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CHEROKEE CO. OFFERS VAST ADVANTAGES

Articles Manufacturers Record of June 7 Cites Potentialities of Cherokee County

The following article by North Carolina and Cherokee County, written by Dr. D. S. West, editor of Asheville, appeared in the June 7 issue of the Manufacturers Record.

North Carolina today is attracting more attention than any other state. In traveling over this country one is struck by the fact of North Carolina, its great opportunities and its wonderful progress in almost every line of endeavor; and yet there is one corner of this "Beehive State" which in the opinion of the writer lacks the notice it deserves. It is progressing, to be sure, but the marvelous potentialities yet remain untouched for agriculture, mining, lumbering and manufacturing.

The reference is to Cherokee County and particularly to the area in and around Murphy. Murphy will, in the future, be the center of the best of the South. Its enormous hydro-electric power and its high-grade iron deposits of unlimited quantity, the latter being uncovered and under partial development. This iron industry is already established and is daily assuming larger proportions, requiring more capital and calling for more labor. An electric furnace to take the ore from the mine to the finished product is being designed and investigated.

Work can be carried on here throughout the entire year. Murphy is becoming the cotton growers and mill men of our own State and to Georgia and Tennessee. The town has a standing invitation to the mill industries of New England to come and see the advantages offered.

Murphy offers an unexcelled summer and winter resort, equal to the Asheville plateau which is second to none as an all year round place of residence, cool in summer on account of its altitude and mild in winter by reason of its Southern latitude.

No more wonderful scenery is to be found east of the Rocky Mountains. Here in the very heart of the Appalachians we have the most favorable climatic conditions and business opportunities combined.

A broad, hardsurfaced highway is already half completed from Asheville towards Murphy and further west and south. It is a scenic highway of beauty unsurpassed in all the mountainous sections of the country along the Nantahala and Tuckasee, over the top of the mountains, then on to meet the Valley, the Hiwassee and the Nolichucky Rivers. Murphy sleeps at the conference of and between the last named streams which unite within the very limits of the city.

"It is a thriving town of 2000 in habitants with an altitude of 1000 feet and surrounded by lands of promise under the surface of which lie vast stores of high grade brown iron ore, marble and talc. The latter is of the finest and whitest quality to be found on this continent and is equalled only by that of Italy, whence comes the highest grade of that mineral in the world. Murphy sleeps, but dawn is near and opportunity is hammering at her door."

Wilbur-Stalcup.

Last Saturday night at seven o'clock and fifteen minutes, at the home of the Baptist Minister, Rev. Mahan, Miss Joy Wilbur and Mr. Ernest G. Stalcup, both of Etowah, Tenn., were happily married, leaving on train No. 34 for Knoxville, where they took a through train for Washington, D. C. The groom is a fine young man of this place, and has a position with the L. & N. Railway as conductor. The bride is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wilbur, of this place. They expect to return in about ten days to their home on Tennessee Avenue, Etowah, Tenn.

