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MURPHY BUILDING LOAN ASSOCIATION IS ORGANIZED

Will Begin Business Next Saturday
—To Hold Public Meeting Friday Night

Application for Charter for a Building and Loan Association for Murphy has been sent to the Secretary of State and assurances have been received that the charter would be granted as soon as fifty thousand dollars worth of stock has been subscribed. At a preliminary meeting Monday night an organization was formed by the election of officers and the adoption of by-laws and committees and at work obtaining subscriptions for additional stock. Friday night at seven o'clock at the Library Building a public meeting will be held, at which time the building and loan idea will be thoroughly explained and additional stock subscriptions received.

The Murphy Building and Loan Association is the name of the new organization which is headed by Col. D. Witherspoon as president. J. W. Davidson is vice-president, and E. W. Sipe the secretary and treasurer. The following directors were named: C. M. Wofford, W. D. Townson, P. C. Hyatt, J. B. Storey, W. M. Fain, H. G. Elkins, J. V. Barnett and E. C. Mallonee. At the same meeting it was agreed to start business Saturday, November 11th.

For some time there has been a demand in Murphy for new homes and that demand has recently been accentuated by the growth of the town and the starting of several new industries, which has brought in new families. It is now estimated that there is a demand in town for at least fifty or seventy-five additional homes. There are a number being built for rent, but the building and loan association will give every man who wants to own his own home a chance to do so. It is considered that this association will do more for real stability and permanence in Murphy than anything undertaken recently.

There was an association in Murphy a few years ago but because of a slump in business, it was allowed to disintegrate but not a single stockholder lost a penny in the dissolution. During the life of the Association a number of new homes were built.

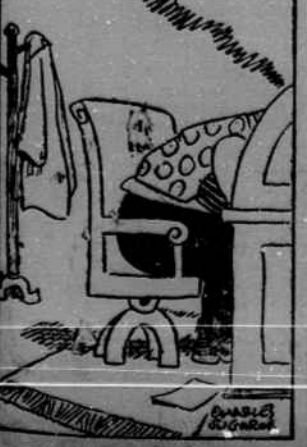
Many have already intimated their intention of applying for loans as soon as the association is ready to receive their applications, and it is expected that within two weeks a dwelling house can be gotten under way.

Box Supper

The public is cordially invited. MARB' E. Nov. 8.—There will be a box supper at Marble school building Saturday night, Nov. 17, for the benefit of the school library, according to an announcement made here today by Mr. W. J. Burton.

BILL BOOSTER SAYS

YOU KNOW, I FIND THAT WHEN I KEEP BUSY AT MY OWN AFFAIRS, I AMY NEAR SO CRITICAL OF OTHERS! AN IDLE MAN FINDS FAULT MORE READILY THAN A WORKER!



L. L. Heaton Injured Thursday

Mr. L. L. Heaton, manager of the iron mining operations of the Clinchfield Coal Company on the Hitchcock property just across Hiwassee River, had one of his feet severely crushed Thursday while assisting in unloading from the railroad cars a heavy rock crusher which the company is planning to install to crush the large lumps of ore.

It is understood that it was necessary to amputate a toe because of the severity of the accident.

One Billion In Savings Certificates

"One billion dollars of the national public debt, it is the hope of the United States Treasury Department, will be carried by comparatively small investors of the nation in the form of Treasury savings certificates," according to a statement made by the local postmaster.

The sale of these certificates to the amount of \$250,000,000 annually will make this possible. These certificates are issued in convenient denominations of \$25, \$100, and \$1,000 and selling at a discount price until further notice, of \$29.50, \$82, and \$820, respectively, to put them within reach of the man of moderate means. They mature with five years, but many be redeemed at the option of the purchaser, at any time at values increasing every month.

The Government is serious in its purpose to prevent, as far as possible, the loss of millions of dollars annually through get-rich-schemes and unsound financial ventures, which fleece thousands of their savings, by offering to the public an absolutely safe investment plan in Treasury savings certificates.

The local postmaster is the authorized agent for the sale of these certificates and invites the public to visit the post office at any time for information concerning them. "There is no excuse for losses in foolish investments when the public is fully concerning the attractive features and absolute safety involved in the purchase of these "Baby Bonds," added the postmaster.

Boiling Springs

Our Sunday school is on the drag. Everybody come next Sunday and help carry on the work for our Lord.

Mr. John Marcus of Owl Creek spent a few days last week doing some work for M. B. Dockery.

Mr. C. C. Mills lumber works are progressing nicely at this place.

Our school is progressing nicely under the management of Misses Tinda Tweed and Emily Sword.

Mr. Ben Dockery made a business trip to Murphy Monday.

Mr. William Long, of Tennessee, is visiting his uncle, Mr. Aaron White of this place.

Rev. Justice preached here Sunday and Sunday night.

