

County Granges Show Interest In Proposed P & D Board

The three Granges of Cherokee County could give the proposed Murphy planning and development board one of its strongest boosts after unofficial inquiries into the board were directed by the Cherokee Pomona Grange.

Mr. Forrest Johnson, head of the Pomona Grange, has said that his organization instructed him to investigate the proposed planning board and report back at the next meeting of the Grange.

The Scout believes that is good news for the proposed board. We believe that the Grange will discover the board will work toward something the Grange strongly believes in — the betterment of the community. When the Grange finishes its investigation of the proposed board, the Scout hopes it can see its way clear to pass a resolution

Beautiful Color Predicted This Fall

Western North Carolina can stake its claim to beauty any time of the year. But at no season are we more aware of the natural loveliness of our section than in the autumn when nature's paintbrush provides a riot of color in the changing leaves.

This year autumn visitors to Western North Carolina can expect an unusually colorful season, predictions say. Since the last killing frost in the spring growing conditions have been excellent—with plenty of rain in spring and early summer. All of this goes to make up the fall picture later on.

Last year some disappointment was registered in the lack of color in the leaf changing. The lack of color was attributable to the extremely dry season which had preceded the fall.

Top color is usually seen in this section around the middle of October — or earlier or later depending on the altitude. But already the cool nights have caused a tinge of red in some early changing varieties.

Actually the cool nights, football season, back to school, and felt bonnets have brought an early feeling of fall, but officially the season came in last week — to pin it down, autumn was ushered in on September 23 at 2.42 p. m. Eastern Standard Time. (Five hours and 46 minutes later than last year.)

But no matter the exact birthday of the season, we can still look forward to the panorama of color to come within the next few weeks. From Murphy a week end drive, a day long drive, an hour's ride, or maybe, just a look out the window can help us store up enough beauty to last through the winter season ahead.

Students Lose Money if They Quit School

The Belmont Banner in a recent editorial pointed out that "Students who quit school are throwing away future earnings." The editorial said that teenagers who have quit should return to school because in the long run it will mean thousands of dollars to them.

The interesting facts the Banner brings out from the 1950 census about education and earning powers should be of vital interest in young Cherokee County.

Said the Banner:

"One of the findings of the 1950 census was that men over 24 who had completed eight years of grade school received an average annual income of \$2,533. Those who had graduated from high school, however, averaged \$3,285 a year, an increase of over \$700.

"Moreover, the same study showed that those who had four years of college received an average annual wage of \$4,407. This is an increase of about \$1,500 over the average annual earnings of men over 24, who only had eight years of grade school.

"It was also pointed out that the cash value of finishing the last year of high school, measured over a period of 40 working years, resulted in earnings of about \$15,000 for men and \$20,000 for women.

supporting the board and advising the Murphy Town Council of that resolution. After the Grange learns the facts, we believe it will pass such a resolution.

Just because the proposed planning and development board is to be set up by the Town of Murphy officials, it does not necessarily follow that the board will function only for the good of

Murphy. As we understand it, this Murphy board is just the first step toward a county-wide planning and development organization that can be established in the future.

The Grange, with its reputation for community betterment, can do much to influence Town Council's decision to establish a planning and development board. We hope they use it.

"It would appear, therefore the youngster who has quit school, or adults who never finished high school, should make every effort to return to high school, or go to college, if possible. When one thinks of this school training in terms of a portable 10, 20, 30 or 40 thousand dollars, the argument to return to school seems pretty convincing."

"We are all too familiar with the success stories of many business men who did not finish school. Their achievements are remarkable, and these men are sometimes the community's leading businessmen and best citizens. However, these are the exception rather than the rule. They do not change statistics.

reports from OTHER EDITORS

THE CHANGE PROVES CONFUSING

For some reason it has become popular for married women to use their maiden given name instead of that of their husbands, especially those who

hold positions of importance. And, to be honest about it, we don't think too much of the tendency in that direction.

The reason we don't like it is because in all too many instances few people would know who Mrs. Sylvania Doe is, while practically everybody would know her if she listed her name as Mrs. John Doe.

