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COURT ADJOURNS HERE FOLLOWING BUSY WEEK

Many Cases Are Disposed Of Including Three Convictions Of Murder; Large Number Of Charges Aired, Some Carried Over Until Next Term.

Superior Court adjourned here Wednesday evening leaving three jail sentences for murder, over a score of verdicts turned in by the jury, and number of cases to be carried over to the next term, as its record.

Court adjourned for the term that Judge J. Will Pless, Jr., might get back to Asheville on important business there.

Taylor On Trial

Lingering in the lime light of the session was the sentencing of Bascomb Taylor, 31-year old convicted hammer murderer of Walter Kidd, to 16 to 20 years in prison on a charge of second degree murder.

While crowds milled into the court room to hear the whispered accounts of the slaying and evidence, the story was unravelled bit by bit.

In defense of his own life, Taylor told the jury that he had been hauling wood all day last June with Walter Kidd, 50-year-old farmer of the Unaka section, and that while riding step a steep grade in an old truck about dusk seven miles from here, the three-fourths blind Kidd rose up, wrapped a stub arm around a standard of the truck, and started flaying him with a crank. Taylor said he then stopped the truck and hit Kidd over the head with a hammer in self defense.

When Kidd had fallen from the truck, Taylor said he went to his brother's house and from there voluntarily gave himself up to the sheriff.

Accounts of witnesses and lawyers [illegible] their order, and the jury [illegible] of second degree [illegible].

Johnson Receives Sentence

[illegible] was the sentencing [illegible] Johnson to six to eight years in the penitentiary for the slaying of Uncle Dave Kidd, father of [illegible], in the Unaka section early [illegible] year.

[illegible]

[illegible] Slaying Trial

[illegible]

NEARLY 400 HAVE SIGNED PETITION DESIGNED TO SEPARATE CHEROKEES

Between 300 and 400 signatures have been signed to the petition drawn up by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians that would segregate the [illegible] from the white Cherokees, it was publically announced at a meeting in the Regal Hotel Wednesday morning.

[illegible] W. Foght, superintendent [illegible] disbursing agent for the Cherokee Indians, attended the meeting which was held as one of a series to "iron out" individual cases.

The petition is designed to re[illegible] the white Indians for their land and have them withdraw from the corporation. The petition was drawn up early in June and circulated for the signers.

[illegible] full [illegible] Cherokee want [illegible] separate themselves from those with whom [illegible] in the near future. The question of land was brought up and Sibbald Smith, county [illegible], said there was hardly any value to the land except for the timber that was [illegible] and that he believed it would be better to hold it.

The Indians have been holding a meeting regularly every month, but it was decided to have only special called meetings from now on.

MR. E. M. HEMBREE NATIVE OF MURPHY PASSES ON MONDAY

Funeral services for Mr. Eldah Martin Hembree, age 59, who died at his home here Monday morning at 9 o'clock after an eight months illness, were held at the Hiawassee church, six miles west of Murphy, Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. The Reverends Higgins and Baucom officiated.

Mr. Hembree was born in Buncombe county May 21, 1875 and had lived near here practically all his life. He was a member of the Baptist church since he was 17 years of age. Mr. Hembree was also a member of the Muprhy Masonic lodge.

Besides his wife, he is survived by eight children, a daughter, Regena, ey, and Vaughn Hembree, all of Murand seven sons, Lee, Frank, Abe Dewphy, and Otis Hembree, of Texas, and Ray Hembree, of Summerville, Tenn.

EXTENSION DAIRY SPECIALIST HERE ON OFFICIAL DUTY

A note of warning to farmers to put up all roughage and feed stuffs possible for the coming winter was sounded here Tuesday by F. R. Farnham, extension dairy specialist, who was here inspecting local dairies with Quay Ketner, county agent, this week.

"I urge all farmers to dig trench silos to store feed and food for the winter, as the drough has sent prices on these commodities soaring", he said.

Mr. Farnham has been driving over the county inspecting farms and dairymen and reports a probable line up swing in the production of butterfat and cheese in the near future.

Work Is Continuing On Coleman Dam Site

Work on the local dam site has been going on steadily for the past several weeks. [illegible] of the week [illegible] sand.

