

# Christmas Greetings



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### SUITABLE GOLF SITE NOT FOUND BY COMMITTEE

#### Case Outlines Plan For Cherokee Golfers To Join Blue Ridge Club

The third meeting of a group of Murphy and Andrews citizens interested in obtaining a golf course in Cherokee county was described as "disappointing" because a suitable site could not be located at a reasonable price, according to T. A. Case, chairman of the investigating committee which met in the Masonic hall at Marble Monday evening.

At the same time a plan whereby people of Cherokee county who are interested may join the new club at Blue Ridge, Ga., 26 miles from here, was outlined by Mr. Case.

"It is possible that reasonable special rates may be obtained for people of this section who are interested in joining the club there, and from all indications any quota that would be needed could be easily obtained", he said.

"The course there was built by FERA funds just as we planned to construct a course in this county and it is one of the nicest clubs and one of the most beautiful courses in this part of the country. Due to the fact that a new road has been built between here and Blue Ridge, the distance would not be at all inconvenient", Mr. Case added.

He had not explained this plan to other members of the committee Wednesday night, but he said he felt sure that a great many golfers in this country would be interested.

Interest was first aroused over the possibility of a county golf course at club house three weeks ago when Mr. Case learned that the FERA would supply the labor to construct the course.

A meeting of representative citizens from all over the county was called and Bill Whitaker, of Andrews, was elected president of the club. The committees will continue to work on the plans for acquiring the course.

### Tri-County Club Is Formed At Brevard

The students from Cherokee, Clay and Graham counties attending Brevard college have organized a joint county club for the purpose of keeping in touch with the home counties and the affairs taking place there through the county papers received each week, according to Robert Weaver, of Murphy, president of the club.

The club holds an informal meeting each Thursday morning to discuss matters that come up and a formal meeting on the first Monday night of each month.

The club held its first meeting Monday night November 19, and elected the following officers: Robert Weaver, president; Alvin Penland, vice-president; Vivian Moore, secretary and treasurer and Elmo Ghormlay, chairman of the program committee.

Other members of the club are: Vera Moore, Charles Cherry, Charles Hyatt, Nicholas Patton, Garth Thompson, Grace Teague and Frank Penland.

### Mr. C. M. Wofford

Mr. C. M. Wofford, who had the misfortune to run a nail in his foot about a week ago, is being confined to his home with an infection, business associates said this week.

Mr. Wofford is slowly improving and will probably be able to return to his business some time in the next

### COMMISSIONERS WILL NOT ACT ON REFINANCE PLAN

The proposition to refinance the county debts is over as far as the commissioners are concerned it was learned here Wednesday.

The city aldermen were unanimously opposed to using that service at a meeting two weeks ago.

The commissioners disinterested in the proposition was revealed by D. M. Simonds, county auditor, who said he heard one of the commissioners say that that body would not consider the question any further at present.

The plan attracted considerable attention when it was first brought up four months ago. Representatives of the corporation held meetings here before joint assemblies of the county commissioners and city aldermen to explain the plan.

It was understood at first that certain members of both bodies was in favor of the proposition until the final agreement was drawn up.

Both the city council and the commissioners have been successful lately in substantially lowering the debts of Murphy and Cherokee and it was largely this reason that led the council and the commissioners to disregard the plan.

### Local Baptists Urging Conference Attendance

Local Baptist pastors and W. A. Adams, local transportation organizer for the Baptist Sunday School conference, which is to be held in Raleigh January 1 to 4, are anxious that this community make an excellent showing at that meeting.

It is believed that this will be the greatest Sunday school convocation held in the world in 1935; if attendance exceeds that of the four previous conferences, it will be the largest Sunday school gathering ever to have been held in the world.

North Carolina Baptists are fortunate that such an assembly is to be held in the Capital city—bringing to their very doors the best talent the denomination can assemble.

An attendance of 5,000 outside of Raleigh is expected. This assembly will doubtless, never meet in this state again in 10 years. Those in authority are anxious that all pastors and Sunday school workers attend.

### Fur Dealers Must Buy New License

J. E. Hall, local game warden, announced this week that all who bought fur dealers license last year must buy new ones as they became out of date in July.

"Either buy new license now or quit—that is the law and I must enforce it", Mr. Hall said.

