

Peachtree-Marble Road To Be Constructed In April 1954

The proposed Peachtree to Marble road and other road building and improvements in Cherokee and Clay Counties will not start until April, 1954, Highway Commissioner Harry E. Buchanan of the 14th District, said here last week.

Comm. Buchanan said the delay came when the contractor who was awarded the road contracts announced he was unable to start work on the Peachtree to Marble road until April.

Mr. Buchanan said the Highway Department let the contract believing the work would begin immediately. However, due to the type of work to be done and the short amount of time left for paving, the department can do nothing about the delay.

Work on the Marble-Peachtree and other road work will be started next April and will be finished as soon as possible, the commissioner promised representative from Cherokee, Clay and Graham Counties.

Contract on the badly needed improvements on the road from Topton to Robbinsville is to be let in November, Mr. Buchanan said.

Another road improvement listed by the commissioner was a six mile link of county road to be built in Clay County connecting the Hayesville city limit with the present pavement in the Sweetwater section.

NEW PROJECTS

Any new projects for this section will have to wait until he can count money, Comm Buchanan said. He said he was trying to complete all roads that were under construction or that money was allotted for when he took office.

Due to the impossibility of figuring how much money these projects would take, it will be next year before new projects can be considered for this section, he asserted.

All road problems in this area will be studied by engineers and will be cared for according to needs, Comm. Buchanan said.

Attending the meeting last Friday in the Courthouse here were school superintendents, county commissioners and other county officials.

Bueck Awarded Special Pin Here

H. Bueck, former district governor of Lions district 31-A, Tuesday night was presented a diamond Lions pin for outstanding work during his term of governor.

During a meeting of the Murphy Lions Club, the present district governor, Bob Barnes, made the presentation to Mr. Bueck.

Mr. Barnes pointed out that Mr. Bueck was awarded the pin because his district maintained a 100 per cent average on activities, Mr. Bueck's visitations, reports to headquarters and other duties.

Also present at the meeting were Zone Chairman allace Crawford and Mike, Brown of Robbinsville.

Defendant Fined On ESC Charge

A Cherokee County man recently was fined \$25 or 30 days in jail after he pleaded guilty to charges of making false statements to obtain Veteran's Readjustment assistance from the Employment Security Commission.

Justice of the Peace P. H. Leatherwood tried the case.

Under provisions of the law the defendant will not be eligible for further assistance from the Employment Commission until after March 31, 1954.

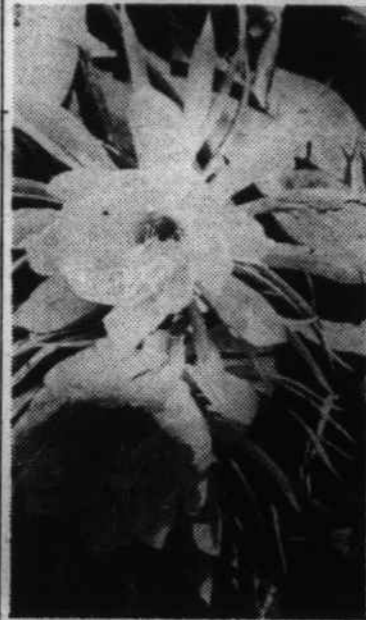
O. E. S. Initiation Set Tonight

There will be an initiation at the meeting of Murphy Chapter No. 10 Order of the Eastern Star tonight at 7:30 in the Lodge Hall, Mrs. G'Mae Owenby, Worthy Matron has announced.

Tyson Smith, Worthy Patron of McCaysville, Ga. will serve in the initiation according to announcement by Sam Lee Davidson, Worthy Patron of the Murphy Chapter.

Council Hears First Water Report From Engineers

RARE PLANT



NIGHT AND DAY. These lovely blossoms belong to the

cactus type Night Blooming Cereus, commonly known as "Christ in the Manger", because of the yellow strawlike center, and star shaped inner flower. This plant,

belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Gay Davidson bloomed last week, but cool weather kept the blossoms from opening at night. The plant was its loveliest about 9:30 a. m., when this picture was made. There were 32 blooms to open on the five year old plant . . . 14 were opened the first day. The blossoms open one time only, and remain open for a short time. (Scout Photo)

The first consulting engineering firm to be heard on the Murphy water system reported to Town Council Monday night.

