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MURPHY, NORTH CAROLINA

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County Fair Opens Here Monday; Expected Best Yet

Water System

of Murphy's water system from dis trict engineer E. R. Blaisdell of the Sanitary Enigneering Division of the State Board of Health is now on file with the Murphy Town Council

The report's points show that:

1. The water supply of Murphy is derived from two sources, the Hiawasse River and Fain Mountain (Marble Creek) supplies. Water taken from the Hiawassee River is processed through the Hiawassee filter treatment plant before pumped to a 130,000 gallon storage reservoir that supplies the town. daytime and allow the Fain Moun-The Fain Mountain supply, a mountain stream, receives sett- ing the night. Due to the extremeling and chlorination only before entering the distribution system.

Hiawassee River filtration plant have been covered in reports to visit. the Murphy Town Council dated August 27, 1949; June 19, 1950; March 27, 1951; and February 27,

3 The Hiawassee plant, built in 1926 has been allowed to deteriorate to such an extent that it should be replaced or entirely rebuilt. In addition, the plant has consistentty been operated some 10 per cent above designed capacity for the past few years, thus aggravating an already serious condition.

4. Due to lack of maintenance and the increased filter rate, the only steps in the treatment process that have been functioning for the past few years are the sand filters and chlorination facilities. Because of the inreeased load placed on the filters, due to the failure of the coagulation and settling of the water, the filters are in extremely poor condition at the present time due to the formation of "mud balls" and dead spots in the filter sand.

5. An inspection of the filters at the time of my visit indicated that untreated water is passing through the filters without benefit of filtration due to the mud balls and dead spots in the filters. This means that the only protection the residents of Murphy have against drink situation, ated water is the chlorination facilites.

not adequate and probably has not both at the filter plant and the been in the past. Also it is possible Fain Mountain chlorination stato have a failure of the chlorination equipment and when this oc- you in my letter of August 21. curs the town is without even this thin line of protection.

7. The storage reservoir is conthough the openings are screened tified to boil their drinking water. to exclude birds and small animals from access to the reservoir. Howin the reservoir is in contact with the atmosphere it permits what little chlorine that has been inreservoir should be completely covered except for a small venti-

lating area, if so desired. 8. The Fain Mountain supply is supposedly from a protected watershed, which means that all unauthorized persons are excluded from the watershed. However, the reservoir is not fenced and it is very easy for any unauthorized person to enter upon the watershed and contaminate the water supply, the only restraint being placards posted at intervals warning against no

trespassing. 9. This supply is not adequate to furnish water to the town with out being augmented by water from the Hiawassee River. The practice has been to operate the Hiawassee River plant during the tain supply to serve the town durly dry season and mechanical failure of one of the surface pumps at 2. Detailed deficiencies at the the filtration plant, both supplies were being used at the time of my

> 10. The policy of the State Board of Health, in regard to the introduction of fluoride ion into a communal water supply is that it may be approved, provided the water system is in first class condition and that the adequate supervision of the feeding of the chemical may be had. At the present time Murphy has neither a first class water system nor proper supervision of its water treatment. Your present operator is conscientious and does the best he can, but he does not have the qualifications and training required for the position.

11. The situation regarding the water supply at Murphy is not new. Descrepancies in the operation and maintenance of the water system have been brought to the attention of preceding councils many times during the past few years without any action being taken on their part.

12. The situation has - grown progressively worse so that at the present time a very serious situation exists and it is entirely possible that the health of the residents of Murphy may be affected from use of the water unless an immediate effort is made to correct the

13. I would suggest that as a temporary expedient the sand be re-6. The chlorine dosage being applaced in the filters as soon as posplied at the time of my visit was sible and the chlorine dosage rate, tion be increased as outlined to

14. If at any time there is a failure of the chlorinating equipment or any question as to whether structed in such a manner that it or not the machines are feeding is open to the atmosphere, al- properly, the people should be no-

15. Until it is certain that adequate disinfection of the water ever, since the surface of the water being obtained, the Town Council pastel color scheme. New flouresprocure engineering advice as to all elementary rooms. remedying the situation through troduced into the water to rapidly replacement of the Hiawassee fil- class room is being set up in the hibrary. dissipate to the atmosphere. The tration plant, renovation of the high school. present plant or development of

another approved supply. 16. In my opinion it would be to repoyate it.

