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off the cuff
by Bud Morgan

WEATHER: Glen Frazer of Hayesville says the following is the most accurate weather forecast he has ever read: Clear to partly cloudy, mostly fair with possible showers, sunny with scattered rain, I guess the Scout should start using this forecast the way we have been missing them lately.

HOW TRUE: In the Toppish, Washington Review someone said "Doing business without advertising is like winking at a girl in the dark. You know what you are doing, but nobody else does."

THAT'S THE WAY IT SHOULD BE: According to Mrs. Reba Roberts, who works at Jabaley's, a lady turned in a radio survey form with the following answers: Do you have a TV? No! Do you have a radio? No! How many TV sets do you have? None! What channels do you get? None! Which channel do you watch most? None! How many radios do you have? None! Does your car have a radio? No! Which radio station do you listen to most? None! List other radio stations you listen to, None! What daily newspaper do you read? None! What weekly newspaper do you read? SKOOT!!! This is one fine lady!

GEORGE WASHINGTON: William Roberson of Route 1, Murphy, says Washington was born in February (according to his almanac) on Friday, February 22 in Westmoreland - Folk Creek County, Virginia, 1732. This news makes me happy as I just could not stand to think of Washington being born in any other month than February. After all its what I learned in school and I wouldn't want all that learning to go to waste. Mr. Roberson said he bet not too many people knew who our 17th President was and where he was from. I don't know, do you?

EDUCATION PAYS: Did you know that a man who has a college education will make over \$150,000 more in his life than a high school graduate and nearly \$200,000 more than someone who doesn't finish high school. Stay in school. It pays! It pays you and your country.

SMILE OF THE WEEK: Faye Morrow of Murphy asked me how many letters in the alphabet? I replied 26, of course. Wrong, she said, 24 because L & M were thrown out for smoking.

BIGGEST STORY TELLER: Blain Stalcup was overheard telling the boys at the back coffee table a couple weeks ago about bagging two crows, three rabbits, one woodcock, one meadowlark, twenty-six quail and four unidentified birds while hunting with Arnold Stiles, "Hook" Plemmons, and "Birdy" Burgess. This tale proves what everybody around here has known for years that Blain is very good at telling a good "story". In fact he's the biggest "story" teller I've heard to date.

Murphy Calendar

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1962
1:30 p.m. - Peachtree Home Demonstration club to meet at the home of Mrs. J. B. Gist.
3:15 p.m. - Children's choir at First Methodist Church.
7 p.m. - deacons of Presbyterian Church to meet at Church.
Commission on Finance to meet at First Methodist.
8:00 p.m. - Official Board meeting at First Methodist Church.

SUNDAY, MARCH 4, 1962
6:15 a.m. - Mass at Providence Chapel.
11:00 a.m. - Holy Mass at St. Wms. Catholic Chapel.
5:30 p.m. - MYF at First Methodist Church.