President Still Good Make-Up Man

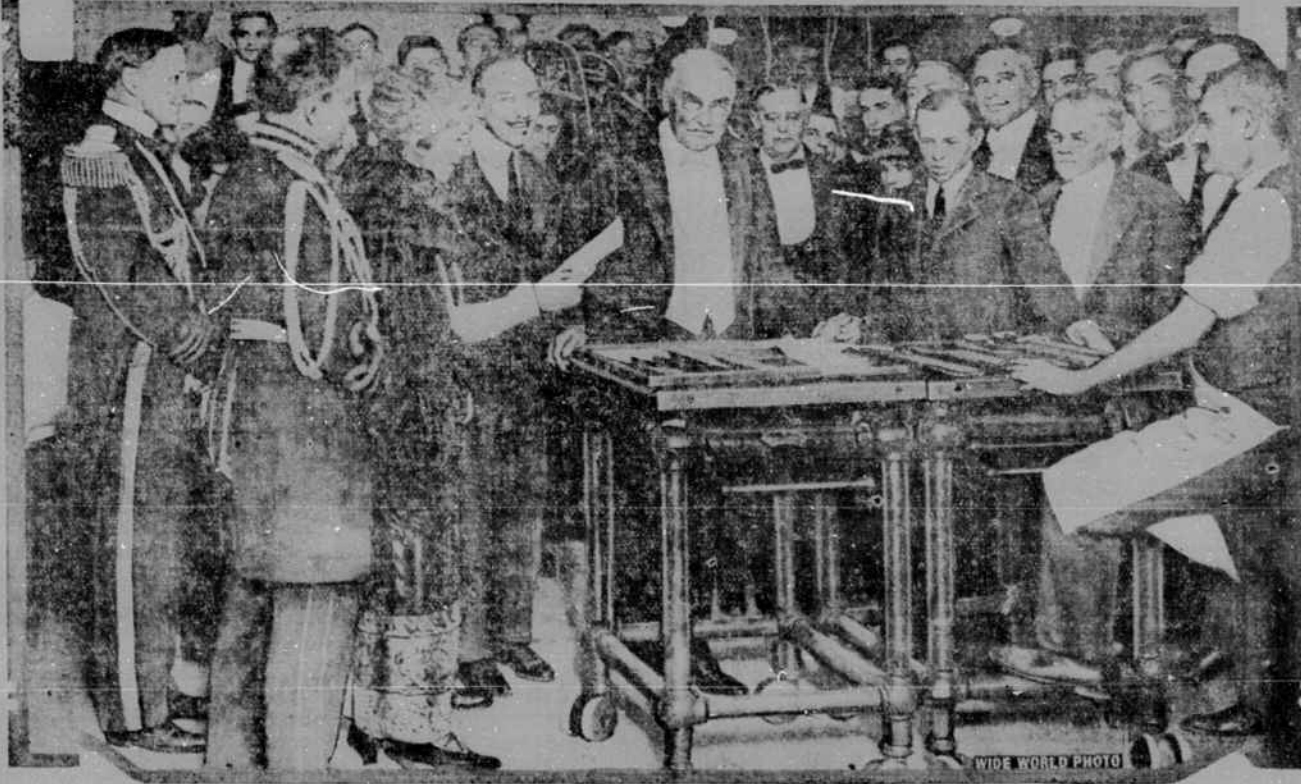


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With a background of printers and a fine big battery of Linotypes, President Harding is shown making up the editorial page of the New York Tribune in the modern new home of that paper. Many present declare that the President handled the newly minted Linotype slugs with the skill of a veteran, and did the work in jig time. From left to right the figures in the picture are: Captain Adolphus Anderson, naval aide; Colonel Clarence Sherrill, military aide; Mrs. Harding; Ogden Reid, President Harding; Senator New, Mrs. Ogden Reid, H. F. Dana of the Tribune editorial staff; Chairman A. D. Lasker of the Shipping Board; Brigadier General Sawyer, the President's physician; George J. Christian, private secretary to the President, and Alex. Torrey, whose job as make-up man, the President took over for the occasion.

APPALACHIAN CONFERENCE IN ASHEVILLE

Many Noted Engineers of the Country to Be Present—New England Mill Owners Invited

Asheville, June 10.—With at least 100 new England mill owners invited to be present and the question of the French Broad River as one of the main topics of interest to this section, the second annual meeting of the Southern Appalachian Water-Power Conference will be held in Asheville June 25, 26, and 27.

Charles Harold Fiske, government engineer in charge of the Chatahoochee district, who will make recommendations for expenditure of \$200,000 authorized by Congress for waterways, will be one of the leading speakers of the session.

Col. Joseph Hyde Pratt, president of the Waterpower Conference, has issued several hundred invitations for the gathering and a large attendance is expected.

The program will be opened Monday afternoon, June 25, at 4 o'clock, at the Battery Park Hotel. Colonel Joseph Hyde Pratt presiding, and the invocation will be asked by Rev. Dr. R. J. Bateman.

Mayor Cathey will deliver the address of welcome and E. A. Yates of the Alabama Power Company, will respond to the welcome, after which the president's address will be delivered, committees appointed, miscellaneous business handled and Dwight F. Davis, assistant Secretary of War, will deliver an address.

Cherokee Cases In The Supreme Court

Before adjourning for the term, the Supreme Court handed down a number of opinions in cases on appeal, among them Walker vs. Odum and Davis vs. T. J. Woodward Lumber Company.