Official Report Tells Large Vote Needed In County Grim Facts Of Town's On School Bond Election

Cherokee County schools will re- ability to help itself. tober 3, it was said here today.

The size of the vote turned out in Cherokee County that day, it tion. was reported, will be a strong indication of the interest and needs of the local schools, and will weigh heavily on further appropriations that will be made to the county schools from the 25 million dollars which will be distributed by register again to vote in the special the State Board of Education on the basis of the county's needs and For persons not registered al- is invited to attend.

Mrs. Bryson Dies

Mrs. Mary Wood Bryson, 63, died

at 4:30 a. m. Friday in her home

here after several months' illness.

She is survived by one son, Loy-

all and two grandchildren, Howard

and Edwin of Murphy and three

lowhee, Walter P. Wood of Atlanta,

Pallbearers were, Cliff Elliott,

Ben Akin, Roy Etheridge, Will Cook

Ga., and Ed Wood of Florida.

and Gordon Hartness.

After Illness

It was pointed out that a special registration is not required for the election. All persons who are now registered on the general election registration books will not have to

election.

ready, the registration books will ceive a minimum \$179,000 and a Of the 50 million, the first be open Sept. 12 and 19 from 9 a. possible slice from a \$25,000,000 \$10,000,000 will be divided with m. until sunset at the various poll- at the fairgrounds Sept. 14-19. fund, if the special \$50,000,000 \$100,000 for each county. The next ing places, according to P. H. state bond election is passed Oc- \$15,000,000 will be distributed a- Leatherwood, chairman of the mong the administrative units on Cherokee County Board of Elect- dents are hustling to make room clothing; Mrs. B. E. Warner, handa pro rata basis of school popula- ions.

> Along with the 50 million dollar school bond issue vote will be made on 22 million dollars state mental institutions bonds.

On Monday here at 7:30 p. m. the P. T. A. of Murphy School will cuss the bond election. The public

2 Women Injured Wreck Here Sat.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday in Free Methodist James Puckett and her daughter of from the hospital Monday. Chattanooga, Tenn. who were injur Church with the Rev. Russell Elder officiating. Burial will be in the car in which they were riding Moss Cemetery at Marble, with overturned down an embankment Townson Funeral Home in charge. just inside the City limits on Highway 64 west of here are reported to be getting along very well brothers, Fred B. Wood of Cul-General Hospital suffered a fractured right arm, fractured ribs and back.

- Her 11-year-old grandson, Tommy E. Puckett who had an injured injured.

Mrs J. A. Davenport and Mrs. | back and contusions, was dismissed

Mrs. Puckett who is in Petrie ed about 10 a. m. Saturday when Hospital, suffered two fractured

The party was approaching Murphy in a 1941 Chevrolet sedan when the car skidded on the wet Mrs. Davenport who is in Murphy pavement around the curve beyond Townson's mill and went over the embankment, Sheriff M. G. Crawford reported.

Davenport and Puckett were not

Exhibits Be Placed Mon., Judged Tues.

Cherokee County next week when Wayne Abernathy, poultry. the 26th annual Cheroke County Mrs. W. B. Whitfield, flowers; Agricultural Fair is staged here

for what is expected to be a 'better than ever fair."

It is expected that the recent drought will effect the number of specimens in some departments. but livestock, the women's divisions and the 4-H Club departments are expected to exhibit in full force. meet and hear Supt. H. Bueck dis- Home Demonstration Clubs will have 10 educational booths.

> have their entries in by Monday at 8:30 p. m. Previously Tuesday has er said. been the deadline.

The midway opens at 1 p. m. premiums at the fair. Monday. Exhibits will be open to the public Tuesday at 3 p. m.

Department superintendents are Hampton, horticulture; A. B. Stal- six days of the fair.

The world of exhibits, prizes cup dairy cattle; W. D. Townson, and cotton candy will move into beef cattle; Bill Stiles, hogs; and

Mrs. J. H. Hampton, home products; Mrs. Oran Witt, pantry sup-Carpenters, Fair Association of plies; Mrs. R. M. Adkins, house ficers and department superinten- furnishings; Mrs. Tom Graham, icrafts; and Clara Hughes girls and boys 4-H Clubs.

