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Wildcats Win Final Game

The Andrews Wildcats scoring in the first and fourth quarters, defeated the Franklin Panthers 14-7 last Friday to finish second in the Smoky Mountain Conference. Carl Myers scored the first Wildcat TD from three yards out to climax a 54 yard drive that started with a recovered fumble on the Franklin 46. Spearheading this drive was a pass play covering 36 yards from Jimmy Watkins to Johnny Gernert.

The Andrews club, playing heads up ball, moved ahead of the Panthers in the fourth quarter when Dave Higdon pulled in a Franklin pass on the Andrews nine yard line. In a sustained drive, the Wildcats carried to the Franklin eight with Carl Myers carrying seven times for 36 yards during the march. Higdon then hit Gernert with a pass for the winning TD. Ron Watson booted both extra points for the Wildcats.

Franklin's much lauded combination of quarterback Jimmy Williams and end Sonny Burwell produced Franklin's lone TD. Williams hit Burwell on a pass play covering 64 yards in the second period.

Murphy Calendar

Thursday, November 9

- 1:00 p.m. Cancer Clinic at Health Office.
- 3:15 p.m. Murphy Garden Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Jerue Babb with Mrs. B. W. Whitfield and Mrs. Hobart McKeever as hostesses.
- 3:15 p.m. Children Choir rehearsal at First Methodist Church.
- 7:00 p.m. Seminary Extension of Classes at First Baptist Church.
- 7:30 p.m. Murphy Chapter No. 10 Order of Eastern Star meet at Masonic Hall.
- 7:30 p.m. Rescue Squad to Meet at Murphy Power Board Building.
- 7:30 p.m. A. A. U. W. to meet at the home of Mrs. George Bidstrup at Brassstown.

Sunday, November 12

- 6:15 a.m. Mass at Providence Chapel.
 - 11:00 a.m. Holy Mass at St. Williams Catholic Chapel.
 - 5:30 p.m. MYF at First Methodist Church.
 - 6:30 p.m. Training Union at First Baptist Church.
- Monday, November 13
- 6:30 p.m. Rotary Club at Family Restaurant.
 - 6:30 B & P W at New Regal Hotel.
 - 7:30 p.m. Elizabeth Hale Circle of First Baptist Church to meet with Mrs. Walter Puett.
 - 7:30 p.m. Town Council meet at Murphy Power Board Building.
 - 7:30 p.m. Confraternity of Christian Doctrine officer and committee meeting at St. Williams Catholic Church.

