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## Welcome To Murphy For Celebration

### MURPHY TO BE HOST TO GA. SOLONS

Governor and Members Of Legislature And Other Prominent Visitors To Spend Night Of 4th in City

Word was received here, this week that Governor Walker of Georgia would spend Saturday evening and night here along with the entire membership of the Georgia Legislature, Governor A. W. McLean, who was invited to join the delegation here, found it necessary to decline the invitation. The concluding of a two day meeting of the Nacoochee-Hiwassee Road and Recreation Association and the celebration of the opening of that section of the Appalachian Scenic Highway from Murphy to Gainesville, Ga., is the occasion that is bringing the Georgia Governor and his solons here along with thousands of other people from North Carolina and Western North Carolina.

At a meeting of citizens of the town at the assembly hall of the library Monday afternoon, the request from the Nacoochee-Hiwassee Road and Recreation Association that Murphy be host to one hundred members of the Georgia Legislature was heartily accepted and the meeting went on record to extend to the Georgia Legislature, the Governor of Georgia and the Governor of North Carolina a hearty invitation to visit Murphy on the Fourth and be here for the fireworks display that night, which will mark the conclusion of one of the biggest celebrations ever held in this section.

The fireworks display at Murphy will follow the speaking and barbecue festival at Neel Gap, just below Blainsville, Ga., on the Fourth, which is being sponsored by the Nacoochee-Hiwassee Road and Recreation Association, and the event marks the opening of Georgia's Million dollar mountain scenic highway. This highway is a part of the Appalachian Scenic Highway, and is known as the Atlanta-Murphy-Asheville highway.

At the meeting in the library Monday, a motion was carried to appoint a reception committee headed by Mayor Fain as chairman. The committee appointed is as follows: Mayor W. M. Fain, chairman; Mrs. E. B. Norvell, Mrs. Gordon Hasty, Mrs. Harvey Elkins, Mrs. C. W. Bailey and Messrs. Harvey Elkins, J. W. Davidson and Frank Hill.

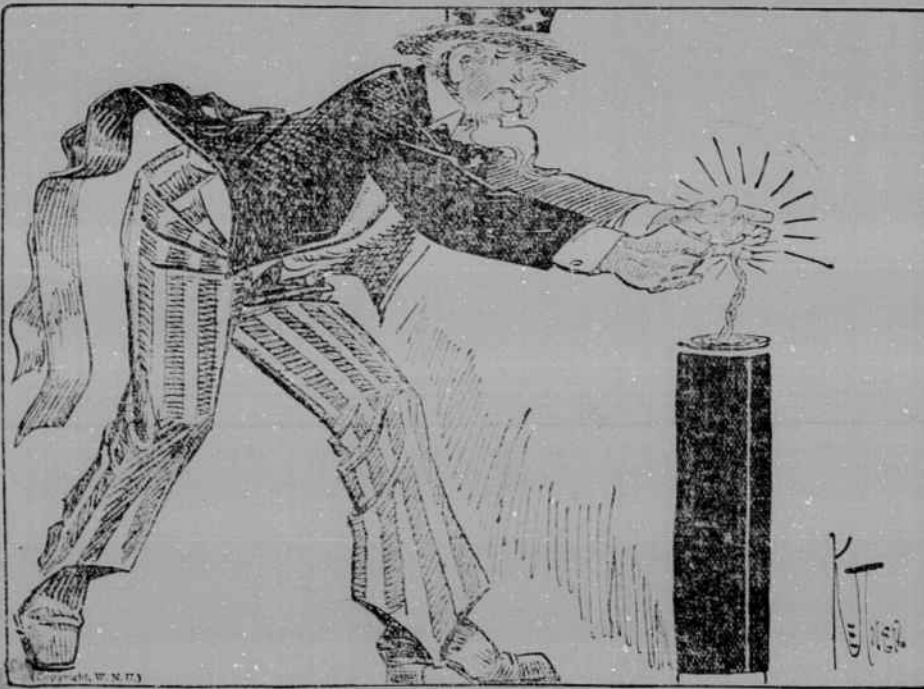
The committee has been busy this week securing homes for the one hundred members of the legislature, and they report that a hearty response by the people of Murphy have met them on every side. It is expected that everything will be in readiness by Friday.

It is expected that several thousand people will witness the display of fireworks here on the night of the Fourth, at the Fair Grounds, and that several hundred in addition to the members of the Georgia Legislature will spend the night in Murphy. The hotels have announced that already reservations are being booked for the occasion by those expecting to attend from different parts of the three adjoining states.

Several hundred dollars worth of fireworks will be shot on the night of the Fourth at the Fair Grounds in Murphy. It is said by those who have charge of the shooting that this will be one of the most elaborate displays ever seen in this section, and every effort is being made for its success. W. D. Townson and E. P. Hawkins have charge of the shooting, and every precaution will be made, they stated, to prevent any accidents. It is also understood that several additional policemen will be on duty that night to help handle the traffic.

