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Citizens Prepared To Go To Polls Here On Tuesday

OFFICERS SEEK MAN ON CHARGE OF MURDER HERE

Clifford Sisson is Sought After Death of Charlie Nix Friday

Members of the sheriff's department of two counties were seeking diligently Wednesday night for Clifford Sisson, about 20, of the lower end of the county, who was charged this week with the murder of Charlie Nix, 20, of Culberson, following an affray Sunday night, Oct. 18.

Nix was brought into the Petrie hospital the night of the alleged fight and remained there until he died last Friday night.

Sheriff Zack Ramsey said Tuesday night that warrants of assault had been sworn out for the arrest of Sisson, but that he and deputy sheriff Poley Bell have been holding a murder warrant since the night of Nix's death, and that they had not only searched the lower end of the county thoroughly for Sisson but they had also employed the services of Fannin county officers.

Deputy sheriff Bell said Monday that according to witnesses' testimony Nix was hit over the head with a hickory pole about five feet long and about 3 inches in diameter when he walked out of his home after having a "row" there with Sisson.

Nix, Sisson and several others were in the house when the fight started, Bell credited witnesses with saying, and Nix had threatened to hit Sisson with an ax. Sisson then left the house, the witnesses told the deputy sheriff, and then when Nix walked out of the house, Sisson is alleged to have hit him over the head with the pole.

Nix was taken to the hospital where he was found to be suffering from a fractured skull.

Mr. Bell said witnesses told him that the two men had been drinking wine.

Mr. Bell said as soon as he learned of Nix's death he obtained a warrant for the arrest of Sisson on a murder charge but that when he went to look for him, Sisson had presumably gone over into Georgia where he occasionally resides.

Mr. Bell said he had officers of other counties on Sisson's trail.

"We are doing everything possible to catch Sisson", sheriff Ramsey said Tuesday night.

Sen. Reynolds, Pou To Address Democrats Here

The Democratic party's drive for votes in Cherokee county will come to a colorful climax Friday when they stage a rally in the Murphy court house at 7 o'clock, Central Standard time.

Robert R. Reynolds, junior senator of North Carolina, and George Ross Pou, Democratic candidate for auditor of the state, will headline the list of speakers. Candidates for county and state offices will be introduced and give short talks, A. W. Melver, chairman of the executive committee of the Democratic party of Cherokee county, who is in charge of the program has announced.

The meeting is being extensively advertised and a large crowd from Cherokee and adjoining counties is expected to be present at the meeting.

ALL DAY SINGING TO BE HELD

There will be an all day singing at the Martin's Creek Baptist church on Sunday, November 1. All singers are cordially invited to come, and everybody bring their lunch.

Scout To Broadcast Results Of Voting

Following its policy of giving all the county news first to its citizens, the Cherokee Scout has arranged to broadcast elections results direct from the Scout building Tuesday night as soon as the returns are filed.

Details are being completed to have representatives at every polling place in the county report to the Scout office as soon as the total figures are made available, and they will be broadcast from an upstairs window in the Scout office over the Henn theater sound system.

Elections officials will make this office their headquarters that evening, and as soon as the returns are brought to them they will be tabulated and announced over the microphone.

The results from all five tickets to be voted will be announced as soon as the returns reach the office and they will be given in complete tabulated form in next week's paper which will be off the press Wednesday night.

The citizens of Cherokee county are cordially invited to be present at the Scout office about 7:30 o'clock when the results begin coming in, and they are asked to cooperate with the publishers in giving out the returns.

Special representatives will be maintained at each of the counties 24 voting precincts to bring the returns in as soon as they are computed.

A corps of workers will be at the Scout office to give out individual poll returns on county, state and national tickets, and total calculations will be announced as rapidly as the returns come in.

LOCAL VETS ARE PLANNING TO GO TO CELEBRATION

Andrews Legion Post To Be Host To Three Counties Nov. 11

Representatives of Murphy's American Legion post won't be lacking when veterans from three counties gather at Andrews Armistice day to celebrate the "reign of peace of 1919".

They may fight the war all over again, they may get together and confab on the ticklish and humorous situations that confronted them "over there", but their solemn respect for the occasion will be interspersed with a gala program that is being sponsored by their hosts—members of the Leslie Stillman post of the American legion at Andrews.

Nearly 300 veterans and members of their families from Cherokee, Clay and Graham counties are expected to be present, Bill Whitaker, publicity chairman of the tri-county affair, anticipates.

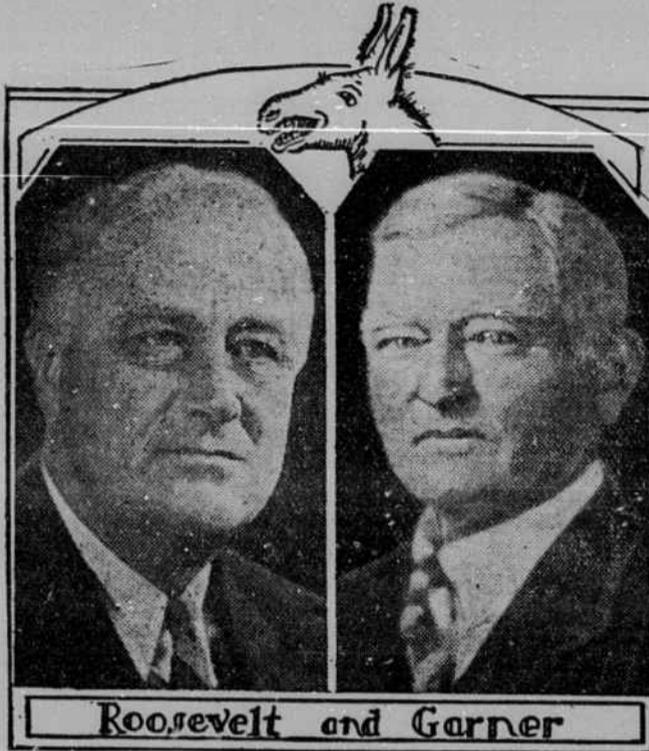
At least elaborate preparations for that many people are being made, and the Andrews merchants will shut down their stores for that (Continued on back page this sec.)

