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REALTY FIRM FROM ASHEVILLE TO LOCATE HERE

To Open Offices In Brittain-Axley
Building—Already Have Over
Million In Options

The Cherry Real Estate Company of Asheville will open a real estate office in Murphy in about two weeks, according to an announcement made at a public meeting at the library Tuesday night of this week. The company has leased space on the second floor of the Brittain-Axley Building and plan to vigorously push the real estate business in this section. The company already has under option within a radius of 20 miles of Murphy more than one million dollars worth of real estate, it was made known this week.

Representatives of the company came here last Saturday and asked the Mayor to call a public meeting for Tuesday night. A number of local realtors and public spirited citizens gathered at the library to welcome this new firm to our town. Representing the firm at the meeting were Manager W. K. Way of Asheville, Captain C. E. Morris, formerly of Boston, Mass., but now of Asheville; F. E. Stone of Greensboro, and Arthur Palmer of Marble, Mayor W. M. Fain presided at the meeting at which Manager Way and Captain Morris spoke. They asked for the cooperation of the people, and especially the local realtors, stating that they did not want to be looked upon as competitors. They spoke highly of the many advantages of Murphy and western North Carolina and predicted an unprecedented growth here during the next few months.

Mr. Stone and Mr. Palmer are on the ground now but will not have an office other than their rooms at the Regal Hotel until the upper floor of the Brittain-Axley building is completed, when they will open offices there with a reception.

E. D. MATHESON, AGED CLAY CO. CITIZEN, PASSES

Was Father of W. L. Matheson,
Present Clerk of Court—Funeral
April 2nd

Hayesville, April 12.—Elisha Dallas Matheson, Confederate veteran, and father of the present clerk of Clay Superior Court, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of Clay County, died at his home here on April 1st. He was 82 years old and well known throughout this section.

Mr. Matheson was born in Iredele County, in 1844, and later came to what was then Cherokee but now Clay County. He enlisted in the Confederate army on Sept. 1, 1862, and was assigned to duty with Company "D", North Carolina Regiment, and served with distinction until the close of the war. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and later the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for 64 years.

Funeral services were conducted from the residence by Rev. Chas. S. Plyler, April 2nd, and interment was in the old Methodist cemetery.

He is survived by five children as follows: Mrs. Dora Ledford, Marietta, Ga.; Mrs. Cora Prater, and W. L. Matheson, Hayesville; J. P. Matheson, Andrews; and Mrs. Minnie Ledford, Young Harris, Ga.

Indian Enrollment Extension Made

The Secretary of the Interior has extended the time for filing applications for enrollment with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to May 15th, according to announcement this week by Superintendent Henderson, and A. W. Sinnington, special allotting agent of Cherokee, N. C. Moody and Moody, local attorneys, are representatives for the Indians here.

Life is full of regrets. About the time one gets the old car repainted and overhauled the manufacturer comes out with tempting reductions on the new ones.

Baseball Season Opens



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Funeral Of Mrs. Hastings Here Tuesday

Funeral services of Mrs. Harry Hastings, of Bryson City, were held here Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, from the residence of W. A. Elliott, brother-in-law, by Rev. D. H. Rhineheart, and interment was in the old Methodist cemetery. She died at a Bryson City hospital Monday morning and the body was brought here Tuesday for funeral and interment.

Mrs. Hastings was a member of one of the most prominent families of western North Carolina, and was well known here. She was the daughter of late Dr. and Mrs. M. C. King, of Murphy, and has many friends and relatives here. She was 38 years old and had been an invalid for the past fifteen years.

She is survived by her husband, two brothers, John King, of Copperhill; Dr. R. W. King, of Philadelphia; five sisters, Mrs. W. A. Elliott, Mrs. J. D. Mallonee, and Mrs. C. B. Hill, of Murphy; Mrs. Mable Davidson, of Maryville, Tenn.; and Mrs. Mary Patterson, of Struthers, Ohio.