The telegrams sent out inviting the members of the Georgia Legislature, and the Governor of the two states, together with replies received up

### One Hundred and Forty-Ninth Birthday



### L. & N. TRAIN TO BE HELD OVER

Through efforts of the city council and local officials, announcement was made Wednesday by officials of the L. & N. Railroad that the L. & N. Train leaving Murphy at 2:12 in the afternoon would be held over on July 4th until 9 o'clock that night for the benefit of those desiring to attend the fireworks display in Murphy that evening and who wished to return that night.

This courtesy of the L. & N. is greatly appreciated, and it is expected that hundreds of people of the lower section of the county, as well as the people from the sections of Georgia and Tennessee traversed by the L. & N., will avail themselves of this opportunity of witnessing the fireworks display here on the 4th and returning to their homes that night.

### BAR ASSOCIATION MEET ASHEVILLE JULY 1ST TO 3RD

John H. Dillard, Local Attorney, Delivered Address Before Association Thursday

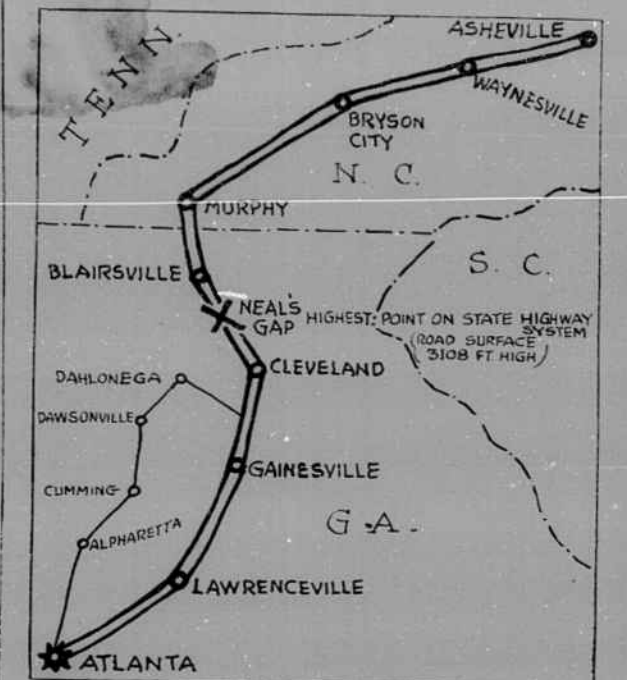
The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the North Carolina Bar Association is holding its sessions in Asheville this week, July 1st to 3rd, and indications point to a large attendance from all parts of the State. The program arranged for the occasion is an elaborate one, some of the most prominent barristers of the state being scheduled to address the meeting, among them Col. John H. Dillard of Murphy. Mr. Dillard will deliver an address on "The Judiciary" before the association on Thursday morning.

Mr. Dillard is recognized as a speaker of unusual ability, and the local Bar Association should feel honored that one of its members was selected to speak before the state association.

Mr. and Mrs. Dillard left Wednesday morning for Asheville, and following the sessions of the Bar Association will spend the week-end with Mr. Dillard's sister at Reidville, N. C.

Mr. J. M. Stoner is visiting in Thomasville this week.

### Two States Will Celebrate New Highway Opening July 4



The map shows the official route followed by the Appalachian Scenic Highway from Asheville to Atlanta, by way of Waynesville, Bryson City, and Murphy in North Carolina, and Blairsville, Cleveland, Gainesville, Lawrenceville and Atlanta in Georgia. The cross indicates Neel's Gap, where the Nacoochee-Hiwassee Road and Recreation Association barbecue will be held on the Fourth, celebrating the opening of this link of this great scenic highway. Roseoe A. Marvel of Asheville, is president of the Appalachian Scenic Highway.—Cut courtesy Atlanta Constitution.

### LEGISLATORS AND PROMINENT CITIZENS SO ATTEND APPALACHIAN SCENIC HIGHWAY PROGRAM AT NEEL GAP

By BEN COOPER, in The Atlanta Constitution.

Formal opening of the Atlanta-Asheville link of the Appalachian Scenic highway on July 4 at Neel Gap on the Blue Ridge drive, will be attended by practically the entire Georgia legislature and a large number of citizens of Georgia and North Carolina.

Announcement of the program of the opening was made Saturday by Bonnell H. Stone, secretary of the

### Robbinsville To Celebrate Opening Of New Railroad

Robbinsville, July 1.—Robbinsville and this entire section will celebrate the opening of the new railroad which was completed this week and opened to traffic. The railroad runs from Tipton to Robbinsville, and has been under construction for some time past.

The celebration will be held on July 4th, which day is in keeping with the new freedom of Graham County people who will make a new declaration of independence on that day.

The celebration of the occasion of the opening of the new railroad will be one of the biggest events ever held at Robbinsville. The program is scheduled to begin at 10 o'clock in the morning, and includes field games with prizes which will be open to all. There will be races of all kinds, greasy pig chase, greasy pole walk, pig eating contest, singing by the Cherokee Indians, addresses by prominent citizens, and a free barbecue at the noon hour.

The afternoon will be given over to fiddle and banjo contests, followed by two games of ball, elimination and a game of ball. The Indians will also have a ball game in the afternoon.