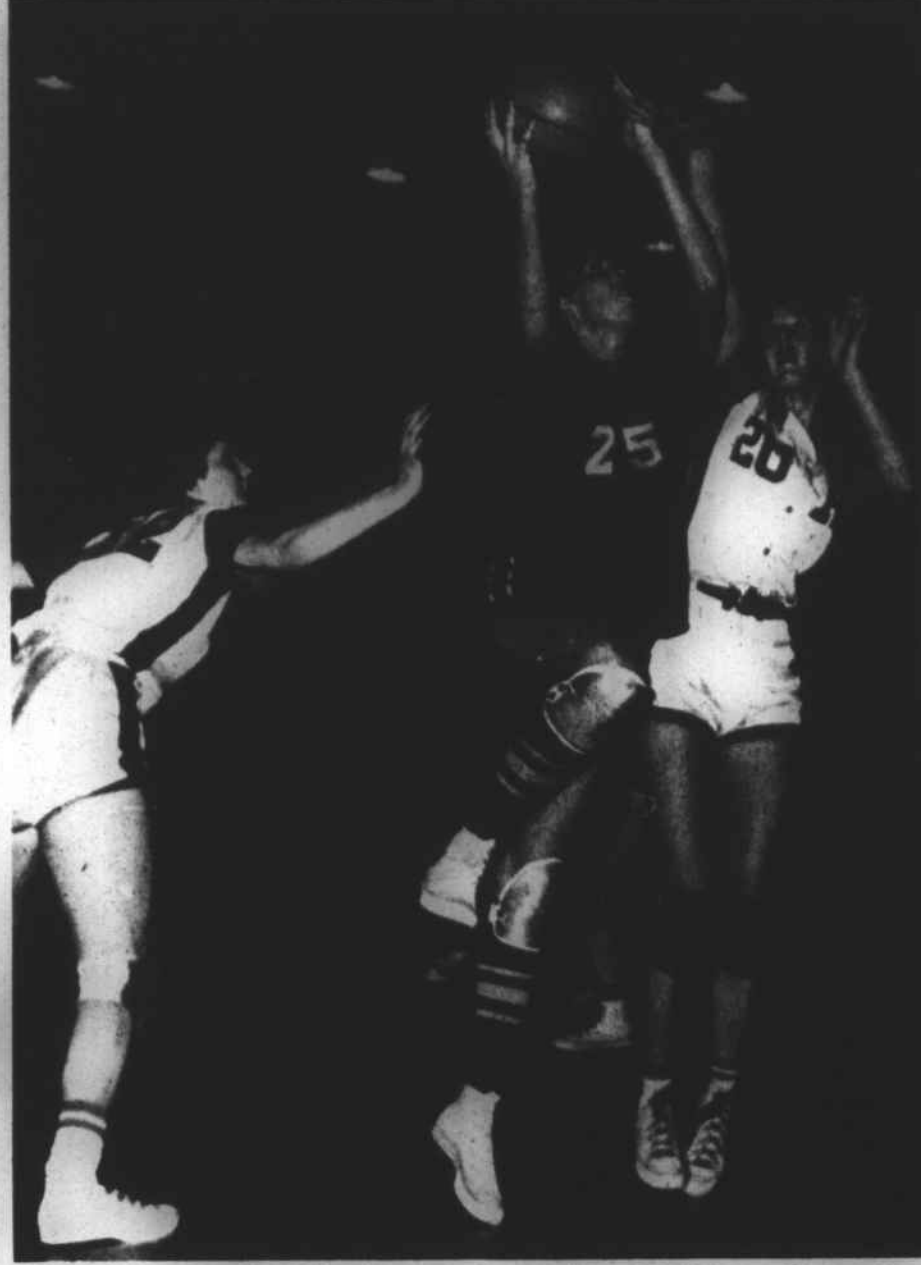
MONDAY, MARCH 5, 1962
6:30 p.m. - Rotary Club to meet at Family Restaurant.
7:30 p.m. - Evening circle of Presbyterian Church to meet at Westminster Building.
8:00 p.m. - St. Jude's Adult Education Study club at St. William's Catholic Church.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 1962
6:30 p.m. - Civitan Club to meet at Family Restaurant.
7:30 p.m. - St. Peter Claver Adult Education Study Club at St. Claver Center, Texana.
8:00 p.m. - Alcoholic Anonymous to meet at New Regal Hotel.

WEATHER

DATE	High	Low	Perc
Feb. 21	54	31	0.75
Feb. 22	68	45	1.08
Feb. 23	69	51	1.77
Feb. 24	68	50	0.98
Feb. 25	64	36	0.83
Feb. 26	62	46	0.39
Feb. 27	74	53	0.01

Showers ending Thursday, turning cooler. Scattered cloudiness Thursday and Friday. General showers Saturday and Sunday.



