

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

Bank of Marion. House for Rent. Lefever Arms Co. Marion Democrat—Dollar Day. Dr. J. A. Somers—Appointments. Marion Theatre—Paramount Week. Max Weiler Clothing Company—Low Prices.

NOT THE RIGHT MAN

Sunday night Sergeant G. A. Snavely received word from the police authorities of Roanoke to watch the Norfolk & Western Railway trains for the man that had killed a young boy in Roanoke with a rock, who was supposed to be on a freight train going west.

Splendid Assortment of Dress and Work Shirts, Underwear, Socks, Ties Etc.

MAX WEILER CO. Money can be saved by calling on MAX WEILER CO.

For good Quality, Stylish made and low prices on clothing.

Hundreds of Suits, Odd Coats and separate Plants just received at MAX WEILER CO.

Classified Advertisements.

DR. J. A. SOMERS 684 N. Carrollton Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland, will be at MARION HOTEL, September 1. RURAL RETREAT, September 2. WYTHEVILLE, Fourth Ave., Hotel, September 3, for the purpose of examining the eyes and glasses fitted.

FOR RENT—A nine room house with bath and water in kitchen. All in good condition. Also garage in connection with property. Apply to C. H. FORD, Marion, Va.

FOR SALE. A four burner Oil Stove, for cooking purposes, almost new. Price reasonable. Call at MAX WEILER CO

WILLIAM E. ROSSER General Insurance

Anything you want in Insurance. LIFE, HEALTH, ACCIDENT, FIRE. Full Casualty line. Our Home Life of Washington, D. C. Globe Indemnity Co., Newark, N. J. Commercial Casualty Company, Newark, N. J.

NOTICE

SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF MARION Commencing at 2 o'clock P. M. on the

30th DAY OF AUGUST, 1924, at the residence property of the late Dr. W. P. McGinnis, in the town of Marion, Smyth County, Virginia, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder the household and kitchen furniture and dental supplies tools, and appliances of the said Dr. W. P. McGinnis, deceased.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash in hand on sum of \$10.00 and less; above \$10.00, on twelve months time with approved security and interest from date.

ULMER MCGINNIS, Admr. of W. P. McGinnis, Aug 14 n d tds

Dr. Max Rauch EYE-SIGHT SPECIALIST in charge of The Wytheville Optical Company, WYTHEVILLE, VA.

will be at J. K. Fisher's Jewelry Store, Marion, Va., every Wednesday for the purpose of examining the eyes, and GLASSES FITTED.

WORKING FOR THE GOOD OF BOTH THE TOWN AND COUNTY. A Marion Industry That Goes To The Home And Spreads General Information.

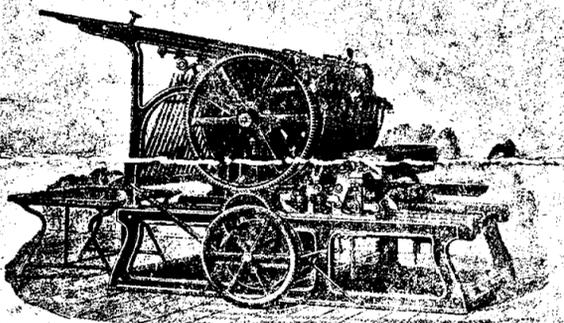
MARION A TOWN WITH NATION-WIDE INDUSTRIES.

Marion is a great Town. It has many great and far-reaching industries that are covering the country as a blanket, that knows no limits to their energies and territory for trade.

But Marion has another industry, which as far as Smyth County is concerned is as potential as any of the others; this is the Marion Publishing Company, which is each week sending into the palatial homes of the rich and also the humble cabin of the dweller on the mountain-side the Marion Democrat and the Marion News, carrying information and intelligence which without their weekly visit could not otherwise be obtained.



Plant of The Marion Publishing Company.



THE BIG PRESS THAT PRINTS WEEKLY THE NEWS & DEMOCRAT

The present management came to Marion in January, 1921. The offices of publication was then located in the wooden-frame building on the south side of Main Street at the corner of Cemetery Street. While these offices were centrally located they were not nearly large enough for the growing business, and indeed the Job Department had been for several years located in rooms in the old Jackson Building, thus necessitating really two offices, the newspaper offices on one side and the job department on the other side of Main Street.

Goes into a New Fire-proof Brick Building.

In the spring of 1924 contract was entered into with Mr. R. G. Gooisby for the erecting of a building in the rear of the Jackson building, opposite the Court House Square, of sufficient size to accommodate both offices. This is a brick building with concrete floor, splendidly lighted, and in every way is suited for the purpose of newspaper offices. Into this building the two departments, both newspaper and job, was moved the month of June, and to the credit of the working force he it said that there was no omission in the regular weekly appearance of either paper and only one paper was even a day late in making its appearance. The picture at the center of this paper gives a view of the interior of the room with the working force at their usual places of work: Mr. J. G. Stephenson, foreman of the newspaper department; Joseph S. Stephenson, Jr., who manipulates the keys of the Intertype Type-setting Machine, J. P. Minerick, who has charge of the job department, and not the least member of the force is the "devil," Zeb Petty, who will be seen with the implement of his office in hand, the broom.

To the layman the Press is the most important implement engaged in the production of a newspaper, and for this reason we call attention to the big newspaper Press in our office. This is one of the largest sizes of what is known as the drum cylinder type, and has a speed of from 1800 to 2,000 impressions to the hour. This is one of the best makes of Presses on the market, and not only will it handle all kinds of newspaper work, but will print catalogue and book work equally as well. With

its installation our office is taken from the class of what was known in former times as the "country" office and has become capable of handling grades of the highest class of work. This press is driven by an electric motor (3-H. P.) and has three different speeds of rotation which are attained by merely changing a belt from one speed pulley to another. In the matter of news-

tion of this wonderful machine, which has revolutionized the art of composition. The lead from which the type is cast is kept in a molten state by means of an electric heater in the pot that contains the metal; the Intertype is electrically driven, and has a speed of casting 6 lines of type per minute, and the operator at the keyboard and the machine are doing the same work that in the days of the old hand man would have taken five men to do. Our machine is equipped with two magazines, a large and a small size type, and as our mats are what is known as 2-letter mats, the operator has at his command four series of type; should we so desire this machine could be equipped with many other faces of type. It is used in our office not only for the composition of the newspaper but also in setting many of the advertisements that appear, and also in the composition of much of the work of the job department. This machine is absolutely dependent on electricity for both motive power and for heating the metal, consequently when there is trouble with the current, every part of the newspaper office is thrown out of gear and every work is compelled to stop. In our office the Intertype Machine is in charge of Mr. Joseph S. Stephenson, Jr.

