

**LOCAL GOLF CELEBRITIES**



**WOMAN'S CLUB HOLDS MEETING ON WEDNESDAY**

Mrs. C. W. Savage Appointed Christmas Seal Sale Chairman, and other Important Business Transactions.

The Murphy Woman's Club held its regular monthly meeting in the club rooms Wednesday afternoon with the president, Mrs. W. M. Axley, presiding.

Mrs. C. W. Savage was appointed chairman of the Red Cross Christmas Seal Sales.

The Library Committee reported that a house to house canvass would be made Saturday, November 24th by the Girl Scouts for the purpose of securing donations with which to buy books for library.

Mrs. W. M. Axley told of the district meeting at Sylva October 27th, outlining some of the important subjects brought to the attention of the district by the speakers, Mrs. Thomas O'Berry of Goldsboro, district President, and Mrs. E. L. Moore, President of the Southeastern Council of Federated Club Women. She also told of the meeting of the residents of the district with Mrs. Stanley Black, of Bryson City, District President. At this meeting, it was decided to adopt as a project for the entire district, Library Extension.

Following the business session, Mrs. J. C. Slocumb, who has been in Dulce, New Mexico for the past six months, gave a most interesting talk describing her work, which was to install a native crafts shop at the hospital for Indian children on the Jicarilla Apache Indian reservation.

Papers on "The Coastal Plains of North Carolina" were read by Mrs. G. Ekins and Mrs. W. M. Fain. A vocal number, "Sonny, Boy", was rendered by Mrs. T. J. Mauney, accompanied by Mrs. Henry Axley.

There was an unusually good attendance at this meeting, about twenty members being present.

The next meeting of the club will be held on December 19th. The subject for the afternoon will be "The Piedmont Country of North Carolina", presented by Mrs. Howard P. Powell and Mrs. E. B. Norvell, with music by Mrs. J. N. Hall and a reading by Mrs. E. C. Mallonee.

**SENIORS AND CONVICTS**

The state graduated 13,095 seniors from high schools in 1927, and released more than a third as many prisoners, 4,800 from convict camps. Few of those who complete the high school course ever get a chain gang education, although the high school graduation is no insurance against it.

A study was made of North Carolina chain gangs by Professors Jesse F. Steiner and Roy M. Brown, who found that among the 1,521 prisoners studied there were only 7 high school graduates, all white, who had finished high school, or had a knowledge

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## HALF MILLION PEOPLE AIDED BY RED CROSS IN HURRICANE RELIEF

**Porto Rico and Florida Victims Helped by Prompt Action; \$5,000,000 Given by Public.**

One of the greatest disasters, in point of loss of life and devastation of homes, in which the American Red Cross has ever carried relief was the West Indies hurricane of September last, which swept across Porto Rico, parts of the Virgin Islands, the coast of Florida and north to end in torrential rains, flooding streams in a half dozen states. The known dead in all of the areas affected was 2,259, although it was admitted that the complete total of dead in Florida would never be known. The number of injured was estimated at 3,170. Approximately 20,000 buildings were destroyed and damaged.

In the height of the emergency the membership was caring for 506,410 people—that is, feeding and clothing them and arranging for whatever shelter was obtainable. As long as three weeks after the hurricane struck Porto Rico and Florida, the Red Cross was aiding 20,236 people who were sick, of these 236 in Florida and the remainder in Porto Rico, where influenza and malaria were being treated to prevent epidemics of more drastic diseases. Large numbers of Red Cross nurses were active at both points.

In Florida more than 11,000 persons applied to Red Cross for assistance, and a great number of people in Florida and also in Porto Rico still were being cared for in the matter of food, clothing and shelter as long as two months after the hurricane, while they awaited maturing crops which would enable them to again become self sustaining.

For this relief task, the American public gave the American Red Cross a fund of \$5,000,000—the sum set forth in a proclamation issued by President Coolidge a few days after news of the hurricane was received.

The relief given by the Red Cross in this great emergency, spread over such a wide territory of sea and land, was everywhere commended and especial emphasis was placed upon the promptitude with which the organization responded. The hurricane struck Porto Rico September 13, and the first brief cabied word of it came September 14, to both Red Cross and the news agencies. Before nightfall, the national director of disaster relief for the Red Cross and a staff of four trained men had left Washington for Charleston, South Carolina, to board a navy destroyer which upon instruction of the President of the United States had been placed at command of the Red Cross by the Secretary of the Navy. And although the next day was Sunday, a Red Cross man arrived in New York to purchase a thousand tons of food for the Porto Ricans, already reported to be starving, and the Navy again placed a ship for the cargo at Red Cross command.