MURPHY'S MARGARET COLE drives past two Andrews defenders to score two points. The Murphy girls won the Western Division title Tuesday night defeating the Andrews girls 87-36. Cole was high scorer with 40 points. The undefeated Murphy girls meet the Eastern Division winner Swain High in the finals for the Smoky Mountain Conference title Friday night at Hayesville. (Scout Photo)

Murphy Boys Clip Hawks 60-54; Girls Win 87-36

Special To The Scout
By Bob Pomer



BULLDOG FORWARD Charles "Buck" Smith strains to recover a rebound in Tuesday's upset victory over the Nantahala Hawks. Command of the backboards in the fourth quarter clinched the victory for the Bulldogs. (Scout Photo)

Murphy High swept to the Western Smoky Mountain cage title in both divisions here Tuesday night - expectedly, and most impressively in the girls' win 87-36 over Andrews; and out of the dark and off the floor for the boys, 55 to 47 against Nantahala.

A packed gymnasium that filled the seats and lined the stands watched the spirited encounter through the mid-spring like night. As its result the black-clad lassies meet the Eastern Division winners, the Swain girls, for the Smoky Mountains championship in Hayesville Friday night; and the next evening, on the same court, the Cinderella-winning Bulldogs engage Franklin.

Coach Dave Bristol's team won the western flag from a decidedly under-dog stance. They ousted Hiwassee Dam after trailing 9-0 early in the tournament game last week; defeated favored Andrews Monday night, 60-54; and then went on to bag the top-seeded, high-flying Hawks in the final encounter Tuesday night.

They did so only after trailing a good part of the game, sometimes by several points. In the early stages the lead changed frequently, seven times in the first frame, and four more in the second.

Then Coach Don Gregory's blue-shirted team began to demonstrate superiority with better court-coverage and sharper eyes for the basket, more than once a player breaking away down the court for a lay-up, Bulldog fouling likewise contributed to the Hawks' pull-away. Nantahala's quirk was out-rebounding Murphy also; and by half time had a six point margin, 31 - 25.

The lead stood up for most of the third frame, though John Snow and Lewis Foster began to get the range; and the Bulldogs chipped away at the margin. Once Foster tied it up at 39-39 but Solasbee countered to send the Hawks ahead at third period end, 41-39.

In the fourth the visitors clung to a one to three point lead for a little while; but with six minutes left, Buck Smith's foul shot knotted the score at 44 all; and soon afterwards, amid an ear-drum damaging roar from the crowd Foster scored to send the Bulldogs ahead for keeps.

Solasbee fouled out for the Hawks; Snow's retrieving worked against them; and their accuracy at the hoops diminished; in their feverishness further fouling widened the gap. Twice it was narrowed, the last time by V. Mason to 49-47; but the Bulldogs, with Snow, Fowler and Jerry Johnson all warming to the basket, went on to win handily.

The defeat was a saddening one for Nantahala, which has only about 70 students, with most of the three dozen boys going out for basketball.

While the victory of Coach McConnell's girls was expected - as they had won 22 games without being crowded all season long - it was noteworthy against a strong team from Andrews. The visiting girls did not tally from the field until the game was 5 1/2 minutes old; and by the end of the first frame Murphy had all but tripped the score - 29-10.

The tide-headed lassies were just as convincing in the second frame. They out-manuevered their opponents, worked away to the basket with a speed that made Lieutenant Glenn look like a snail's first cousin, and shot points from down under and far out. By half-time their torrid pace had sent them a 60-20 lead.

In the third frame, however, basket eyes were not so magical, and the black-clad girls simmered down, leading at its end, 81 to 29. Coach McConnell unloaded his bench in the last quarter, and Andrews kept pace with Murphy. Lorenz Trull did some unusual shooting for the visitors, Margaret Cole countered for 40 points, and three other Murphy players made more than 10, with Linda Smith doing some outstanding maneuvering in assisting some of her points. Linda Smith scored 21, Linda Jones 12, and Shirley Rogers 11.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

This letter is directed to the citizens of Cherokee, Clay and Graham Counties -- Subject - Trade School.

