

## LIONS CLUB BACKS UP MANY CIVIC PROJECTS

Local Organization Plans To Aid Brumby Knitting Mill, Sponsor Celebration Of Bridge Opening, And Aid Other Local Propositions.

A far-reaching program backing a number of civic projects was adopted at a director's meeting of the Lions club held in Marie's cafe Tuesday night.

A program designed to raise \$500 to cooperate with D. G. Brumby, in completely stocking a knitting mill in Murphy was discussed and finally adopted by the meeting.

Mr. Brumby has definitely decided to set the mill in running order by placing a large amount of machinery in it, and ordering more for completion so it can be formally opened soon.

Lacking \$500 for the completion, the Lions club appointed a committee of W. M. Fain, chairman, Dale Lee and A. Q. Ketter, to raise the necessary funds among local business men to be repaid in monthly payments with interest.

When the mill is opened not only will there be regular work for a number of local people but another thriving industry will be added to Murphy.

W. M. Fain proposed two new members, Dale Lee, local mercant, and L. A. Lee, owner and publisher of the Scout—which won unanimous approval of the members of the club.

C. W. Bailey proposed an advertising campaign for Western North Carolina whereby a number of pamphlets could be printed and distributed at proper sources. The pamphlets would contain much interesting material of this part of the country.

The club gave the proposal its stamp of approval but took no immediate action on the measure pending further investigation.

A proposal was unanimously adopted whereby the club would heartily back in any way it could, a fair to be held here this fall.

Lining up behind another proposal, the club pledged itself to get up a celebration when the Valley River bridge is opened up in about six weeks. A regular holiday will be planned with state highway officials, honorary guests, and possibly many other features.

On the committee in charge of the celebration are C. W. Bailey, George W. Ellis, and Dr. E. E. Adams.

R. F. Williamson then proposed the idea of a band counsellor. Under a committee of Mr. Williamson, chairman, H. Bueck, and Rev. T. F. Higgins, plans are being formulated to have the Etowah band, a 60-piece organization, to play a concert here soon. The proceeds will be split 60-40. The local organization will stand the advertising expenses and other incidentals and the proceeds will go to charity.

## Ross Hensley Sells Monuments Locally

Ross Hensley this week announces that he is handling a high grade of monuments, and all kinds of marble work.

Mr. Hensley, who has had more than 20 years experience in every phase of marble work, has an attractive shop located in the Bealtown section between the ice plant and the Southend Service Station.

Mr. Hensley says he has a complete line of granite and marble for all occasions, and besides the best of material can supply expert workmanship at reasonable prices.

For 16 years Mr. Hensley said he was with the Regal Blue Marble Co., and has been connected in different capacities with the Georgia Marble company and the Columbia Marble company.

Mr. Hensley thus brings a new industry to Murphy and appreciates as well as guarantees all services rendered to the community.

## Judge Frank S. Hill And Wife Visit Here

Judge and Mrs. Frank S. Hill are spending this week with his father, Mr. C. B. Hill, and other relatives in Murphy, during a short vacation from his duties on the bench.

Judge Hill has just completed a two months term of superior court at Winston-Salem. He will return to either Winston-Salem or Charlotte the latter part of the week.

## TVAC TO OFFER HIGH PRICE FOR FINEST BERRIES

Local Cannery To Pay  
Twenty-Five Cents Per  
Gallon For Best Berries

Twenty-five cents per gallon will be paid for first class blackberries at the TVA cannery when it opens here Tuesday, according to information given out by the cannery committee this week.

Emphatically stated was the fact by the operators that the berries absolutely must come up to the specifications as set by the committee.

Only berries that are plump and sound will be accepted. Berries that are soft or shrivelled will be turned down. They must be free from all leaves, sticks, stems or other foreign matter.

"The cannery is paying an excellent price for blackberries, but they must be absolutely up to certain specifications before they will be accepted", A. Q. Ketter, county farm agent said.

"The berries to be accepted must be neither too ripe nor too green. There are plenty of good berries to be found, and only the choicest ones will be used," he added.

A note of caution was passed along in regards to grading the berries. A few bad berries mixed with many good ones will ruin them all. Mr. Ketter says the berries must be graded when they are picked as it is impossible to do afterward.

"Another thing is they should not be kept over night if possible because they tend to become soft", Mr. Ketter said.

It was definitely decided at a committee meeting Tuesday night to open the local TVA cannery Tuesday morning with J. H. Hampton as manager.

Blackberries will be canned until they run out and then the cannery will be turned over to consumption of tomatoes, the committee decided.

J. A. Barr, who is in charge of the TVAC of this section reiterated the words of Mr. Ketter Wednesday in saying that the TVA is paying an unusually high price for the blackberries and added to the necessity of acquiring an extra fine grade.

