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## ELECTRICAL PROPERTY TRANSFERRED

Manager of Murphy now is the Will Be Operated As Murphy Plant of The Carolina-Tennessee Power Company

The actual transfer of the hydro electric plant and distribution system of the town of Murphy to the Carolina-Tennessee Power Company took place Monday night of this week at a joint meeting of the town council and representatives of the power company. President W. V. N. Powellson was here to receive the plant in behalf of his company, James Ferguson, who has been named resident manager of the new owners, and Land Agent T. N. Bates were also present. The entire town council and the city attorney were present on behalf of the town.

The transfer was made as of January 1st of this year, the consideration being two hundred thousand dollars and other considerations. Contract for the sale of the plant was tentatively entered into on the 8th of November, 1924, and was overwhelmingly approved by a vote of the people on the 23rd of December.

The plant will be operated as the Murphy Plant of the Carolina-Tennessee Power Company. Mr. Elkins will be in charge of operation and Mr. James Ferguson of Waynesville, will be the local manager. Offices will be operated in the T. N. Bates store by the new management, where all bills will be payable and where the management may be found. A stock of electrical supplies will soon be put in by the power company for accommodation of the public. It is understood that plans for other improvements and betterments are under way, but they are not yet ready to be made public.

In receiving the plant, Mr. Powellson expressed satisfaction at the unanimity with which the public approved the sale of the plant and welcomed his company into active production of power in this county. Both he and the local manager Ferguson pledged their unstinted efforts to supply power and lights to the public in a satisfactory manner and promised their full co-operation in any forward looking movement for the betterment of the town and county. City officials welcomed the new company into this field and promised every personal and official aid in any undertaking the company might launch for the benefit of this section.

A rising vote of thanks was extended Mr. Elkins for the faithful service he has rendered the town during the time he has been in active charge of the plant.

## Cherokee Hardware Pays Dividend At Annual Meeting

The Cherokee Hardware Company enjoyed a very fine year during 1924, according to reports of officers following a stockholders meeting of the corporation on Thursday night, January 8th. An eight percent dividend was paid on the capital stock. All officers and directors were re-elected.

## OWL CREEK.

(Last week's letter)

The weather has changed quite a bit for the last week.

Our Sunday school is maintaining a good attendance despite the bad weather.

Our school seems to have gone dead as our teacher has failed to come for the last two weeks.

Mr. Jasonofnow is the time Miss Delphia Kephart, Annie Lou Ethel Davis were guests of Mrs. Bertha Kephart Saturday.

Pat Stephens made a business trip to Owl Creek Monday.

Gaston Solesbee and family are visiting his parents at this place.

Mr. Sam Kephart is very ill at this writing.

Mary Jones is planning to go to Fernay, N. C., before long.

## Superior Court Will Convene Next Monday

The regular January term of superior court will convene on Monday, January 19th, and continue through two weeks. This is to be a two weeks term. The first week, or so much thereof as necessary, will be devoted to the trial of criminal cases and the balance of the term will be given over to civil suits. Judge T. B. Finley will preside at this term.

The court that has just closed was a special two weeks civil term. During this court a good many cases were gotten of the civil docket. Cases that are expected to be heard during the forthcoming term follow:

Friday, January 23, 1925

- 50. Martin vs. Brannon.
- 51. Payne vs. Brannon.
- 57. Smith vs. Patton.
- 116. Cherokee County vs. Sam Hunicutt and others.
- 159. Dewese vs. Dewese.
- 163. McKinney vs. McKinney.

Monday, January 26, 1924

- 124. Chastain vs. Highway Commission.
- 127. Trantham vs. Highway Commission.
- 165. Southern Ry. vs. Cherokee County.
- 167. Mullins vs. Louisville & Nashville Railroad.

Tuesday, January 27, 1925

- 168. Gregory vs. Barker.
- 176. Stalcup vs. Mills et al.
- 177. Railway Company vs. Hayes.
- 179. Chappell vs. Cherokee Company.

