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4¢ Tax Rate Increase Voted For County

County Schools To Benefit

The Cherokee County Commissioners unanimously agreed at their regular monthly meeting Monday to raise the county tax rate from \$1.68 to \$1.72 for the fiscal year 1961. The four cent increase was voted to offset rising county operating expenses.

The county school system is expected to receive the largest percentage of the money collected from the tax increase. Other factors effecting the increase were the recent legislation doubling the amount paid jurors, the triple increase for witnesses, and the increase in the salaries of the Clerk of Superior Court, the Deputy Clerk, Register of Deeds, and his assistant.

The new rate is now set at \$1.72 per \$100 evaluation of property in Cherokee County. In other business, the board hired Mrs. Betty Lee Breedlove as assistant county accountant effective Monday, May 8. Mrs. Breedlove will replace Mrs. Ted Thomas.



Prince And Princess

Prince Glen Newman and Princess Joy Patterson of the Hiwassee Dam School Carnival last Saturday night are shown carrying the crown for the King and Queen of the Carnival. A large crowd gathered for the occasion and enjoyed cake walks, bingo and other games. (Scout Photo by Bagley)

cousin Clarine's corner

Howdy folks! I wanta welcome you to Cousin Clarine's Corner. Now, if you read this column it just means one thing! Some folks will just read anything. In this here column I wanta warn you that I'm liable not to meet no literary standards - and I shore won't set no new ones either. At the outset I wanta make it clear that the opinions you find expressed here in this corner are strictly mine, an' the editor of this paper will assume no responsibility for 'em if you happen to differ with 'em. It's just me an' you. The editor told me that he'd continue this column 'til the folks began to cancel their prescriptions to the paper, then I'd hafta go. So, if you don't find my column in next weeks paper, you'll know what happened - somebody already cancelled their description.

If you've got any youngsters that's going to school a trying to learn English, don't let 'em read this column. It won't help 'em none. You can see why.

Now you're liable to find things commented on here all the way from Alpha to Omega and away on past Omega too. It may not be the popular opinion, the opinion of the majority, nor that of the minority - or it may not even be in between. So, you see, I'm not fixing to begin by restricting myself to no limits - except that of decency. You mighta expected me to say "decency and common sense" but common sense is another sort of restriction that I ain't affixing to saddle myself up with to start off.

You all know that our ole world is getting to be a heck of a place to live in anyhow, but bad as it is, seems like there's very few folks that's in any hurry to leave it. Course that Russian Major the other day left it in a tremendous hurry but everybody noticed that he was mighty glad to get back here. An' I guess that proved there's worse places we could go to, and worse places we could stay than here. Maybe when we begin to git too gloomy about things we oughta try to look around and see if there ain't something that's still funny. You know laughter's like a bad cold - it's catching, but not near as hard to git over.

Ole Fuzzy Face down there in Cuba shore is doing his dead level best to git us rattled. Remins me of how a little ole fist'll just raise sand at a big bull dog, specially if his master is a standing close by. Course, ole Fuzzy is countin heavy on his master to keep him from gettin' eat up. Him and Kruschew's done got to be such good buddies that I think we oughta send a couple rugs down from New York Harbor, hook to his island and tow it over to Russia for him.

Summer's bout to git here and I shore am glad, I'm mighty tired of mowin' my grass with my overcoat on. All this fine sunshine we been havin'll cause a heap of folks to git too ambitious in their yards an' garden - then our Doctors'll hafta start puttin' in a lot of overtime treatin' sore backs and heart attacks. An' you know who pays for the overtime a Doctor puts in. Best thing I know to do with all this sunshine is set in it.

Your ole Cousin Clarine would like to hear from you folks out thar. Any mail would be appreciated and should be addressed to Cousin Clarine, Box 190, Murphy, North Carolina.

Andrews High School Honor Students

Honor students from the graduating class at Andrews High School have been selected on the basis of scholastic achievement.

From left to right they are: Linda Ellis Howell, Ann Pullum, Mescal Rose, and Judy May.