Mr. W. Gaddis, of Tellico Plains, Tenn., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. A. J. Hass, and son, Mr. T. C. Gaddis, of this place.

Mr. Joe Tucker and family, of Tennessee, spent a few days here last week.

Culberson News

Mr. U. S. Nichols, his son and daughter, were welcome visitors at Mr. Ross Ellis' last Sunday night.

We had a very nice box supper here Saturday night.

Mr. Frank Silvey's new house will soon be completed.

Mr. C. C. Bailey is building a new printing office right beyond the postoffice.

Mr. Hobert Byless' little daughter is very sick at this writing but we hope she will soon recover.

Mr. Wayco Byros and family have returned from Ohio where they have been for a few months.

Dr. Patton's family, of Bellevue, were visitors at this place a few days ago.

Our Sunday school is progressing along nicely.

Can you think of any better way to use a dollar?

RED CROSS ROLL CALL

November 11th to 29th

Join or Renew Your Membership

MARBLE COMPANY MAKING EXTENSION FOR BUSINESS

Finishing Room Being Enlarged and Hotel Accommodations Opened By The Company

The Regal Blue Marble Company are making extensive repairs and additions to their plant at Regal, about two miles from here.

The business of the company has increased to such an extent that it has become necessary to enlarge the finishing plant and to put in new equipment and employ more men. An addition approximately 20x40 feet is being built to the finishing room so as to take care of both the monumental and building material that the company is quarrying and manufacturing.

Because of the increased business it has been necessary to construct a boarding house at the plant to take care of the men. Accommodations for about twenty-five workers are provided in what was formerly the old office building. Mr. Lee Loudernilk has recently been engaged to manage the hotel, which has been comfortably furnished and provided with ample kitchen and dining accommodations.

The company quarries a highly colored Blue marble which is sold under the trade name of "Regal Blue", and has won a commanding position on the American market, because of its durability and high polishing quality. This product took the gold medal at the Jamestown Exposition in 1907. Practically the entire output of the local plant is being sold in the North Central and Northwestern States, it is understood.

Compulsory Attendance Law Is Being Enforced

Several children were caught in the meshes of the compulsory attendance law this week and their parents were haled before Justice P. E. Nelson to answer why children were not in school. Several parents were convicted of violating the law and paid fines. It is understood that a number of other cases are to come up within the next few days.

The compulsory law requires that all children between the ages of six and fourteen years attend school regularly for at least six months in the year, and the attendance officer is taking steps to see that the law is carried out in this county.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY TO MOVE MURPHY STATION

Will Erect Warehouse and Several Large Tanks to Serve This Section

It became known today that permits have been issued to the Standard Oil Company to move their distributing tanks from the Factorytown section to their property on Hiwassee River near the ice plant and shuttle block mill.

The new construction will include a one-story iron building approximately 30x40 feet, one 14x20 one-story iron building and two 10x26 vertical steel tanks for the storage of petroleum products.

District Agent W. J. Gluck, of the Charlotte office of the Standard Company, is here this week making arrangements to move the station.

At the new location the station will be much more easily reached by the public as it will be on a good highway. It will also be easier reached by local distributors of gasoline and oil.

Criminal Court Docket Completed

The superior court of the county completed the criminal docket for the November term Thursday and began the trying of civil cases.

The only case of much interest was that in which Policeman Garland Posey, of Andrews, was charged with murder for the killing of L. L. Pulliam last July. The evidence showed that Mr. Posey shot in self defense and the State dropped the case after it had put its witnesses on the stand. The defense offered no testimony.

One or two liquor cases were up and a few fines and road sentences were handed out by Judge Bryson, but otherwise the court has been void of spectacular interest. Quite a number were inattendant Monday and Tuesday.

Nitrate of soda doubled the yield of wheat on the farm of O. C. Bruton near Mt. Gilead in Montgomery County. He applied 100 pounds per acre as a top dresser about the last of February. He made 10-12 bushels per acre where the soda was applied and only five bushels where no soda was used.

Abe Harshaw Finds Novel Earn of Corn

Mr. A. McD. Harshaw brought to The Scout office a few days ago a novel ear of corn gathered by one of his tenants from a field of corn in Murphy. The specimen consists of a central ear with a cluster of nine ears about it, all being closely associated. The ears are very distinct but small and rather stunted.

The specimen can be seen at this office.

More Interest Shown In Improved Farm Seeds

Raleigh, Nov. 6.—The farmers of North Carolina are taking greater interest in using improved pedigreed farm seeds according to Dr. R. Y. Winters, plant breeding agronomist for the State College and Department of Agriculture. Last Spring through the efforts of County Agent T. J. W. Broow, about 1800 bushels of Mexican Big Boll seed were introduced into Union County. Dr. Winters recently queried the men using this variety and found that to a man, they were pleased with the results being secured this fall.