Wednesday, January 28, 1925

- 185. Palmer vs. Palmer.
- 188. King vs. Southern Railway Co.
- 189. Grant vs. Watkins et al.
- 190. Gentry vs. Gentry.
- 193. Sheare vs. Young.

Thursday, January 29, 1925

- 197. Anderson vs. Center & Abernathy.
- 198. Wofford-Terrell vs. Gardner.
- 199. Ashe vs. Parsons Pulp Co.
- 201. Carringer vs. Tucker & Laxton.
- 203. Heaton vs. Murphy Coal & Iron Co.

Friday, January 30, 1925

- 205. Barnett vs. Federal Construction Company.
- 206. Rich vs. Andrews Mfg. Co.
- 208. Heaton & Mehaffey vs. Calhoun.
- 210. Odum vs. Elliott.
- 214. Johnson vs. Sternberg.
- 226. Green vs. Johnson.
- 229. Freeman vs. Freeman et al.

Saturday, January 24, 1925

- 51. Fair vs. Fair.
- 126. Shelton vs. Shelton.
- 155. Briggs vs. Briggs.
- 192. Woody vs. Woody.
- 204. Waldroup vs. Waldroup.
- 218. Perry vs. Perry.
- 230. Hood vs. Hood.
- 231. Buffington vs. Buffington.
- 232. Campbell vs. Campbell.

MOTIONS

- Nos. 10 to 18 inclusive, Power Company Cases.
- 46. Bryson vs. Bryson.
- 44. Burger vs. Tatham & Boyd.
- 60. Bark vs. Duvall.
- 69. Wofford-Terrell Company vs. Burger.
- 70. Fain Grocery Co. vs. Sult Co.
- 92. Carolina-Tennessee Power Co. vs. Hiwassee River Power Co.
- 166. Kiker vs. Cherokee Mfg. Co.
- 171. Verner vs. Crowder.
- 173. Stiles vs. Highway Commission
- 174. Stiles vs. Highway Commission
- 182. Andrews Mfg. Co. vs. Sou. Ry. Co.

Ry. Co.

233. Road Commission vs. Commissioners of Cherokee County.

The jurors for this term follow:

First Week: D. C. Ensley, J. R. McClelland, W. C. Walker, J. W. Rolan, Z. B. Odell, B. McAbee, Dock Barnes, J. H. Hampton, D. C. Wilson, W. C. Everett, G. B. Collet, A. J. Hass, R. P. Johnson, L. F. Green, Porter Fain, W. T. Stalcup, H. F. Mulkey, Logan Lawrence, H. L. Dale, G. F. Rose, Allen McDonald, Gordon Crawford, T. T. Morrow, A. E. Nichols, J. U. Farmer, B. P. Grant, J. P. Killian, Murt Raper, Hayden Ferguson, David McMillen, F. W. Radford, W. J. Ellis, S. H. Dockery, W. Christopher, Ernest Graham, John McMillen.

Second Week: Jake Robertson, R. M. Fain, J. P. Bryson, P. A. Mauney, W. W. Palmer, P. N. Conley, R. E. Dockery, F. W. Smith, E. M. Gentry, J. H. Sult, S. L. Hatfield, J. P. Creasman, R. B. Palmer, M. I. Hall, A. N. Lovingood, Harley Shields, W. W. Killian and Jack Hall.

## MEEKINS GIVEN JUDGESHIP BY PRES. COOLIDGE

Was Recent Candidate For Governorship of North Carolina and Spoke in Murphy During Campaign

Honorable Isaac M. Meekins, of Elizabeth City, N. C., was nominated the middle of last week by President Coolidge for the Federal Judgeship of the Eastern District of North Carolina, made vacant by the recent death of Judge Connor. His nomination was approved by Senator Simmons and many of the leaders of his party and it is not anticipated that any trouble will arise when the nomination comes up for confirmation in the Senate.

