team play, both offensive and defensive, will get considerable attention next week.

Following the game with Newton on September 22, the High School Rippers will play Waynesville in Waynesville on September 29. Following this engagement the local gridsters will play their first game in Marion with Cherryville on October 6.

PFC MARTIN COMPLETES ORIENTATION COURSE

Pfc. Martha J. Martin, daughter of Mrs. Josephine D. Martin of Marion, recently completed an orientation course designed to bridge the gap between training in the States and actual work in a war theater of operation in England, it is announced by an air service command station in England.

At this air service command station Pfc. Martin attended a series of lectures given by veterans of the command which included instructions on chemical warfare defense and pertinent tips in staying healthy in a combat zone.

Her next station will be one from which American's fighting planes cover our liberation of Occupied Europe.

LOOSEN LID ON STOVE RATIONING OCT. 15TH

The local War Price and Rationing board announces that coal and wood heating and cooking stoves will be removed from rationing to consumers on October 15. Oil and gas stoves, however, will continue to be rationed.

According to the announcement local War Price and Rationing boards will continue to issue rationing certificates to eligible applicants until that date, but quota restrictions will be removed immediately. Dealers and distributors may continue to use certificates with orders placed up until November 1.

OPA said civilian supplies of the specified types of stoves are ample enough to allow lifting of rationing restrictions.

PFC. Gerdine Presnell Slightly Wounded

Pfc. Gerdine Presnell was slightly wounded in France on August 27, according to word received here by his sister, Mrs. Harry Johnson. He has been serving overseas for about one year.



KILLED IN ACTION—Pfc. Roy Ellington, 24, above, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ellington of Nebo, R.F.D. No. 1, was killed in action in France August 9, according to information received by his parents.

MRS. MILLER TO BE PRESENTED CITATION AT COUNCIL MEETING

The State Council of the N. C. Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs will hold its annual meeting at State College in Raleigh on Sept. 19 to 20.

The first meeting will be held on the evening of Sept. 19 in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. Dr. Jane S. McKimmon, assistant director of the extension service, will bring greetings. The first day of the meeting will be devoted to business matters, following greetings by Col. J. W. Harrelson, dean of State college, and others. Sixteen district chairmen representing 1,523 club and about 45,000 members will report on their activities for the past year and make recommendations for 1945.

On Wednesday evening, Sept. 20, the rural women will join the members of the N. C. Federation of Women's clubs and the State Nurses' association in a meeting at the Raleigh Woman's club. Governor Broughton will present a plaque to a representative of the surgeon-general's office to be placed in the hospital ship "Larkspur," signifying that it was purchased by the sale of bonds of the three organizations. A citation will be presented Mrs. J. H. L. Miller, president of the N. C. Federation of Home Demonstration clubs, in recognition of the splendid work done by the organization in the Fifth War Loan drive.

PFC. WOODY TO RETURN TO THE STATES SOON

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Woody, of Route 4, Marion, have received a telegram from the War Department stating that their son, Pfc. Rufus F. Woody, is en route from Gatebery, Sweden, to the United States. He is expected to arrive within the next few weeks.

Pfc. Woody saw action in Italy and was captured by the Germans on February 1, 1944. He was taken to a German hospital where he stayed until June 4, when he was moved to a different camp and remained there several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Woody are expecting their son home soon after he lands in New York.

S. S. OPENING POSTPONED BY THREE CHURCHES

Announcement was made yesterday by Sunday School superintendents that the Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal Sunday Schools will not be open for children under 15 years of age until September 24. Sunday school services at the First Baptist Church, however, will continue in their regular order, it was stated.

FARMER-DAIRYMEN REQUESTED TO MEET

S. L. Homewood, county farm agent, announced yesterday that the district manager of the office of Defense Transportation had requested all farmer-dairymen who make retail or wholesale deliveries in McDowell county, meet in the court room at Marion on Friday, September 15, at 11 a. m.

Mr. Homewood stated that this is an important meeting and that there should be a full attendance.

Arrowood Given 16 To 20 Years In State Prison

Convicted On Charge Of Slay- ing Carl Rhom; Allison Gets Prison Term.

Guy Arrowood, who was charged with the slaying of Carl J. Rhom last June, was found guilty of second degree murder in Superior Court here Thursday and was sentenced by Judge J. A. Rousseau to a term of from 16 to 20 years in state prison. Arrowood is alleged to have struck Rhom with a shovel in an altercation at Vein Mountain last June, resulting in his death.

Greene Biggerstaff plead guilty to a charge of assault of female with intent to rape and was sentenced to fifteen months in jail to be assigned to work on roads.

Hobart Burleson, on a charge of driving drunk, was fined \$50 and cost and will not be allowed to operate a car for a period of one year.

Sid and Vick McCall, charged with breaking and entering and arson, in connection with the burning of the school buses and garage at North Cove, were sentenced to two years in the county jail to be assigned to work on the highway on the charge of breaking and entering; nol pros with leave as to arson case. Jasen Burnett, breaking and entering and arson, nol pros with leave as to arson case.

J. W. Allison, on a charge of forgery, was sentenced to not less than one nor more than two years in state prison.

Work on the criminal docket was completed Friday and court adjourned until Monday when civil actions were heard. Several cases on the civil calendar were continued and only one day was required to complete the docket.

Four divorces were granted as follows: Carl Cable versus Sarah Robinson Cable, Georgia Gibson Couch versus Claud Cecil Couch, Fred W. Hensley versus Milam Lewis Hensley, and W. B. Hall versus Sarah Hall.

H. S. SAWYER IS TAKEN BY DEATH AT OLD FORT

H. S. Sawyer, 54, of Old Fort, died September 12. Mr. Sawyer was a prominent church and civic leader.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 5 p. m. at the First Baptist church of Old Fort, by Rev. W. E. Wesson, and interment will be made in the Old Fort cemetery.

Mr. Sawyer was a member of the First Baptist church, a member of the fire department and a Woodman of the World.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. H. S. Sawyer; one son by a former marriage, Claxton Sawyer, pastor of the Bent Creek Baptist church of Biltmore; two daughters, Mrs. T. E. Byrd, of Newport News, Va., and Miss Carolyn Sawyer of Miami, Fla.; one son, Earl Sawyer of Old Fort; one brother, Athal Sawyer of Old Fort; one sister, Mrs. Paul Twist of Los Angeles, Calif.

FINLEY ENROLLED IN TECHNICAL SCHOOL

Madison, Mis., Sept. 9. — Pvt. James L. Finley, whose wife and father live in East Marion, has been enrolled in the technical school for training of radio mechanics students at Truax Field, an installation of the Army Air Forces Training Command.

Pvt. Finley will receive a complete course in aircraft radio mechanics and will take supplemental AAF courses in defense against chemical attack, physical training, and related subjects designed to fit him for overseas combat duty with the fighting AAF.

In civilian life, Pvt. Finley was employed by Allied Van Lines, Inc. in Chicago.

METHODIST SERVICES

Dr. D. E. Camak, pastor of the First Methodist Church, announces his sermon subject for the morning service "A Thing of Magic." In the evening he will speak on "Jesus' Sincerity."