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Dr. R. W. Petrie, 60, Noted Physician Dies Suddenly On Tuesday In Operating Room

Double Tragedy Occurs With Death Of Mrs. Abernathy Also

FUNERAL IS HELD

Hospital had Become Famous After Opening Three Years Ago

Dr. Robert W. Petrie, 60, prominent physician and owner of the Petrie hospital in Murphy, died suddenly of a heart attack in his hospital at 3:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Dr. Petrie, an eye, ear, nose, and throat specialist, had gone into the operating room to examine a patient, Mrs. J. C. Abernathy, 29, of Young Harris, Ga., who had been admitted to the hospital a few minutes before. As he entered the operating room he suffered the heart attack. Dr. L. U. Lumpkin, chief physician of the hospital, who was attending Mrs. Abernathy, took Dr. Petrie to a room across the hall where he died within a few minutes.

Twenty minutes later Mrs. Abernathy died on the operating table.

Opened Hospital In 1934

Dr. Petrie, originally from Lincolnton, came to Murphy three years ago from Lenoir where he operated a hospital in partnership with Dr. Crowell. He opened the Petrie hospital in February, 1934, and became widely known and respected in this section. He was first vice president of the Murphy Lions clubs and a member of the Lutheran church of Andrews. Four weeks ago the Petrie hospital was accredited by the America college of surgeons and last year the hospital was placed on the Duke endowment fund list.

Dr. Petrie is survived by his widow, one son, William, of Murphy, and two daughters, Miss Mary Wilkie Petrie, of Murphy, and Mrs. Helen Hollifield, of Lumberton.

Body At Lincolnton

The body was conveyed to Lincolnton Wednesday morning by Funeral Director Peyton G. Ivie where funeral arrangements were to be made by a sister of Dr. Petrie. Members of the family accompanied the body.

Mrs. Abernathy, who passed away shortly after Dr. Petrie and was his last patient, is survived by her husband; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace C. Dills, of Young Harris, Ga.; two sisters, Thelma and Willie, and four brothers, Ed, Clane, Clyde and Clint, all of Young Harris.

Mrs. Abernathy's body was taken to the W. D. Townson funeral home. Burial was at the Mt. Zion church in Cherokee county Wednesday afternoon.

'BAD MAN' FIGHTS WAY OUT OF JAIL, TOWN SATURDAY-SENDS KEYS BACK

Luther Barton, 31, who is said to be wanted in several states on serious charges, slugged the jailor when arrested here Saturday evening and escaped the law carrying the keys to the jail cells with him.

Sunday he sent them back, but officers could not find his trail this week.

Barton was arrested Saturday evening on a charge of highway robbery by Chief of Police Fred Johnson and Sheriff Zack Ramsey and brought to the Murphy jail. Placed in charge of jailer W. A. Cooke, Barton is said to have hit him and choked him when he had his back turned. Following a 15-minute struggle, he grabbed the jailer's keys and ran from the building.

In front of E. C. Moore's garage he jumped in the car of J. A. Richardson and threatened to harm him if Mr. Richardson did not drive him out of town. Mr. Richardson, however, frustrated the attempt and Barton jumped out of the car and sped through the garage.

Going down a back alley to the

Mayor Issues Red Cross Proclamation

Mayor J. B. Gray issued the following proclamation this week in regard to the Red Cross Roll Call:

"Workers who helped in the roll call last year will come to us soon with another appeal for membership dues that will finance the work of another year. Since our Red Cross asks so little from the community, and contributes so much itself to the general welfare, I hope and urge those who are asked for the relatively small participation of paying the annual membership fee will respond promptly again this year."

"The relief program of the Red Cross is recognized by city officials as a potent factor in meeting present needs, and as an agency of incalculable value in the event of possible emergency.

"I, therefore, as Mayor of Murphy hereby set aside the designated period as the time when all past members will be asked to renew their membership and those who have not enrolled before to add their names to the ranks of Red Cross members in Murphy."

Cattle Show Is Profitable To Local Raisers

Cherokee county distinguished itself as a cattle raising area Wednesday when \$93. of \$400 were won by local 4-H club boys in competition with cattle raisers from 17 Western North Carolina counties at the Asheville Fat Calf show. This amount represented 12 prizes.