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## CULBERSON BOY IS RUN OVER BY LOADED WAGON

Run over by a wagon load of acid wood, Vernon Gray Ballew, 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ballew, of Culberson, was being treated for abdominal injuries at the Petrie hospital Wednesday.

Following an operation, the seriousness of the injuries could not be determined exactly by members of the hospital staff late this week.

The boy riding on a wagon loaded with pulp wood. As the load was nearly completed, one of the big logs rolled off carrying the lad with it and threw him under one of the front wheels of the heavily loaded, moving wagon.

He was carried immediately to the hospital here and latest reports said he was resting very well.

## U. S. FORESTERS ARRIVE HERE TO SURVEY TRACTS

Several Parties Work Out  
Of Andrews Also; Indians  
Confer With Them.

Several parties, sanctioned by the United States Forestry service, under the Department of Agriculture, have located here to survey different tracts of land in the lower part of the county.

One party under R. O. Lowndes, Jr., will survey and locate old boundary lines of timber near Unaka.

In the party under Mr. Lowndes are: O. G. Carpenter and S. E. Painter, transimen; W. H. Cane, Jr., and A. H. Perkins, draftsmen; F. S. Hooper, Hunter Painter, Boyd Burris, Julian King, Carl Ferguson and H. E. Pinson, rodmen, and Lathe Pinson, assistant rodman.

Mr. Lowndes and his wife are staying at the Dickey Hotel and intend to be here approximately six weeks depending upon the time it will take to complete the work.

In the other party under W. R. Cabe, party chief, of Franklin, N. C. are Karl R. Mayer, Jr., O. J. Peery, Nat Kuykendall and Joe Floyd.

This group is studying a tract of about 11,000 acres near Unaka and (Continued on page eight, this section)

## PRIZED LETTER HERE TELLS OF SLAVE MARKET

A letter written in 1840 and reminiscent of the slave traffic of antebellum days, is a prized document belonging to George W. Candler, prominent Murphy merchant and collector of old documents and relics.

Dated December 8, 1840, the letter was written from New Orleans by Newton Bodey and addressed to William Crow, Charleston, Jefferson County, Virginia, now West Virginia. Its contents are relative to a shipment of slaves Bodey had received from Crow to be sold in the slave market. It sheds some light upon the slave traffic of the early forties, as well as bearing evidence of the postal service of the time.

The letter is written on a regular letter-size sheet of paper, doubled, all four margins being folded toward the center, forming a packet about the size of an ordinary commerial (Continued on page eight, this section)

## ALL OF MURPHY TURNS OUT FOR FIRE; JOHNSON AND REPORTER BLAZE WAY

**FIRE! FIRE!**  
The alarm spread from one end of Murphy to the other instantaneously Wednesday night. An electric tension was in the air as curious hundreds strained to know the source of the big blaze.

A local reporter tore himself away from a pile of work, pencil and paper in hand and hurried into the seething mob.

Chief of police Johnson had just cranked up and the reporter hurred himself in the front seat to blaze the trail to the ravaging flames. With sirens screeching and tires screaming on every curve, the chief's car tore through the ink night. The thought of human life being trapped in the burning inferno quickened the roar of the motor.

Out toward East Murphy the chief and the reporter flew, the wind merci-

lessly whipping in on the lone occupants of the speeding automobile. Faster and faster the car went. There were lives and homes to be saved.

As the end of the road was neared the chief slowed up wondering where the fire could be. Finally it was located—a good sized bonfire on an empty lot.

So back the chief and the fire truck came sans sirens. The hullabaloo of going out had drawn the folks from their homes, their beds, and their boy friends. Three house parties and two church meetings had been broken up.

Back in town the people were anxiously waiting to gather the details.

The chief didn't have the fire he had looked forward to, the town didn't have the fun of attending a big blaze, but—the reporter had his story!

## MURPHY TO CELEBRATE NEW BRIDGE OPENING

Lions Club And Scout Line Up To Observe Gala Event When Valley River Bridge Opens In Six Weeks; Tentative Program Now Under Way.

The biggest celebration in years is being planned by the Murphy Lions club in cooperation with the Cherokee Scout when the Valley River bridge is opened here in about six weeks.

The event was suggested at a meeting of the directors of the club held here last week and the Scout immediately lined up in offering its assistance in launching a gala occasion when the construction that cost over \$15,000 for completion will open up the main highway to the great Smokies.

## LAST RITES FOR MRS MALLONEE HELD THIS WEEK

Death Takes Mrs. Mallonee, Age 79, Monday Evening; Burial Tues.

Funeral services for Mrs. Laura Jane Mallonee, 79, were held at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon at her home here with Rev. T. F. Higgins pastor of the Murphy Methodist church, officiating. Interment was in Sunset cemetery.

Mrs. Mallonee died Monday evening at 7:50 o'clock of paralysis which affliction had been with her since last November.

