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## Eades Killed In Accident Here Friday

### Automobile Struck By Westbound Train At Clinchfield

The body of M. K. Eades was shipped to his home in Chattanooga, Tenn., Saturday following a fatal accident Friday afternoon.

Eades, a salesman for the Corley Manufacturing company in Chattanooga, was driving his Nash automobile across the railroad at the Clinch Cross crossing when it was struck by westbound train number 21 about four o'clock, according to a statement by Chief of Police D. W. Smith.

Following an investigation by local police Eades was removed to the Marion General Hospital and was pronounced dead on arrival. Coroner S. J. Westmoreland said no inquest would be necessary.

## COMMISSIONERS APPROVE SIX ROAD PETITIONS

The County Commissioners in session Monday approved the following road petitions:

Black top the road from Cross Cotton Mill Baptist church to the Old Carson Mill crossing at the slaughter pen.

Widen and gravel the road from Clear Creek road on Shady street to the H. L. Ollis property.

Replace the bridge across Camp Creek at Walker Noblett's on the road from Davis Town Free Will Baptist church.

Gravel and repair the road known as the Davis Town Road, running from Walker Noblett's to the head of Davis Town for one mile.

Replace Catawba River bridge, recently washed away by rain, in Old Fort township.

Widen and gravel the road from the Burgin Hatchery through G. A. Condrey's property to the property owned by Slim Whisenant, C. R. McCall and Grover C. Green.

## Sale Of Property Declared Legal By Supreme Court

The State Supreme Court handed down a ruling last Friday upholding the decision of the McDowell County Superior Court in regard to the sale of the Gilkey property on South Main and West Henderson streets.

Judge J. H. Clements, presiding (Continued on last page)

## Marion Fish Hatchery And Station Will Have New \$25,000 Building

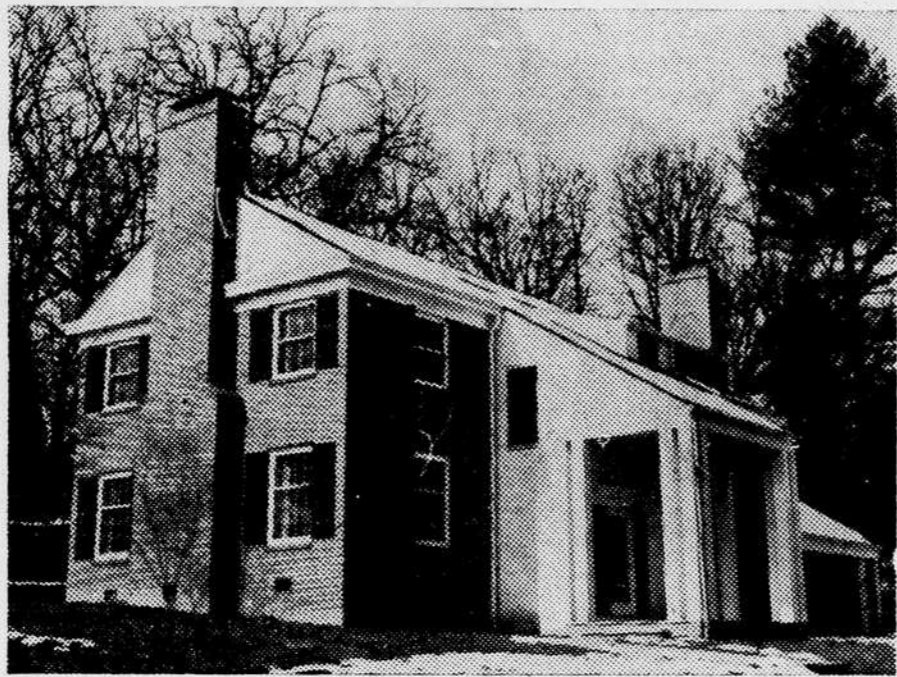
The Wildlife Resources Commission's newly renovated fish hatchery and rearing station at Marion will have a new \$25,000 trout hatchery building, subject to Budget Bureau approval, according to Clyde P. Patton, Executive Director of the Commission.

At a meeting in Raleigh recently the Wildlife Commission voted for the hatchery building to augment trout production for streams in the western part of the State and to place facilities for trout hatching in a centrally located area.

The new hatchery building is an addition to the Commission's program of completely renovating the Marion hatchery. Work has recently been completed on the construction of new rearing ponds and water supply ponds. Trout are now being reared at the Marion hatchery for release during the coming season.

