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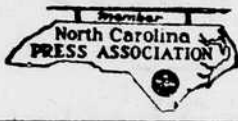
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### IT CAN HAPPEN HERE

The Newton train wreck happened only 65 miles from Marion.

The wreck could have happened right here. If it had, what would have happened to the many people who were injured?

The Marion General Hospital has room for only ONE emergency case at a time! The hospital, originally built for 32 patients, is crowded with an additional ten beds—in the hallways, in private and semi-private rooms—and still, there is only one bed that is available for emergency patients. The hospital needs five more beds to meet even the MINIMUM safety requirement for emergency cases set by the American Hospital Association.

Should McDowell county have a disaster comparable to the Newton train wreck, the injured would have to be taken over the mountain roads to Asheville or Morganton. Such delays would be dangerous.

The people of McDowell county must have adequate hospital facilities to take care of emergency cases! If every citizen does his part in the Hospital Drive, we can have a modern new 60-bed hospital. It will be a hospital. It will be a hospital large enough and near enough to mean perhaps the difference between life and death—and it could be your own life or death. For every dollar that the people of this county give, the state and federal governments will give two dollars!

Do your part! The people of McDowell county have already contributed \$120,000. But this is not enough! Everyone must give again, to assure the construction of a new Marion General Hospital. It will be YOUR hospital. Every contribution—no matter how small—will be an investment in somebody's life. When you are approached give—and give generously.

### RECOGNIZING RELIGION

The first official recognition of the world's religions in the proceedings of the United Nations occurred the other day when the General Assembly decided, by vote of 45-to-0, to open and close its deliberations with a minute of silence devoted to prayer and meditation.

In its earlier meetings, the United Nations hesitated to make a gesture to the religions of the world because of the difficulties associated with the conventional, oral prayer.

As a result, there was a flood of protests from persons throughout the world who insisted that the organization should take cognizance of man's religious heritage.

We think it quite fitting for the United Nations to render an obeisance to the spiritual power that moves the Universe. It is not necessary for the organization to specifically approve any religious creed but the fact that it pauses for silence and meditation acknowledges the existence of a power far greater than man.

The moment of silence is a splendid device to avoid the complications that would ensue if the representatives of the various religions of the world are not to be offended. Luckily, the United Nations is not called upon to make a declaration as to the faith of the people of its member nations and this is fortunate because any attempt to do so would probably break up the ambitious effort of the nations to organize the world for peaceful procedure in regard to material things.

The Marion Progress has always opened its columns to the religious news of the county. If your church is not represented in our news columns, it is not our fault.

Advertising is what a newspaper has to sell and it is rarely given away by any newspaper in which it is any good.

The trouble with the American government is that our people expect too much for too little performance.

Marion has its faults, no doubt, but why not talk about its good points, which are many?

### "STORY OF THE CENTURY"

What may be the "medical story of the century" is ACTH, the hormone from the pituitary gland, which is being hailed by some medical men as having opened a new area in medicine.

The new drug is not yet available, except for research purposes at selected medical institutions, but reports are that it has scored triumphs so far in controlling asthma, hay fever, drug sensitivity and other allergic ills. Dr. Walter Bauer, of the Harvard Medical School, is surprised at "the astonishing ability of ACTH apparently to turn diseases off and on at will" which, he thinks, "marks the opening of a new era in medicine."

It seems that Dr. John R. Motte, medical director for Armour and Company Laboratories, has directed the vast research program which is being maintained. The Armour Company concentrates and distributes the substance free for clinical investigation.

It may be too early to assert that the drug will cure the diseases mentioned or relieve patients from the necessity of using penicillin and insulin without grave danger. The drug counteracts the sensitivity to these drugs which may mean life or death. Present research will be continued and, in time, no doubt, ACTH will take its place among the miracle drugs of the present century.

### FARM PRICE SUPPORT

The observation was made recently that "farm production is running a race with congressional attempts to curb it—and is winning." In other words, so long as Congress takes tax money to support farm prices, farmers bend every effort to increase production. This is "fine business" for the farmer, but it will eventually kill the goose which is laying the golden eggs.

Only last Thursday, government authorities announced that control of cotton acreage would be established next year if given approval by the cotton farmers. This action was taken as a result of prediction that cotton production in 1949 will be the largest in 12 years. With cotton prices supported by the government, is it any wonder that the cotton farmers are going all out in their production efforts? It is shortsighted to do this, but one farmer reasons that he might as well take advantage of the situation if his neighbors want to be shortsighted.

Incidentally, the government now has \$550,000,000 invested in cotton which was bought to support the price.

There are other farm surpluses in the hands of the government, and serious trouble is brewing. For instance, the government owns 2,304,000,000 eggs in which it has invested \$85,000,000. And the eggs are beginning to spoil.

It must be apparent even to the farmers that some changes must be made in the farm price support plan. Certainly it is not good sense to support prices by buying surpluses, and then allowing farmers to produce just as much as they can.

