

Murphy Water Bond

The Scout is one hundred per cent behind the Murphy Town Council resolution asking for \$190,000 water bonds. And we believe all the thinking people of Murphy will be behind it also. We further believe that there are enough thinking people in Murphy to vote in the bond when the election comes up later this summer.

Some people — those in Murphy who always oppose ANY progress — will make a big noise over Section 4 of Council's ordinance authorizing the issuance of the water bonds.

That section stipulates that a tax sufficient to pay off the bonds will be levied. But such a section is included in any bond ordinance. It is necessary to include Section four to interest a company in Murphy's water bonds and the law requires that such a section be included.

The bonds will be paid off at around \$23,000 a year and auditors in Raleigh and the Local Government Commission have said that Murphy's tax structure can pay off such an amount without an increase.

That's one reason the Scout is in favor of the bonds. But the main reason is that our water system needs reworking to such an extent that one health official has termed the water "unfit to drink."

More Parking Meters

There can't be a doubt in anyone's mind now that parking meters for Murphy was the right move. It took a lot of mulling over and a polling of merchants before Town Council finally decided to have the meters installed on a trial basis.

Metered parking is working out far better than any exponent of the plan expected. And it looks as though the meters were laid out properly except on one street.

Merchants on both sides of Tennessee Street below the last meter on that street are hard hit for customer parking spaces. In any town where there are parking meters it is natural that the unmetered spaces will be filled up first. And people who want to park all day will seek out those unmetered places first.

That is exactly what is happening to those merchants on Tennessee Street. It seems that it would be to their advantage to meet with the Town Council and ask for metered parking.

Of course, it is doubtful that the board can take immediate action on such a request. The present meters were planned and installed after a survey was made of the main streets in Murphy.

Those merchants who are lacking in customer parking space would be wise to put their bids in for meters immediately.

Newspaper Tops The List

Alfred G. Peterson, who is president of the National Savings and Loan League, has this to say about advertising; "I feel that advertising is a very profitable investment. But we should not buy advertising blindly. We should give careful consideration both to the appeals and the media we use.

"The medium which tops the list is the medium that reaches the greatest number of people at the lowest cost. It is my opinion the newspaper is that medium. I place the newspaper at the top of the list because it reaches the local market. All of us are really conducting local businesses. We may be bound together into a national industry, but our spheres of influence are entirely local.

"The newspaper reaches precisely the people we want to reach."

Well spoken, Mr. Peterson!

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REPORTS FROM

Other Editors

RUSSIAN SPY GETS LAURELS WHILE GI GETS PRISON TERM
Two headlines in a daily newspaper last week captured our attention: "Radio Reporter Testifies to Espionage For Soviets" and "Korean Veteran Gets Long Term."

The radio reporter, one Winston M. Burdee, now a highly paid United Nations reporter for the Columbia Broadcasting System, admitted to being a communist spy in Europe in the early 1940's.

The Korean veteran, Corporal Harold M. Dunn, was sentenced to eight years at hard labor for aiding the enemy while a prisoner of war in Korea.

The difference in the two men was that the radio reporter was well educated, and was being lauded for his dramatic story; the soldier took his sentence with the simple words, "It was a tragic mistake for which I am sorry". But the radio reporter never said he was sorry.

The reporter went over to the Reds for espionage on his own free will and accord. The soldier went against his will. The reporter had to Korea, we suspect, much the comforts communist money supplied. The GI found only communist terror and "brainwashing."

freedoms in his heart. It is a sorry thought: here we send Young Americans to grim battlefields to protect our Main Streets and, after welcoming them home, slap them in the face with a prison sentence while wining and dining another who rejected once the American way of life to become a paid hireling of the Russians. It just does not make sense. (The Bladen Journal)

DOESN'T SEEM RIGHT
What we object to about these new stretch seamless nylons is that we may nevermore see a lassie shoving her stocking seam this way and that. This public operation is always amusing, somehow, whether she is the furtive type that seeks to make adjustments without alerting innocent bystanders, or whether she's an extrovert who practically asks for applause. And frequently the calisthenics required by a young lady in straightening her seams while passing a show window can be quite diverting.