Mr. Meekins was the Republican candidate for Governor in North Carolina at the November election. For several years he had also been an attorney for the Allen Property Custodian, with offices in New York. Two other applicants were seeking the appointment that went to Mr. Meekins. A spirited contest arose between the supporters of the three candidates and President Coolidge conferred with three separate groups of North Carolina Republicans regarding the nomination. Mr. Meekins' nomination had been forecast by many newspaper men.

Many people of Cherokee County will remember Mr. Meekins as he spoke in the court house here and also at Andrews during the gubernatorial campaign. He is well known all over North Carolina.

## North Carolina Sunday School Program Plans Are Announced

Officers of the North Carolina Sunday School Association have announced that plans are already under way to make the annual State Sunday school convention, which is to be held in the First Baptist Church, Greensboro, April 28, 29, and 30, the largest gathering of Sunday school leaders ever held in the state.

The general committee on arrangements, elected by the Greensboro pastors and Sunday school superintendents, is as follows: General chairman, O. E. Lee, director of education in the First Baptist Church; Chairman entertainment committee, E. D. Yost, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A.; chairman local publicity committee, F. F. Myrick, of the First Christian Church; chairman of the finance committee, A. C. Davis, superintendent of West Market Street Methodist Church; chairman hall committee, H. C. Marley. These chairmen will have on their committees a large number of Sunday school leaders in Greensboro.

Arranging the convention program is a committee composed of the following officers of the North Carolina Sunday School Association: J. B. Ivey, Charlotte, state president; J. M. Broughton, Raleigh, chairman of the state executive committee; E. B. Crow, treasurer, and D. W. Sims, general superintendent.

On the program will be several of the most noted Sunday school workers in America, among whom will be Miss Mema Brockway, Philadelphia, Pa., secretary of the children's division work in the Northern Baptist Church; Dr. Percy R. Hayward, Chicago, superintendent of the young people's division for the International Council of Religious Education; Mr. Charles Darsie, St. Louis, superintendent of adult and teacher training work for the Christian Disciples Church; Mr. Thomas S. Evans, New York, general secretary of the International Daily Vacation Bible School Association. Other out of the state speakers will be announced later. Many of the best Sunday school workers in the state will be on the program.

Delegates to the convention will be entertained on the Harvard plan. Sunday school workers of all denominations throughout the state will be invited to attend.

Mr. W. C. Berry, of Young Harris, was in Murphy one day last week. Mr. Berry was a former member of the public school faculty.

## Board of Health Elects Members For This Year

The County Board of Health met on Monday, January 7th, and completed its own membership. Certain appointive officers are to be named at a meeting to be held sometime in the near future. The Board of Health is composed of the County Superintendent, the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, and the Mayor of Murphy by right of their offices and two other members, elected by these three. Dr. Edward E. Adams of Murphy and Dr. W. C. Morrow, of Andrews, were named by the other three members of the board. This board is now composed of Superintendent A. L. Martin, Chairman T. W. Axley, of the County Commissioners, and Mayor W. M. Fain, and the two physicians named above.

## December Honor Roll For Murphy School

Grade 1-A—  
Alvin Bowles, Pruden Davidson, Don Hampton, Leonard Moore, J. D. Palmer, Charles Pendley, Quintine Townsend, Allen Wise, Fain Weaver, Wily Watkins, Martha Akin, J. Mai Bates, Deltha Cornwell, Ruth Dewese, Elsie Dewese, Blanche Garrett, Mary Gibson, Alleen Hampton, Essie Ledford, Mary King Mallonee, Jennie Mae McJunkin, Mary Robinson, Jennie Lee Spivia.

Grade 1-B—

Earl Crain, Noah Palmer, Myrtle Crain, Frances Dickey, Evelyn Sneed

Grade 2-A—

Hayes Leatherwood, Ernest Hawkins, Robbie Williamson, Roberta Millsaps.