Secretary of Agriculture Brannan is advocating a plan which would allow farm prices to seek their own level, and then have the government pay a direct subsidy to the farmer, the subsidy to represent the difference between what we have gotten. But there is strong opposition to the plan.—Stanley News and Press.

### FOR RURAL TELEPHONE SERVICE

The bill to expand telephone service in rural areas provides for new and expanding phone systems along the line of the Rural Electrification Administration loans.

There is no good reason why the Government should not take whatever steps are necessary to provide reasonable telephone service for those who live in rural areas. It is spending millions of dollars every year to provide airplane service to larger cities and other millions every year to provide steamship service between ports of the world.

The Rural Electrification program, instituted less than twenty years ago, has done much to revolutionize life in rural areas. By making electricity available to those who live on our farms, the agency has not only added conveniences to farm homes, but it has made available the necessary power to assist the farmer in the mechanization of his various processes.

Forward-looking children are already looking forward to the arrival of Santa Claus. It won't be long now!

The hunting season, about to be on in full blast, will see a number of hunters blasted by shots intended for game.

Religion is getting to be so complicated, in this modern era, that the day-of-rest idea is losing ground.

Buy what you need from the businesses in Marion—this is a good rule for building up Marion.

HOSPITALS  
 helped us\*  
 get off  
 to a good  
 start!

\* Almost 73,000 of us were born in North Carolina hospitals last year



There were 754 babies born last year at Marion General Hospital. Help get them off to a good start by relieving overcrowded conditions and make room for more babies to have hospital births. Make your contribution to the drive for a new hospital as liberal as possible. Make it as promptly as possible.

## THE ROSE - - Kinds and Classes

By Mrs. M. W. Gordon, Jr.

The horticultural varieties have been chiefly derived by repeated hybridization of 30 wild species. The varieties, numbering over four thousand, are divided according to habit or culture into 43 classes of which the following are the most important.

Hybrid teas are most popular. Polyanthas dwarf — very small flowers in clusters.

The Polyanthas is used to better advantage for edging and accent of color groups. These need good soil, sun part of the day and space them 15 inches apart. These roses are supposed to be pest proof, and very easy to grow.

Floribundas—This is a cross between hybrid teas and Polanthas climbers. Floribundas are a mass of color. They thrive almost anywhere, and are resistant to disease and neglect. You will need at least six for a start. Carillon—red, Betty Prior—soft pink, Smiles—salmon pink, Summer Snow—white, Pinnochias—corsage, World's Fair—red.

Scotch roses — cushion - like shrubs for borders and low planting, beautiful for mass planting 3 to 4 feet wide along driveway.

Tea roses—these are the Brides-

maid pink, Alexander Hill (yellow), Maman Cochet 1893 (pink and citron yellow).

Perpetual—These roses bloom more than once and are more hardy than hybrids, also very fragrant. There are the Fran Karl Druschki, Paul Neyron and the Mrs. John Laing.

Shrub rose—these are the easiest of all to grow. They need no special soil, and are not subject to disease. They bloom for weeks, even before the hybrid teas.

Miniature roses—good for winter growing in windows. Exact replicas of large kinds. Leave outdoors until early January. Buds are the size of a grain of wheat. Tom Thumb—semi-double, deep crimson with white at base of petals. These are considered the best.

Creeping roses—the Dr. Van Fleet is an enduring rose of rampant habit. The Max Graf is a more Hardy type, a pink trailing mass cover for terrace bank. Climbers—any rose adapted to tying to a support. Paul Scarlet, a climber which grows well on a post. Crimson Rambler, does not ramble. The American Pillar does ramble.

American Pillar, Blaze and the Dr. Van Fleet are considered among the best climbers.

### THE STATE'S EARLY GROWTH

During the early part of its history North Carolina grew slowly in population and wealth. By 1715 there were three towns: Bath, Edenton and New Bern, with enough people to entitle them to representation in the assembly. Bath, the oldest town in the colony, was incorporated in 1705 but never became large. Edenton, founded before 1710, was a seat of government for a number of years. New Bern was founded by German and Swiss Palatines in 1710.

The Tuscarora War, which broke out in 1711, was the most serious uprising in the history of the colony. Hundreds of white settlers were killed before the Indians were subdued with the aid of South Carolina troops.

Beaufort was established in 1722. Brunswick, near the mouth of the Cape Fear, was founded about 1725 by settlers from South Carolina. Until the outbreak of the American Revolution it was an important port as well as a political center.

Wilmington, founded in 1730 as New Liverpool, soon became the colony's chief port.

### HOME, HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION

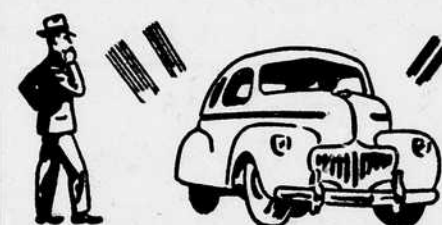
President Truman has signed two bills which are intended to spur construction of hospitals and moderately-priced homes. The housing bill provides \$2,375,000,000 in new Government authority to insure or purchase home mortgages. The other measure provides \$150,000,000 a year in Federal aid to the states for hospital construction, extending the existing law from June 30, 1951 to June 30, 1955, and doubling the present annual Federal authorization for hospital-building.

