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STAGE SET FOR BIG ROAD MEETING

CAROLINA TO SEE DREAMS REALIZED AT MURPHY FETE

Prominent Road Enthusiasts of North Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee To Take Part in Event

ASHEVILLE TO ATLANTA LESS THAN 8 HOURS

Asheville and Atlanta are less than eight hours apart by automobile over the Appalachian Scenic Highway via Murphy. This fact was demonstrated last Friday by Roscoe A. Marvel, president of the ASH and a party composing the scout car which went over the highway between the two cities in the interest of the meeting here August 21.

The trip from Asheville to Murphy was made in three and one-half hours, and from Asheville to Atlanta in seven hours and forty-five minutes. The return trip was made in seven and one-half hours. This is a record breaking feat, and was made in a Chrysler "80" furnished by the Conabear Motor Co., of Asheville.

Comprising the party were Roscoe Marvel, president of the association; W. C. Merritt, field secretary; E. L. Oden, sales manager of the Conabear Motor Company which furnished the new Chrysler "80" for the trip; Emory Marvel, son of Roscoe Marvel; and Dr. Kelly Bennett, of Bryson City.

Indications are that the joint meeting of the officials of the North Carolina and Georgia districts of the Appalachian Scenic Highway association here Saturday will be one of the greatest and most important meetings in the South, and the stage is all set in anticipation of such.

Murphy is preparing to entertain more than 500 delegates from Georgia, North Carolina, and Tennessee, and literally thousands of visitors from the outlying districts and nearby towns are expected to be in Murphy for the celebration as a result of the widespread publicity given the event by Asheville and Atlanta newspapers.

Many visitors are expected from Tennessee, including delegations from Chattanooga, Knoxville, and many towns in the eastern part of that state. A telegram to Mayor Hill from the Madisonville Chamber of Commerce states that twenty-five delegates will be sent from that city.

N. C. To Be 250 Strong

Every town in North Carolina along the ASH, including Waynesville, Sylva, Canton, Bryson City, will have delegates at the meeting. A telegram from President Roscoe Marvel states that upward of 250 delegates from North Carolina will be in attendance. The telegram from Mr. Marvel follows:

Asheville, N. C. Aug. 19, 1926. Mayor F. S. Hill, Murphy, N. C.

N. C. will have 200 to 250 at your luncheon. Most unexpected interest has developed this week. Am expressing to you today package maps would like to have them distributed at your luncheon.

(signed) ROSCOE A. MARVEL.

250 Expected from Georgia Reports coming from Atlanta and other towns along the Georgia section of the Appalachian Scenic Highway are to the effect that more than two score cars will leave Atlanta. The whole street for two blocks near the Atlanta Journal Building has been reserved for the autocade coming from that point, and others will join the autocade at every city and town enroute, which will bring the total delegates up to about 200 or 250 by the time they arrive in Murphy.

To Open Last Link

The autocade leaving Asheville at 6:30 on Tuesday morning will witness the official opening of this great scenic highway between Murphy and Asheville. Just this side of Almond the motorcade will stop while Hon. James G. Stikeleather and other State officials remove the barriers to permit travel over the last completed link of State Highway No. 10, and

CHEROKEE COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION MEET, ORGANIZE

Fair To Be Held This Year on October 13, 14, 15 and 16; Committees Named

At a public meeting held in the city Council room of the Library Monday afternoon officers of the Cherokee County Fair Association for 1926 were elected and October 13, 14, 15, and 16 named as dates for holding the fair this year.

Motion carried to re-elect the officers who served last year as follows: W. M. Fain, president; F. S. Hill, vice president; F. O. Christopher, Treasurer; B. W. Sipe, Secretary

It was the opinion of those attending the meeting that the fair this year would be the best ever held in the county, as the crops this year are exceedingly good and vegetables and fruits and farm products were plentiful.

At a meeting of the officers Tuesday night, department superintendents and an executive committee were named, as follows:

Department Superintendents: Farm and field crops, R. R. Beal; Horticulture, W. H. Hughes; Livestock, Cattle, T. J. Bristol; Horses and Mules Wm. E. Payne; Poultry, F. J. Watkins; Natural resources, D. Witherspoon; Schools, A. L. Martin; Flowers, Mrs. E. A. Davidson; Home Economics: Hand sewing, Mrs. J. B. Storey; Canning, Mrs. J. H. Hampton; Pantry Supplies, Mrs. Giles Cover; Industrial, A. G. Linthicum.

