

Breakdown Results In Patchwork Edition For This Week's Scout

by Jerry Bahb, Publisher

Miss Ida's little ole machine had a seizure and can't work no more. This is why your Scout this week has a strange new look that we promise we did not do on purpose.

The justwriter, the Scout's new typesetting machine, burned out a coil Monday afternoon. A frantic call was made to Chattanooga for our trusty repairman, Jack O'Rear, to put in an appearance for we were really hurting.

O'Rear hustled out to Murphy bright and early Tuesday morning to find that Miss Ida's trusted machine had burned out an irreplaceable coil and that was not stashed in Chattanooga or Adams and had to be ordered from way up north in Rochester, N. Y.

O'Rear promised fast delivery but our speedy neighbors to the north failed to respond to his head. Or maybe he called to them too slowly in his southern drawl.

As press time drew near, a decision had to be made. We had two choices, delay publication, and wait on the part from New York or set the type with the right hand margin uneven.

We decided to come out on time, right hand margin or no right hand margin. Also we had to leave out some stories and pictures because we could not get them set into type. We will pick these up in next week's edition.

We promise to return to the old style next week. We qualify this, of course, by saying that is, if those yankees up yonder will let us have the part.

By the way, Miss Ida Arrant is our justwriter operator. She does a real good job for us and we promise she won't do it again (soon).

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And Clay County Progress

Dr. Stephens is Elected To District Memorial

The Executive Committee of the Trustees of District Memorial Hospital of Southwestern North Carolina, Inc., unanimously elected Dr. James E. Stephens a member of the Active Staff of the hospital, effective immediately.

Dr. Stephens, who is now practicing in Robbinsville, formerly practiced in Asheville. Dr. Stephens is a native of Maine and his wife is a native of Marshall. Dr. Stephens attended the University of North Carolina, the School of Physical Therapy at Medical College in Richmond, and received his B. S. degree in Physical Therapy in June 1956. He attended the school of Medicine of the Medical College of Virginia at Richmond from 1956 through 1960 served his internship at Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville. He has a license to practice medicine in the states of Virginia and North Carolina. He is a member of the North Carolina Medical Society and was a member of the Buncombe County Medical Society. He served in the U. S. Navy from June 1948 through June 1952.



Andrews -- Reverend Tom Ledbetter has been appointed new minister of Church of Christ.

Rev. and Mrs. Ledbetter recently moved to Andrews and are residing in the Minister's quarters of the Church which is located in the former Jeff Brooks home.

He is a native of Sylva, graduating from Sylva High School. He attended Western Carolina College and received his B. A. in Bible at David Lipscomb College Nashville, Tenn. in June of last year.

He is married to the former Miss Connie Kimbrough of Waynesville.

Reverend Ledbetter extends to the public a welcome to services at 10:00 and 11:00 a. m. on Sunday and 7:30 p. m. Thursday evening.

Four Arrested In Connection With Break-Ins

Letters To The Editor

The Editor:

Speaking in behalf of the Women's Society of the Hayesville Methodist Church we would protest your practice of advertising alcoholic beverages in your paper. We trust that you will reconsider and in the future keep our paper free from anything which can bring only degradation.

Mrs. J. D. Ryder
Hayesville, N. C.

The Editor:

Although we are living and working in Fayetteville and at Fort Bragg, Murphy is still our home. When we need to purchase new clothes, we still find that buying from home town merchants who stand behind their goods is still the best investment.

Our Dodge from E. C. Moore's is the sweetest running car. To buy from Noah Hembree's Market for nearly twenty years and to never have a single complaint about even a soup bone is a record.

Dr. and Mrs. Harry Miller
Fayetteville, N. C.

The Editor:

I want to express my gratitude and that of my co-workers in the blood program for the very fine publicity that the Scout gave us on the front page this week.

We obtained 86 pints of blood and had 12 people turned down.

I believe your articles helped bring about this successful visit of the bloodmobile.

H. L. McKeever
Blood Program Chairman
Murphy, N. C.

The Editor:

How do you go about getting a road passable with 30 families living on it?

