

Electric Dept. Might Go Under Three Man Board

Section Chairmen Named For Drive

As the March of Dimes drive in Cherokee County went into its second full week, John Gill, local campaign director, called on all residents of this area to step up the pace in the fight against polio.

Mr. Gill named campaign chairmen in the different sections of the area. Chairmen and sections are:

Miss E. R. Dennis, Texana; R. L. Keenum, Suit; Jim E. Evans, Ranger; Frank Byers, Culbertson; Mrs. Maude Collins, Wolf Creek; Mrs. Willard Graham, Duck Knob; Miss Lelia Hayes, Tomotia; W. A. Martin, Martin's Creek; Unaka, Howard Martin; Peachtree, Mrs. Frank Ferguson; Marble, Frank Walsh; Grand View, Ed Graves; Hiwassee Dam, Harry Bagley; Murphy, Mrs. R. H. Ford; Oak Park, Mrs. Glenn Raper; Boiling Springs, Mrs. Wayne Abernathy; Andrews, Tom Day, and Letitia, Mrs. W. C. Walker.

We have gotten off to a good start, Mr. Gill said. But, we must now shift into high. We have just come through the worst recorded polio epidemic of all time, he pointed.

And ironically, that epidemic occurred almost simultaneously with reports of genuine scientific progress against the disease, he said.

Mr. Gill compared the situation to a tug-of-war—polio's threatening power pitted against the power of the dimes and dollars contributed voluntarily by the American people.

Five Peak Polio Years
"For the past five years," Mr. Gill pointed out, "the nation has undergone terrific onslaughts of polio. In 1922 alone there were more than 55,000 reported cases compared with 42,033 in 1949, the previous record year. As cases have soared, so have the costs. At the same time, the purchasing power of the dollar has nose-dived."

The Cherokee County campaign director cited the vast service made possible by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis through the March of Dimes. He said that four out of five polio patients need and receive direct aid, and that were it not for the financial support of the March of Dimes, we might still be in the "dark ages" so far as scientific progress against the disease was concerned.

"The people of Cherokee County," Mr. Gill said, "must realize the seriousness of the plight we face. Polio is the only epidemic disease still on the increase in our nation. Now is the time to increase our contributions to combat it. While there has been a good response so far, it is of vital importance that everyone be given a chance to join in our common cause. When you go shopping and see those March of Dimes coin collectors in the store—drop in as much as you can. That little movement of your hand may help some polio patient regain the movement of his hands."

Only 3 Weeks to Go

There are only three weeks to go in the polio drive, and enough money must be raised to carry on the fight throughout the entire year, Mr. Gill said. To enable the people of Cherokee County to contribute easily, the following special events will be held throughout this week they are:

Mr. Gill concluded, "We're going along fairly well, but it is vital for us to accelerate our speed. I am confident that the people of Cherokee County, knowing the need, will respond as never before."

MISSIONARY TO SPEAK

A missionary to Brazil will be the guest speaker at the general meeting of the Women of the Presbyterian Church on Monday night, January 26 at the church. His subject will be world missions. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Brendle Is Master Of Ranger Lodge

Dewel Edward Brendle was installed Master at the stated communication of Montgomery Lodge No. 426 A. F. and A. M. at Ranger recently.

The Master appointed Robert L. Keenum, District Deputy Grand Master of the 43rd District as installing officer; J. Hampton Monteith, past master as installing marshal; and Walter N. Anderson as installing secretary.

The following other officers were installed to serve with Brendle: Vincent D. Elster, Senior Warden; Luther Burgess, Junior Warden; Paschal R. Hughes, Treasurer; R. Gay Davidson, Secretary; Glenn Y. Stalcup, Senior Deacon; Louis Picklesimer, Junior Deacon; Plez G. Hedrick, Senior Steward; Horace D. Stalcup, Junior Steward; and William J. Sneed, Tiler.

The lodge will meet Saturday night for first and second degree work. All Masons are invited to attend.

Residents Can Still Give To Mothers' March

Murphy residents who were not at home when local mothers marched on polio are asked to phone Mrs. Robert Weaver if they want to make contributions.