Getting Ready for the Post Office

The type has been set, the forms locked up, on the press and the big machine has turned out the printed page ready for the reader. But before it can be mailed out it must be folded to the required size, and here again is where the improved machinery in our office is made use of. The Eclipse Newspaper and Job Folding Machine takes the printed page and folds it as exact, in as many folds as is required, as can be done by hand. This is a very fast machine and can be operated just as fast as the paper can be fed into it; it is driven by a small electric motor.

From the folding machine the papers are taken to be addressed. Here as elsewhere in the Marion office equipped with only the best, and the addressing machine used is what is known as the Omaha Mailing Machine. The name of the patron is printed on the margin of the paper; no paste is used in this operation and consequently there is no danger of the name coming off while in transit in the mails. The speed of the addressing machine is only limited by the dexterity of the man that is operating it. The names of the subscribers are set up on the Intertype machine, placed on a galley and run through the addressing machine, which prints one name on each paper. Thus it is that there can be no omission in mailing out the different editions from our office; once a name has been placed on the mailing galleys there can be no skipping it on mailing day, and when a subscriber does not get his paper the fault does not lay in the newspaper office, as there can be no omission there; the only way it can be omitted is when it has been ordered to be taken off of the galley.

We have given above a brief outline of the printing of a newspaper. It can be read in but a few moments, but to the newspaper office that has the work to do, it means close and careful attention from Monday morning until after the paper is put in the post office. A newspaper office is no place for a lazy man or a careless one. There is no detail that is unimportant, and there are hundreds that are necessary in the issuing of a

paper that we have not touched on, but only briefly alluded to the major operations. Despite the utmost care errors will creep in, for it is not one party that we are weekly dealing, but with hundreds of different things, and all must be carried on at the same time. Is it therefore any wonder that the poor printer is guilty of "bad breaks." Poor man, he is used to getting the onus whether he is guilty or not.

The Job Department.

A Job Office and a Newspaper office are two separate and distinct establishments; the kind of machinery used, the stock used for the work, the ink, the type, in fact the whole equipment differs. This has become more pronounced each year, and has resulted in most large cities in the establishment of two branches of trade; few city newspapers these days handle any job work and few job shops do any newspaper work. The result of this is that the office that attempts to cover the entire field takes a double burden on itself. Yet in a town that is distant from large cities an office is compelled to put in a job equipment to meet the requirements of its town. An experience of a number of years has convinced us that when a man wants a job it is very much like when a man wants a doctor, he wants it "now." He did not know that he was quite so near out of stationery; the sale must be pulled off on a certain day, and he has not time to give notice, so he must have the bills "at once." This is the song the job printer gets, and he is expected to dance to the fast tune.

Fast Job Presses.

The job printer generally thoroughly understands that human peculiarity well when he puts in his machinery; so he looks after speed. The Marion office is well equipped in this regard, and has two of its speedy job presses as are made. The smaller one, on which the smaller variety of work is printed running at a speed of 2000 per hour, while the larger one will make 1500 impression to the hour. Both of these presses are driven by individual motors, and have all the appliances of the modern press. They are both of the Chandler & Price make, being manufactured in Cleveland, Ohio. All kind of commercial printing, with the exception of embossing and engraving can be handled on these presses, and their speed and versatility make them the most useful and successful machines that can be placed in a job printing office.

Where The Paper Is Cut.

Our Job Department is also equipped with another machine that is absolutely essential in turning out nice work; this is a paper cutter; we have a 24-inch Chandler & Price. This is an exceedingly strong and durable cutter, and is often called upon to cut sheets from 22 to 24 inches wide numbering anywhere up to 500 sheets at a single cut; paper is hard to cut and consequently these machines must be very strong with sharp knives to cut the stock. Job papers, cards, and different kinds of stock is bought in large sheets and have to be cut by the printer into such sizes as the work he is called upon to do require; the cutter is a machine that is in constant demand in a job office, and a good cutter is necessary to turning out a well finished job.

Miscellaneous Equipment. The implements that are constantly in use in a job office are too numerous for us here to enumerate them all. The Stapler is need for the binding of books and pamphlets; the perforator is demanded in the making of books with stubs and detachable leaves; the Punch is needed to make holes for the filing of leaves in binders, etc. But their name is legion yet the Marion job department is arranged to take care of all the demands.

Great Variety Of Type Faces.

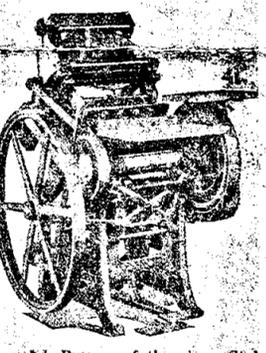
In this department arises the demand for a variety of type faces. The Marion Publishing Company is concerned in every line of business that is done in our County, and for this reason we have a stock of type faces of every size and style. We have a large stock of type faces of every size and style. We have a large stock of type faces of every size and style. We have a large stock of type faces of every size and style.

Two Job Presses of the above Style

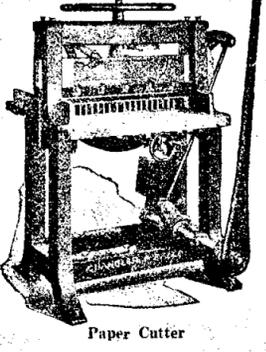
that is never-ending, and here is one of the greatest perplexities of the job printer. The type used in job work is very expensive and the variety is endless. There are hardly any two people with the same taste, what one likes another does not. But there are certain standards of good taste, and certain standards of type that will always turn out good work, and in these lines our office is particularly well equipped. These type are contained in type cabinets, and we are continually adding new faces and replacing old ones as they become worn. While we do not claim that the Marion Job Office has all that the trade affords in the way of variety, we do claim that we have a well-stocked assortment of the standard faces that will turn out nice and stylish work, good presses that will print clean nice looking work, and capable men that know how to get the best results from the use of both. Mr. J. P. Minerick has charge of our Job Department, and is an expert pressman and a good job printer.

Paper Cutter

Explatory. We have taken the trouble and gone to the expense of writing this descriptive article and secured the pictures of the office of the Marion Publishing Company, for the reason that there are really few who know



Two Job Presses of the above Style



Paper Cutter

of the business and facilities presented by this office. Almost every man in any kind of business has found out that the day of small business is past; if you are in business you are in competition with other people in the same line, and you must be expansive or you will go to the wall. The pace that has been set is a fast one, and this is especially true in every business since the great World War. In our business the old hand press has been relegated to the junk; pile and its place taken by the high speed power press; the old hand compositor is no longer to be seen working at the case, his place has been taken by Linotype machine. In every department in our business is the same story.