Grade 2-B—

Ben Gartrell Jr., Eugene Jackson, Gertie Gibson, Grace Parker, Arita Russell.

Grade 3-A—

John Bishop, Willard Garrett, Bill Linthicum, Charles Johnson, Julia Martin, Nannie Laurie Gentry, Geneva Dockery.

Grade 3-B—

William Baker, Lloyd Hipps, Jerry Davidson Jr., Grace Wills Bell, Margie Campbell, Pearl Hawkins, Della Miller, Mary Witherspoon.

Grade 4-A—

Eual Miller, Pauline Calhoun.

Grade 4-B—

Jack McJunkin, James Roberson, Nettie Wise, Nola Dewese.

Grade 5—

Annie M. Candler and Edna Patton.

Grade 9—

Rilla Belle Palmer.

Teachers' Honor Roll—

Mr. Sipe, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Watts, Mrs. Kinsey, Miss Wright, Mrs. Brownell, Miss Triplett, Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Hoover, Miss Fain, Miss Albright.

## GRANDVIEW.

(Last week's letter)

The roads in this section are in very bad condition since the rains.

Everybody enjoyed a nice party at Ross Hensley's last Friday night.

Misses Annie Lovingood, Bonnie Vey, and Louis Adams left for Sylva Monday where they have been attending school.

Messrs. Walter Blain and Vernon Dockery and Everett White enjoyed a short walk Sunday.

Misses Annie Raxter and Mary Lou Gentry enjoyed a horse back ride Sunday to Beaverdam.

Glenn Palmer and Vernon Dockery were at Regal Monday on business.

Mrs. McGuire is visiting relatives here.

Abe Palmer and Milt Johnson spent the week-end with home folks as usual.

Judge Dockery purchased a new Chevrolet last week. He says it is much better to ride than to walk.

Hillard Lovingood, of Brady, was visiting here Sunday.

Miss Anne Margaret Axley is visiting in Greenville, S. C.

## MEMBERS FROM CHEROKEE CO. ON COMMITTEES

Senator Robertson and Representative Swan Will Have Opportunity to Do Good Work

Cherokee's Senator and Representative appear to have fared well at the hands of the presiding officers of the House and Senate in the appointment of permanent committees at the organization of these bodies last week. Lieutenant Governor Elmer Long and Speaker Pharr, of the House of Representatives, named their standing committees immediately after the convening of the legislature and before their formal assumption of duties. Most of the work of any state legislature is done in the committee rooms and the effectiveness of any senator or representative depends to a great extent on the committee appointments. Both Senator Robertson, of Franklin, who also represents Cherokee County in the upper house of the Legislature, and Representative D. W. Swan, of Andrews, seem to have gotten on some of the more important committees of these two bodies. They will, therefore, be in a position to do some effective work for Cherokee County and Western North Carolina.

Senator Robertson was appointed as a member of the following committees by Lieutenant Governor Elmer Long: Appropriations, Commerce, Constitutional Amendments, Corporations, Judicial Districts, Mining, Senate Expenditures, Federal Relations, Insurance, Judiciary No. 2, and printing.

Representative Swann was put on the following committees: Banks and Banking, Courts and Judicial Districts Education, Engrossed Bills, Military affairs, Mines and Mining, Propositions and Grievances, Senatorial districts and Printing.

## Bank Reports Very Good Year During 1924

The stockholders of the Cherokee Bank held their regular annual meeting Saturday night, January 12th, and received the report of the officers, which showed that this institution enjoyed a very successful year during 1924. Approximately 22 percent was earned on the capital stock. However, no dividend was paid. The same officers were re-elected as follows: E. A. Davidson, president; R. S. Parker, vice-president; J. B. Storey, cashier; Mr. T. S. Evans was added to the board of directors, which is now composed of the following: E. A. Davidson, J. W. Davidson, S. D. Akin, Fred Moore, R. S. Parker, T. S. Evans, J. A. Richardson and J. N. Hill.

