

## MURPHY COUNCIL TALKS GARBAGE AT RECENT MEETING

### Officers Still Investigating Burning Of Dockery's Home

State Bureau of Investigation agents and the county officers today continued their investigation of the burning of Noah Dockery's home.

The home was burned to the ground after Dockery was the object of a wide spread search in connection with the shotgun death of Sheriff Frank Crawford. Tuesday, March 5.

Dockery is now being held in Waynesville, Solicitor Thad Bryson of Bryson City said he will ask the court to appoint a lawyer for Dockery.

It is believed that a move will be made to have Dockery tried in a county other than Cherokee County.

Chief Deputy Buren Grant, who was in Raleigh when the shooting occurred, gave this story of events leading up to the death of Sheriff Crawford:

Allen Dockery, son of Noah Dockery, was charged in a warrant with stealing tires, Grant said. The officer said he went to Noah Dockery's house to search for the tires and arrested Allen while at Noah's home.

Another suspect was arrested but was released, the deputy said. Sunday morning before the Tuesday shooting, Noah was at the jail asking that his son be released, Grant asserted.

Sunday afternoon, an attempt was made to burn down a saw mill belonging to Jess Crouser who was the owner of the allegedly stolen tires, Grant continued.

On information, the officer said he swore out a warrant against Noah and searched for the suspect Sunday night and Monday.

Grant said he was ordered to go to Raleigh to deliver a person to the state institution there. The deputy said he put the Noah Dockery arson warrant on file before he left.

Apparently, Grant pointed out, Sheriff Crawford saw the warrant on file Tuesday afternoon and went out alone to serve it.

Had Grant been in town, the sheriff probably would not have been alone when he went to the Dockery Home, the deputy said.

Sheriff Crawford was buried at 11 a. m. Thursday with graveside rites conducted in Sunset Cemetery by John Vance of Asheville, junior grand warden of the Masonic Grand Lodge.

Officiating ministers at the First Methodist Church here were the Rev. Delbert Byrum, the Rev. Frank Brown, the Rev. J. Alton Morris and the Rev. Colvin Thompson.

Pallbearers were Walt Mauney, Gordon Butler, Charles Van Gorder, Olin Stratton, Lester Love and Francis Bourne, Sr.

### New Sheriff



M. G. CRAWFORD

M. G. Crawford, nephew of the late Sheriff Frank C. Crawford, was appointed by the County Board of Commissioners and was sworn in as the new sheriff of Cherokee County. The new sheriff is a native of Unaka, is married and has one son.

### Clay Prisoners Transferred Here; New Jail Planned

Prisoners of the Clay County Jail in Murphy were transferred to the Cherokee County Jail in Murphy recently with the condemnation of the Clay Jail by the Public Welfare Department.

A new \$12,000 structure, including quarters for the jailer and his family will be constructed, according to the Clay County Board of Commissioners.

H. M. Moore, Clay County representative, will be contacted and asked to seek legislative assistance in financing the new jail.

### Fines To Start On Parking Law

Town police will clamp down for violations of the two hour parking law starting Monday after Town Council called for stricter measures.

Over time parkers will be fined \$1 by the town clerk, Motorists wanting a trial will have to post bond.

The new clamp down will include parking at the 15 minute zones.

### Free Film Showings Set In Andrews

Mrs. R. A. Dewar, chairman of the Library Board, has announced the following schedule of free movies to adults and children to be shown in the Andrews Carnegie Library on Monday nights:

March 16, "Swiss Family Robinson"; March 23, "Life in Palestine in Bible Times" and "Occupations in Bible Times" (These two films are available, on request to church groups from the Regional Library.); March 30, "Enchanted Forest".

Charles Frazier, principal of the Elementary School will present the films. The showings will be at 7:30 p. m. each time.

### Every (Snow) Cloud Must Have A Silver Lining

Maybe someone will feel some good came of the last snow storm we had when city employees get their next checks.

Town council last night voted to pay double time to all employees who worked day and night to repair damages done by the storm. Usual pay for over time for town employees is time and a half.