[illegible] week, in an official statement from Knoxville, Atlanta was denied power under the TVA.

[illegible] to general local opinion [illegible] headquarters [illegible] the effect that the dam will be built on the local site, is expect[illegible]

INDIAN TRACTS ARE SOON TO BE SURVEYED AGAIN

From 600 to 8000 Acres Of 72,000 Acre Indian Grant Being Contested.

Two parties of surveying engineers, under Lester Mann, of the General Land Office survey, have taken temporary residence at Marble, for the purpose of resurveying and reestablishing original land grants to the Cherokee Indians in Cherokee and Graham counties, with a view to recovering such land as has been allegedly taken by parties under unofficial land grants and titles. Jackson and Swain counties have already been surveyed along these lines, it was said.

Sibbald Smith, county ranger, claims that much of the Indian territory in the past 50 years has been taken over by the bordering land claims in the form of deeds of conveyances, squatters and contested claims.

1600 Acres Being Contested

Mr. Smith estimated that there are 6,676 acres of land in Cherokee county belonging to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Inc., and that around 1600 acres of it are now being contested in the form of 61 major contentions.

"The purpose of this survey," he said, "is to enter a blanket [illegible] against all claims."

"Most of the Cherokee Indian land grants," he continued, "dates back to 1848. In 1874 the Master and Chancellor court, of which Judge Dillard, father of the late J. H. Dillard, Mr. Ruffin and Mr. Barranger, were members, awarded the Indians [illegible] these lands.

"After the United States government was [illegible] to have affirmed the award. A new deed was made by the Department of the Interior approving the settlement.

Surveyed In 1875

"In 1875 a group of United States government surveyors, under [illegible] Temple, took field notes [illegible] and made a natural survey on the [illegible] which covered all Indian [illegible] Jackson, Swain, Cherokee and Graham counties.

[illegible] 1910 another [illegible] by the local Indian [illegible] I was appointed [illegible] of the chemical [illegible] beginning corner of the original grants.

[illegible] To Be Relocated

Mr. Smith will cooperate with the [illegible]

FAMOUS CHILDRE SHOW OF SINGERS TO APPEAR HERE

A [illegible], featuring [illegible] Childre, the boy from Alabama, and show of 40 broadcasting stars including [illegible] Lone Star Cowboys [illegible] WWL guest artists of WSB, Atlanta, will be at the Murphy theatre, Aug. 20 and 21, it was announced this week by Frank Owenby, manager of the local theatre.

Mr. Childre is originally from New Orleans where he was a childhood friend of the late Jimmie Rogers. He has recently been connected with the WWL radio studios, and is now touring the South that his thousands of radio fans might see him in person.

Billie Mack is the whirl-wind dancer of the troupe.

Bob and Joe, owners of the famous Lone Star ranch near Fort Worth, Texas, are real cowboys fom the middle south country, and are well-versed in cowboy songs and lore.

Shortly after appearing here, Mr. Childre, and the others of the radio party, will leave here for New Orleans where they will resume their broadcasts.

They will appear on the local stage at 8 o'clock sharp, Mr. Owenby, the sponsor, said.

Hundreds of their admirers from this section are expecting to attend the appearances.

BAND CONCERT WILL BE PRESENTED HERE AUG. 24

Copper Basin Band To Appear In Local Auditorium Next Friday Featuring Local Talent; Crowds Expected At Program Sponsored By Lions Club.

TVAC OFFICIALS MET ON TUESDAY FOR DISCUSSION

C. E. Hoffman, TVA attorney, of Knoxville, Tenn.; J. F. Stone TVA auditor; J. A. Barr, director of the TVAC of this section, and Mr. Getty, assistant budget director under Louis S. Douglas, of Washington, D. C., attended a meeting of the local cannery committee in the county agent's office here Tuesday evening.

Problems of the cannery were discussed in general.

The cannery has been operating every other day and the amount of tomatoes and beans to come in is expected to pick up the coming week.

Dale Lee, secretary and treasurer of the Association, said practically all [illegible] tickets had been paid off with a sum of $2,825.

