

Editor's Note-Book

Whew! Imagine moving a business that's been in continuous operation here since 1889, and in the same building for the past 19 years. That's what we've done here at the Scout, but we're all proud to be in a shiny new building.

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LBJ's money saving campaign has evidently reached down to Andrews. The proposed new Federal Building and Post Office for Andrews was slated to cost around \$157,000. In his budget request sent to Congress Tuesday, the new president asked for \$116,800 for the building at Andrews.

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Dr. George Size of Murphy was on Chattanooga's Channel 3 TV Station Wednesday, Jan. 15, plugging for the Stop Polio Drive here. The doctor appeared on the Roy Morris Bulletin show and explained the program for Cherokee County.

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The best quip we heard during the Stop Polio Day Sunday was reported from Andrews. An elderly man came in and a sweet young nurse handed him the little paper cup with his sugar cube and said, "just chew it up". The gentleman looked at her in all seriousness and asked, "the cup too?"

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Rural roads hereabouts are in terrible shape, but State Highway Commission Chairman Merrill Evans said this week, "the rough winter weather has given us the worst beating since 1957. Highway Commission forces will continue to do everything possible to help on an emergency basis, but with half the winter before us and the foundation of the roads already lost, we face some trying days before spring opens up."

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Scout Photographer Freddy Davis is in Spartanburg, S. C. this week for some additional photographic schooling.



MISS JOSEPHINE HEIGHWAY, Librarian at Murphy Carnegie Library, served refreshments at the Open House Tuesday. Town Clerk C.E. Johnson who supervised the renovation was one of many visitors during the day.

Tax Hearing Dates Set For Murphy, Valletown Townships

MURPHY - County tax payers hearings for Beaverdam, Hothouse and Notla Townships have been completed following the new tax appraisal for Cherokee County, and hearings for property owners in Murphy and Valletown Townships have been set for next week.

Hearings for those in Murphy township who think some adjustment is needed on their appraisal are set for Tuesday, and hearings for Valletown township residents are Thursday.

Letters are going out now to all property and real estate owners in each township informing them of their new evaluation.

Once the hearings are completed, the new appraisal can be entered on the tax books, and listing of personal property can get underway.

Tax listing is expected to begin either the first or second Monday in February. Hearing date for Shoal Creek Township has not been set yet.

Library Open House Attracts Many Visitors

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Miss Josephine Heighway, Librarian, was hostess for the Open House, assisted by staff members of the Nantahala Regional Library here.

Visitors looked over the newly decorated quarters and enjoyed refreshments during the Open House.

Floral arrangements donated by Murphy Florists and Cherokee Florists decorated the Library.

The back wall of the library collapsed on May 27 of last year, and when the Town Council met following the disaster, the Board members voted to rebuild the wall and renovate the Library at the same time.

Town Clerk C. E. Johnson supervised and directed the work and cooperated with the Library Board in completing the project.

Members of the Library Board include John Gill, Chairman, H. A. Mattox, Harry Bishop, Mrs. Francis Bourne, Jr., Mrs. Don Witherpoon and Mrs. Herman Edwards.

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Arrangement of books is similar to the former plan, but more shelves are planned for the future.

Library hours are 9:00 to 12:00 a.m. and 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

Over 10,000 Cherokee Countians Take Sabin Polio Vaccine Sunday

MURPHY - A total of 10,587 residents of Cherokee County and surrounding areas received the first dose of Sabin Oral Polio Vaccine at six stations throughout the county Sunday as the first of three Stop Polio Sundays went off without a hitch.

The Murphy Jaycee Club and the County Medical Association are sponsoring the campaign, and officers of both organizations were highly pleased with the good turnout.

The second dose of the vaccine will be given Sunday, Feb. 23, and the final dose is set for Sunday, March 29. Persons who missed taking the first dose still have time to take it, and still be able to take the next one on schedule.

However, the deadline for a makeup dose is Saturday, Through Saturday the vaccine will be available at the County Health offices in Murphy and Andrews, at District Memorial Hospital in Andrews, at Murphy General Hospital and at Dr. Helen Wells' office in Murphy.



TOMMY THOMAS, REPRESENTATIVE of Wyeth Laboratories who provided the Sabin Vaccine for the Stop Polio Campaign here, was on hand Sunday to help give out the vaccine to the first family at the Murphy station. Jaycee Robert Woody and Mrs. Woody and their children, Jennifer (in her mother's arms), Lisa and Butch were the first "customers".