'Peg O' My Heart Well Received By Andrews Audience

The play, "Peg O' My Heart," presented by local talent at Andrews last Friday night, was given before a large and appreciative audience. Quite a number of Murphy people accompanied the players to Andrews to witness the performance the second time, and stated that the play was even better there than it was in Murphy.

The play was well advertised, the beautiful posters prepared by Mrs. W. M. Axley, publicity director for the play, were used. These posters were exceptionally good and a large measure of the success of the play is attributed to the skill with which Mrs. Axley presented the play in poster form.

Many favorable comments were made by prominent Andrews citizens, and the house at all times greeted the climaxes of the play with laughter and applause. The house at Andrews netted a little more than \$65.00, which was divided between the Andrews and Murphy schools, the play being given there under the auspices of school.

Episcopal Services

There will be services at the Episcopal church Sunday, April 18th, at 11 o'clock in the morning and 7 in the evening. Arch Deacon John H. Griffith, of Asheville, will do the preaching. The public is cordially invited.

JUNIOR CLASS WILL PRESENT FOUR ACT PLAY

"A Fisherman's Luck" will be given
April 23rd for benefit
of School

A melo-drama in four acts entitled, "A Fisherman's Luck" will be given by the Junior Class of the Murphy High School at the Auditorium on Friday evening, April 23rd at 7:30 o'clock. The setting of the play is on the coast of Maine. The streams of humor and pathos in it often flows at high tide and it promises to be one of the best entertainment features of the season. The play is being directed by Mrs. E. G. White. Mrs. White has presented this play before, to a large audience, which received it well.

Royal Arch Masons Elect 1926 Officers

At a special convocation of West Gate Chapter No. 55, R. A. M., held on Friday evening April 9th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Comp. J. B. Storey, High Priest; Comp. R. R. Beal, King; Comp. R. M. Fain, Scribe; Comp. J. M. Vaughn, Treasurer; Comp. W. S. Green, Secretary; Comp. J. W. Axley, Captain of the Host; Comp. A. L. Martin, Principal Sojourner; Comp. J. L. Hall, Royal Arch Captain; Comp. J. C. Odell, Master Third Veil; Comp. J. Palmer, Master Second Veil; Comp. Porter Axley, Master Third Veil; Comp. W. A. Evans, Sentinel.

These officers will be installed at the regular convocation Monday evening, April 19th, by the District Deputy Grand High Priest, Comp. J. R. McCracken, of Waynesville. All Royal Arch Masons are cordially invited to be present. Refreshments will be served, in connection with other very interesting features that will be presented at this meeting.

Buying Motor Cars

The State Department of Revenue reports that during the year 1925 the people of North Carolina spent \$71,561,400.00 for new and used automobiles. There were 65,596 new cars sold in North Carolina at an approximate cost of \$54,116,700.00 and 49,842 used cars at an approximate cost of \$17,444,700.00. The money we spent on purchasing motor cars amounted to almost as much as the value of the entire tobacco crop of the state for the year 1925. We spent more than three times as much in purchasing motor cars as we spent on public education. We probably spent more on automobile repairs and spare parts than we spent on public education.—University News Letter.

Wilson Birth Place Memorial Chairmen Named

Raleigh, April 10.—Dr. A. T. Allen North Carolina State Chairman for the Woodrow Wilson Birthplace Memorial, today announced the names of the county chairmen for the Birthplace Memorial appeal in North Carolina. The dates for the appeal in North Carolina are the two weeks of April 15th to 30th, as previously announced by Dr. Allen.

Dr. Allen has been advised by National Headquarters at Staunton that North Carolina is one of the first states in the Union to complete its county organization, and will be among the first to make the actual canvass.

The program of the Birthplace Memorial provides for the setting apart as a national Woodrow Wilson Shrine the house in Staunton in which Woodrow Wilson was born; restoration of the chapel in which he was baptized; and the erection at Staunton of a Wilson Memorial Hall, in connection with Mary Baldwin College, where Mr. Wilson's sisters and cousins were educated and of which Mr. Wilson's father was Chaplain during his Staunton pastorate.