Mrs. Whitfield said more potted plants and arrangements are invited for the flower department this year. While Mrs. Witt and Mrs. Graham urged ladies to participate in the pantry supplies and clothing departments, in which the premiums have been raised. Handi-Exhibitors were reminded to craft exhibited must have been made by the exhibitor, Mrs. Warn-

A total of \$4,000 will be given in

On the midway the Shan Willcox Shows will have 40 concessions Luther Dockery, field crops; J. H. 10 rides and six shows during the

Cherokee Lodge Meets Sat. Mon.

There will be a called meeting Meet Set Tues. of Cherokee Lodge, No. 146, AF and AM on Saturday, September 12, for the purpose of conferring the third degress upon a class of

Again on Monday, the 14th, there will be a meeting to confer the first degrees upon a class. Both meetings will be at 7:30 p. m. in the

PTA District

Plans for the 25th annual conference of P. T. A. District No. 1. to be held at Candler School, in Buncombe County. Sept. 15 were announced this week by Mrs. Weimar Jones, of Franklin, district director.

The conference is expected to attract approximately 300 personsofficers of P T. A.'s, school principals and teachers, and parents from Cherokee and the other 10 counties in the district.

Speakers will include Mrs. T. R. Easterling of Rocky Mount, president of the N. C. Congress of Parents and Teachers; Mrs. J. W. Burke, state executive secretary; and Miss Blanch Haley, state field sec-

The program also will be marked by reports, election of officers,

Registration will start at 9:30 a. promptly at 10 o'clock, Mrs. Jones liberal ration. After another sev- said. Following adjournment at 1:30 the group will have lunch in the

> The Candler P. T. A. has made arrangements, Mrs Jones said, for high school girls to care for the small children of parents attending.

She added that the state officers and district directors will be available, after lunch, to P. T. A. presidents and others for individ-

Mrs. Mary Tramel Dies At Culberson

Mrs. Mary Tramel, 82, died at her home, Route 2, Culberson at 9 p. m. Saturday after a long illness. Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2 p. m. in Shady Grove Baptist Church with the Rev. Thomas Truett officiating. Burial was

in the church cemetery.

Surviving are two daughters, Miss Myrtle Tramel of the home, and Mrs. Jessie Owenby of Culberson one son Will Tramel of Conover; three sisters, Mrs. E. P. Dixon of Jefferson City, Tenn., Mrs. Zilla Hester of West Virginia, Mrs. Laura Prince of Gastonia; three brothers, George and E. P. Prince of Turtletown, Tenn. and James Prince of Jefferson City; 17 grandchildren and 15 great grand-

Townson Funeral Home was in

OES To Have Official Visitors

The Order of the Eastern St will meet toutght at 7:30. The d trict deputy grand mattern and p ton will make their offices via at this meeting and all members

AndrewsSchoolOffToGoodBeginning

More Students, **Improvements Are-Noted By School**

BY EVELYN BAKER

An increased enrollment, plus improvments and additions have put Andrews Schools off to a good start, according to Supt. J. E. Ruf-

A 10 per cent increase in en- high school building. rollment was noted by Andrews High School and Marble School, making a total enrollment in the Andrews system of some 1,304 pupils. The Andrews Negro School enrolled 16 students this year, a loss of two from last year.

Improvments to the school buildings during the summer have included the painting of classrooms in the elementary building, using a should take immediate steps to cent lights have been installed in

A new science and laboratory

NEW BUILDING

Work on the new agriculture more economical to replace the building, under the supervision of cher, and William Dockery, teacher grade.

in the Veterans Training Program, is also progressing. This cement block building, measuring 50 by 60 feet is being constructed two stories high, with the vocational shop on the ground floor. The second story, which will be entered from ground level will contain a vocational agriculture class room and office and a home economics class room and laboratory and office.

Because of the increase enrollment in the high school, Supt. J. the White Building, adjoining the rations will not harm cattle.

ADDED BUS

been stepped up, with a new bus to maintain their weight, with neiadded to the fleet. The extra bus enables the buses to leave at a later hour in the morning and return earlier in the aftenoon.