Late on Saturday evening there came another cable—a Red Cross nurse at St. Croix, in the Virgin Islands, addressed a plea to the mother organization in Washington and gave first warning of the plight of the people of the American possession, where no family in a population of 11,000 had escaped injury.

In the meantime the Red Cross had notified its Florida Chapters that it stood ready for any service, in event the hurricane, headed toward them, did any damage. Not content with this, the Red Cross on Sunday night entrained a disaster relief director and six workers for Florida.

Money, food, clothing were dispatched immediately to both points, and before the end of the week the Red Cross was feeding a half million people.

This prompt response was made possible by the disaster relief organization the Red Cross has brought together and trained through a series of such national calamities.

Support of this work is through the annual Roll Call for memberships. The goal in the twelfth annual Roll Call to be held Armistice Day to Thanksgiving Day, November 11 to 29, is 5,000,000 members.

of the English language equivalent to that of a high school graduate.

## AGED CITIZEN OF GRAPE CREEK PASSES NOV. 12

James Timpson, 76 years old, prominent Cherokee county citizen and farmer of the Grape Creek community, died suddenly on November 12th, while on the streets of Murphy.

Mr. Timpson, whose health had been feeble for the past year, had made a trip to Murphy to procure some medicine from his physician, and made several purchases at the stores. He started to get into his wagon which was parked in front of the cafe operated by Quinn and Campbell, and while in this act he he gave way, fell to the street was dead in a few minutes. Heart trouble is said to have been the cause of his death.

He was a member of the Baptist church, having professed faith in Christ when he was about twenty years old. He took an active interest in the affairs of his community, having served as Sunday school superintendent at Grape Creek for a number of years, and was president of the township organization of the Farmers Alliance when it was in its heyday in this section. He was a native of Cherokee county.

Funeral services were held on Nov. 13th, at Hiwassee, in the lower part of the county, by Rev. Bob Peck, and interment was in the churchyard.

He is survived by his wife and five children: Mrs. Tom Mashburn, of Suit, N. C.; Mrs. W. L. Mashburn, of Farmer, Tenn.; J. A. Timpson, of Murphy; J. S. Timpson, of Marble, and Mrs. Mac Coleman, of Grape Creek; One brother, H. P. Timpson, of Marble, and a host of relatives and grand-children.

## PATRICK

Rev. L. N. Marr, of Turtletown, Tenn., filled his regular appointment at Pleasant Hill Church, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Isam Payne and family, of Patrick, have moved to Mr. Will Mashburn's place near Hiwassee, N. C.

Mr. Joe Mason, of Farmer, Tenn., has purchased Mr. Ben Rose's place near Hiwassee, N. C., and moved to it.

Mr. Joe Walker and son, Wesley, of Gastonia, N. C., are Hiwassee visitors this week.

Mr. A. L. Martin, County Superintendent of Schools passed through our midst Tuesday, visiting the schools of the county.

Messrs. L. N. Marr and John Ricklesine were the dinner guests of Mr. Will Beaver, Sunday.

Mr. Guy Eller left for New York Monday to work.

Mr. Alonzo Kilpatrick and Miss Mae McHan were happily married Sunday at Farmer, Tenn.

Messrs. Clyde and Guy Eller have purchased them a farm near Farmer, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Danner and children, of Copperhill, Tenn., and Miss Lois Dobbins, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Ricklesimer over the week-end.

The Sunday School at Pleasant Hill is progressing nicely under the management of Miss Julia Martin.

Rev. L. N. Marr was the guest of Mr. John Ricklesimer, Friday night.

## Old Fashioned Concert To Be Given Soon

A very delightful program of music of the long ago is being prepared by the Murphy Music Club, to be given at the school auditorium at an early date.

Come out and hear your old favorite songs of the "90's", piano, violin and banjo numbers. Also readings and pantomimes. The music Club has presented some very excellent programs in the past two years and this promises to be one of the most enjoyable yet rendered.

There is still a debt on the piano which the club bought two years ago, and we are very anxious to get this paid, so come out and enjoy a splendid program, and help pay for your piano.