### PTA Plans Bake Sale Saturday

The Murphy PTA will sponsor a Bake Sale Saturday, Mar. 21 at E. C. Moore's Garage. Proceeds will be used to pay for clothes for needy children at school.

### Awards Presented At Annual Andrews Basketball Banquet

Block letters and miniature gold basketballs, were presented members of the Andrews basketball teams and Don Smith of Franklin spoke at the annual Andrews High School Basketball banquet Thursday in the Shell Dining room. The affair was sponsored by the Andrews Rotary Club and the Konnaheeta Club.

Decorations in a basketball motif carried out school colors in red and black streamers with balloon basketballs at each window. Place cards and programs were in the

### Republican Speaker



MR. HYDE

MR. BALEY

James M. Baley, Jr., president of the State Republican Party, told Western North Carolina Republicans here that he believed in an "open door policy" concerning federal appointments. Mr. Baley spoke at a Lincoln Day Dinner in the Regal Hotel last Saturday night. Edwin Hyde, Murphy attorney, introduced the speaker.

### GOP Chairman Wants "Open Door" On Jobs

The Republican Party must keep an "open door policy" in the matter of federal appointments, GOP State Chairman James B. Baley told Western North Carolina Republicans here Saturday night.

Edwin Hyde, Murphy attorney, presided at the Lincoln Day dinner in the dining room of Hotel Regal.

"No qualified applicant for a federal position must be denied his day in court... an opportunity to have his qualifications considered by the proper appointment authorities," Baley said.

"The radical left-wing elements

of the Democratic Party are driving thousands of Democrats out of their party. It has been captured by a group who do not understand or care about the problems of the South. The chief southern spokesman is our authority for this statement—Senator Richard Russell—as recently as last Saturday in Raleigh," the Marshall attorney asserted.

Some 125 Republican Party leaders attended from Andrews, Robbinsville, Hayesville and Murphy.

Doyle Burch made the welcoming address. Mrs. Hadley Dickey led the group in singing of patriotic songs.

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### New Type Truck Could Mean Better Collection

Murphy housewives this week stood a chance of seeing one of their problems settled when Town Council started investigations into the possible purchase of a new garbage truck.

The new type power loading truck would mean garbage in Murphy could be picked up twice as quick as the schedule now used.

If the same \$4,000 truck body were purchased by Murphy the collecting schedule could be doubled without having to put out another open body vehicle.

Another feature in favor of the power loader truck is that it will not scatter paper and trash along its route.

Yesterday, a committee from Council went to the city dump to investigate possible improvements in disposing of the town's garbage. Plans are under discussion now to try covering accumulations of trash with a layer of dirt mowed by a bulldozer so that odors could be kept down.

If necessary, Council is considering moving the dump if the present location is too rocky for bulldozer work.

Copperhill, Tenn., has notified Council that their new power loader trash wagon will travel to Murphy for a trial pick up run here.

### Walter Puett Is New NCEA Head

Walter Puett was elected president of the Murphy N. C. E. A. in a business meeting of the group Monday, March 2, in the High School Library.

Other new officers are John Thompson, vice-president; Mrs. Frances Ray, secretary; and Mrs. Pauline Bault, treasurer.

### Farmers Federation Stockholders Meet

The annual Farmer's Federation Stockholders' meeting for Cherokee County will be held Friday, March 13, at 8 p. m. at the Murphy Warehouse of the organization, James G. K. McClure, president, announced.

The Clay County organization will meet also Friday, 13th, at the Hayesville Warehouse. The Clay meeting will be at 2 p. m.

Stockholders of the Farmers Federation in the counties will attend this annual meeting to elect committeemen and to nominate one director. The director nominated in each case will be voted upon at the annual meeting of all stockholders of the organization in the Buncombe County courthouse March 28.

Each director of the Federation is elected for two years.

At the meetings Friday music will be furnished by the Farmers Federation String Band and baby chicks will be awarded as prizes.

Refreshments will be served.

In Cherokee County, County Agent, G. H. Farley will report on Agricultural Progress in the county and will discuss achievements of the 4-H Club Pullet Chain co-sponsored by the State Extension Service and the Farmers Federation.