New teachers in the Andrews High School are Robert H. Williford, assistant principal and Social studies teacher: Frank Murray, business education teacher; and Miss Jean Christy,, English and

New elementrary teachers are Jim Wood 7th grade; Mrs. Betty Bristol, 7th grade; Mr. King 8th grade and elementrary physical edpresent filtration plant than to try Richard Ramsey, agriculture tea- ucation; and Walter Brame, 8th

Temporary Short Feed Won't Harm Cattle

North Carolina cattlemen worried the twin on short rations weighed about short feed supplies brought 340 pounds, while his well-fed on by this summer's drought, can | brother weighed 618 pounds. The breathe a sigh of relef. attle feed- lighter twin was then placed on a ing experiments carried out by the liberal ration and the other was m., and the conference will open U. S. Department of Agriculture allowed to continue with a similar E. Rufty has moved his office to have proved that temporary short

The experiments, conducted over a period of three and a half years School bus facilities have also that are fed only enough rations only 70 days more for the second their gain or loss can, remain healthy for as long as six months-and still make economical gains later when they receive ample feed.

As one part of a much broader experiment one of a pair of identical twin Aberdeen Angus steers was placed on a low-energy rationht-while his co-twin was fed a liberal ration that provided for one and onehalf pounds of gain, daily. This feeding schedule was begun when the twins were six months old and continued for six months.

At the beginning of the period each twin weighed about 330 pou-

en months, the heavier twin had reached the weight upon for slaug- school cafeteria. hter, 1,000 pounds and his retarded showed conclusively that calves twin weighed 830 pounds. It took twin to reach the 1,000-pound slaughter weight.

The surprising thing about the experiment, according to the research workers, was the discovery that each of the twins required about the same total amount of feed to reach 1,000 pounds, even though one lived 70 days longer only enough to manitain body weig than the other. This indicates that a high level of efficiency in feed utilization s attaned by animals that have been on short rations so that they gain weight very rapidly when they are restored to a liberal

And the meat from these animals nds. At the end of the six months, showed no difference in quality.

Red Cross Work Is Cut Here

Home Service work of the Cher okee County Chapter, American Red Cross has been cut from five mornings a week to three due to lack of funds, it was announced to-

Anyone wishing information or forms filled out are asked to contact the office either Thresday, Wedneday, or Thursday morning between the hours of 9 and 12. The office is located in Murphy Electrical Shop.

River Hill Home Coming Be Sept. 13

The annual home coming will be held at River Hill Baptist Church September 18. All singers are invited to attend.

Andrews-Murphy Start Seasons With Tie

BY ADIR ARONSON

In one of the most thrilling games ever seen by Murphy and Andrews, fans the Bulldogs and Wildcats played a tie game, 6-6 here Friday when both squads opened their seasons.

The Andrews Wildcats scored on the opening kickoff by way of a brilliant 85 yard run. Bill Holland received the kick and while running to the left handed it off to quarterback Bob Cooper who ran down the right sidelines 85 yards to paydirt. The extra point was

have scoring opportunities twice Bob Cooper Murphy's rangey end snatched from them by fumbles Eugene Dockery made a beautiful within ten yards of the Andrews diving catch of a pass from Tommy

The second half was played in a driving rain and the field was a sea of mud. However, Murphy's T-formation was not hampered

With about six minutes left in the game the Bulldogs found themselves on the two with fourth down coming. On a handoff from warterback White the ball was fumbled and recovered in the Andrews end zone by end Waliace for a Bulldog touchdown. The extra

Murphy plays at Hayesville tomorrow night. Murphy PTA Studies

The PTA of Murphy School will meet Monday et 7:30 p. m. in the Primary Building, H. Bueck will nee in mind the Buildoge began to The best run of the game was the be October 3.

Gentry which was good for about

Outstanding on offense for Mur

phy was hard-driving 185 pound

Holt Palmer; and on defense was

Murphy's line-backer 145 pound

es Carroll.

Andrews Lions "Get The Goat"

The old saying"getting someme's goat" works the other way in the Andrews Lions Club. The club members are more interested in not getting the club's goat. And it's a real live goat. The animal goes to the club member who misses a meeting without a proper excuse.

Members who "have gotten the goat" say it is way shead of its brothers and sisters in the serious business of smelling like

Jeff Brooks Is Area Auto Chrm.

T. Jeff Brooks of Reece Motor Company, Andrews, has accepted the appointment of Area Chairman for the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association it was as ed today by Associatinon President T L. Black of Pinehurst.

As county chairman Brooks will also head the Fall membership ampaign in this area for NCADA and NADA and will participate in Area Chairman Day which will be