When the mothers marched they stopped only at homes where the porch light was burning or where a handkerchief or shoe was hanging on the porch.

People who were not at home Monday night when the march was on can still contribute by calling her, Mrs. Weaver said.

All Stars Will Meet Indians In Benefit

The Murphy All Star basketball team and the Cherokee Indians will meet here at 8 p. m. Jan. 22, for a benefit game with proceeds going to the March of Dimes, Jim Ed Hughes said today.

The tilt will be started at 8 p. m. in the Murphy gymnasium. Admission will be 25 cents for students and 50 cents for adults.

Tonight the town team will meet Blairsville, Ga., for a warm-up game. The tilt will start at 8 p. m. in the gym.

All Star team members are Hughes, "Ike" Olson, Irvin Green, Don Green, Billy Brandon, Fred Keener, Scott Laney, James McDonald and Ed Rogers.

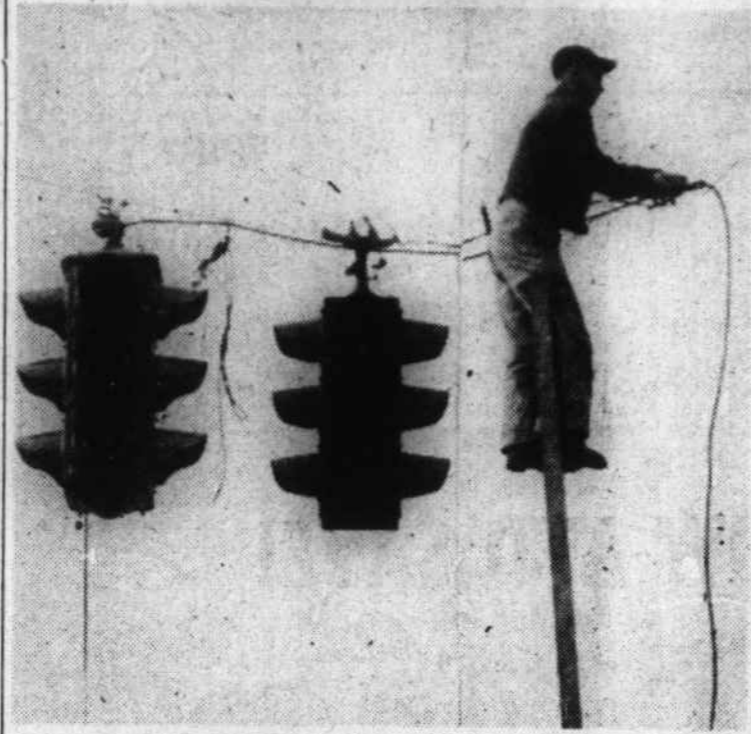
Warrents Taken For 6 In Store Looting

Six persons—four males and two females—today had been named in breaking and entering warrants that alleged the defendants looted Frank Kephart's store at Ebenezer last Saturday night.

Defendants were listed on the warrants issued by Justice of the Peace F. O. Bates and signed by Chief Deputy Sheriff Buren Grant were Ralph Guthrie, Clyde Morris, Donald Allen, Roy Coker, Doris Coker and Eva Lee Walker.

Deputy Grant said cigarettes,

Progress In Murphy?



Better take a good look—it will be a long time before you see two traffic lights on the Square again. This picture was snapped when Fred Derberry was making final connections to wire in the new light which replaced the old one. The old light is now at the school grounds crossing. (Scout Photo)

Andrews Grid Players Get Letters At Banquet

Two Georgia Tech football stars, a district governor for Lions International and a host of guests and Andrews Lion Club members saw Andrews football squad members get their block A's Saturday night during the football banquet.

Tech's backfield stars, Billy Teas and Glenn Turner, were on hand to show the pictures of the Duke-Tech game last season and a highlight film of the school's football year.

District governor H. Bueck of Murphy was a guest at the banquet and said a few words of praise for the Andrews football squad.

The Andrews cheerleaders attended the banquet and received their letters for outstanding work during the season.

Coach "Pee Wee" Hamilton received a jacket from the squad as a surprise gift. The coach called the team a hard-fighting, clean squad and said the team did not give up during a single tilt last season.

