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Four Per Cent Of Land Idle, Survey Reveals

The 1960 Farm Census indicates that seventy-seven percent of all the land in Cherokee County is used for woodlands or waste. Four percent of the available crop lands are idle.

County Commissioner chairman, W. S. Dickey said, "These idle lands should be planted in trees".

Further breakdown of the utilization of all land in farms shows that nine per cent is harvested cropland and ten per cent is all pasture.

The percent of total crops harvested shows corn leads at 47 per cent, followed by hay crops at 41 per cent, home gardens make up another 8 per cent while all other crops consists of only 4 per cent.

The 1960 census survey indicates the land uses and acres harvested for the crop year 1959.

According to the latest reports, both the production of commercial broilers and laying hens and pullets appear to be on the increase, while other livestock numbers are running on about the same level as previous years.

Of the 8,604 people reported to be living on farms, 1,455 worked 100 days or more during 1959 in off farm employment.

The Inquiring Reporter

by NED COMAR

The reporter contacted several persons who live in Cherokee County, and asked them this question: "What do you think is the solution to the current drag racing issue that confronts us here in Cherokee County?" The following people contacted and their answers are given.

William Larry Thomas, about 18 of Murphy: "I think a drag strip would help a lot if we had one. It would probably keep a lot of people from getting hurt on the highways. I think this would be the best solution to the drag racing problem."

Police Chief, Neil Sneed, of Murphy: "It will take the help of private citizens. I think that if we had some of the citizens of the county to pack us by getting license numbers and then coming in and making the report and going through with the charges as a witness in prosecution, that the drag racers would be much more likely to think before they engaged in a race on the highway."

"But Chief, many people would like to see drag racing on the highways stopped, but don't want their name involved in the prosecution of a person, because of that might be said or done or thought about the person reporting the racer," this reporter suggested.

"In that case, we could promise to keep their name confidential, when they call in, and the authorities could rush out to the place and possibly catch the racers in the act. Then no name would be needed. The tip would be appreciated and the same results would be effected."

Patrolman, E. N. Hooper of Andrews: "I think the solution to this problem lies in education. Getting into their heads the danger of this racing. This education should start at a very early age and the best method I have in mind is a three inch razor strap."

"I've heard some talk about a Citizen's Committee, I don't know whether this would be the right thing or not."

"I don't really know the solution," Hooper said. "As long as the people of the county don't want their name tied up in a case, we cannot stop racing on the highways. There are only two of us patrolmen here in the county and we cannot possibly be on every road."

Henry Reed, an electrician of Murphy: "I'm not much in favor with drag racing, unless they had a strip to race on. They have them in other places. I don't see why we can't have one here. Let them race. But do it on a strip set aside for this."

R. L. Phillips, a taxi driver: "There is plenty of property here that could be bought. The State could help buy a site for racing and let the boys who want to race do it legally, for they'll never stop drag racing on the highways until they can do it legally somewhere else."

S. S. Birchfield, mining foreman: "I've got a boy 17 years old that drives his brother's car most every Saturday night. I think it would be best to build them a drag track and form a hot-rod club and give a prize for the best driver. This would help to get them off the highway, endangering lives."

The Lions Club District Governor, Guder Cabe, will speak to the meeting of the Andrews Lions Club Thursday, Sept. 8 at 7 p.m. The president and secretary of each of the clubs in this district are urged to attend.

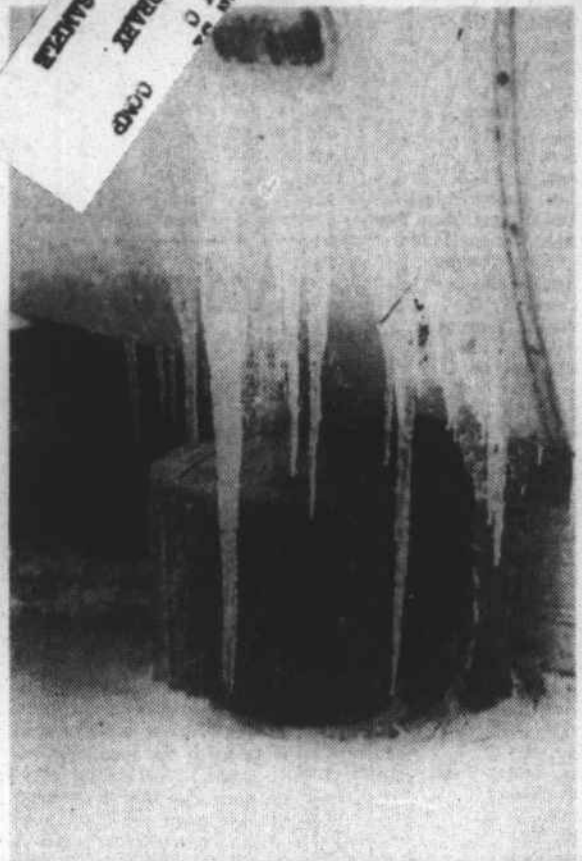
The meeting will be held at the Hampton Grill in Andrews.