Born in Franklin, N. C., April 5, 1855, as Laura Jane Reid, she married C. B. Mallonee, of Franklin, September 3, 1873 and moved to Murphy 40 years ago. Mr. Mallonee succumbed to the same death more than six years ago. Mrs. Mallonee had been a member of the Methodist church since childhood. She had endeared herself to many friends who grieve her passing.

Active pallbearers were: Tom Axley, E. O. Christopher, H. G. Elkins, A. W. Melver, Sheridan Dickey, Sheridan Heighway.

Honorary pallbearers were: Ira Butt, Bass Ferguson, E. B. Norvell, Dr. N. B. Adams and Rollin Lovin-good.

Flower girls were: Mrs. Hadley Dickey, Mrs. Ralph Moody, Mrs. Dale Lee, Mrs. W. G. Crawford, Miss Lellia Hayes and Mrs. T. F. Higgins.

Surviving Mrs. Mallonee are seven children: Misses Carrie, Lydia and Bessie Mallonee, Mrs. J. J. McGuire, all of Murphy; Mrs. J. G. Greene, of Lake Wales, Fla., and J. A. Mallonee and E. C. Mallonee, of Murphy, and 10 grandchildren.

Peyton G. Ivie was in charge of funeral arrangements.

## Summer Vacational Bible School Starts

**BY H. W. BAUCOM, JR.**  
Pastor of First Baptist Church

Vacation Bible School time is almost here!! That means plenty of good times for the youngsters. On Monday morning, July 16, at 8 A. M. the school will begin at the Baptist church. For three hours each morning, except Saturday, for two weeks we will have a great time together. With Bible stories, songs, handwork, memory work and playing. It is understood that a picnic will come into the program for one of the days.

The school will be featured with a parade through town following the registration at 9 A. M. Friday, July 13. It is hoped that all the Baptist children between the ages of 5 and 17 will come to the church Friday morning and join us in the parade.

There has been gathered together a group of the finest teachers we could find anywhere in the state and they are ready to help the young people have a good time. Mrs. H. W. Baucum, Jr., will be the leader and is looking for 150 or 200 young people to join her in these days of happiness.

Don't miss the great times that are in store for you, young people!

On Friday night, July 27, at 7:30 the children will have their commencement exercises in the church. To this all the parents and friends are cordially invited and urged to attend in order that they may see what has been done by the children and teachers.

A holiday of glorious fun will greet the official opening. A temporary program that will draw thousands of people to Murphy, featuring a celebration of state highway officials, distinguished speakers, and possibly a barbecue, is being drawing up by a committee of C. W. Bailey, G. W. Ellis, and Dr. E. E. Adams.

The definite date of the opening has not yet been announced but an completion of the Valley River bridge nears interest in the Lions proposal slowly comes to a climax.

People from every town in this section are expected to come in and aid in the festivities.

"We are going to have a regular holiday when the bridge is officially opened," Dr. Adams said Wednesday. "The committee will start working out its plans at once."

Everyone is extended a cordial invitation to attend the event and help out in the big celebration.

With work 80 percent complete, the new bridge across Valley river on highway No. 110 in Murphy will be ready for traffic in another six weeks, J. T. Knight, resident engineer for the State Highway and Public Works Department, said here this week.

Construction of the bridge has been under way for the past four months under the general supervision of E. A. Woods, of Andrews, for the T. M. Strider & Company, successful bidders for the project. B. F. Teague, of Murphy, is inspector in charge for the State Highway Department.

The work is complete for the pouring of the hand rails, applying the wearing surface and pouring about 100 feet of pavement on the road abutment ends of the bridge. The bridge will be complete in about thirty days, Mr. Knight said, and another ten days will be required to pour the pavement on the approaches and let it set before it could be opened to traffic.

The bridge is 132 feet long, and a 24-foot clear roadway and a five-foot sidewalk. It is of concrete and re-inforced steel construction, costing approximately \$16,500.00, and replaces a narrow one-way all-steel structure. Two new type illuminating standards at each end will light the bridge at night. The project is one of the first PWA projects awarded in Cherokee county.

Traffic over No. 10 now enters Murphy over an excellent detour, turning left just before reaching the bridge and following well marked streets for about three-quarters of a mile into town.

## DAILY NEWS IN BRIEF

War, which had appeared imminent of the German front the early part of the week following Hitler's "purge", took a turn for the better later in the week when France suddenly and unexpectedly showed herself willing to grant important arms concessions to Germany.

The motive for the concession can no more be understood by authorities than can Germany's motive to keep peace with France be understood. Germany cancelled regular autumn maneuvers of the reichswehr, and France made the arms concession providing Germany joins her East European Peace pact.

The homely philosophy of our own Will Rogers probably voiced the true sentiments of that skeptic more than anyone else when he said (about Germany) "it all sounded so friendly you started to peep under the bottom to see what was hid".

Monday our old friend, Raymond Moley, former assistant secretary of (Continued from page 8)