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LIONS SEEK EXTRA TRAIN FROM BRYSON

Lions Adams and Johnson Designated As Key Members At Meeting Tuesday Night

A petition has been sent to the Southern Railway officials signed by a large number of Murphy citizens, asking that the Southern extend the service over the branch line by putting on another train from Bryson City to Murphy, George Ellis, member of the committee, reported at the regular meeting of the Lions Club Tuesday night.

Several weeks ago the Lions Club appointed a committee to negotiate with the Southern to extend their train service from Bryson City to Murphy. Two trains now operate between Bryson City and Asheville, one train stopping over night at Bryson. It is this train which the Lions are seeking to have the Southern operate on to Murphy.

Two members of the club were presented with keys designating them as key members for the work they have done in securing new members this year. They were Dr. Edw. E. Adams and Virgil Johnson. President W. M. Fain made the presentation and read a letter from Lions International congratulating them on the good work they have accomplished.

As part of the presentation ceremony, Lion T. F. Higgins, tail twister, presented two skeleton keys attached to large chains, with the remark that they were getting to be such good lions he thought it necessary that they be chained. Several other members of the club are now eligible for designation as key members.

A committee composed of H. Bueck, E. C. Moore and G. W. Ellis was appointed to contact the State Highway Commission and see if they could not have the steel bridge across Valley river placed across the river some distance below where it now stands, to connect the school grounds and the fair grounds. This would eliminate the danger of the school children having to travel the highway several hundred yards in going from the school building to the fair grounds, where many of the athletic events are held, and where a basketball court is now being constructed into the fair building. The bridge will be scrapped during the next few weeks to make way for a more modern and wider concrete structure.

It was voted to hold the annual Lions Cherokee county dinner at the first meeting in March, which is Tuesday night, March 13th. President Fain said he would announce committees during the next few days.

The meeting was an enthusiastic one, and was held in the Lions Den of the Murphy Cafe, and followed a sumptuous dinner. Sixteen members were present.

A CORRECTION

In the report of the county audit last week, an item appeared showing E. L. Padgett, Register of Deeds, owed the county \$74.00. The audit report was made as of November 17th. Since that time Mr. Padgett has settled with the county, and the following letter from him is carried in the interest of clearing up this particular item and keep down any misunderstanding the public might be inclined to place upon it:

Murphy, N. C. February 13, 1934.
Mr. Bailey, Editor,
The Cherokee Scout,
City.

Dear Mr. Bailey:
In the issue of the 2nd and 9th, there appeared an item from the auditors report of November 15th, 1933 that B. L. Padgett, Register of Deeds, was due the County \$74.00. Mr. Padgett holds a receipt from Mr. T. W. Axley, County Accountant, showing this item as paid January 2nd, 1934.
Yours very truly,
B. L. PADGETT.

Local Girl On Brenau Music Recital Program

Gainesville, Ga.—Miss Mildred Akin daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Akin of Murphy, N. C. and member of the junior class of Brenau College, appeared on the Student Recital program of the music department last Tuesday evening in a piano solo, playing "Valse Caprice No. 6" by Schubert-Liszt. Miss Akin is a highly popular student.

FEDERAL CWA PROJECTS IN COUNTY STOP

Order Affects 3 Projects And 122 Men—Mound Work Discontinued

Three projects and 122 men in Cherokee county were affected by orders from the civil works administration Wednesday discontinuing work on federal projects located on private land, according to information given out by the local officials of the CWA. The weekly payroll involved amounts to \$1,288.00.

One of the projects affected in Cherokee is the excavation of the old mound at the mouth of Peachtree creek, seven miles south of Murphy. The mound is being excavated by the Smithsonian Institution and work has been in progress since the first of the year. It is now about one half finished, and has employed 104 men, with a weekly payroll of \$1,054.80.

The other two are the Coast and Geodetic Survey, employing 7 men, with a weekly payroll of \$153.20; and the erection of two TVA gauging stations, employing 11 men with a weekly payroll of \$106. The geodetic survey is only partially complete. One gauging station on the Notia river is nearly complete, while work on the gauging station on Valley river has just recently begun.

Several weeks ago the work on these federal projects was affected by a cut in hours of the workmen to 15 hours a week, or just half the number of hours formerly allowed. This policy greatly retarded the work on the projects affected in Cherokee.

The order was received by local CWA officials Wednesday and became effective at the end of the working day, Thursday. Only the federal projects in the county are affected.

COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETS

The Cherokee County Medical Society met in the offices of Drs. Adams Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. The meeting was featured by election of officers and reception of two new members.

Dr. R. W. Petrie and Dr. W. M. Junkin were admitted to membership. They have recently moved to Murphy and operate the Petrie Hospital.

All officers were re-elected as follows: Dr. N. B. Adams, president; Dr. Edw. E. Adams, secretary; and Dr. C. V. Orr, of Andrews, vice-president.

