

### 250 Parents Return To School

As a special feature of National Education Week, the Murphy High Faculty invited the parents and friends of all high school students to come to the high school for a full evening. It was a full evening, indeed, beginning with an assembly program followed by a regular six period schedule and ending with a pep rally. The parents attended a regular day schedule in short sessions. Each parent had the opportunity to meet all the teachers of his student and to participate in a short lesson taught to them. This event was attended by approximately 250 parents. The high school faculty expresses sincere appreciation to all parents for their kind response and attendance at this event.

### Two Dads With Son Try, But Mon Bags Bird

Two Murphy men, along with one of the pair's son, went hunting last week on two different occasions. Both dads were anxious to bag some game. The son knew his dad would certainly get a bird. The weather was perfect, the equipment was in good shape, and following the advice of old established hunters, the pair took to the field.

The first night they returned home empty handed but their spirits never dampened.

At the end of the second day, the story was the same.

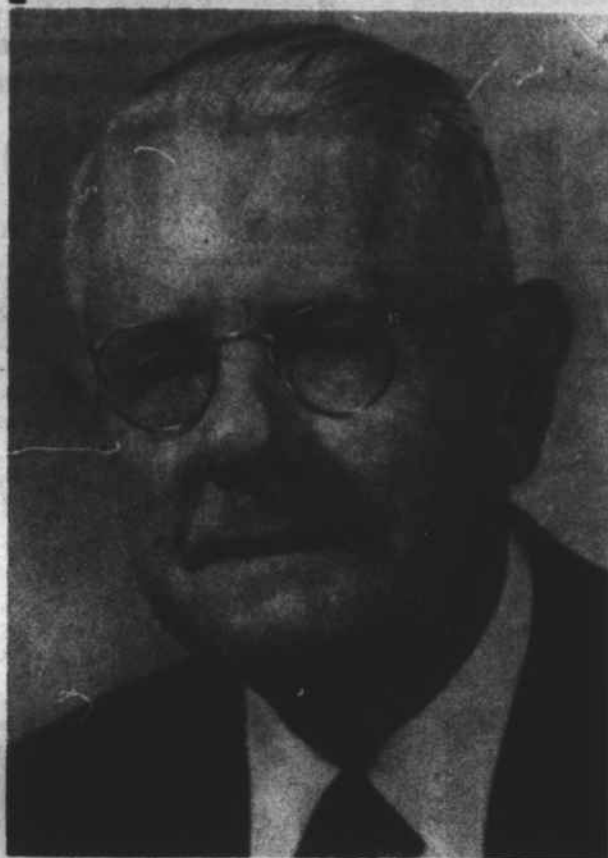
As they drove into the yard, the boy's mother rushed out with a nice fat grouse in her hand. The proud hunters were set back. Could this be true? Would this be the fate of the breadwinners of two families? Would they ever live down the humiliation?

The wives of the two would-be-hunters were very understanding. They helped restore the faith of their sons in their fathers.

The grouse, it turns out was caught when it flew in front of the family car and lodged in the grill as the lad's mother was returning home.

The cast of this one act play is as follows: Hunters - Hobart McKeever and Ron Ressel; son - Skip Ressel; mother - (with grouse) - Mary Ressel.

## Harve M. Whitaker, 86, Andrews Merchant, Dies



**ANDREWS** - Harve M. Whitaker, 86, merchant and civic leader, died in an Andrews Hospital Wednesday, Nov. 21, after a long illness.

With his brother, the late Zeb Whitaker, he owned and operated Whitaker Brothers' Department Store in Andrews for 42 years.

He was active in civic affairs, having served for 28 years as member of Andrews Board of Education, the board of aldermen for six years and a member of board of Trustees of District Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Whitaker was a member of Andrews First Baptist Church, and at the time of his death, had held this office for 46 years. He was also a former member of the Board of Trustees of Mars Hill College serving for four years. He was a charter member of Andrews Masonic Lodge, and was presented a 60 year pin about a month ago.

Mr. Whitaker was born on January 20, 1876, in Andrews, a son of the late Thomas Jefferson and Josephine Quincey Whitaker, who were members of prominent pioneer families in this section.

He was married October 26, 1902, to Miss Anna Oden Burch of Clay County.

Surviving are a son, Edwin B. Whitaker of Bryson City; a daughter, Miss Meredith Whitaker of the home; one brother, William B. Whitaker of Andrews; and two grandchildren.