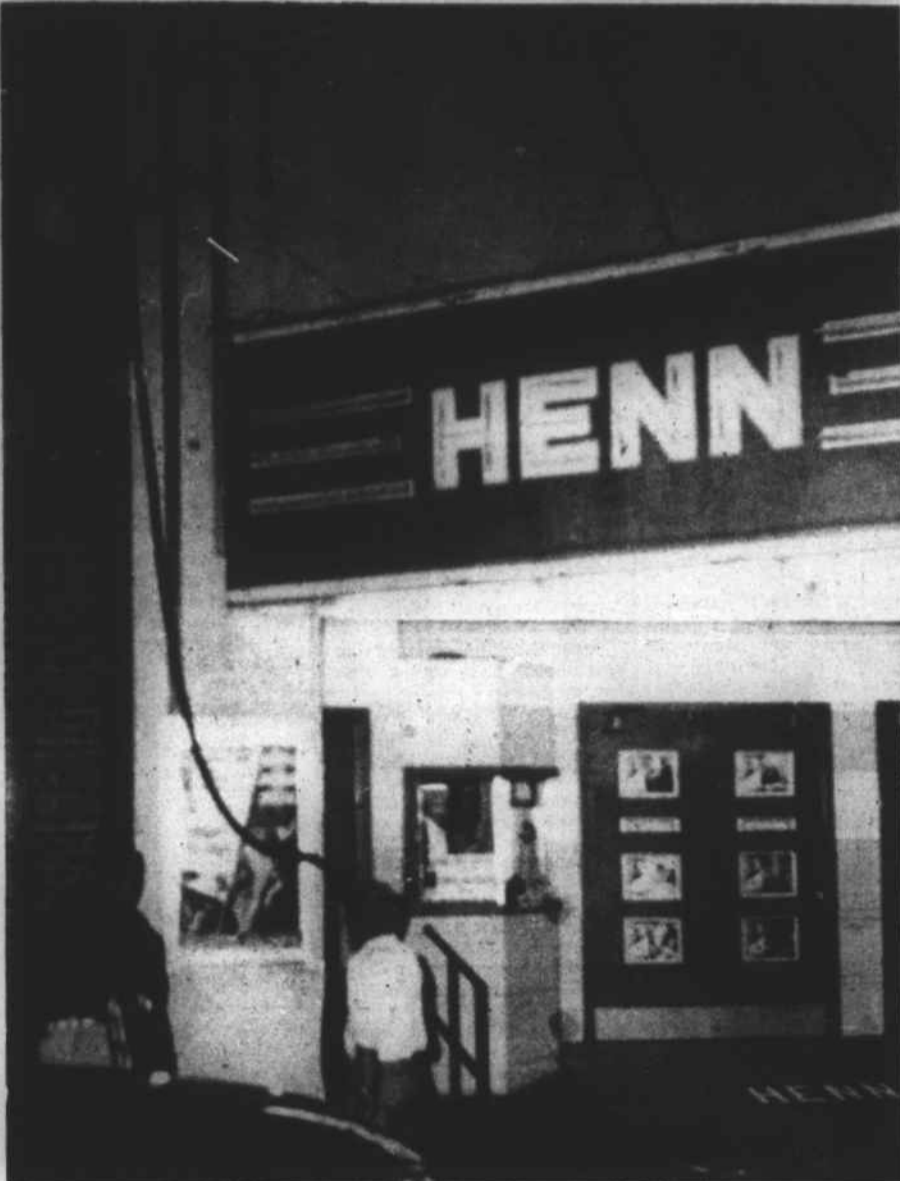
Tuesday, November 14

- 1:30 p.m. Martins Creek Home Demonstration Club to meet with Mrs. Ben Warner Sr.
- 3:30 p.m. Cherub and Celestial Choirs at First Baptist Church.
- 3:30 p.m. Afternoon Circle of Presbyterian Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Holland McSwain.
- 6:30 p.m. Lions Club to meet at recreation Hall First Methodist Church.
- 7:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship supper at Presbyterian Church.
- 7:30 p.m. Mens Chorus at First Baptist Church.
- 7:30 p.m. Ruth Bagwell Circle of First Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. Doyle C. Burch, Jr.
- 7:30 p.m. Ruth Swan Circle First Baptist Church to meet with Mrs. Robert Bruce.
- 8 p.m. Alcoholic Anonymous to meet at New Regal Hotel

Wednesday, November 16

- 2:00 p.m. Valleytown Home Demonstration Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Doris Smotherman.
- 6:00 p.m. Training Union Supper and Council meeting at First Baptist Church.

The Free Holy Bible offered with each new one year subscription or two year renewal to the Cherokee Scout will expire Saturday, November 11, 1961. Hurry, don't miss out. The Holy Bible that is being offered is a handsomely bound, red letter edition of the King James version valued at \$5.95. Many people have received Bibles by renewing their subscriptions. Many have said they plan to give the Bibles as Christmas presents. This is an excellent idea. You can receive your Bible by contacting Mrs. Neal Kitchens in Hayesville, Mrs. Lucy Laughter in Andrews, or come by the Scout Office in Murphy before noon Saturday.