Executive committee: J. L. Fain, E. A. Sudderth, J. W. Shackleton, T. H. Cole, J. F. Palmer, J. E. Wood; manager of the grounds, gates and police, E. P. Hawkins.

The officers also made arrangements for printing the premium lists, which will be issued as soon as possible, and distributed. More than a thousand dollars in premiums will be offered.

The fair will be held during four days this year for the reason that many requests have been made that it continue through Saturday, officers stated. A carnival, merry-go-round, and other amusement features will be included in the midway, but no gambling devices, machines or gambling will be allowed on the grounds.

Children under 12 years old will be admitted free during the day while a small charge will be made for their admittance at night.

An added feature of the fair will be prizes given for the truck or automobile with the largest number of paid admissions through the gates at 10, 11th, and 15th. The prize will be \$5.00.

Delegates from extreme western North Carolina, North Georgia and East Tennessee will be invited to the fair, and prizes are offered for the best county exhibit.

Officials expressed themselves as being highly optimistic over the outlook for the fair this year. From a financial standpoint the fair was highly successful last year and a number of back premiums which were left over as unpaid from the 1924 fair were paid and officers hope to pay the remaining unpaid premiums this year.

Revival Closes At Regal Church

Rev. Roy Scarlett closed a successful revival meeting at Regal on August 16th, 16 having been converted during the nine days meeting.

Henry Barton led the singing, and excellent music was furnished by the Regal choir.

Rev. Scarlett is a young minister, 22 years old, and attended Rutherford College for two years. He contemplates entering the local high school this year.

Miss Ella Simonds returned this week from an extended visit with relatives and friends in Asheville and Hendersonville.

Mrs. D. H. Moak and little sons returned last week to their home in Norfield, Miss., after having spent several weeks with Rev. and Mrs. T. L. Sasser.



SIX SPEAKERS AT MURPHY MEETING

ADDRESSES AT THE MURPHY CELEBRATION of the North Carolina and Georgia division of the Appalachian Scenic Highway association will be limited to five and ten minutes each. Above are a half dozen of the prominent speakers for this big event. Top, left to right, Roscoe A. Marvel, of Asheville, president of the Appalachian Scenic Highway association, who will preside; John N. Holder, chairman of the Georgia state highway board, and W. D. Hoffman, president of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce. Bottom, left to right, W. T. Winn, president of the Georgia Automobile association; Mayor John H. Cathey, of Asheville, and Frank T. Reynolds, assistant to the president of the Dinkler Hotel System.

Fail Term Murphy School To Begin On September 6th

The fall term of the Murphy Public schools will begin on Monday, September 6th, according to announcement given out a few days ago by school officials. Practically the entire school faculty of last year is returning and a good school is anticipated. A general teachers meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon, September 4th, to make plans for the year's work.

Superintendent R. W. Sipe stated to the Editor that the same general policy would be pursued this year as last in the conduct of the school. The welfare of the children would be given first consideration and the cooperation of parents would be sought as far as possible, he said. A larger enrollment is expected both in the grades and in the high school. Children from all over the county will be welcomed into the high school without the payment of any tuition. As a general however, it will be necessary to limit admission to the grammar grades to pupils living inside the Murphy district stated Mr. Sipe, after consultation with members of the school board. In exceptional cases pupils will be admitted to the sixth and seventh grades and to the first five grades if the pupil happens to live nearer the Murphy school than the school in his district. However, it was stated that no child would be admitted to the grammar grades who lives outside the Murphy district without special permission of the Superintendent of the Murphy school. In making this ruling there was no desire on the part of school officials to limit any child's educational advantages. It was made necessary in order not to overcrowd the lower grades in this school. It is one of the evils of the district plan that is generally used in the organization of the school system of most North Carolina counties. Parents living outside the Murphy district and are thinking of sending their children to the Murphy school should take note of this ruling.

NEW STANDARD FILLING STATION OPENS SATURDAY

Erected at Cost of \$5,000; J. W. Davidson To Manage New Business

The new filling and service station erected by the Standard Oil Company on the Wells corner will open to the public Saturday, and a feature of the new business for opening day will be a half gallon of oil to each customer purchasing ten gallons of gas.

The new business will be managed by J. W. Davidson, local Buick dealer and owner and manager of J. W. Davidson, gen's furnishing store. The plant was erected by J. H. Eudy, station constructor of the Standard Oil Company, at a cost of about \$5,000.

It is attractively built, carrying three gas tanks, crank case pit, car wash pit, rest room, etc. Places have been made for flower and grass beds.