Recently we read a list of public school teachers, many of who were married women. In every case the married teachers were listed with their maiden

given names. And in checking the list we knew only a few of the teachers as listed. Had the given names

or initials of their husbands been used, then we would have known practically all of them.

The same trouble often results in the write-ups of deaths and funerals appearing in the newspapers when the maiden given name of the deceased is listed

instead of that of the husband. Not long ago we heard of one person who failed to get to a funeral

because the story of the death and funeral carried the given name of the wife of a friend. He did not connect the two from reading the story. Let's get

back to the old style of listing Mrs. Sylvania Doe as Mrs. John Doe, if John is living.

(Sampson Independent)

JOBS FOR THE HANDICAPPED

A Presidential committee urges that five per cent of the labor force of business as a whole be made up of handicapped workers. If this goal is reached, the 2,000,000 who are disabled at the present time would be given jobs, and so would the

250,000 who become disabled each year. Of last year's rehabilitated disabled, jobs were found for only 65,000.

Hiring the handicapped is good business too. A Bureau of Labor Statistics study found that handicapped workers have lower accident rates, lower absentee rates, five to nine times less turnover, and a better production record than others.

Every business, large or small, should do what it can to help this nation reach that five per cent goal.

(The McDowell News)

Cherokee Chatter

BY BILL COSTELLO

Now that football season is here some Murphy folks are making their get-away each week end to follow their favorite teams. I hope I can make a few games myself.

DOUBLE HEADERS

For the season's opener, several cars went to Atlanta from here to see Tech-Miami in the afternoon and Georgia-Ole Miss that night.

And BILL HOOVER was looking for someone to go with him last week end for the Wake Forest-South Carolina game and the

North Carolina game that night. "Doc" is on the board of trustees

at Wake Forest and I think he had to be at the school for a meeting.

I wish I could have gone with him. I know he enjoyed that Wake Forest game.

NEW PAPA

I saw HERMAN EDWARDS eating Sunday dinner alone downtown and he said WANDA and that new baby girl is doing just fine. I forgot to ask him what the girl's name is and he forgot to give me a cigar. I'll collect both the next time I see him.

A TRUE ATHEIST

Talking about football, ARNOLD BEERKENS told me about the definition of an atheist he recently heard. It is a man who does not care how the Notre Dame-SMU game came out. Their true words.

BUECK'S APPOINTMENT

H. Bueck is a right busy man these days getting committees lined up for this White House conference on Public Education. Bueck and Murphy received quite an honor to my way of thinking when he was appointed to Governor Hodges' state committee.

Bueck is one of only 34 North Carolinians on the Tar Heel Committee that will go to Washington in November.

TWO MACHINES

This week's Scout marks the first issue to be published using two Linotype machines. Final adjustments were made on the second machine Monday morning and it was put into full operation.

By operating two machines, the Scout will be able to put out a better paper and do away with that hard, last minute grind Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning.

Bible Comment

Jesus Lived His Life In Prayer

THE Gospels give us much evidence of the prayers and petitions that were in every sense a way of life for Jesus.

Jesus prayed for Peter, that his faith should not fail. He prayed for the chosen disciples, that God the Father would give them a Comforter who would abide with them forever.

Jesus prayed for the disciples, not that they should be taken out of the world, but that they should be kept from the world's evil and sanctified through the truth, which is the word of God. And in that same prayer He prayed for all who should believe through them, that they all might be united in spirit, even as He and the Father were one.

The ministry of Jesus began in prayer, for He prayed at His baptism, and He prayed near the end of His Resurrection ministry, in the agonizing prayer in Gethsemane, that the cup might pass. He prayed in the hour of Calvary for the forgiveness of those who crucified Him.

And if the cry of His suffering, "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?" was a prayer, a prayer also was the prayer of submission to the divine will: "Father, into Thy hands I commend My spirit," in fulfillment of the prayer in Gethsemane, "not My will, but Thine, be done."

Thus it was that Jesus prayed. He told us how to pray, not only in the words of what we call "The Lord's Prayer," but in the example of a life of continuous prayer.

It's the TALK O' THE TOWN

By Emily Costello

Men have no comprehension in the world of how a woman thinks! In fact, there is nothing more confusing than a man's reasoning on a woman's mind.