Registration Forms Available For Wagon Train Expedition

Official registration forms are now available for those who want to enter wagons or horses in the annual Tellico Plains, Tenn. to Murphy, N.C. Wagon Train Expedition July 4. Jim Hughes, committee chairman for Wagons and Horses announced today. Anyone wishing to enter this year's Wagon Train can obtain a registration form from Mr. Hughes in Murphy Saturday. Wagons will assemble and parade in Tellico Plains, Tenn. on Saturday, July 1. The train will leave Tellico

Plains at day break on Sunday, July 2, arriving at the camp area near the Tennessee-North Carolina line at approximately 4 p.m. the same afternoon. The train will leave the camp area at day break on Monday, July 3, arriving at a camp site about 12 miles from Murphy at approximately 4 p.m. On Tuesday, July 4, the train will enter the town of Murphy around 11 a.m. The rules governing this year's Wagon Train are as follows: The Wagon Master and his

assistants will be in charge of all entries. Each teamster and horseback rider will be responsible for the feeding and care of his animals. All wagons must have steel tires, brakes, with bows and canvas to look as much like a frontier wagon as possible. All buggies, surries, hacks or other eligible entries must have wooden spokes. (No pneumatic tires) Any wagon that breaks down will fall out and let the remaining wagons continue, unless repairs can be made, so as not to delay the train. There will be no advertisement on any wagon--only the name of the sponsoring civic organization or club will be permitted. The night of July 4th will be spent at the fairgrounds in Murphy--arrangements for feeding horses will be the responsibility of each teamster. Feed will be provided by Murphy Civic Clubs. Persons making the trip may camp in the fairgrounds. The Tellico Kiwanis Club will give a prize to the sponsor of the best entry completing the trip. The Tellico Plains American Legion will furnish entertainment in the Town Square on the night of Saturday, July 1. The civic clubs of Cherokee County, N.C. will provide an entertainment program on the afternoon and night of the Fourth. All participants should be assembled not later than 4 p.m. July 1st in Tellico Plains. The Wagon Master and assistants will be identified by arm bands.



WANTED

Yes, more beards such as the one shown above are WANTED for the annual Wagon Train celebration here in Murphy on July 4th. Also, the Cherokee Scout wants you to identify the man shown above. Here are some clues. He owns lots of real estate, he attends the Baptist Church, he is active in the Wagon Train, and he runs an ad in this paper every week. Write "Beard Contest", Box 190, Murphy, N. C., and if you guess his identity, we will send you a year's subscription to the paper. Prizes will be offered for the best long term beard entered in the contest. Prizes will also go to the best short term beard, one grown in two months or less. Now's the time to start a beard.

Sanford To Make Every Effort To Be Here July 4th

Senator W. Frank Forsyth reports in his weekly article in this week's paper that Governor Terry Sanford is going to make every effort to attend the Wagon Train celebration in Murphy July 4th. The governor did not definitely say he would make the trip; however, he promised that the Chairman of the Highway Commission, the District Commissioner and other highway people would be present for the annual celebration.

Concessions Available To Civic Clubs

Any civic club or organization in Cherokee County that would like to have a concession at the annual Fourth of July Wagon Train celebration in Murphy is asked to contact the Wagon Train committee, Ben Palmer and Holland McSwain, co-chairmen, have announced.

Band Boosters To Stage 'Womanless Wedding' Saturday

The Murphy Band Boosters Club will stage a "Womanless Wedding" and "Breach of Promise Suit" at the Murphy Elementary School Auditorium Saturday night at 8:00 P.M. in an effort to raise funds for new band uniforms needed for next year. Elaborate preparations and rehearsals have gone into this project. Guest stars will include many of the "well known" characters in and around Murphy. The identity of the stars has been kept a secret, adding suspense to the occasion.

Over \$1200 is needed for new band uniforms for high school members of the band. This show will be one of many projects aimed at raising the necessary funds. Adult tickets are \$5.00, children's \$2.50.