EXERCISES TO BE HELD BY MURPHY BIBLE SCHOOL

The community vacation church will hold its commencement exercises at the First Methodist church, Friday night at 7:30 P. M. Parents and friends of the children are invited to attend.

The enrollment the first day was 52 children ranging in age from 4 to [illegible]. The average attendance has been 68. The enrollment for the two weeks of the school was 82.

The following compose the faculty: Rev. T. F. Higgins, general Supt. Mrs. S. H. Long, Principal. Rev. S. H. Long, Supt. of Intermediates. Mrs. [illegible] H. Long, Supt. of Juniors. [illegible]

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W. D. Townson Is Reported Improving

[illegible]

FAIR OPENING DATE IS CHANGED TO SEPTEMBER 26, 27, 28, 29

The date of the Cherokee County Fair has been definitely changed to September 26, 27, 28 and 29, at a special meeting of the members of the Fair association in the [illegible] office this week. Plans for the bigger and better fair yet [illegible] being worked out in detail by the committee.

A number of factors of little importance worked into the ten [illegible] arrangements of the program that was originally to be held the first week in October and it was decided to move the date up one week.

Big List of Premuim

A long list of premiums for stock and produce have been worked out by A. Q. Ketner who is in charge of the premuims and concerted work has been put forth by the committee to arrange the advertising.

Indications are that more interest is being taken in the fair this year than ever before. Hundreds of exhibits are being arranged to be put on display when the fair swings its doors open to the public.

Entertainment of the finest class is being arranged for all who attend [illegible] this year, it was announced [illegible] the committee.

Admission Lowered

The admission to the fair [illegible] [illegible] with children being admitted free in the daytime. It is hoped by the committee that with such a substantial reduction in the general admission, the fair will be well within the reach of many who have been denied its fine benefits and performances in the past.

Detailed arrangements for the operation of the grounds and exhibit halls have been put under the direction of men capable of working out the plans so every one will enjoy themselves and receive the ultimate benefits of the fair.

With the fair catalogue about to go to press, it has been reported that one of the most extensive lists of prizes and premiums that have ever been offered fair-goers will be at their disposal.

It is reported that a great deal of stock and produce will be ready to be put on display when the fair opens September 26.

A band concert, the program of which includes a number of specialties by local and foreign talent, is being definitely planned to be held in the Murphy high school auditorium August 24, at 7:30 p. m. The show is being sponsored by the local Lions club.

Details of the program are under a committee headed by R. F. Williamson as chairman, Dr. E. E. Adams, and T. F. Higgins.

Local Talent on Program

Appearing on the program will be the Copper Basin band as the main feature. The Bowles sisters, tap dancers who have pleased a number of local audiences in the past; the fine voice of Gerald Stalcup, and two readings by Miss Lois Latham and Miss Martha Nell Wells will help round out the program. Miss Virginia McCay, a movie star impersonator, will accompany the band.

The Band, it has been reported here, has always played to a packed auditorium in its concerts. At Copperhill, headquarters for the band, the organization is sponsored by an association of more than 250 members.

R. F. McKinney, director of the band, is a former army bandleader, with the U. S. Engineers in Honolulu, Hawaii. He is a native of East Tennessee and has been directing bands for 15 years.

32-Piece Band

The personnel of the organization includes seasoned musicians of years experience, many of whom have had bands under their charge. The organization number 32.

Among the personnel is O. L. (Bob) Johnson of Etowah, Tenn., who is well known to residents of Murphy. [illegible]

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A. W. McIver Will Return This Week

[illegible]

Frank Mayfield Is Recovering Rapidly

Frank Mayfield, son of C. B. Mayfield, was reported improving rapidly at the local hospital late this week.

Frank was stricken with appendicitis last Friday and was taken to the hospital where he underwent the successful operation. He has had many visitors and many friends will be glad to hear of his recovery.

Brumby Out Of Town, Is Buying Machinery

M. G. Brumby, new operator of the local knitting mill, was said by W. M. Fain Thursday to be out of town this week buying and arranging for the shipment of more machinery here.

Meanwhile operations have been going on cleaning up the factory preparatory to the opening in a week or so.