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## Francis Marion Horse Show Held Last Friday And Saturday

The Francis Marion club awarded approximately \$2,000 in prizes at its annual Horse Show held on the Marion Riding Grounds last Friday and Saturday. Shows were held Friday night, Saturday afternoon and Saturday night. The attendance Saturday night was estimated at 1,200. Entries in the show included horses and exhibitors from South Carolina and Georgia as well as from various sections of North Carolina.

Mighty McArthur, a beautiful chestnut stallion, owned by C. R. Segars of Hartsville, S. C., and trained and shown by Jack Boyd of Simpsonville, S. C., was winner of the five-gaited championship. The reserve championship (second place) was won by Edna Rhythm, a small but showy liver chestnut mare, owned by Ray Morris of Lenoir, N. C., and shown by Jack Morris of Marion.

The three-gaited champion winner was Irish Rex, sensational young gelding, owned by J. H. Saylor of Anderson, S. C., and shown by Jack Boyd. Reserve winner was Genius Majestic, beautiful golden chestnut gelding owned by Eugene Cross, Jr. of Marion and shown by Pete Cole of Thomasville.

Pint O'Gin, diminutive black mare, owned and shown by little Elizabeth Cross of Marion, won the three-gaited pony championship and Seabee, a fine, bay gelding owned and shown by Gene Cross of Marion, was the three-gaited reserve.

Other championship awards were made as follows:

Fine Harness Champion: Night Star, owned by Calhoun Lemon of Barnwell, S. C. and shown by Jack Boyd.

Roadster Champion: Lady Amber, owned by Long's Stables of Newton and driven by Rex Watts.

Walking Champion: Copper Kate, owned by the Adams Farm, Marion and Farms, Albany, Ga. and shown by Tom Fulton.

Amateur Five Gaited Champion: True Genius, owned and shown by Miss Connie Argust of Savannah, Ga.

Amateur Three Gaited Champion: Sensation Mack, owned and ridden by Miss Barbara Ford of Clover, S. C.

Amateur Fine Harness Champion: Birthday Greetings, owned by T. J. Townsend of Liberty, S. C., and ridden by Miss Frances Thomason of Greenville, S. C.

Equitation Champion: Miss Barbara Myers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Myers of Winston-Salem.

## VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL OPENED AT FIRST METHODIST

The annual Vacation Church School of the First Methodist church began Monday morning, June 21, and will continue through Friday, June 25. Classes are being conducted from nine until eleven-thirty each morning.

Each of the four departments is studying a course which includes worship, class discussion, recreation and activity. The Beginners are studying the text, "Let's Go Out-Of-Doors." The theme of the course for the Primaries is "Homes For All." The Juniors are taking "A Trip To Palestine." "Becoming A Person" is the text used by the Intermediates.

Those assisting in the school are: Mrs. Arnold Pyatt, Mr. S. R. Cross, Mrs. Clyde Cannon, Mrs. R. R. Cook, Mrs. Macon Hewitt, Mrs. Charles Coffin, Mrs. Therman Richie, Mrs. Eugene Cross, Jr., Mrs. Garland Williams, Mrs. Virginia James, Mrs. W. Ray Smith, Jr., Mrs. Harry McCall, Miss Clara Justice, Mrs. Edley Logan and Miss Rosalind Clark.

The school is under the direction of Mrs. W. Ray Smith, Jr., Superintendent of Children's Division and Miss Peggy Pennington, Director of Christian Education.

**ATTENDS CONVENTION**  
W. R. Chambers is attending the Republican National convention in Philadelphia this week.

Wholesale lamb prices were the highest on record in early May.

## Shuford Services To Be Held Sunday At Garden Creek

The remains of Private First Class James Lloyd Shuford, who was killed in France October 20, 1944, arrived here Monday.

Funeral services will be conducted at the Garden Creek Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. Charles C. Parker and burial will be in the Carroway cemetery at Celio, Yancey County.

He is survived by his parents Mr. and Mrs. William W. Shuford of Marion, and three sisters, Miss Georgia Shuford, at home, Mrs. Guy Robinson of Marion, and Mrs. Robert McMahan of Pleasant Gardens.

The American Legion will have charge of the service at the grave. The body will remain at McCall's Funeral Home until Saturday afternoon and will be taken to the home for the services.

## Bible School Commencement Held Sunday

Daily Vacation Bible School Commencement was held at the First Presbyterian church Sunday morning with a program of music, memory work, display of handwork and awarding of certificates.

The school was under the direction of Mrs. Walter Patton, general superintendent, who also taught classes in music.

