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Summer Recreation Employees Loaded With Degrees

The Murphy Summer Recreation program employees, who operate the swimming pool and all other recreation facilities at the ball park except Little League Baseball, are literally loaded with college degrees.

Together the staff of five men and one woman have had 20 years of college work and six college degrees.

John Jordan, director in charge of the program, holds his BS and MA degrees in Education and Administration.

John Thompson, holds BS and MA degree in science and he is in charge of the purification and filtration of the water system, as well as the finances of the Swimming Pool.

Chuck McConnell holds BS and MA degrees in physical education and is in charge of the gymnasium and outdoor program.

Hubert Sneed and Bill Browning, lifeguards, have three and two years college work respectively.

Ranch - Type Home To Be Constructed

ANDREWS—Construction of a ranch-type home will be built on Aquone Road next to the Joe Elkhorn property. It has been announced following grading and clearing which is in progress.

The home will be built for the corner of the Home Missions of Ohio. He plans to occupy the home when it is completed.

Msgr. Conner has traveled extensively, including visits to the Holy Land.

Permission will be granted to the Catholic church of Murphy for the use of one of the rooms to hold services.



Meet... L. L. Mason

NO. 2 IN A SERIES

L. L. Mason Mayor of Murphy, marries former Dorothy Nix Snow of Asheville. Attended Mars Hill College, Wake Forest College, Wake Forest Law School, Claude L. Love Law School, Past Bar examination in Aug. 1950. Elected mayor of Murphy 1952, has served three terms. Is County attorney, Mason and member and director of Civilian Club. Secretary of local Bar Association. Member North Carolina and North Carolina State Bar Association. He has two children, Johnny Snow, 14 and Janie Lee, 4. Mr. and Mrs. Mason and family make their home on Valley River Avenue. He was born Dec. 17, 1924, a son the late L. L. Mason Sr. and Mrs. Mason. He attended Murphy City schools.

American Legion Auxiliary Covered Dish Supper Set

Mrs. S. C. Burgess family will be host to the American Legion Auxiliary and American Legion annual covered dish supper Tuesday, August 25 at 6:30 p.m. at the Burgess Farm at Marble.

All members are invited to attend and to bring their families. Those wishing to swim are asked to come early.

Speaker for the event will be Margaret Ann Wilcox, this year's representative to Girl State.

Murphy High School Bulldogs Begin Work For Coming Football Season

Presbyterian Methodist Young People To Unite In Youth Activities Week

The young people of the Murphy Presbyterian Church and the First Methodist Church will unite in a Youth Activities Week beginning Thursday night, August 20, and continuing through Sunday night, August 23.

The Thursday night meeting will be at the Methodist Church at 7:30, and the Friday night meeting will be at the Presbyterian Church. Plans include a hamburger fry

at the Campbell Folk School on Saturday night.

The theme which has been chosen for the older young people is "Making my Vow on Christian." The Intermediates will discuss the topic "The Meaning of the Christian Faith."

All young people in the community from the ages of twelve and up will be welcome at the meetings.

Fall From Truck Fatal To Child, 5

ROBBINSVILLE—William Roy Bridges, 5, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hoyle Bridges of Robbinsville was injured fatally late last Wednesday afternoon when he fell from the rear of a truck near his home.

The child suffered head injuries and was taken to an Andrews hospital where he died at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Services were conducted at 2:30 p.m. last Friday at the home.

The Rev. Boyd Eller and the Rev. Clarence Adams officiated. Burial was in the Meigs Cemetery.

In addition to the parents, the child is survived by five brothers, Ray Bridges, in the Army in Germany, and Jerry, Leonard, Larry and Charles, all of the home; and four sisters, Miss Nancy Bridges of Waynesville, and Mary, Ruth and Katrina Bridges, all of the home.

Townson Funeral Home, Murphy, was in charge of arrangements.

Swimming Pool To Close August 30

H. L. McKeever, chairman of the Murphy Summer Recreation Board, announced Monday that the Swimming Pool would not be open after August 30.

John Jordan, director announced that during the past summer 120 persons had registered for the beginners swimming class or children's class, and in addition, 30 adult women had registered for the Mrs. George Size Swimming class. There were 15 swimmers registered in to course in advance swimming, water safety, and diving.

During the summer the Murphy Swimming Pool attracted swimmers from Andrews, Hayesville, and near by Georgia Counties as well as tourists.



ENLISTS

Jean Burgess, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burgess of Murphy Route 2 is shown following her enlistment in the WAVES recently in Columbia, S. C. The new WAVE graduated from Murphy High School in 1958 and attended Berry College, Mt. Berry, Ga. this past year. She is undergoing training at the Naval Training Center, Bainbridge, Md.

