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JACK D. COBB SANITARIAN FOR THIS COUNTY

Jack D. Cobb has accepted a position as sanitarian of the McDowell Health Unit, according to announcement by Dr. C. N. Siske, head of the McDowell-Burke-Caldwell Health Department.

Cobb comes to McDowell from the Alleghany-Ashe-Watauga District Health Department where he has been Junior Sanitarian since April, 1947. He resumed his duties here Monday.

He is a native of Belmont and received his education at Appalachian State Teachers college, entering the army in 1943. He served with the 79th and First U. S. Infantry Division in Europe, later serving as Military Government-Military Police Liaison and Civilian Felony Investigator.

After receiving honorable discharge in 1946, he returned to Appalachian State Teachers college for several months. He accepted a position as Sanitarian with the State Board of Health in December, 1946 and entered the School of Environmental Sanitation conducted by the U. S. Public Health Service in Savannah, Ga., in January 1947. While in Georgia he studied at Carter Memorial Laboratory.

He was then assigned to the Savannah-Chatham County Health Department in April where he remained until returning to North Carolina and assumed his duties as Junior Sanitarian at the Alleghany-Ashe-Watauga Health Department in April, 1947.

TWO MORE PLAYERS SIGNED TO MARION BASEBALL CLUB

J. C. Rabb, business manager of the Marion Baseball club, announced the signing of two additional baseball players during the past week.

Players signed were: Higgins J. Duncan, Jr., and Paul Daniel.

Duncan is a moundsman, with his long suit being a hard, fast ball. He is 6'6" tall and weighs 210 pounds and appears to be able to deliver the goods. His experience last year includes service with the Roanoke, Virginia baseball club, which is a Class B organization; and the Melford, Delaware Class D. Baseball club. Duncan is known to many of the local baseball fans.

Paul Daniel, local baseball aspirant, is the other player signed by Rabb. Daniel has had a considerable amount of sand lot baseball experience and is an outfielder. For a short period of time, has was on the baseball roster of the Marion Semi-pro team of last year, and has displayed his interest in the local baseball club by again signing a contract. Daniel is very fast in the outfield and swings a hefty bat at the plate.

Rabb left McDowell county yesterday for a tour of the central portion of the state in quest of additional ball players. He has made contact with several players in the central section of the state who have indicated their interest in the Marion Baseball club. Rabb was not too optimistic, but was of the opinion that he would have several additional signed contracts in his hand before he returns.

Francis Marion Club Elects Officers

The Francis Marion Club elected the following officers at its meeting last Thursday in the community building:

Oliver Cross, president; Charles H. Smith, vice president; M. S. Laughridge, secretary, and William Conley, treasurer.

Eugene Cross, was elected over all chairman of the Horse Show which will be held next June. H. T. Conley was elected manager of the show.

RUFF TO PREACH AT NEBO CHURCH SUNDAY

Rev. Wade Ruff, pastor of Chapel Hill Baptist church, will preach at Nebo Baptist church next Sunday at 11 a. m.

Postal Receipts Show Decrease

February Postal receipts at the Marion office and its sub stations showed a decrease of \$73.39 from last February, according to figures released by Postmaster John Finley.

The total for the past month was \$3,116.59 and for February, 1947, \$3,189.98. Receipts for the past two month totaled \$6,770.67. For January and February, 1947, the receipts were \$7,375.51.

The total amount on deposit in postal savings decreased \$8,112.00 during the past month.

Bond sales for the month of February totaled \$6,693.75.

MRS. HENDERSON PASSES MONDAY

Mrs. Irene Abbott Henderson, 63, wife of T. H. Henderson, superintendent of Clinchfield Manufacturing company here, died suddenly at her home at noon Monday following an illness of two weeks.

She was a teacher of the Young Woman's Bible class of the First Baptist church for a number of years.

Surviving are the husband, three daughters, Mrs. Arthur Allen and Mrs. Arthur Ditt, both of Washington, D. C.; one sister, Mrs. T. Jones, of Atlanta, Ga.; a brother, C. C. Abbott, of Greenville, S. C., and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at the First Baptist church, with the Rev. M. O. Owens, pastor, officiating. Interment was made in Oak Grove cemetery.

