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MEET W. A. (DUB) SINGLETON



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W. A. (Dub) Singleton, owner and operator of Western Auto Associate Store, Native of Westminister, S. C. moved to Murphy eight years ago. Married Jean Agnew. Has three children, Sarah, 14, Knox 11, and Martha 4. Serves on Town Board of Commissioners; president of Youth Baseball Committee; chairman of Regional Library Board; Sunday School teacher, Elder in Murphy Presbyterian Church; director of Chamber of Commerce, Past Master of Cherokee Mason Lodge; secretary, treasurer of Cub Scout Pack, vice president Asheville Presbyterian Men of the Church. Makes his home on Valley River Avenue.

John H. Stanley's Retirement Is Announced

On June 30, the U. S. Forest Service announced the retirement of John H. Stanley. Mr. Stanley's retirement comes after his having served 32 years and three months in the service. The years of service cover assignments in North Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, and Mississippi, in various capacities.

On the occasion of Mr. Stanley's retirement, J. K. Vessey, Regional Forester of Region 8, Atlanta, Ga. made the following comments: "During your long career with the Forest Service you have had a hand in promoting the activities of national forest development and conservation throughout many sections in the Southern Region. I am sure that, were you to travel through the Region, you could see in many places the accomplishments on the ground that you have helped developed; and as you look back over your career, I believe you will derive a sense of great satisfaction from knowing this is true."

Mr. Stanley has been stationed in Murphy, since July 1954, being assigned to Timber management activities on the Tusquitee District, of Nantahala National Forest.

After August 1, the Stanleys will move to their home in Atlanta, Georgia.

Deputy Sheriffs Quit As Fee System Cancels Monthly Salaries, Says Sheriff

Cherokee County Teachers For August 26 Opening Named By Lloyd Hendrix

Cherokee County Schools will open August 26 for the 1959-60 term. Lloyd W. Hendrix, superintendent of Cherokee County Schools system has announced.

Teachers will report for duty August 24 and students will arrive on August 25 for registration, assignment of textbooks and other assignments.

Following is a list of the teachers for the coming year.

Ranger: Douglas H. Smith, Mrs. Ruth D. Carroll, Mrs. Luella J. Newman, Mrs. Osie S. Foster, Mrs. Sallie K. White, Mrs. Evangeline S. Johnson, Mrs. Violet L. Storm, Mrs. Ruby Kate Watson, Mrs. Jean W. Alexander, Mrs. Ruth H. Smith, Vincent W. Crisp, Rev. C. A. Smith, Wolf Creek; J. Alden Cook, Mrs. Myrtle Moore.

Hiwassee Dam: Harest E. King, Rev. H. Lester Stowe, W. Grady Anderson, Paul Ray Hawkins, Charles L. Forrister, Lyle B. Carringer, Mrs. Vesta R. King, Edwin Hendrix, Miss Jewell E. Garrett, R. L. Keenum, Mrs. Edith M. Evans, Miss Bernice Boring, Mrs. Ruby

W. Wilcox, Mrs. Thelma K. Kisselburg, Mrs. Vesta T. Verner, Mrs. Beulah B. Sales, Mrs. Lois H. McNabb, Mrs. Annie Lou Rogers, Mrs. Edith S. Anderson, James C. Evans, Mrs. Anna Pearl Woodard, Walter Anderson.