Miss Katherine Ballew was superintendent of the Junior-Intermediate department and taught classes in Bible.

Mrs. J. W. Streetman, Jr. was superintendent of the Primary Department and Mrs. J. Neal Morris was superintendent of the Beginners Department. Assistants in the departments were Miss Martha McIver, Miss Daphne Goodman and Mrs. Joseph Bowman. The woodwork handcraft was supervised by Winslow Ballew, Jr. The handwork for girls was supervised by Mrs. W. C. McIver, assisted by Misses Wilma and Margaret McIver.

Mrs. Paul Story and Mrs. Archie McIntosh were in charge of refreshments.

There were 30 pupils enrolled. The themes of the school on successive days were Worship, Work, Witnessing, Winning Friends and Wearing A Crown As Conquerors with Christ.

## Wm. A. Norris Dies After Short Illness

Funeral services for William Ambrose Norris, 78, who died in the Marion General hospital Thursday after a short illness, were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Baptist church at Joe, Madison county. The services were conducted by Captain Cecil Brown of the Salvation Army, and burial was made in the church cemetery.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. J. L. Morrow of Marion, Mrs. Milton Roth, Charleston, Mo., Mrs. Ed Gentry of Marshall, Mrs. J. C. Allison of Marietta, S. C., and Mrs. Claude Ferguson of Joe; two sons, W. H. Norris of Marion and Boyce Norris of Hamilton, Wash.; 20 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; a brother, J. P. Norris of Joe, and two sisters, Mrs. George Franklin of Fields, La., and Mrs. J. R. Teaster of Ball Knob, Ark.

## Smith To Speak At New Holiness Church

The opening service in the new Pentecostal Holiness church will be held Saturday evening, June 26, at 7:45 o'clock, it was announced yesterday by the pastor, Rev. Woodrow Smith, of Lincoln, former pastor who organized the church, will speak at the opening service.

The new cinder block building on West Court street, was recently completed at an approximate cost of \$8,000, with an indebtedness of only about \$500.

## ONE MENINGITIS CASE IN COUNTY

One case of meningitis was reported to the McDowell County Health Department yesterday, but to date no polio cases have been reported. The meningitis patient is receiving treatment at Grace Hospital, Morganton.

## FEDERATION WILL HOLD PICNIC AT GLENWOOD SCHOOL

The annual Farmers Federation picnic for McDowell county, an all-day event of string music, quartet and choir singing, and many special and varied acts, will be held in the Glenwood high school building on Wednesday, July 28, starting at 10 a. m., it was announced by James G. K. McClure, president of the federation.

The annual picnic, which is becoming traditional for this area, has drawn larger crowds each year to participate in the games and contests. Musicians, singers and other performers are extended a special invitation to attend and take part in the program. Prizes will be given for the best choir and quartet, as well as for athletic games and contests on the school grounds during lunch time.

The day's festivities will begin with string music and singing by many groups, each attempting to out-perform the others. Special acts will add to the life of the program. Alec Houston, young ventriloquist of Hendersonville, will attend the picnic again this year.

During the lunch hour the federation will supply watermelon and lemonade for all. Races, tug of war and other contest will be held at this time on the school grounds and prizes will be given to the winners.

The afternoon program will consist of a contest between choirs and quartets, and other contests.

## Funeral Services To Be Held Sunday For Pfc. Washburn

Funeral services will be held at four o'clock next Sunday at the Glenwood Baptist church for Private First Class Samuel Leaman Washburn, 23, who was killed in World War II on July 3, 1944. Rev. Frank Early, pastor, will officiate and will be assisted by Rev. Millard Hall. Burial will be in the Glenwood cemetery.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Annie Brown Washburn, of East Marion, Homer Washburn, Misses Myrtle, Annette and Luzeal Washburn, Mrs. Riley Hensley and Mrs. Jerry Price, all of East Marion, and Edward Washburn of Glenwood.

The remains arrived Tuesday and will remain at McCall's Funeral Home until time for the services.

The American Legion will have charge of rites at the grave.

## Rites Held Tuesday For Robert Greene

Funeral services for Robert Greene, 64, who died in a Morganton hospital Monday following a long illness, were held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Westmoreland-Hawkins funeral home. Burial followed in Oak Grove cemetery.

The Rev. C. C. Cross, pastor of East Marion church, and the Rev. M. O. Owens, pastor of the First Baptist church here, conducted the services. Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Ellen Kelly Greene, and a son, Clarence, of Salisbury.

