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Eight Story Hotel For Murphy

PROMOTION PLAN IS EXPLAINED AT MASS MEETING

Would Be Reinforced Concrete Structure, With Roof Garden, Ball Room and Convention Hall

Thursday night a mass meeting of the citizens of Murphy was held in the library building for the purpose of starting a campaign to build in Murphy a new and modern hotel.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. A. A. Fain, Mayor, and after an introductory address explaining the purpose of the meeting and the great advantages to be gained by Murphy securing a new hotel, Mr. Harry P. Cooper, formerly of Tampa, Fla., who has returned to Murphy to locate and who is the promoter of the new hotel, was called upon by Mr. Fain to address the meeting.

Mr. Cooper, in a very able manner, explained in detail the proposition, calling attention to the peculiar geographic advantage that Murphy has with her location at the apex of the highway running from Atlanta to Asheville—the road to be built from Murphy to Knoxville, Murphy to Chattanooga and the road now under construction from Murphy to Franklin, connecting up with roads to Augusta, Ga., Athens, Ga., and points in South Carolina.

The hotel as outlined by Mr. Cooper will be an eight story reinforced concrete structure, consisting of eighty rooms, each room to have a private bath or connecting bath, and will have a roof garden on the top. On the top floor will be a ball room and convention hall. The ground floor will consist of store rooms for businesses and entrance to the lobby.

The site selected for the hotel is the home place property of Mr. C. B. Hill, and has a frontage of eighty-four feet on Valley River avenue, which is state highway No. 10 coming into Murphy from the north, and a depth of 173 feet fronting on Hickory street. The building on this site can be seen from every approach to Murphy. The name of the hotel as suggested by Mr. Cooper, will be The Carolina Royal. Architect's drawing and floor plans are on display at the Standard Service Station.

The plan of finance, Mr. Cooper stated, is to form a corporation with a paid in capital stock of \$125,000.00, divided into twelve hundred and fifty shares of preferred stock at \$100 per share, and twenty-five hundred share of common stock.

The preferred stock will bear six percent interest per annum and with each share of preferred stock purchased a half share of ommon stock will ed a share of common stock will purpose of the hotel corporation to retire the preferred stock as soon as possible, at which time the common stockholders will have received six percent interest on their preferred stock and their principal back. Fifty percent of the total cost of the building and lot will be borrowed from one of the big loan companies on a long time basis, with easy amortization.

Following the address by Mr. Cooper, Mayor Fain called on a number of those present to express their opinions and very interesting talks were made by Mr. Frank Hill, Mr. Fred Christopher, Mr. Ralph Moody, Mr. B. W. Sipe and others. The entire meeting was very enthusiastic and much favorable comment was made by those in attendance over the great possibilities for the future of Murphy if this hotel can be secured.

The writer wants to emphasize the fact that so few of us stop to consider the great good to be derived to this city upon putting across this new hotel proposition. None of us know what man among the hundreds passing through our town may be looking for a location for some large manufacturing plant. If he reaches our city and sees the fine court house we are erecting, and fine church buildings and then sees that we have erected a splendid modern hotel to comfortable house the ever increasing tourists and commercial travel passing through the gates of our city, special attention is bound to be attracted to our city. This unknown man will see that we have competitive railroads, bringing good freight rates, unlimited water power and an unlimited amount of cheap labor to operate his plant. So why not locate in a place that offers these advantages. What does this mean to our locality? Pay rolls. Money in

MURPHY BOY IS KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT SUN.

Charles W. Hall Meets Death Near Old Fort—Body Brought Here For Funeral and Interment

Charles W. Hall, 24 years old, Western Union Telegraph operator at Marion, N. C., a former Murphy boy and well known throughout this section, met death in an automobile accident early Sunday morning about two miles from Old Fort. He was riding at the time with Malcolm D. Sinclair, who escaped with severe injuries.

The details of the accident are not known here, and his father, J. R. Hall went to Old Fort this week to investigate.

Charlie, as young Hall was known by his friends, was a clean cut young man, of sterling character. He started his business career in the office of the Western Union Telegraph here and rapidly advanced from delivery boy to manager of some of the most important offices of this company in the western part of this state. He was held in high esteem by all who knew him and his friends were many, as was attested to by the many floral tributes which literally covered the grave.

Charlie was to have been married on the day of the fatal accident to Miss Mary Brown, Western Union operator at Elberton, Ga. He was a man of uprightness and Christian quality, having professed faith in Christ several years ago. When the news of his death reached Murphy, a wave of sadness swept the entire county.

