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## MURPHY SCHOOL COMES TO CLOSE ON MAY THE 29

Largest Class in History of School Given Diplomas—Vollmer Delivers Commencement Address

Graduating exercises on the evening of May 29th marked the close of one of the most successful years of the Murphy Graded Schools, with the awarding of 21 diplomas and four certificates to the largest graduating class in the history of the institution.

Dr. Clement Vollmer, professor of German, Duke University, delivered the commencement address to a packed house, and many were the complimentary remarks on the address following the exercises.

### Recitation Contests

Mayor Harry P. Cooper awarded the medals won by the pupils in the different contests as follows:

Lower Grammar Grades: Recitation Contest; 1st prize, \$5.00 in gold given by Parent-Teachers Association, won by Irene Ramsay. 2nd prize: \$2.50 in gold given by J. W. Davidson, won by Robbie Williamson.

Upper Grammar Grades: Recitation Contest, 1st prize: \$5.00 in gold given by B. W. Sipe, won by Grace Wills Bell. 2nd prize: \$2.50 in gold given by J. B. Storey, won by Mary Jo Davis.

High School Recitation Contest: 1st prize: \$5.00 in gold given by James L. Brown of Asheville Lions Club of Asheville, won by Anne Candler. 2nd prize: \$2.50 in gold, given by H. G. Elkins, won by Margaret Witherspoon.

### Declamation Contests

Grammar Grades: Declamation Contest. 1st prize: \$5.00 in gold, given by W. M. Fain, won by Tom Posey. 2nd prize, \$2.50 in gold, given by E. A. Davidson, won by Leslie Hampton.

High School Declamation Contest, 1st prize: \$5.00 in gold, given by James L. Brown of Asheville Lions Club, Asheville, won by Franklin Smith. 2nd prize: \$2.50 in gold, given by Dr. R. S. Parker, won by Everett White.

### The program follows:

Graduating Exercises, Class of 1923, School Auditorium, Tuesday Evening, May 29, 1923.

- I. Processional.
- II. Song: "Welcome, Dear Dear Friends," The Class.
- III. Salutatory Address, Elza Martin.
- IV. Poem—A Class Vision, Eloise Fain.
- V. Recitation: "The Last Leaf," Annice Dyer.
- VI. Commencement Address, Prof. Clement Vollmer of Duke University.
- VII. Awarding of Prizes, Mayor H. P. Cooper.
- VIII. Awarding of Diplomas, Supt. B. W. Sipe.
- IX. Valedictory Address, Gertrude Clayton.
- X. Song: "Till We Meet Again," The Class.

High School Faculty: J. D. Warrick, Principal, B. R. Carrol, C. D. Caler, Jeness Cox, Annie B. Bailey, Gladys Polatty, Chloe Z. Miller.

Board of Trustees: Dr. R. S. Parker, Chairman, J. D. Mallonce, Sec. Treas., S. D. Aiken, Dr. J. N. Hill, T. S. Evans, J. W. Davidson.

Mrs. T. L. Sasser and little son, Tom, have returned from Brookhaven, Miss., after spending several weeks with relatives. Mrs. Sasser's mother, Mrs. S. P. Oliver, returned with her to spend several weeks. Mr. Sasser returned from Atlanta with them, where he had gone to meet them.

Dr. T. J. Butt, of Cairo, Ga., spent several days last week with his brother, Mr. V. I. Butt, and other relatives in this section.

## COW TESTING IN CHEROKEE NEARLY DONE

Dr. Sullivan Hopes to Complete Task During Next Two Weeks

Dr. R. L. Sullivan, veterinarian of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, who has been in the county for the past several months completing the tubercular tests of cattle in cooperation with the State Department of Agriculture, which started last fall, requests those in the county who have not had their cattle tested for tuberculosis to see the county agent or write Dr. Sullivan at Murphy at once.

It is his desire to complete the tests during the next two weeks on all cattle within the county, and any who have not had their cattle tested should avail themselves of this opportunity. No charges are made for the test.

To date, 5,100 head of cattle in the county have been tested, and Dr. Sullivan stated that the percentage of tubercular infested animals in the county was very low, but some had been found which had this disease. What were infested have been disposed of, the federal government paying the owner one-third the value of the cow, and the state one-third, the owner assuming the other third as profit and loss.

Dr. Sullivan stated that when the work in Cherokee was finished it would complete the last county in western North Carolina, and that it should become the duty of every farmer and cattle owner to see that no untested animals were brought into the county. To bring an untested animal into the county is in violation of the state law, and to bring an untested animal into North Carolina was in violation of the federal law punishable by fine and imprisonment. Dr. Sullivan stated he hoped the citizens of the county would do everything in their power to keep untested animals out of the county, and unless they did, the work that had been done here would have been done in vain.