VOLUNTEER FIREMEN quickly extinguished blaze threatening the marquee at the Henn Theatre in Murphy last Friday night. Smoke was first noticed coming from the huge neon lighted sign around 9 p.m. The Murphy fire-fighters, led by policeman Blaine Stalcup, on the ladder, brought the blaze under control in a few minutes. A wire shortage was blamed for causing the fire. No damage was reported. (Scout Photo)

Bulldogs Polish Off Bethel 40-0; Play Reynolds At Sylva Friday

The Murphy Bulldogs, Smoky Mountain Conference Champions, the number one team in Class AA and North Carolina will play Reynolds High School of Asheville Friday night at 8 p.m. in the preliminary Class AA playoff. The two teams will meet on the Sylva-Webster High School field. The Bulldogs closed out their regular play last Friday with a crushing victory over Bethel High School 40-0 on the losers' field. The non-conference victory gave the Bulldogs a perfect 10-0 record on the season.

The Bulldogs, led by fullback Bobby Roberson and

halfback Kenny English with two touchdowns and one point after touchdown each, overpowered the hosting Bethel eleven.

Halfback Billy Haney added the other Bulldog tally plus an extra point. Quarterback John Van Horn accounted for the other extra point.

PEP RALLY
The first pep rally in four years will be held at the fairgrounds in Murphy at 8:00 p.m. Thursday night, according to Gordon Jones. The Murphy School Band will march from the square at 7:30 p.m., arrive at the fairgrounds in time for the rally.

Students, fans, and cheerleaders, will converge on the fairgrounds to boost the Bulldog team to victory over Reynolds High School of Asheville in the Class AA playoffs.

Football Winners

Football Contest winners this week were First Place Helen Moody, Murphy; second place, Walter Ensley, Andrews; and third place Thelma Piercy of Murphy. Winners are requested to stop in the Scout Office for their check anytime after noon Thursday. It was necessary to use the tie breaker to decide the winners.



MRS. BEN WARNER, SR., WOMAN OF THE MONTH

Less than twenty-four hours old, Laura Morgan was the first baby to be recorded christened in the Episcopal Church of the Messiah in Murphy. This tiny baby was to become one of the best known and best loved women of Cherokee County. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Morgan were her parents and she was one of ten children.

She became a member of the Episcopal Church when she was twelve years old and has been a leader in this church ever since. She attended a private school in Hickory, also Lenoir College, now known as Lenoir-Rhyne, and Normal School in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

In 1914 Laura Morgan was married to Ben Warner. Their five admirable children reflect the excellent training and environment which the Warner home provided for them. The children are: Mrs. James Hilton, Murphy, Ben Warner, Jr., a geologist of Murphy, Mrs. Joe Bailey, Heflin, Ala., Mrs. Charles Bajza, Kingsville, Texas, and Ralph Warner, with the Forest Ser-

vice in White Sulphur, Springs Montana.

Mrs. Warner is a sister to Mrs. Anna Barr, now retired, who served in the Tax Office in Charlotte, N. C. for forty years and perfected a system now used in many cities in different states. She has a brother, Rufus Morgan, retired Episcopal minister, who is a Doctor of Sacred Theology, and another sister, Miss Lucy Morgan, who organized Penland School of Handicrafts.

Not to be outdone by these accomplished relatives, Mrs. Warner is recognized for her role as mother, church and civic leader, and expert handicraftsman.

Mrs. Warner has made 1,312 pieces of pewter and copper, 82 pieces of weaving, 27 of metal tooling and 65 pieces of tin craft in 1961. For her crafts she has taken prizes and ribbons at state and local fairs, and has had her work chosen for national and foreign exhibits.

Few people have served their communities as faithfully and untringly as Mrs. Ben Warner. She has held every office in the County Council of Home Demonstration Clubs, as well as every office in the Martins Creek Home Demonstration Club. In these capacities she has done much to help raise the standard of living in our community. In 1953 she was chosen as the delegate to the National Council of Home Demonstration Clubs, and in 1954 she was one of the delegates selected to visit the United Nations. In addition to the work with the Home demonstration clubs she is a member of the Cherokee County Crafters and at present serving as Corresponding Secretary, has been a member of the Southern Highlands Handicraft Guild for twenty-five years, and has been a past president of the Murphy Woman's Club and also a worker with the Girl Scouts.