In the case of Walker vs. Odum, the defendant appealed from a judgment awarding him the sum of one hundred dollars for failure to serve process as Sheriff of Cherokee County. In this case the Supreme Court reversed the judgment rendered by Judge Shaw, and dismissed the action, as having been improperly instituted.

In the case of Davis vs. Woodward Lumber Company, a judgment had been rendered in favor of E. E. Davis vs. Woodward Lumber Company, and upon motion of the Lumber Company had been set aside for excusable neglect, and Davis appealed to the supreme court, which affirmed the ruling of Judge Lane in setting aside the judgment, and the case is reinstated upon the docket for trial.

In the case brought by the Carolina-Tennessee Power Company vs. Hiwassee Power Company and others, no decision was rendered, which confirmed the opinion of interested attorneys who felt that on account of the immense amount of testimony and records to be gone over, time for decision would be lacking before the court adjourned. It is probable that no decision will be rendered until the court convenes again next August.

Baptist Pastors To Meet at Martin's Creek

According to announcement made by Rev. L. P. Smith, pastor of the Andrews Baptist Church Wednesday, the Baptist Pastors' Conference of Western North Carolina will meet with the Martin's Creek church on Tuesday June 21, 1923.

The following program has been announced:

- 10:00—Devotional, M. L. Lewis.
- 1:20—Baptists and Their Belief, C. F. Martin.
- 11:10—Best Method to Increase the Church Membership, opened by H. C. Whitaker. Roundtable talks.
- 12:10—Dinner.
- 1:10—Devotional
- 1:20—Church Finance, Rev. T. L. Sasser. Open discussions.
- 3:30 Adjourn.

It is earnestly requested that all pastors and preachers in the district be there and take part in the discussion of the problems confronting the churches at the present time.

CONCERT HERE JUNE 1ST WAS BIG SUCCESS

The Murphy music-loving people enjoyed a rare musical program at the school auditorium Friday evening, June 1, when Mr. Stanley Olmsted and Mrs. Edna Edwards gave a most delightful piano and song recital for the benefit of the Methodist church. The program was divided into eight parts, four parts being devoted to piano numbers and four to vocal numbers.

The piano numbers by Mr. Olmsted included Schuetz's introduction to Carnival Suite; MacDowell's "Will O' the Wisp"; "The Death of Cuchullin," two tone pictures; Moszkowski's "Melodie"; "The Sparks"; Waltz in E. Major and "The Wave"; Lavallee's "Papillons," and Greig's "Papillons."

Among Mrs. Edwards' numbers were the following: Robert Franz's "Out of My Great Sorrows I make My Little Songs," and "The Rose Complains that Spring is too Brief"; Charles W. Cadman's Indian Song; Fred H. Cowen's, "The Snowflakes"; Arditi's kiss Waltz song, then a group of old songs, "Annie Laurie," "Suwanee River," "Comin' Through the Rye"; Schubert's "Gretchen at the Spinning Wheel"; Leoncavallo's love song; Bischoff's, "Good Night, Sweet Dreams"; and "The Land of Sky Blue Water."

This delightful program held the profoundest attention of the large audience.

Mrs. Edwards is a noted singer, and it is understood, is soon to appear on the opera stage. She is in Murphy visiting her daughter, Mrs. Henry Axley.

Mr. Olmsted, a novelist, short story writer and musician, of much note, is a native of this county originally, but has spent much time in Washington, New York, Boston, and abroad in England, France and Germany. He is here now visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Olmsted, of Washington, who are spending the summer at the Dickey House.

It is the good fortune of Murphy that these two noted musicians are both visiting here at the same time and consented to give a musical.

(This article should have appeared last week, but in the rush was inadvertently overlooked.—Ed.)

Rural Carrier Examination To Be Held July 14th

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to be held at Murphy, N. C., on July 14, 1923, to fill the position of rural carrier at Andrews, N. C., and vacancies that may later occur on rural routes from that post office. The salary of a rural carrier on a standard daily wagon route of 24 miles is \$1,800 per annum, with an additional \$30 per mile per annum for each mile or major fraction thereof in excess of 24 miles. The salary on motor routes ranges from \$2,450 to \$2,600 per annum, according to length. Separate examinations for motor routes and wagon routes are no longer held. Appointments to both positions will be made from the same register.