Dr. Petrie will deliver a paper at the next meeting of the society, March 7th, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon. His subject will be announced later.

Health problems of the county were discussed informally, and an hour of good fellowship was enjoyed. Those present were: Dr. R. W. Petrie, Dr. W. M. Junkin, Dr. N. B. Adams, Dr. E. E. Adams, Dr. J. N. Hill, Dr. S. C. Heighway, of Murphy and Dr. B. G. Webb, of Andrews.

Taxes Must Be Paid Before County Will Pays Witness Fees

Any person or taxpayer owing Cherokee County taxes will not be paid fees for juror service or witness fees until their taxes have been paid according to an order made by the county commissioners at the February meeting. Fees in such cases will be applied to the payment of the taxes due the county.

The order of the commissioners says that no money will be paid to jurors or witnesses or any person holding any kind of claim against the county if they owe the county any taxes.

This policy was made necessary because many persons who owe taxes collect their fees and claims and let their taxes remain delinquent, it was stated.

NEW PASTOR



THE REV. STEWART H. LONG, who has accepted the pastorate of the Murphy and Hayeville Presbyterian Churches, the Rev. Mr. Long was formerly pastor of the church at Guntersville, Alabama.

C. W. A. Woman's Work

When Federal Emergency Relief Work ends, What?

This is a question thinking people of our country are asking.

Those who are in charge of the relief work, asking themselves the same question, are trying to do something about it.

One phase of the Relief work for Clay, Graham and Cherokee counties is being administered in the form of a Quilt contest. The object of the contest is fourfold.

First, and most evident, it places one quilt in each home.

Second, each woman uses her own energy and initiative. She must secure material for and make the quilt "top". The lining, the cotton for padding and the thread for quilting are furnished from the relief office.

Third, she has an opportunity for social contact with the women of her community at the quilt show where she exhibits her quilt, all the work of her own hands and sees it compared with that of her neighbors and is made to realize that she really is capable of doing something worth while.

Fourth, the teachers and workers through these personal contacts with women of down and out families have an opportunity to try to inspire in them an interest in their own homes and to fan to life the spark of ambition for something better that exists somewhere in every human heart.

A quilt show will be held in each township. Members of Murphy and Andrews Woman's Clubs will act as judges. Prizes will be awarded for the first and second best quilts in each community. The community prize quilts will be compared and a Township prize will be awarded. The best township prize will secure the county prize.

Full information about the contest will be furnished by the quilt chairman or by the teacher of the adult school in the communities where there is one.

This is the step in a Home Improvement Campaign that is to include improvement in furniture, buildings, yards and gardens.

In each case the individual must be led to express a desire for a particular improvement and be willing to work to secure it. Nothing will be given to a home where no effort is being made by those who live in it. On the other hand help and encouragement will be given where it is merited and prizes awarded for each type of work. We want to urge the people of our Country to cooperate with the relief workers in putting this over. It is a foregone conclusion that the relief work will leave each community either better or worse. Will you use your influence to encourage these people to try to help themselves.

If we do not do this we will face a hopeless situation when CWA funds are exhausted.

CHAIRMAN OF QUILT CONTEST.
Grape Creek, Mrs. E. E. Stiles.
Ogreeta, Miss Effie Johnson.
Unaka, Mrs. McMillin.
Ranger, Mrs. Evans.
Peachtree, Mrs. F. J. Watkins and Mrs. Walter Witt.
Culberson, Miss Nichols.
Topton, Mrs. Bruce King.
Junaluska, Mrs. Thomasson.
Andrews, To be appointed later.
Marble, To be appointed later.
Tomotla, Miss Lelia Hayes.

ROAD WORK UNDER WAY IN COUNTY

Ten Men Begin Cleaning Off Right Of Way On Culberson-Georgia Project

Ten men began work this week clearing the right-of-way on the Ranger-Georgia project, and it is expected that some fifty men will be on the job the first of next week.

T. M. Strider, who received the contract on the road and bridges of this project and also the bridge across No. 10 on Valley River in Murphy, was here this week completing arrangements to get the work under way immediately.

The project from Ranger to the Georgia line is 4.84 miles. It is to be graded and surfaced with crushed stone. The contract calls for a 24 foot roadway with an 18 foot crushed stone surface, at a cost of \$71,183.

Three bridges are included in the Ranger-Georgia project. One across Notia river just below the Kisselburg bridge, 161 feet long with a 20 foot clear roadway, of the I-steel beam span type. The railings and abutments will be reinforced concrete. The two other bridges are over Rapers Mill creek at Culberson. Both will be 17 feet long with a 20 foot clear roadway. The cost of the bridges amounts to \$22,870.70.

The bridge project in Murphy across Valley river calls for a concrete structure 132 feet long, with a 24 foot clear roadway and a 5 foot sidewalk. The cost amounts to \$15,000.00.

Both of these projects come under the general heading of federal PWA projects and federal funds are being used in their construction. It is expected that about 175 men will eventually receive employment on the projects, although Mr. Strider indicated that about fifty would be put to work sometime next week.

