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Superior Court Adjourned Friday

The September term of McDowell County Superior Court adjourned Friday, September 16. Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., presided. Cases not reported are listed below, although the records were incomplete at press time yesterday.

W. S. Skinner vs. Troy Ledford, an action involving a claim of the plaintiff for one month's rent upon a building in Marion, based upon the defendant's breach of a rental contract which was for a period of five years, the plaintiff was awarded \$155 with interest from September 1, 1948.

In the case of W. G. Lonon vs. Ballew Motor company, the parties reached a compromise settlement awarding the plaintiff \$250.

Jim McClure Vance, speeding and reckless driving, not prose with leave. Guy R. McCall, reckless driving, called and failed. Bond set at \$1,000. Max Cordell, reckless driving, speeding and failing to stop for siren, continued. Earl McKinney, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill, defendant plead nolo contendere, verdict was assault with deadly weapon, defendant sentenced to roads, sentence suspended on condition that he pay \$25 into the Clerk's office for use of Gene Gallion, be of good behavior and not violate laws of the state for three years. J. B. Allison, assault on a female, plead guilty, prayer for judgment was continued three years upon condition that defendant pay costs of action, be of good behavior. William Moses, assault with deadly weapon, continued. Harold J. Evans, driving during period of revocation.

Mrs. W. E. Cannon, malicious injury to personal property, verdict of guilty returned and prayer for judgment continued two years on condition that defendant pay costs of action and not molest her husband during that time. W. E. Cannon, assault with deadly weapon, verdict of not guilty was returned. W. J. Young, driving drunk, verdict was not guilty. Tom Fisher, abduction, non-suit. Billy Best, assault on a female, breaking and entering. (Continued on last page)

West Marion PTA To Meet Next Monday

The first meeting of the West Marion Parent-Teacher association will be held Monday night at 7:30 p. m. A social hour will precede the program. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

McDowell Red Cross Directors To Meet And Elect Officers

Hamilton Speaker At Rotary Meeting

Charles Hamilton, Gastonia attorney, addressed the Rotary club on "Last Wills and Testaments" at its regular meeting last Friday. The speaker is a graduate of Duke University, attended law school at Wake Forest College, and has been engaged in the practice of law in Gastonia for 21 years.

Fred Streetman, of Hendersonville. S. W. Enloe, of Spruce Pine, and Ben Davidson, of Dover, Delaware were visiting Rotarians.

Brightie E. White was the guest of John Ray Jameson, George Hollingsworth was the guest of D. W. Tainter, and Ed McKinney was the guest of David Gray.

FIRE TUESDAY MORNING

Firemen were summoned to Clear Creek Lumber company Tuesday night. Only slight damage was reported.

NINE PUPILS COMPLETE AQUATIC COURSE

A two weeks Red Cross course in aquatics was completed last Saturday with eight juniors and one senior student qualifying for emblems, certificates and pins. The course was taught by John Poteat, representative from the McDowell County Chapter to the aquatic school for instructors held in Breward last August.

Those completing the junior course were: Wayne V. Bradburn, Jr., Joseph T. Davis, Wayne K. Gladden, William H. Hawkins, Arnold F. Pyatt, Jr., Billy L. Roland, William W. Suttle and Samuel M. Yancey, Jr.

One senior, Fuce H. Hughes, of Clinchfield, completed the course for those over 16 years of age. Juniors are those in the age group from 12-15.

MARION PTA TO HAVE MEETING NEXT TUESDAY

The Parent-Teacher association of Marion Central School will hold its first Fall meeting Tuesday evening, September 27 at 7:45 in the High School auditorium, according to an announcement made this week by Mrs. M. W. Gordon, publicity chairman.

Mrs. S. W. Blanton, president, will preside over the meeting. Other officers for the coming year include Mrs. Eugene Cross, Jr., vice president, Mrs. John Setzer, secretary and Mrs. Wayne Suttle, treasurer.