Expressions like these are seen in their answers: "I will plant my entire crop with this variety next year." "Larger bolls and produces more." "Heavier fruiter and more compact growth." "Bolls large and more to stalk." "Better than the kind I have been growing."

Nearly every reply from some forty growers had statements showing that they were favorably impressed with the results of improved seed.

As a further indication of this interest Dr. Winters reports that a new association for seed improvement has been organized in Anson County through the efforts of County Agent J. W. Cameron. Most of the members will use the Mexican variety of cotton with which to begin work and such farmers as U. B. Blacklock, J. M. Sikes, E. G. Griggs and L. D. Robinson are pioneers in the movement.

Dr. Winters has other associations in Edgecombe, Halifax, Sampson and the Woodleaf community in Rowan County. All of these are now well organized, are selecting their seeds and are making sales of improved cotton varieties.

The Edgecombe Association is incorporated under the State law, has a regularly employed plant breeder and is improving cotton, corn and oats at this time.

The association in Halifax County is doing some work with peanuts.

According to Dr. Winters, the workers in his office are assisting about 18 other communities in testing the best varieties for their localities and in selecting good seed each year that these varieties may be constantly improved.

Converts Poor Field Into Productive Aera

Hendersonville. In 1920 James R. League bought a twenty acre farm. This little farm was one time a part of the Eli Rhodes farm. When Mr. League bought this farm it was grown up in locust and sassafras bushes. It made five bushels of corn to the acre. Mr. League now has about one half of it under cultivation. In the fall of 1921 he put out about seven acre in rye. In the spring he turned this rye under, planted in in corn, using 100 pounds of 16 per cent acid to the acre when he planted the corn. He planted one row of Georgia 100-day velvet beans and one row of corn. At laying-by time he sowed this in vetch and red clover. This year he has this same land in corn, using same amount of 16 per cent acid, planting the corn about three feet in the drill and velvet beans about two feet.

He figures on getting from 25 to 30 bushels of corn to the acre and from one to one and a half tons of velvet bean hay to the acre. Besides this he has put out something like one hundred and fifty apple, peach and cherry trees, also scuppernon grape vines, which will be in fruiting age next year.

CLAY COUNTY TO CO-OPERATE WITH THE STATE

Commissioner Make Appropriation To Help Control Forest Fires

The Board of County Commissioners of Clay County made an appropriation of \$125 at their regular meeting the first of this week for the purpose of helping to prevent forest fires in the county. According to district Forest Fire Warden Peterson, who was in Murphy the first of the week. The State, under the agreement made with the commissioners, will appropriate a like or greater amount for the same kind of work in Clay County and wardens will be appointed and patrol work begun as soon as the danger from fires seems imminent.

Clay County co-operated with the State in this work last year. Also, Cherokee co-operated last year and renewed the agreement again this year.

Thus far only one fire has been reported in Cherokee County for this fall, said Mr. Peterson on his visit here this week. This was only a small fire, covering about five acres of timber land, it was said. There have perhaps been other small fires, but only the one has been reported. Many of the fires are started through the carelessness of hunters, especially this time of the year, said Mr. Peterson, and the remainder of the fall season will be the most dangerous, for the leaves are now falling and fire will spread rapidly when once started, said the district fire warden. Fire in the woods does much damage every year, and it cannot be stopped until the state and county officials have the co-operation of the general public, is the opinion of forestry officials.

Wolf Creek Items

Miss Thelma Coleman, of Atlanta, who has been spending several weeks with Mrs. W. A. Slawson, returned to her home Monday.

The little child of Mr. J. M. Simonds that was reported sick last week is somewhat better now.

Mr. Lewis Gaddis, of Hothouse, has now moved into the house with his sister, Mrs. Mat Withrow.

The Mr. Adams who was reported from here last week as being shot by Dave Bryant died on Sunday night of last week. He was buried at Macedonia cemetery Tuesday.

Rev. R. F. Carter and John Morrow conducted the funeral services in the presence of a large congregation of people. Word has reached here that Mr. Bryant has been apprehended and is lodged in the Polk County, Tenn., jail.

Mr. W. A. Slawson, who has been sick for some weeks with malaria, has somewhat improved.

One item overlooked last week was the coming of the threshing machine. If it did come late, we all thought it "better late than never."

INDIAN OR WHITE?

WHO were the first inhabitants of the North American continent? Indians, as our historians have it, or some other race more remote than the redskin?

In parts of Western North Carolina and down in Georgia is found evidence of a prehistoric race of giants who roamed these parts very many moons before the Indian.

Mooneyed warriors unable to see in daylight; six-toed white-skinned Gullivers with feet said to be seventeen inches long.

Scientists and historians are searching this section of the Blue Ridge Mountains in an effort to unearth information and evidence that might tend to establish the fact that a race of white giants inhabited this section before the Indians.

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