Contributions of at least twenty-five cents were asked of those who took the vaccine, and while some people gave much more, the total contribution for the day amounted to \$2,469.93, very close to the amount estimated beforehand.

Thousands of local people poured through the doors of the six stations as the Stop Polio clinics opened at 1:00 p.m. Sunday, and volunteer workers were busy until the stations closed at 5:00.

Assisting county doctors, Jaycees and members of the County Health Department at the stations Sunday were Boy Scouts, Gray Ladies, PTA organizations, nurses, the Jaycees' wives, and school officials and faculty members.

Stop Polio stations were set up at Elementary Schools in Murphy, Marble, Peachtree, White Church and Ranger, and at High Schools at Hiwassee Dam and Andrews.

Two drops of the Sabin vaccine were placed on a sugar cube and given to persons on hand to take the first dose, after they had given their name and received a card at the door of the stations.

Persons who took the vaccine are asked to hold on to the cards showing when they received each dose, and they should take the cards along when they go for the second and third doses.

"With a fine turnout like we had Sunday, along with generous contributions, we expect the next two Stop Polio Sundays to be as successful as the first," a Jaycee spokesman said this week.

"And we want to urge those who missed the first dose to try and take a makeup dose by Saturday of this week so they can get the second and third doses on schedule," he added.

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RALEIGH, N. C. - Richardson Preyer, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor, will visit Clay and Cherokee Counties next Monday afternoon, Jan. 27.

Clay and Cherokee will be among the first counties Preyer hits after a big send-off rally for him in Greensboro Saturday, Jan. 25.

Preyer will arrive at Hayesville, in Clay County, at 1 p.m. Monday and go immediately to the main courtroom at the Courthouse. There in informal discussions, he will outline his program for the Governorship, and then meet personally the people who have gathered.

Leonard Lloyd, Robbinsville attorney, and Vernon Martin, Hayesville teacher and Clay County Chairman of the Democratic Party, will greet Preyer and accompany him around town.

Preyer and his party will drive on to Andrews, in Cherokee County, for another informal meeting with citizens at 4 o'clock that afternoon.

The meeting will be in the Town Hall, and the Mayor and other prominent citizens of Andrews and Cherokee County have been invited to attend.

PTA Sponsors Tour Of New Elementary School Additions

MURPHY - A large crowd of some 500-600 persons visited the new addition to Murphy Elementary School during Open House Monday night sponsored by the Murphy PTA.

The new wing on the elementary school nearly doubles the floor space and includes 13 classrooms and a lunchroom.

Six of the new classrooms are designed especially for primary children and are equipped for this teaching purpose.

The new Elementary addition replaces the old building which will be dismantled and the primary building that burned.

Murphy High School also has new additions including two new classrooms, a lunch room and a Home Economics department.

The total cost for all the new additions to both the Elementary School and the High School amounts to \$269,308.

This amount came from the \$200,000 voted last year in school bonds and \$69,308 from insurance on the burned building and local funds.

The PTA sponsored Open House at the Elementary School Monday opened at 7:30 p.m. with a welcome to the audience by John Jordan, principal of Murphy Elementary.

The Rev. Clark Benson pastor of First Methodist Church here, delivered the invocation and Don Ramsey, PTA President, greeted the group.

The Murphy High School Band under the direction of Edward Reynolds entertained during the evening, and refreshments were served in the new lunchroom.

Door prizes were awarded by Mrs. Bill Christy, Mrs. Ray Joseph and Mrs. Wally Williams.

Murphy School Superintendent Holland McSwain recognized special guests, including officials of the firms that worked on construction of the new addition: John Smith of Smith and Jones, Perry W. Plemmons of Waynesville Plumbing and Heating Co., Henry B. Foy and Lee Architects, James Noland,

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County GOP Precinct Meetings Set Feb. 1

MURPHY-Cherokee County Republican bi-annual precinct meetings at all 20 precincts in the county have been called for Saturday, Feb. 1, by J. Doyle Burch, County Chairman.

The meetings in each precinct will be held in the buildings where the last county election was held in that precinct.

The GOP precinct meetings have been called in order to elect precinct officials and delegates to the County Convention.

The Cherokee County Republican Convention will be held Feb. 8 at 2:00 p.m. in the Courthouse to elect a Chairman and a vice-chairman, one of whom shall be a woman, a secretary, and such other officers as may be deemed necessary.

The officers will serve for a term of two years, or until their successors are elected.

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BUTCH SURSAVAGE accounts for two points in the high scoring game at Andrews Tuesday night.