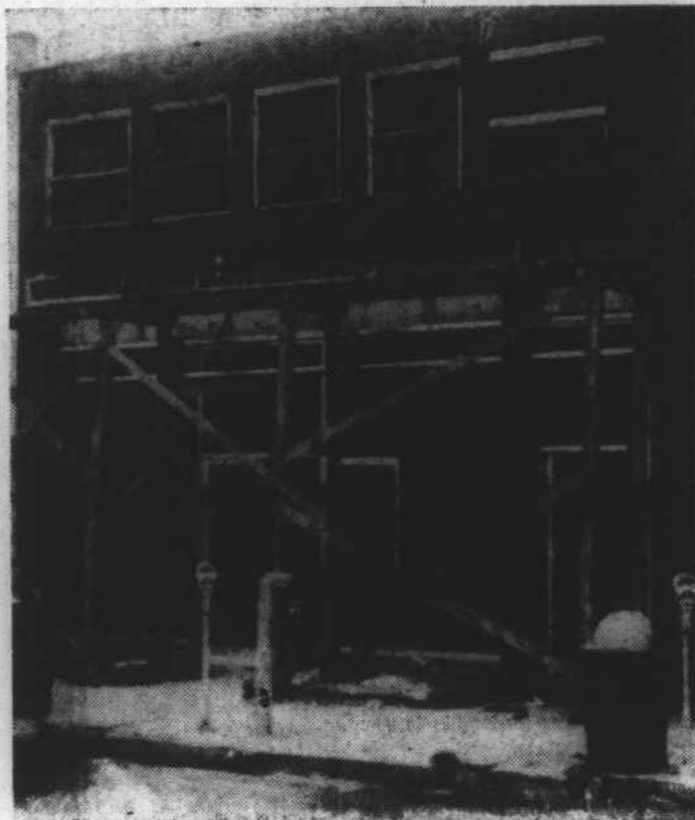
Unaka: Mrs. Bertha S. Chambers, Miss Doris Hendrix, Mrs. Mattie Lou M. Penland, Mrs. Lucile M. Morrow.

White Church: Mrs. Addilee B. Brown, Mrs. Vey A. McDonald, Mrs. Florence W. Gentry, Mrs. Nellie H. Morrow, Miss Ruby Radford, John T. Smart Jr.

Peachtree: Clarence Hendrix, Mrs. Thelma P. Axley, Mrs. Irene K. Stowe, Miss Dale Sudderth, Mrs. Marcella H. Smith, Verlon Martin Jr.

Martin's Creek: R. C. Pipes, Mrs. Bertha H. Carringer, Mrs. Ruby M. Hemphill, Mrs. Darlene C. Lovingood, John W. Hogan, Miss Geraldine R. Smith, James P. Crisp, Miss Marie Gregory.

Supervisor: Mrs. Maggie Belle K. Pinson.



BEING REMODELED

Formerly Davidson's, this store building on Valley River Avenue is being remodeled. A complete new front has been added to the store. Jabaley Department Store will open a new branch in the building. Jabaley managed in Murphy by Ray Joseph, will have two stores in Murphy. Mr. Joseph said it is hoped the store will be ready in about a month.

Two-Way Radios Taken Out Of Cars; Can't Inforce Law, Sheriff Tells

The two deputy sheriffs in Cherokee County have resigned and Sheriff Claude Anderson claims it is now impossible to secure deputies who will work under the recently started fee system.

Mr. Anderson also reported in a prepared statement that the county commissioners have taken the way radios out of the Sheriff departments cars.

The sheriff says he knows of no reason for this move other than "political."

Mr. Anderson said that law enforcement is all but "impossible" with just one person on duty.

Charles White and Lofton West resigned after their \$175 monthly salary was done away with by a bill introduced in the legislature by Mrs. G. W. Cover of Andrews went into effect.

The bill stipulated that the deputies would not receive salaries, but would collect fees for duties performed. Sheriff Anderson said the fee system "is insufficient for a living."

Sheriff Anderson is the only full time agent of the Sheriff Department at this time. He said it is almost impossible for one person to enforce the law in the county.

He said that the fee system had been tried before and found not satisfactory in other counties and he does not feel that it will work properly here.

"Why," he said, "I could make \$30 or \$40 per day by the fee system if I wanted to, but I don't feel that it is right."

Mr. Anderson said he has not been informed of the reason for the removal of the two-way radios from the Sheriff Department's cars.

"A man just came down and took them out. I don't know why."