This is not along true of the printing trade; the merchant that pursues the practices of the hand compositor is very soon out-stripped in the race for business with his competitor that has installed the later day methods. The city merchant no longer goes to the paper man with a demand for inches of advertising, his demand now is for pages. This has compelled the city paper to now issue 60 and 80 pages in place of the old 4 and 8 page paper. Fast trains, daily Rural Carriers place these dailies in the country homes, and with the Parcel Post Delivery, the country merchant is placed in direct competition with his city brother. This is true in our business as well as others.

Thus the force of circumstances has compelled us to expand with the expansion of others, and today we are prepared to give the service that the fast age demands. But we have this advantage to offer that others have not: we live in Smyth County, we give Smyth County news, we advertise Smyth County goods, and we spend our money in Smyth County. Therefore when a dollar is spent with us it stays at home and is put in circulation in the avenues of trade of our County; when it is sent abroad it is sent to some other County, and it is not in our County, and for this reason we are constantly expanding our business for this County is concerned—it has gone to help build up and develop some other County. This is true in every line of business that is done in our County, and for this reason we are constantly expanding our business for this County is concerned—KEEPING YOUR MONEY AT HOME.

The business of the Marion Publishing Company is a large one, but it is not as large, and we are not doing as much good in up-building the County as we could do if we had a more hearty co-operation from the people all over the County. Use your County paper. We want correspondents to write us the news from all parts of the County; we want the business men in every part of the County to use our columns in advertising their business for more customers. Remember this—no man in business has got all the custom he wants; it is always the man that does not trade with you that you want the most. The columns of a paper is the most effective advertising medium known to the business world today. The paper is read at home, it is read in the family and discussed there by the family. They are not chance readers, they take the paper for what there is in it for them to read, and a good business advertisement is as much good news to them as a marriage or any other news happening.

In closing this article we wish to thank the people of Smyth County for the liberal support that has been given us since we have lived among them. But it could have been more, and if it had been greater we could have been able to have done more in giving more. We have not got to the top of the ladder of progress in developing the newspaper, business in our country, but we want your support and your encouragement. The more you help the better will be what we give and the faster the business will grow and expand. The Marion papers are working for the up-building and development of the people of Smyth County—will you help us?

FIRST FROST DUE OCTOBER 4.

Richmond—Sixty days from the date of the first fog in August, the old folks say, will come the first frost. The first August fog this year occurred this morning. This should mean that frost will visit this section of Virginia on October 4. This morning's fog was pronounced but not thick. By this token the first October frost should be easily discernible, but will not be heavy. Readers should make a mental note of the date and see if the old saying turned out to be correct this year. Many people in the rural districts declare that it has never failed.

HON. J. P. BUCHANAN.
Contributing Editor.

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NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC TICKET
Election, Tuesday, November 4, 1924

For President:
JOHN W. DAVIS
of West Virginia.

For Vice-President:
CHARLES BRYAN
of Nebraska.

FOR CONGRESS
Ninth Virginia District
GEORGE C. PEERY
of Tazewell County

CONGRESSMAN PEERY'S POPULARITY.

At no place in the Ninth Virginia district has the popularity of Congressman George C. Peery become more manifest than in Bristol since he has been in Congress. Situated at the other end of the district from Tazewell, Mr. Peery's home, Bristol saw little of him until he ran for congress.

In connection with his duties as congressman and in the course of his campaigns, it became necessary for Mr. Peery to make frequent visits here and he now has a host of friends and well wishers in the Twin City. A rousing ovation for him is planned when he comes here to speak in the present campaign for re-election and it is freely predicated that the city will register a record majority for him on election day.

The Democratic nominee has made more genuine friends in Bristol than any other man who ever represented the "Fighting Ninth" in congress, it is said.

CONGRESSMAN PEERY AND THE FARMER.

Since John W. Davis delivered his address in Clarksburg on last Monday night it has been the chief topic of conversation among all classes of people in this section and certainly among the farmers of the ninth Virginia district.

Mr. Davis plan for bringing agricultural relief has been praised by the press throughout the country and the farmers of the Ninth district are pointing with pride to the speech delivered in Congress by George C. Peery February 13, 1924. On the subject "The Problems of the Farmer and Livestock Producer." In this speech Mr Peery outlined the same plan as that proposed by Mr. Davis in his speech of acceptance on August 11.

Congressman Peery said in part, "the farmer and livestock producer, like all other classes, are suffering from the burden of excessive taxation both state and federal. They are suffering from high freight rates which are today from 50 to 80 per cent higher than they were before the war. This works a dual hardship. It reaches the farmer on what he has to buy as well as on what he has to sell. His situation is such that he can not control production; and of necessity he can not control the price of his product. Shall relief come under existing laws or is it necessary to enact new laws? If relief shall come under existing laws let us invoke them. First, give the farmer the benefit of a reduction in freight rates. Second, cut down the tax bill both state and federal. And in this connection, may I not suggest that it would be glad news to the farmer to hear that the tariff tax on the things he has to buy has been reduced and that as a consequence his dollar has a greater purchasing power."

Following this same line of reasoning John W. Davis said: "To the farmers of the United States also we promise not patronage but such laws and such administration of the laws as will enable them to prosper in their own right. We propose to see to it that the discriminations which the tariff makes against them shall be removed. The farmer is entitled to demand an adequate service of transportation at reasonable rates. In spite of the failures and shortcomings of existing laws this is an ideal which I cannot believe to be beyond the reach of attainment.

Thus it is shown that the Democratic candidate for Congress and the candidate for president are in complete accord as to how the government can best help the farmers.

In speaking of the difference between Coolidge and Davis on this subject, a local Democratic leader had the following to say:

The Davis-Peery plan is a practical one and is expressed more clearly than what ever idea President Coolidge may have on this subject, for in his speech accepting the Republican nomination he had simply this to say, A wise skilled and unselfish leadership can do more than anything else to rescue agriculture. Now that nature and economic law have given some temporary relief, I propose, to appoint a committee to investigate and report measure to Congress in December that may help to secure this result which we all desire."

"Consequently after studying the ideas advanced by both the Democratic and Republican candidates it is a simple matter to understand why the farmers are looking forward to a democratic victory this fall."

The Kiwanis Club

GROWING BETTER AND DOING BETTER EVERY DAY

The failure of the Club to meet last week had caused the members to miss something so that the attendance Tuesday night was fine, and all of the members seemed to be glad to be there. Then the program for the evening was exceptionally fine, there being two of as good addresses as have yet been made before the Club. Mine host Greet set up a fine feed, so taking everything together the Kiwanis meeting was a very pleasant and profitable one.

Bob Cooley gave the Attendance Prize, which was drawn by Bert Dickinson. There were several visitors present, and we noted Rev. J. J. Shearer of Richmond, a former Marion man, Mr. P. J. Quisenberry of Montgomery, Ala., and Mr. Hiter Robinson of Norton, Mr. Williams of Richmond, who is a representative of the American Tobacco Company, and presented each member of the Club with a package of Chesterfield cigarettes, that were highly appreciated.