## TWO IN JAIL CHARGED WITH ROBBING STORE

Man and Woman Who Gave Their Names as Smiths Refuse to Give Officers Much Information

A couple who gave their names as Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith, from where they don't know, were taken into custody by officers Sunday afternoon in the woods north of Maltby, and lodged in jail charged with breaking into and robbing the store of N. W. Abernathy at Marble Sunday morning about 3 o'clock.

The couple refuse to talk, but by the car and tag numbers, packages in the car, the officers are piecing together a rather formidable string of evidence, by which they hope to prove that they are members of a band of wholesale robbers.

### Surprised By Officers

Sunday morning between two and three o'clock, Deputies John Lance and Oscar Cole were returning from a watch for a liquor car said to have been scheduled to pass through the Peachtree section through Marble, and as they approached the forks of the Peachtree road and No. 10, at Marble, they noticed a car standing in front of the store and the door open. Their suspicions were aroused and on investigation they found that the store was being robbed. However before the officers could make an arrest, two men fled from the scene, leaving the car, a Nash Sedan, loaded with loot behind. They fled toward the woods and in the

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## 13 QUARTS, 2 MEN AND CAR TAKEN SAT.

Saturday afternoon Sheriff D. M. Birchfield, and Deputies George Crawford and Willard Cooper surprised three in a car near F. H. Abernathy's store in the Peachtree section, the net results being one car, 13 quarts of whiskey and two men, one of the occupants of the car making his escape.

The men, George Payne who lives above Andrews, and a man by the name of Buchanan, who lives in Graham County, were brought to Murphy, and at a preliminary hearing were bound over to Superior Court under bonds of \$300.00 each. Buchanan made his bond, but Payne had not made his up until the time of going to press.

## TENT MEETING TO BE CONDUCTED AT OGDEN ON 10

I want to take this means of speaking a few words to the readers of The Cherokee Scout. We feel that we are very fortunate in securing the services of three talented young men who will give their time during the summer months to evangelistic work in Cherokee County. These young men are students of Asbury College, Wilmore, Ky., and are sent out by the Methodist Evangelistic League of Louisville, Ky. They are bringing with them a tent and it is their purpose to use this tent to hold several meetings near the town of Murphy. The first meeting will be held at Ogdén on the highway that leads from Murphy to Hayesville and will begin about Sunday, June 10th. This meeting will last for about two or three weeks, and then it is planned to move the tent to another location for another meeting.

I want to say to the people of Cherokee County that the personnel of this trio of workers is one of the best that could be secured. The preaching will be done by Rev. Earl N. Dorff, of Cleveland, Ohio. He is a young man of sterling character, and a preacher of ability. Last summer he served as assistant pastor of the Methodist church of Andrews, and won for himself a host of friends. The people of the town were pleased with his work among the young people, and it is conceded by all who heard him that he is a pleasing speaker, and one who is in earnest about the work of the Master. We heartily recommend him and those who come with him to the people with whom he shall work, and hope that you will give these young men your hearty support. We feel that this is a great opportunity that comes to you and feel that all Christian people will be glad to fall in line with this work for the upbuilding of the Kingdom of our Master.

Yours,  
JOHN R. CHURCH,  
Pastor Methodist Church, Andrews, N. C.

## MORE PUPILS OF JOHN O. HICKS

Following is another list of names of pupils who attended the John O. Hicks School:

Mira Dickey Slagle, Lassie Dickey Hyatt, Laura Sudderth Conley, Cora Harden Coleman, Nannie Harden Shearer, Rebecca Bumgarner Martin, Lillie Sanderson Carter, Mollie Sanderson, Mrs. Rosa McClonnell Ketrón widow of Dr. I. A. Ketrón.

## GIRL SCOUTS IN CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN

The Girl Scouts of Murphy assisted materially in the clean-up week campaign this week by visiting every business house and residence of the town and asking that every one participate. The girls had their message typewritten on a card and presented it, and usually went about three in number. Following is the message:

Good morning! We are Girl Scouts and we are out today scouting for a cleaner and more sanitary town. This is Clean-Up Week, and we come to request you to Clean-Up and Green-Up today and this week.

Our Mayor has helped us by proclaiming this as Clean-Up Week. Collect your trash and refuse and the city wagon will come by and remove it for you.

### GIRL SCOUTS.

Two Troops of Girl Scouts have been recently organized in Murphy, with Mrs. C. W. Warren as Captain, and about twenty-five members strong.

Tuesday, the Girl Scouts enjoyed a weiner roast, following their visit to the homes and business houses of the town in the interest of the clean-up campaign.

### Announcement to Girl Scouts

Mrs. Cathleen W. Warren, Captain of girl scouts, extends this special invitation to all girls who have any desire to become members in The Girl Scouts of America, to be present at the next regular meetings. She urges everyone to be present as these meetings are very important. At these meetings hte groups will be organized into Patrols.