Following is the statement Mr. Anderson issued on the subject. It is presented in full.

"I feel that the people of Cherokee County should be informed as to what has happened with reference to law enforcement in Cherokee County by the Sheriffs Department. Prior to June 1, 1959 there were two full time Deputy Sheriffs working in the enforcement of law in Cherokee County. These men were Charles White of Murphy and Lofton West of Andrews and these Deputy's had been receiving a salary of \$175.00 per month each. Mrs. G. W. Cover, the member of the legislature from Cherokee County introduced a bill in the legislature which was passed and ratified terminating the salaries of both of these Deputy Sheriffs. This law became effective about June 1, 1959. After this bill became effective both of these Deputy Sheriffs resigned and since their resignation I have been unable to procure good Deputy Sheriffs who would agree to serve on a full time basis for fees. When the law was enacted cutting off the salaries of the Deputy Sheriffs they were placed on a fee basis which is insufficient for a living. The net result is that I have had the entire burden and responsibility of law enforcement, service of all process, both civil and criminal, as well as the duties of jailer. Since I am the only law enforcement officer now left in the Sheriffs Department on a full time basis I find that it is difficult for one person to render the service needed and required to properly enforce the law of this county.

In addition to taking the salaries from the two full time Deputy Sheriffs, the County Commissioners have recently deprived the Sheriffs Department of the use of the two-way radios heretofore utilized in law enforcement and used by the Sheriff and the two Deputies in their automobiles in order that they might communicate with each other. The radios used by the Sheriff and the two Deputy Sheriffs were recently removed from their vehicles and

the jail by order of the Board of the County Commissioners and the Sheriffs Department is now without this means of communication.

I feel that the people of Cherokee County should be informed about what has happened in order that they may understand that it might be difficult to obtain the Sheriff or a Deputy without waiting for some time after having called for the reason that the Sheriff has the responsibility of enforcing law throughout the county without the assistance of Deputies who are full time employees."

Rev. W. A. Hedden Dies After Short Illness

The Rev. W. A. (Will) Hedden, 65, died at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in a Murphy hospital following a brief illness.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Martin Hill Baptist Church near Hayesville. The Revs. Freed Townsend and J. Alton Morris officiated, and burial was in the church cemetery.

A native of Clay County, he was the son of the late Gus and Adeline Lyons Hedden. Mr. Hedden had been a minister for 39 years, serving churches in Western North Carolina and East Tennessee.

At the time of his death, Mr. Hedden was pastor of Sweetwater Baptist Church.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Edna Martin Hedden; six daughters, Mrs. Pearl McDonald and Miss Fannie Hedden, both of Murphy, Miss Eunice Hedden of the home, Mrs. Donnie Arp of Cleveland, Tenn., Mrs. Kate Rogers of Benton, Tenn., Mrs. Bernice Forster of Asheville; five sons, Robert, Paul and Eugene, all of the home; Charles of Brasstown and William of Andrews; 16 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; a brother, the Rev. Arch Hedden of Canton, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Mae Worley and Mrs. Jessie Brown of Warne.

Palbearers were Gid Laney, Virgil Rogers, Charles Coleman, Andy Stewart, Wayne and Ralph Brown.

Ivie Funeral was in charge of arrangements.

Bill Ensley Named Coach For Andrews High

ANDREWS—Bill Ensley has been elected coach at Andrews High School for the 1959-60 school term according to an announcement by Charles O. Frazier, Superintendent.

A native of Bryson City, Mr. Ensley is a graduate of Swain High School. He attended Western Carolina College and Lenoir-Rhyne College in Hickory.

During the past year he was coach at North Buncombe High School in Buncombe County.

Ensley will begin his duties here when practice starts on Wednesday, August 12 for the Andrews High football team, which last year won State A championship title. The team has begun getting in shape for the coming season.