Season Opens For 'Possums On Sunday

Sunday will mark the opening of the season for trapping opossum, mink, raccoon, otter and muskrat, and it will remain open until Feb. 15.

While quail, rabbit and turkey hunters will have to wait until Nov. 20 to bag that game, those more adept at risking their lives against old "Bruin's" began hunting bear on October 20. Several bears have been shot in the mountains since the season opened, according to reports reaching here.

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEES



Roosevelt and Garner



Landon and Knox

ROY PHILLIPS TALKS TO LIONS TUESDAY NIGHT

Club To Observe Ladies Night At Its Next Meeting

Seven members of the Murphy Lions club are planning to attend a regional-Ladies night meeting at Asheville Monday night.

The invitation was extended club members by Roy Phillips, advertising director of the Asheville Citizen-Times and a member of the Asheville Lions club, who spoke to the Murphy club at their regular meeting in the Methodist church dining room Tuesday night.

Mr. Phillips reported that Lions International was stressing the importance of regional and district meetings and asked the Murphy Lions to attend the first of series of such meetings in this section in his city Monday night.

Those planning to attend from here are: Dr. E. E. Adams, Tom Case, Harve Elkins, Dr. R. W. Petrie, W. Arthur Barber, K. C. Wright and Sam Carr.

In his address before the club Mr. Phillips stressed the interest in blind work his club had taken. He said that one institution had been perfected for the employment of the (Continued on back page this sec.)

Shooting Creek Man Is Buried After Accident

Funeral services were held Friday for Mr. James Clifton Ledford, 27-year-old Shooting Creek resident, who was injured about three weeks ago when a log fell on him. He died Monday morning after a 19-day illness.

Rites were held at 10 o'clock in the morning at the Union Hill church with Peyton G. Ivie in charge of funeral arrangements.

Relatives acted as flower girls and pallbearers.

Surviving are his wife, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Obie Ledford, and a brother, John.

TVA Power Line Offices Are Moved

The division of the TVA employed in running the power line from Rhymer's Ferry in Graham county to the Hiwassee dam site moved their offices to the Parker building in Murphy Tuesday.

Work on this project has gone rapidly forward and construction was centrally shifted to the Hiwassee dam end of the line this week.

O. A. Waldroup is the construction engineer in charge of the work and William C. Hargrave is the office manager.

PARTY ISSUES WELL DEFINED IN CAMPAIGN

New Deal To Be Put To Strong Test Over Na- tion Next Week.

BY SAM CARR

This whirlwind of politics has got everybody going and crazy. But it will all be over Wednesday.

Right now it seems the world could be coming to an end and still we'd hear John Smith being highly tooted and masterfully directed into some office which he stands only a "50-50" chance of getting. Around and 'round she goes and which "50-per cent" comes out here everybody thinks they know, but they really don't.

Perhaps in no campaign which has ever reached from the turrets of the capitol in Washington to John Farmer's Cherokee county corn patch has ever been quite so shaply defined.

Last autumn about this time there was plenty of talk about "middle-ailing". But a lot can happen in a year—and it has.

No longer are the people suggesting any indication of a zig-zag method of marking ballots. Now it's either "New Deal" or "No New Deal."

There are those, of course, who will seek to combine the best of the two. But leading political writers and close adherents see no such balancing of the one against the other as being strongly prevalent in this coming election Tuesday.

Parties Well Defined.

The issues are clear cut. The Democrats are mining no words in backing Roosevelt "to the limit" in their orgy for "New-Deal-out-of-the-depression" votes. And no Republican in the last ten months has so much as intimated that he would confer with Candidate Landon in easing the pain of a Republican victory that would send every New Deal issue down the chute of oblivion.

Heretofore campaigns have been made up of platforms and planks that had their own purpose; but never in such sharp contrast as they are in this grand and glorious campaigning year of 1936.

This county which swings back and forth politically like the pendulum on a grandfather clock has seen some of the most able speakers on both sides of the political fence come into its confines for the vote of the people.

While state and district speakers have confined their efforts to meetings and rallies in the two principal towns, no candidate has missed going integrally and vitally into every settlement to carry his own campaign and his party's.

Checking up to see how the registration figures stand, registrars just look at the inquirer with open mouths as if to say, "If there's one we've missed, we don't know who it is."

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Boomers Will Meet Hayesville Friday

Friday afternoon the Boomers play another home game.

They will meet the Hayesville high school team for the second time this year in an effort to add the fourteenth to a string of "unlucky 13" victories.

Murphy defeated Hayesville 13 to 0 in their first game this year at the latter's grounds, and while the locals have displayed some brilliant football playing climaxed by a 14 to 0 victory over Culo-Whoe's "B" team, Hayesville has also picked up strength during the season and should make it a good tussle.