Our Green Cove Road is a disgrace to Clay County. For two weeks several people were unable to get out, depending on the type of car you happen to own. We were promised a black top road five years ago. We were third on the map, since that time other roads have been black topped, still all we get on this road is a road machine after a good rain and a few more promises that does not mean very much.

We are all wondering if politics has anything to do with this particular road condition.

All we want is for the Commissioners to make one trip from the Brassstown post-office to Tom Coffey's in a good car, then decide if we need something done about the road.

Berniece Stalcup
Brasstown, N. C.

We print envelopes at less than you can buy them at the Post Office. Keep your dollars at home. Buy your printing from The Cherokee Scout.

Three teenagers, all from the Murphy area, have been arrested and charged in connection with a series of break-ins in this area covering the past three months. A Murphy man has been charged with receiving part of the stolen property.

Jimmy Fain, 19, and Billy Joe Hedden, 17, both of Murphy, have been charged with breaking and entering, and larceny in connection with the break-ins last Friday night, Jan. 19, at Cline Hick's Gulf Service on Valley River Ave., Smithmont Farm Service at Peachtree and King's Cafe on Lowell Street in Beal-town, according to S. B. I. agent M. G. Crawford and Cherokee County Sheriff Claude Anderson.

Dennis Stiles, 19, of Route 2, Murphy, and Hedden have been charged with breaking and entering, and larceny in connection with the break - in at Timpon's ESSO station in West Murphy, around the first of November, S. B. I. Agent Crawford said.

A cash register containing twenty dollars was reported taken from the Hick's Gulf Station. At Smithmont Farm Service the thieves helped themselves to some canned goods and gasoline after turning on the switch to the outside gaspumps. King's Cafe reported missing a few packs of cigarettes.

A set of mechanic's tools, a tool box, and a cigarette machine, were reported taken from the Timpon Station last November. According to SBI Agent Crawford these same tools and tool box were sold to Howard Barton by Stiles and Hedden the same night that they were stolen. Barton, 24, also of Murphy, has been charged with receiving stolen goods.

Stiles and Fain, in addition to the charges above, are also charged with the larceny of automobile hubcaps from Jesse Green's ESSO in East Murphy last Tuesday night, Jan. 16 according to law enforcement officers.

The Town of Murphy Police Department assisted in the investigation that led to these arrests in connection with five out of the ten break-ins reported in this area during the last 90 days. The break-ins at Murphy Hardware Co. and the more recent ones at the A & P Supermarket and Quality Market Monday, Jan. 15 at Wayne's Feed Store Tuesday, Jan. 16 and at Ranger School Monday, Jan. 22 remain unsolved.

The cigarette machine taken from Timpon's ESSO was recovered Monday night around 7:30 p. m. by members of the Cherokee County Rescue Squad from the Nolte River eight miles from Murphy where the river passes under US Highway 64 West. The machine had been broken open and the money and cigarettes removed from it. Total loss at Timpon's was estimated at \$415.

Members of the Rescue Squad recovered the cash register taken from Cline Hick's Gulf Service Station Saturday, Jan. 20. The Cash register had been thrown in Valley River near the high school bridge crossing.

Judge Herman Edwards set bond, Tuesday, Jan. 23 for Billy Joe Hedden at \$12,000, Dennis Stiles has been released under \$3,400 bond; Howard Barton has been released under \$3,000; and Jimmy Fain has been released under \$9,400 bond.

Law officers first arrested Hedden on the street in Murphy around 4:04 p. m. Monday. Fain was arrested Tuesday morning while waiting in a car in front of the county jail. Barton was arrested at work Tuesday morning and Stiles was brought in by his own father.

While Stiles, Barton, and Fain made bond late Tuesday, at press time, Wednesday Hedden had been released.

Richard Forrest's 1st Play To Open On Broadway

"If the stars are right" Richard Forrest will have his first playwrighting effort, "The Meek Cry Loud," next season. So said SHOW BUSINESS, a trade publication for people in the theatre, in a recent article.

Mr. Forrest is the husband of the former Mary Boland Brumby of Murphy. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Brumby.

Martin B. Cohen, who has had a hand in the production of two Broadway musicals ("The Vamp" and "Christine") will produce the straight play on his own next season.