Present and immediate past deacons of the church served as active and honorary pallbearers.

Flower girls were members of the Young Women's class of the church.

RED CROSS COMMITTEES APPOINTED THIS WEEK

Mrs. Ann Hawkins, executive secretary of the McDowell County Chapter of the American Red Cross, announced this week that chairmen of the various phases of the 1948 campaign had appointed their committees as follows:

J. E. Neal, chairman of Special Gifts, will be assisted by Joseph Tyler, Max Lentz and E. P. Dameron.

Glenn Early, chairman Business District, will be assisted by J. E. Evans. Miss Marybelle Blackburn will canvass employees of the court house.

Mrs. Clyde Bobo, chairman; Mrs. Howard Hawkins, Mrs. Neal Morris, Mrs. R. W. Proctor, Mrs. Philip Laughridge, Mrs. Harry Hasscamp, Mrs. William Ross, Mrs. Peter T. Hollis, Mrs. E. W. Parker, Jr., Miss Barbara Wagner, Mrs. Kenneth Ramsey, Mrs. Robert Teeter, Mrs. Robert Hendley, Mrs. Maude Gilkey, Mrs. Edna E. Stancill, Mrs. Ralph Rector and Mrs. W. G. Wiatt.

RIPPERS WIN FIVE OF SIX GAMES IN ONE WEEK

Accomplishing a feat never before attempted, the Rippers of Marion high school played six games in one week and managed to win five of them. Due to previous bad weather this heavy schedule was forced upon the Rippers, who answered the challenge in fine style. During this rugged week of basketball a new star was found in the presence of Millard Robinson, who collected 64 points for the week.

The Rippers began the hectic week by going to Valdese to open the Gold Medal Tournament. There they met Oak Hill of Caldwell county and defeated them 55-22. Pace, Kirkland and Burnette led the way in points, while R. Robinson, Clayton and Black took care of the defensive measure.

Tuesday night the Rippers engaged the strong Hickory High Tornadoes and managed to calm them to the tune of 36-27 with M. Robinson leading the way, aided by Clayton and Pace.

Wednesday the Rippers returned to Valdese and took on the strong Polkville team from Cleveland county. (Continued on last page)

FIRE DAMAGE



The above photo shows how completely the North State Auto Parts company building was demolished by fire here last week. Firemen fought the blaze for about five hours.

MARION ROTARIANS PLAN SPECIAL EVENT

The Rotary club made plans to observe Ladies' Night on March 5, annual Charter Night, March 9, and elect officers for the coming year on March 12, at its meeting in the community building Friday noon.

Announcement was made that a net profit of \$526 had been received from the Rotary Birthday calendars during the past year. This amount added to the Student Loan Fund brings the total to \$1,697.

Plans were made to sponsor the annual corn growing contest for the 4-H club boys of McDowell county and the following committee was appointed to have charge of the contest:

J. R. Jameson, B. A. Buff, Leland Hairr, James McCall and Pat Davis.

Rev. A. K. Hewitt, of Konnarock, Virginia, introduced Rev. Albert H. Heck, Jr., of Lincolnton, guest speaker. His address centered on two questions, "What Do We Possess of our Ancestors Besides Their Tombs?" and "What Will We Leave Other Than our Own Tombs?" He spoke particularly of the importance of living the kind of life that would benefit posterity.

Van Teague was the guest of M. P. Young, Wayne Copenhaver was the guest of A. C. Hewitt, Sr., and Donald England, high school honor student, was a guest of the club.

Committee Named To Aid Veterans With Employment

Jack C. Winchester, Assistant State Service Officer, and Barron Caldwell, Local Service Officer, have been named Veterans' Reemployment Rights Committeemen for McDowell county according to an announcement by Hugh W. Bradley, Field Representative, VRRD, United States Department of Labor. Certificates of Appointment have been issued to these committeemen and they are now prepared to aid veterans in obtaining reemployment and seniority rights to which they are entitled under the Selective Service Act.