Funeral services were held Monday evening by Revs. T. L. Sasser and E. J. Harbison at Pleasant Grove, this county, and interment was in the churchyard.

He is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hall, of route two; one brother, Grady Hall, of Aberdeen, S. D.; and one sister, Mrs. O. C. Payne, of Birch.

circulation, out of which every business man in the city will receive his pro rata share, and an increase in our population and certainly an added increase in the values of our real estate that is beyond calculation.

Also, last but not least, the reputation of Murphy will be broadcasted far and near. We can think of no factor that would advertise our community such as would be done if this hotel is erected. The travel over our highways would be increased tenfold and travelers from great distances would plan on making our city one of their stopping places, and not give us just a casual glance as they pass through on account of a lack accommodations.

The dawn of a new day is before us. Opportunity knocks seldom more than once. We, as a community, must first help ourselves if we expect others to help us occupy the important position in this state that we are entitled to through superior location and natural advantages.

The future success and growth of Murphy is up to us. By pulling together we can accomplish wonders.

Let's all dig down in our pockets and help Mr. Cooper put this proposition over successfully and make of our city the place it is entitled to be.

Mr. J. L. King killed a bald eagle last week near his home on Fain Mountain that measured six feet from tip to tip. Mr. King says this is the first one he has heard of being killed or captured in this section in many years. Mr. King also brought to this office what he says is a guinea egge, but it looks more like a candy baby chic than anything else. He has plaed it on display at the store of J. M. Stoner.

STATE TAKES OVER ROAD TO TENNESSEE

Hot House Route From Murphy to Angellica Gap Accepted By Commission

Announcement that the State Highway Commission has formally taken over and accepted the Hot House route from Murphy to the Tennessee State line at Angellica Gap, is contained in news dispatches from Raleigh under date of May 20th. This news will be heralded by the people of this section with great rejoicing, since it stamps the official approval upon a definite route to Tennessee from Cherokee County and brings to conclusion a question of road selection that has agitated the people for some tow or three years.

The State Highway Commission is meeting in Raleigh this week, and it is expected that official announcement will be made through the local county commissions at an early date.

TO GIVE LION'S CLUB PLAY AT ROBBINSVILLE

"Because I Love You," the comedy drama play sponsored by the Lion's Club, will be presented at the school auditorium in Robbinsville Monday night, under the auspices of the Robbinsville school, it was announced this week.

This popular play was presented here some time ago by local talent, and proved to be a big success. Some of Murphy's most talented players take part in it.

The music recital of Mrs. L. R. Kohloss's Music class, which was tentatively announced for Friday night of this week has been postponed until Thursday night, May 26th. This was made necessary on account of the illness of the music teacher last week.

CEARLEY BUYS MURPHY BAKERY

Mr. L. M. Cearley has purchased the Murphy Bakery from Quinn and Campbell, and is having the entire inside of the premises remodeled. The Bakery shop has been cut off from the cafe entirely, and the cafe is being painted and cleaned up to make it look as attractive and inviting as possible. New fixtures have been ordered for the cafe, including tables, chairs, counter and stools, which will be installed the first of next week. The cafe and bakery will be operated jointly and Mr. Cearley says he is preparing to give the people of Murphy just as good bread as can be gotten from the leading bakeries in the larger cities.

Mr. Cearley, who has been here about seven months, comes from Florida and California. He has seen quite a bit of the world, and before coming to Murphy spent some months in Africa.

LIBRARY HOURS
Afternoons
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and
Evenings
Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
from 7:00 P. M. to 9:00 P. M.
Friday from 2:00 P. M. to 4:30 P. M.
JOSEPHINE HEIGHWAY,
Librarian.

OSEPOFF HEARD BY JOINT MEET MURPHY CLUBS

Russian Violinist Is Feature of Mixed Program at Library

On Monday evening at the Library at eight o'clock the Woman's Club and the Music Club jointly entertained the teachers and the husbands of the members of the clubs. A special program was rendered in which Miss Cantrell, head of the Music Department of Young Harris College, and Mr Oseppoff, teacher-student of the college and noted violinist, recently from Russia, were featured. Sandwiches and punch were served during the evening.

When the guests were assembled Mrs. E. B. Norvell, President of the Woman's Club called the gathering to order and called on Mrs. C. W. Savage of the Music Club to welcome the guests and have charge of the program. As the opening number Mrs. Keener rendered a beautiful piano solo. Mrs. Ralph Moody, accompanied by Mrs. J. W. Davidson, sang a solo as did also Mr. W. C. Boyce. Mrs. E. C. Mallonee gave a reading, being assisted by Miss Emogene Axley. Mr. Oseppoff was accompanied by Miss Cantrell. He played a number of selections, including one of the National airs of Russia, a number of selection from the world's best known composers, and one or two popular airs, such as "Dixie". Mr. Oseppoff proved himself a master violinist and his numbers brought forth fervent and continued haidclaps.