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In case anyone is complaining about the warm weather, the following poem might help some folks remember how it was a few short months ago. The poem is by Earl Van Horn of Murphy.

Poem Brings Back Memories

"SNOW (A LAMENT)"
or
"WAKE ME UP COME NEXT JULY"
by
Earl Van Horn
Lovely, pure and white—concealing—
Makes for screwy auto'ing.
Quickly come'd but slowly go'd—
Skids you sideways down the road
Here today—Still here tomorrow.
Chains or booties you can't borrow.
Girls in bulky raiment gruesome
Making one into a twosome.
Schools and noses closed up tightly.
Extra blankets come out nightly.
Muddy floors and steaming mush
Portend a sea of oozy slush.
Please, Lord, I've had enough this year
—And help me find my other ear!

Bulldogs Open Season Against Copperbasin Hi

The Murphy Hi Bulldogs will open the 1960 football season against Copperbasin High School at Copperhill this Friday night at 8 p.m.

Coach Chuck McConnell has named the probable starting line up for the opening game: at left end, John Snow; left tackle, Charles Smith; left guard, Bobby Hall; Center, Eddie Ferguson; right guard, Hubert Hinton; right tackle, Roy Morris; right end, Jerry Kephart; quarterback, Bob Weaver; lefthalf, David Thompson; righthalf, Frank Hill; and fullback, Bud Killian.

The Copperbasin football stadium is located behind the new high school at Copperhill, Tenn. The Copperbasin team has an assistant coach Bill Thompson formerly of Murphy. Coach Thompson played football at Murphy Hi.

Coach McConnell said, "We have been able to get a lot of our practice sessions this week due to the good weather. The team is right on schedule." This game should prove to be an interesting one between two old rivals.

The Murphy Hi team will play at home next week.

Harley Gibson Charged With Manslaughter

Harley E. Gibson, 22, was charged with manslaughter by a coroner's jury last Thursday in the death of Paul Edward Jones, 21. He was released on \$2,000 bond. A hearing was set for September 12 in Cherokee County recorder's court.

Jones was fatally injured about midnight, August 21, in an automobile accident which climaxed a racing venture on Highway 60 near Culberson.

Dude Radford, Jess Horton, Lloyd Ramsey, Robert Hartness, and Mark Palmer assisted the Sheriff.

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Wreck Toll Continues To Mount In County

Holiday Caution On Roads Urged

Cherokee County added two more automobile accidents to its record during the past week. Both accidents occurred on US Highway 64 west of Murphy. A Volkswagen overturned Tuesday afternoon when the driver apparently fell asleep at the wheel and ran off the road. The other mishap involved a pickup truck and a house trailer.

Murphy Calendar

THURSDAY AND FRIDAY
Sept 1 and 2
1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. — U. S. Air Force Recruiter will be at the Post office in Andrews and at the Register of Deeds Office, Murphy to contact young men between the ages of 17 and 27.
7:30 P.M. — Community Prayer service at Free Methodist Church.
Rescue Squad First Aid training at Murphy Power Board. Official Board Meeting to be held at First Methodist Church.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 2
7:30 P.M. — Alcoholic Anonymous will meet at the Regal Hotel.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 3
7:30 P.M. — Cherokee Lodge No. 126 AF & AM will confer Master Mason degree. All Master Mason are invited to attend.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 4
ALL DAY — The Hampton Reunion will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Smith near Murphy.