These committeemen will serve voluntarily in giving advice and assistance to veterans who feel that they have reemployment problems involving restoration in their old jobs or seniority and accrued benefits on the job and to those who have been laid off or discharged without cause before completing one year of employment to which they are entitled.

BAND CONCERT WILL FEATURE PEACE AND PRODUCTION MUSIC

Peace and Production is the goal of most countries and peoples at the present time. Gabriel Pares, a Frenchman, composed an overture about 1915 which he titled "Peace and Production." The high school band in its concert scheduled for March 11 has programed "Peace and Production" along with a variety of other styles and types of music.

Russell Howland, an instructor at the University of Michigan wrote a number several years back and

SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA TO PRESENT CONCERTS

The North Carolina Symphony Orchestra will present a free concert for school children today at 2:30 o'clock in the Marion high school auditorium, S. J. Westmoreland, county chairman of arrangements, announced yesterday.

The orchestra will present an adult concert at 8:30 p. m. in the school auditorium. Admission will be charged for the evening concert.

Three Cases Tried In County Court

McDowell county court in session Tuesday devoted the major portion of the day to the trial of three persons charged with drunken driving.

In the case of the State vs. George W. Sandlin on a charge of driving under the influence of liquor, the jury failed to reach an agreement and a mistrial was ordered by the judge.

Clyde Lawing, driving drunk, sentenced to three months on the roads. The defendant gave notice of appeal.

William Doby, driving drunk, three months sentence suspended on payment of \$100 and cost.

Cage Tournament For County Schools

A countywide basketball tournament will be held at the Marion Gymnasium on March 4, 6 and 8, according to announcement by R. L. Wiggins, principal of Pleasant Gardens school.

Wiggins said the schedule was incomplete, but all schools in the county system would participate.

COUNTY WELFARE BOARD CHAIRMAN REAPPOINTED

Mrs. J. H. L. Miller has been reappointed chairman of the McDowell County Welfare Board for three years, according to announcement this week by Mrs. D. N. Lonon. The appointment was made by the State Welfare Board.

Others serving on the board are J. F. Harmon, of Old Fort, and M. W. Gordon.

LONON NOW OPERATING MUTUAL INSURANCE AGENCY

J. Y. Lonon announces the opening of a mutual insurance agency in the Lonon building, under the trade name of Lonon and Company.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CALL SPECIAL ELECTION

J. A. SATTERFIELD FUNERAL RITES TO BE HELD TODAY

Rev. James Arthur Satterfield, 66, died at the Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem Tuesday morning, according to word received here. Funeral services will be conducted at the First Presbyterian church in Burlington at two o'clock, Thursday afternoon, with Dr. C. W. McMurray, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Marion, and Rev. Chester Alexander, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Burlington, officiating. Interment will be made in Burlington cemetery.

Mr. Satterfield was pastor of the Story Memorial, Conley Memorial, and Drusilla Presbyterian churches in McDowell county at the time of his death.

He was born in York, S. C., the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sion Cicero Satterfield.

Former pastorates include Second Presbyterian church in Rocky Mount from 1924-41, the Bethlehem and Martin churches in Albemarle Presbytery from 1935-41. In January 1942 he became pastor of the Clinchfield group of churches in McDowell county and was later transferred to his present charges.

During his residence in Rocky Mount he served as Moderator of the Albemarle Presbytery; counselor of the Modern Woodmen and Junior O. U. A. M., and State Chaplain for the Junior Order.

He was married to Miss Clara McCraven, and one daughter, who is now Mrs. G. O. Mann of Greensboro, was born to the union. Mrs. Mann's two children are among the survivors.

He was later married to Miss Martha Durham of Burlington.

He is survived by his wife Mrs. Martha Durham Satterfield; two daughters, Mrs. A. W. Winstead, of Rocky Mount, and Mrs. G. O. Mann, of Greensboro; one son, James Arthur Satterfield, Jr., of Marion; five brothers, Brigadier J. M. Satterfield, of Winston-Salem; E. S., Henderson and Redge, of Charlotte, and Mason, of Belmont; one sister, Mrs. Frank Eller, of Charlotte, and two grandchildren.

