

HEAVY CRIMINAL DOCKET FACING JUDGE HARDING

Superior Court To Con- vene In Murphy Mon- day August 10

A fairly heavy criminal docket will face Judge W. F. Harding, of Charlotte, when the regular August term of Superior court convenes here for a two weeks session, Monday, August 10.

Both criminal and civil cases will be tried.

Besides a large number of minor cases on the docket, three outstanding trials will be had.

Opie Clayton, of Brasstown, who was bound over to court at a preliminary hearing several months ago, will be tried in connection with the death of Waldo Scroggs of Brasstown.

Scroggs died a week after he had a fight with Clayton and a jury found that he came to his death at the hands of parties unknown.

Mrs. Trammell and her son, Esco, of Topion, will be tried in connection with the shooting of Gus Nelson at her home several weeks ago.

Sylva Gaddis, of Ducktown, a brother to Emmett Gaddis, former Polk county deputy who is under bond in connection with the slaying in W. D. McFadden on May 17, was found over to Superior court two weeks ago for allegedly disturbing members of a paving crew near the North Carolina-Tennessee line.

Juries were chosen July 11 as follows:

First week—Fred Kilpatrick, Ranger; Jim Raxter, Marble; Creed Bates, Murphy; E. B. King, Marble; George Hogsdon, Birch; J. P. Raxter, Birch; Bas Carringer, Brasstown; J. W. Dockery, Marble; Lawson Lunsford, Murphy, route 1; Stanley Green, Murphy, route 2; A. T. Kephart, Murphy, route 3; R. W. Chaistain, Murphy.

Howard Stiles, Birch; R. R. Beal, Murphy; C. C. Mills, Murphy; Glenn Staleup, Murphy; Oscar Taylor, Suit; W. W. Ashe, Andrews; J. P. Raxter, Andrews; L. L. Bryson, Rhoda; H. B. Elliott, Murphy, route 1; J. A. Caldwell, Murphy, route 1; H. W. Palmer, Marble; R. L. Abernathy, Grandview.

Second week—C. F. Martin, Murphy; W. K. Vaniver, Murphy; Claude Kincaid, Ranger; W. L. Garren, Culberson; Ace Tanner, Murphy, route 2; Ed Mundy, Culberson; W. H. Odell, Murphy; W. B. Raper, Brasstown; Lum Ledford, Ranger; Lawrence Hatchett, Murphy; Clink Webster, Culberson.

Hickman Schedules Game Here On Sunday

Henry Hickman announced this week that he had taken over the Murphy baseball club and had scheduled a game probably with Ducktown, for Sunday.

Hickman said he had scouted around the new TVA forces and workmen here and had found several first rate ball players.

He added he hoped a large crowd would turn out to help him finance the new endeavor.

Lions Club Provides Examinations For Six

Three local cripple persons were taken to the Bryson City Orthopedic clinic Saturday for examination by the Murphy Lions club. Last week the club provided for eye examinations of three others.

The local civic club is taking an active interest in cripple and defective-sighted persons.

A WORD TO THE WISE . . . (Editorial)

There is no escaping the facts. Great things have been pictured as in store for Murphy if the Tennessee Valley Authority decided to build the Fowlers Bend dam. But they alone are not the benefactors. They must have co-operation. That has been pointed out time and again. During the past week many reports have reached us that exorbitant rent is being asked of those who planned to make their residence in Murphy. And we have also been informed that these people do NOT have to stay here. Other towns are just as close to the project as Murphy. We feel it our duty to make this matter felt that much that has been gained may not be lost.

A word to the wise should be sufficient.

Murdered Girl Stopped Here Sunday Night

Miss Helen Clevenger, 18, of New York, who was found murdered in an Asheville hotel room last Thursday in one of the country's most baffling slayings, spent the Sunday night previous to her death in Murphy, it was revealed this week.

Miss Clevenger and her uncle, Prof. W. L. Clevenger, of the N. C. State college faculty, registered at the Dickey hotel Sunday, July 12, after Mr. Clevenger had been inspecting some dairies in this section. Monday they continued on their state tour to Asheville where she met her shocking death.

Miss Clevenger, who was found in her room clad in pajamas, fatally shot and beaten, was described by Mrs. Thelma Dickey, proprietress of the Murphy hotel, as "reserved, refined and very young looking".

She said the 18-year-old girl appeared to be well-educated, courteous and rather retiring.

