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JOHN H. DILLARD PASSES AT REIDSVILLE

PETITION ASKS STATE HIGHWAY BODY BE KEPT

Recommend That Stikeleather and Walker Be Retained in Present Positions

A petition signed by 70 residents of Murphy and Cherokee County, requesting that all members of the State Highway commission be retained, has been sent to Governor Gardner by C. W. Savage of Murphy, who was responsible for passing the petition and securing the signatures, it was learned Monday. The petition asks that should any change be made James G. Stikeleather, ninth district commissioner, and J. C. Walker, ninth district engineer, be retained.

The petitioners also recommend the gasoline tax be raised six cents and that the State department operate all county roads.

The petition follows: "We, the undersigned citizens of Murphy and Cherokee County, respectfully request your excellency to retain all of your present board of state highway commissioners. Should you reduce the commission as has been indicated in the papers it will so enlarge the districts, and to such an extent, that four or five men cannot keep the roads up and give them the attention and supervision they should have.

"We think that the neglect of the roads would soon require a complete resurfacing of some of them which would soon cost a great deal more than the money saved by reducing the number of commissioners.

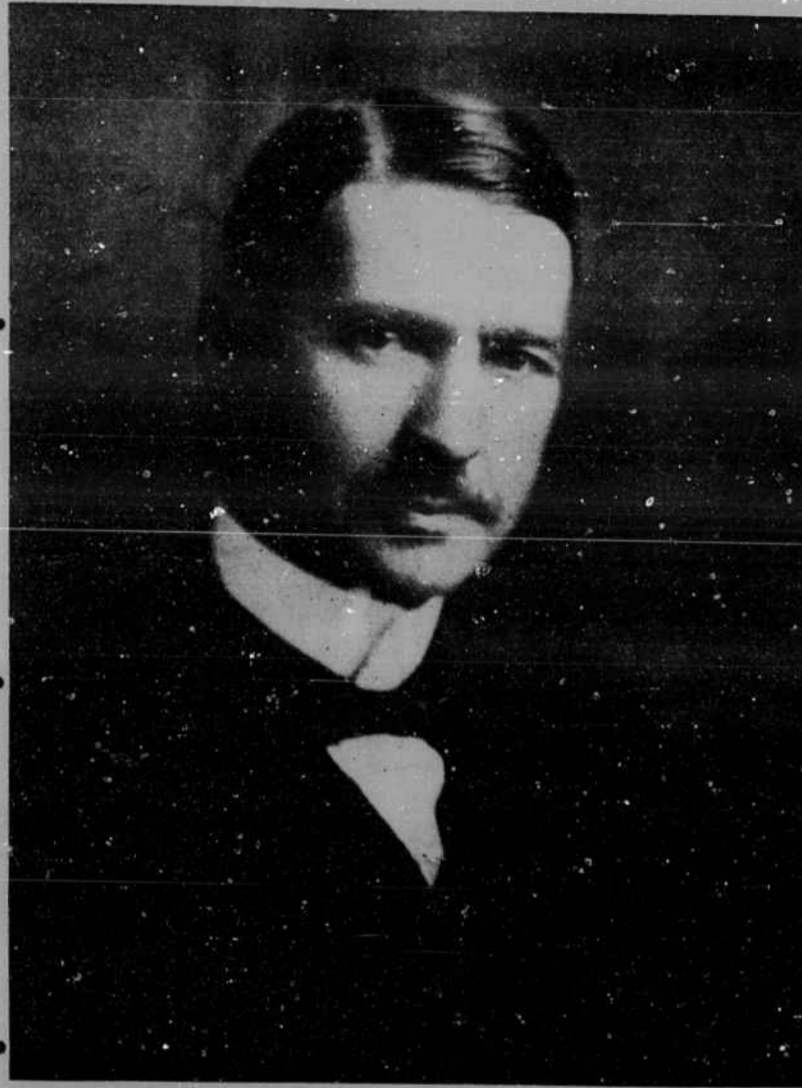
"Should you make a change, we respectfully request Your Excellency to retain J. G. Stikeleather and J. C. Walker in their present positions, and give them a group of the Western counties. We feel that these are two of the best road men in the state. They are familiar with, and know all of the territory surrounding the Smoky Mountain national park area, and know where roads are needed to enter the park zone, and they are co-operating with the national park commission, and are in a position to do a great deal to help establish the park. When the park is once established, without any question, it is going to bring the greatest amount of revenue to the state of any one thing that will ever be established in the state of North Carolina, and we need men that are the best qualified to do this work, such as the two men above recommended.

"We recommend that the legislature increase the gasoline tax to six cents, and that the state take over all county roads."