The Chairmen named for Cherokee Clay and Graham counties are: Cherokee, John H. Dillard, Murphy, Clay, Allen J. Bel, Hayesville. Graham, Bruce Slaughter, Robbinsville.

CULBERSON

Dr. W. C. Mason carried Bowman Harris to Atlanta Sunday where he will take treatment for rheumatism. Borne to Mr. and Mrs. Moody Nichols a ten pound boy.

Borne to Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Collins a girl.

Mr. W. A. Nichols carried his daughter Cora to Atlanta where she underwent an operation for appendicitis. She is improving slowly.

The death angel took from our midst Uncle Silas Goforth, an aged and respected citizen. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Charley Haney of Franklin, N. C. is here this week trading horses and mules.

Mrs. V. C. Hughes has returned home from Gary, W. Va. where she spent several days with her husband. Rev. Long is teaching a ten days singing school here.

Mr. and Mrs. Malbert Kilpatrick spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Shearer.

Mr. B. L. Fox of Ranger made a business trip here one day last week.

Mr. T. J. Shearer left Monday for his old home in Shoal Creek where he went to look after some business.

L. M. Shields is having a new coat of paint put on his dwelling house.

EDUCATION IN CLAY COUNTY ON FIRMER BASIS

Superior Court In Session—Other
News Of Clay County

Hayesville, April 12.—With the completion of the fine school building at Ogden at a cost of \$18,000, the educational program of Clay County is being put on a firmer basis, stated Superintendent Allen J. Bell, here today. This makes the third consolidated school district in the county. The building has been completed and will be occupied at the beginning of school next August. The equipment will cost some two thousand dollars.

This building will consolidate the schools of Braestown township, composed of Pisgah, Braestown and Ogden. It will accommodate 250 pupils and the necessary number of teachers. The other consolidated school district in the county are Elf and shooting Creek.

Commencement At Elf

The Elf school recently held commencement, at which nine were promoted to the ninth grade. Rev. Charles S. Plyler preached the commencement sermon. The program for commencement was cut short on account of a flu epidemic in the community.

Those graduating from the Elf school are as follows: Fred, Sam and Charles Henson, Harold Hedden Pearl Kitchen Willa Mae Long, Hilda McIntosh, Wade Crisp, and Perry Tipton.

The school this year had an enrollment 144 pupils, and an average attendance of 121. Allen J. Wood of McMinnville, Tenn., was principal and he was assisted by the following teachers: Miss Lucy Green, Miss Bettie Kabe and Leslie Crawford, of Clay County, an Miss Carmen King of Cherokee County.

Court In Session

Clay Superior Court met here today for a two weeks session with Judge J. M. Oglesby, presiding. The criminal docket is light and is expected to be completed during the first two days, while the civil docket contains many cases and in all probably will not be completed at this term.

The case of Mull charged with seduction, and the case of Fleming charged with forgery, are the most important on the criminal docket. A large number of people were in town to be spectators at the two trials and hear Judge Oglesby charge the jury. Ernest D. Penland was made foreman and the following grandjurymen: M. B. Ledford, Ebb, Bradley Gus Patterson, Van Evans, E. P. Eller, J. M. Davis, Roy Woody, R. A. Dyer, D. E. Ford, Joe Mull, Bynum Penland, R. R. Alexander, C. C. Cunningham, W. P. Dailey, C. A. Nelson, L. W. Anderson, A. M. Benfield, and W. M. Dailey.

The following served as regular jurors: J. A. Wood, L. B. Crisp, Ne'l Rogers, C. Z. Swanson, L. R. Moore, S. J. Bristol, T. D. Deweese, F. W. Wimpey, Allen J. Bell, S. D. Mull, H. K. Patton, Will Loving, E. H. Scroggs, Pat Sawyer, and C. G. Reece.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles S. Plyler and children Frank and Marvin motored to Webster March 26th, to attend commencement.

