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MAYOR, COUNCIL TOOK OATH OF OFFICE SATURDAY

Fain Reviews Accomplishments of
Past Two Years and Outlines
Plans For Coming Year

The newly elected mayor and board of commissioners of the Town of Murphy, composed of W. M. Fain, Mayor; W. W. Hyde, E. P. Hawkins, J. H. Phaup, J. B. Storey and W. D. Townson, met at the Mayor's office in the library building Saturday afternoon and took the oath of office before J. H. McCall, Notary Public, for the third consecutive time within as many years. As Commissioners Phaup and Hawkins were absent, no business was transacted, and an adjournment was taken until Monday night of this week.

Monday night the mayor and full board met at the office in the library building, and after Mayor Fain administered the oath of office to commissioners Phaup and Hawkins, he spoke at some length of the accomplishments of the council during the past two years and outlined some of the things that would be undertaken during the present term of office.

Mayor Fain commented on the harmonious way in which the Board of Commissioners had worked together for the good of the community during the past two years. Some of the accomplishments mentioned were the following: Opening of Mayor's office in the library where all business is transacted and all trials heard; the passage of the parking ordinance and the erection of speed limit signs at dangerous curves and crossings; the securing, jointly with the county, of Cherokee Park; and the securing from the school trustees of Riverside Park, playground and tourist camp; the posting of welcoming signs on the main highways leading into Murphy; the changing of the blind curve at the intersection of Hiwassee Street and Banger Road; putting of water in Factorytown; the Ramsay and Elliott section on the Hitchcock property, to the highway and other property along the street back of and parallel to Hilton Street, and the extension of the four inch water main across the Hiwassee River so as to give fire protection to that section of town; the extension of street lights to the new development on the Hitchcock property, modernizing of Hospital Street and Street in Factorytown; water extended to cemetery and to the public parks; the opening of the public library at night; named all streets; negotiated and put through the sale of the power plant under terms favorable to the town; took the lead in the negotiations for the city delivery of mail with promise of securing the service; number the houses of Murphy; attended public meetings of every kind and took an active interest in every movement for the advancement of the welfare of the town.

For the present year a great many things need attention, the Mayor pointed out. Of immediate importance is the putting through of the street paving program inaugurated a few days ago; the putting up of name plates bearing the names of the streets; following up the movement to secure city delivery of mail. A great many other things received mentioned but plans are too indefinite as yet to give out any announcement concerning them.

Following the remarks of the Mayor, W. W. Hyde was elected Mayor Pro-Tem; B. W. Sipe, Clerk & Treas.; D. M. Birchfield, Chief of Police, and J. L. Hall, Water Superintendent. Also Mr. Birchfield was again appointed Sanitary officer and Building inspector. E. P. Hawkins was appointed on the street committee; W. W. Hyde, on police, lights and Parks committee; J. B. Storey, finance, traffic and advertising committees; J. H. Phaup, water and cemetery committee, and W. D. Townson on the sanitary committee.

The second Thursday night was fixed as the time for the regular monthly meeting. A number of matters were postponed from the Monday night meeting until the regular monthly meeting on Thursday night of this week.

Mayor Fain stated Thursday that those having anything to present to the council for action, or wish to seek the aid or assistance of the council in any matter pertaining to the progress, uplift and advancement of

All Hail the Queen



Porter Burns Hand When Gasoline Ignites

Last Saturday morning, while washing out the transmission hull of a Dodge car at McMillan's Garage at the L. & N. Station, W. L. Porter, mechanic, received a very painful burn on the right hand, and the top of a Chevrolet car was burned off when a short circuit from the battery of the car being washed gave off a spark which ignited the gasoline.

A fire call was sounded and the volunteer fire department responded and were on the spot ready for business in about five minutes, but due to the quick work of employees and the use of pyrene chemical, the fire was practically extinguished when the fire truck arrived.

The damage done was estimated at about \$25, and Mr. Porter stated that the reason his hand was burned so badly was due to it being saturated with gasoline.