The petitioners include: C. B. Hill, Democratic executive committee, Cherokee county; A. Rice, chairman Cherokee county road commission; M. L. Mauney, secretary-treasurer Cherokee county road commission; D. S. Russell, member Cherokee county road commission; W. R. Martin, member Cherokee county road commission; O. G. Anderson, member Cherokee county road commission; W. F. Hill, superintendent of roads; J. M. Lovingood, chairman board Cherokee county commissioners; E. L. Townson, Cherokee county commissioner; L. M. Shields, Cherokee county commissioner; B. L. Padgett, register of deeds; A. L. Martin, county superintendent of schools; D. Witherspoon, county attorney; J. N. Hill, M. D. Murphy; T. W. Axley, county accountant; F. A. Fain, chief of police; W. C. Morrow, Cherokee county health officer; N. W. Abernathy, ex-sheriff.

W. D. Townson, merchant; Moody and Moody, attorneys; Marshall W. Bell, attorney; Harry P. Cooper, attorney; J. LeRoy Steele, minister; W. A. Boyd; A. C. Huber, manager Hotel Regal; Savage Bros., owners Regal Hotel; T. A. Case, wood buyer, Champion Fible Co.; J. B. Bailey, Notla Tale Co.; R. S. Parker, druggist; T. S. Evans, garage; J. C. O'Dell, R. F. D. Carrier; G. W. Candler, merchant; Davidson and Candler, merchants; Akin Hardware Co.; Sid Pendley, Murphy Service Station; Grady Crawford, Mgr. The Great A. & P. Tea Co.; E. C. Moore, auto dealer and jeweler; H. N. Wells, M. D.; Murphy Hardware Co., R. C. Mattox, merchant; T. N. Bates, justice of peace; F. O. Bates, mgr. Theatre; Dickey Feed Co.; J. L. Dockery and Sons; Sheridan Highway; Geo. Leatherwood; A. C. Cook, Johnson Market, by V. M. Johnson; J. W. Lovingood, merchant; W. B. Dickey and Sons, merchants; W. M. Sneed; J. W. King, merchant; J. W.

Prominent Barrister Passes



HON. JOHN H. DILLARD, who died at Reidsville early Wednesday morning. Funeral services will be held at Murphy Friday afternoon.

FUNERAL AT MURPHY FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Was Well Known Barrister And Leader in Section and State For Many Years

Hon. John Henry Dillard, 69 years old, prominent Murphy lawyer and Cherokee County's representative in the present session of the General Assembly, died at Reidsville, N. C., early Wednesday morning as a result of an attack of influenza contracted during the Christmas holidays.

Shortly before Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Dillard went to Reidsville to visit his sister. From there Mr. Dillard planned to go on to Raleigh in January as Representative of Cherokee County. Shortly after arriving at Reidsville he was forced to take his bed with an attack of the flu. Other complications set up and he gradually grew weaker. Physicians attending him gave up hope for his recovery more than a week ago.

Funeral services will be held from the Presbyterian church Friday afternoon by his pastor, the Rev. Dr. J. P. Anderson.

Mr. Dillard was born near Leaksville, Rockingham county North Carolina, June 17, 1862. He is a son of John Henry Dillard, and Grandson of Capt. James Dillard, of Virginia.

John Henry Dillard was educated in a private school at Greensboro, N. C., where he was a school mate of the late Sydney Porter, better known as O. Henry, the beloved American short story writer. Still later he attended the Finlay High School at Lenoir, where he completed the course. Subsequently he studied under Prof. N. S. Smith at Leaksville, and was prepared for the academic department of the University of North Carolina, but left the university during the junior year, in 1880. He then attended the law school of Dick and Dillard, conducted by his father and Mr. Dick for 25 years at Greensboro, and was admitted to the bar in February, 1883.

For the next four years, he engaged in the practice of his profession at Greensboro, leaving that community for Murphy, Cherokee county, where he remained for two years. Returning to Greensboro, he was there until March, 1897, when once more he came to Murphy, where he engaged in a general and civil practice, as senior member of the firm of Dillard and Hill, with offices in the Davidson building on the public square.

His home, a very nice residence and one of the most desirable in Murphy, is located on the corner of Dillard Street and Valley River Avenue. Dillard Street is named for Mr. Dillard.

An active democrat all of his life, he stood high in the councils of his party in the county and state. He represented Cherokee county in the General Assembly of North Carolina in 1911-12 and in 1922-24, serving at the Regular sessions of 1911 and 1923, and the special session of 1924. He was again elected to serve the people as Representative in November, 1930 and was on his way to the General Assembly of 1931 when sickness overtook him at Reidsville, which prevented him ever reaching Raleigh to assume his duties with the Legislature.