Dr. C. O. Van Gorder, Andrews Lion Club president, was master of ceremonies.

Classified Ads Must Be In Monday

Persons wishing to enter Classified Advertisements in The Scout are asked to have them in by the end of the week previous to their appearance in The Scout.

Deadline for Classifieds is noon Monday. All other ads and news stories must be in by noon Tuesday.

All Valleytown Property Will Be Revalued

All real estate in Valleytown will be revalued for the current listings W. E. Moore, chairman of the County Board of Commissioners announced.

The County Commissioners appointed A. B. Chandler Sr., Ed Waldroup and Dillard Everett to make the revaluation.

Mr. Moore said the commissioners will appreciate the cooperation of property owners in the revaluing.

The book for listing personal property taxes will be closed Jan. 31 in all townships in Cherokee County. Ten per cent penalty will be added for late listing.

PTA Postponed To Jan. 20

The regular monthly meeting of the Andrews PTA was postponed from last Tuesday night, due to a basketball game conflict, to Tuesday evening, January 20.

Mrs. S. J. Gernert, president, reminds the members that this meeting features a game shower for the Elementary School.

Murphy Council Members Study Electric Plan Suggested By TVA

Murphy Town Council has taken under consideration a plan to put the operation of the Murphy Electric Department under a three-man, appointed commission.

Kate Hensley Is District 1 Head

Kate Padgett Hensley (Mrs. Hugh E.), register of deeds of Cherokee County, has been appointed chairman of District One of the Register of Deeds organization of North Carolina.

District One includes 18 counties, Cherokee, Clay, Swain, Graham, Macon, Buncombe, Jackson, Haywood, Avery, Transylvania, Henderson, Cleveland, McDowell, Madison, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford and Yancey.

Mrs. Hensley has called a meeting of District One to be held in Asheville in the council chamber of the Buncombe County Courthouse on Jan. 23. This meeting is to be conducted by William C. Bumgardner, assistant director of the Institute of Gov't, Chapel Hill.

Lake Stocked With 12 Thousand Trout

It'll be good fishing when the season opens at Apalaca Lake after it was stocked this week with 12,000 rainbow trout fingerlings, Arnold Dalrymple, game warden, said today.

The fish should be six or seven inches long when the season opens, Mr. Dalrymple said.

The three-man commission plan, suggested by the Tennessee Valley Authority, was discussed at the council meeting Monday night and council moved to have a bill drawn up for consideration.

The bill will be submitted to the General Assembly for passage. The Assembly must also appoint the three man committee that will head the department.

One man will be appointed to serve six years, one for four years will suggest the names of the men and one for two years. Council to send to the Assembly.

The staggered years of service for each member makes it possible for each council to recommend one man to serve on the board.

Men appointed to the board will receive a token pay to cover expenses, but those who serve will actually be civic leaders who are willing to donate their time and efforts for the town.

Local businessmen who have studied the plan all agreed it was the best system to use for the electric department, a councilman said.

TVA, when making the suggestion, said most of the municipalities using their power placed their electric departments under a three-man board.

Bayless Might Be Full Time In Electric Dept.

A Murphy Town Council committee today is studying the possibilities of transferring Town Clerk Buster Bayless to the Murphy Electrical Department and hiring another man to run the town's other general departments.

The plan went into a committee during a council meeting Monday night after the board decided Murphy's \$300,000 electrical department needs a full time employee to look after running the department.

Bayless' pay will come from profits of the electric department if the switch gets council's final approval.

The department can well afford to pay a full time salary, Councilman Bob White said. The department is making a good profit, he pointed out.

The present set up—with all departments under one man—is too heavy a load for one employee, council decided. The plan is being considered, Mayor L. L. Mason said, in an effort to offer first class service in the electric department and in the other departments.

Such a move would bring a payroll relief to the Town's general fund with Bayless' salary coming from the electric fund, White said.

Council voted to accept applications for the new town job, Clerk Bayless, if the plan is adopted, will have to spend several weeks teaching the new man the routine of the other departments, council decided.

