

When you get right down to the root of the meaning of the word "succeed," you find that it simply means to follow through.
—F. W. Nichol

Sgt. Jas. T. Hancock Lauded For Heroism



SGT. JAS. T. HANCOCK

Sgt. James T. Hancock of Murphy, son of Mrs. J. C. Hancock and the late Mr. Hancock of Peachtree, has been commended by officials for his bravery and outstanding participation in the Korean War. Several people in Murphy and vicinity, including Sgt. Hancock's sister, Mrs. Owen McDonald, heard a news broadcast in which the commentator gave information about Sgt. Hancock's heroic role in a battle between Communist troops and the U. N. forces.

According to Mrs. McDonald, Sgt. Hancock was the only man in his company who could fire an anti-tank gun, the regular gunner having been killed previous to this incident. A large tank manned by Communist forces was advancing on Sgt. Hancock's company, and he jumped behind the gun and fired three shots at the tank, missing each time. Mrs. McDonald said according to the news commentator a gun of that kind will fire five times. On the fourth shot Sgt. Hancock wiped out the tank and saved his men. She said that later Sgt. Hancock's commander asked him if he were frightened at the time, and the Sgt. was reported to have replied, "Not then, but I sure am now."

Sgt. Hancock won several medals for his outstanding ability in World War II. He served on board the U. S. S. Denver during battle of Kule Gulf in March of 1943 when Task Force Sixty-Eight sank two enemy cruisers and bombarded shore installations of the enemy. He served creditably on board the "Denver" during bombardment of several Japanese held areas during 1943. Sgt. Hancock took part in several bombardments of Japanese military installations in Buka, Solomon Islands, and Shortlands, Bougainville Island, when he took part in night action against Japanese force of approximately four cruisers and eight destroyers, and in the repulse of a raid of approximately 17 Japanese high level and dive bombers with the destruction of about 17.

During the time Sgt. Hancock served on the U. S. S. Denver he manned an anti-aircraft gun and was aboard one time when the "Denver" was torpedoed and 30 men were lost. Sgt. Hancock went on a cruise to the Mediterranean area last spring. He stated that he enjoyed most his visit to the Holy land.

H. T. Cearley Is In Korean War

WITH THE FIRST CAVALRY DIVISION IN KOREA.—Private First Class Henry Thurman Cearley, son of Mrs. Lucy Cearley of Culberson, North Carolina, is fighting in the Korean War as a member of a mortar squad of the 1st U. S. Cavalry Division.

Pfc. Cearley has duties as Number Three man on one of the Division's 4.2 mortars. His duties are to adjust the amount of charges on the mortar ammunition prior to each firing mission.

At the outbreak of hostilities in Korea, the 1st Cavalry Division landed on the southeast coast of the peninsula after a 10-day record making preparation and movement to the war zone. Pfc. Cearley was among the initial force of Cavalry to hit the beaches. He has participated in the battles of Yongdong, Kumchon, Waegwan and many others.

Prior to the outbreak of war in Korea, Pfc. Cearley was stationed in Japan on occupation duty with his unit for one year. During World War II, he served in the Pacific Theater with the U. S. Navy.

Funeral Is Held For Mr. Hendrix

Thomas Dixon Hendrix, 74 of Peachtree, died in a Murphy hospital at 9:30 a. m. Monday following a long illness.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 p. m. in Peachtree Baptist Church, with the Rev. Robert Barker officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with Townson Funeral Home in charge.

Surviving are the widow; one half-sister, Mrs. G. A. Walsh, Murphy, Route 1; three half-brothers, the Rev. J. C. Pipes of Asheville, the Rev. W. C. Pipes of Franklin, and R. C. Pipes of Glen Alpine.

"No Other Gods" Is Crook's Topic

"No Other Gods" will be the subject of the sermon at the Murphy Presbyterian Church at 11 a. m. Sunday. The pastor, the Rev. James R. Crook, will deliver the message based on the First of the Ten Commandments and its New Testament implications.

The Presbyterian Youth Fellowship will meet at the home of Misses Mary and Helen Estes at Braestown Sunday night at 6:30. Officers will be elected for the coming year. The Pioneer Fellowship will meet at the church Sunday night at 6:30 with Ed Gibbs, president, in charge.

Two classes were held last Wednesday night at the church studying the book "Beside the Heartbeats." This study of the Christian Home will continue through the month of October at the Wednesday services, 7:30 p. m. each week.