SPECIAL SERVICES TO BE CONDUCTED AT PRESBYTERIAN

Rev. F. Crossley Morgan, expository preacher, son of Dr. G. Campbell Morgan of London, will conduct a special series of services at the First Presbyterian church in Marion from April 4-9, Dr. C. W. McMurray, pastor, announced this week.

Dr. Morgan was formerly pastor of First Presbyterian church of Concord and the First Presbyterian church of Augusta, Ga. He is now devoting full time to Bible Conference and Evangelistic work.

He received his education in England, served in World War I, and was decorated by King George V. "Dr. Morgan is one of the ablest Bible teachers in the country," Dr. McMurray said in making the announcement.

Self Service Laundry Opens

The Self Service Laundry on East Court street was opened this week and will be operated by the owner, John M. Gilkey.

The Laundry is equipped with ten Bendix automatic machines.

THREE FIRES THIS WEEK

The Marion Fire Department was called to the home of Horace Nanney about noon Saturday to extinguish a grass fire.

Two alarms were sounded Monday. The home on Zion Hill occupied by Viola Black was slightly damaged by fire and a grass fire occurred at the home of Hans Weberson on Gilkey street.

The Board of County Commissioners in session Monday called a special session tax election to be held on Tuesday, April 6, for the purpose of determining whether there shall be levied on all real and personal property within the boundaries of the Marion City Administrative Unit.

The tax, not to exceed twenty cents on the one hundred dollar valuation of property, for the purpose of providing supplementary funds for the operation of all schools in the city unit on higher standards than that provided by the state.

G. W. Giles was appointed registrar, Frank Goldsmith and Harry McCall, as judges in the election. The court house in Marion has been designated as the polling place.

Road petitions were approved and referred to the State Highway Commission for improvement as follows:

Highway leading from 221 at the sight of Dan McCormick's Blacksmith's Shop in North Cove township, Yancey street and Bass avenue in West Marion, approximately 1500 feet on the Airport road and section of road from Virginia avenue connecting with Yancey road in Marion township.

Mrs. S. M. Avery was appointed registrar of vital statistics in North Cove township to serve the unexpired term of Mrs. Joseph G. Brown, resigned.

Coltrane Speaker At Kiwanis Meeting

Dr. Eugene Coltrane, president of Brevard College and Governor of the Carolinas Kiwanis District, was a surprise guest at the meeting of the Marion Kiwanis club last Tuesday evening.

President Vernon Eckerd presented Governor Coltrane to the club, and the program was given over to him for the evening. Coltrane addressed the local Kiwanians on the topic of "Kiwanis." He extolled the virtues of Kiwanis and exhorted all members to a zealous participation in all Kiwanis activities. The speaker stressed the importance of the Kiwanis motto "We Build," and stated that the Kiwanis motto had not always been the same. Formerly the motto was "We Trade," but after a reorganization of Kiwanis in its early infancy, the present motto "We Build" was adopted, and since that time has been an inspiration to its entire membership.

Dr. Coltrane stated that Kiwanians were true builders; that they, through concerted activities, were building committees and that all individual Kiwanians are receiving a tremendous good from the organization through broader friendship resulting from Kiwanis activities.

It was pointed out that Kiwanis International includes more than nine hundred Kiwanis clubs in the United States and Canada, and that the roster of these nine hundred clubs includes more than 180,000 names.

Governor Coltrane stressed the importance and value of the various civic organizations in the community life of our country, but stated that Kiwanis had an exceptional individual characteristic, that characteristic being the true American way of life; that Kiwanis believed in free enterprise, and for this reason its activities would probably remain confined to the Western Hemisphere.

American Legion Annual Birthday Celebration March 9

The American Legion Birthday celebration will be held at the Community building on Thursday, March 18, at 7:30 o'clock. This will take the place of the regular meeting scheduled for March 9. All members and their wives or sweethearts are invited to attend.

Wildlife Club To Meet Next Monday

The McDowell County Wildlife club will meet at the Community building in Marion on Monday evening, March 8, at 7:30 o'clock, it was announced yesterday.