Andrews Cagers Down Murphy, Hold 11-0 Record

ANDREWS - Basketball action in the past week was highlighted by a fast moving, high scoring game here Tuesday night between Andrews and Murphy, with Andrews keeping their perfect season going with a 96-70 victory.

Andrews now has a record of 11 wins and no losses, with eight games remaining on their schedule.

Murphy led the game in the early minutes, 7-6, but after that, the Wildcats found the range and moved ahead for good. The score was 28-17 at the end of the first quarter and 48-31 at the half. The score was 70-45 at the end of the third period.

Butch Sursavage, playing his third game after being out several weeks with an injured ankle, led both teams with 24 points. Five Andrews players hit double figure scoring: Larry Owenby 20, John Gernert 14, Terry Winfrey 18, and Thomas Brooks 18.

Murphy's ace, Don Morris, led the Bulldogs with 22, his season average this far. Hugh Carringer accounted for 18,

Robert Smith 12, and Bill Graves 9.

Last Friday Murphy took two games from Hiwassee Dam, 68-34 in the girls tilt and 78-46 in the boys game, with Morris sinking 34 points.

Andrews beat Robbinsville 97-60 with Owenby hitting for 24 and Brooks for 20.

Hayesville won two over Stecoah, 33-23, in the girls game and 66-57 in the boys tilt, with Bruce Davenport leading the way with 21 points.

In makeup games Saturday night Robbinsville's girls beat Hayesville 53-32, and the Hayesville lads won over Robbinsville 62-41.

Andrews beat Nantahala 80-42 in a makeup Saturday, and the Andrews JV's won 62-46, maintaining their perfect record.

Murphy's girls played at Swain Tuesday night, winning 71-20.

Scores of the Hayesville - Hiwassee Dam games Tuesday night were not available at press time.

Scout Operating In New Building

MURPHY - The Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress newspaper office has moved into a new building here on Church St., beside Westco Telephone Company's office building.

This week's issue of the paper is the first one published in the new plant.

The newspaper moved from a building on Hickory Street which had housed the office and printing plant since November of 1945.

The new home for the newspaper is a 5,000 sq. ft. building of all metal construction, with almost three times the floor space of the previous quarters.

The building is owned by the newspaper and was designed and built especially to house the office and printing equipment.

The building features electric heating and air conditioning, fluorescent lighting throughout, and other additional services to be announced soon.

The building formerly housing the Scout was built by Miss Addie Mae Cook, who was owner and editor of the paper at that time.

Miss Cooke's building marked the first time that the newspaper was housed in a building owned by the paper. Mrs. Fionnie Sherrill bought the building from Miss Cooke in 1954, and leased it to the Scout until last week. The building is now up for sale.

Work on the parking area around the new building housing the Scout was expected to be completed by the end of this week, and the office will be open as usual eight to five weekdays and eight till noon Saturdays.

News and advertising deadlines remain at noon Tuesday.

Farmers Receiving Social Security Must Report Self-Employment Income

Farmers of Cherokee County who are already receiving social security benefits are not relieved of their responsibility for reporting self-employment income to the Internal Revenue Service if they net as much as \$400 from the operation of their farm, according to an announcement this week by James E. Robertson, manager of the Asheville Social Security District Office.

Robertson pointed out that, based on inquiries received by his office, there have been frequent misunderstandings among social security beneficiaries on this little-understood point of the law.

Some have apparently felt that once they qualified for social security payments, they were not required to report future farm earnings to the Internal Revenue Service.

As a general guide, all farmers operating a farm for profit should apply the following rules to determine whether they have any self-employment tax liability:

Rule 1: If a person has gross income from farming of \$1,800 or less during a taxable year, he may count as his net earnings from farming either his actual net farm earnings or two-thirds of his gross farm income.

Rule 2: If a person's gross income from farming is over \$1,800 and his net farm earnings are less than \$1,200 during a taxable year, he may consider his net earnings from farming to be either his actual net farm earnings or \$1,200.

Rule 3: If a person's gross income from farming is over \$1,800 and his net profit after expenses is over \$1,200, then he is required to report his

Week's Weather

Date	High	Low	Prec.
15	43	0	0.00
16	41	18	0.00
17	60	20	0.00
18	60	34	0.00
19	61	23	0.00
20	56	40	0.72
21	63	21	0.00

Forecast: Wednesday and Thursday, fair; Friday, showers and scattered thunder showers; Saturday and Sunday, fair.