The program for Tuesday evening will be under the direction of Miss Eva Keeter, supervisor of the City Schools. Mrs. Gordon also announced the devotional periods of the meetings this year will be given by the mothers of the PTA.

Entertainment will be furnished for the children and a cake, donated by Mrs. Carl McCall, will be given as a door prize. An attendance prize of \$1.00 will also be given the room having the most parents present.

Committee chairmen who will serve on the Executive Board have been announced as follows: Elementary Grade Mothers and Attendance, Mrs. Neal Morris, Program, Co-chairmen, Mrs. E. P. Dameron and Mrs. G. W. Giles, Budget and Finance, co-chairmen. (Continued on last page)

Relatives Of Marion People Injured Newton Wreck

Relatives of McDowell county persons were among the passengers injured in the train wreck at Newton last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. George T. Warren and baby were among the passengers. Mrs. Warren is a sister of Harold Simmons. Warren suffered a broken collar bone and leg injuries. Mrs. Warren had scratches and minor injuries and the baby escaped without injuries.

Dwight Queen, relative of Wilburn Queen and L. E. Queen of Marion, was admitted to Catawba General Hospital in Newton after the wreck. The nature of his injuries was not known.

BUYS RESIDENCE

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Morrow have purchased the residence on U. S. highway 70, between Marion and Morganton, formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Harbison.

They plan to move within the next few days.

ANNUAL HORSE SHOW SET FOR SEPTEMBER 28

James A. Brown Died Wednesday At Hospital

James A. Brown, age 62, died at the Marion General Hospital early Wednesday morning after a brief illness. Funeral arrangements are not complete awaiting arrival of relatives, but will probably be conducted Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Minnie Skipper Brown; one son, Hubert W. Brown of Marion, one daughter Mrs. Lee Hamrick of Bowman, Ga., five grand children; two brothers, Dubbard Brown of Greensboro, N. C., and Max Brown of Anderson, S. C., three sisters, Mrs. J. C. Turner of Atlanta, Mrs. H. A. Dunaway of Waycross, Ga., and Mrs. Lawrence Parden of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Mr. Brown was reared in Elberton, Ga. He moved to Marion in 1928 and for the past nine years has been employed by the Drexel Furniture company.

BOY AND MOTHER ARE WOUNDED IN SHOOTING

A two and one-half year old boy was fatally wounded and his mother injured in a shooting incident which occurred here Sunday night, Sheriff C. M. Pool said Monday morning.

Pool gave the following account of the incident: M. A. Burton, who resides in Higgins township, had retired for the night when he was disturbed about 8:30 o'clock by a noise in the woods near his home. Seeing flashlights moving about in the darkness he prepared to load. (Continued on last page)

Fire Wardens Of Forestry Service To Have Course

Local fire wardens of the Mt. Mitchell Ranger District, Pisgah National Forest, will join with lookouts, aides, and other personnel on Thursday in a full-day training session at Wild Acres, according to Ranger Erwin A. Heers. The program will combine discussion, demonstration, and motion pictures on fire central subjects.

Expected at the meeting also will be County Wardens of the State. (Continued on last page)

Auto Wreck On Railway Crossing

A 1929 A Model Ford was demolished when struck by a freight train on the Garden street crossing near the Seagle Morris, Inc. plant last Friday afternoon.

Police who investigated said they were told the car was driven by Robert Collins, 20, of Glenwood. It stalled on the track while a freight train was backing into the station. Collins leaped from the auto in time to escape injury. Finius Collins and Guy Reel were passengers in the car. Finius Collins, who suffered cuts and bruises about the head and neck, was admitted to the Marion Hospital.

The Collins car was carried down the tracks about 30 feet before the train could be stopped, officers said.

County Calf Show Winners Announced

McDowell Calves Win Ribbons In District Show

Red and blue ribbon winners in the McDowell County Calf Show who entered the Western North Carolina District Junior Dairy Cattle Show in Asheville brought home a number of red and blue ribbons. They will also receive cash awards.

