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Three Members Of School Board Reappointed At Aldermen's Meet

R. W. Proctor, R. W. Twitty and T. H. Henderson were reappointed members of the Marion City Schools for three year terms at the meeting of the Board of Aldermen Tuesday night.

The Board also adopted a supplement to the present ordinance regarding the width of driveways. The ruling would apply particularly to filling stations and businesses, restricting the width as a safety precaution.

Plans were made to meet with the Harwood Beebe Engineering company in the near future and discuss plans for a sewage disposal plant.

Reece Snyder, town manager, was instructed to investigate ways and means of making a map of the Town of Marion and establishing city limits lines.

A motion was passed to contact railway officials in regard to erecting a signal light at the Garden street intersection.

It was suggested that Railroad street, between South Main and West Henderson streets be paved, but no definite action was taken.

A representative of the Motorola company discussed the advantages of placing radios in police automobiles, but no definite action was taken.

James Hensley Fatally Injured By Automobile

James Harvey Hensley, 72, was fatally injured when struck by an automobile driven by Charles F. Cranford. The incident occurred Friday night near the First Baptist church and Hensley died during the night at Marion General Hospital. He suffered a fractured skull and other injuries.

A coroner's jury termed the accident "unavoidable" after Cranford said Hensley walked into the path of his automobile and presented witnesses to substantiate his statements.

Funeral services were conducted at the First Methodist church at 4:30 Sunday afternoon by Rev. James B. McLarty, Dr. C. W. McMurray and Rev. Marvin Dameron officiating. Burial followed in Oak Grove cemetery.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ora Belle Huskins; four sons, Charles C., James Ted, Guy Lee and Hubert G., all of Marion; one daughter, Mrs. John Good of Hickory; eleven grandchildren; two brothers, Amos, route 3, Marion, and Robert, route 1, Marion; one sister, Mrs. Ben Hollifield, Johnson City, Tenn.

OWENS IN GASTONIA CONDUCTING REVIVAL

Rev. M. O. Owens, pastor of the First Baptist church, is in Gastonia conducting a ten day revival which began Tuesday of this week.

Recreational Association Has Organizational Meeting

Postal Receipts Increase This Quarter

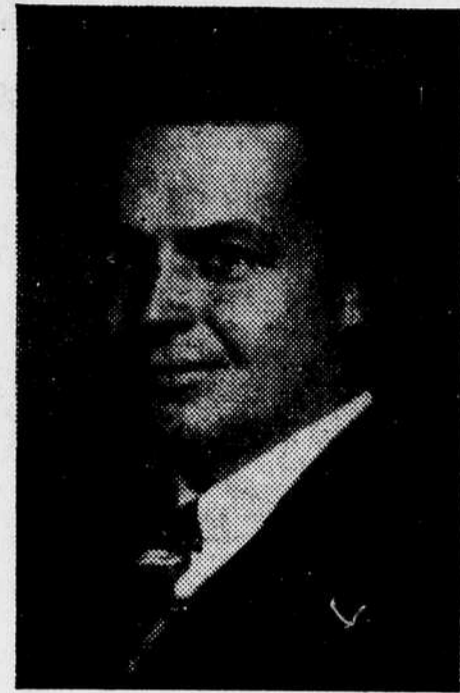
Postal receipts for the quarter ending September 30 increased \$4,342.94 over the same period in 1948. The total this year was \$14,637.55 for the months of July, August and September.

For the three quarters this year just ended (January 1 through September 30), receipts were \$39,872.10, a gain of \$7,311.26 over the corresponding period in 1948.

Sales of E bonds from January 1 to September 30, 1949 were \$54,975. Postal Savings certificates issued last month totaled \$51,105, and certificates paid \$58,812.

TO ATTEND MEETING

S. L. Homewood, county farm agent, will attend a meeting of the Southeastern Artificial Breeding Association's Police committee in Statesville next Tuesday. He will represent the McDowell County Artificial Breeding association.



W. W. NEAL, Jr.

Neal Elected To Committee To Nat'l Assn.

W. W. Neal, Jr., partner and general manager of the Marion Knitting Mills, has been elected a member of the Advisory committee of the National Association of Hosiery Manufacturers. He was advised of his election by Earl Constantine, president of the Association.

He will fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Clyde W. Wilkins of the W. B. Davis Hosiery Mill of Fort Payne, Alabama, and has been named to serve from October 1, 1949 to October 1, 1952.

This committee has been functioning three years, making recommendations to the Board of Directors. Through the committee the needs of the industry are brought to the attention of the Board of Directors.

Harte Addresses Kiwanis Club

Roy W. Davis, president of the Marion Kiwanis club, presided at the weekly meeting of the club Tuesday evening at the community building.