First Methodist Church Tells July Honor Roll

The First Methodist Church School honor roll for July is as follows:

Nursery: Rebecca Quinn, Robert Scott, Bobby Forsyth, Mrs. Gay Davidson, Mrs. W. B. Johnson and Joe Lochaby.

Kindergarten: Sharon Lochaby, Bill McKeever, Karen Watson and Mrs. Hugh Howard.

Primary I: Donna Wilson and Steve Wells. Primary II: Wayne Wells and Benny Scott. Primary III: Sunny Carter, Ellen Davis and Miss Adella Meroney.

Junior IV: Tommy Clark, Diane Wilkins, Freddie Lochaby, Betsy Scott and Judy Quinn. Junior V: Elaine Martin and Jan Davidson. Junior VI: Judy Brittain, Ann Lochaby, Wayne Watson, Jane Whitley, Mickey Holland, and Mrs. L. F. Lochaby.

Intermediates: Dean Anderson, Virginia Wells and Billy Forsyth. Seniors: Linda Houts, Kay Davidson, Lynn Whitley, Phil Mattox and Bobby Weaver.

Young Adult Class: Merle Davis, Martha Davis and Helen Lochaby. Mens Bible Class: Jim Greene, Paul Hyatt, Hugh Howard, A. Q. Ketner, Frank Taylor, Hugh Brittain, Alden Coward, Jerry Davidson, John W. Davidson, Rev. W. F. Elliott, Howard Martin and Frank Mauney.

Law Of Gravity May Slow Down Latin Athletes

The law of gravity may take some inches off the records of Latin American athletes when they compete in the Pan-American Games in Chicago.

To most sports fans, Newton and Einstein are out of their element on the playing field. But the Book Encyclopedia explains that the force of gravity — which keeps third base on the ground and prevents a high jumper from clearing the moon — varies over the earth's surface. It gets weaker as one travels toward the equator or farther above sea level.

This means that a javelin thrown in the Panama Canal Zone would travel 3 1/2 inches farther than in Madison, Wisconsin. It would travel about one foot farther than at the North Pole.

A broad jumper would leap 3/8 inches farther in Texas than he would in Massachusetts. And a shot-put thrown 50 feet in Finland would travel an inch farther in Rome.

The upshot is that most Latin American athletes will be fighting stronger gravity in Chicago. All other conditions being equal, it might be difficult to set any records over those established in the second Pan-American Games held in Mexico City in 1955.

The capital of Mexico sits on a high plateau more than 7,000 feet above sea level, and not too far from the equator. Chicago, many degrees north of the equator, barely keeps its feet dry at 600 feet above sea level.

The best place for setting records probably would be in Lima, Peru. Nestled in equatorial mountains, Lima has the world's weakest gravity.

Of course, the variations of Mother Earth give no side an advantage in a particular contest. But, theoretically, they could foul up international records.

What do the gentlemen with tape measures do about all this? They ignore it. They figure it will all come out right in the end.

Coach McConnell Says He Cannot Be Optimistic About Coming Season

Fifty two high school boys have started practice for the Murphy High School Bulldog's first game scheduled for September 4 against Andrews High School at Andrews.

With four first string lettermen back from last year, Coach Chuck McConnell said he cannot be optimistic about the coming season.

Lola J. Freeman Wins Power Board Free Vacation

Mrs. Lola J. Freeman, 108 Shaw Street, Athens, Alabama, won the top award of \$1000 in cash or a free vacation for two in Nassau in the "Let's Take A Vacation" air conditioning program sponsored by the Tennessee Valley Public Power Association throughout the Tennessee Valley.

The drawing for the top prize in this program was made at 2 p.m., August 3, in the lobby of the Tennessee Valley Public Power Association offices in Chattanooga, Tennessee, from thousands of entries from the whole Tennessee Valley area.

J. Wiley Bowers, executive secretary of the association, said that Mrs. Freeman chose to take the \$1,000 in cash and was "very happy and excited." Bowers added that Mrs. Freeman and her husband, Edward Freeman, have just moved into a new house and that according to Mrs. Freeman "the money will come in mighty handy."

Bowers said that 78 distributors of TVA power and electric appliance dealers in seven states took part in the "Let's Take a Vacation" residential air conditioning program. The program ran from May 15 through July 18, and any consumer of the participating distributors of TVA power could register for the prizes.

The program also featured a free electric air conditioner given away locally by each participating distributor and a \$10 cash bonus paid to residential consumers who bought room air conditioners during the program.

Mrs. Freeman registered with the Athens Electric Department. John D. Marlin, Jr., is manager of this system.