## Writes on Education

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Editor Scout:  
You will find herewith enclosed check for \$1.50 for which please enter my name on your list of regular subscribers for the Scout.

It hadn't occurred to me, until I came into Tennessee, that North Carolina is the finest state in the Union, and that Cherokee the best county in the State. So I want to keep in touch with you folks thru the paper. I want to know about the road building, farm crops, singing conventions, election results and most of all, I like to read the Scout news from all over the county, both

People over here think that we have the most wonderful school system in the world. I wonder what we think about it? It is good, no doubt of it, but is it what it ought to be? Is the percentage of attendance as good as the average? What percent of our first grade finish the Elementary grades? Of those who do finish the seventh grade, what percent finish by the time they have reached the age of twelve? Why is it that so many High School pupils drop out before completing the high school curriculum? Isn't it because they failed to get the elementary grades well? If so, why? Can we expect a child to do a year's work in six months with only one or two teachers to assist in the seven grades? If not, then how can we expect a child to finish the grades in seven years and be ready for high school by the time other children of only equal ability, who have had the advantage of a nine months school throughout the grades, are ready? Are our children entitled to the same advantages as other children? If so, will an eight month school term help solve the problem? Yes, I believe that the time is not far hence when we will have an eight month school term State wide, but should our children suffer these disadvantages of other children while we await the state's action? Why not an eight month school system in Cherokee County? Other counties have it. Why can't we be the pioneer county of the extreme Western North Carolina in this great movement. Shall we keep up our place or shall we lag? Come let's hold hold up our reputation as having the best school system in our country.

Fulton Thomasson.

## OGDEN SCHOOL TO GIVE PLAY

A play, "The Old Fashioned Mother", will be given by the athletic teams of the Ogden High School at the school building on Wednesday evening, November 28th, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. A number of songs and plenty of comedy will feature in the play. If you want humor and fun come out and see the play. Proceeds for benefit of the school athletic teams.

## PAULK IS CUT SAT. NIGHT BY DR. E. L. HOLT

R. L. Paulk, printer-operator for The Scout, was badly cut in a fracas Saturday night by Dr. E. L. Holt, local dentist. Paulk was cut in the back and left side just over the kidneys, the slash being between eight and nine inches long and two to three inches in depth at the deepest places. Another slash was made which struck him over the heart, cutting through his clothes, but just scraping the skin.

Paulk was given medical attention by Dr. J. H. Hill, and later carried to his home, where he is reported to be mending nicely. Dr. Holt was taken into custody by officers pending the report of the condition of his victim. He waived preliminary trial and was held to Superior court under bond of \$1000.00.

The cutting fracas took place in front of the Adams building Saturday night, and is understood to be the culmination of ill feelings of long standing.

## Culberson Quint Wins Over Mount Pleasant And Hot House

The Culberson basket ball team defeated Mt. Pleasant and Hot House teams on the Sunny Point court, last Friday.

Score as follows:

School	Points
Mt. Pleasant	0
Culberson	13

Faister and Ludermilk starred for Culberson.

School	Points
Hot House	10
Culberson	13

Payne starred for Hot House, Faister starred for Culberson. Referee, W. M. Colline, Time keeper, L. W. Shields, Scorer, Arthur Jones.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the Culberson school building about 8:30 Tuesday night. There was several dollars worth of books burned besides other valuable school equipment.

School will be taught in the churches until other arrangements can be made.

## REV. SASSER GETS REIDSVILLE CALL

Rev. T. L. Sasser, pastor of the Murphy Baptist church for the past five years, has received a call to the First Baptist Church at Reidsville, N. C. It is understood that he has already handed his resignation as pastor of the Murphy church to the church clerk, and will accept the call to Reidsville. The church will be asked to act upon the resignation of Mr. Sasser at Sunday's service.

## THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION—1923, BY GOVERNOR

TO THE PEOPLE OF NORTH CAROLINA:  
Whereas, the spirit of true gratitude is a virtue that ought always to be fostered and encouraged; and, Whereas, all good and perfect gifts of this life, as well as hope for the life to come, are direct benefactions of a kind providence,

Now, Therefore, I, Angus W. McLean, Governor of North Carolina, happy to follow a custom that has been perpetuated since this nation of ours established its independence, do hereby proclaim and set aside Thursday, November 29th, as Thanksgiving Day, and call upon the people of the State to observe it by suspending all unnecessary activities and by giving public expression

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