Services were held at 2 p. m. Friday in the Andrews First Baptist Church. The Rev. T. C. Christmas and the Rev. E. F. Baker officiated and burial was in Valley River Cemetery, with the Andrews Masonic Lodge 529 conducting graveside rites.

Ivie Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### Dockery Arrested

The FBI has announced the arrest of Verlin Hilliard Dockery, 22, of Murphy, wanted both for desertion by the US Marine Corps and for breaking jail in Murphy where he was being held on a breaking and entering charge.

The FBI said Dockery was arrested while working at a service station in Newport, Tenn. He was taken to Knox County jail in Knoxville and held without bond.

ANDREWS PILOT WINGS - Murphy-Andrews pilot Richard Parker is shown at the stick of his Cessna airplane as he flew over Murphy recently. Careful study of the picture will reveal the new highway cut west of Murphy, plus the many homes and store buildings. The fuselage of the aircraft blocks from view the new Forsyth Bridge over the Hiwassee River. The nose of the plane points to the Cherokee County Court-

# Newly Elected County Officials To Take Office On Monday

By N. J. Babb

The newly elected officials of Cherokee County will take office Monday, Dec. 3. According to a letter sent to the office holders from the Board of Elections, ceremony will take place at the county courthouse at 10 a.m.

Following the swearing in ceremonies, the new Board of Commissioners will make appointments to the jobs of county accountant, assistant county accountant, tax supervisor, tax listers and farm program listers. Other administrative courthouse jobs will be made also. The Clerk of Court and Register of Deeds will select their own assistants.

No change is expected in the make-up of the county business offices. The same jobs now in effect will remain and no new jobs are expected to be created.

Several applications have been received for the two most sought after appointed jobs - county accountant and tax supervisor. Carlyle Matheson, unsuccessful Republican candidate for county commissioner from district 1, is the name heard most for the accountant's job. John Donley's name is mentioned most for tax supervisor. But neither appointment has been made but the appointments are expected to be made early Monday following the ceremony.

The Republicans will control the Board of County Commissioners, with Dr. W. A. Hoover from district two and Lester Cole from

district three on the Board. W. T. Moore from district 1 is the lone Democrat to be elected to a county office.

Two Murphy attorneys will vie for jobs as county attorney and prosecuting attorney. One, C. E. Hyde was elected Judge of Recorders Court and cannot serve as county prosecutor. This job will probably go to Fred Christopher, the present Prosecutor under the Democrat Commissioners. This leaves Mr. Hyde, the elected Judge of Recorders Court in line for county attorney. There is a possibility that the county attorney's job will be split between the two Republican attorneys.

### Last of County Township Bonds Paid Off

The balance of the Cherokee County Township bonds were paid off Tuesday, Nov. 20, according to W. S. Dickey, chairman of the County Board of Commissioners.

The Commissioners called or paid \$43,000 worth of township bonds. Mr. Dickey said the bonds were all issued prior to 1932. The township commissions were abolished in 1932.

According to the records in the county accountant's office, the township indebtedness has been completely paid off in the past four years.

On July 7, 1959, \$64,000 was called; \$12,000 was called in Jan. 1, 1960; \$24,000 in July 1, 1960; \$10,000 on Jan. 1, 1960; \$12,000 on June 1, 1960; \$25,000 on Dec. 13, 1961; and \$43,000 on Nov. 20, 1962. The total bonds called amounts to \$190,000.

W. S. Dickey says he will make a more detailed report later.

## Murphy Calendar

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29 10:00 a.m. - Bellview Home Demonstration Club to meet with Mrs. Bill Hartzel.

3:15 p.m. - Junior and Cherub Chorists to meet at First Methodist Church.

7:00 p.m. - Methodist Men (Ladies Night) at Hinson Memorial Center, Hayesville.

7:30 p.m. - Womens Democratic Club to meet at the Marble School. All Democrat Women are urged to attend.

Cherokee County Republican Women to meet at Herman West's office.

8:00 p.m. - Providence Hospital Auxiliary to meet in dining room of Hospital.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30 4:00 p.m. - Christmas Parade

7:30 p.m. - Teen-Dem Club to meet in Courthouse. All members are urged to attend.

9 - Until - Dance at Rock Gym. Sponsored by Womens Club.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 6:15 a.m. - Mass at Providence Hospital Chapel.

11:00 a.m. - Mass at St. Williams Catholic Church.