Representing Mr. Strider in charge of the work will be J. P. Cicus, superintendent of roads, and T. W. Smart, superintendent of bridges. Mr. Strider has associated with him E. A. Wood, of Andrews.

J. T. McKnight, resident engineer for the State Highway and Public Works Commission, with a staff of assistants have located in Murphy with offices in the Parker building. They will supervise the work for the State. Mr. McKnight's assistants include W. T. Reagan, instrument man; H. L. Barden and B. F. Teague, inspectors; A. B. Phillips, J. L. Fitzgerald, and R. B. Dean, rodmen.

Bristol & Johnson Move Garage Quarters

Bristol and Johnson agents for Chrysler and Plymouth automobiles in Cherokee, Clay and Graham counties, will move Saturday into new quarters in the Anderson building opposite the Regal Hotel on the public square, Fred Johnson, one of the partners said this week. J. Frank Bristol, of Andrews, former high sheriff of the County, is the other partner.

Workmen are now busy putting the building in shape. The entire interior was gutted by fire several years ago and had not been replaced. It is expected to be ready for occupancy by Friday.

The lot adjacent the building next to the square has been leased by them, Mr. Johnson said, and would be utilized for displaying used cars. The building is being prepared especially for display of new cars with offices in front, while the rear will be used for storage and repair work.

Mr. Johnson said they expected a shipment of new Chryslers and Plymouths this week and wanted to unload them right into their new quarters. They have had the agency for this territory for more than a year, with offices and garage located in the Hill-Mauney building next to the Hubbard hotel.

Both Mr. Bristol and Mr. Johnson are optimistic over the outlook for their business this year. Last year they handled an unusually large number of cars, and stated that if business conditions continue to improve they expected to double the business this year.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Williams, of Andrews, announce the birth of an 8-lb daughter at the Petrie Hospital Monday, Feb. 12th, who has been given the name of Baraba Joan.

CHEROKEE CO. FAIR BUILDING BEING REBUILT

Located 125 Feet West Of Old Building—Grounds Being Leveled

The Cherokee county fair buildings are being reconstructed under CWA project, with 10 men receiving employment.

The main exhibit building has been torn down. The new structure is going up about 125 feet west of where the old building stood, while the animal exhibit building has been erected back of it.

The main structure will be 110 feet long, 34 feet wide, with an 18 foot ceiling, inside dimensions. The old building was 120 feet long. The end of the building next to the river is about eight feet off the ground and a part of the space underneath will be utilized for rest rooms and dressing rooms for athletic events. The building is being so constructed that it can be used as a basketball court. The fair grounds are used in season for all baseball and football events.

The animal exhibit building is the same size as before, with forty-two stalls around the sides. The center space is large enough for regulation poultry exhibit cages with aisles on either side.

The moving of the building back 125 feet gives larger space for track meets and other athletic events, as well as more available ground for fair concessions and midway.

The lumber in the old building is being used, and the county is furnishing such other necessary materials, while the labor is being paid for by the CWA. The work is being done under the supervision of Jack Hall, local carpenter.

State Highway maintenance forces began work this week leveling off a number of the small elevations on the fair grounds and filling up the slight depressions. The highway forces are doing this work by arrangement with the county in return for some sod which they took off the grounds last fall.

Efforts are being made by local authorities to have the old steel bridge across Valley river on Highway No. 10 placed across the river from the school grounds to the fair grounds when it is replaced by a modern structure in the near future.

When these improvements are completed, school, fair and county officials believe that Cherokee will have one of the most practical and convenient recreational centers in the entire mountain area.

Samuel L. Cooper Passes At Miami

Samuel Luther Cooper, 65, of Miami, Fla., formerly of Murphy, died suddenly on his farm January 5th.

He was born in Murphy and lived here until 23 years ago when he moved to Miami. He was well known here and has many relatives in this section.

He is survived by his wife, Mattie L. Cooper; one daughter, Sidney M.; two sons, Samuel L. and Thomas J.; also four sisters and three brothers; Mrs. Frankie Slaughter, of Madison, Ga.; Mrs. Hattie Brendle, of Branstown, N. C.; Mrs. Emeline Sneed and Mrs. Ellen Rose of Miami, Fla.; John Cooper of Andrews, N. C.; Jeff Cooper, of Aron Park, Fla.; and James Cooper, of Miami, Fla.; one uncle, Harve Cooper, of Cherokee, N. C.

Baptist Church To Sponsor George Washington Party

Thursday February 22nd, the Woman's Club room will be the scene of a George Washington Birthday Party given by the Woman's Business Club of the Baptist church. The hours will be from 7 till 9.

There will be an interesting program of entertainment during the evening. A large cake will be given away in a "Cake Walk." Valuable packages will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. Refreshments will be served.

A general admission of 10c will be charged at the door.

The public is cordially invited to this affair.