In Hayesville, Clay County, Farm Agent, R. G. Vick will give a like report. Present directors for the Murphy Warehouse are: J. H. Hampton and W. A. Adams. Committeemen are: W. A. Adams, Dillard McCombs, Wilbur McCombs, Clyde McNabb, B. B. Palmer, J. H. Hampton, Ernest Burnett, Wayne Crisp, Ralph Lovingood, S. H. Roberson, Mrs. Clarence Hendrix, J. H. Hall, Horace Brendle, Mrs. Henry L. Carver, J. H. Ellis, Claude Stiles, Cole Hyatt.

Committeemen for Graham County are R. O. Sherrill, B. N. Hyde and Gwyn Denton.

## HD SCHOOL IS STUDY OF "MAKE - DO AND PATCH - UP"

### TVA Dormitories Designed Wrong For Use As School

A real story of "make-do and patch-up" is lived every day at the Hiwassee Dam elementary and high schools where classes are held in poorly arranged buildings.

Some 508 students and 18 teachers tolerate buildings that were constructed by TVA back in 1937 as dormitories for workmen. Only two rooms in one building and four rooms in another were built by TVA to be used as classrooms.

**PATCH ON PATCH** In buildings that house those classrooms, new walls and partitions were added to make more classrooms. The torn out holes in the paper board walls have been patched and patched again.

But even with the help of all the teachers and many of the students, Principal James T. Osborne is fighting a losing battle with the old, tired structures. The floors are sagging so much that not a single room in any of the buildings has a completely level floor.

Because of a stipulation made by TVA in the lease, no outside changes can be made on the buildings.

That means that several of the classrooms have no outside entrances. Students must walk through other classrooms, disturbing teacher and pupils, to get to their assigned classes.

The lease held by Cherokee County for the three buildings expires in the spring of 1955.

**HEATING** One of the buildings is heated with electricity, one by steam and the third is still struggling along with coal stoves placed in each classroom.

Students are not exactly cramped for space, but the room they do have is so misplaced from the school building standpoint that actually they are without ample



This general view of one of the three school buildings at Hiwassee Dam shows the drab, unwelcoming color of the school. A stipulation made by TVA when the buildings were leased, makes it impossible for the county to improve or change the outside of the structures.

room.

**NO INSPECTIONS** Mr. Osborne said he has no recollection of the buildings being inspected for fire hazards or safety hazards in the past seven years. Even the location of the schools are against the old buildings.

The schools are several miles from the center of the community they serve. Students arrive at the

school in six buses. Only one bus makes a double run.

Despite the hardships, the school has a home economics department that would be a credit to any school much larger. The interior of the rooms were painted for the first time this fall. And the blackboards—sweeping up with the time—

have been painted green. Yellow chalk is used on the new type boards.

A new school would cost about \$10,000 per classroom, it has been estimated.

And an ideal site for the new structure is owned by the county about 1.5 miles from Friendship and some eight miles from the dam.

### Murphy Civitans Sponsor Hillbilly Show With Grand Ole Opry Stars

Johnny and Jack, with their Tennessee Mountain Boys and Kitty Wells, will be heard in Murphy at the school auditorium Fri. March 27 in two shows, 7 and 9 p. m.

These Grand Ole Opry stars are being sponsored by the Murphy Civitan Club.

Tickets, at 30c and 60c, are now on sale from any Civitan member and can also be obtained at Palmer's Sinclair Station, E. C. Moore, Cherokee Cafe and Smokey Mountain Gas Co.

Johnny and Jack and the Mountain Boys have become overnight favorites on radio, stage and television.

Johnny Wright and Jack Anglin, who parlayed two golden voices and a guitar into a combination which has become one of the best-loved folk music duets today, bring their fast-moving, fun-and-music-filled routine for local enjoyment this week.

Folk music fans, who applauded Johnny and Jack's "Tobacco

### LONGS CALL MEETING

Garnet Crosby, executive director, has announced a call meeting of Cherokee Lodge No. 100, Thursday at 7:30 p. m. The purpose of the lodge will be to discuss