The new town employee would head up the street and water departments and take over other general duties now handled by Bayless.

Burley Tobacco School Be Held Here Jan. 22

A burley tobacco school is scheduled to be held in the Court House at Murphy on Thursday morning, January 22, beginning at 9:30 a. m.

Harold Nau and Roy R. Bennett, Extension Tobacco Specialists, N. C. State College, and Luther Shaw from the Waynesville Test Farm, will discuss all phases of burley production.

Topics for discussion include root knot control. Cherokee County had some root knot infested fields this past year. It is very important to every tobacco grower to keep this infestation down to a minimum. Other discussions will include varieties and fertilization, disease and insect control, plant bed management, handling and curing and other phases of burley production.

All tobacco farmers are urged to enter into the discussions and to present any problems that they have experienced.

This is one of the best opportunities that we will have to get some of our questions cleared up, G. H. Farley, County Agent said. Every grower should make an effort to attend.

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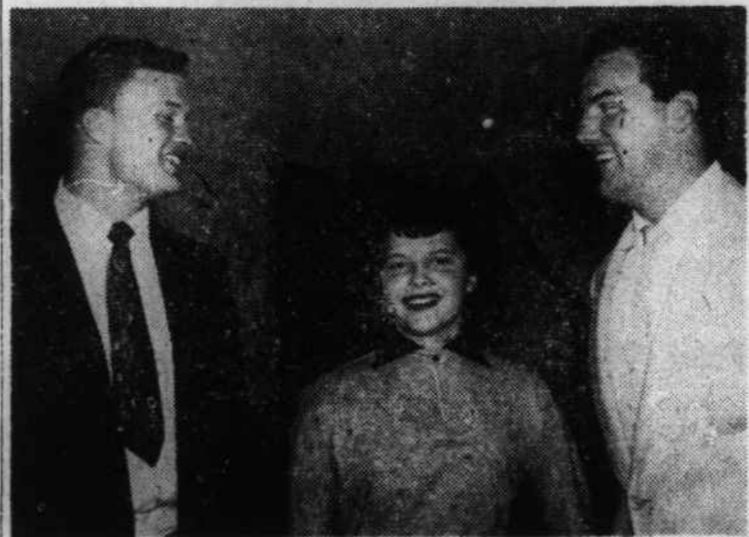
Mrs. R. F. Merritt has returned to Knoxville, Tenn., after spending several weeks here with Mr. and Mrs. Lowin Lovingood and daughter, Patsy.

2 Lions And A Captain



Leroy Gilbert, captain of the Andrews football squad has a short chat with H. Bueck, Lions District Governor of 31-A and Andrews Lions Club president Dr. C. O. Van Gorder just before the football banquet started. The banquet was given for the team by the Andrews Lions Club. Players, cheerleaders and team managers were awarded their block A's at the banquet Saturday night. (Scout Photo)

2 Stars And A Leader



Andrews Cheerleader Dorcas Ann McGuire is flanked by two Georgia Tech football stars at the Andrews football banquet Saturday night. Bill Teas, Andrews native, and his teammate, Glenn Turner, attended the affair and showed Tech football movies after the dinner. (Scout Photo)

Town Buys \$6,000 Site For Town Hall

A \$6,000 site for a new town hall was purchased by the Town of Murphy Tuesday after Town Council authorized the purchase, Town Attorney Robert L. McKeever said today.

The lot, next to the present Town Hall, has a 50 foot front on Peachtree Street and runs back 200 feet to Blumenthal Street.

No immediate plans have been formulated for a new town hall.

Panel Discussion At Dairy School

A panel discussion emphasizing feed production will be one of the main features of a dairy school to be held at the Court House in Murphy on Friday, January 16.

The panel will be composed of the county agent, two local dairy farmers, J. Franklin Smith and Dillard Stiles, two extension dairymen, a farm management specialist, and an agronomy specialist. The influence of feed, breeding and testing on economic milk production will be discussed. Those taking part in the school will be: W. R. Murley, Animal Industry Department, N. C. State College; J. D. George, Extension Dairy Specialist; O. F. Falson, N. C. Department of Agriculture and (Continued on Page 2)