It's too late already to train men in this area for jobs that will probably be done by "imported" skilled workmen. I am thinking of the forty-unit housing project to be built in Murphy. Also the water-sheds, the roads, the school building, and in fact, anything else that is to be built.

The State will train men to become skilled workmen, if it is requested. Will our civic leaders, businessmen and company officials ask for this training?

As for the percentage of the unemployed working force - we have a continuance average year after year giving us priority over many places - places with thousands laid off, yet their percentage is low.

Something to think about is the fact that a large family deserted by the father is better off on welfare than when he was at home working every day on most of our public jobs. To be sure, the rate of pay depends on the skill of the worker, but what chance is there for the working man's children if he must drag through life no better off than his father before him?

I think the answer is proper training. This we can get if we have interested leadership. Leadership which will support the state wage and hour law, and will prevent a raise in taxes. Leadership which will seriously consider the effect it has on our county to have the Atlanta employment office get the names of our 1962 graduation class before the end of 1961. Leadership which

EDITORIAL

Make Your Feelings Known

The Cherokee County bond issue has caught the attention of many of the parents and citizens throughout the county.

The needs of the schools in the county are well known. Numerous news stories have been published concerning these needs in the last year.

A brief summary of the school needs as stated by school authorities are: Construction cost estimate of \$503,000 Murphy School District. The breakdown is as follows: Murphy Elementary School - ten class rooms (one to be multi-purpose room), \$93,000 and cafeteria (350 seating capacity), \$60,000 for a total of \$153,000.

Murphy High School Vocational (Agr. Shop, Classroom, tool storage, etc.) \$40,000. Eleven class rooms and enlarge library facilities - \$100,000. Cafeteria (350 seating capacity) \$60,000. Auditorium and Music Department (50 piece band - approximately 500 seating capacity) \$150,000. Total \$350,000.

Lloyd Hendrix, Superintendent of County schools has said that an estimated \$141,000 was needed to build a cafeteria at Hiwassee Dam High School and multi-purpose rooms at Ranger and White Church.

Charles O. Frazier of Andrews has said that they were making plans for a completely new high school building with 13 classrooms, library, vocational department for home economic and agriculture classrooms, shop, cafeteria, gymnasium, first aid room, teachers lounge, and school store estimated at \$400,000. Also needed is a new building for the Negro school which is estimated at \$15,000. Mr. Frazier said that he estimated \$50,000 for a new cafeteria at the elementary school.

This concern of the people of Cherokee County for construction of new school buildings throughout the county should be brought to the attention of school administration and the Cherokee County Commissioners.

While the school administrators know that the parents in this county want new buildings and better facilities, they need the backing of these people to obtain them. The feelings of the public can be made known to them by letters, telephone calls, and club sponsorships. A strong comment from the PTA organization would be helpful.

The Cherokee County Commissioners need to know the public's feeling in this matter. The Commissioners seem to feel that a school bond issue would not carry in this county. They in turn interpret this to mean that the parents are not willing to replace the burned school buildings and to construct new buildings to meet the growing demand.

The desires of the parents of Cherokee County must be made known before these men can or will act.

The Cherokee County Commissioners will hold their regular monthly meeting at the courthouse Monday, March 5 at 9 a.m. They will be in session as long as there is business to be taken care of by them. This they have stated time and time again.

Monday would be a good day to keep these men in session all day. All interested parents or citizens of Cherokee County should make an effort to attend the commissioners meeting Monday and express their opinion about the school situation. If this is not possible contact any one or all of the commissioners before this meeting either by telephone letter or personal visit and let them know how you feel.

The Commissioners meeting is a public meeting and the citizens of the county have always been welcome.