First school in North Carolina was established in Pasquotank county in 1705. It was a private school taught by Charles Griffin. The first public schools in the state were opened in 1840.

### FARM INCOME

Gross farm income is expected to total about \$30,000,000,000 this year, with actual cash income from marketings of about \$18,000,000,000.

### GOING TO TRADE OR BUY A NEW CAR?



For information regarding financing and automobile insurance, it will be to your advantage to insure with full coverage Farm Bureau Mutual Automobile Insurance—which will fully protect your interests and those of the financing organization which you select.

FOR FULL INFORMATION—CALL OR WRITE

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Representing  
 Farm Bureau Mutual Automobile Ins. Co.  
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### EXECUTRIX' NOTICE

Having qualified as Executrix of the Estate of Archie H. Mitchem, deceased, late of McDowell county, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned, at Marion, N. C., on or before the 21st day of October, 1950, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This the 18th day of October, 1949.  
 Maggie L. Mitchem,  
 Executrix of the Estate of Archie H. Mitchem, Deceased.

## Library Notes



BY ALICE BRYAN  
 County Librarian

"The best investment that any community, town, or city can make, is to give its children adequate schooling, and then have within their reach, a well built, well equipped, Public Library. It should be the most popular club in any settlement. There it is that the thirst for knowledge is both stimulated and appeased."

—From "Education" by George Matthew Adams.

New members registered at the library:

Rev. E. E. Church, Betty Dunn, Doris Hughes, Jimmy Lamb, Paul Norris Lamb, Joan Elaine Nesbitt, and Barbara Poteat.

New Books for Adults: "The Plum Tree" by Mary Ellen Chase—Novel of mingled tragedy and comedy, centering around Davis, and one day of her life in a home for aged women.

"Divine Mistress" by Frank G. Slaughter—"Well-known for his medical novel with American scenes, the author of 'Sangaree' now turns to the 16th Century for the setting and action of this book. In 1562 in the city of Padua there lived an ascetic young teacher of anatomy, Antonio Servetus. 'Divine Mistress' relates the remarkable adventures that led Antonio into the service of two mistresses, one a beautiful, imperious girl, the other his beloved practice of medicine. The story moves forward quickly with a series of dramatic incidents and forms an exciting, fast moving novel of intrigue, set against the rich, colorful background of the Renaissance."

"The Passionate Journey" by Irving Stone—"The story of John Noble, demon-driver artist from the plains of Kansas, whose search for God carried him across the world to work and paint with the greatest artists of his day. The loves, despair, rewards and tragedy of his life—his first painting of a nude for a western saloon to his gifted work in London, Paris, Provincetown and New York—are here rescued from oblivion by the author of 'Lust for Life.'"

"The Peaceable Kingdom" by Ardyth Kennedy—Novel of Salt Lake City in the 1890's and of Linnea, a greathearted woman who created something large and moving out of a multitude of little things.

"Price of Egypt" by Dorothy Clarke Wilson—"This story is told against a background of the unmatched splendor and color prevailing at the height of Egypt's conquest and power. The young prince is Moses, and the author's interpretation of his life as a young man makes this a novel that will be read for the appeal of its dramatic plot, and for its answers to questions that are older than the pyramids."

Books for Young People: "How Your Body Works" by Herman & Nina Schneider—This book answers many questions about health, such as; How do your eyes see? What makes your ears hear? What makes your feet go? and How do you think?

"Fourth Down" by Robert Bowen—Football story of Johnny Sloan, left halfback of Dayton University.

"Melindy's Happy Summer" by Georgene Faulkner—Another story about the little girl who won the medal for bravery.

Next Week's Bookmobile Schedule:

Tuesday, November 15:  
 9:20-9:30, Sevier (near bridge).  
 9:45-10:30, North Cove School.  
 10:35-10:40, North Cove Post office.

11:00-11:10, Home of Mrs. Walter Woodard.  
 11:15-11:45, Cox's Creek.  
 12:00-12:15, Big Lynn.  
 1:00-1:30, Little Switzerland.  
 1:45-2:10, Home of Miss Ruby Hollifield.

2:15-2:45, Home of Mrs. M. D. Hollifield.  
 2:50-3:15, Home of Mrs. Price Crisson.  
 3:20-3:25, Hollifield Post Office.  
 3:30-3:45, Home of Mrs. E. B. Wright.

4:00-4:15, Home of Mrs. Ollis.  
 4:20-4:30, Home of Mrs. Lester Hollifield.

Wednesday, November 16:  
 9:15-10:30, Eugene Cross School.

Read The Progress for local and current events.