We know full well, of course, that this protest will not stall Progress in her tracks; and that we are for all our courage in bringing the matter up — not stemming the flood, as did the Dutch boy with his finger in the dyke. But, in this world of cold wars, domestic dissensions and economic stress, we hate to see even such an innocuous type of entertainment slipping into limbo.

But, we doubt that stocking-with-seams will become an election issue of 1956. (The News of Orange County)

A Backward Glance

30 YEARS AGO
Friday, July 17, 1925

Miss Marie Bass of Copperhill is visiting the Misses Martin this week.

Miss Callie Brown returned last Wednesday from a 10 day visit to Winston-Salem, Thomasville and Asheville.

Mrs. W. H. Griffith who is undergoing treatment at the Wesley Memorial Hospital in Atlanta is improving rapidly and expects to be able to return home within the next few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Ellis and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dobbs expect to spend another week camping at Dockery's Mill.

20 YEARS AGO
Thursday, July 18, 1935

Master Bobby Barclay of Copperhill, Tenn., is visiting his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson.

Miss Lella Posey spent the week end with friends in Greenville, S. C., and Asheville.

Miss Ann Candler and Ray Moore motored to Gainesville and Atlanta, Ga., Sunday. They were accompanied home by Miss Jane McBrayer who will spend this week with Miss Candler.

Wade Massey and Luke Ellis spent Sunday at Santeehlah Lake.

Miss Lena B. Madry who has been the attractive guest of Miss Ann Townson, will return to her home at Scotland Neck, N. C., Friday.

10 YEARS AGO
Thursday, July 19, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Alexander, Frank and Carolyn Alexander, accompanied Welborn (Bud) Alexander to Asheville Thursday. From there he went to Raleigh to report to the navy for duty, having enlisted a short time ago.

Sgt. and Mrs. Joe Ray who are spending a few days with Mrs. Ray's mother, Mrs. Cora Watkins in Andrews, spent a short time in Murphy Friday. They are expecting to be transferred from Fort Jackson soon.

Miss June McDaniel of Atlanta is spending the week here with her cousin, Miss Nancy Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Irvin Hall and Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Timpson attended the funeral of James A. Carroll at Bell town, Tenn., June 27th.

Mrs. Eddie Linberg of Atlanta spent last week here with her sister, Mrs. J. N. Hill, Jr.

5 YEARS AGO
Thursday, July 20, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Darnell, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hendrix, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Hyatt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hyatt and daughter, Mary Linda, spent last Sunday with Dr. and Mrs. M. G. Hendrix at Ball Ground, Ga.

Mrs. B. G. Brumby, Sr., of Marietta, Ga., is visiting her son, E. H. Brumby, and family. Mrs. William B. Logan and chil-

Cherokee Chatter

BY BILL COSTELLO

My good friend, J. A. GRAY, editor-publisher of the Sylva Herald, has been elected to the board of directors of the North Carolina Press Association.

He is a brother-in-law to MRS. J. B. GRAY and he is well known in Cherokee and Clay Counties.

PROUD PAPA
MR. and MRS. J. J. PINSON were mighty proud folks the other day when I saw them down town with that new boy of theirs. But I believe that Jack was just the least bit prouder when he had that young 'un in his arms.

AT CAMP
TOMMY MOORE, son of MR. and MRS. CLOE MOORE, and ED GIBBS, son of MR. and MRS. JIM GIBBS, are probably on their way back to Murphy after spending about a week in New Mexico. They were at Philmont Ranch, a Boy Scout camp in Cimmaron, N. M.

BETTY JEAN and BUD
And speaking of a MOORE, BETTY JEAN and BUD BOWN and baby are in Germany and seemed to be settled down. I'm going to write Betty Jean and ask her to do a few stories for the Scout about her trip and some of her experience while in Germany. I hope she will find the time to do it—it will make good reading I'm sure. You probably remember that she used to do a Column for the Scout when she was in high school.