This first play by Mr. Forrest deals with the chicanery (trickery) that goes on in the construction of a hospital. The script calls for one set, seven performers, and is in 3 acts. It is Mr. Cohen's plan to engage two major actors and to place the play in rehearsal for a march opening on the road. A long tour is anticipated, prior to a New York opening in the fall.

At the present time the script is being read by Charlton Heston, Ray Milland, Edmond O'Brien, Ralph Bellamy and Edward G. Robinson. "If one of these should sign, the rest will be relatively easy sailing," Mr. Forrest said. "If they don't -- then anything can happen."

The New York Times and New York Post have carried recent announcements of the fourth coming play.

Mr. Forrest was the office manager of Brumby Textile Mills for several years in the early 1950's. He and Mrs. Forrest have been living in Brooklyn since they left Murphy. They have one son, age one and a half.

There will be stinging at the Union Baptist Church, better known as Bear Paw and every one is welcome to attend. All singers are urged to come. The date will be Saturday, January 27, at 7 p. m.

There's No Easy Solution To Public School Problem

Murphy's, Cherokee County's, North Carolina's and the nation's problem of finding adequate financing for public schools is not going to be solved until business, industry, professional leaders and others join their efforts the same as was done some five years ago to get an adequate interstate highway system underway.

That network of between 40,000 and 50,000 miles of multi-laned, no-grade crossings, no red light highways is now well underway and is adequately financed.

If school children were a little more mature and voted, if parents, who can vote, were just a little more alert or if business and professional groups, whose future is irrevocably linked with the quality of our public schools, were more active then business men -- working with political leaders -- long ago would have gotten together and worked out a plan to put our public school system on a sounder financial basis.

Much valuable time has already been lost in squabbling over whether the job should be done with local, state or federal taxation. It very likely is going to take the best efforts of all three to get the job done.

The school problem is not going to solve itself. It is going to take money. An money means taxes. Money in the amount that is needed -- as in the case of an adequate interstate highway system -- must come from a tax, as the added gasoline tax in the case of the road system.

The quicker the best brains of each town, each state and the nation join in seeking a solution, the quicker an acceptable and adequate solution will be found.

Mrs. Sneed To Head Mother's March of Dimes

Mrs. Mary Catherine Sneed has been named chairman of the 1962 Mother's March for Murphy, in the continuing fight against birth defects, arthritis and polio.

The Murphy Womens Club made this announcement and said that all the women of the club are one hundred percent in their support of Mrs. Sneed and this very worth while project.

Mr. John Jordan, Cherokee County Chairman, said that this Mother's March and the one in Andrews will be the final and major event of the 1962 New March of Dimes Campaign.

Mrs. Sneed and other members of the Murphy Womens Club will be ringing doorbells all over town next Tuesday night beginning at 7:00 p. m. On this night, January 30, all over the nation, doorbells will be ringing. They will be ringing for the New March of Dimes. Mrs. Sneed says to welcome them and send them away happy, with a generous contribution. You'll be giving to help prevent arthritis, the great crippler, and tragic birth defects, targets of your March of Dimes. Through your support, millions of Americans suffering from arthritis can be helped. Scientists want the answers to birth defects, which occur in thousands of newborn infants in this country every year. Your dimes did the job for polio. Your dimes will do it again. Please say yes to the New March of Dimes.

Words Of Life

by Rev. J. Elmer Greene

In every generation there have been those who have sought to discredit the character of the church and to minimize the nature of its task in the community.

All too often many have failed to recognize the church and its tasks as a vital and powerful influence for the betterment of the community.

The primary task of the church is to minister to the spiritual needs of the individual. This task, of course involves the proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ with the aim and purpose that the individual might establish the proper relationship between himself and God.

However, the church is not to restrict its task to evangelism alone, it has a divine responsibility to exert its influence into every area of human activity and involvement. It must have a voice in shaping its environment into a better one.

The church has a right to cry out against immorality, injustice and wrong-doing. Its task is to set the standard of human conduct and to be, in a literal sense, the conscience of the community.