The President then called for a report from the committee on Crippled Children, and two letters were read, one from Rina Myers, one of the children that has been sent to the University Hospital for treatment, and the other from the doctor in charge of the children at the hospital. The Club directed that the letters be published, and we give below the one written to Mr. Wilson Scott, but the other letter was in charge of Rev. H. B. Brown, who has this week been going to school at Emory, and is probably being so busy getting his lessons that he forgot to give the letter to us.

Below we give the letter from the Myers child:

University Hospital,
Charlottesville, Va.
August 4, 1924.

Mr. Wilson Scott:
Marion, Va.

Dear Mr. Scott:—
As in one of the cripple children from Marion, that the Kiwanis Club sent to the Hospital, and as I understand you are very much interested in the cripple children, I decide to write you. I'm the Myers girl that was sent to the hospital in June, and as I have undergone both of my operations and am getting along fine, I wish to thank the members of the Kiwanis Club for sending me here and getting my feet straight.

I will do all I can to encourage the parents of the cripple children to send them here. I'm treated as kind as here, and am not homesick at all. I'll never regret my trip, and I don't think any other child would.

I hope to be at home soon for school, and let other cripple children see what the Kiwanis Club has done for me, and can do for those whose parents are willing for them to go. And I think all parents should let their cripple children go and have something done for them that they would always appreciate more than anything on earth.

So I will always have a strong belief in the Kiwanis Club because they have done so much for me. I remain your truly,
RINA MYERS

Mr. R. T. Greer, of the R. T. Greer Medicinal Drug Company, of Marion, was then called on for a brief talk on his business. It is a line of business which the ordinary layman is absolutely ignorant; but Mr. Greer showed by his brief address that he is in full possession of its every detail. His address was particularly interesting from the novelty of the subject; every one is aware that the drug stores carry many different kind of extracts and medicines, but that they come from the roots and barks and plants that grows so plentifully on our hillsides and mountains few stopped to consider. Mr. Greer's address was one of the best we have listened to at the Club, and our regret is that we are not able to reproduce it in full as delivered.

As this was Educational night the program was turned over to Rev. G. W. Wilson, the chairman of the Educational committee. He stated that a part of education was a review of the work of the past, and as the Kiwanis Club had now been in existence in Marion for the past eighteen months it would be instructive to review the work of the Club during that period. The object of the Club is to build and to give an opportunity to the under-privileged child, and the Marion Club has done good work along both lines. We cannot even give a brief out-line of the many works that the Club has been engaged in, but we were particularly struck with the great work it has done in building a community spirit among its members. The public spirit for the good of all is better today in Marion than ever before, and when this is accomplished the battle is won, and there is no object too great for accomplishment. The children who today are receiving aid for future work in life is the result of this spirit, and this is but one of many. The Kiwanis Club of Marion is doing a grand work for the whole community, and every one that has the good of our community at heart should give it a helping hand and wish it God-speed.

Order of Oaks meets every second and fourth Friday night in Odd Fellows Hall 7:30 P. M.
E. M. SNIDER, President.
B. B. COPENHAVER, Secy.

LOOK HERE.

You can get from the Laurel Spring Sanitary Dairy Cream for your strawberries and plenty of good sanitary milk for the boys and girls to drink. That puts the pink in their cheeks, (no paint necessary.) I have some separated milk that's good to make your bread at twenty cents (.20) per gallon. No better tonic can be had than good milk products.

ECZEMA!
Money back without question if HUNTS GUARANTEED SKIN DISEASE REMEDIES (Hunt's Seborrheic and Scaly) in the treatment of it. Eczema, Ringworm, Tetter or other itching skin diseases. Try this treatment at our drug store.

CITY DRUG STORE
Marion, Virginia.

Lefever
NEW LEFEVER NITRO-SPECIAL ONLY \$29.00
Well finished, considering the price. Built to shoot right and stand as much use as the most expensive gun. Most durable lock lever put in a gun—last lock fired over 77,000 times.
Every gun proof-tested with an extreme load. A standardized gun built only in 20-ga., 28 in., 16-ga., 28 in., and 14 in. stock and in with 14 in. drop. A Lefever won the world's championship at the Olympic games in London. Lefever has stood for service and durability for over 60 years.
Write for Catalogue
LEFEVER ARMS CO.
BOX A ITHACA, N. Y.

REMEMBERING THE EDITOR.

The liberal response of our subscribers to our request a week or so ago is still continuing, and they are coming in from all over the country and settling up accounts. We note the following the past week who have either called at our office in person or sent in remittances by mail:
Charles Orr—Chatham Hill.
C. C. Stemp—Sugar Grove.
Dr. E. A. Holmes—Broadford.
H. C. Dutton—El Paso, Texas.
Mrs. M. F. Pendleton—Knoxville, Tenn.
Duke Britton—Thurmond, W. Va.
W. R. Helton—Street, Md.
J. B. Pool—Davie, W. Va.
A. M. Sims—Broadford.
J. W. Dutton—Cedar Springs.
A. B. Roberts—Sugar Grove.
R. C. Copenhaver—Los Angeles, Cal.
J. C. Pierce—Sugar Grove.

And from Marion:
A. R. F. Snider.
W. W. Blorins.
W. S. McClellan.
Mrs. J. L. Thornton.
Mrs. W. E. Waish.
E. H. Phillippi.
C. J. Prater.
Paul Sexton—Washington.
Geo. W. Gillispie—Chatham Hill.
Will Sharp.
W. E. Hodges.
Miss Mary Atkins.

STORE ROOM FOR RENT

After July 15th, the store room on Church-Street, Marion, Va., at present occupied by the Johnston Electrical Co., will be for rent. This is one of the best rooms in town.

Apply to the Hotel Marion, July 10.

To the creditors of the Manganese Products Co., Inc., and to Charles M. Wilhelm, David A. Baum, and Otilia F. Baum, co-administrators of the estate of James E. Baum, dec'd, and Richard T. Baum, Jr., Trustee:

You are hereby notified that I will on the 23 day of August, 1924, at my office in the Bank of Marion, at Marion, in the County of Smyth, State of Virginia, between the hours of 10 A. M., and 6 P. M., of said day, proceed to take and state the account directed by a decree of the Circuit Court of Smyth County, entered on the 7 day of June, 1924, in a certain petition in chancery, in the name of Charles M. Wilhelm et al., vs. Manganese Products Co., Inc., et al., which time and place you are required to attend.

And if from any cause the taking of said account be not commenced on the said day, or if commenced on said day and not completed thereon, the same will be adjourned and continued from day to day, from time to time, and from place to place until the same is completed.