The firm, John J. Harte Co. of Atlanta, told Council their fee would be \$1,000 to look over the present system and draw up a report on what is to be done.

If the consulting firm is used on construction the fee will be six per cent of construction cost, Council learned.

However, \$500 is paid the consulting firm when they start their investigations. If their report is used the \$500 is credited to the six per cent to be paid the firm.

Other firms are to be heard from before Council hires consulting engineers.

THE BEST OF THE FAIR--TO HER



THE COUNTY FAIR meant prizes to some, disappointment to others lots of work, somewhere to go, something to see or a place to try one's luck. But to little folks like three year old Ellen Davis, above, the merry-go-round was the chief attraction. Some 432 exhibitors entered items in the fair here which ended last Saturday. The little lady above is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Davis of Murphy. (Scout Photo)

Regular Polling Places To Be Used On School Bond Vote

Cherokee County citizens will go to their regular polling places Saturday, between sun up and sun down Oct. 3 to vote on the state wide bond issue for schools and mental institutions.

Cherokee County stands to receive at least \$179,000 for school buildings and improvements if the bond is voted in. Still more money could be sent to Cherokee County based on need and the amount of people voting on the issue.

There will be no increase in taxes if the bond is voted in. Money to pay off the bond and interest will come from the general state revenue funds under the present state tax structure.

Associated Communities Meet Set At Fontana

Invitations are being issued by Fontana Village and executives of Western Carolina Associated Communities to civic leaders and their wives of Murphy and Cherokee County to attend the quarterly meeting of the 11-county organization at the state's major lake-resort on Sunday and Monday, Oct. 11-12th.

Those arriving on Sunday will be guests of Fontana at the Lodge or one of the 280 cabins for the week-end. Around 100 people are expected to attend. A program is being planned for

Sunday night by staff members of Fontana as another free feature for the Sunday guests.

Business sessions of the WNCAC group will get underway at 12:30 Monday with a luncheon in the Fontana cafeteria, and general meeting will continue in the auditorium.

Annual election of officers will be one of the specific matters of business. Dr. Paul Reid of Callowhee is now president, Joe Jennings of Cherokee, vice-president; and C. M. Douglas, Secretary.

Jehovah's Witnesses Have Official Visitor Sept. 27

William Sims of Brooklyn, N. Y., will be guest speaker for Jehovah's Witnesses in Murphy Sunday, Sept. 27, at the County Courthouse at 3 p. m. The public is invited to attend.

This announcement was made here today by H. Swanson, presiding minister for the Witnesses here.

Mr. Sims will speak on "Happiness In A World of Gloom".

A traveling representative of the Watchtower Society, Sims visits semi-annually the 20 congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses in parts of South Carolina, North Carolina (Continued on page 8)

Andrews Elementary School Accredited

Paving Projects Told By Council

Murphy Town Council Monday night okayed seven paving projects and called on local property holders wanting paving done to notify Clerk Charlie Johnson.

Sections to be paved are in front of Murphy General Hospital including entrance to Cherry Street; Maple St. in area at the Presbyterian Church, and Dillard St.

Also the street leading to the picnic area across the river from Murphy Fair Grounds; area in front of Ramsey Store, and Council voted to pay \$25 on sidewalk repairs in front of Davis Esso Service.

Other persons interested in having streets paved were asked to notify Mr. Johnson within the next two weeks.

Mrs. Callie Adams Dies At Daughter's



MRS. ADAMS

Mrs. Callie Ricks Adams, 92, died Friday, Sept. 18 in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Earl Whitaker.

A native of Cherokee County, she was born October 6, 1860. In 1877, she was married to David Price Adams who preceded her in death.

She was an active member of the Valley River Baptist Church for 75 years.