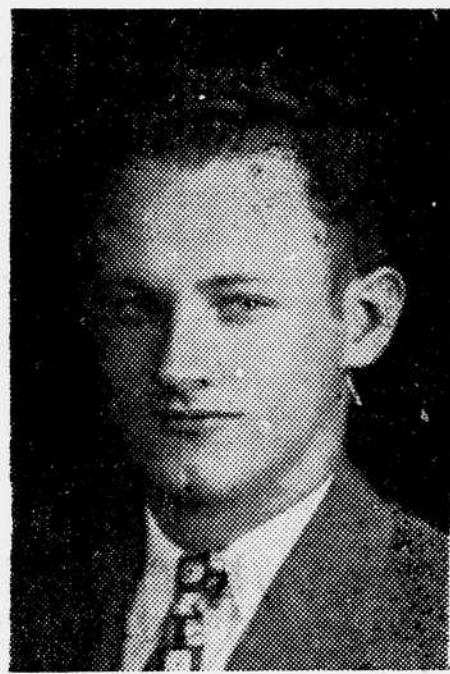
Mr. Greene was connected with the Marion Machine Shop as a machinist until his health failed him some time ago.

## BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits have been issued by the Town of Marion as follows: Ted Hensley, block, composition shop on Spring street between Carolina Avenue and Spring street. Estimated cost \$2,000.

Ray Lewis, four room, composition dwelling on State street. Estimated cost \$3,500.

## Dentist



CLARENCE F. BIDDIX

## Clarence Biddix Gets Degree From Emory University

Clarence F. Biddix, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Biddix of Marion, was awarded the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery at Emory University on June 4.

Dr. Biddix is a graduate of Pleasant Gardens high school and received his pre-dental education at Elon College. At Elon he was a member of D. J. L. S., the Student Senate and served as president of the class his junior year.

Dr. Biddix entered Emory University school of Dentistry in 1944. While there he served on the Student Council, the Pan-Hellenic Council and was a member of Delta Sigma Delta Fraternity, the oldest dental fraternity in existence. He was a member of this fraternity for four years, serving as treasurer his junior year and as president his senior year. Upon graduation he was chosen to become a member of Omicron Kappa Upsilon national honorary dental fraternity.

On July 1 he will begin a one year internship in oral surgery at Grady Memorial Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia.

## Steppe Attends Education Meet

Superintendent N. F. Steppe left Tuesday morning for Raleigh to attend a meeting of a committee appointed by the State Board of Education to make a study of the rules governing substitute teachers.

It was explained that this committee was appointed with a view of making recommendations to the State Board of Education in the matter of changes in these regulations which govern absences from school on the part of teachers. Discussions in recent months have emphasized the importance of uniform and definite regulations governing these matters.

## Gourley Addresses Marion Kiwanis Club

The high light of the program of the Marion Kiwanis club given at its regular weekly meeting held Tuesday evening at the community building was a report by Kiwanian J. L. Gourley of his trip to Los Angeles, California, as a delegate of the local club. Vernon Eckerd, president, presided during the meeting.

Kiwanian Gourley reported that the 33rd annual international convention of Kiwanis was an outstanding success. He made the trip from Marion to Los Angeles by car and was accompanied by Mrs. Gourley and Mr. and Mrs. James T. Miller. During the discussion Gourley told of the points of interest he had observed on the trip. He stated that Dr. Charlie Armstrong of Salisbury, North Carolina, International President of Kiwanis, delivered a masterful address during the convention. He had copies of the printed text of Dr. Armstrong's address which were made available to members of the club.

An announcement was made by President Eckerd that the Marion Kiwanis club would observe its annual Ladies Night next Tuesday evening. The meeting will be held at the Marion Lake club and an appropriate program has been arranged.

## JOHNSON, SCOTT IN RUN-OFF PRIMARY SATURDAY, JUNE 26

### Five Teachers Named For City System

H. F. Beam, superintendent of the Marion City Schools, yesterday announced the appointment of five more teachers in the city system for the next school term.

They are: Miss Martha McIver and Miss Margaret Ledbetter of Marion; Miss Betsy Webster of Morganton, for the white schools; Madge S. Logan and Marjorie W. Carson for the colored school.

### Barsarge Conley Drowned Sunday; Funeral Yesterday

Funeral services were conducted yesterday at Roses Chapel for Barsarge Conley, 21 year old colored youth, who was drowned in the Catawba river last Sunday.

According to a statement from the sheriff's department, the drowning was reported about 3:20 p. m. The body was found at 6:30 o'clock about 15 feet southwest of the bridge on highway 70.

Sheriff C. M. Pool said he was informed that Conley had gone bathing with Ernest Owens and Herbert Conley. He waded into the river on a steep slope and was in deep water before he realized it. Conley could not swim, it was stated, and his companions said they were unable to rescue him.