During the course of the evening Mr. Oseppoff volunteered a part of his life story. He revealed that he fought in the Russian army during the revolution in 1917 and when the Czar abdicated, he along with others went into China. About two years ago, he stated, he was converted and joined one of the pretestant churches in China under the preaching of one of the Missionaries. He came to the United States, landing in California August, 1926 and later found his way to Young Harris College as student and teacher of violin. He stated that he was interested in learning the English language so that he could go back to Russia as a Missionary and translate some of the prostant books into the Russian Language. He stated that the Russian churches lacked Spirituality and feeling, and that they needed Christianity worse than most anything else. He hopes that through the reading of certain English translations that this spiritual element can be infused into their church life.

Mr. Oseppoff spoke English well for one who has been in this country only about 8 months; he seemed a very cultured and refined young man and was well received by all who were present at the reception.

The Misisoim Study Class and Social Meeting of the Methodist Missionary Society was held at the parsonage with Mrs. E. J. Harbison, Superintendent of Study presiding.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Rev. Harbison. The Mission Book, entitled "Moslem Women" is being studied and no one can read the tragic story of women under the mohammed faith without an earnest longing and prayer that something adequate may be done by the United Church of Christ.

Mrs. E. J. Harbison and Mrs. E. S. Holcomb were joint hostesses during the social hour. Delicious ice cream and cake was served. Those present were: Mrs. J. H. Hampton, Mrs. Tuttle, Mrs. J. H. McCall, Mrs. Mercer Fain, Mrs. Harvey Elkins, Mrs R. C. Maddox, Mrs. E. B. Norvell, Mrs

NEW AND FASTER TRAIN SCHEDULE MURPHY BRANCH

Southern To Shorten Time One Hour—Other Improvements in Road and Service

A faster and better service will be inaugurated with schedule changes to be made effective on the Murphy branch of the Southern Railway company Sunday, May 29, it was announced Tuesday by J. H. Wood, division passenger agent, with headquarters at Asheville.

The Southern for several months has been making improvements on the Murphy branch, including the building of bridges, culverts and the remodeling of tracks, Mr. Wood said. New engines and passenger coaches will likely be provided for improving the service, it was stated.

After the schedule change Train 17, now leaving Asheville at 8 a. m., and arriving at Murphy at 12:30 p. m., will arrive at Murphy at 11:30 a. m.

Train 19, leaving Asheville at 3 p. m., and arriving at Murphy at 9:55 p. m., after the schedule change will arrive at Murphy at 8:50 p. m.

Train 20, leaving Murphy at 6 a. m., and arriving at Asheville at 12:10 p. m., will leave Murphy at the same time and arrive in Asheville at 11:30 a. m.

Train 18 leaving Murphy at 10:10 a. m., and arriving in Asheville at 5 p. m., will leave Murphy at 12:45 p. m., and arrive in Asheville at 6:30 p. m.

Several regular stops and flag stations have been eliminated from the schedules of Train 17 and 20, enabling the running time of these trains to be reduced by approximately one hour.

The through trains, 17 and 20, will stop in both directions at Canton, Clyde, Lake Junaluska, Waynesville, Hazelwood, Sylva, Dillsboro, Whittier, Ella, Bryson City, Buswell, Almond, Topton and Andrews and will stop on flag at Hominy, Candler, Turnpike, Balsam, Addie and Marble. Trains 18 and 19 will make all stops as heretofore. Mail for stations where no stops are made will be handled by mail crane arrangements.

SENIOR PLAY WELL RECEIVED

The Senior Play was given by the class at the school building on Friday evening May 13th. The play was entitled Oak Farm and was well rendered by the class under the direction of Mrs. E. G. White, teacher of English in the High School. A good audience was present to enjoy it. Only the ten members of the class took part, each doing his or her part well. The stage decorations, the costuming and the charater portrayal was well done, adding to the effective theme of the play.

This was the first part of the commencement program, which will be concluded over the week-end of next week. A complete program of the commencement numbers appears elsewhere in this issue.

Miss Annie Sword and Mr. Bill Brandon surprised their many friends last week-end by getting married. They are a popular couple and deserve the good fortune their many friends know are in store for them.

S. D. Akin, Mrs. Wm. A. Savagage, Mrs. P. H. Sword, Mrs. E. L. Holt, Mrs. E. S. Holcomb and Mrs. Harbison.