The county officials need to know your feelings about this school matter. There is no other way to get the job done. This newspaper offers these three suggestions:

- (1) Attend the County Commissioners meeting Monday as a group or individually and state your case to the commissioners.
- (2) Contact one of the county commissioners - Walter Dockery of Hiwassee Dam; W. T. Moore of Andrews or Sheridan Dickey of Murphy before the meeting Monday, and explain your feelings to them.
- (3) Write a letter to this newspaper expressing your opinion. Your name will be withheld upon request as long as the letter is signed. Any club or church organization is urged to consider throwing its combined weight into this matter.

The opportunity to accomplish the full needs of the schools in Cherokee County has arrived. The matter is in your hands, the parents and citizens of this county. Will you act or pass the buck?

Murphy Band Invited To Ceremony

The Murphy School Band has received an invitation to play at the dedication of the Lindsey Warren Memorial Bridge over the Alligator River on the east end of U. S. Highway 64. The dedication will take place in May. The committee in charge emphasized that U. S. 64 is known throughout the state as the "Murphy to Mantooe Route". This new bridge will replace a "Model-T" ferry, thus opening a continuous road from Murphy to Mantooe.

The Lindsey Warren Bridge spans the Alligator River and connects East Lake in Dare County to Sandy Point in Tyrrell County. Tyrrell County is the home county of Murphy Band Director Ed Reynolds. Acceptance of the invitation by the band is pending.

County's Forest Check Smaller

Cherokee County has received a check for \$10,461.68 from the U. S. Forest Service for the year 1961. A nice sum of money, but it is \$8,638.89 less than the county received in 1960, when Cherokee Cnty. received \$19,100.57.

The same drop in income holds true for Clay County. The amount of their check for 1961 was \$7,705.34, which is \$7,114.07 less than in 1960.

The main reason for the drop in income was due to the bad lumber market. Most of the money comes from stumpage receipts received by the National Forests through sales of timber. By law the money is allocated to counties having national forest timber within their boundaries on the basis of acreage. The money is earmarked for schools and roads in some counties. In others the county commissioners have the say so as to how it is spent.

Cherokee County has 59,983 acres of Nantahala Forestland within its boundaries.

Murphy Man Saves Three Lives

William (Bill) King of Murphy was credited with saving three lives in a highway accident Wednesday night about 11:50 p.m.

According to a report from the State Highway Patrol, a car in which three persons were riding missed a curve on US 19 about 1 mile east of Hayesville, overturned in a creek and rolled back on its wheels.

State Highway Patrolman W. H. Peeler said William King, who was driving a tractor-trailer truck, saw the car lights in the creek, stopped another vehicle to get help and got down in the creek to assist the persons in the wrecked car.

Patrolman Peeler stated that this assistance prevented the three from drowning in the creek waters, swollen by heavy rains.

All three persons in the car sustained injuries.

GIRLS GAME
MURPHY (87) - Cole, 40, L. Smith 21, Jones 12, C. Smith 1, Sanders 2, Rogers 11, Dockery, Morris, Nelson, Gilling-wasser, Davis, Bates, Stalcup, Little, Stiles, Hughes, S. Cole.

ANDREWS (36) - Trull 22, Wooten 6, Stoudt 4, Owensby, White 2, Barrow, Palmer 2, Burnette, G - Myers, Franks, Snyder, Nichols, Jones.

Halftime: 60-30, Murphy.

BOYS GAME
MURPHY (55) - Foster 17, Snow 25, Smith 5, English 2, Johnson 6, Moore.

NANTAHALA (47) - Solasbee 14, Pajisnore 8, J. Mason 10, Basman 6, V. Mason 9, May.

Halftime: 31-25, Nantahala.

Railroad Selects Former Resident

E. A. Mallonee, formerly of Murphy, of E. A. Mallonee Survey and Mapping Company has been selected as project engineer for Southern Railway's 10 1/2 mile industrial track in Catawba.

The track will lead from Catawba to the Duke Power Company's proposed ninety million dollar steam generating plant at Sherrill's Ford.

Although Mallonee has set up an office in Catawba, he still has his office open in Morganton.

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