He is survived by his mother, Mary Elizabeth Conley of Hollifield; four sisters and four brothers, Charles, James, Hoke and Garfield Conley, Rena McGimpsey and Annie Boyce, all of Marion, Maggie Conley of Detroit, Michigan, and Beatrice McGimpsey of Morganton.

He served in the U. S. Marine Corps from July 14, 1945 until August 21, 1946.

### County Court Has Heavy Docket

The docket for County Court this week was one of the heaviest in several months.

Roy Griggs, assault on a female, was sentenced to three months or \$50 and costs. He appealed and made bond of \$400.

Robert Pyatt, driving drunk and no operator's license, sentenced to four months or payment of \$125 and costs and was prohibited from operating a motor vehicle on the highways of North Carolina for one year. He appealed and posted bond of \$400.

Hubert Gouge, carrying concealed weapon and assault with deadly weapon, three months or \$50 and cost and defendant not violate prohibition laws of North Carolina for two years. The weapon was confiscated and destroyed.

James Hensley, non-support, six months or pay cost and pay \$10 a week for his wife, Annie Hensley.

Horace Effler, driving drunk, four months or \$100 and cost and not operate a motor vehicle for 12 months. He appealed and posted bond of \$300.

A number of other minor cases were disposed of.

### Marion Merchants To Install Officers

The Marion Merchants association will meet at 7:30 p. m., Thursday, June 24, in the firemen's room of the city hall to install officers and directors for the coming year, Mrs. Ethel B. Crisp, executive secretary, announced this week.

### Frenzel Attends Church Convention

Rev. Charles Frenzel, pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran church, returned last Friday from a three day convention of the Southeastern district of the Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, held in Christ's Church in Washington, D. C.

Democrats of North Carolina will go to the polls again on Saturday, June 26, to nominate a candidate for governor which is tantamount to election.

Next Saturday North Carolina Democrats will choose between the two survivors of a six-man field that went before the voters May 29 in a first primary.

In the run-off contest are State Treasurer Charles M. Johnson, who led the field in the first vote, and W. Kerr Scott, former state commissioner of agriculture. Scott, who trailed Johnson by 8,848 votes, made the call for the run-off.

Only one of the candidates who fell out after the first primary has pledged support to either of the contestants. Oscar Barker, who ran fourth, announced he would back Johnson in the second campaign.

Mayne Albright, No. 3 in the race and wooed heavily by supporters of Johnson and Scott, took himself entirely out of the picture by announcing he would take no part in the second primary beyond voting.

In the primary in McDowell county on May 29, Johnson received 1,685, Scott 1,007, Albright 349, Barker 53, Stanley 31, and Boyd 25.

T. W. Gowan, chairman of the McDowell county board of elections, said Democrats have been appointed as judges for the primary to replace regular Republican judges, who will be retained to serve with the Democrats in the fall election.

The polls will open at 6:30 a. m. Saturday, and will close at 6:30 p. m., as prescribed by law.

## CONGRESSIONAL SCORE ON BILLS PASSED, KILLED

Washington.—Here is the record of major legislation passed by the 80th Congress:

**It passed these bills:**  
The Taft-Hartley Labor-Management act.

The presidential succession bill, designating the Speaker of the House as next in line for the presidency behind the President and Vice President.

The portal-to-portal pay bill, restricting claims for pay from the time a worker reaches his place of work until he leaves it.

A bill freezing social security pay roll taxes at one per cent.

A rent control bill, permitting rent boost in many cases and taking controls off completely in others.

An income tax reduction bill.

A bill allowing World War II veterans to cash bonds they received for unused leave time at the time of their discharge.

A bill to admit 205,000 European refugees to the United States in the next two years for permanent residence.

A bill creating a special commission to study the executive branch of the government, aimed at effecting economies through consolidations and elimination of overlapping functions.

A bill raising pay of 1,330,000 Federal employees, with 480,000 postal employees getting \$450 a year more and 850,000 other Federal workers getting \$330.

A farm bill continuing existing farm price supports through 1949 and then putting into effect a new and somewhat lower level or price props.

A bill continuing the life of the Commodity Credit corporation which handles price support programs and does buying for foreign relief.

A bill extending the terms of Atomic Energy commissioners a flat two years.

A bill authorizing the Reconstruction Finance corporation to establish a secondary market for G.I. home loan mortgages.

A bill providing \$6 million to aid school districts overburdened by war-swollen populations.

**It refused to pass:**  
A bill to curb the Communist party in Washington, D. C.

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