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CHEROKEE BANK CLOSSES DOORS SATURDAY A. M.

Auditor and Liquidating Agent Now In Charge, Checking Up On Institution

The Cherokee Bank of Murphey closed its doors Saturday about 12 o'clock by order of the board of directors and State Bank Examiner Leigh Wilson, following probable depletion of the bank's legal reserve.

"Due to probable depletion of its legal reserve and for the protection of its depositors," a notice posted on the door of the bank reads, "the Cherokee Bank through its Board of Directors and the State Banking Department of North Carolina have ordered said bank closed pending reorganization or liquidation." The notice is dated October 3rd, 1931, and is signed by J. B. Storey, cashier State Bank Examiner Leigh Wilson was on the spot and immediately checked up on the institution for the State Department of Banking. Monday morning, W. B. Henderson, of Asheville, auditor, and E. F. Gill, of Laurinburg, liquidating agent, took charge of the bank. Mr. Henderson is auditing the books and checking up on the institution, and Mr. Gill will take charge as soon as the audit is completed.

Officers of the institution would make no further statement than that posted on the door of the bank, and the auditor said it would be necessary for him to complete the audit before he could tell anything about it, and then any public announcement would have to be made by the Commissioner of Banks.

The last report of the condition of the Cherokee Bank, so the State Commissioner of Banks, published in July, shows that the bank had loans and discounts amounting to \$135,294 with cash in vaults and amounts due from approved depository banks in the sum of \$18,788. Time deposits and deposits subject to check amounted to \$125,510, with bills payable listed at \$16,000. The capital stock is listed at \$17,500, with a surplus fund of \$500, and furniture and fixtures \$6,200.

Officers of the bank are: E. A. Davidson, president; J. A. Richardson vice-president; J. B. Storey, cashier; Charles W. Carringer, assistant cashier. Directors: J. A. Richardson, C. A. Brown, E. A. Davidson, W. S. Dickey, J. W. Davidson, and S. D. Akin.

The Cherokee Bank was depository for the county, the town of Murphey and several other public organizations. When it closed, according to officials, the county had on deposit about \$4,700, while the town had something like \$22,000, and the Murphey School Board had about \$700. The county funds were bonded to the extent of \$25,000, while the town of Murphey and the Murphey school funds were not bonded. The funds of the Cherokee County Fair Association, with the exception of the last day's receipts, it is understood, were in the bank also.

The Cherokee Bank was organized in August, 1920. The institution has been a strong factor and played a large part in the development and progress of Murphey and this section. Last November, 1930, when there was such an epidemic of bank closings throughout the south, following the collapse of Caldwell & Company and the Central Bank and Trust Company, and the public hysteria forcing the closing of the Bank of Murphey as a consequence, the Cherokee Bank weathered the storm and prevented a complete paralysis of money conditions in Murphey.

Carolyn's Beauty Shoppe Opens

Mrs. Carolyn Lovingood has opened a beauty parlor in the old stand formerly occupied by "Red's" barber shop and Smith's jewelry shop, under the name of Carolyn's Beauty Shoppe.

The place has been completely renovated, repainted and papered on the inside, with fixtures installed for the giving of beauty treatments. The interior is unusually attractive, and if Mrs. Lovingood can fix up your face and head to look as pretty as she did the shoppe, she can make grandma look like a 16 year old flapper.

We asked a man the other day what he thought of evolution. He said he thought it was alright, but did not believe the government could enforce it.

Doctor: "Are you feeling very ill? Let me see your tongue, please." Patient: "It's no use, doctor, no tongue can tell how bad I feel."

Presbyterian Women Met Tuesday P.M.

The Presbyterian Women's Auxiliary met Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Dixie Dillard. Several items of business were discussed. It was voted to change the hour of meeting from 3 o'clock to 2:30 during the winter months. The group conference will be held in Franklin October 20th. It is hoped that several of the members may be able to attend.

Those present were: Mrs. M. W. Bell, Mrs. Daly, Mrs. Dixie Dillard, Mrs. J. N. Hill, Mrs. A. C. Huber, Mrs. W. W. Hede, Mrs. R. S. Parker, Mrs. C. W. Savage and Mrs. Don Witherspoon.

OAK PARK

Mr. Jack Ledford of Patrick was in our section Tuesday.

Mr. Carl Quinn made a trip to Patrick last Sunday as usual.