Given under my hand as Special Commissioner of said Court, this 24 day of July, 1924.

B. L. DICKINSON,
Special Commissioner.

d 4 July 29

MARION
Lodge
No. 6.

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Marion, Virginia.

Big Reduction!
On all
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DO NOT MISS THIS
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Gingham's
For School-wear.
Mrs. Ovella Thornton.

WANTED A STENOGRAPHER.

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Regular saving takes many a bump out of life's highway—makes for smoother going all the way.

"Strength, Service, Vision—these you will find in this helpful institution."

THE BANK OF MARION
Marion, Virginia.

Wolfe-Francis.

One of the most beautiful weddings of the late summer took place Wednesday evening, August the twentieth at six o'clock at the Marion Baptist Church when Miss Roxie Lee Francis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Preston Francis and Mr. William Addison Wolfe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph U. Wolfe, were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed by Rev. James R. Edwards, pastor of the bride, and Rev. C. W. McElroy of Newton, formerly of Marion.

The church was decorated with white flowers, ferns, evergreen and candles. Before the ceremony Miss Virginia Gills played "Humoresque" softly, on the violin, accompanied by Mrs. E. L. McConnell at the organ. Mrs. John T. Brosius sang "I Love You Truly" and "At Dawning" to the strains of Lohengrin wedding march the bridal party entered in the following order: The bridesmaids, Miss Nellie Francis and Miss Mary Elizabeth Copenhaver, wearing peach crepe trimmed with lace and carrying baskets of sweet peas and snap dragon. Then Miss Louise Johnston, maid of honor, wearing jade green georgette and black lace hat and carrying pink roses tied with pink tulle next came little Miss Margaret Trumble King, wearing a dainty dress of white crepe and lace and strewing roses petals for the bride, followed by Master Harold Eugene Wolfe, wearing white and carrying the ring on a satin pillow. The bride entered on the arm of her father by whom she was given in marriage she wore a handsome traveling suit of dark blue with tan accessories and carried a bouquet of brides roses and snap dragon. The groom entered with his best man Mr. Fleet Wolfe. After the wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe will be at home at Marion, Va. The groom is assistant cashier of the Marion National Bank.

The evening before the wedding the bridal party and a few close friends were entertained at a dinner party at the home of the bride. The house was beautiful decorated in cut flowers, covers were laid for thirty two. Dairy place cards for the brides and grooms and little pink baskets of nuts added to the attractiveness of the tables. A five course dinner was served. After the dinner the brides cake was cut, Miss Elizabeth Pendleton cutting the ring. Misses Mary Atkins, Virginia Seaver, Jane Johnston and Elsie Copenhaver assisted in entertaining.

Personals.

Mr. Carl Crow spent last Friday in Abingdon.

Mr. William Hester spent last Saturday in Bristol.

Mrs. Ed Killinger of Cedar Springs was here last Monday shopping.

Mr. Sam Cornett of Roanoke was here last Saturday on business.

Mrs. Eugene Rush and son of Bristol, were here last Thursday.

Mrs. Jno. Hull has returned from a visit to her son in Goshen, Va.

Mrs. Goufey, of Bristol was the week-end guest of Mrs. A. C. Crouse.

Mr. Ed Cabridge of Lynchburg, Va., was a visitor here last Saturday.

Miss Hallie Pannill who has been on the sick list for a week is out again.

Mrs. V. C. Ross of Roanoke spent several days of last week here visiting relatives.

Dr. and Mrs. Wolfe and son spent last week at Lott, Va., the guests of Mrs. Ed Wolfe.

Mrs. J. F. Johnston and Miss Elsie Stone of Wytheville, were in Marion last Friday.

Mr. H. E. Hull, of Cincinnati, was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Jno. Hull last week.

Mrs. A. C. Crouse has as her guest this week Mrs. Bergeman and children of Wilmington, N. C.

Mrs. Claud McCready and daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Snider spent last week in N. C., visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Steiner and daughters Evelin of Clinchfield, Va., were visitors here last Thursday.

Miss Cleo Debord who spent several weeks in Lake Toxway, N. C., returned last Saturday. She was accompanied by her brother Frank Debord and family.

Rev. and Mrs. D. S. Fix and son Martin Luther, motored from Waynesboro, Va., to W. Va., and visited their son William A. Fix then on to Tazewell and Burks Gardien and visited their brothers and sisters, then to Marion to visit their daughters. Mrs. C. P. Groseclose and Miss Rosella Fox. Mrs. Groseclose accompanied them home and attended the Lutheran training school at Waynesboro, returning home Wednesday.

BIG FAIR OPENS Who Will Teach.

Better Exhibits Than Ever Before.

A Nice and Clean Show on the Midway

The Fourteenth Annual Smyth County Fair opened Tuesday with the biggest amount of Exhibits that has ever been shown at a Fair in the County. Every line is well represented—Live Stock, all kinds of Farm Products, Poultry, Canning, Needle-work, and in fact everything that can be shown at a Fair. Not only is the amount of the Exhibits greater than has ever been shown at any Fair before, but their quality is the best. We do not make this statement on our own authority alone, but this is the opinion of people that have been connected with every Fair that has been had in the County since this organization.

The amusement part of the program is a very good one, and it is clean and healthy. The children will have all the enjoyment that they are looking for.

Don't fail to attend both day and night, and you will be glad to remember that you were at the Smyth County Fair of 1924.

Personals.

Mrs. W. H. Waterson and little daughter Mary Ellen, have returned from a weeks visit to Greensboro, N. C.

Miss Mary Copenhaver, of Richmond, is the guest at the home of Miss Kate Copenhaver, of Seven Mile Ford.

Miss Katie Mae Davis, of Richmond, spent the past week in Marion as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bryant.

Miss Rachel Sexton, who has been visiting her relatives in Arkansas for the summer returned to Marion Wednesday.

Miss Emma Greover of Burks Garden is spending the week with her sister Mrs. E. H. Copenhaver at the Lutheran parsonage.

Miss Sallie Moniere, of Richmond, arrived in Marion Monday and will here with the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. D. Rival.

Miss Nettie M. Shaver, of New Freedom, Penn., arrived here Saturday, and will be in charge of the Millinery and Ready-to-Wear Department at Collins Brothers.

Mrs. Earle Tabor Cronk, and daughter, Shirley, who has spent the summer with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Eller, has returned to her home in Washington.

Mrs. J. B. Bumgardner and two daughters, of Bristol, Mrs. W. F. Garmot, of Rural Retreat, spent a few days in Marion as the guests of Misses Mary and Minnie Bumgardner.

Mr. Paul Rouse, who has been working near Bluefield, West Va., for the summer, is spending a few days in Marion as the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rouse.