NEW BOARDS

The new green light reflecting check boards installed in the elementary building the past week will improve the general lighting conditions of those rooms.

Samuel Young Dies On Tuesday

Samuel Young, 72, of Unaka, life-long resident of Cherokee County, died early Tuesday morning in a Murphy hospital, following a short illness.

Surviving are the widow; three daughters, Mrs. Leora Roberts of Young Harris, Ga., Mrs. Pearl Farmer, Murphy, Route 1, Mrs. Bonide Roberts, of Unaka; two sons, Earl and George Young of Etowah, Tenn.; two brothers, Willie Young of Englewood, Tenn., and A. C. Young of Murphy; one sister, Mrs. Missouri Radford of Grandview.

He had been a member of the Beaverdam Church for 20 years, funeral services were held today (Thursday) at 2 p. m. in Unaka Baptist Church with the Rev. Ham Coffey officiating.

Burial was in the church cemetery with Townson Funeral Home in charge.

Byrum Announces Sermon Subjects

The Rev. R. Delbert Byrum, pastor of First Methodist Church has announced that his sermon subject for Sunday morning will be, "Your Life Counts", and for Sunday evening, "I Love Thy Church—Do I?"

Sunday School will be held at 9:45 a. m. and Evening Youth Meeting at 6 p. m.

HOMECOMING

The annual Homecoming day will be observed at Fairview Church at Ranger on Sunday, October 15.

Hope To Eliminate Undesirables From County Fair

Considerable controversy arose over the gambling concessions last week at the fair. The town council met on Tuesday night and instructed the city police officers to use their discretion in handling the places, giving them authority to warn operators against violation of the law and to close any place that failed to cooperate. Several places were closed by the city officers, according to Mayor Buel Adams.

Letter in the week Constable Fred Taylor closed several of the concessions, and on Saturday night a warrant was sworn out for his arrest for assault by a member of the show. He was held at the jail from 8 o'clock Saturday night until about 1 o'clock Sunday morning, and then released, he stated. He posted bond after his arrest.

Mayor Adams states that he regrets that the trouble arose, and that he personally will not favor allowing this kind of show to operate within the town again. He says he believes all members of the town council have the same determination.

C. R. Freed, secretary-treasurer of the Fair Association, states that it is the desire of the association to operate a clean, wholesome fair and that he hopes by next year some arrangement can be made to eliminate the undesirable features.

War On Intestinal Parasites Starts In School Program

One of the most serious causes of school absences is intestinal parasites, is an opinion expressed by the local Health department. Last year, the Murphy school conducted with the aid of the local dentists and county health nurses, an examination to determine dental, eye and hearing deficiencies. This year, a major portion of the program will be devoted to an "every pupil examination for intestinal parasites."

The "Good Health program of North Carolina" has the co-operation of the local doctors, dentists and health department in the state-wide program that is being carried on.

As a further expansion of the health efforts, a practical program in nutrition is being carried on through the lunch program. Each week a menu of lunches to be served the following week is given every student in the grades. These menus are formulated by a graduate dietitian, and they furnish a study of good eating habits.

Episcopal Hour Is Under Way

"The Episcopal Hour" began Sunday morning, at 8:30 EST over a network of 140 radio stations covering the South and Southwest. Bishop Henry I. Lottitt of the Diocese of South Florida was the speaker.

The Episcopal Hour will continue at the same time each Sunday morning for thirteen more weeks. The speakers for the remaining Sundays in October will be:

Bishop Edmund P. Dandridge of the Diocese of Tennessee, October 8; Bishop Thomas H. Wright of the Diocese of East Carolina, October 15; Bishop M. George Henry of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, October 22; Suffragan Bishop Randolph R. Clairborne of the Diocese of Alabama—October 29.

Several of the stations from which The Episcopal Hour is heard are WUNC, Asheville; WGNC, Gastonia; WFKY, Hickory; WMNC, Morganton; WHCC, Waynesville.

FILES PICTURE

Wilford Stamey has sent the clipping and picture of LeRoy Henson of Murphy who has been missing for the past three weeks, to the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He has had a confirmation from Director J. Edgar Hoover, stating that it has been filed.