Surviving are seven children, Zala Adams, Mrs. Weldon West, Mrs. Florence Sherrill, Mrs. Sam West and Mrs. Earl Whitaker of Andrews, Garland and Otis Adams of Stanley.

Also one sister, Mrs. Mattie Snarr of Denver, Colo.; two half brothers, Bob Martin and Gerran Martin of Colorado; 34 grandchildren, 79 great-grandchildren, and 31 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p. m. Saturday in Valley River Baptist Church with the Rev. T. D. Denny officiating.

Pallbearers were Vinson Derreberry, Jack Herbert, Lew Bown, John Tatham, Galusha Pulliam and Ernest Whitaker. Ivie Funeral Home was in charge.

The North Carolina Department of Public Instruction has notified J. E. Rufty, Superintendent of the Andrews City Schools, and Charles O. Frazier, Principal, that the Andrews Elementary School was placed on the state accredited list as of July 1, 1953.

For the past two years, school officials and elementary teachers have made a concentrated effort to meet state requirements for accredited schools.

These things have been done: 1. Teachers have been assigned to the fields of work in which they are certified.

2. All teachers holding certificates below Class A have been and are working in summer schools and extension courses to raise their certificates to Class A in the shortest possible time. As a result, the general level of teachers' certificates has been raised substantially in the past two years.

3. Sub-standard classrooms have been eliminated. The Primary Building has been completed and in use for one year. The Elementary Building has been re-decorated throughout; major repairs and additions have brought the plumbing system up to standard requirements; modern fluorescent lighting has been installed in each class room; and obsolete equipment has been replaced by furnishings designed to meet state specifications.

4. Library facilities have been expanded. 5. Continuous efforts have been made to improve the quality of instruction through workshops, in-service teacher training, professional supervision, and a wider use of unit teaching.

In its letter of September 14, 1953, the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction congratulated the Andrews Elementary School on these achievements.

American Legion Meet Time Set

Joe Miller Elkins Post No. 96, The American Legion, will hold regular meetings the second and fourth Mondays of each month in the courtroom at the Courthouse, at 7:30 p. m.

The next meeting will be Monday, Sept. 28. All members and veterans wishing to join are invited to attend the meeting.

PMA Election Now In Process By Mail

Ballots have been mailed to all farmers eligible to vote in the current PMA election. Farmers receiving the ballots are requested to fill them in and return them to the local PMA office in the courthouse. Ballots will be counted if they reach the PMA office by November 12, 1953.

GRADUATE NURSE



ANN WEBB

Miss Ann Webb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Webb of Andrews, has graduated from Erlanger Hospital School of Nursing in Chattanooga, Tenn. The graduating exercises were held at the First Christian Church in Chattanooga. Attending the exercises were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Webb, Gene Webb and Mrs. Ben Webb. Miss Webb is visiting her parents for two weeks prior to taking a position in Pineville, Ky.

Murphy Water Called "Unsafe" By Speaker

Members of the Murphy Junior Woman's Club and their guests Thursday heard Sanitary Engineer F. R. Blaisdell state that "Murphy's water supply is no longer safe."

The engineer explained the town system to the women and pointed out its weaknesses. The three suggestions for improvement he pointed out were: 1. Try to develop

the Fain Mountain (Marble Creek) supply; 2. Renovate and expand the present filter plant; or 3. Build a new plant.

Blaisdell expressed the opinion that choice two would be as expensive, if not more expensive than choice three.

Some 35 persons were present for the opening meeting of the current club year.

Wildcats Said Not Heavy, But Fast

Wildcats Meet Hayesville Fri.

BY EVELYN BAKER

The 1953 Andrews Wildcats, though not a heavy team, are sparked by fast backs and excellent ball handlers, which have already given opposing teams in the conference some uneasy moments.