Committees Named For Wagon Train

Co-chairmen and committees for the 1961 Wagon Train celebration have been announced. Ben Palmer, Murphy motel operator and Holland McSwain, Murphy City Schools Superintendent, will serve as co-chairmen of this year's 4th of July event. Publicity Committee: Jerus Babb, Chairman, Paul Ridenhour, Max Blakemore, Opie McKeever, Louise Bayless. Reception Committee: Frank Forsyth, Chairman, L. L. Mason, H. A. Mattox, Herman West, Percy Ferebee. Duties: Welcome and assist all specially invited guests. Overall entertainment: John Jordan, Chairman, Ted Thomas, Ed Reynolds. Water Sports: George Dyer, Chairman, Elmer Taylor. Food for Special Guests: Virgil O'Dell, Bess Alverson. Dance Committee: Wayne Holland, Chairman, BPW Club to assist. Costumes: Dot Mason, chairman. Beards: Joe Ray. Program Committee: Merle Davis, Chairman, Wanda Edwards, Blanche Smith, Mrs. John Carringer, Loren Davis. Duties: Prepare and have printed a souvenir program and includes selling advertisements for the program. Fairground Committee: Jim Hughes, Chairman, Mrs. Holland McSwain.

Wagons and horseback riders: Jim Hughes, chairman, Loren Davis, Claude Angel, Tom Palmer, Charles Higdon, Frank Swan, Hugh Hensley, Jerry Hatchett, Paul Ledford, Jeff Brooks. Function: Contact wagon and stock owners, and persuade them to participate in the wagon train, and have all participants to fill out and turn in registration blanks. Traffic Committee: Charles Johnson, Chairman, Claude Anderson, Patrolman Ensley, Patrolman Hooper, Blaine Stalcup. Duties: Make all rules and regulations covering the flow of traffic and see that sufficient personnel is available to control traffic. Wagon Route and Camp Site: Bob White, Chairman, Charles Coleman, Harry Dickey, Harold Wells, John Bayless, Jim Ed Hughes, Jack Dickey, Maynard Killian, Boyd Davis, Howard West. Function: Prepare route over which wagons and horseback riders are to travel. Also, select and prepare sufficient camp sites along the route. Finance Committee: Edwin Hyde, Chairman; Joe Ray and Jack Dickey. Function: To make plans for, and conduct a financial campaign to secure funds to cover expenses of the Wagon Train Project.



Sweethearts Vocal Group Sing At Banquet

The Sweethearts, a vocal group made up of sophomores at Hiwassee Dam High School, entertained at the Junior-Senior Banquet at the high school recently. They are first row, left to right, Sandra Floyd, Elizabeth Nelson, Kay Gladson, Ida Nelson. Second row, Margie Roberts, Linda Loudermilk, Helen Newman. Third row, J. M. Verner, Glenn Sneed, Bobbyillard, Larry McNabb, Bill Helton, Lewis Fox. Fourth row, Donna Jean Payne, Mildred Luther, Frances Shields, Barbara Faye Payne, Brenda Quin, and Helen Keegum. (Scout Photo by Bagley)