Take, for instance, one man I know pretty well, on the subject of new permanents. Now anybody knows a right new permanent doesn't look good in anybody's book. And women realize this. So when they comment, they almost always say it'll look good in a couple weeks.

But, this man says women rave over another woman's new permanent knowing all the time her hair looks like a straw pile. They do this, he says, so that the woman with the new permanent will think she's beautiful and will go on looking like a straw pile. And, the woman who compliments the permanent will then be assured that her own hair will always look better than the friend's.

Now, if that's not mixed-up thinking I don't know what is. But speaking of permanents reminds me of a quip I read in Reader's Digest about beauty parlors that said, "A beauty parlor is a place where the talk alone is enough to curl your hair."

COLOR TELEVISION

Well, the W. D. TOWNSON'S, JR have bought color television and I think half the town is planning to go by and see it. But, Pearl was telling me the other day that so far no good. The new set makes the black and white programs turn greenish purple while on color programs all they get is different color dots. They were planning to have a technician out to look at it, but I think they said the main trouble will be to get rid of all the snow because the reception must be perfect for color programs.

GREENS GONE

JEAN and OMAR GREEN and little Omar left Monday for Arkansas to make their home. Jean and little Omar have been here for the past five months with her parents the WALT MAUNEYS. Arkansas is Omar's home state, but the Greens have made their home in Washington, D. C. for the past several years. I saw the Greens for the last time last week at the Toastmaster's Club ladies night when they were guests of the DR. GEORGE SIZES.

LADIES HONORED

The Toastmasters had their second ladies night last week. (Not for their second ladies, but the second time they had honored their wives at a ladies night.) And it was a nice event with pretty carnation corsages for the ladies. And we paid for the corsages by sitting through speeches made by various toastmasters members.

But, I'm just teasing about the speeches. They were really very, very good and entertaining. And I was surprised at the talent displayed. I especially enjoyed JACK BOCOOK'S witty talk on "A Good Man Is Hard To Find". Jack said he was taking advantage of his rare opportunity of lecturing for five uninterrupted minutes to his wife (and other wives present) on what a wonderful animal a husband is.

I was also amazed at DICK FORREST'S fine speech on "The Idol in the Living Room" in which he gave a dramatic breakdown of the intelligence-insulting programs on television.

Of course preachers are supposed to know how to make interesting speeches, although there are occasions when they don't. But, still it was a pleasure to hear FATHER JOSEPH DEAN of the Catholic Church in a positive and inspiring talk on "Grumbles and Grouches" with the theme "It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness".

CHESTER LAWSON presented a mighty well-organized speech on "Men and Motives" in which he called for action motivated by good.

There were other talks — impromptu and all were evaluated in a very interesting way. HELEN BEERKENS (Mrs. Arnold) was in charge of the flowers for the tables and they were really beautiful — mostly goldenrod and other wild flowers and marigolds. SKEETER BOCOOK assisted Helen in the arrangements.

WILD CHASE

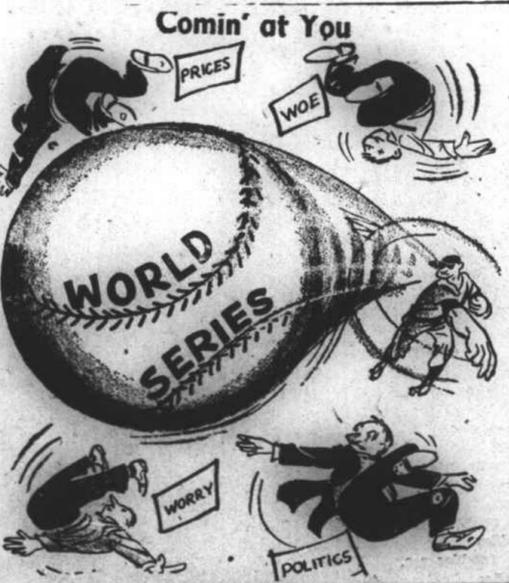
I went on a wild pig chase with FRAN PUETT the other afternoon. Actually her heart was right when she invited me along and she didn't know how our trip would turn out when we started. But she had asked me to go with her out to Culberson to make a picture of a nice litter of pigs a Four-H Club pig chain pig had. But, I enjoyed the visit with MRS. RALPH THOMPSON and little sons, and daughter, LAVONNE (the Four-H'er who owns the mamma pig).