### Scout Is Published Earlier This Week

In order that the Scout may be thoroughly circulated over the Murphy trading territory in ample time for the subscribers to take advantage of the many dollar-saving values advertised in this week's paper, it was published unusually early this week.

The merchants of Murphy, with their completely stocked stores, are offering some of the best bargains that can possibly be bought.

Readers are urged to look through the pages of the Scout this week and study the advertisements carefully. Everything for a happy and delightful Christmas gift is offered at bargains seldom to be found anywhere.

It would do the buyer well to check his list of needs before coming to town to save confusion and time.

TRADE WITH THE HOME MERCHANT FIRST!

### MYSTERY PLAY PRESENTED BY LOCAL FACULTY

#### Large Crowd Enjoys "Drums Of Death" Offered Here Thursday Night

One of the best local performances of the year was presented here in the High School auditorium Thursday night when the school faculty enacted, "Drums of Death", a stirring mystery drama, directed by Mrs. H. Bueck.

All the characters of the play put in stellar performances that made the drama, which ran for weeks on Broadway, even more enjoyable.

The setting of the play, the Bailey home, half-ruined mansion on a desolate stretch of the Atlantic coast, and the interminable beat of drums, was typical of the mysterious element of the play.

Darkened stage and sound effects made the scenes yet more gruesome.

#### Mysterious Plot

The story revolved around the disappearance of Mr. Bailey and the attempts of the Thompson gang, the leader of which was in the disguise of Doctor Cameron (O. W. Deaton), to obtain a valuable stone from his body that would determine the necessary aid to win a battle between two European nations fighting in the heart of Africa.

Miss Gillette (Miss Emily Sword), sister of Mr. Bailey; her grand daughter, Amelia Gillette (Miss Ruby Courtney), and a distant relative, the frolicsome Eugenia Bowles (Miss Fannie Ba'heock), are inveigled to the house by wires sent by Thompson, and are told to leave by Sheldon Harley (K. C. Wright), keeper of the Bailey property, who later turns out to be a federal agent.

They refuse to leave and in due time Paula Bailey (Miss Geneva Lou Franklin), another granddaughter of the dead man, arrives. She too is warned after Celeste Miss Elizabeth

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### Funeral Services For Richard Leatherwood Held Here On Sunday

Funeral services for Richard Marion Leatherwood, 5 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Leatherwood, were held in the Methodist church here Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock with Rev. T. F. Higgins and Johnnie Carper officiating. Peyton G. Ivie had charge of funeral arrangements.

The child died here Saturday morning at 10:15 o'clock after five day's illness. He was born in Franklin Nov. 4, 1929 and was the son of the former manager of the Cherokee county home.

Surviving besides his parents are: two brothers; Bill and Hayes, Jr., and two sisters, Louise and Anne, all of Murphy.

### Mrs. H. Bueck

The many friends of Mrs. H. Bueck will be glad to know that she is reported by hospital attendants as resting easy following her operation for appendicitis early Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Bueck, the popular wife of the superintendent of the Murphy unit schools, had been sick for several days and was planning to go to her home in Raleigh for the Christmas holidays when it was found necessary to take her to the hospital.

Mrs. Bueck had just finished directing two fine local shows when the attack struck her.

### BOOMERS WIN SECOND GAME OF YEAR 25-9

Murphy High, playing their second pre-season basketball game of the season, run rampant through the Blairsville team here Saturday night and came out on the long end of 25 to 9 score.

The Boomers showed a big improvement in their passing victory over the boys from Georgia two weeks ago, and a stouter defense has been built up that should be well-nigh impenetrable as the season goes on, in the opinion of coach O. W. Deaton.

Murphy kept a large lead during the whole game keeping the ball in their passing possession most of the time. The boys from Blairsville made most of their points on long shots.

Coach Deaton used practically all of the boys on the squad sending in at last four different teams in an effort to weed out the best combination that can be found when the season officially opens. He said 12 players were showing up very good.

It is said that Blairsville has played a half dozen games or more this season but they did not show up near

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### Christmas Trade Is Improved This Year

With business generally running ahead of last year merchants and business men of Murphy expect the best Christmas shopping season for some years.