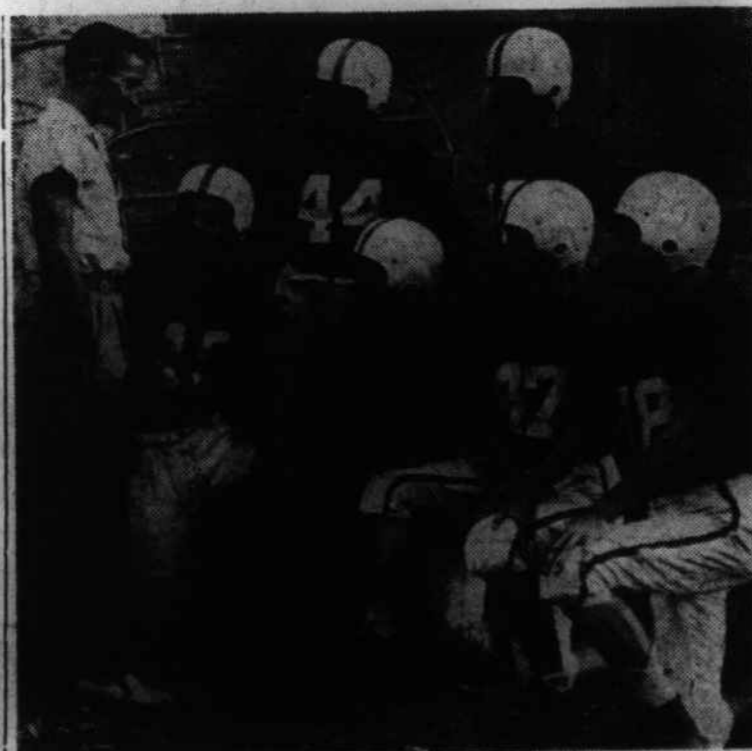
At the opener of the season the Cats tied the heavier and favored Murphy Bulldogs 6-6. They lost out to Franklin 12-6, but rallied and romped over Robbinsville 26-7 in the game last Friday.

The Wildcats meet Hayesville tomorrow night in Hayesville.

Although the team lost its offensive captain, Johnny Raxter, who underwent an operation and is no longer playing, the team is making a good showing and Coach Hugh Hamilton expressed opinion that "all the boys are doing a good job," and he did not single out any for outstanding playing above the other team members.

The lineup has held well and yielded little yardage thus far in the season.

The team will lose only three boys by graduation at the end of this season.



PRE-GAME TIPS from Coach Hugh Hamilton, left, standing, are given Andrews Wildcats All boys pictured above are three year lettermen, except Jerry Gilbert, who is a two year letterman and a transfer student. Charles Thomason is a senior and the other boys are juniors. Left to right standing, beside the coach are Defensive Captain James Lunford and Offensive Captain Bob Cooper. Kneeling, left to right are Walter Raxter, Carol Matheson, Charles Thomason and Jerry Gilbert. (Scout Photo)

J.W.C CALL MEETING

A call business meeting of the Junior Womens club will be held Monday, Sept. 28, at the primary auditorium of the school for voting in new members and discussing projects and other business.

Murphy Loses To Sylva 7-0 Fri.

BY AD. IR ARONSON

The Murphy Bulldogs came to within five minutes of tying highly favored Sylva only to have the Golden Hurricane drive to within inches of the Murphy goal line. From there Sylva's Charles Baker Reed went over for the touchdown; Reed kicked the extra point to beat Murphy 7-0.

Murphy threatened several times, and long drives were broken up by penalties, and costly fumbles. On Murphy's fifth play Eddie 'Moody' Elliott turned in the longest run of the game, a brilliant 33 yard dash.

Murphy led Sylva's yards gained rushing by nearly double, 220 yards to 117. However the Hurricanes completed 4 out of 13 attempt-

ed passes for 41 yards. Murphy only tried two passes, one of them connecting for 7 yards.

The loss does not dim however the excellent playing of the whole Murphy team. Eugene Dockery, Roy Pipes, Ralph Swanson, Jimmy McCombs, Jimmy Mulkey, Ralph Almond, James Foster, Walter "Stormy" Hall, and James Carroll, line-backer, were in outstanding line duty. Carroll and Gentry shone on defense.

Murphy's next game is against the Waynesville Mountaineers, a AAA ball club who beat Sylva 27-7 in their encounter this season. Waynesville is probably Murphy's toughest game of the season.

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