Miss Margie Passmore has returned from an extended visit to her uncle in Texas.

Mr. Neil Scroggs is very ill, his many friends will regret to learn. Otherwise, most of the sick of the community is convalescing.

Miss Edith Crawford returned Saturday night from an extended visit with her uncle at Clemson College.

POSTELL

Rev. C. F. Conley from Bellevue, preached a very interesting sermon at Shoal Creek Saturday night.

Mr. Poley Allen made a trip to Farmer Sunday afternoon.

A large crowd attended the Egg hunt at the Shoal Creek school house Sunday afternoon.

Miss Emma Jones visited Miss Vaud Quinn Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Quince Allen and children Jack, Geraldine and Wendell from Blue Ridge, Ga. visited Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S.

ODERICK SHOT NEAR WESSER SUNDAY NIGHT

Almond Man Surrenders To Authorities
After Shooting Fracas
On Mountain Road

Henry Phillips, of Almond shot and instantly killed O. M. Oderick, of Sevier county, Tennessee, as the latter attacked him on a lonely sector of mountain road Sunday night Phillips is being held in Bryson City pending the fixing of the amount of his bond.

McKinley Edwards, Bryson City attorney has been retained by Phillips. Phillips, an ex-service man and a former deputy Sheriff of Swain county, had stopped his car on the side of the road Sunday night to fix a punctured tire. He was taking Fannie Scully from Wesser to his home to attend his wife, who is ill. He was also accompanied by Charles Bailey a friend.

Oderick a truck driver employed by the State Highway department, rode by in another automobile with Fred McIntosh and a companion. He cursed Phillips, who paid him no attention. After driving on down the road, Oderick turned his car and came back, with his companion, he alighted from the car.

Cursing Phillips and threatening to "fix" him Oderick attacked him witnesses stated. Phillips got one hand free in the struggle and seizing his revolver, shot Oderick, the bullet striking Oderick near the heart, killing him instantly. The ex-service man drove to Bryson City, shortly after the shooting and gave himself into the custody of Sheriff G. T. Ferguson.

CLAY COUNTY FARMERS GO IN FOR COWS, CHICKS

Farmers and Business Men Hold
Banquet Wednesday Night—Clay
County Bank to Give Financial Aid

Hayesville, April 15.—Clay County farmers are going in for registered cows and standard bred chicks, according to information given out here this morning by County Agent W. R. Anderson.

At a banquet of about twenty prominent farmers and business men at the McClure House here last night, a committee composed of Col. O. L. Anderson, F. R. Farnum, extension dairy specialist, and W. R. Anderson, was appointed to go into Eastern Tennessee and North Carolina and select the best registered dairy cattle that can be had, and orders were received for 20 head.

The plan is that each dairy farmer interested take at least one registered cow for the cornerstone or foundation for a registered herd. The Clay County Bank is interested in the establishment of registered herds in the county to the extent that it is giving financial aid to the venture.

Chick Industry Growing

The movement to grow standard bred chicks is also gaining momentum in Clay. There are eight brooders in the county against only one last year. White Leghorns are being used largely by raisers, for the fact that they are layers the year round.

Last year a number of the farmers brought something like six thousand chicks into the county, and the venture proved such a success that about four times as many were brought into the county this spring. Those who have poultry products for sale are experiencing little difficulty in marketing them at the highest prices, and this fact alone is quite an encouragement to the poultry industry of Clay County.

Y. Allen at Postell Sunday.

Messer, Ben and Birt Beaver, Clint Keenum, Bob Craig and Henry May all from Suit attended the Egg hunt at the school house Sunday afternoon.

Mr. John Jones house came very near being burned up Saturday afternoon but was discovered just in time to save it.

Those from Shoal Creek that attended Murphy court last week were Mr. Tank Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Birt Mason, Rev. and Mrs. Tom Crowder