STATE OFFICERS—Mrs. Ed M. Anderson of West Jefferson, state president of North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, right, and Mrs. Arthur W. Greene of Ahsoske, second vice-president and director of districts, who will address the First District Clubs at the annual meeting to be held in Robbinsville Friday, October 13, beginning at 10 o'clock a. m. Mrs. Anderson will speak on the subject, "The Responsibility of the Individual Club Woman in Marshalling Our Resources For Peace and Security." Mrs. Carl Killian of Cullowhee, district president, will preside. Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Greene will be guests of Miss Addie Mae Cooke in Murphy Thursday night.

Patrol's Safety Booth Takes First Prize, Fair

Judging of exhibits featured the meeting of the Cherokee County Fair Wednesday.

There were seven educational booths. The State Highway Patrol won first prize, on Safety; the Cherokee County D. H. I. A. and Artificial Breeding association, second; Cherokee County Schools, third; Nantahala Regional Library, fourth; Nantahala Power and Light Company, fifth; Citizens Bank and Trust Company sixth, and the John C. Campbell Folk School seventh.

Murphy Home Demonstration Club booth won first prize with its Nutrition Express, featuring the basic seven foods.

Second prize went to Peachtree with the title "How Safe is Your Home?" "Remove a hazard and save a life, featured by cartoons.

Tomotla was third with "Modern Kitchen Planning saves time, steps and drudgery. Sunny Point won fourth place showing before and after Flannel graph—"How beautiful is your yard?"

Martin's Creek was fifth with "Don't gamble with your health" based on food conservation plan for a year for one person.

Clubs six to twelve received honorable mention: Ranger with Steps to Better Dairying; Violet, "Home Care of the Sick"; Valleytown, "The Professional Touch in Sewing"; Bellview, "Do Your Meals Measure Up?" Grape Creek, "Food Preservation Equipment"; Slow Creek, "The Cotton Bags Stee Out", showing garments made from feed sacks; Suit, "Conserving Egg Quality."

Other prize winners will be announced in this paper as soon as they can be compiled by the Fair Association.

L. L. Ray Addresses Murphy Civitan Club

Rev. W. L. Cook Lists Services

The Rev. W. L. Cook, pastor of Shoal Creek Baptist Church, has announced the following worship hours: Sunday School 10 a. m., singing practice Fridays, at 7 p. m.; Preaching Service on the second and fourth Sundays in each month, at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

Mr. Cook also is pastor of Shady Grove Baptist Church and has announced the following worship hours there: Sunday School 10 a. m.; prayer meeting each Wednesday at 7 p. m.; Preaching Service on each first and third Sundays at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

FOUR FOOTINGS

J. M. Hughes and son, general contractors for the High School classrooms under construction, expect to pour the footings this week.

Young Harris Is Offering Night Classes

Young Harris College is now offering night classes for the benefit of those who work or who are otherwise unable to attend daytime classes.

The classes are held Monday through Friday, from 6:00 p. m. to 9:00 p. m., and are taught by regular faculty members. Full college credit will be given for the courses taken and completed successfully. Courses offered this quarter are Accounting, Economics, and Teacher Education.

"The purpose of these classes is to provide regular college training to those people of this area who are employed and who want to continue their education," stated Charles R. Clegg, president of Young Harris.

Singing Convention To Be Held Sunday

The Cherokee County semi-annual singing convention will be held at Marble Springs Baptist Church, Sunday, October 8, beginning at 10 a. m. Singers from all over the county are expected to attend.

The convention was organized 60 years ago and two Sundays of each year have been set aside for convention meeting days.

Wayne Abernathy is president of the convention.

136 Animals Entered In Grade Dairy Show

Ray Asks Early Mailing Christmas Overseas Parcels

The period October 15 to November 15 has been designated for the acceptance of Christmas parcels for members of the Armed Forces serving outside the continental United States with the concurrence of the several departments of the National Military Establishment, according to Joe Ray, local Postmaster.

The term "Armed Forces overseas" includes the personnel of the Armed Forces, members of their families and authorized United States civilians employed overseas who receive their mail through an A. P. O. care of Postmaster. Mr. Ray states that the importance of mailing Christmas parcels during the designated period cannot be emphasized too strongly—the earlier the better, he says.

The size and weight restrictions for mailing other domestic parcel post are applicable to Christmas parcels for the Armed Forces except that a limit not to exceed 50 pounds has been established for parcels addressed for delivery to A. P. O.'s 124 and 125, care of Postmaster, New York, N. Y., Mr. Ray states. He urges the greatest precaution in wrapping packages for mailing overseas. He says that boxes for transmission overseas must necessarily be of strong construction.

