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## Conservation Election To Be Held

A county soil conservation committee will be elected during the week of December 5-10 to succeed T. W. Stacy whose term has expired. L. B. Hairr, soil conservation agent, has announced.

Others serving on the committee are J. R. Jameson and W. G. Greenlee. Stacy was the only committeeman for this county for a period of six one-half years and was then selected for a two year term when the first, three-member committee was named. The expiration of his current term makes a total of eight and one-half years he has served consecutively on the committee.

## Mrs. Heers Presents Program At Kiwanis Meet

C. P. Wright, in charge of the program at the Kiwanis meeting held last Tuesday evening, presented Mrs. E. A. Heers and her Junior Glee Club in a half hour of entertainment. Mrs. Heers is director of music at the Pleasant Gardens High School. Her group of eighth, ninth, and tenth grade boys and girls rendered a number of Stephen Foster selections and Negro spirituals.

Roy W. Davis, president of the club, presided during the meeting and presided over a meeting of the Board of Directors immediately following the adjournment of the club.

E. L. Carter, a member of the Marion High School faculty, and Dr. S. V. Lewis, health officer of the McDowell County Health Unit, were welcomed as new members. Kiwanian Lee Conley, chairman of the Membership Committee, presented the Baby Kiwanians to the club.

## FIRE RECORD FOR THE WEEK

A truck caught fire at Pleasant Gardens last Wednesday, but firemen reported only slight damage.

Mack Lail's residence in West Marion caught fire Friday. Only slight damage to a flue was reported.

An automobile fire was reported Sunday night in front of the Elizabeth James Mills on Logan street. Firemen said the damage was not extensive.

## SEAGLE NAMES MERCHANTS TO SOLICIT LOCAL FIRMS FOR THE HOSPITAL DRIVE

### Ramsey Attending Vision Congress

Dr. K. W. Ramsey of Marion is attending the Occupational Vision Congress at Raleigh, Nov. 27-30.

The Congress is sponsored by the N. C. State Optometric Society and the Department of Psychology at N. C. State College. Main interest is centered on research in occupational vision at State College.

### MARION MAN'S FATHER PASSES

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hasskamp were called to Cheraw, S. C., last week by the death of the former's father W. F. Hasskamp. Mrs. Hasskamp returned to Marion over the week-end while Harry Hasskamp accompanied his mother to Aitkin, Minnesota, where funeral services for Mr. Hasskamp were held last Sunday.

## CROP Program Organized

Heads of the McDowell County Christian Rural Overseas Program met Monday in the office of H. F. Beam and set December 15 as the deadline for receiving materials.

A committee composed of Rev. Charles Frenzel, Rev. C. C. Cross, I. A. McLain and S. J. Westmoreland was appointed to present the program to local ministers. The churches will serve as collection depots. The town churches are being asked to make cash contributions and the rural churches to donate food.

Eventually the cash donations will be turned over to Rev. C. C. Cross, pastor of the East Marion Baptist church, to be sent to heading. (Continued on last page)

## Hospital Drive Off To Good Start

### READ THE ADS AND TRY TO WIN A MOVIE PASS

The Marion Theatre and Marion Progress awarded theatre passes in last week's Read-The-Ads contest as follows:

Troy Ellis, student; C. B. Young, child; Miss Ruby Lewis and Bill Rowe, adults residing within the city limits.

Rural readers winning were Mrs. Guy Little and Miss Selma Faye Bright.

Each week from now until Christmas The Marion Progress and the Marion Theatre will award passes each week\* to two adults living within the city limits, two living outside the city limits, one to a student over 12 years of age and one to a child under 12.

Anyone is eligible to try for these passes except employees of The Progress and members of their families.

Here's all you have to do. (Continued on page 3)

### Turkish Tobacco Meet To Be Held

R. H. Crouse, agronomy extension specialist in Turkish tobacco, will conduct a meeting here for Turkish tobacco farmers at two o'clock, December 8, in the court room, S. L. Homewood, county farm agent, announced yesterday.

## SEAGLE NAMES MERCHANTS TO SOLICIT LOCAL FIRMS FOR THE HOSPITAL DRIVE

Amos Seagle, president of the Marion Merchants association, has appointed the following committee to solicit all firms in or near Marion for contributions to the Marion General Hospital Building Fund:

J. Arthur Walker, M. W. Gordon, Jr., Roy Morrow, Wayne Suttle, Ed Rowe, W. G. Ballew, V. T. Eckerd, S. R. Perkins, Amos H. Seagle, J. R. Jameson, D. W. Tainter, Carl McCall, Robert Landis, W. S. Shiflet and W. H. Norris.

### Pool Raids 155th Still

Sheriff C. M. Pool now has 155 stills to his credit.

The last two raided this week included one in Bracketts township of 100 gallon capacity. Those making the raid were Willard Toney, (Continued on last page)

## ROTARY FARMERS' NIGHT WILL BE HELD FRIDAY

### CLOSING HOURS FOR LOCAL STORES ARE ANNOUNCED

The Marion Merchants association calls attention to a motion carried at the last quarterly meeting in regard to closing hours during the Christmas shopping season.

It was agreed that beginning Friday, December 16, stores would remain open until eight o'clock evenings and continue that schedule through December 24. Grocery stores were exempt from the ruling.



H. B. CALDWELL, Master of the North Carolina State Grange, will be speaker at the eighth annual observance of Farmers Night Friday Night, December 2, sponsored by the Marion Rotary club. The program will be held at the community building and will start at 7 p. m.