Kiwanian R. W. Twitty, program chairman for October, presented Nelson Harte as the guest speaker of the evening. Harte is Southern Representative for Barnes Textile Associates, who specializes in industrial engineering. He explained to the group various features of industrial engineering as applied to textiles and showed how the various studies made by industrial engineers were applied to produce efficiency, to bring about better working conditions, and to increase production.

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RED CROSS OFFICERS ARE NAMED

McDowell County Red Cross directors met last night to name a county chairman and hear annual reports. A fund chairman and service chairman will also be named. The vote was not complete by press time, but other officials elected Wednesday evening of last week are:

Terry Moore, vice chairman; Miss Doris Hill, treasurer and James Parks, secretary.

The Board of Directors is composed of these officers and E. P. Dameron, Marion; Zeb Lane, Old Fort; Grayson Marlowe, Glenwood; Mrs. H. Madison Hensley, North Cove; C. L. Holland, Sugar Hill; R. W. Twitty, East Marion; Dr. C. A. Parker, West Marion; Glenn A. Morris, Clinchfield; Rev. Marvin Dameron, Cross Mills; Mrs. J. C. Rabb, Pleasant Gardens.

Harrison H. Walker, general representative, outlined responsibilities of directors to the Chapter and (Continued on last page)

BAPTISTS HONOR PASTOR ON ANNIVERSARY

SYMPHONY DRIVE TO BE LAUNCHED NEXT MONDAY

Marion will begin its annual drive for memberships in the North Carolina Symphony Society October 10 with Mrs. E. W. Parker, Jr., as drive chairman. The goal is 350 to 400 memberships.

According to Mrs. Parker an initial meeting will be held at the High School at 4:30 p. m. on October 10 to launch the drive. At that time committees will be organized and plans will be made for the membership campaign.

Assisting Mrs. Parker in the drive will be: Bernard Hirsch, co-chairman; Mrs. Carl McMurray, secretary; and Mrs. Willis C. Truesdell. (Continued on last page)

New Ruling For Wiring Jobs

A new ruling in regard to wiring inspections becomes effective immediately according to announcement in this issue by J. G. Brooks, wiring inspector.

The ruling requires that notification of all new wiring jobs must be made to the Duke Power company on or before Friday of the week connection is to be made. No inspections can be made on Saturdays, Brooks said.

MUNICIPAL ROADS COMMISSION STUDIES NEEDS OF MARION

Annual Session Of Blue Ridge To Open Oct. 11

The Twenty-first Annual Fall session of the Blue Ridge Baptist association will be opened at Bethel Baptist church on Tuesday, October 11. The night session for the same date will be held at East Marion. The following day the session will be held at Nebo.

Rev. Millard Hall, pastor of Chapel Hill church, will be speaker the first day and Rev. Carson Brittain, Clear Creek church, the second day.

W. R. Chambers is moderator, Rev. C. C. Parker, vice moderator, Rev. Carson Brittain, clerk, Miss Doris Hill, treasurer and Rev. E. G. Redding, historian. (Continued on page four)



E. C. CARNES

CARNES ELECTED NEW PRESIDENT OF CIVITAN CLUB

Everette C. Carnes was elected president of the Civitan club at its weekly luncheon meeting last Thursday. He succeeds Albert M. Neal.

Other officers elected for the coming year are: Dr. Archie McIntosh and Frank Sentelle, vice presidents; George Knisley, secretary and Willard Halthcock, treasurer.

The Executive Board is composed of the above officers and Forney Briscoe, Earl Turner, Norman Stepp, Homer Hagna, J. B. Walker, Jr. and J. W. Streetman, Jr. Rev. C. C. Cross was elected chaplain.

New Street Washer Arrived Last Week

A 1200 gallon capacity flusher to wash the streets of Marion arrived last week. Order for the equipment was placed some time ago by the Board of Aldermen. The new white flusher is mounted on a Chevrolet truck and will replace the obsolete equipment.

Welfare Workers To Attend Institute

Mrs. D. N. Lonon, superintendent McDowell County Welfare Department, Mrs. Sara Margaret Giles, Miss Doris Nunn and Mrs. R. G. Honeycutt, case workers, will attend the annual Public Welfare Institute in Raleigh next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The theme of the Institute will be "A Balanced Welfare Program."

Street Maintenance Problems Studied By State Committee

A commission appointed by Governor Scott toured Marion's streets yesterday to determine the needs for street improvements.

The Municipal Road Commission was named by the Governor in June to study the problem of giving municipalities a just share of State highway funds.

Escorting the group was City Manager Reece Snyder, Mayor J. W. Streetman, Jr., and the Board of Aldermen.

The tour included the portions of highways 221 and 70 within Marion, State, West Henderson, Spring, Logan streets, Fleming and Augusta avenues and other chart streets.