Mr. Davidson has just installed a large electric sign in front of his store, which will flash red and white lights on a blue back ground. A switch has been ordered to make the lights go on and off at regular intervals.

MRS. J. R. MARTIN DIED WEDNESDAY

Mrs. J. R. Martin, 72 years old, mother of Bryan Martin and Mrs. T. J. Loyd, and well known in this section, died at the home of her daughter Mrs. Lloyd, Wednesday.

Mrs. Martin was born April 10, 1854, in the state of Virginia. She with her husband moved to this section and have been prominently identified with the social and civic life of this section for many years. To this couple were born eleven children nine of whom survive her.

She was a member of the Baptist Church for more than fifty years, and just before passing told members of her family that she was ready to meet her Master.

Funeral services were held from the Baptist Church Thursday morning at 10 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. T. L. Sasser, assisted by Rev. E. G. Clary. Interment was in Sunset cemetery.

She is survived by her husband and nine children; Mrs. T. J. Loyd, with whom she resided; Mrs. J. M. Lovingood, of Marble; Mrs. A. L. Weaver, John Martin, Harry Martin, Jesse Martin, and Mrs. C. F. Matthews, of California; Mrs. Joe Hall, of Oregata; and Bryan Martin, of Asheville; twenty-four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

A. S. H. OFFICIALS OF TWO STATES TO BE WELCOMED

Official Car To Meet Visitors At Andrews and Blairsville On Saturday

CARS WILL CALL AT HOMES FOR BASKET DINERS

The committee in charge requests that all who have agreed to furnish one or more baskets of picnic dinners please have them ready by 9 o'clock Saturday morning for the truck will call for them at that time.

Those who live out in the country are requested to have their baskets in by 11 o'clock.

The committee also requests that those who prepare the baskets put in enough for three or four persons more than they agreed to, if it would not be asking too much. Latest reports as to the number of people who will be here on Saturday far exceeds previous estimation, and they are desirous that none go away hungry.

Murphy is preparing to give the visiting officials and delegations of the North Carolina and Georgia divisions of the Appalachian Scenic Highway association a royal reception when they meet here tomorrow at noon. An official car will meet the visitors from the south at Blairsville, and another official car will meet the visitors from the north at Andrews, and escort them into the city about noon, where a road meeting of south-wide importance will be held in the afternoon.

A Lincoln pilot car has been donated by the Thos. S. Evans Motor Co., local Ford and Lincoln dealers, which will go to Atlanta Friday afternoon to escort the Georgia visitors to Murphy. It will be driven by Fred Johnson, who will be accompanied by W. P. Odom and Col. and Mrs. D. Witherspoon.

The delegates on arrival will go directly to the Regal Hotel, headquarters, and be given an opportunity to wash up and make reservations if they wish. Then they will be escorted to Cool Springs where one of the most bounteous feasts ever spread in Murphy will be awaiting them.

Hundreds of baskets of picnic dinners will supplement the more than 100 gallons of Brunswick stew being prepared by E. B. Norvell and his barbecue committee.

The roadway to Cool Springs has been widened, rock, gravel and cinders put down and a road rolling engine was busy Thursday packing it down. A number of tables have been erected on the grounds, parking space cleared, water piped down from the spring to the tables, and the place otherwise put in readiness.

More than five hundred white ribbon badges were printed and sent to the Georgia and North Carolina officials by the local committee this week, bearing the following wording: "Guest, Appalachian Scenic Highway Association, Murphy, N. C., Aug. 21, 1926." These badges will be worn by the visiting delegates, who will also be wearing other badges. The cars of the autocades from the north and from the south will be gayly bedecked with banners and signs.

After the picnic luncheon, a number of prominent speakers will be heard.

A meeting will be held at the Regal Hotel at 8 o'clock Saturday night to make plans for the annual convention of the Appalachian Scenic Highway association to be held in Atlanta October 18, 19, and 20.

The committees on arrangement as announced by Mayor Hill follow:

- Picnic and refreshments: Mrs. E. B. Norvell, Mrs. W. M. Axley, Mrs. R. C. Mattox, Mrs. S. D. Akin, Mrs. L. E. Bayless and Miss Josephine Heighway
- Finances: W. P. Odom.
- Advertising and Publicity: Don Witherspoon.
- Barbecue: E. B. Norvell.
- Grounds and Parking: E. P. Hawkins, W. D. Townson, J. W. Davidson.
- Reception: John H. Dillard, chairman; W. M. Bell, D. Witherspoon.

Good Bye!



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