The church must always champion the causes of morality. Improved living standards, honesty, integrity, truthfulness, and justice. It must ever resist any effort or attempt to silence its voice or to muzzle its spokesmen.

We cannot deny the fact that the church can and does change the life of the community at many points. It must always spearhead any worthwhile movement that makes for the creation of a better community and world. In so doing, it can fulfill its noble and honor before God and man.

Woman's Club Holds Meeting

Andrews -- The January meeting of the Konnaheeta Women's Club was held Thursday evening at the Masonic Hall. Following the dinner, served by the ladies of the Eastern Star, Mrs. Eva. Wood, as chairman of Education committee, had an informative program on the use of a local product as a craft.

Miss Jean Christy introduced Mrs. Marvin Pullium who gave a demonstration on Making egg shells into beautiful Christmas and Easter ornaments.

Mrs. Norman Hartman, Club President, conducted a brief business session.

Valley Town Home Demonstration Club Met Wednesday

Andrews -- The Valleytown Home Demonstration Club met Wednesday, January 24, at 2:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. E. U. Burch.

Newly Elected officers were installed for the year.

Deposits Increase In Citizens Bank and Trust Co.

At the annual stockholders' meeting of Citizens Bank & Trust Company held in the bank's offices in Andrews, North Carolina, the President, Percy B. Ferebee, reported that deposits during the year 1961 had increased \$771,795.90, making a total deposit as of December 31, 1961 of \$9,884,548.17.

He stated that there had been a corresponding increase in investment securities, loans and discounts, and earnings, and that the total capital, surplus, and undivided profits account as of December 31, 1961 was \$872,529.71.

Mr. Ferebee also stated that he felt that this was a clear indication of the general overall improvement in economic conditions of the area served by the bank and that the bank had welcomed the privilege of participating in the promotion of the economy of the area. The

Twins Plan To Be U. S. Service Career Men

Hayesville -- Zed Howard and Ben Harold McClure twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. George McClure of the Brassstown section of Clay County plan to be U. S. Service career men.

Zed Howard is S. P. 4 with the U. S. Army stationed in Fulda Germany. He has been in the Army for 8 years. He married the former Miss Thelma Gibson of Hayesville and they have three daughters. Belinda age 6, Sherry Lynn, 3; and Bergette 1 year old. His family is with him.

Ben Harold served in the U. S. Army for 2 years, has served 4 years in the Navy and has been in the Army for 6 more years last Sept. and his rating is C M H 3. He is now among a group that is on a "Good Will Tour" to Spain, Italy, France and Turkey. He married the former Miss Maxine Garrett Sept. 1961, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hobe Garrett. She is presently with her parents; but will join her husband at a later date.

J. L. Shields Gets 2 Years For Sawmill Fire

DUNLAP, Tenn. -- J. L. Shields, Murphy saw mill operator, and a 52 year old laborer, William Franklin Tilson, were convicted by a jury in the Sequatchie County Circuit Court here Tuesday, Jan. 16, on charges of burning a tractor and saw mill power unit.

The jury gave Shields a two year sentence, with Tilson being given 30 days. State Fire Marshal Raymond Hixson prosecuted the two men.

A. F. Sloan, district attorney general of the 18th circuit conducted the prosecution before Circuit Judge Chester C. Chastin of Winchester. Tom Greer of Dunlap, Carter Schoolfield of Chattanooga, and Jerome Ables of South Pittsburg, defended the two men.

Cecil Hickman, a caretaker in Grandview Estates, a forest area belonging to State Sen. Carter Patten on Walden's Ridge, was the principal witness against Shields and Tilson. He testified he saw them drive to a saw mill site in the forest and leave a five gallon can of gasoline and pile scrap timber around the machines. That on July 24, 1960, the witness testified. Later, Tilson came back, touched off the gasoline and burned the two machines, Jack Webb, another caretaker in the Patten forest, told the jury. Shields had a contract with Patten to cut timber that had been damaged by the ice storm of 1960. It was while that operation was in progress that the incident took place, witnesses testified.