2:30 p.m. - District Conference at First Methodist Church in Franklin.

5:30 p.m. - MYF at First Methodist Church.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3 9:00 a.m. - County Commissioners meet at Courthouse.

6:30 p.m. - Rotary Club to meet at Family Restaurant.

7:30 p.m. - Cherokee Lodge No. 146 AF and AM to meet in Masonic Hall.

8:00 p.m. - St. Jude Adult Education Study Club at St. Williams Catholic Church.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4 12:30 noon - Tri-county Minister meet at Scotty Restaurant, Andrews.

7:30 p.m. - St. Peter Claver Adult Education Study Club, Texana St. Peter Claver Center.

8:00 p.m. - Quartet Club at Grammar School library.

## EDITORIALS

### Look But Do Not Touch

The annual Murphy Christmas Parade will be held on Friday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock.

Santa Claus, as usual, will make his first appearance of the year in Murphy. Various civic clubs, church organizations, and business firms will sponsor floats to add to the color and spirit of the parade. Members of the Murphy Riding Club will parade some of the county's finest horseflesh. Bands from all over, led by pretty high-stepping majorettes will set the pace.

With the parade only a few days away, the reminder of the distasteful behavior of a few of the spectators of last year's parade comes to mind. It is remembered that young school age children were allowed by their parents to "work over" some of the floats. This young group paved the way for a small group of teen-agers to come close to dismantling several of the more highly decorated floats.

Visiting bands were hampered in their progress down the street by the converging crowd. Band members had to elbow their way through the crowd. These bands may never return to our town. They are not accustomed to this treatment, and should not expect to receive it here.

Pictures of the prize winning floats were impossible because they were in shambles. The streets of Murphy were a grim reminder of the crowd's behavior.

A Christmas Parade is primarily for the small children of our area. It is the signal of the beginning of the Yuletide Season in a community.

Public spirited people and organizations spend time and money building floats for the crowd's visual enjoyment. No admission is charged.

Pleasing the crowd and recognition in the form of judging the best floats are the only rewards in taking part in a Christmas Parade. Floats are private property, not public. The parents of this area are invited to bring their children to Murphy on Friday afternoon, November 30, to witness the 1962 Christmas Parade.

These parents are reminded that this parade is something to look at and should not be touched by little or big hands.

### PTA Project Needs Your Help

The current project of the Murphy PTA is worthy of our interest, money, and energies.

The PTA is attempting by several fund-raising projects to buy window blinds for the Murphy High School building. Window blinds have been missing from the windows since the school was built.

This week, letters were mailed to the parents of Murphy School children. The appeal to the parents for contributions is asking those whose children will benefit most to carry the bulk of the window blind project.

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Murphy's Christmas Lights Will Be Turned On Thursday Night at 6 p.m.

**GIRL SCOUTS**  
HONOR THE PAST  
SERVE THE FUTURE

DATE	HIGH	LOW	PERC.
21	59	48	0.88
22	59	45	0.30
23	64	23	0.21
24	62	25	0.00
25	62	42	0.15
26	53	22	0.00
27	67	19	0.01

Forecast: Thursday and Friday - scattered cloudiness Saturday - cloudy and occasional rain; Sunday - scattered and broken cloudiness.

### Postmaster Urges Early Mailing

Postmaster Joe Ray said today, "Right now is the time to start your Christmas cards and gifts on their way. The calendar says Christmas is less than a month away, but here in the Post Office, it will be Christmas every day from now on."

The Postmaster went on to say that by getting into action now, a lot of headaches can be avoided when the full Christmas rush begins. For example, don't take chances on mailing poorly wrapped packages. Use sturdy corrugated mailing cartons, heavy paper adhesive tape, and strong cord. Cartons containing several gift packages should be fully stuffed with tissue or old newspaper to cushion the contents.

If you have articles of unusual size or bulk, better check with the Post Office before attempting to mail them - the limits on size and weight vary, depending on where you mail them from. As an extra precaution, it's always a good idea to place an extra label carrying both your return address and the recipients' address INSIDE the carton or package.

Postmaster Ray also suggests, "Be sure to send your Christmas cards by First Class mail, using the attractive new 4¢ Christmas stamps. When sent First Class your cards are delivered quicker, and they'll be forwarded or returned, if it becomes necessary. Also, they may carry written messages along with your signature."

The Postmaster says it's especially important to include your return address on every Christmas card envelope.

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