For a group of five calves, Cherokee county rated second among the county groups competing.

While competition was open to all cattle raisers only 4-H club boys competed from Cherokee which speaks well for A. Q. Ketner, county agent, and his assistant, R. B. Wooten. A detailed statement of their profits will be computed by Ketner next week.

Two of the prize five calves were purchased by local markets and will be sold here soon.

Prize winners and the amounts collected were: C. H. Townson, \$45; J. C. Townson, Jr., \$28; Earl Martin, \$9, and Perry Kephart \$11.

BUYING CATTLE

L. L. Mason, prominent cattle buyer, has announced that he will be in Murphy, N. C., on Monday, Nov. 23 at Frank Dickey's Scales to buy good cattle.

Scout To Be One Day Earlier Next Week

The Scout will appear on Wednesday morning of next week—one day earlier than its usual publication date. This is being arranged so that all subscribers will receive their paper the day before Thanksgiving. No mail is delivered on that date and if the paper were not published one day earlier it would not appear until Friday.

Correspondents and advertisers are requested to note this fact and let us have their material earlier than usual so there will be no delay in putting out the regular issue.

MURPHY LOSES TO CENTRAL HI AT KNOXVILLE

Boomers Have Plenty Of Fighting Spirit As They Bow 51 to 0

By Hubert Adams, Jr.

It was the old story of a small school tackling a larger school which had plenty of reserve strength Friday when Knoxville Central beat Murphy 51 to 0.

Murphy held their larger opponents to only 6 points in the first quarter, a feat that no other high school that played Central High this year can boast. Central alternated with the first and second team against Murphy all day; one wearing Murphy's boys out while the other one did the scoring. If Murphy had had the reserve power that Central High had, the story might have been very different.

Murphy's players are to be congratulated that they never ceased fighting, although they were trailing in the score they never gave up, and fought for every yard that Central gained. That is what we like to see about our local team, it never gives up.

Every one of the boys who played last Friday gave everything they had for Murphy and they played a splendid game. The town of Murphy is not ashamed because of the defeat of the local team, but they are proud of the pluck and grit that every boy showed before such overwhelming odds.

Thanksgiving day, the local team goes to Andrews, N. C., to meet a team they would rather defeat than all the teams on their hard schedule. These teams are evenly matched in weight and size, and everyone who goes to see the game will see a game worth seeing. A large crowd from Murphy are going to Andrews to cheer the local team and hope to come back with them in victory.

Andrews has a large line and a flashy backfield and have been pointing for Murphy all year. Andrews will be out to beat Murphy by as large a score as they can to help avenge last year's defeat by the hands of the local team.

Cars Freeze Up Locally As Winter Comes

There was plenty of T-models steaming Monday morning—for the night before the temperature dropped to 20 degrees.

Freezing temperatures have slipped up on Murphy several times so far this month, however, as figures provided by James Smallshaw, area engineer of the Area Investigations unit, with the TVA in Murphy, reveal.

It seems so far that although many have predicted a harder winter this year than last, November has been a little easier on empty coal bins. The lowest temperature in November, 1935, was on the 24th, and during that month there were ten days with below freezing temperatures, Mr. Smallshaw's report shows.

Following are maximum and minimum temperatures so far this month:

Date	Maximum	Minimum
1	64	46
2	76	51
3	75	56
4	71	39
5	62	31
6	72	35
7	68	50
8	64	57
9	66	35
10	64	32
11	58	28
12	65	42
13	64	38
14	64	34
15	54	35
16	52	20
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Hiawassee Dam Site Is Scene Of Vast Changes Since Work Began There Six Months Ago

Leading Citizens Pay Tribute To Dr. Petrie

Leading citizens of Murphy Wednesday paid tribute to the esteemed Dr. R. W. Petrie, 60, who died here Tuesday.

Some individual expressions were:

DR. R. S. PARKER, Druggist:

"The shock of Dr. Petrie's death will be long felt. We can not grasp and fully realize the fine and noble deeds of a man of the character of Dr. Petrie".