**Trout Stocking Program**  
At a meeting in Raleigh recently, the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission approved a plan

## METHODIST PARSONAGE



The new parsonage of the First Methodist church was dedicated Wednesday, January 19, when Bishop Costen J. Harrell, of Charlotte, preached the dedicatory sermon. Value of the house, lot and furnishings has been estimated at approximately \$40,000. Henry Irven Gaines, of Asheville, was the architect. The home was built by Beaman Lumber company of Marion with Ed Williams of Spruce Pine as superintendent. (Photo by Eckenrodt)

## Josephine Mills, Inc. Moving To New Location

### MARION BOYS LOSE; GIRLS WIN OVER MORGANTON

Morganton—Smarting under the 37-19 thumping they had taken recently at the hands of Art Ditt's Marion high Marauders, the Morganton Wildcats turned the tables on the ancient foe and walked off with 45-37 victory here Friday night before a capacity crowd in the high school gymnasium. The Morganton girls, however, were not able to match the feat of their male counterparts and went down in defeat the second time to the McDowell lassies, 31-23.

Mask of the Marauders was the (Continued on last page)

### The Eleventh Calf Of Youth Foundation Born Last Monday

The eleventh calf born under the McDowell County Farm Youth Foundation arrived last Monday afternoon, Carl Whitesides, assistant county farm agent, announced Saturday.

The guernsey calf is the offspring of a cow owned by Lawrence Duvall, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Duvall of Dysartsville.

This makes a total of eight heifer calves and three bulls born under this program.

### Marks Honored At University

Word has been received from the Dean of Student Awards of the University of North Carolina that Robert Lee Marks has been admitted to the Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honorary scholastic fraternity. In order to qualify for membership in this fraternity, a freshman must make at least half A's and the rest B's, or an equivalent, either his first term or his first year in college.

Robert, who is a graduate of Marion High School, is the nephew of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Lancaster.

### Mill Operations Will Be Resumed In About Two Weeks

The Josephine Mills, Inc. is moving from Elizabeth Drive to its new home where the Southern Railway intersects Avenue A.

The new brick structure contains 13,300 square feet of floor space and houses 120 knitting machines. The present payroll includes 125 employees, though the normal personnel is approximately 175, C. F. Smith, president, said.

Turnover at the present time is approximately 2500 pairs of socks, but the maximum production is 7500, Smith said. He added that the mill operations had ceased while the move was underway, but hopes production may be resumed within about two weeks.

The Josephine Mills were originally known as Elizabeth James Mills No. 1 under the ownership of the late Mr. C. F. James. In 1939 the mill was purchased by the present Board and the name changed to Josephine Mills, Inc.

Officers of the mill are: C. F. Smith, president; W. Alec Smith, vice president, and Carter Hudgins, secretary-treasurer.

## Community Council Formed For McDowell

An organization to be known as the Community Council was formed at a meeting held in the Marion High School last Thursday evening.

The idea of forming such an organization was instigated by the Marion Parent-Teacher association at the suggestion of Mrs. Richard Cook, who presided. In her opening remarks, Mrs. Cook expressed her appreciation for a gratifying response from local groups to an appeal for an organized group to promote civic improvement.

She read the following list of representatives named by local clubs and groups to serve on the Council.

Mrs. Colin Wright and Mrs. P. T. Hollis, Marion Junior Woman's club; J. E. Neal, Jr., and E. P. Dameron, Francis Marion; Albert Hewitt and T. L. Richie, Marion Rotary club; V. T. Eckerd, Rev. P. L. Smith, Kiwanis; Eugene Cross and Mrs. B. A. Dickson, members of the Marion City Schools Board; M. W. Gordon and Mrs. R. R. Cook, Marion Parent-Teacher association; G. L. Jenkins and James Arrowood, Cross Mill Parent-Teacher association; Mrs. P. (Continued on last page)

## February Term Of Superior Court Will Be Convened Next Monday For Trial Of Civil Cases

### POLIO CAMPAIGN WILL CONTINUE TILL GOAL IS REACHED

McDowell County has raised about half its \$10,000 quota in the current polio campaign, S. J. Westmoreland, county chairman, said yesterday.

"The industrial plants and their employees have come through with the largest part of this money. The rural sections and the town have fallen short. We have been urged to carry on this campaign until the quota is raised. It is necessary that all of you keep working to reach this goal that our children may walk," Westmoreland said.

He urged all persons who have not contributed to please mail donations to J. N. Morris, treasurer, at the First National Bank.

### BAND CONCERT IS SLATED FEBRUARY 24

The second band concert of the year set for Thursday, February 24, includes something old and something new. An overture by Joseph Haydn composed in 1789—and the well-known "Sword (Sabre) Dance" by Khachaturian, set the pace, interspersed with compositions by Mozart, Flowtow, R. Vaughan Williams, Raymond Scott, Cole Porter and others.

This concert program promises to maintain the high musical standard set by the band in its pre-christmas concert.