He was mayor of Murphy for a full term and part of another term, and effected some very important changes during his administration. He was a member of the Murphy Presbyterian Church, and was one of its elders. He was a member of the Masonic Order, the Knights of Pythias, the Murphy Bar Association, the North Carolina Bar Association, and the National Bar Association.

On August 19, 1888, Mr. Dillard married Miss Dixie King, daughter of the late Wiley and Sarah E. (Cooper) King, who survives him; as do a brother, Thomas Ruffin Dillard, of near Greensboro, and a sister, Mrs. E. P. Hall, of Reidsville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Blevins and Roy Smith of Chattanooga, Tenn., spent the week end with Mrs. Nettie Dickey. Mrs. Blevins will remain for several days.

Mrs. Nettie Dickey will leave Friday for Atlanta, Ga. to see an eye specialist.

Mrs. Fred Johnson will entertain with six tables of bridge on Saturday evening at Conahutta Hall.

LIVE-AT-HOME ARTICLES ARE SUBMITTED BY TRAINING CLASS

In response to an appeal made by Dr. A. T. Allen, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, for the encouragement and cooperation of the public schools of North Carolina toward the promotion of the live-at-home program, the members of the Murphy Teacher Training Department wish to submit articles pertaining to the following suggested weekly program.

Monday, February 16—The Importance of Daily Food for the Family.

Tuesday, February 17—The Importance of the Cow.

Wednesday, February 18—The Importance of Poultry.

Thursday, February 19—The Importance of the Hog.

Friday, February 20—The Importance of the Garden and Community Day.

The first article, entitled "The Im-

portance of Daily Food for the Family," follows: THE IMPORTANCE OF DAILY FOOD FOR THE FAMILY DIET Food is necessary for life. Good health demands the proper kind and amount of food. The body requires food that contains in suitable quantities each of the following elements: Proteins for body building and for the repair of wear and tear found in lean meat, eggs, cheese, dried peas and beans. Fat and starches, to supply heat and energy, found in cereals, potatoes, most vegetables, fruits, fat meat, cream, butter, molasses. Vitamins to assist growth and ward off diseases, found in milk, leafy vegetables and fruits; Mineral salts, which are needed in the blood, teeth and tissues, they are found in beans, cheese, potatoes, spinach, and beef. Bulk and roughage, to aid in elimination of waste found in cabbage, celery, turnips, fruits, spinach and lettuce. Dr. McCallum says, the diet should be planned around a quart of milk daily, and there should be an abundant supply of "protective" leafy vegetables. With the help of a cow, a garden, poultry, hogs, sheep and beef cattle, the wise wife can adequately plan and cook the well balanced meals necessary for growth and continued good health. Public health is the foundation upon which rests the happiness of the people and the welfare of the state—Disraeli. Rena Goforth, Arrie Harris. (The other articles will be carried next week and each week following until all have been published)

McMillan, mayor, town of Murphy; C. I. Calhoun; C. M. Wofford Co.; A. A. Fain; W. P. Odom; J. O. McCurdy, Agt. Southern Ry. Co.; W. E. Studstill; O. P. Sneed; W. M. Fain Grocery Co. by W. M. Fain, pres.; V. I. Butt, sec'y. and treas. Cherokee Hardware Co.; T. G. Hampton; C. E. Abbott; J. H. Phaup; Walter W. Hyde, Asst. Cashier Bank of Murphy; H. C. Elkins; Frank Payne; R. W. Gray, county agent; L. E. Bayless, cashier Bank of Murphy; J. D. Maloney, attorney; J. F. Bristol, sheriff Cherokee County; J. W. Axley and Son, by J. H. Axley, Mauney Drug Co., by W. M. Mauney; Moore Supply Co., by Fred Moore.

OPENING BANK OF MURPHY UP TO COMMISSION

The Bank of Murphy, which closed its doors in November, is expected to reopen one day this week. Officials and interested citizens who have been working on the proposition submitted have removed every obstacle humanly possible to complete the plans and meet the conditions. All stock has been subscribed, giving the bank \$15,000 new money, while fifty per cent of the original or old stock has been canceled, and the depositors have signed agreements to about 96 per cent of the money on deposit. Efforts have been made to reduce this percentage, but a number of the depositors are obstinate and refuse to sign the agreement.

Whether or not the Corporation Commission will use this technicality to the detriment of the opening of the bank remains to be seen. All those interested in opening the bank are optimistic and hopeful that the action of the commission will be favorable. An agent of the commission was scheduled to check up on the efforts of the officials and citizens Thursday, but up until noon had not put in appearance.

Prof. and Mrs. L. L. Shaver of Sylva will be the week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Crawford.

Miss Cora Farmer spent Sunday with her parents, Mr and Mrs. Arthur Farmer at Upper Beaverdam.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Hunt of Grandview announce the birth of a daughter on February 3rd.