Those girls who meet on Monday will do so this time, and the younger girls will meet Tuesday as usual. The hour for each meeting is 3:30 p. m.

## AGED TOMOTLA WOMAN DIED LAST WEEK

Mother of Mrs. J. R. Roberts Laid to Rest Saturday at Hiwassee—Was 87 Years Old

Mrs. Sarah Anne Davis, 87 years old, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Roberts, of Tomotla, last Thursday night at 12 o'clock, after an illness of about ten weeks. Mrs. Davis had been in good health and active all her life until about ten weeks ago, when she was confined to her bed with dropsy and heart trouble, from which she never recovered.

She was a native of Cherokee County, having been born in or near Murphy, and was the widow of the late Jacob Davis, also a native of this county. She was a member of the Baptist church for more than fifty years, having professed faith in Jesus Christ shortly after the Civil War and joined herself to the church of her choice.

Mrs. Davis was the oldest member of her immediate family, and outlived them all, she being the last to answer the great call. Her husband died some ten years ago.

Funeral services were held at the Hiwassee Baptist church, about 6 miles below Murphy last Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, by Rev. T. L. Sasser, assisted by Rev. W. D. Hogsed, and interment was in the churchyard.

She is survived by one son and four daughters: Manuel Davis, of Athens, Tenn.; Mrs. J. R. Roberts, of Tomotla, with whom she was living; Mrs. A. L. Simonds, of Murphy; Mrs. W. B. Stiles, of Athens, Tenn.; and Mrs. Ida Stiles, of Murphy.

## FUNERAL FOR O. L. ANDERSON HELD SUNDAY

Died Suddenly June 1st of Apoplexy—Hayesville and County Grieve Over Loss of Friend

Funeral services were held Sunday, June 3, at the high school auditorium, at 12 o'clock for Col. O. L. Anderson whose death suddenly occurred June 1st at 11:00 a. m. from an attack of apoplexy. Had Col. Anderson lived until the day of his funeral he would have been 59 years old. Rev. Chas. S. Plyler, H. H. Hyde, and E. L. Adams had charge of the funeral services. The Murphy bar was present in a body and several made some very fitting remarks testifying their high esteem and regard in which they held Col. Anderson both as a personal friend and a member of the bar. Mr. J. B. Gray, who has been a partner in the practice of law for the past twelve years with Col. Anderson, also paid very high tribute of respect, love, and admiration for him.

Those acting as pallbearers were: Messrs. W. R. Ellerson, P. C. Scroggs, R. N. Tiger, R. E. Crawford, A. J. Bell, J. B. White, G. P. Ledford and Jarrett Thompson. Interment took place in the Methodist cemetery.

### Born in 1869

Col. Anderson was born June 3, 1869, in Hayesville, Clay County, N. C. His father was Captain J. S. Anderson, a Civil War veteran and a pioneer of this section. Captain Anderson was a very influential man in his day and took an active part in all progressive movements in Clay County. His mother was Miss Josephine Ketrón before her marriage to Captain Anderson, and was one of those old Christian mothers who played their part in life when hardships were great.

Mr. Anderson's parents are both dead. Four brothers and one sister survive: R. L. Anderson, of Ogdén, N. C., merchant and farmer; Ed L. Anderson, merchant and farmer; Early Anderson, merchant; W. L. Anderson, merchant, and Mrs. Carrie L. McClure, all of Hayesville.

Mr. Anderson has two aunts and three uncles living: D. B. Ketrón, of Hayesville; D. S. Ketrón, of Sherman, Texas, and Rufus Anderson, of Culberson, N. C.; Mrs. A. H. Brown, of Murphy, and Mrs. T. J. Paulk, of Willacoochee, Ga.

In 1896, Colonel Anderson completed his law course under the well-known law instructor, Judge Avery, at Morganton, N. C., and came back to his home town and established a law office where he has engaged in the practice of law ever since, being at the time of his death the senior member of the law firm of Anderson and Gray, which is regarded as one of the strongest law firms in the western part of the State. In 1897 he was married to Miss Edna J. Davidson, of Atlanta, Ga. No children were born to this union.

Mr. Anderson has held many positions of honor and trust, for the people reposed much confidence in him and trusted his great ability and rugged honesty. The people of Clay County elected him to the General Assembly in 1903, and he represented the 39th Senatorial district in the Senate in 1911. No member to the Legislature of North Carolina ever sat in the halls of the State House who more faithfully and zealously safeguarded the interest of his people. He was a Republican in political faith, and in 1908 was chosen by his party as a Presidential elector from the Tenth Congressional district.

Mr. Anderson's general health was normal, and his sudden passing was a severe shock to all the people in this section. He had a partial stroke about 10 years ago, but it

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