During her stay at the hotel that night, Miss Clevenger was visited in typical Dickey house hospitality fashion by Jackson, and Miss Dorothy Lahn.

"She talked about many things", Billie said, "but she mentioned her diary many times."

The diary, incidentally, is mentioned prominently in Asheville officer's attempts to solve the case.

"She was very nice looking and we talked with her a long time", Dorothy added.

Several residents of the Dickey house remember having seen the girl rather vividly now.

And written neatly on the bottom line of the ledger under the date of July 12 is the name "Helen Clevenger—Raleigh".

Gone for 43 Years, Man Returns Saturday

Forty-three years ago Burt Crowder left Cherokee County. His wife and five children did not hear from him. No one knew where he was. He was given up for dead.

Saturday, at the ripe young age of 79, he stepped off the bus at Kinsey, four miles below here, walked down the road to the door of his son, Alf Crowder, knocked, walked in, and said, "Howdy son".

Mrs. Crowder died five or six years ago and three of the children have passed.

Now he is survived only by his son, Alf, and a daughter, Mrs. Whit Dockery.

He owns 100 acres of farm land in the Kinsey section.

Fred Teague Drops Dead As He Drives Car

Mr. Fred Teague, who was extremely well-known here as a highway inspector and superintendent of the building of the Valley River driving an automobile in the early Saturday morning and injured six others who were riding with him when the car got out of control and crashed down over a steep embankment.

Since residing here a year ago Mr. Teague has been living at Granite Falls, his original home, and has been employed by the state highway department and the WPA.

Funeral services were held at Granite Falls Sunday afternoon.

Surviving are his wife; three daughters, Grace, Dorothy and Betty; his parents and several brothers and sisters.

Junior Womans Club Amateur Show And Dance To Be Held Monday Night

By JOHN DAVIDSON

Murphy and the surrounding towns have a real treat in store Monday, when the Junior Women's Club presents the famous Hummel Orchestra in two performances. The organization, now on Southern tour, comes direct from Cleveland, Ohio where they have just finished an engagement at one of the city's most renowned night clubs—the popular Club Joy, where they are also booked for a return engagement the latter part of September.

The Hummel Orchestra is more than just an ordinary dance band; they are all finished musicians, displaying an array of talent that will please any group of listeners. They are professional in every respect.

One of the most outstanding characteristics of the Orchestra is their inimitable style of playing the present day craze "swing music". They feature special arrangements entirely, in their library are arrangements which are envied by great orchestras throughout the United States. Before coming to Murphy they will play a battle of music with Jimmy Cincinnati at Mountain City, Ga. Mr. Cincinnati highly endorses the band and informs us that Murphy is indeed fortunate in obtaining their services.

In order that those who do not dance will have an opportunity to hear and see this swell group of entertainers, the evening will include a special stage show at the School Auditorium, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. As an added attraction in con-

nection with the stage show, Mr. Hummel will personally conduct an amateur show. All local amateurs are invited to compete. They may bring their own accompanist, or may be accompanied by the orchestra if they desire. This information must be given to Miss Martha Nell Wells, not later than Saturday, in order that she may inform the orchestra in time for them to acquire the music desired. Admission to the stage show will be 10 and 25 cents.

Among those who are already listed to take part in the show are: piano solo by Miss Mary King Maloney; vocal solo and tap dancing by Dorothy Lahn; duet by Bill Miller and Buel Adams; quartet by Charlie Calhoun, Homer Ricks, Ernest Hawkins and John Donley; aerobic dance by Carolyn Carter; solo by Nettie Dickey.

The main event will be the dance at the Gym, beginning at 9:00 P. M., and lasting until 1:00 A. M. The floor show beginning promptly at 11:00 P. M., and lasting approximately 40 minutes. Admission to the dance is \$1.25 per couple. However a special advance ticket sale is now in progress, in which tickets may be obtained through any member of the club for \$1.00. No advance tickets are to be sold after 12:00 o'clock Monday. Spectators will be charged 25 cents each. Club members are to visit surrounding towns Friday and Saturday, in order that these people might have an opportunity to purchase advance tickets.

TVA Project Takes On New Activity As More Workmen Are Hired To Build Bridge

Says Kentucky Firm Gets Road Contract

C. W. Savage, local hotel owner, said Tuesday that J. S. Talbot and H. K. McCormick were in town this week inspecting the site of the road from the Fowlers Bend dam site to Turtletown, Tenn., for the Codell Construction company, of Winchester, Ky., low bidders on the contract for building the 12-mile stretch of road.