## SUIT.

(Last week's letter)

Mr. Abe Mason has just moved to Suit.

Mr. M. M. Burger made a business trip to Murphy and Culberson on Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. Buster Mason has just purchased a Chevrolet.

Mr. Wade Decker is boarding with Mr. Tom Mashburn at present.

Mrs. Letha Wood and children, Quinten and Mae, have just returned from Akron where she has been visiting.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holbrooks on January 3rd, a fine boy.

Mr. J. P. Decker and Buster Mason are going to establish a fur house near Suit.

Mr. Wade Decker spent Thursday night, with Buster Mason.

Mrs. J. V. Brittain and three children arrived in Murphy Wednesday night to spend several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Richardson. Mrs. Brittain has been at Black Mountain for the past several days, where she and Mr. Brittain have been at the bedside of his mother, who has been very ill. They came to Black Mountain from Florida several days ago.

## FOREST BODY WILL HOLD A SPECIAL MEET

January 28th Date Chosen for Meeting in Raleigh to Discuss Forestry Problems

A special meeting of the North Carolina Forestry Association will be held in Raleigh at the Sir Wilter Hotel on January 28th for the purpose of bringing to the attention of the people of the State, and specially the members of the Legislature, the need for extending and increasing forest fire protective organization and other forestry matters in the state, according to a call sent out by Secretary John L. Cobbs Jr., of Wilmington, following a meeting of the executive committee early in the year. The call states that the executive committee feels that a nonlargement of the work now under way in the state will aid in bringing about a greater development and prosperity than would otherwise be possible. Some of the subjects that will be discussed at this meeting are: "Forest Fire Protection," "The Classification and Proper Use of North Carolina Cut-over and other Idle Lands," "Fair Taxation for Forest Lands" and "The State Forests for Recreation Purposes." Well known speakers will lead the discussion on these and other subjects, says the announcement.

## Wofford-Terrell Co. Closes Good Year

The annual stockholders meeting of the Wofford-Terrell Company, local wholesale merchants, was held last Monday evening, January 12th, to receive the report of officers for the period of business during the year 1924, at which meeting the annual dividend of the company was paid.

Officers and stockholders were well pleased with the successful proportions of the business for the past year, and expressed themselves as being highly optimistic over the outlook for the coming year.

All the old officers were re-elected as follows: C. M. Wofford, president; E. S. Miller and F. A. Terrell, vice-presidents; and P. C. Hyatt, secretary-treasurer. The following directors were re-elected: W. A. Evans, C. M. Wofford, E. S. Miller, F. A. Terrell, P. C. Hyatt, J. W. King and C. A. Duvall.

## PEACHTREE.

(Last week's letter)

Mrs. James Wilson died at her home with pneumonia Thursday night, Jan. 1, and was buried at Green's Cove. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn her loss.

Miss Mae Moss has been on the sick list for about ten days with the flu and other complications.

Whoopingcough, chickenpox, and mumps are epidemics in our community at present.

Mr. Claud Brooks, of Jasper, Ga., was a welcome visitor to our community during the holidays.

The Christmas tree at Peachtree was enjoyed by many friends and the children's hearts made glad, for many presents and a Santa to amuse them.

Mr. A. J. Gogers of Tomotla has located a saw mill on Peachtree Creek and is cutting lumber at present.

This seems to be a time of moving. Mr. Bob Donley has moved to the I. N. Wilson place; Mrs. Berong to the New Wilson place; Mr. Poley Derreberry to the H. B. Elliott place.

Our new graded road is almost impassable during heavy rains and freezes. Mr. Sexton has just returned from Gastonia and other parts, and reports bad roads everywhere.

Our school is progressing nicely at present.

Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Calhoun and little daughter, Frances, have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Calhoun, of Peachtree, and Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McMillan.