I've seen lovely pictures of Four-H Club members and their pigs and their pigs' pigs, but somehow "Penny Lee" and her brood wouldn't cooperate and although we chased around the pig lot for some time we never got a picture.

But you can take my word for it "Penny Lee" does have a nice big litter of 12 little Yorkshires. Lavonne is an active Four-H girl. She is a pretty 12 year old in the eighth grade at Ranger School and has participated in the poultry chain, pig chain, canning, cooking, sewing, dress revue and other Four-H projects. Her father, Ralph Thompson, was one of the county unit test farmers.

PRETTY PINK HOUSE

On our way home Fran and I drove around the Snow Hill Road just to see GERALDINE and D. L. MEADOWS' new home. It's awfully pretty and is in a nice grove setting. The house is pink and is modern in design. I don't know what the inside is like, but you can bet it will be lovely time Geraldine finishes decorating it.



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A Backward Glance

5 YEARS AGO

Thursday, Oct. 5, 1950

Miss Mary Cornwell of Waynesville was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Donley.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scroggs, Jr. and two daughters, Jackie and Fredda, of Rome, Ga., visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Scroggs, Sr. and Anna Ruth of Tomolia over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Townson, Jr. and children, Billy, Barbara, and Jerry, are spending some time in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Weldon Helton purchased a bulldozer in Athens, Tenn., recently. Mr. and Mrs. Nat Penland of the Midway section visited in the Penland Cove Sunday.

10 YEARS AGO

Thursday, Oct. 4, 1945

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Dalrymple of Fontana Dam are visiting friends and relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Wilson of Tacoma, Wash., visited their niece, Miss Marie Price here last week.

Dale Lee is in Hornbeak, Tenn., this week visiting his mother, Mrs. Homer Moultrie and Mr. Moultrie. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Cole and Mrs. Sherman Cole of Shuler Creek made a business trip to Copperhill Friday.

Mrs. J. H. Brendle was in Atlanta last week for an interview with the Red Cross.

20 YEARS AGO

Thursday, Oct. 3, 1935

L. L. Mason, former Cherokee County sheriff, has announced that he will be in Murphy Friday and Saturday to buy all kinds of cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sneed and daughter, Miss Ruth, of Copperhill, were visitors here last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Long will spend Friday in Andrews.

Dr. and Mrs. J. N. Hill had as their dinner guests Saturday Dr. and Mrs. M. C. S. Noble, Jr., and son, Billy of Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mauney will attend the Cherokee Fair on Friday.

30 YEARS AGO

Friday, Sept. 25, 1925

There will be a horse swappers' convention at Culberson on October 1, 2, and 3, according to announcement the other day by L. M. Shields, president, J. W. Woody, secretary; and W. A. Nichols, director.

Mrs. Grace Freeman who is teaching at Culberson was in Murphy last Saturday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gartrell and Ben Jr. spent last Sunday in Blue Ridge.

W. H. Herbert of Warme was a business visitor here Monday.

STRICTLY FRESH

CITY fathers of Bellaire, Minn., have put the community jail up for sale, stating that "it might make a good zoo." Local shady characters apparently think otherwise, as there's been no non-keying around to necessitate maintaining a pokey.

Pranksters in Huy, Belgium, switched road route signs, causing majority of a group of road-racing fans to wind up in one-way streets and muddy fields. Local traffic experts, take note.

Fellow in Detroit, Mich., has had his thirst slaked for from three to 15 years. Threw a chunk of concrete through window of



a closed bar and helped himself to a few drinks "because I was thirsty." He's now in, instead of at, the jug.

Bookmaker in London, England, has learned never to bet on a filly. Winked at a pretty girl who promised him a date and kept it by hauling him into court for illegal bookmaking. She was a policewoman.

Tenor in Montecatini, Italy, sang a solo in a cageful of lions but refused to render an encore of "You Will Again See the Embalmed Forests." Was afraid his friends would have a chance to see an embalmed tenor.