Mrs. W. O. Moss and two children of Leesburg, Virginia, spent a few days in Marion as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Peery, in their home in West Marion.

Mr. Charles Thurman Scott, of Ashland, Ky., and his mother, Mrs. Assenath Thomas Scott of Fountain City, Tenn., were the week-end guest of Mr. E. P. Scott.

Mrs. O. V. Candill and baby Helen Louise left Monday to visit her parents in Massachusetts. They are traveling through by auto with Mr. and Mrs. Layman Hale near relatives who have been making a visit to Virginia.

Dr. Hall Kern, Dean of Southern Seminary, of Dallas, Texas, conducted the morning services in the Marion Methodist Episcopal church, South. Dr. Kern is an instructor in the Summer school held in Emory and Henry College for the ministers and laymen of the church.

Messrs. A. T. Lincoln, J. C. Campbell, W. B. Jackson, Jr., Dr. Z. V. Sherrill and their wives, and Messrs. E. F. Prater and W. D. Vines and Mrs. W. B. Jackson, Sr., returned to Marion Sunday after spending the past month on a tour through the west. Miss Frances Lincoln who also went on the trip stopped over with friends in Wyoming before returning to Marion.

Marion and Louise Whitworth, returned to Marion last Tuesday after attending the Concord State College, Summer School, Athens, West Va.

Stetson and other brands of Fur Hats, also Caps,
MAX WEILER CO.

Mr. C. V. Tilson and family of Lincolnton, N. C., arrived in Marion last Sunday to take in the great Smyth County Fair. Vint is an old Marion boy and always spends his annual vacation visiting home folks.

THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday will be observed as "Labor Sunday." The pastor's subjects are, "The Greatest Thing In The World The Church Can Get" and "The Singing Man In Overalls." Come to church Sunday if you believe in working not weeping, boosting not knocking, in the pleasure of the job. The happy evening hour will be a great men's service. Plenty of music. Sunday School at 9:30 A. M. and Young Peoples meeting at 7:00 P. M.

Headquarters for Shoes, Slippers and Rubbers,
MAX WEILER CO.

An air-mail letter was received last week from the tourist party that is making a trip through the West with the Thomas excursionists, that they were all well, and just having the time of their lives.

Trunks, Suit Cases and Bags at
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COUNTY CONVENTION W. C. T. U.

The Smyth County W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in Chilhowie, on Tuesday September 2, 9:00 o'clock. Mrs. Hoge, State President of the Union, will be present and make an address; all members are urged to be present and the public is cordially invited.

THE CIRCUIT COURT

This body convened on Monday in regular term session, with Judge Stuart presiding. Special Grand Jury was empanelled, and returned some fifteen indictments, most of them for violations of the liquor law, but several for felony. This being Fair week His Honor adjourned until Monday, the 1st of September, when the jury cases will be called.

Attend the Great Smyth County Fair and go your shopping at
MAX WEILER CO.

CARD OF THANKS

I take this means of returning thanks to all the people of Marion for the ready aid and unbounded sympathy that has been extended to me during the sad affliction of the loss of my husband, Joseph Crawford, by drowning on Sunday, the 10th of August. The kindness extended has been a great consolation to me, and I shall ever cherish the remembrance as the one ray of light in this dark hour of trouble and grief.
MRS. JOSEPH CRAWFORD.

Suits for men, boys and children nearly any color and size at
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Mrs. Brackett Snidow, and children, Virginia, Horace and Martha, have returned home after visiting Mrs. Snidow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Eller.

SEE YOUR PLUMBING DONE IN SEASON—WINTER THEN WON'T FIND YOU FREEZING!



Well it's getting along toward the last of the year now.

You remember that your heating facilities weren't what they should have been last fall and winter and that you made up your mind that you were going to have them fixed this summer and you didn't. But you will.

A. H. STALEY,
Heating and Sanitary Engineer
WYTHEVILLE, VA.

SPECIAL PRICES PREVAIL DURING THE FAIR.

YOU will be well paid by calling on us for your wants in the Clothing Line. Our Stock is complete in every department.

THE LATEST STYLES. THE BEST QUALITY. THE LOWEST PRICES.

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Marion, Virginia.

SMYTH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS—SESSION 1924-25.

Chilhowie—Mr. W. P. Crockett, Principal, Elizabeth Neff, Sena Rector Katherine Mahoney, Pauline Hull, Mrs. Ella McKee, Mrs. Nan Pierce, Mrs. Rhoda Dungan.

Tate's Chapel—Thelma Gollehon. Cleghon—Mr. Irby Foglesong, Miss Mary Sue Dungan.

Gollehons—Mrs. Fannie Harris. Seven Mile Ford—Miss Mary Bonham, Principal, Miss Bertie Cole, Elizabeth Jones, Madge McKee.

Oak Point—S. F. Gollehon, Principal, Mrs. S. F. Gollehon, Mrs. Stella Copenhaver, Mrs. Grace Houston. Laurel Spring—Lorayne Osborne.

Walkers Creek—Gladys Snavelly, Elizabeth Buchanan. Ebenezer—Cleo Debord.

Greenwood—Ruby King, Bessie Cullop. Mitchel Valley—Ruth Williams.

Bear Creek—Beulah Eads. Mt. Carmel—Grace Copeland, Marie Scott, Ruby Haire.

Atkins—Lucy Richardson, Principal, Lettie Nelson, Roba Slusher, Mozelle Dutton.

Groseclose—Katherine Spitzer, Principal Mrs. Mary Sale, Francis Sexton, Della Leady.

Union—Angie Weaver, Ruth Sexton. Lindamood—Thelma Riddle. Centenary—Mildred Tilson.

Pendleton—Chapel—Ruth Caudill, Grace Caudill, Jettie Griffiths. Attoway—D. J. Blankenbecker, Mrs. J. P. Killinger.

Lyons Gap—Mabel Chapman. Quarry—Cleg Duncan, Daisy Hicks. Henry Town—Mrs. J. C. Fewell.

Allison Gap—D. P. Wimmer, Mrs. Ida Ferguson, Miss Colley, Annie Buchanan.

Cedar Branch—Mrs. Nannie Shipp. McCready—J. A. Myers, Tressa Snavelly, Lillian Houston.

North Holston—Lois Umberger, Anna Umberger, Edyth Litton. Peer Valley—Bessie Osborne.

Broadford—Louise Peery. Taylors—Reba Buchanan. New Cove—Clara Hubble, May Ruth-erford.

Ridge—Ethel Oaks, Kate Stephenson. Chatham Hill—Miss Hazel Hayler, Miss Slaughter.

Spratts Creek—Maude Surber. Lick Creek—Stella Boble. Cave—Ethel Repass.

