

LOCAL GOLF CELEBRITIES



MURPHY TAKES MEASURE OF ANDREWS FIVE

Locals Chalk Up Fourth Straight Win While Girls Lose To Andrews Team

The last stepping basket-ball team of Murphy High chalked up its fourth consecutive win of the season last Friday afternoon when the Andrews high fell before the charges of Coach Warrick by the score of 20 to 8.

Hembree was the outstanding star for the Murphy team with 13 points to his credit while Dyer and Davis played a fine game at guard. Two pretty field goals were made by Smith Walker, star of the Andrews team.

The local boys play Robbinsville at Robbinsville next Friday afternoon and they are out for their fifth straight victory.

Boys Game

M. H. S.	A. H. S.
Carringer	Hamilton 2
Hembree 13	Tatham
Dickey 2	Wilson 1
Davis	Everett
Dyer 1	Walker 5

Substitutions for Murphy: Smith (4) for Carringer; Barton (2) for Smith; Roper for Davis; Andrews; Tatham for Hamilton.

Girls Game

M. H. S. 3	A. H. S. 8
Coleman	Wyke
Ferguson	Palmer
Wells	Reagan
Davis	Tatham
Dyer	Dunn
Johnson	Raxter

Substitutions for Murphy: Barton for Wells; Baker for Davis; Hampton for Ferguson. Andrews: White for Dunn.

The Murphy girls lost the first game they had played this season. However they held the opponent to a low score and with a little more experience the girls should put up as good a brand of basket-ball as the boys are putting up. The Andrews team has had quite a bit more experience than the locals and therefore had the edge over them.

Carnegie Library In Recipient of Books

Following is a list of books received by the Murphy Carnegie Library and the donors. The books are now on the shelves and ready for the public. Miss Josephine Heighway, Librarian, announces:

Books received from Mrs. W. H. Travis: Beach, Iron Trail, Tarkington, Turmoil; Ward, A Great Success; Maxwell, Hill Rise; Wilson, The Wrong Twin; Wharton, The House of Mirth.

Books presented to the Library by Edward Freas: Maitland, Boy Scouts With the Allies; Maitland, Boy Scouts on the Trail; Griggs, Boy Scout on the Trail; Grigg, Boy Scout's Success; Payson, Boy Scouts on the Range; Curwood, Baree Son of Kazan.

Presented by S. C. Highway a complete set of Mark Twain books.

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BIRCHFIELD CAPTURES STILL 4 MEN TUESDAY

Hight Sheriff Makes Raid Near Maltby Single Handed—Trial Set For Monday

For sometime Sheriff Birchfield has been trying to locate a still which has been in operation in the vicinity of Maltby, having information to the effect that somewhere in that section a still has been in operation.

Tuesday morning all alone Sheriff Birchfield set out to again try and locate this still. About two miles north of Maltby, up on the mountain, he discovered a dug-out in the side of the mountain covered with lumber. After investigating this place he came across the still, of about sixty or seventy gallon capacity, located back in this dug-out, with three or four barrels of beer, some low wines, some liquor and the still full of beer ready to operate. From indications the still had made a run of liquor the night before, as it was still warm and had been filled with beer again to start up operation for another run.

Sheriff Birchfield looked all around but saw no one in sight, who might have had some connection with the still, but waited patiently for four hours for someone to return to the still. Waiting that length of time in vain, the sheriff decided to pour out the beer and liquor, pull the still out of the furnace, set fire to the still house, and started down toward the house nearby, where he had heard the voices of several men while he had been waiting.

As he approached the house, he must have been seen by some one of the occupants, for the door to the house was slammed to, and some one began throwing liquor out of one of the windows. At this time two men jumped out of the windows on the other side of the house, the sheriff ran around and captured both of them single handed, then came back around the house and entered it with the first two prisoners in tow, and captured two more men inside the house, making four prisoners he had captured single handed.

The owner of the house was not at home, but the sheriff found out that he had gone to Andrews, so taking his prisoners in tow and going a distance of four miles to Marble, he there telephoned to the chief of police at Andrews to locate the other man, arrest him and bring him down to Marble to be turned over to the sheriff. This was done and the prisoners were placed under bonds for their trial at the November term of Superior court to be held at Murphy.