## Autopsies Performed In Twins' Deaths

Autopsies were performed here Monday afternoon on the bodies of Carolyn Diane and Carl Dennis Teaster, two-months-old twin daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Edward Teaster of Tunnel Road, Marion, route 1.

The infants died Sunday night or early Monday morning while in bed.

They were brought to Marion General Hospital early Monday where they were pronounced dead on arrival.

A report from the autopsies is expected to be ready the latter part of the week, S. J. Westmoreland, McDowell county coroner, said that the report will determine whether or not he will make an investigation.

Funeral services were conducted at Yancey Street Baptist church at 4:30 Tuesday afternoon by Rev. Willis assisted by Rev. C. C. Cross and burial was in Oak Grove cemetery.

Other than the parents they are survived by a small brother Paul.

## Art Byrd Named Member Of All America

Hugh Beam, superintendent of the Marion City Schools and a former coach of the Marion High School Rippers, stated that he was elated over the selection of Art Byrd as a member of the official Little All-America selection.

Byrd is a senior at the Western Carolina Teachers College, where he has performed as an outstanding athlete for the past four years. For three successive years, Byrd made the All-Conference selection, of which his college is a member, and his coaches at Western Carolina Teachers College have been high in the praise of the scrappy Marion 175 pound guard, who has been singled out as a Little All-America football player.

Beam stated that Art Byrd was a member of the Marion High School team in 1942. The Marion (Continued on last page)

## Corn Growing Awards Will Be Presented To Five Contestants

The Rotary club will sponsor its eighth annual Farmers Night Friday, December 2, at the community building. The program will begin at seven o'clock.

H. B. Caldwell, of Greensboro, Master of the North Carolina State Grange, who addressed the group at its first Farmers' Night, will be speaker again this year. He is known as a leader in the field of agriculture and a fluent speaker.

J. R. Jameson, chairman of the Rural-Urban Acquaintance committee, said he anticipates an attendance of about 100. The five, prize-winning 4-H and FFA boys will receive awards. (Continued on last page)

## Red Cross Bloodmobile Made Visit To Clinchfield

### MARION BAPTISTS ARE ELECTED TO STATE OFFICES

Rev. M. O. Owens, Jr., was elected president of the State Baptist Ministers' Conference and W. R. Chambers was elected trustee of Mars Hill college at the Baptist State Convention held in Raleigh last week.

Chambers has been moderator of the Blue Ridge Baptist association for several years and served a four year term as trustee of Meredith College. He was trustee of Mars Hill for 20 years.

### Confirmation At St. John's

The Rt. Rev. M. George Henry, of Asheville, will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation and preach at St. John's Episcopal church at eight o'clock, Thursday Night, December 1, Rev. Albert P. Mack, rector has announced. All are welcome.

### Community Sing

Everyone is invited to attend the Community Sing at the Marion high school auditorium Friday, December 9, at 8 o'clock p. m.

This program is sponsored by the Public Relations Committee of the N. C. E. A.

There will be no admission charge.

## Yule Spirit To Prevail At Central P. T. A. Meeting

### Harris And White Buy Wallace Store

The store formerly known as Wallace, Inc., 5-10-25c store has been purchased and is now being operated by N. P. Harris and B. E. White and is known as Harris-White Co., 5-10-25c stores, according to announcement in an advertisement in this week's issue of The Progress.

The public is cordially invited to visit the store. A number of Christmas suggestions will be found in the advertisement this week.

## Christmas Seal Sale Reported Good

A total of \$683.83 was collected during the first nine days of the Christmas Seal Sale drive. Mrs. Edna Earle Stancell, chairman, said this week and added that she is well pleased with the progress made up to this time.

The campaign is sponsored by this county by the Marion Woman's club to wage war against tuberculosis.

### Civitan Club To Change Time Of Meetings

The Civitan club voted to change the time of meeting to the second and fourth Monday evenings of each month, at a meeting last week.

Volunteer donors for the Red Cross Bloodmobile visit to Clinchfield this week totaled 125, according to a report Tuesday by Miss Marie Jarrett, chairman. The schedule called for donors to be accepted from 9 a. m., until 5:30 p. m., and final figures as to the amount received were not available by press time.

Those serving with Miss Jarrett were Rev. Paul Stokes, publicity chairman with Rev. R. C. Clontz, Rev. H. R. Cornelius and Miss Ruth Greenlee as members of his committee. J. Atlas Cannon was recruiting chairman.

Recruiters working with him in the various departments are:

Tom Hall, Wilford Taylor, Mary Boone, G. W. Davis, Bertie Biggerstaff, Carl Rowland, Grace Rowland, Octavius Young, Lillie Cooper.

Herman Moore, Ella Wages, Stokes Proctor, Ella Reynolds, Max Harris, Pinkie Crouch, Carl Martin, Virginia Watson, Paul Pittman.

G. E. Locke, Mildred Earley, Marshall McGalliard, Fuce Hughes, Myrtle Freshour, Morris Matthews, Rass Young, Daisy Foster.

Jannette Curtis, James Rhymer, Nellie Norman, W. C. Higgins, Ben T. Wylie, Jr., Mae Browne, Charlie Greene, Bessie Proctor, Homer Taylor.

### Dry Thanksgiving

McDowell county observed a safe Thanksgiving with no highway accidents reported, according to State Highway Patrolmen.

Sheriff C. M. Pool said it was the "driest" Thanksgiving he had observed and not one case of drunkenness was reported to his office during the holiday.