Mr. Andrew Thompson is in manufacturing syrup at Ranger at this time.

Mr. Sam Voyles attended the W. Liberty Association at Beavertown this week.

Mr. Ed Montgomery of Ducktown Tenn was a visitor in our community last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thompson who have been running a beauty parlor in Gastonia have returned to their farm.

Mr. J. D. Moses was present at our prayer meeting Saturday evening and a guest of his father-in-law Mr. James Donner over the week end.

Mr. Clarence Voyles attended West Liberty Association held at Beavertown the three last days of this week.

Mr. Bill Thompson is on the sick list at this time suffering from an infection on his arm as a result of being kicked by "Tin Lizzie".

Well why shouldn't we spell it Murphey in honor of its founder? We should pay reverence and honor to the man who braved the storm before us. No doubt fighting Indians and suffering many hardships to start the settlement as most pioneers did. Then there was surely a mistake made by spelling it MURPHY, just as Lincoln is spelled correctly, the town in Nebraska in honor of Abe Lincoln, just as much as Raleigh is spelled correctly in honor of Sir Walter Raleigh, just as much as Oglethorpe, Ga. is spelled right. We owe just as much to that old pioneer Archibald Murphey to spell our hometown MURPHEY. Let's get in the habit of spelling it that way.

CULBERSON

Garnett Presley is conducting a singing school here this week.

Frank Silvey's dwelling house was destroyed by fire Sunday night.

M. N. Collins, D. S., was a business visitor in Murphey on Monday.

Clifford Dickey, of Copperhill, Tenn., was a business visitor here on Tuesday.

Sheriff Bristol, Fred Johnson, George Lovingood, Lee Crisp and M. N. Collins destroyed 120 gallons of beer near here Monday.

Fred Kilpatrick has charge of the school bus that is making its regular visits here, thanks to our school authorities.

There has just closed a three and a half weeks revival meeting here. One of the most successful in the history of the place. Pastor W. T. Truitt of the Culberson field, and the Rev. Wiley Graham, of Gorgia, conducted the services. There was added to the church 55 by baptism and 19 by letter.

Dr. Sam Patton Dies

Just as we go to press, the news comes that Dr. Sam Patton, former citizen of Murphey and well known in this section, died sometime Wednesday in an Atlanta Hospital. Dr. Patton was visiting in Murphey some time ago when he was taken sick, and for many days he was in bed, finally being removed to Atlanta. It is understood that the body will be brought to Belleview for funeral and interment.

MOTHER DIES; BABY IS BORN

MRS. JOHN MAUNEY PASSES AT FORT SANDERS HOSPITAL

The mother today had been taken from the family of John H. Mauney, Fort Sanders Hospital Manager, and a son given.

Mrs. Edith Dore Mauney died at the hospital at 6 p. m. yesterday, a few minutes after the birth of her baby.

Mrs. Mauney was 42. Surviving are her husband; the infant, two adult daughters, Mrs. Ruth Mauney and Mrs. W. M. Biddle; parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dore, and three brothers, A. C., Paul and Kenneth Dore, all of Knoxville.

The body was removed to Mann's. The family home is at Looney's Bend, above Scenic Drive.

Mrs. Mauney is a native of this section, her parents now living at 1027 Alexander Avenue.—Knoxville (Tenn.) Journal.

Mr. John Mauney is a native of Cherokee County, being the son of Prof. and Mrs. L. E. Mauney, of Murphey, and is well known here. His many friends extend sympathy in his sad bereavement.

Says We Only Need To Be Reminded To Spell It Murphey

Kingsville, Md., Oct. 4, 1931. Editor Scout:

I am glad to see that you are honoring the memory of the man for whom our town was named by spelling it the way he spelled his name.

I think the rest of us only need our attention called to it to do the same.

Very truly yours,
ESTHER C. FREAS.

Thanks, Mrs. Freas, for the word of encouragement. We believe that this is the view of a lot of our people and we are mighty glad to have you say so.—Ed.

Murphey's Oldest Firm Goes On Cash Basis

Announcement is made this week by Candler's Department Store, said to be Murphey's oldest retail store, that they have decided to go on a strictly cash basis, beginning at once.

Mr. Candler, in making this announcement, said he fully appreciated the patronage given him in the past, but in order to meet competition and give customers better prices and service, it was necessary that they sell for strictly cash from this date on. See their adv. elsewhere.