City officials hope to convince the commission of the need for giving cities the revenue from one cent of the State gasoline tax. This would yield an estimated \$6,500,000 for North Carolina municipalities, \$4,000,000 more than this (Continued on last page)

Commissioners Approve Petitions For County Roads

The County Commissioners approved the following road petitions at the October meeting held last Monday:

Build road and bridge across four-tenths of a mile from Highway U. S. 221 to Holtsclaw and Queen farm.

Grade and gravel 1/2 mile from Sugar Hill to Mrs. Bratcher Henline's.

Grade and widen and gravel approximately one mile of the old mill road from E. O. Crawley's to Jesse Elliott's.

Improve and hard surface six miles of road from a point approximately three miles west of Old Fort near Highway 70 intersecting same highway at a point approximately two miles east of Ridgecrest.

Build one bridge across Rock Creek on the road from Bethel church to Rock creek.

Prepare road from Mud Cut to Arrowhead town road for mail route and school bus route.

Grade road bed and gravel or ground up stone cover, Tom's Creek road on 221 near Dan McCormick's place to Green Mountain cemetery.

Grade, gravel and black top six miles of road from the Town of Old Fort to Catawba Falls.

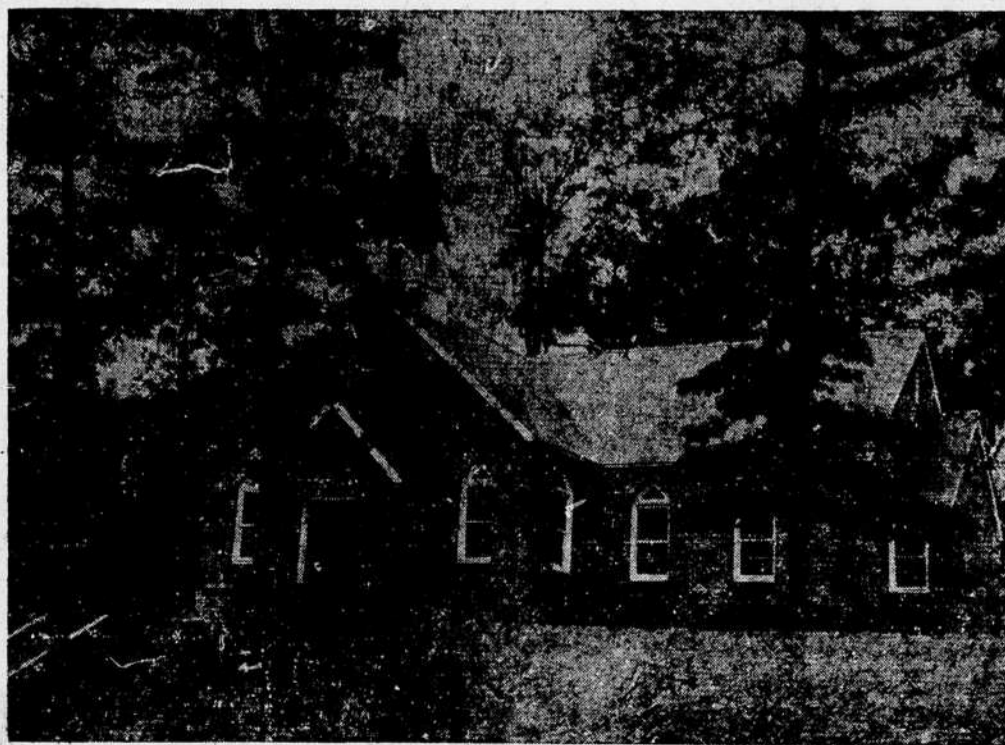
Rippers Preparing For Erwin Game

After being humbled by the Morganton Wild Cats in a conference football game last Friday night, the Marion Rippers have been put through their paces by Coaches Ditt and Gibson in preparation for the Erwin, Tennessee game to be played in Marion tomorrow night.

Little is known of the strength of the Erwin team, but according to past reputation, the Rippers are expecting a formidable foe. Emphasis this week has been placed on tackling and line charging, which appeared to be weak spots in the game last Friday.

SCHOOLS TO BE CLOSED FRIDAY OF THIS WEEK

City and County schools will be closed Friday of this week to permit faculty members to attend a meeting of the North Carolina Education association in Asheville, according to announcement by H. F. Beam, city superintendent, and N. F. Stepp, county superintendent.



This is the Landis Memorial Presbyterian church on Highway 221 where the fall meeting of the Concord Presbytery will be held October 11. The church has a new building, new pews and pulpit furniture. Presbytery, through its Home Missions Committee, has had a large part in financing this building in one of the most rapidly developing areas of the Presbytery. Thus it is that the Presbytery will have an opportunity to see first hand one of its own projects.