Singing Convention To Meet At Marble Springs June 14th

According to announcement the first of the week by Mr. E. L. Ballard, secretary-treasurer, the Cherokee County Singing Convention will meet with Marble Springs Baptist Church on the second Sunday in June, which is the 14th. This is the 28th annual convention of the county association, and it is expected that George W. Sebrén, noted song book publisher, will be present and take part in the singing, and Yellow Hill Indian choir is also expected to be there.

In making this announcement Mr. Ballard stated that all classes and singers of Cherokee County are requested to bring lunch with them and George W. Sebrén's 1925 song book, "Winning Praise," for convention singing. The contest for the banner will take place in the afternoon. Dinner will be served on the ground at the noon hour.

"All classes of the county are urged to be present," said the announcement, "and classes and singers of adjoining counties, although they cannot participate in the contest, are cordially invited to meet and sing with us on that day."

Mr. J. C. Abrogast Jr., of Andrews, was here over the week-end. Marriages licenses were issued the other day by Register of Deeds A. M. Simonds for Dr. Turner P. Briggs and Mrs. Cordie L. Linderman.

the community, or any criticism, to offer as to policies, etc., of the council, are invited to meet and discuss them with the board of commissioners from time to time.

"We are a board of servants of the people, elected by the people and serving the people, and we can much better serve the people when we know what they want," he stated.

Additional Local & Personal

The pouring of concrete on both ends of the Murphy-Andrews link No. 10 highway is now well under way, and it is expected to be finished within the next two or three months. The section within the limits of the town is expected to be finished during the next thirty days.

Congressman W. D. Upshaw, and secretary Lamar S. Payne, of Atlanta, Ga., were registered at the Dickey House Monday.

Mr. John A. Carr, of Blairsville, spent one day here this week on business.

The regular meeting of the Baptist Women's Missionary Society will be held at the church next Tuesday, according to announcement Wednesday by officers of the society. The date was moved up on account of coming meetings elsewhere.

Mr. Neil Haigler, prominent merchant of Hayesville, was a business visitor here Wednesday.

FOR RENT—Two Three-room houses. Apply to Mrs. Nettie Dickey, City. (11-d)

Miss Mary Poole, of Atlanta, Ga., returned Monday after having spent several days with relatives and friends in the county.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Engleman and little daughter, Mary, spent Tuesday in Andrews.

Mr. Harvey Akin was host Friday night at a delightful social at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Akin, in honor of the senior class of the Murphy High School, of which he is a member. Miss Evelyn Hill furnished music at the piano as the guests were served with refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake. Those present and enjoying Harvey's hospitality were Misses Maurine Fain, Evelyn Hill, Christine Bowles, Linn Albright; Messrs. Lucius Witherspoon, Mark West, B. W. Sipe, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Kanoy, Mrs. L. P. Kinsey, Mrs. Jno. E. Fain, Mrs. D. Witherspoon, and Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Akin.

Mrs. C. H. Bowles returned last Friday from Junction City, Ky., where she spent the past several weeks visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Benedict.

Mr. G. W. Candler spent several days in Atlanta this week.

Miss Hattie Axley was a visitor to Blue Ridge, Ga., Wednesday.

C. W. and Mrs. Bailey spent the week-end with relatives in Atlanta and College Park, Ga. Mrs. Bailey will spend a week or ten days before returning.

Mr. A. C. Richmond spent several days in Asheville with Mrs. Richmond last week.

Mr. A. E. Highway, mining operator, of Washington, D. C., is spending sometime with his brother, Dr. S. C. Highway. He is interested in mining properties and is making a number of investigations while here.

Col. John H. Dillard went to Clyde, N. C., Tuesday morning, where he delivered the commencement literary address to the graduating class of the Clyde High School. Mr. Dillard will leave Saturday morning for Vicksburg, Miss., to make the presentation for North Carolina at the unveiling on May 18th of the monument erected there to commemorate the valor of the North Carolina troops who took part in the battle of Vicksburg during the Civil War. Mr. Dillard was largely responsible for getting the funds appropriated for the erection of this monument to the North Carolina soldier.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Barclay, and little son, Robert, Jr., spent the week-end with Mrs. Barclay's parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson. Mr. Barclay returned to Copperhill Monday, and Mrs. Barclay and Robert Jr. remained for several days.