MANY LOCAL STUDENTS AT MARS HILL SCHOOL

Cherokee and Clay counties have seven students in Mars Hill College this year, four of whom entered as new students this year—Miss Mabel Jones, Miss Tribby Glenn, and David T. Masburn of Andrews from Cherokee county, and Miss Zelma Price, Miss Theta Reese, Miss Alma Swanson and Miss Thelma Swanson of Hayesville from Clay county are representing the extreme western end of the state.

All seven of these students hold some active office in a religious organization of the campus, and all seven of them are with the B. Y. P. U. departments. Mr. Masburn is director of the B. Y. P. U. department, Miss Mabel Jones a secretary, Miss Glenn a group captain and general corresponding secretary, Miss Alma Swanson a group captain, Miss Theta Reese a group captain, Miss Thelma Swanson a vice president, and Miss Zelma Price a group captain. Western North Carolina folks should be proud of a representation like this in a college.

Drives Auto 20 Years Without a License

Albany.—After driving an automobile without a license for 20 years, Dory Pelton of Dormansville, a farmer, was hauled into police court here on charges of driving past a red traffic light and without a permit. He explained he drove mostly on his farm and rarely on the highway. Justice Rogan suspended sentence on the red light charge and fined Pelton \$10 for driving without a license.

Junior Order Will Be Instituted, October 14

Next Wednesday night, October 14, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics will meet in the Masonic hall. The State officers will be present and the council will be instituted and local officers installed. The charter will be held open until Tuesday night, October 13th, and anyone coming in before then their names will appear on the charter of the local council.

An Explanation.

Murphey, N. C., October 6, 1931

It will be recalled that the American Legion was ordered to have no more meetings in the Cherokee County court house about two weeks ago, and when notice of this action by the County Commissioners was received by the officials of the local post of the Legion, no explanation for such action was contained in the notice issued by the County Commissioners to have no more meeting in the court house, and naturally considerable feeling and resentment was aroused on account of such drastic action by the Commissioners, especially as the Legion members felt they had been indicted, tried, convicted and kicked out of a meeting place without having any opportunity of defense or explanation.

However, the Legion Members waited until today, at which time a large delegation called on the County Commissioners in their regular monthly meeting and requested a hearing on the matter of being turned out of the Court House temporarily. This request for a hearing was very cordially granted by the Commissioners. Various spokesmen for the Legion explained the events that took place in the court house some two or three weeks ago, that the only purpose of the fiddle playing and clog dancing that was done and the refreshments that were partaken at that meeting, was merely a little part of an entertainment feature that had unfortunately been misunderstood by some of the Commissioners, and that the Legion Members were not guilty of any misconduct or abuse to the Building whatsoever. Those who spoke before the Commissioners were: Fred O. Christopher, Allen Lovingood, Sheridan Heighway, Fred Johnson, William Dockey, Harry P. Cooper, and others. Very attentive attention was given the spokesmen of the Legion and the whole meeting broke up and adjourned in a spirit of cordiality and mutual respect, and a fair understanding of the problems and attitude of other that was most gratifying. It is now seen and understood that the Commissioners and the Legion Members each have a more thorough understanding of the thoughts and feelings of each other, and that the first act of throwing us out of the Court House was an unfortunate act that was done through misunderstanding.

The Commissioners of Cherokee County are right behind the American Legion and the Legion Members are right behind the County Commissioners, and it is felt that since a mutual understanding has been reached, our relationship in the future will be most pleasant and agreeable.

We now have a place to meet in the Court House, the order has been rescinded, and we will hold a call meeting in the Court House tonight to consider some important business in connection with recent election of Henry L. Stevens, of Warsaw, North Carolina, as our National Commander. It will be recalled that National Commander Stevens was a guest of the Local Post of the Legion in Murphey last July Fourth, on that day being the magnetic Commander Ralph T. O'Neil, who made the principal address on that day, and who was also our guest.

Now come on fellows and let's get our shoulders to the wheel for a year of real work. We have been signally honored this year by having had the honor of entertaining two National Commanders and two State Commanders and other celebrities of the great American Legion. There is much work for us to do, it will call for sacrifices and in many instances real hardships, but we are all accustomed to those things, let's take pride in what we have and what we belong to and make this our greatest year in accomplishments and membership.