Murphy Calendar

- Thursday, January 25
- 3:15 p. m. Children's Choir rehearsal at First Methodist church.
 - 3:30 p. m. Murphy Garden Club to meet at the home of Mrs. W. P. Odom with Mrs. Emily Davidson as joint hostess.
 - 7:00 p. m. Rescue Squad to meet at Murphy Power Board Building
 - 7:30 p. m. Murphy Chapter No. 10 Order of the Eastern Star will meet in the Masonic Hall.
- Saturday, January 27
- 5 - 7 p. m. Explorer Post No. 416 will have a barbecue supper at the old Rock Gym
- Sunday, January 28
- 6:15 a. m. Mass at Providence Chapel.
 - 11:00 a. m. Holy Mass at St. Williams Catholic Chapel.
 - 5:30 p. m. MYF to meet at First Methodist Church
 - 5:30 p. m. Training Union to meet at First Baptist Church
- Monday, January 29
- 6:30 p. m. Rotary Club to meet at Family Restaurant.
- Tuesday, January 30
- 6:30 p. m. Pioneer Fellowship will meet at the Presbyterian Church
 - 7:30 p. m. Alcoholic Anonymous to meet at New Regal Hotel.
- Wednesday, January 31
- 6:30 p. m. Youth Fellowship choir to meet at First Methodist Church.
 - 7:20 p. m. Midweek services at Presbyterian Church
 - 7:30 p. m. Midweek services at Free Methodist Church
 - 7:30 p. m. Midweek services at First Methodist Church
 - 7:30 p. m. Hour of Power at First Baptist Church
 - 8:15 Choir rehearsal at First Methodist Church
 - 8:30 p. m. Chancel Choir rehearsal at First Baptist Church



by Bud Morgan

A poet once said that 'man receives but little of what he asks for,' but last week when I asked for suggestions or complaints I received my full share - mostly complaints.

ON POLITICAL FRONTS: In reading a Jackson County paper I see that Jess Shelton, a member of the Sylva police force has announced that he is a candidate for Sheriff in the up and coming election, that Marcellus Buchanan has announced his candidacy for re-election for State Representative. In Haywood County, I see that Amos Medford, Clyde Mayor for the past 2 1/2 years announced that he will run for Haywood County Register of Deeds. It seems to me that the May primary elections are boiling over in other counties but here in Cherokee County and Clay County the pot is not even warm.

TEEN SCENE In Franklin, the twist, the latest dance craze is going over in a big way, but here in Murphy have not heard much about it. How about it teens? Are you doing the Twist? Lets not have Franklin out-twisting us. Have you heard the latest? A new national magazine, "Teens Compare" will soon be published.

It will do a story on Murphy. High School Are you in it? DID YOU KNOW that out of 4,897 housing units in Cherokee County, 62 had 3 or more automobiles, 2,906 had T. V., \$31 was the median rent of rented places, 62 households had air conditioning.

ODDS AND ENDS DEPT. 86 pints of blood were donated at the recent visit of the Bloodmobile so reports Hobart McKeever. My ole boss is running around town trying to peddle tickets to the big Rock and Roll show to be held tonight at the Old Rock Gym. Have you bought yours?

RECIPE OF THE WEEK: A lady wrote in and said that the reason I did not like collard greens and black eyed peas was because I did not have the right seasoning. What she called seasoning I call grease? It must be my Yankee imagination that lets me eat this southern cooking.

CONGRATULATIONS To our fine Sheriff, Claude Anderson and SBI agent, M. G. Crawford who did a very good and complete job this week.

Shields is Selected By Governor

C. Louis Shields son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Shields of Murphy, has been appointed by Gov. Terry Sanford to the North Carolina Citizens Committee on Better Schools.

As a member of the state committee, Shields will participate in a state wide campaign to promote and support school improvement. The Committee for better schools will work with state and local educational leaders to help build public understanding and support of high quality education.

The Committee was organized in 1957 by former Gov. Luther Hodges and was composed of 32 members with Holt McPherson, High Point newspaperman, serving as chairman.

March Of Dimes Basketball Game

Andrews -- March of Dimes benefit Basketball game held at Andrews High gymnasium on Saturday night netted \$78.00 for Cherokee County campaign. Andrews All Stars defeated Murphy's Town team with the final score of 80-40.