The examination will be open only to citizens who are actually domiciled in the territory of the post office where the vacancy exists and who meet the other requirements set forth in Form 1977. Both men and women, if qualified, may enter this examination, but appointing officers have the legal right to specify the sex desired in requesting certification of eligibles. Women will not be considered for rural carrier appointment unless they are the widows of U. S. Soldiers, sailors or marines, or the wives of U. S. soldiers, sailors, or marines, who are physically disqualified for examination by reason of injuries received in the line of military duty. Form 1977 and application blanks may be obtained from the offices mentioned above or from the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C. Applications should be forwarded to the Commission at Washington, D. C., at the earliest practicable date.

Revival At Baptist Church to Continue

It is understood that the revival services at the Baptist Church will continue indefinitely, no time being set for its conclusion. Rev. Harve Stansberry is conducting the services and is being ably assisted by his father, and the pastor, Rev. Sasser. There has been quite a number of additions to the church, both by letters and professions. Large congregations are in attendance at all the meetings, and interest in the meeting continues to grow, and a great and good work is being accomplished.

Singing Convention In Session at Marble On Last Sunday

Marble, June 11.—The Cherokee County Singing Convention, meeting here yesterday with practically every section of the county represented, and some representative singers from adjoining counties, was a grand success. Quite a large crowd was present and heard some of the best singing ever rendered in a county convention. The percentage of the classes averaged between 95 and 98. Owl Creek making 98 and was awarded the banner. The Owl Creek class is made up of some mighty good singers and through their splendid efforts attained the deserved honor of the banner class of the convention.

Prof. Ezell, of Whittier, N. C., secretary of the Western North Carolina Singing Convention, was present and extended the convention an invitation to participate in his convention which is to be held sometime in July at Whittier.

Program For Decoration Service at Friendship Church Sunday June 17

According to the committee on arrangements, composed of D. T. McNeill, J. F. Wood, and R. L. Keenum, the following program for decoration services at the Friendship Church will be rendered Sunday, June 17th:

- 9:00 A. M.—Assemble at church.
- 9:30 to 9:35—Singing by choir.
- 9:35—Reciting of Sunday School classes and other Sunday School work.
- 10:00—Sunday School march to the cemetery.
- 10:10 to 10:30—Devotional exercises and talk at cemetery by Rev. E. A. Beaver.
- 10:30 to 10:40—Singing at cemetery by the choir.
- 10:40—Assembly at church.
- 10:45 to 11:00—Singing at the church by the choir.
- 11:00 A. M.—Preaching service by the pastor, Rev. C. F. Martin.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

EDUCATIONAL WORK IN COUNTY GETS \$28,775.51

Raleigh, June 2.—A total of \$1,162,292.42 in equalization funds to aid the educational work of the State has been apportioned North Carolina counties, leaving something like \$57,070.58 to be awarded later, according to figures announced today by Dr. E. C. Brooks, state superintendent of public instruction.

The awards for Cherokee, Clay and Graham Counties were as follows: Cherokee, \$28,775.51; Clay, \$8,452.03; and Graham, \$3,061.62.

"The general assembly of 1923 appropriated \$1,250,000 to be used as an equalizing fund and directed the state board of education to certify to each county on or before June 1, of each year the amount each county shall be entitled to draw from the equalizing fund," the statement says in part.

"The amount apportioned on May 31, including \$20,000 for transportation of pupils, \$20,000 for transportation of pupils, is \$1,192,929.42, which, according to law, must be apportioned later so as to encourage the more backward counties in improving the standard of the teachers. This sum, therefore, will be apportioned later to about 12 counties that have just begun to improve the grade of teachers, provided the budget shows an additional amount is needed."

Town Council Purchases Truck

The town council has purchased a ton Ford truck and will take over the street cleaning and make improvements on the roads. All property owners are urged to co-operate with the sanitary department and try and make Murphy a cleaner and more sanitary town. Any person having rubbish or garbage to haul off will do the town a favor by calling W. D. Townson, chairman of the sanitary department, so that he can send the truck immediately. They are considering purchasing a rock crusher so that they can make some permanent improvements on the roads with little or no extra expenditure of money over the old system.