This explanation is written for the benefit of the public, since so much has been said and written, and it is felt that all are due to know the true facts and relationship of the Legion Members and the County Commissioners, and that a happy solution of the unfortunate misunderstanding and action taken has been reached.

HARRY P. COOPER,
20th District Commander.

EIGHTH ANNUAL FAIR ENDED LAST SATURDAY NIGHT

Exhibits Best in Quality and Quantity in History of The Fair

Last Saturday marked the close of the eighth annual Cherokee County Fair, and what officers believe was the best exposition in point of quantity and quality of any exhibition since the fair was organized eight years ago.

Exhibits in all departments were good. The flower exhibit was not quite so large as last year due to the recent dry weather. The flowers displayed, however, were beautiful. There was an unusually fine display of dahlias in all shades and varieties. There was also an excellent display of potted plants.

The exhibits on hand sewing, embroidery, crochet, knitting, and tatting were of a high order. Twelve hundred and fifty-six jars of canned goods were displayed. The fruits and vegetables exhibited were of outstanding quality.

Much improvement over last year was noted in the dairy and beef cattle, hogs, sheep, horses, and mules. There was also a fine showing of poultry.

First prize in the farm exhibit competition was awarded to W. B. Johnson; 2nd to J. H. Ellis, and 3rd to R. R. Beal, all of Murphey.

First prize in the garden exhibit was won by R. R. Beal, and second prize went to Mrs. J. W. Dyer, of Murphey.

The largest crowd of the week attended the fair on Friday. Athletic events and the baby show were featured.

In the boys' contests, Brendle, of Murphey, won first place in the 100-yard dash, and Palmer, of Andrews, second.

Other winners were: 440-yard dash Millsaps, of Murphey, first; Moore, of Andrews, second. Shot put, Thompson, of Marble, first, 33 ft.; Hay, of Andrews, second; McCombs of Murphey, third. High jump, McCombs of Murphey, first, 5 ft.; Muley, of Andrews, second. Running broad jump, Brendle, of Murphey, first, 16 ft. 4 inches; Palmer, of Andrews, second.

In the girls' contests: Running broad jump, Jones, of Marble, first, 11 ft. 1 inch; Ramsey, of Murphey, second. High jump, Palmer, of Marble, and Pipes, of Peachtree, tied for first place. Hensley of Murphey, second. Fifty yard dash, Gentry, of Murphey, first. Basketball throw, Ramsey, of Murphey, 61 feet; Trull of Marble, second.

The Murphey boys scored 21 points Andrews 15, Marble 5, Peachtree 3. The Marble girls scored 15 points, Murphey 14, and Peachtree 4.

The basketball game between Peachtree and Marble boys resulted in 10 to 8 in favor of Peachtree.

In the baby contest, baby boys under one year: Laurence Voyles, of Culberson, was first; Hayward Shields, of Marble, second; girls under 1 year, Annie Wood, of Andrews, first; Joyce Louise Coleman, of Murphey, second; boys, one to two years, Wayne Sneed, of Andrews, first; Fred Hall Jr., of Murphey, second; girls one to two years, Laura Iris Porter, of Andrews, first; Elizabeth Ann Elkins, of Murphey, second; boys, two to six, Paul Keener, of Tomotla, first; Samuel Stalcup, of Murphey, second; girls, two to six, Betty Lou Warrick, of Murphey, first; Frances Jane Phillips, of Andrews, second.

Methodist Women's Society Holds Its Monthly Meeting

The Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South, held its monthly business meeting in the ladies parlor of the church on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. The devotional was led by the pastor, Rev. Howard P. Powell, who spoke on prayer. Mrs. E. C. Mallonee read a pamphlet on "Work in Africa." Several important items of business were settled. The following were present: Mrs. E. B. Norvell, Mrs. E. C. Mallonee, Mrs. R. C. Mattox, Mrs. Garland Posey, Mrs. W. A. Savage, Mrs. Lettie Rich, Mrs. G. W. Ellis, Mrs. H. P. Powell, Mrs. S. D. Akin, Mrs. R. B. Ferguson, Mrs. C. U. Williams, Mrs. H. G. Elkins, and Mrs. J. H. McCall.

Many things may be preserved in alcohol, but law and order are not on the list.

Our aim should be to do each day something worthy, some noble deed of kindness, which brings joy and gladness to our fellow man, for this brings us a step nearer to God.