Murphy Calendar

- THURSDAY, MAY 4
 3:30 p.m. - Concord Choir rehearsal at First Baptist Church.
 6:30 p.m. - Church Loyalty dinner at First Methodist Church.
 7:30 p.m. - Deacons of Presbyterian Church will meet at the church.
 Community Prayer Services at Free Methodist Church.
 8:00 p.m. - Official Board meeting of First Methodist Church in the Men's Bible Class room.
- SATURDAY, MAY 6
 3 to 4:30 p.m. - Circle No. Four of First Methodist Church will have a Fellowship tea honoring new members of the church and the Woman's Society of Christian service.
 7:30 p.m. - Rock Hounders meeting at their building at Brassstown.
- SUNDAY, MAY 7
 6:00 p.m. - MYF at First Methodist Church.
 6:30 p.m. - Training Union at First Baptist Church.
- MONDAY, MAY 9
 6:30 p.m. - Rotary Club at Family Restaurant.
 7:00 p.m. - B & PW Club to meet at New Regal Hotel.
 7:30 p.m. - St. William's Catholic Church Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Officers and Committee meeting.
 Town Council meeting at Murphy Power Board Building.
 Frankie Martin Circle of First Baptist Church to meet at the home of Mrs. Robert Bruce.
 Men's Chorus at First Baptist Church.
 Ruth Bagwell Circle of First Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. B. J. Fish.
- TUESDAY, MAY 10
 10:00 a.m. - The Gladys Morris Circle of First Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. V. P. Williams.
 3:15 p.m. - Jr. Fellowship meet at Presbyterian Church.
 Youth Choir at First Methodist Church.
 3:30 p.m. - Carol Choir at First Baptist Church.
 Celestial Choir at First Baptist Church.
 6:30 p.m. - Lions Club meeting Recreational Hall First Methodist Church.
 7:30 p.m. - Ruth Swan Circle of First Baptist Church at home of Mrs. Cecil Mills.
 Elizabeth Hale Circle of First Baptist Church at home of Mrs. Leon Kimsey.
 8:00 p.m. - Alcoholic Anonymous meet at New Regal Hotel.
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 10
 3:30 p.m. - Chapel Choir at First Baptist Church.
 6:30 p.m. - Christian Family Gathering at Westminister Hall of Presbyterian Hall.
 7:30 p.m. - Hour of Power at First Baptist Church.
 8:00 p.m. - Midweek services at First Methodist Church.
 Choir practice at Presbyterian Church.
 Adult Choir practice at First Baptist Church.
 Choir rehearsal at First Methodist Church.
- THURSDAY, MAY 11
 1:00 p.m. - Cancer Clinic at Health Office.
 3:30 p.m. - Concord Choir rehearsal at First Baptist Church.

Ferebee Elected Mayor By 2 To 1 Margin

ANDREWS-Percy B. Ferebee was elected mayor of the town in the election Tuesday. Ferebee defeated Jeff Brooks by a margin of 433 to 205. Elected aldermen were: E. U. Burch, 431; Harold Jones, 404; Marvin Pullum, 379; Zeb Conley, 380.

Andrews Square Dance Team To Appear At Festival

ANDREWS-Andrews Square Dance Team, under the direction of Mrs. Howard Ford, will appear at the third annual North Carolina Dogwood Blossom Festival on Friday night at the Armory in Waynesville.

May Is Clean Up Month In Murphy



Where Is This?

This week's mystery photo should bring in lots of post cards and letters. To give you something to think about this week, you must name the building and identify two of the men standing on the porch. Here's the only clue. One of the men shown owned the business that was housed in the building and the business carried his name. Last week's winner was Creed Bates of Peachtree Street in Murphy. We asked for the name of the street and Mr. Bates correctly named it Tennessee Street as did many other late entries. The response has been terrific. If you have an old photo that you would like to have printed, bring it to the Scout office.

Presbyterians Mark Christian Family Week

Murphy Presbyterians are joining with others beginning Sunday in the observance of Christian Family Week. At morning worship Sunday Robert A. Potter, minister, is to speak upon the theme: "Practicing Religion First at Home". At 6:30 Wednesday at Westminister Fellowship Building the annual Christian Family supper gathering will be held, with special program. Mack R. Howell is chairman of Christian Family Life. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper for Pentecost is to be observed at the morning worship, Mother's Day, May 14.

Plans For Murphy Cancer Crusade Made

Plans for the 1961 Cancer Crusade in the Murphy area were made at a meeting in the Murphy Power Board Building on Thursday evening, April 27. Representatives of the Murphy Women's Club and the Business and Professional Women's Club attended the meeting. Present at the meeting were Mrs. John Pullum of Andrews, Mrs. Holland McSwain, Miss Thelma Wheeler, Mrs. William S. Cann, Mrs. Douglas Smith, Mrs. Max Blakemore and Mrs. R. T. Houts. Reverend R. T. Houts, President of the Cherokee County Unit of the Cancer Society, presided over the meeting.

It was decided that the Murphy Woman's Club would assume responsibility for the house to house solicitation. Members of the Business and Professional Women's Club will assume responsibility for the mailing of letters to residents of the County. Members of the Murphy Woman's Club will call from house to house on Monday, May 22, between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 P.M. It was pointed out that since we now have an active Cherokee County Cancer Society, one County Cancer Society Unit, forty percent of the money which is raised will be used for local work with cancer patients.