Under the competent management of Mr. H. C. Bemis of Bradford, Penn., and his corps of engineers and foremen, the Graham County Railroad Company completed its railroad from Tipton to Robbinsville last Thursday noon. It is a real railroad—concrete and steel bridges and sixty-pound railings—not leased but purchased.

Stock of the Graham County Railroad Company is owned by Mr. Bemis who lately purchased the timber and farming land and town property of the Buffalo Realty Company and the Carolina Railway and Lumber Company. He has secured rights-of-way out of Robbinsville to construct a private railroad into the timber on Snowbird, Buffalo and Sacoctah and expects to build a band mill and planing mill at Robbinsville. Mr. Bemis is laying out new streets in the town and plans to cut up a portion of what is known as the Junaluska farm, formerly owned by Mr. G. H. Walker, into lots. This farm contains 1,284 acres and embraces 5 or 6 hundred acres of practically level land. Extensive improvements are being made on the buildings in town and the future development of Robbinsville looks very promising at this time.

### Stakeleather Now Ready To Discuss Loans By Counties

According to information coming from Asheville this week, J. G. Stakeleather, Highway Commissioner for the ninth district, announced that he is prepared to meet with County Commissioners of interested counties to discuss loans to the State Highway Commission to build needed roads.

This announcement followed a ruling by the Supreme Court in which it was held that such loans for road building are valid.

It was also announced that a seven mile link in Swain County from Almond in the direction of Bryson City, will be built and hard-surfaced on "force account", which means the use of convict labor.

Mr. Stakeleather has also ordered a survey for a ten mile link from Chunky Gap, Clay County, toward Hayesville, and is now negotiating with the County commissioners on the project.

The commissioner states that he also hopes to let contract for grading from Bryson City west to the forks of the road to contractors now working in that section, as an "extension" project. However, he said, if a satisfactory arrangement can not be made competitive bids will be called for on July 22. Convict labor will be used for hard-surfacing.

### SUPERIOR COURT ADJOURNS SESSION WEDNESDAY 24

Docket Growing Faster Than Cases Ar. Being Disposed Of, Say Court Officials

The Cherokee County Superior Court, which met here on June 15th, for a two weeks session, adjourned Wednesday the 24th, after holding through eight days. Only twelve cases were disposed of during the term, although there were 193 cases on the docket, according to announcement by court officials the other day. It was stated that more cases were being added to the docket than were being disposed of, and the docket has been overcrowded for some time. Judge T. B. Elzey presided over the term of court, which tried civil cases only.

The twelve cases disposed of, according to court records, follows:

T. E. Grant vs. Woodard Lumber Co., Judgment against defendant in the sum of \$229.00. Southern Railway Co. vs. Cherokee County, Judgment rendered that the county refund \$3,800.00 in taxes collected from the plaintiff. E. B. King vs. Southern Railway, Judgment of \$500.00 for the killing of a cow. W. M. Anderson vs. Center & Abernathy, Judgment of \$75.00 and cost. D. L. Ashe vs. Parsons Pulp and Lumber Company, Judgment of \$700.00. J. V. Barnett vs. Federal Construction Company, Plaintiff non-suited. C. A. Pae vs. Henry McAden, Judgment rendered in favor of plaintiff over dispute of land grant, appealed. Tom Rich vs. Andrews Manufacturing Company, Judgment rendered in favor of plaintiff in the sum of \$3,000.00 and cost as damage for personal injury, appealed. In the case of W. P. Odum, Sheriff, vs. Mrs. H. B. Elliott, for collection of taxes the court sustained the defendant in her contention that she did not owe the taxes in question. Altus Mineral Company vs. Fred Stiles, and P. A. Manney vs. Fred Stiles, protest of entry declared inoperative and void. Max Hood vs. Dugger Hood, divorce granted.

### Telegram From State Laboratory Of Hygiene Says Dog Was Mad

Last Friday afternoon Dr. J. N. Hill received a telegram from the State Laboratory of Hygiene stating that the examination of the dog's head, which had been sent them marked Leatherwood, showed that it was afflicted with rabies.

The telegram follows: Raleigh, N. Car., June 26, 1925. Dr. J. N. Hill, Murphy, N. Car.

Dog marked Leatherwood was mad. Treatment sent today C. O. D. STATE LABORATORY HYGIENE.

The dog in question is said to have started out from up toward Hayesville and Brasstown, biting several dogs in that section. He came on to Murphy and bit quite a number of dogs here, also biting Miss Addie Leatherwood. He was finally killed and the head sent to Raleigh for inspection for rabies.

On Thursday morning of last week the County Board of Health held a meeting and took steps looking to the confining of all dogs of the County to prevent further outbreaks. A restraining order was passed making their dogs run at large, punishing a misdemeanor for owners to disobey by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars, or imprisonment not exceeding thirty days.

Officers of the town stated the other day that the co-operation of citizens in the matter of keeping all dogs confined had been most excellent, and as a consequence very few dogs have been running at large the past week. Several dogs have been killed by officers on request, and others have killed several dogs found running at large.