Mrs. Nora Cobb White Spencer, Aunt Of Baseball Great, Dies In Hospital

Mrs. Nora Cobb Spencer, 79, an aunt of baseball's immortal Ty Cobb, died at 5 p.m. Friday in a hospital here following a long illness.

She was the youngest of six children born to William Herschel Cobb and Mary Elizabeth Cobb at the old John F. Cobb homestead nine and a half miles south of here. The house is now approximately 100 years old.

Mrs. Spencer taught school for 45 years; 31 of them in her home community of Martin's Creek, and also taught music at her home up to her final illness.

She had served at Murphy High School in addition to doing her school work in her home community. Mrs. Spencer also wrote poetry, which was published, and a manuscript, "Cobb Creek," which was not published. It concerns the community in which the Cobb home is located.

One book of her poems, "Musings from the Old Cobb Homestead," was published by Stephens Press of Asheville. She dedicated it to her mother.

Those returning are Manuel McDonald, Frank Hill, R. G. Hembree and Virgil Decker.

So far, Mr. McConnell said, there has been no injuries during practice.

Mr. McConnell said that Andrews should be more than ready for the opening game of the season. Andrews last year took the state class A championship after an undefeated season. They tied one game with Sylva.

"Andrews should be in better shape this year than last," Coach McConnell said. "And they will probably have better material," he said.

The Bulldogs will face the same season this year as last. They won five, lost four and tied one game last year.

Coach McConnell said that one of the main faults with this year's team prospect is that the boys are young and has never played football.

He said that if the midget football league that has been suggested becomes a reality, then it should add to the future prospects of the team.

Following is a schedule of the Bulldogs games: Sept. 4, Andrews at Andrews; Sept. 11 Sylva at Sylva; Sept. 18, West Fanning at Murphy; Sept. 23, Robbinsville at Murphy; October 2, Swain at Murphy; October 9 Hayesville at Hayesville; October 16, Cherokee at Cherokee; October 23, Franklin at Franklin; October 30, Andrews at Murphy; Nov. 6, Hayesville at Murphy.

American Legion Sets August Meeting

Joe Miller Elkins American Legion Post 96 of Murphy will hold its regular meeting at the Cherokee County Courthouse at 7:30 p.m. Friday.



WON'T BE LONG NOW

The doors of Murphy schools open August 26 for the 1959-60 term. It is expected that some 1,600 students will be enrolled in the Murphy School unit along with approximately 1950 in the County unit. This includes both high school and elementary. Shown entering the school building above is Grier Ivie, Susanne Ivie and Phil Mattox.

Lack Of Knowledge

To The Editor:

Cherokee Scout
Murphy, North Carolina

Dear Editor:

This summer I had the privilege of living and working in your area for approximately six weeks as temporary head of the Nantahala Regional Library. This was a particularly enjoyable experience, and I would like to say that I have not seen the friendliness of the town of Murphy surpassed anywhere, and the beauty of the surrounding country is something that should be seen by everyone from East, West, North or South.

From my many years of experience in county and regional library work, I would also like to say that in your regional library setup you have an unusually fine organization, with a dedicated staff, a good basic book collection, cooperative librarians in the member libraries, and a good, new bookmobile. This is a service organization supplying books, processing, and advisory services to all the town libraries in Cherokee, Clay and Graham Counties, including Murphy's own Carnegie library. It was my impression that there is a widespread lack of knowledge or just what the Nantahala Regional Library is, where it is, what it does, and the relationship it bears to the town libraries. This is a headquarters unit, now housed in a separate building from the Murphy library; its activities are numerous; it is the nucleus of books, magazines, and technical services channelled to the public through its member library outlets.

At present too much of the support of this regional library service, which has been functioning in your three counties since 1941, comes from local funds or three counties. Almost three-fourths of it comes from the state and is subject to changing conditions in the legislature. Because state money can be used only for certain things and local money for others, what the items not interchangeable, operations are often handicapped by the lack of local funds.

A tri-county area has a very outstanding regional system which can improve the quantity and quality of its services only as the taxpayers lend it their improved support. I believe your area is a progressive one, and I hope that you and your staff, progressive people will make it a point to increasingly avail yourselves of library services that are there for you free for the asking, and that you will make it possible for Nantahala Regional Library to maintain and increase its good reputation by your continued and increasing support. To anyone who does not believe library service is worth it, I recommend one day as a visitor on the bookmobile.

Sincerely,
Eleanor F. Brown
Librarian
Deschutes County Library
Bend, Oregon

ED NOTE: L. D. Clare's letter will return to this spot next week.