MAYOR J. B. GRAY, Attorney:

"In the passing of Dr. Petrie not only has this section lost one of the ablest and most esteemed physicians and surgeons but one of the most splendid citizens—a man who took an active part in supporting any movement for the betterment of his fellowmen."

MR. C. W. SAVAGE, Hotel Owner:

"The death of Dr. Petrie is a terrible blow. His goodness, his kindness and his charity work which amounted to thousands of dollars is a fine and unforgettable tribute to his character as a great and wonderful man."

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Ladies Clubs To Canvass Town For Red Cross

Members of three local women's civic organizations were preparing to canvass Murphy the latter part of this week for Red Cross subscriptions as the drive got under way. They are the Woman's club and the Charity League.

Mrs. C. W. Savage, roll call chairman, said appointments of canvassers would be made this weekend and that although the campaign canvass would last only several days, subscriptions would be acceptable until December.

The regular annual enrollment fee of \$1 will be in effect, she said, and fifty cents of every dollar will be kept locally to be applied this year to an undernourished school children's fund.

All donations made over the subscription price will also be kept locally for the fund, Mrs. Savage added.

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POST OFFICE HERE SENDS OUT SECURITY ACT FORMS MONDAY

First forms required for administration of the Social Security act were distributed by the Murphy post office Monday as the work of setting up the old age benefit accounts for thousands of employees began. All of the 45,000 post offices of the nation were engaged in the same work Monday, the first forms going to all concerns and business and professional people who employ one or more persons.

The blanks must be correctly filled

Topton-Wesser Road Detour Remains Open

The detour on highway No. 19 between Topton and Wesser is still impassable to traffic and will remain so until regrading and relocating of the highway is finished some time about the first of the year. Roy Plemmons, highway engineer stationed at Andrews, said Wednesday.

Traffic is still being routed over the regular highway detour via Robbinsville and Stecoah. The detour is in good shape, Plemmons said.

Preliminary Projects Being Pressed By 500 Men At Present

ROADS ARE BUILT

Actual Work On Dam Expected To Begin Early Next Spring

A little more than six months after work has begun on the Hiawassee dam site, vast and remarkable changes have taken place that even the wildest imagination that had been familiar with the remote Fowl Bend section of the river for years could hardly conceive.

Today good roads have been built into the site of the mighty \$15,000,000 TVA project from both sides of the river; the mountains have been cleared where a model 1937 American town will be built; a huge bridge capable of supporting many tons has been erected across the river; tool houses, sheds and emergency hospitals have been established, and where, heretofore, an occasional squirrel or bear hunter went to seek his prey, men now work 24 hours a day building roads, running transmission lines, carpentering or drilling the mountain rock.

Altogether it is unofficially estimated that approximately 500 men are used on both the TVA dam and the principal access road projects.

The principal access road extends about 12 miles into the dam site from Turtletown, Tenn. Building of the road and its subsequent paving is under contract to the Codell Construction company, of Lynchburg, Ky. Last work of building and grading the road is being done and paving has been started. It will be of a red macadam finish and the surface, 22 feet wide, will withstand any type of weather.

To Be Open Soon

It is over this road that the bulk of the Norris machinery which was used in constructing that Tennessee dam will be hauled. J. Scott Tol bolt, superintendent of the project said last week that about six more weeks would be required in construction of the road.

Most of the men on the TVA side of the project are busy at present constructing a road over a half mile long into a rock quarry where material for the job will be furnished.

One group of carpenters are busy on the mountain side making preparations for a town similar to Norris there, with houses, model homes, dormitories and eating places will be erected.

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out and returned to the postmaster by Saturday afternoon.

Funds for the old age benefit which are paid to employees when they attain 65 years of age, are to be provided through assessments of employers and employees on an equal basis. Cards entitled "Employee application for identification number" were being distributed Monday and on November 24, the employee applications will be delivered.

Employer forms, which are now being distributed ask seven questions. Each business establishment is called upon to give its business name, a description of the nature of its business, the address and the approximate number of persons now employed. Manufacturing concerns are asked to list the principal products and other concerns are asked to state what the principal goods and services are that are sold or supplied. Each is also asked to state if the establishment is a branch or a subsidiary concern and to give the name and address of the headquarters. The application after it is signed will be returned to the post office from which it was delivered.