Although no official statement has been made from TVA headquarters in Knoxville as to what company will get the contract for building the road, Mr. Savage said the men informed him that their company, of which J. C. Codell is president, had made the lowest bid, and that they expected to begin operations "any minute".

Boy Is Crushed To Death As He Jumps On Auto

Crushed when he hopped on the side of an automobile and it struck an embankment Tuesday night, Ira Lowery, 27, of the Ivy Log community at the Union-Cherokee county line, died in the Petrie hospital at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Young Lowery was returning from church near his home when he asked E. S. Davenport, of Blairsville, to drive him home. As Davenport was slowing down, the young man hopped on the left side of the car, missed his hold grasped the steering wheel and pulled the car into a bank pinning himself between them.

He was carried to the hospital in an unconscious condition.

Funeral services were held at his home Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. W. H. Graham officiating. W. D. Townson was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Lowery, of Ivy Log; three sisters, Mrs. Vester Sims, of Lula, Ga., Mrs. Gene Satterfield, of Dalton, Ga., and Mrs. Mary Air, of Blairsville, Ga., and three brothers, Floyd, of Marietta, Ga., Alfred, of Blairsville, Ga., and Audella, of Dalton, Ga.

Committee To Oversee Pool Rooms Named

The Murphy post of the American Legion Tuesday night at a meeting in the Scout office selected a committee to handle the affairs of pool rooms under their supervision.

The group was composed of Ed Studstill, chairman; Clyde Gennett, Tom Mauney, Harve Elkins and Henry Hickman.

Also Mr. Hickman resigned as the meeting as commander of the Joe Miller Elkins post inasmuch as he is running for public office and the by-laws of the Legion do not permit a candidate for public office to serve as an officer.

Mr. Studstill was elected in his place. Hickman was re-elected to the post at the last meeting of the Legionnaires.

Harry P. Cooper, a member of the local post, announced that he would tender his resignation at the convention as 20th district commander, having served in that capacity for eight years, as he is running for representative to the state legislature from Cherokee county.

The group decided to limit the term of all officers in the local post to one year excepting the office of chaplain.

Streets And Stores Are Crowded As TVA Em- ployees Come In

RENT IS GONG UP Practically All Housing Facilities Are Being Used Now

About 50 or 60 men were working at the Fowlers Bend dam site this week as the TVA took on new activity here.

Murphy witnessed a rush this week that surpassed anything in its history. Cars lined the streets day and night until parking spaces could not be found and traffic became a serious problem.

Many new TVA employees have arrived in town and sought all available quarters while rents reached new high levels.

The added workers under Lex G. Phifer, who is in charge of construction of the \$15,000,00 project, were preparing to build a steel bridge capable of supporting 65 tons in weight, over the Hiwassee river at the dam site 18 miles below here.

Meanwhile two huge shovels, said to be the largest ever seen in this section, cleared and made accessible the roads into the Fowlers Bend site.

Tuesday John I. Snyder, head of the land acquisition department of the TVA, and party, of Knoxville, arrived here for a conference on matters pertaining to land in the Hiwassee basin.

They were keeping their stores open several hours past the regular closing time.

Nothing could be learned however pertaining to the TVA's plans to hire workmen.

It is estimated that 1200 men will be used on the project when it gets in full swing; and that they will draw down around \$4,000,000 in wages during the entirety of the project.

Living quarters and housing facilities in Murphy overflowing, workers this week were looking to surrounding nearby towns for residence.

Most rents are reported to have more than doubled during the past week.

Dayton brothers local taxi men, this week began regular trips hauling workmen into the dam site at special rates.

Also making appearance for the first time is several "Welcome TVA" signs as displayed by local merchants.

Tax Penalty To Be Levied On August 3

Cherokee county tax payers have only nine more days in which to pay their 1935 taxes without paying the additional costs of advertising them. Z. C. Ramsey, tax collector for Cherokee county announced this week.

Mr. Ramsey pointed out that the law requires him to advertise on the first Monday in August and to sell on the first Monday in September.

He is urging everyone to pay during these remaining days and avoid the costs of being advertised. He has an important announcement elsewhere in this paper.

Marble Will Meet Tate On Saturday

The Columbia Marble company's Royal Blues will take on the Georgia Marble company team, of Tate, Ga., at the Marble field Saturday afternoon.

The Blues have been doing some extra fine playing this season and hope for an impressive victory over their competitors.

A large crowd is expected out for the game. Tom Coggins, manager of the team, said.