A spirit of confidence seems to be widespread and the people of Cherokee County are spending their money more freely than last year. Besides, which is decidedly to the point, they have more money to spend.

All sections of the United States report a similar condition, attributed to improved farm income, larger payrolls, emergency government expenditures and more stable banking conditions. These are factors that make for confidence as individuals look ahead and present spending reflects optimism for 1935.

In Murphy this year one finds a much larger assortment of Christmas merchandise and merchants report something of a shop-early trend, with buyers coming in right along to make their selections.

### Students Will Arrive Here For Christmas

The following girls and boys will be returning this week from various colleges to spend the Christmas holidays at their homes: Annie Mae Townson, Grace Bell, Mary Witherpoon, N. C. W., Greensboro, Grace Parker, Salem College, Winston-Salem; Vera Weaver, Juanita and Geneva Hill, Elizabeth and Nannie Laura Gentry, Asheville Normal, Asheville; Anne Candler, University of North Carolina, Edna Patton, W. C. T. Cullowhee; J. N. Hill, Jr., Joe Bailey, Davidson College, Davidson; Burke Gray, Jr., Marshall Bell and James Mallonee, U. N. C., Chapel Hill; Jerry Davidson, Jr., Bill Rayless, James and Richard Parker, Ben and Frank Mayfield, State College, Raleigh; William Thompson and Bill Miller, Emory University, Atlanta; Merle Davis and J. Franklin Smith, W. C. T. College, Cullowhee; Robert Weaver and Charles Hyatt, Brevard; Harry Miller, who is taking internship at Georgia Baptist Hospital.

### L. L. Mason Moves To Brasstown Home

Mr. L. L. Mason, former sheriff of Cherokee county, has moved to his old home at Brasstown.

Mr. Z. C. Ramsey, new sheriff, is now residing there.

### LONGER GAME SEASON BEING SOUGHT HERE

#### More Than 200 Names Fixed To Petitions In Murphy And Andrews

Petitions are being circulated here and in Andrews requesting members of the state legislature from this district to extend this length of the open game seasons in Cherokee county. More than 200 signatures had been affixed to them Saturday.

The petitions are addressed to Hon. V. A. Browning, state senator elect from the 32nd district, and Edwin C. Hyde, Cherokee county representative. The amendment reads "so that the season for taking game animals and game birds in Cherokee county be from Nov. 20 to Feb. 20 except that open season for squirrel be from Sept. 15 to Nov. 30."

At present the county law, which conforms with that of the western zone, opens for birds and rabbits on Nov. 15 and closes on Jan. 1 while the central zone extends to Feb. 20 and the eastern zone to Feb. 1. The open season for squirrels here is from Oct. 1 to Nov. 30. In the eastern and central zones it lasts until Dec. 31.

"Aside from making the season longer the amendment would include those days when Cherokee county hunters could find the best game and like best to hunt. A great many people here have expressed their hope of having a longer season" J. D. Maloney local lawyer, who drew up the petition, said.

While practically everyone in the county appears enthused over the possibility of getting a longer season on birds, rabbits and squirrels, several have objected on the grounds that all the game would be shot up at the end of the season.

On the other hand prominent local followers of the sport maintain that there is plenty of game in the county and that the season would end before too many were shot up to completely restock the woods before the next season.

### Subscription Drive Passes Expectations

The gigantic circulation campaign now being conducted by the Cherokee Scout has passed all expectations of the management as hundreds of subscriptions, both new and renewals, are pouring into the office from all over Cherokee county.

Six grand prizes totalling \$100.00, including a cabinet Philco radio now on display at Coleman's radio shop, will be given away to subscribers on Feb. 2.

Everyone is urged to get a coupon worth 25c on the regular subscription price of \$1 per year for the Scout, from any Murphy merchant and present it at the office.

After Feb. 2, the price of the Cherokee Scout will go to \$1.50 per year.

### Ed Hyatt Finds Old Dictionary In Attic

A rare book, Entick's Latin-English dictionary, published in 1871, was found in Ed Hyatt's attic the other day. Local persons do not ever remember having seen a copy of the book although it is a well-known edition.

The fly-leaf of the book was inscribed with "Hiwassee College, 1872", and it is believed that some member of the Hyatt family, who was president of the college about that time, had used the book.