11 A.M. — Services at First Methodist Church by Rev. R. T. Houts Jr.
Guest speaker at First Baptist Church, Rev. R. W. Prevost of Ooltewah, Tenn.

Services at Church of Messiah by Rev. Alex Hanson. The Rev. G. K. A. Haase will conduct services at Free Methodist Church.
Services at Presbyterian Church by Rev. R. A. Potter.

7:30 P.M. — Evening services at Free Methodist Church. Evening services at Presbyterian Church.
Evening services at First Baptist Church.
Services at the Church of Messiah.

MONDAY, SEPT. 5
3:15 P.M. — Celestial Choir practice at First Baptist Church.
6:30 P.M. — Meeting of the Rotary Club at Family Restaurant on Andrews Rd.

7:30 P.M. — Regular meeting of Cherokee Lodge No. 146 AF & AM will be held in the Masonic Hall.
8:00 P.M. — The Business Woman's Circle of First Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. I. M. Porter Jr.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 6
3 P.M. — Junior Fellowship will be held at Presbyterian Church.
3:30 P.M. — Carol Choir practice will be held at the First Baptist Church.
7 P.M. — Pioneer Senior group will meet at the Presbyterian Church.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 7
6:30 P.M. — Men of the Presbyterian Church monthly supper will be held at the church. Family Night to be held at First Methodist Church.
7:20 P.M. — Prayer service at Free Methodist Church.
8:00 P.M. — Hour of Power at First Baptist Church. Choir practice at Presbyterian Church. Choir practice at First Methodist Church.

8:30 P.M. — Church Choir practice at First Baptist Church.



TWO IS CAPACITY FOR RUMBLE SEAT

Mrs. La Wanda Bradley Blanton, member of the Eastern Band of the Cherokees, Cherokee, N. C., and mother of twin girls, shows the normal method of transporting small children on the Reservation, left, with Debora Lynn in the blanket. But when Debora Lynn is joined by her twin, Jamie Lou, right, it makes things pretty crowded—and heavy. Each baby weighs 22 pounds, for a total of 44, and Mrs. Blanton weighs only 104 pounds.

Churches Honor Carringer After Musical Concert

The congregations of the Presbyterian, Baptist and Episcopal churches joined with the congregation of the First Methodist Church in a special musical service presented by the Senior Choir of the Methodist Church, under the direction of Walter Carringer on Sunday evening, August 28. Following his choir concert Mr. Carringer was honored at an informal reception in the Church Social Room. Members of the John Wesley Sunday School Class served as hostesses for the reception.

NC Sweethearts To Attend Apple Festival

The North Carolina Sweethearts square dancing group are slated to appear at the Apple Festival in Hendersonville this week to defend their title as junior clogg champions, which they have held for the past two years.

The folk music and dance program will be staged Saturday, September 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school athletic stadium in Hendersonville. Some eight of the outstanding square dance teams of the area will compete. The North Carolina Sweethearts are under the direction of Mrs. J. B. Davis.

AUNT HET

I like to see everybody prosperous, but not too prosperous. They're nicest when they're makin' enough to be cheerful and not quite enough to be snooty.

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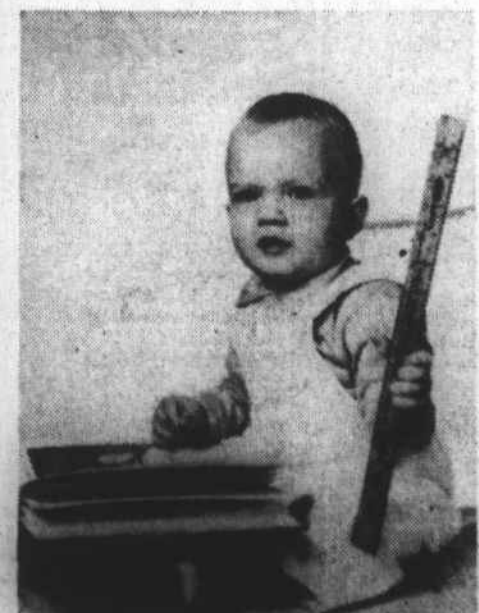
MURPHY, N. C.

MR. TIMMY DAVIS

Son Of

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Davis

smart people are want-ad minded!



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