COLEMAN REUNION PLANNED SUNDAY

The Coleman Family reunion will be held Sunday at Charles Coleman's residence on Hiwassee Street.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Savings Bond Sales Climb In County

E and H Savings Bonds sales in North Carolina during June were \$3,733,156.90. This brings the state's total sales for the first six months of this year to \$23,793,342.02.

Cumulative sales for January-June represent 46.6 per cent of the state's 1959 sales quota of \$51 million dollars.

In Cherokee County, sales for the month of June were \$18,615.30; for the year to date \$122,644.75; which is 50.1 per cent of the country's quota for 1959, according to W. D. Whitaker, County Chairman.

David M. Hall Announces Examination Date

Congressman David M. Hall, 12th District of North Carolina, announced that the competitive examination for entrance to the U. S. Coast Guard Academy will be held nationwide on February 23 and 24, 1960.

These examinations will be given in 118 cities.

Congressman Hall emphasized the opportunity offered young men who choose this four-year course which leads to a commission as a career officer in America's oldest sea-going service and a Bachelor of Science degree.

"There are no appointments or geographical quotas for entrance to the Coast Guard Academy," he said. "I urge all qualified young men who are interested in this worthwhile profession to write for details and application as soon as possible to Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D. C. Applications must be postmarked on or before January 10th."

A candidate for the next examination for the Coast Guard Academy must be single, must have reached his seventeenth but not his twenty-second birthday by July 1, 1960 and must be in excellent physical condition.

A high school diploma is the minimum educational requirement, although high school seniors assured of being graduated by June 30 are eligible to take the examination if they will have at least 15 credits by that time. All applicants must have three units of English, two of Algebra, and one in Plane Geometry by graduation.

John Gibson To Speak At First Baptist

John Gibson of Boone, will preach at the First Baptist Church Sunday. The Pastor, J. Alton Morris, will leave Saturday for County, Ga., where he will be engaged in revival services August 9 through August 14.

Boys Interested In Football Asked To Meet

Murphy High School Coach Chuck McConnell has announced that all boys interested in going out for football at the high school this year, are requested to meet at the school gym Monday at 10 a.m.

SERVICE SET

The Rev. Raymond Carroll will be at Upper Peachtree Baptist Church Sunday night along with his gospel singers.

Homecoming at the church will be held on the fifth Sunday.

Rev. Dargan Butt To Deliver Episcopal Sermon

Church School at the Mission Episcopal Church will be conducted at 9:45 a.m. Sunday and Holy Communion will be conducted at 11 a.m.

The sermon will be delivered by the Rev. E. Dargan Butt of Northwestern Theological Seminary at Chicago, Ill.

There will be no early communion at 7:30 a.m.

Lot To Offer

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

Did it ever occur to you just how much Murphy and this general area has to offer in the way of amusements and recreation?

Well when you stop to think about it, there is a whole passle of them.

We have the lake here which, of course, is full of fish. Then there are the mountains which are wonderful for hunting or just looking around.

A little piece up the road there is the Cherokee Reservation and the play, "Ono These Hills." There is also the John C. Cambell Folk School that can be called recreation and as well educational.

By next spring, there should be a lot more recreational activities entered at Hiwassee Dam Recreation area.

Get right down to the matter, Cherokee County is a right fine place to live and work.

Seems to me that if we let more folks know about what we have to offer here, there we would have more folks coming here to see and work better assets. could we have than more people moving here each year.

If the county did a little more advertising, like some of these spots around the country, I feel that it sure would pay off in a big way.

The Wagon Train Celebration did a whole lot to help Cherokee County get national recognition, but not near enough.

Sometimes when you are driving along, just try to count the number of signs you see advertising Rock City. It will surprise you.

Sincerely,

I. D. Clare



If you fish with Red and Reel or a Pole, you will find equipment here to suit your every fishing need.

WESTERN AUTO ASSOCIATE STORE

MRS. PAT MASON, niece of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Evans, Route 4, Murphy.

NICE CATCH