### Frank Watson To Speak At Rally Sunday Afternoon

E. Frank Watson, of Spruce Pine, will be the keynote speaker at the Law Enforcement Rally this coming Sunday afternoon, it was announced today by B. F. Pollard, president of the Allied Church League of McDowell county. "Watson is known throughout Western North Carolina as a fine speaker and for his advocacy of temperance and law enforcement," Pollard said "and the League feels itself fortunate in securing his services for the occasion."

The Law Enforcement Rally is to be a mass meeting of county-wide emphasis, and is to be held at the Court-House at 3:00 p. m., this Sun. (Continued on last page)

### P. H. Mashburn Died Tuesday; Funeral Today

Old Fort—Pinckney Hodge Mashburn, former State Senator and Representative from McDowell county and prominent civic leader of Old Fort, died Tuesday at 4:20 p. m. in an Asheville hospital after a long illness.

Mr. Mashburn, who was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Washburn of Greenlee, had held various county offices, including that of sheriff, and had served as a member of the State Highway and Public Works Commission.

He had been a member of the (Continued on last page)

### TWO WEEKS TERM IS SLATED WITH JUDGE NETTLES PRESIDING

#### RED CROSS CHAIRMAN



E. C. Carnes, Marion attorney, will be chairman of the 1949 Red Cross Fund Raising Campaign in McDowell county.

He announced this week that the quota for this year's campaign will be \$4,389.

Carnes, a native of Hot Springs, Arkansas, received his degree from Wake Forest college and came to Marion from Four Oaks, N. C., last September to engage in the practice of law with offices in the Eckenrodt building. Carnes is a veteran, having served four years in the U. S. army. (Photo by Eckenrodt)

### RED CROSS SUB-CHAIRMEN ARE NAMED

E. C. Carnes, county Red Cross chairman, yesterday announced the appointment of three sub-chairmen to assist in this year's campaign. John Gilkey was named publicity chairman, Oliver Green, chairman of industrial plants, and Ernest Ross, chairman of the business division.

These chairmen will begin preliminary plans immediately and the campaign will officially open March 1, Carnes said.

## Marion Manufacturing Company Elects Officers And Directors At Annual Meeting Tuesday

### Postal Receipts Increased Last Month

Postal receipts last month totaled \$4,091.30, a gain of \$437.05 over January 1948, according to figures released by postmaster John Finley.

Receipts from the sale of U. S. Savings Bonds was \$8,006.25 in January of this year. Other monthly totals included \$41,859 in postal savings certificates issued for cash; \$25,035 in postal savings certificates issued in exchange for new certificates, making a total of \$66,894 in certificates. Deducting \$65,217 for certificates paid, the decrease in deposits was \$1,677.

Annual reports revealed a total of \$47,548.87 in 1948 and \$42,875.46 in 1947 or a gain of \$4,673.41 in the past year over the preceding year.

**COURT OF HONOR**  
The Boy Scout Court of Honor will be held at 7:30 p. m. Friday at the First Methodist church.

The February term of McDowell County Superior Court will be convened Monday, February 14, for the trial of civil cases. A two weeks term is scheduled with Judge Zeb V. Nettles presiding.

Jurors have been drawn as follows:

#### First Week

Robert R. Hall, H. K. Patton, Alvin McGinnis, Ed Denny, Harlow Moody, H. D. Bishop, Lester H. Knupp, George R. Grindstaff, Ernest Banks, J. B. McEntyre, Clarence Buckner, E. B. Grindstaff, C. Rex Wilson, Charles L. Biddix, A. C. Crouch, Herman Walker, C. F. Barnes, Kenneth Young, Harrison Church, J. L. Haney, C. M. Murphy, Troy Burrell, Madison Hensley, W. B. Pyatt, W. J. Roe, Ewart Walker, Robert McCraw, Elvis Turner, B. H. Lowery and A. J. Hewitt.

#### Second Week

Walter Jackson, John Ray Jimerson, George D. Baker, Lloyd Shell, Ben C. Epley, R. O. McCurry, O. J. Pannell, H. S. Quinn, L. M. Hemphill, W. W. Neal, Jr., Paul Laughridge, H. C. Lavender, Earl Benfield, A. D. Quinn, R. V. Price, Hardy Murphy, L. A. Carver, D. E. Lonon, James Vess, R. G. Lambeth, G. G. Moore, Gibb Dennie, Luther Toney, R. L. Knupp, Melvin C. Burgin, Boydston Frisbie, J. S. Hensley, Eugene Brown, Lewis Rash and J. R. Holland.

## Howard Owens Body Found In Flaming Home

McDowell county's second violent death for the week-end occurred Saturday afternoon when the body of Howard Owens, 72, was found in his burning residence in Nebo township near Murphy's Chapel.

Sheriff C. M. Pool made investigation after he was notified of the tragedy by James, son of the deceased.

Pool said he was informed that (Continued on last page)