Zion—W. M. Harris, Ethel Inman. Ellendale—Bertha Cassel. Pleasant Grove—Malcolm Minnick, Principal, Mrs. C. M. Chumbley, Katherine Buchanan, Berta Clear, Carters—Ruby Shreeves, Sidney Painter.

Konnarock—Blanche Ireson, Rachel Yearick. Piedmont—W. E. Debord, Elsie Snavelly, Anne Barton.

Flatwoods—Ruby Sherwood. Riverside—G. A. Dutton, Principal, Louise Cole, Nannie Wilson, Ruth Pierce.

Oak Grove—Bonnie Sage. Lansdown—W. H. Copenhaver, Lil- lie Craven. Valley View—Miss Barnett.

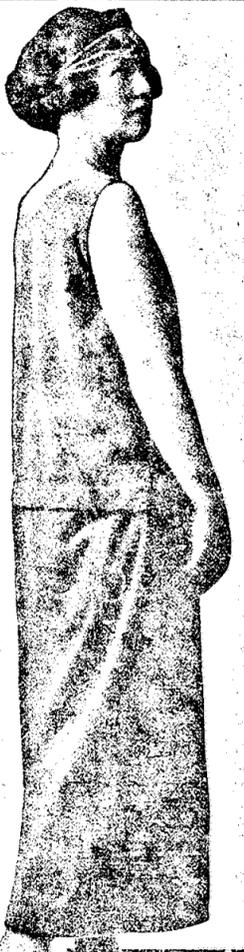
Teas—Evelyn Griffiths. Sugar Grove—C. P. Hicks, Principal. Sena Roberts, Vera Cox, Blanch Rayston, Mozelle Hurdle.

Sunmit—J. L. Ross. Camp—Bulah Kinder. Blue Spring—Miss Stella Totton.

Marion—Professor Allen, Professor Latane, Miss Josephine Sheffer, Mrs. Willard Horne, Mrs. Nannie Pruner, Mrs. W. H. Hurt, Mrs. W. G. Killinger, Misses Emory, Jane and Louise Johnston, Virginia Seaver, Miss Revere, Miss Lewis, Miss Gray, Miss Crowder, Miss Glasscock, Miss Cecil.

Saltville High School—Miss Virgie Caspan, Christianburg; Miss Eleanor Jennings, Saltville; Miss Kathleen Cassell, Rural Retreat; Miss C. Louis Brown, Lynchburg; Mrs. J. H. Moore, Saltville.

1. Mrs. C. E. Anderson, Saltville. 2. Miss Lula Shannon, Saltville. 3. M. L. Slemp, Sugar Grove. 4. Susie Sanders, Saltville. 5. May Houston, Saltville. 6. Leona Rogers, Saltville. 7. Heuley Preston, Abingdon. Mary R. Jones, Williamsburg. 8-4. Bernice Atkins, Saltville. Peerville—Mrs. H. Gollehon, Miss Elsie Henegar, Saltville.



MISS EVA SHAFFER POWELL

MISS EVA SHAFFER POWELL, of Pittsburg, will render vocal selections with the Higgins Band at the Fair HIGGINS BAND will give the following Program on the Court House Lawn Monday evening, beginning at 7:00. This great band and solo singer will give the music at Smyth County Fair, 3 performances daily, morning, afternoon and night.

Program of Concert.

- 1 March—Under the Double Eagle Wagner
 - 2 Overture—"Martha" Flotow
 - 3 Fox Trot—"Down on the Farm" Billy Dale
 - 4 Smeat—"Trombonium" Denmark
 - 5 Vocal—"There Is Yes, Yes In Your Eyes by H. De Gray Johnson
 - 6 Waltz—"When Clouds Have Vanished"
 - 7 Novelty—"When Its Night Time In Italy, Its Wednesday Over Here" DeYrader
 - 8 Spanish Serenade—"La Paloma" Miller
 - 9 Vocal—"Somewhere a Voice Is Calling by Miss Eva Shaffer Powell
 - 10 Novelty—"Don't Mind The Rain"
 - 11 Finale—"Star Spangled Banner" Key
- Followed by the Laughing Clown Entertainers LaNoles and the greatest display of Fireworks ever shown at a County Fair in Virginia.

YOUR ATTENTION!

is called this week to our many departments in which you will be interested. In these various departments you will find new arrivals, and many other worth while values at a big reduction. In our piece goods department, we are offering all our voiles at 20 per cent reduction. It will pay to take advantage of this splendid offer.

We are making big reduction on all spring and summer footwear. We have a special table filled with shoes and slippers which we are offering at

95 CENTS A PAIR.

All our new goods, Millinery and Ready-to-wear will be on display

Fair Week.

Watch for other announcements regarding new arrivals.

Shopping hours from 7 A. M. to 7 P.

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while visiting the FAIR. Every effort for your Comfort will be given you. All our Summer

Hats Coats Coat Suits
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are being closed out BELOW COST. All our Hosiery and Accessories are being sold LOW. We must have room. Sleeveless Sweaters and Skirts below COST, also all our Summer Sweaters. We are showing

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New Shoes, New Dry Goods, New Neck-
wear, New Notions.

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Glasses Fitted at Moderate Prices.

7TH ANNUAL

Paramount WEEK

SEPTEMBER 1924						
SUN.	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THU.	FRI.	SAT.
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PROGRAM

Marion Theatre

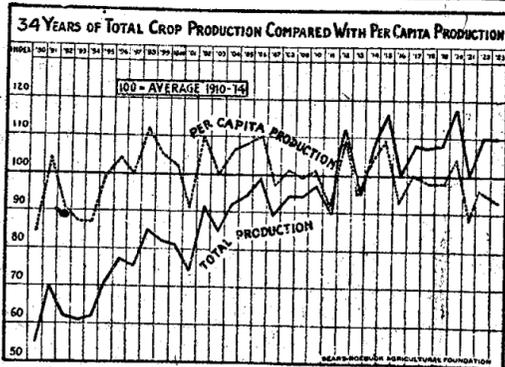
Monday and Tuesday, September 1, 2,
"THE AMERICAN WIFE"
with
Gloria Swanson and Antonio Morino
Extra Aesop's Fables

Wednesday, September 3,
"A GENTLEMAN OF LEISURE"
With Jack Holt
Extra Comedy.

Thursday and Friday, September 4, 5,
"WOMAN PROOF"
With Lila Lee and Thomas Meighan
Extra News.

Saturday, September 6,
"THE LAW OF THE LAWLESS"
With Dorothy Dalton
A Picture With Plenty of Action and Pep.
Extra "Steel Trail"

Farm Production Falling Off

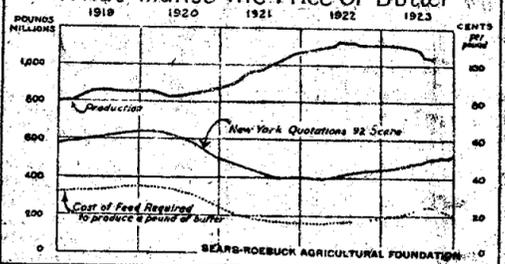


Population is gaining on crop production, according to a study made over a period of thirty-four years by the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation, based on figures of the United States Department of Agriculture. The accompanying chart shows crop production per capita is falling.