Thus, the Murphy Business and Professional Women's Club salutes you, Mrs. Ben Warner, Woman of the month of November, 1961.

Gov. Sanford To Speak In Murphy, Hayesville

Brings Education Message To People

EDITORIALS

Business Community Expresses Appreciation

AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK, November 5-11, gives the business community of Murphy the opportunity to again express appreciation for the leadership and dedicated service of school board members, school teachers and administrators. Since 1950 thirty new classrooms have been constructed and ten classrooms renovated or extensively repaired in our city.

It is important to note that our new classrooms have many built in devices to aid in the learning process. This new building program was initiated to take care of our increased school enrollment which jumped from 1,399 in 1950 to 1,488 this September. The number of teachers, administrators, and school employees has jumped during this same period from fifty-two to sixty-eight.

Our school board members deserve a special commendation for their continual efforts to upgrade the quality of instruction. Today, fifty-eight of our teachers and administrators have college degrees, with fifteen having additional college credits in various graduate schools. Nine of our educators have master's degrees.

The business community is proud of and grateful for the many achievements of our school system, both academic and vocational. This has brought about a higher standard of living for our citizens and a better climate for economic growth.

In the United States today over ninety-nine percent of all children between the ages of six and fifteen are in school, while eighty-five percent between sixteen and seventeen are in school.

A million and a half teachers are working with America's youth, as compared to only 950,000 in 1950. Teachers salaries nationally have increased seventy-two percent to an estimated average of \$5,389 annually.

Since 1950 the citizens in other communities throughout this great country also have been busy building new classrooms—about 700,000.

The Murphy Chamber of Commerce has a continuing interest in education and will work in behalf of better schools this year and every year. Businessmen are being encouraged to visit their neighborhood schools during American Education Week.

J. D. Burch, President
MURPHY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Commissioners Vote To Call \$25,000 In Township Bonds

The Cherokee County Commissioners in their regular meeting Monday, Nov. 6 unanimously voted to call \$25,000 in township bonds as of December 31, 1961. Included in bonds to be called are \$1,000 in Beaverdam; \$12,000 in Murphy; \$8,000 in

Valleytown; \$2,000 in Notia; \$1,000 in Shoal Creek; and \$1,000 in Hothouse.

In other business, the commissioners unanimously passed the following: to refund to Homer Ricks and Laura Martin the money paid by them for taxes paid on W. M. Payne property which was sold in 1951 to R. L. Chastain in the amount of \$6.24 to Ricks and \$48.89 to Martin; to recommend to the North Carolina Highway Department to widen and blacktop 6.9 miles of road in Shoal Creek Township, running from Shoal Creek Baptist Church off Old State Road 294 to N. C. and Tennessee state lines connecting with a Tennessee blacktop, then back to Liberty, N. C. to State Road 294; and to recommend to the N. C. Highway Department to widen, straighten, and drain 2 1/2 miles on road in Hothouse Township known as the Arp Road.

Marble Man Is Shot By Watchman

Warrants charging three Marble men with larceny of gasoline were sworn out Sunday after one of them was shot three times Saturday night November 4 by a watchman for Murphy Crushed Stone and Marble Co.

Night watchman Charlie Smith said he came upon the men as they were beside a company truck with a hose and a can. Smith said he fired three shots after one of the men pulled a gun on him.

Named in the warrants are Giles Griggs, 31, who is in the hospital but reported in good condition and Gladd Coffee, 23, and Jimmy McClure, 25, who were arrested Sunday at Coffee's house.

Griggs was shot twice in the right side and once in the left side, hospital sources disclosed.

N.C. Symphony Reaches Half Of Goal

To insure that Murphy will be included on the Orchestra's 1962 tour, the Cherokee County Chapter of the North Carolina Symphony Society has been conducting its annual membership drive. Chapter president Mrs. W. I. Cann and Membership Chairman Mrs. Arnold Beerkins urge everyone who has not bought a membership to do so within the next few days.