Bridge Party

Mrs. C. K. Hoover and Miss Triplett entertained at bridge at the former's home on Saturday night.

The house was artistically decorated with mountain laurel and pink roses.

Mrs. Hoover was assisted in receiving by Mrs. W. A. Bryson, Miss Triplett presided at the punch bowl.

Miss Eva Nell Mauney won first prize and Miss Kathryn Thompson the consolation. Pink and white carnations were used as favors, and refreshments carrying out the same color scheme were served.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bryson, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Watts, Misses Albright, Brittain, Candler, Dixon, Thompson, Wright, and Messrs. Arbogast, Hart, Studstill, Miss Triplett and Mr. and Mrs. Hoover. Mr. B. W. Sipes was an after-guest.

List of Books Given Library During May

The Carnegie Library has been the recipient of eleven volumes during May, ten volumes presented by Miss Sarah Cook and one volume by Mr. Frank Davis, according to a statement given out Tuesday by Miss Josephine Heighway, Librarian.

The books presented by Miss Cook are as follows: Six volumes by Richard Harding Davis; "Dawn," by E. H. Porter; "Bought and Paid For," by Broadhurst & Hornblow; "Storm Country," by Grace Miller White, and "Man With Three Names," by McGrath.

"Casey Ryan," by Bowen is the title of the volume given by Mr. Frank Davis.

These books are greatly appreciated by officers of the Library, and the community in general.

MONTHLY REPORT OF COUNTY DEPT PUBLIC WELFARE

Report Shows Numerous Cases Coming Before Department Which Was Inaugurated Last Month

The report of the Cherokee County Department of Charities and Public Welfare, for the month ending April 30th, shows many cases are coming before that body, and steps taken to remedy them. This work was made possible under the Laura Spelman Rockefeller grant of \$30,000 to the State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, which work is being put on as a sort of demonstration in five counties of the state, including Cherokee.

The following report for month of April was submitted by Miss Anne Ruth Medcalf, Supt. of the Department, to the county Board of Charities and Public Welfare at its regular meeting on May 4th, 1925. Although the report is for the month of April, the work herein recorded covers a period of only about two weeks as Miss Medcalf did not arrive in Murphy to assume the duties as superintendent of the department until April 1st, she having been delayed because of the illness of her mother.

Juvenile Court section: 1. Cases remaining from last month—1 white girl; 1 colored boy. 2. New cases reported: 5 white boys; 2 white girls. 3. Handled by court (official): 1 white girl. 4. Handled by Welfare officer (unofficial): 3 white boys. 5. Cases pending for disposition: 2 white boys; 1 white girl.

Poor fund cases: 1. Reported and investigated—2. 2. Placed on poor fund list—0. 3. Removed from poor fund list—0. 4. Persons carried to County Home—0.

Miscellaneous: 1. Conferences: Board members—2-2. Juvenile Court Judge—5. General—20. 2. Meetings: Board—1, general—0. 3. Investigations: Mothers' Aid; family welfare—2. 4. Inspection: Jail—1; road camp 0; County Home—1; factory 0. 5. Certificates issued: Age—0; employment—0. 6. Home visits—18; 7. Office calls—14; 8. Letters mailed—40; Phone calls 6. 10. Miles traveled—150. 11. Investigations for outside agencies—2.

"Winning Of Latane" One Of Parker's Best Melodramas

Will Be Presented Friday Night, The
22nd, At School Auditorium
By Seventh Grade

This play is the second of the series of commencement exercises of the present year and promises to be a drawing number. It is an interesting modern love story abounding with wholesome humor, pathetic and almost tragic situations. The theme of the play being that "Honor Wins."