For those of you who would like to write them the address is SFC and Mrs. Bud L. Brown, H Co., 11th Inf., 5 Inf. Div., APO 112, New York, N. Y.

BACK TO SCHOOL
"IKE OLSON" this week started back to school. He is taking a summer course at Western Carolina College. He will make it home every week end but said it will surely cut down on his golf playing. That's why he is not entering the tournament.

GOLFERS' CORNER
But the reason PREACHER MAXWELL is not entering the tournament is entirely different. He knows he couldn't get past the first flight. You never heard such ranting and raving as BOB BAULT has been doing since I wrote that I could beat him at golf. It seems that everybody knows I can beat him except him. I should have gone one and pointed out that Bab can beat Preacher Maxwell. Those who want to enter the tournament have less than a week to send in their qualifying scores.

GARDENTIME

BY ROBERT SCHMIDT
Raspberries and dewberries have just about completed bearing for this season in eastern and central North Carolina and now is the time to prune them. To understand why we prune them at this time we should know something about the growth and fruiting habits of these crops. Raspberries and dewberries bear most of their crop on new shoots that come out of canes of last season's wood. Each season after bearing a crop the last season canes will die and their plants. The old canes therefore should be removed as soon as the crop is harvested. This practice will give more room for the new canes to develop as well as to get rid of diseased plant materials.

In eastern North Carolina a slightly procedure is used for dewberries. As soon as the crop is harvested all canes, both old and young, are removed at the ground. Then the land is cultivated and a top dressing of nitrate of soda is given the plants. In a few days the new shoots will appear and will make sufficient growth during the rest of the season to produce a good crop the next year. This new growth is allowed to run along the ground and is not tied up to stakes until next spring. This practice as outlined above gives a fair control of anthracnose disease of dewberries. The plant growth that is cut off at the ground should be destroyed by burning in order to get rid of all disease. In the mountain
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dren, Billy and Susan, of Columbus, Ohio, are visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bault and her mother, Mrs. W. A. Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Hinton and family spent Thursday in Brevard with Mrs. A. N. Hinton. Hubert, Jr. and Lavean remained for a few days' visit with their grandmother.

Charles Darnell of Macon, Ga., was an overnight guest last week of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Darnell.

TALK O' THE TOWN

By Emily Costello

BRIDES AWAY!

MRS. FRED MARTIN of Rt. 3 was telling me last week that her son, DEVERO's bride, will be joining him in Germany most any time now. Devero's a lieutenant serving in the Army there.

WEDDING MARCH

SKEETER and JACK BOCOOK and JAN and JAY went to Asheville last week end to the tune of "Here Comes the Bride". Jack was in his brother's wedding on Saturday at a Methodist Church in Asheville. And Skeeter helped at the wedding reception.

The newlyweds are a very cute couple, I've heard, and we hope they'll come to see us some time.

JUST VISITING

MR. and MRS. J. D. PALMER (she's the former Marcelle Hall) and three daughters, PHYLLIS, JUDY and LINDA of Akron, O., are just ending up the second of a two weeks vacation with relatives here. They've been houseguests of her parents, MR. and MRS. J. L. HALL at Rt. 2.

BEACHING IT

OPAL DAVIS (Mrs. Loren) and daughter, JUDY, and son, DICKIE, NANCY MILLS and LINDA ENGLISH returned home over the week end from Chipley Beach, Ga. I'm not sure about the spelling of that beach, but Opal was telling me some time ago that it's a wonderful place. It's actually an inland lake, bordered with lots and lots of very white sand.

BEAN STRINGING

A real good bean stringing was taking place one late afternoon last week on CARRIE and KENNETH DAVIS' front porch. I think their garden, like most everybody else's has some beautiful beans this year. That's one good thing we can say for all this rain we've had.

In fact, beans have been so plentiful I heard of one case where beans were selling for as low as 85 cents a bushel! This would be a good time for somebody to come out with some new recipes—like 101 ways to serve green beans.

PARLEZ-VOUS ICELAND?

About 10 "stouthearted men" from this area left last week end for six months on a construction job in Iceland. They will be working on the re-building of an air strip there and will be employed by the Nello L. Teer Construction Co.