Taking the average of 1910 as 100, total crop production in the last three years averaged 106.3. Owing to the growth of population, per capita production has been only 92.3 when 100 represents the 1910-1914 average.

The chart shows index numbers of both total and per capita production of crops from 1890 to 1923. The production record is based on the total yield of 10 crops—corn, wheat, oats, barley, rye, buckwheat, potatoes, hay, tobacco and cotton. When "white more" than 50 per cent of the total acreage of all crops. Since yields are expressed in various units, bushels, bales, tons and pounds, the crops are combined by applying a constant average price to the yearly production of each crop.

What Makes The Price of Butter



Evidently production, consumption and feed prices, all play an important part in regulating butter prices in a tariff-protected market like the United States. The cost of feed may regulate in the long run, but over periods of a few years it has little to do with the selling price of butter.

A GOVERNMENT LOAN. Plenty of Money.

Farming is a business and must be conducted as such. Financing is the first essential. The Federal Land Bank was created by an Act of Congress in 1916, to supply this need for the farmer. Everyone knows that the farmer needs a long term loan in his business; also a plan by which he can gradually reduce his indebtedness and not worry about the renewal of his notes and mortgage. His experience proves to him the advantage of a co-operative system.

1. A low rate of interest. Five and one-half per cent.
2. Systematic reduction of the mortgage.
3. Long term with no renewals.
4. Farm can be sold and mortgage transferred to the purchaser.
5. The farmers receive the earnings of the Bank. (Last year The Federal Land Bank of Baltimore paid about \$100,000 in dividends back to the County Associations.) Are you receiving any earnings on your present indebtedness?

If you are interested in further particulars, would advise that you come to see me. 300 other farmers of this county have taken advantage of this system. Why not you?

Smyth County National Farm Loan Asso
W R D MONCURE, Sec'y. Treas.
Bank of Marion Building. Marion, Virginia.

V. T. Co. Picnic. Notice of Insurance Meeting

SECOND ANNUAL PICNIC OF THE VIRGINIA TABLE COMPANY

For many days the employees of the Virginia Table Company, have looked forward with great expectancy to Saturday, August 16, for this was the day of "the picnic". The picnic being the second annual outing given for the employees and their families by the Company. It was held at H. P. Copenhaver's, the famous picnicking grove.

The picnickers began to arrive at an early hour and continued coming throughout the morning. When cars were parked and "nooses were counted" there were about two thousand people present. It was hard to tell which were the happier, the grown up or the youngsters for it seemed as they entered the gates, age and dignity were left out side.

They were greeted by the sight of huge freezers of ice cream, gallons of lemonade, crates of peaches and best of all two large tables loaded down with baskets and boxes, holding promise of plenty of good things to eat. It was a sight to gladden the heart of a passerby to see the children and grown ups too, eating ice cream cones, drinking lemonade and making merry.

On the ball diamond there were a number of stars playing major ball. A number of base ball scouts on the alert for good players were among the spectators with the intention of picking the stars to be sent to the big leagues.

While this was going on in another part of the grove the ladies were unpacking the many baskets and boxes burdening the tables to the groaning point. After all preparations were made; grace was said, and then all present were served with an old fashion picnic dinner. Cigars were passed among the men with the compliments of Sheriff Dillard, Sergeant Snively, and McGhee Grocery Co., and were greatly enjoyed by the men. To top it all off, huge slices of delicious watermelon was served to every one. After hunger had been appeased all gathered at the athletic field, where various contests were held to the amusement of those looking on.

The events were as follows:

1. Sack Race: 100 yd, won by—Kyle Dennison.
2. 100 yd. Dash, girls under 16 won by—Elizabeth Jones.
3. 100 yd. Dash, boys over 16, won by—Stuart Stephenson.
4. 100 yd. Dash, men over 45, won by—Joe Jones.
5. 100 yd. Dash, boys under 12, won by—Fred Jones.
6. 100 yd. Dash, girls over 12, won by—Gladys Williams.
7. Tug of War. Teams composing of 9 girls, won by Captain Ardell Robinette's team, Gladys Williams, anchor.
8. Pie Eating Contest, boys 5 participating, won by Bill Dumphy.
9. Three Round Boxing Contest: J. D. Robbins vs. Dan Jones, decision, draw.
10. Pie Eating Contest girls, won by—Gladys Williams.
11. Tug of War, men, won by—Captain, Charlie Leonard's, team, anchor man, Ishma Poe.

The winners of the above events were awarded prizes of \$1.00.

The girls Tug of War prize was a box of Candy, which was well deserved by the amazons.

The success was due to the co-operation of the company and its employees, the company furnishing, the ice cream, lemonade, peaches and water melons, and the employees bringing well packed baskets.

Just before the dinner hour Mr. C. Lincoln, Jr., made a short talk, telling of plans for a joint picnic next year, of the local plant and the Bristol plant, to be held about midway between Marion and Bristol, somewhere in the vicinity of Emory.

Notice of Insurance Meeting

On Monday August 18, 1924, our Main Street Citizens were asking why so many people were coming to town so early.

Some thinking something unusual was taking place The Great Smyth County Fair was starting or something else unusual was being pulled off.

But at 10 o'clock it was announced that the Smyth County Mutual Insurance Association was convening in the Court House Auditorium; same was called to order by its President H. P. Copenhaver.

The committee on representation J. L. C. Anderson, J. B. Keessling and S. F. Gollichon soon reported that there were represented three hundred members here, this being a quorum, the President proceeded to business.

The Treasurer J. A. Eller made his report showing that no assessment had been made on the members this year, and there was a balance of \$818.81 in the bank to the credit of the Association, this was very pleasant news to the members.

The President and Jas. A. Groseclose, Agent and Secretary made quite a few recommendations for consideration, same were practically all adopted as they were considered for the betterment of the Association, same were added as amendments to the By Laws.

We now insure Good Dwellings in Towns and all Country Buildings, Live Stock, Cattle, Horses, etc.

The last eighteen months has been the most successful time in the history of the association there being no cost to the members and a very large increase of business. We now have practically one million dollars of insurance in force with 575 members. This was a very interesting meeting and was well attended by members being present from every section of the county.

All were well pleased with the management, as this was shown by unanimous electing all the old officers and directors which are as follows:

H. P. Copenhaver—President.
Jas. A. Groseclose—Agent and Secretary.
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