Fox Hunters To Hold Annual Field Trial, Bench Show

The Tri-State Fox Hunters Association will hold its eighteenth annual Field Trial and Bench Show in Murphy October 11-13.

The bench Show will start at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, October 11, at the High School Gymnasium. All regular classes will be shown and in addition special puppy classes. Prizes will be awarded to all winners. The hounds will be judged by a nationally known master.

The first cast for the Field Trials will be made at daybreak on October 12 and the trials will continue through Friday, when the seven field judges and master of hounds will crown the winner of the Challenge Trophy, and will place winners for other prizes. All ages of hounds will be run and scored together.

The Association is expecting the largest bench show and field trial in its history. The association is now affiliated with the national Fox Hunters Association, and will follow national rules and regulations.

REVIVAL

A revival was begun Tuesday night at Second Baptist Church by the Rev. Roscoe Morgan. The public is invited to attend.

The Nantahala Grade Dairy Cattle Show was held at the Fair grounds Tuesday of Fair week. There were 136 animals in the show.

The purpose of the show was to create and promote interest and development of good Grade Dairy cattle, thereby increasing milk production in the Murphy milkshed. Sponsors of the show were farmers, business men, farm agents, vocational agriculture teachers, veteran teachers, and milk receiving plants.

The area comprises the counties of Cherokee, Clay, Graham and Macon of North Carolina and Towns and Union Counties in Georgia.

Only Grade Dairy cattle were entered in the show. There were Jerseys, Guernseys, and Holsteins entered. There were six animals in the aged cow classes; 16 in the young cow classes; 21 in the bred heifer classes; 44 in the open heifer classes; and 49 in the calf classes.

The Danish system of judging was used, which made every animal in the show win a premium.

Sherman Hampton of Cherokee County won the prize in showmanship with his entry, and Sharron Swanson of Macon County won the prize for the best fitted animal.

Dr. Dean Colvard, Dean of the animal industry division at State College, Raleigh, was judge who did an excellent job in placing the 136 animals.

F. R. Farnham, dairy specialist, was ring master for the show.

There were 47 artificially bred animals that were called into the show ring at one time.

A total of 108 people entered animals in show of 136 animals. There were 38 blue ribbon winners, 72 red ribbon winners and 26 white ribbon winners.

W. B. Harrill Speaks Sunday

W. B. Harrill of Cullowhee will bring the message at First Baptist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. J. Alton Morris, who is in Revival Services at Ridgeway, S. C.

Mr. Harrill is Public Relations director and a professor at W. C. T. C. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College, received his master's degree from the University of North Carolina and has done a year's graduate work at Furman University.

On Sunday night at the regular worship hour of 7:30 o'clock, the Rev. J. Alton Morris, pastor, will speak on "The Victor's Life—Names."

The Rev. Paul Culpepper of Blue Ridge, Ga., field worker of the Morganton, (Ga.), Association will speak to the Woman's Missionary Society on Tuesday at 2:30 p. m.

Cpl. Cecil James Arrives In Texas

Among a group of Korean war casualties arriving at Brooke Army Medical Center, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, on September 26, is Corporal Cecil James, brother of Mrs. Mae Bates, Murphy.

He is undergoing treatment at Brooke Army Hospital for wounds received while engaging the enemy on September 5. James was with the 25th Infantry Division.

Other Students Attending College

In the list published last week in The Scout of students who had returned to college, the names of some were inadvertently omitted. Miss Joyce Coleman has returned to Furman University, Greenville, S. C., where she is a Junior this year; Jerry Hill, Barbara Arnold and Bill Lovingood are attending Wake Forest College.

Miss Phyllis Snyder spent a few days this week with her mother in York, Pa., and also visited in New York City.



DIRECTOR—Mrs. Melvin Taylor of Bryson City, director of district number one of the North Carolina Congress of Parents and Teachers. Mrs. Taylor presided at the Annual District Meeting, which was held at Lee H. Edwards High School, in Asheville, on October 3.

AT CONFERENCE

Mrs. Margaret Mauney, Supervisor, Supt. H. Bueck and Supt. I. R. Hudson, attended Friday a School Health Conference in Bryson City.