Competing with 300 entries from 15 western North Carolina counties, the McDowell boys won the following honors with their calves:

Harold Morgan, showed a senior (Continued on last page)

McDowell county's Calf Show held on the Marion Riding Ground Monday featured original heifers of the McDowell County Youth Foundation, their offspring and a few privately owned and purchased by 4-H youths. This was the second annual Calf Show presented under sponsorship of the Marion Merchants association with F. R. Farnham, extension dairy specialist, as official judge. Amos Seagle, president of the Marion Merchants association, presented the cash awards. Ribbons were presented by Misses Marilyn Brinkley, Margaret Carpenter and Beverly Lonon.

The Danish system of judging was observed with all calves being placed in one of three classes. Top winners received blue ribbons, second best, red, and third class, white.

Calves were placed in classes according to breed and age.

AWARDS

The awards were presented as follows:

JERSEYS

Junior calves (those dropped from January 1, 1949 to June 30, 1949 inclusive): John English, blue; Donald Hennessee and Red Brown, red.

Senior (dropped July 1 to December 31, 1948): Harold Morgan, blue; Jean Early and Kenneth (Continued on last page)

New Teacher Added To Faculty Of Marion School

Mrs. Harry Tyler began her work this week as ninth grade teacher in the Marion Elementary School. She is a graduate of Eastern Carolina Teachers College and has had four years experience as a teacher. Mrs. Tyler holds an A certificate.

Homecoming At Linville Methodist

The annual Homecoming at Linville Methodist church on the Yellow Mountain road near Lake James will be held Sunday. Mrs. Helen Howard McThagien will speak at 11:30 a. m. Mrs. McThagien is a missionary from China where she has served 33 years. The rest of the day will be spent by short talks by local persons and singing by choirs and quartets. Picnic dinner will be spread on the lawn at noon.

ATTENDS MEETING

Robin Hood, executive vice president of the First National Bank, attended a meeting of the committee on publications of the N. C. State Bankers Association in Raleigh last week.

Lions Sharpening Claws For Battle With Rippers

Funeral Rites For T. E. Poteat Held Last Friday

Funeral services for Thomas Edgar Poteat, 60, farmer and textile worker who died at his residence, Marion route 1, Wednesday after a brief illness, were held Friday at 3:30 p. m. in Chapel Hill Baptist church. The Rev. Millard Hall and the Rev. G. F. Overstreet officiated and burial was in Glenwood cemetery.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Lula Reel Poteat; three sons, W. Floyd of Springfield, Mo., Carl of Swannanoa and Harold of Marion RFD 1; the father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. G. Posey Poteat of Marion RFD 1; and eight grandchildren.

SCARLET FEVER

One case of scarlet fever was reported to the McDowell County Health Department this week, Dr. S. V. Lewis, county health physician, reported.

PASTURE DEMONSTRATION HELD WEDNESDAY

About 300 farmers attended the Pasture Demonstration conducted on the farm of J. D. Little Wednesday of last week, S. L. Homewood, county farm agent, estimated.

Seven acres were sowed in grass and clover. The public is invited to visit the farm from time to time and see the progress made, Homewood said.

North Cove PTA Has First Meeting

The North Cove Parent-Teacher association held its first meeting last Thursday evening with Mrs. O. G. Lonon presiding. Committees for the year were named.

E. D. Wilson, principal, spoke on the needs of each grade in the school.

A motion was passed to hold meetings the second Thursday of each month. All parents, teachers and other interested persons are cordially invited.

MARION

McGalliard LE; Jenkins LT; Wilson, H. LG; Walker C; Gibbs RG; Wilson, D. RT; Rader RE; Ponder GB; Packett HB; McCall HB; Hammett FB.

SHELBY

Ingle LE; Horn LT; Lee LG; Hicks C; Miller RG; Allen RT; Brewer RE; Dixon GB; Hendrix HB; Weaver HB; Lackey FB.

CIVITAN CLUB

The luncheon meeting of the Civitan club was held last Thursday noon at the Sunset Restaurant. Plans were made to elect officers at the next meeting on Thursday, September 29.