The owner of the house located at the still site was Alf Dockery, who was placed under \$1,000.00 bond, and his nephew, Debro Dockery, was placed under \$200.00 bond. The names of the other prisoners were a Barton man, Wylie Stansberry, and Pritchard Dockery, who jumped off the truck bringing the prisoners to town and escaped, whose preliminary trials are set for Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock before Justice of the Peace Jim Bryson, at Marble.

BAPTIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY TO ENTERTAIN WOMEN OF THE CHURCH ON NOVEMBER 13TH

The Baptist Missionary Society will have a social in the ladies parlor on November 13, at 2:30 o'clock.

Every woman in the church is invited to be present. This includes those who are members and those of Baptist preference.

An interesting program has been arranged and a social hour planned. A free will offering will be taken up for the benefit of the church building fund.

REV. POWELL IS RETURNED TO MURPHY

Rev. Howard P. Powell was returned to the Murphy charge for another year by the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which met in Charlotte the past week. Rev. Powell has been with Murphy only a year and has made many friends here not only in his own denomination, but others as well, who are rejoicing over his return.

The appointments for the Waynesville district, which includes the Murphy church, are as follows:

Waynesville District
C. M. Pickens, presiding elder; Andrews, W. M. Robbins; Bethel, C. R. Ross; Bryson City, D. C. Ballard; Canton, Carlock Hawk; Cherokee, William Hornbuckle; Clyde-Junaluska, F. O. Dryman; Colliwheeler, M. O. Tuttle; Delwood, R. K. Brady; Pines Cheek, G. N. Dulin; Franklin, R. F. Mock; Franklin Circuit, H. C. Freeman, Glenville to be supplied; Haywood, R. G. McClamrock; Highlands, to be supplied; Jonathan, L. T. Edens; Judson, L. H. Hipps, supply; Macon, T. S. Rotan, supply; Murphy, H. P. Powell; Murphy Circuit, A. A. Somers, supply; Sylva, G. B. Clemmer; Waynesville, T. F. Higgins; Webster, F. W. Kiker; Whittier, R. L. Bass; Wolfe Mountain, W. E. Moretz, supply.

BANKERS URGE ADOPTION OF TAX AMENDMENT

Say Adoption Will Vitalize Continued Prosperity and Development of State

Characterizing its adoption as being a matter of vital import to the continued prosperity and development of North Carolina, the North Carolina State Bankers Association has come out in support of the proposed taxation amendment to the State Constitution which will come before the voters at the election next week.

The action of the Bankers Association means that the proposed amendment now has the endorsement of practically every civic and commercial organization in North Carolina. It had already been approved by the Farmers Federation and by the North Carolina Association of Real Estate Boards. Thirty-one states have already adopted taxation laws similar to the one now proposed for North Carolina.

The amendment will give legislature the power to permit certain property to be placed in a separate class to be taxed at a different rate from other property. The property to be so classified and taxed comprises intangible property such as bonds, notes, investments in stock and the like.

Under the present system, an individual owning taxable securities must pay a tax on the principal ranging from two to four per cent depending on the local tax rate—a condition that is driving taxable money out of the State and into tax-exempt securities, thus forcing a heavier tax burden upon real estate and tangible property.

Officers of the North Carolina Bankers Association point out that the amendment, if adopted, will lower present taxes on farms and real estate of all kinds, and thus keep millions of dollars of North Carolina money at home, and attract outside money into the State. The proposed amendment will greatly improve the economic conditions of the commonwealth as a whole.

CANDIDATES OF BOTH PARTIES IN COUNTY BUSY

Final Rally and Speaking Engagements to Close at Court House Saturday Night

The candidates for county offices of both the Democratic and Republican parties have been busy during the past week in a speaking campaign and tour of the county, which will come to a close Saturday night at the court house. The people of the county have been hearing the political issues of the campaign locally and nationally discussed by candidates of both parties all over the county this week, and the grand rally and speaking Saturday night will mark the end of the campaign and the issues and fates of the candidates will rest with the people, who will go out next Tuesday, November 6th, and act in the capacity of both judge and jury.

Because of the issues in this campaign from a local as well as a national viewpoint, there will be one of the largest votes ever polled in the history of the county and nation.