These men, and I believe there are a few others from Hiwassee Dam whose names I don't have, flew to Iceland from Durham after passing some rather rigid physical and other types of examinations.

I got onto this bit of news at my Circle meeting — one of my favorite news sources — last week when the girls were discussing the venture. None of the wives or sweethearts of these men will be going, along so the local Post Office and telephone company can expect a rush business, I hope.

Among the men who are on the new job are BLAINE DONLEY, GRADY ALLEN, JACK THOMPSON, LLOYD KING, BILL GULLEY, HAL BRYSON, RANDALL COOK, ROY RAPER, EARL TABOR — all of Murphy, and CLYDE WILSON of Hayesville.

GONE WEST

OLEN McDONALD left last week for northwest Nevada and northeast California for three months on a surveying job for the army. WANDA and the two children are staying here in their new home in East Murphy. However, Wanda may go out for a visit later on.

HERE TODAY, GONE TOMORROW

I had no sooner got to know pretty MARGARET WARNER (Mrs. Ben E., Jr.) than I hear she's up and gone. Ben came for his wife and little daughter, Irene, last week and took them with him out to Whittier, California, where he's doing some geological work at Hell's Canyon.

That makes three items in a row about people who, it looks like, are trying to get as far away from Murphy as possible, but we'll look for them all back some time.

Letters To The Editor

July 11, 1955

Editor
The Cherokee Scout
Murphy, N. C.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Johnnie R. Nunn has given me her permission to have the letter she wrote to Dr. Lokey printed in your paper.

The letter follows.

Yours very truly,
Walter R. Martin
June 9, 1955

Dr. Julian L. Lokey,
Superintendent
The Caswell Training School
Kinston, N. C.

Dear Dr. Lokey:

Last week, I had a letter from Mr. Walter Martin telling me that Frank was at home and asking me to come to see him as soon as I could. I visited the home on June 7th and was very much surprised to hear Mr. Martin's many expressions of dissatisfaction relative to the way Frank was cared for while with you. Mr. Martin showed me Frank's arms and hands which had many ugly sores on them and he told me that some official there had told him that Frank had been bitten by some of the forty-seven inmates who were in the ward with him. Mr. Martin also showed me some ugly scars on Frank's shoulders and he said there were some ugly gashes on his legs and other places.

This is the first complaint I have ever had about the treatment of anyone while in your institution. I am sure that your burdens are many and very difficult ones and I can appreciate your position while caring for so many irresponsible

people. However, in this particular ward, I do think that those responsible for the care of the inmates need special investigation - someone has made a failure of his or her job and no patient should go out from that institution in the condition in which Frank Martin was when he left there.

Frank does not have any interest in anything and appears to be a terribly subjected person. He is thin, his color is bad, and his mental condition is much worse - just lies there on the cot with his eyes closed and absolutely pays no attention to anyone or anything. Mr. and Mrs. Martin are terribly disturbed about his condition and are not planning to ever send him back to Caswell Training School.

Before Frank went to you, I encouraged Frank's parents to send him there and assured them that you had the best care to offer one of Frank's type. I was very honest in everything I told him and I have never had any complaint of this sort before. I realize that Frank was a difficult patient, but I am terribly disappointed with the treatment he has received and I hope that you will be able to put your hands on those responsible for the mistreatment of Frank Martin and that they will never be allowed to mistreat anyone else.

Thank you, Dr. Lokey, for accepting Frank and thank you in advance for dealing with those responsible for his present condition.

Cordially
Mrs. Johnnie R. Nunn
Superintendent
JN/dc
CC: Mr. Walter R. Martin
Supt, North Carolina

FORESTRY-U.S.A.



FORESTS GET A GOOD SPRAYING— STATE, FEDERAL & PRIVATE LANDOWNERS IN WEST AREAS OF THREATENED TIMBERLAND ARE FIGHTING A FOREST ENEMY FAR DEADLIER THAN FIRE.
PROTECT THE FORESTS AND USE THEM WISELY