"We have gotten over half of our \$970 goal and we must make up the rest," said Mrs. Beerkins. "The concert brings so much pleasure to people in our area especially the children, that it will be a shame if we do not raise enough money for them to come back this year."

Readers are invited to express their opinions in "Letters to the Editor" at any time. Letters should be no longer than 200 words, typewritten or in legible handwriting. They must conform to standards of good taste and legal acceptance. All letters must bear names and addresses of writers. When it is requested that the name be withheld, the editors may at their discretion either publish the letter in that fashion, or decline to publish it.

Governor Terry Sanford, in an effort to build increased public awareness and support of higher standards in education, will bring his message directly to the people of Cherokee County and Clay County on November 15. His appearance in Cherokee and Clay Counties will highlight a public rally for better schools -- "Excellence in Education is Everybody's Business." The Cherokee County rally will be held at the Murphy High School at 3:30 p.m.

He will appear in Clay County at Hayesville High School at 1 p.m.

The Governor is appearing at the invitation of the Cherokee and Clay County Citizens Committee for Better Schools. Herman Edwards and H. A. Mattox serve as co-chairmen in Cherokee County. George H. Martin of Hayesville is Clay County chairman of the committee.

In announcing plans for the rally, Mr. Edwards, Mr.



TERRY SANFORD

Carroll B. Clonts

Mattox and Mr. Martin emphasized that education should be a matter of utmost concern of virtually every citizen. They urged everyone to attend - parents, teachers students and all who feel that better schools are vitally important.

Former Murphy Resident Dies After Illness

Carroll B. Clonts of Atlanta died Sunday night in a Decatur hospital after a brief illness. Mr. Clonts was a native of Cherokee County and a graduate of Murphy High School. He was a graduate of Carson Newman College and received his masters degree from Peabody University in Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. Clonts was teaching in Decatur High School, a veteran of the Korean War and before his untimely death was working on his Doctors degree.

A deeply religious man he will be sadly missed by his survivors, Mrs. C. Lason Clonts his widow, his parents Mr. and Mrs. Ray P. Clonts of Murphy, Rt. 2; two sisters Mrs. Yonah Ware and Mrs. Betty Beaver, one brother Mack Clonts, one niece Sandra Ware and his Maternal Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Coak of Culberson, N. C.

Services were held at 3:30 p.m. at Ranger Baptist Church, the Rev. Thomas Truitt and Rev. Cecil Rice officiated. Burial was in the Macedonia Baptist Church Cemetery.

The rallies held in Cherokee and Clay Counties will be one of the many such rallies planned throughout North Carolina. The first steps toward improved education, larger state appropriations and a broader curriculum, are already realities. But, really constructive progress will come only with increased public awareness and support of what must be done.

That is the purpose of the meeting. That is why Governor Sanford, with his great interest in improving North Carolina schools, was invited and has accepted the invitation to participate in these rallies.

The three school leaders concluded their announcement by saying, "The future of North Carolina lies with its future leaders -- now in the classroom. It is imperative that they receive the finest education possible; anything less is not good enough. The time to do something about it is right now. We sincerely hope that all those who agree will make plans now to attend the rally at the Hayesville High School on Wednesday November 15, at 1 p.m. and the rally at the Murphy High School on the same afternoon at 3:30 p. m. because "Excellence in Education is Everybody's Business."

CLAY COUNTY SCHEDULE
Governor Terry Sanford will speak at a Clay County education rally to be held in the Hayesville High School Auditorium on November 15th at one o'clock in the afternoon. The program will be as follows:

Advance Music, Mrs. Earl Standridge; Song, Sixth and Seventh grade girls Glee Club of Hayesville School; Salute to Flag; Welcome, Mr. T. C. Gray; Introduction of Distinguished Guests; Explanation of "Ten Standards"; Hugh S. Beal, Supt. Clay County Schools; Presentation of Governor, Mr. George H. Martin, Chairman, Clay County Committee for Better Schools; Speaker, Governor Sanford; Closing Comments; National Anthem.

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