SPIDER WRITES IN WEB MADE ON RICH FARM

One Person Makes Out Writing as Words That Spell Hoover's Name—Others Differ

A spider web with some curious weaving in it presided over by a large spider of many colors, is attracting much attention down in the lower part of the county on the R. C. Rich farm near Ranger and Letitia.

Some have said that the curious white net-work in the spider's web, in the shape of writing, spells the name of Hoover, while some say that it spells something else. The writer visited the scene this week and saw the web and the supposedly writing. We looked at it from every angle, and not being versed in hieroglyphics or spider language, could only make out the letters "WWM" in looking at it from one angle. From another, it looked like "WMM." From another, an "H" was partially visible, and separating it from the rest of the letter "W," a perfect "V" could be seen.

Mr. Rich stated that hundreds of people had visited the place, which was plain from the regular path which is made up through the corn field to where the spider and his web are located. It was found some ten days ago while gathering corn. Mr. Rich says that the spider does his writing in the morning, takes it up in the afternoon, and writes it again the next morning, placing it back letter for letter, in exactly the same manner each time.

He and hundreds of others believe that the curious writing spells "Hoover," and is an omen that Mr. Hoover will be the next president. Some have suggested that it spelled "Smith," and Mr. Rich stated that if he thought it did he would destroy it at once.

So much for that, the spider is there, the web is there and some kind of weaving resembling letters of the alphabet are there, and hundreds are journeying to the field just above Mr. Rich's house to take a look at it. It is attracting much attention from the fact that many have never seen what is referred to as a writing spider.

Inasmuch as November begins on Thursday we have decided to accept subscription payments any week day this month.

NICHOLS GIVEN MEDAL FOR ACT HEROISM IN '25

Murphy Man One Among Fourteen in South Receiving Award From Carnegie Commission

Everett G. Nichols, of Murphy, was notified several days ago that he had been awarded a hero medal and \$1,000.00 by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission for his act of heroism in saving the life of Jeff Hickey from suffocation on September 13, 1925. Mr. Nichols was one of 13 receiving such awards by the Commission in the South.

The act of Mr. Nichols was brought to the attention of the Commission by Attorney J. N. Moody, whose well was being cleaned out at the time. Hickey was doing the work, and some blasting was done. However, Hickey went down into the well too soon after the blast was fired, and was overcome by the gas and fumes caused by the blasting. Mrs. J. N. Moody and Mrs. Ralph Moody were in the yard at the time, and when Hickey did not come out, they called to him but got no answer. Mr. Moody was then called and still Hickey could not be heard from. Mr. Nichols was one of those who came to their assistance, tied a rope about his body and was let down into the well, where he untied the rope, placed it about the body of Hickey, who was drawn out while Nichols remained at the bottom of the well. The rope was sent back to Nichols, who tied it about himself and was likewise drawn to safety. However, he was so overcome by the gas and fumes he was almost unconscious by the time he reached the top. Medical aid was given to Hickey and he was soon brought back to life again.

The letter of notification to Mr. Nichols from the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission follows:

Mr. Everett G. Nichols,
Murphy, North Carolina.
My Dear Sir:

Through the courtesy of Mr. J. N. Moody, of Murphy, the attention of the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission has been called to an act performed by you, by which on September 13, 1925, you saved Jeff Hickey from suffocation in a well, at Murphy, North Carolina. Your case after a thorough investigation was considered at a meeting of the Commission held this afternoon, and I have much pleasure in informing you that in recognition of your heroism on that occasion the Commission awarded you a bronze medal and the sum of \$1,000 to be paid as needed for a worthy purpose to be approved by the Executive Committee.

I shall be obliged if you will kindly advise me without delay, by a letter bearing your own signature, whether or not you wish to accept the Commission's awards. If your reply is affirmative, the medal will be ordered and will be forwarded to you as soon as it has been received from the manufacturers, and the money will be held for you until it is needed for the purpose which will later be decided by the Executive Committee.

Yours very truly,
F. M. WILMOT,
Manager.

MEETING ROAD COMMISSION POSTPONED UNTIL NOV. 12

The regular monthly meeting of the Cherokee County Road Commission has been postponed until November 12th on account of the elections on Nov. 6th, officers of the commission stated this week. This will be the second Monday in November.