The characters run as follows: Philip P. Caston, President Caston Phosphate Co., and father of Latane, Glenn Sneed; Mrs. Philip P. Caston, step-mother to Latane, and aids villain, Edna Lee; Ruth Spaulding, private secretary to Mr. Caston, and divorced wife of villain, Inez Dance; Julius Sears, first villain, man of millions and suitor for Latane's hand, Joe Dyer; Robert Sparr, second villain, Superintendent Cashton Co., and friend of Sears, Ralph Barton; Trusty Hopkins, faithful negro servant, John Davidson; Cyrus W. Gilbert, Chairman board of directors, Upland Phosphate Co., William Thompson; Latane Cashton, faithful daughter of Mr. Cashton and loves Frank, Esta Swaim; Frank Efferton, faithful employee of Mr. Cashton, and loves his daughter, Tommie Heinz, office boy, Bill Bayles; Richard Prince, newsboy, Charles Dickey; Harry Forrest, messenger boy, J. H. Brendle; Billy Brown, newsboy, Leonard West; sheriff, Frank Hensley; policeman, Maynard Allen.

W. B. Dickey & Sons, local retail merchants, have the agency in Murphy for the famous "Town Crier" Flour, advertisement of which will be found on another page of this issue of The Scout. Mr. Dickey has had the agency for this flour for several years, and he says that a number of his customers will have none other. The Midland Flour Milling Company, manufacturers of "Town Crier" Flour, say that if the flour does not produce the best bread you have ever made, return the empty sack to your grocer and your money will be returned without argument. Bread baked from "Town Crier" flour recently won first prize at the Cleveland, Ohio, Food Show, against 500 other loaves of different makes.

J. W. Davidson Closing Out Line Of Women's Shoes

Mr. J. W. Davidson, local retail gent's furnishing dealer, has placed his entire line of Ladies' shoes on the counter, and priced them at sacrifice.

J. L. FAIN IS APPOINTED FISH WARDEN CHEROKEE

J. K. Dixon, Chairman State Fisheries Commission Here In Interest
Fish Preservation

Mr. J. L. Fain, last week received his commission as Fish Warden of the county, which office was created by an act of the last legislature amending the fish laws of the county.

Mr. J. K. Dixon, of Trenton, Chairman of the State Fisheries Commission Board, spent several days in the county last week and made the appointment. While here Mr. Dixon stated that regulations and rules looking to the protection of fish in the streams of Western North Carolina, especially those counties having the same fishing laws as Cherokee, would probably be taken up by the commission at its meeting at Morehead City sometime during July, a copy of which will be sent to this paper for publication.

Mr. Fain's duties as Fish Warden for the county will be law enforcement, issuing licenses, and acquainting the people with the law and the reasons for which the law was enacted. Mr. E. E. Davis, Clerk of the Superior Court, is also authorized to issue licenses.

"I hope the people of the county will co-operate with me in the enforcement of the law," said Mr. Fain the other day. "In the past quite a bit of dynamiting of the streams has been practiced, to the detriment of the fish of the streams as well as the people of the county. Dynamiting destroys not only large fish, but small ones as well, besides the nests and eggs, and thousands of fish are perhaps destroyed annually in this manner," he said.

"I am asking the co-operation of the people of the county to the end that some of this dynamiting if not all of it will cease to be practiced, to the end that the small fish will be allowed to grow and become developed. Quite a number of fish have been put out in the streams of the county in the past, and if given the proper protection by those using the streams for fishing purposes, there will not be any shortage of fish in our streams."

The full text of the fishing law will be published next week.

Jim Crow, Dickey House Pet Passes

Jim Crow, the famous Maryland black bird known by that name, and always an interesting specimen of the fowl kingdom at the Dickey house for a number of years, died suddenly Wednesday evening, and was interred in the Cemetery of Pets under the spreading weeping willow tree at the rear of the Dickey house. Jim was a native of the Maryland coast, and was captured a number of years ago and served as a mascot on one of Uncle Sam's man-o'-wars fore about three years before finally taking up his abode in Murphy three or four years ago. A sailor presented him to Mrs. Nettie Dickey as a pet. He has two marble slabs marking his last resting place alongside of those who have gone on before.

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He announces that he is quitting this line of the business and the sale will continue until the entire stock now on hand has been exhausted. See his ad on another page of this issue.