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MURPHY is the Jobbing Center of Extreme Western North Carolina, North Georgia and East Tennessee, and is Served by Two Railroads.

THIS SECTION 'NEAR PROMISED LAND,' HE SAYS

Du Fresno Locates Model Farm Near Marble After Investigating Entire U. S.

Marble, N. C., October 5, 1926
The Cherokee Scout,
Editor:

Born in France on a farm where farmers have to save and use every inch of soil, and where there are no fences between farms, because a fence spoils too much soil. Contrary to the farmer of America, who in many places loses 20 feet of land occupied by a fence, the brush and weeds that grow along side of it.

In Europe, a 10 acre farm is a good farm, and all farmers make a good living on a ten acre farm.

I came to America when I was 18 years old, and went to a university to complete my studies in civil engineering.

I have been employed in most of the Eastern and Southern States, and in many of the Western States. I am well acquainted with America from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from Hudson Bay to Key West, Fla. My practice has kept me in close contact with the land, and I am well acquainted with the farming conditions, systems, advantages, disadvantages, profits and losses of the farmers of all conditions on farms of one acre to many thousands of acres.

In the meantime, I have followed a course in agriculture at the Florida State College of Agriculture and Experimental Farm at Gainesville, Fla. I have taken a special course at the College of Agriculture and Experimental Farm at Tifton, Ga. I have spent a few days at the Government Test Farm at Swannanoa, N. C., where Mr. Clapp is Director. I had many conversations with Mr. J. W. Goodman, the District Agent for Co-operative Extension Work for Western Carolina, and located at Asheville, N. C., where the entire staff has supplied me with full information about the possibilities of the farming industry in the mountains, about what the farmers are doing and more particularly about what they could and should do.

Mr. Oliver of the State College, is helping me in the poultry industry, and Mr. W. A. Graham, the State Commissioner of Agriculture for North Carolina, assisted by Mr. Schaub, are helping me on general questions.

For the last 15 years I have been studying the climatology of America, with the intention of finding the best climate, as well as good soil combined. I had reports from Washington Weather Bureau, as well as from the District Weather Bureaus of the different states, besides I had much correspondence with the state engineers, etc., and after having personally visited in detail the states which seemed to have something interesting, including Florida, where I have spent much of my time during the last 12 years, I concluded that the Appalachian Mountains are as near the Promised Land as it can be.

Then, came the problem of locating the best section in the Promised Land, and it is after having spent more than two months, between Asheville and Murphy, and having visited more than 100 mountains, and having been entertained by all the chambers of commerce, realtors, etc., of all the towns and cities, and having talked with all the farmers and land owners along highways number 10, 286, 285, 28, 107, 108, and many of the Creek County roads, and having worn out two pairs of hiking shoes that I came to the final conclusion that the surroundings of Murphy were the very best.

And I am locating right here near the beautiful valley of Valley River, in the proximity of Marble.

With the help of the State College of Agriculture and State Experimental Farms and the Test Farms of North Carolina, and with the assistance of Mr. Gray, the very able County Demonstrator for Cherokee County, I shall establish a private model farm, managed and worked on the most scientific and intensive systems known in Europe and America.

Mr. Editor, I am satisfied that right here in these mountains we can show to the best farmers of the North and of the West that the climate here can compare favorably with an other climate in the United States, and that the soil here, when properly cared

Fall Decorators Are On the Job



Former Cherokee Citizen Dies in Mo.

A Belated Article On The Life and Death of John Marshall Cobb

Relatives and friend of John Marshall Cobb were grieved to learn of his death August 11, 1926. Mr. Cobb was for twenty-eight years a resident of Clever, Christian County, Missouri. He was born in Cherokee County, North Carolina, August 25, 1867. He was a member of a family of six children of whom three are still living. Mrs. Nora C. White of Bellview being the youngest. Mr. Cobb leaves three children, a daughter and two sons, all of whom are located in Durango, Colorado.

Born and reared in the Blue Ridge Mountains he found opportunities for education and advancement very meager. However, by ardent effort and endeavor he completed high school and two years of college. The most pleasant and beneficial part of his school career was spent at Hiwassee, Georgia, where he was a pupil and friend of George W. Truitt, now one of the most prominent Baptist Ministers in America. There he excelled in oratory, debate and scholarship.

Armed with the high ideals gained in his school career, though still a lad of twenty, he returned to his home community and began the Herculean task of establishing an educational institution for his people. At Bellevue North Carolina, he engineered the construction of a high school and put it into operation. It was the first in that section of Georgia and North Carolina. More than three hundred young men and women, or rather men and women, were enrolled. So near were the people and so great were their needs that Mr. Cobb, always eager to aid someone along the pathway of life gave a large portion of his salary for the purchase of books and supplies. Economically, this proved unwise for poverty prevented payment of the debt, but, surely, he was repaid in the reward for service.

When twenty-one he was elected to the state legislature of North Carolina where he served for two years. A few years later he removed to Christian County, Missouri. He came to Missouri with little money and a family, but with burning ambition and unrelenting determination. Here he spent the best part of his life. He taught for twenty years in the rural and high schools of the county. He was county commissioner of schools for eight years. Mr. Cobb's work was marked by a sincere effort to better the life of those with whom he came in contact. Many young men and

for and worked, can produce anything that can be raised at the same altitudes, climates, and climatology of anywhere in America. And poultry and eggs can be produced with quantity and quality attained anywhere else.

And it shall be done.
Yours Truly,
ACHILLE DU FRESNE.

Over 500 Enrolled In Local Schools

A check of the enrollment in the local public school at the end of the first month on last Friday revealed that there were 517 children now enrolled in this institution. One hundred and twenty five were found to be in the high school and 392 in the grammar school. This is nearly a hundred more than were enrolled in the school at this time last year, stated school officials this week.

The management regrets that a number of articles had to be omitted this week because of a lack of time for putting them into type.

women now prominent in various communities of the state ascribe their success to the influence of his leadership. Sincere and unselfish in his desire to serve, he spared neither time nor effort in his work.

From youth, Mr. Cobb was a member of the Baptist Church. The establishment, growth and development of the first Baptist Church of Clever, Mo., is an eternal monument to his memory. There he labored constantly. His influence was noticeable especially among the young men to whom he was attracted and with whom he loved to work. His Sunday School Class of fifty stands as evidence of his interest and loyalty. Several of these young men are now successful ministers. Certainly great oaks of power grow from small acorns of influence.

True to the principles of his religion and ideals of life he left a record unblemished and untarnished by the shadow of dishonesty. In teaching, in business, and in politics he was sincere, upright, and honest. He blazed a righteous way through the maze of life for those of us who follow. We will do well indeed if we follow it consistently.

Mr. Cobb's life was an emblem of fortitude. For years he was afflicted with poor health yet he carried on successfully. Affliction seemed to follow affliction yet his labors did not cease. He loved to live and work though hampered by ill health. The loss of his wife a year and a half ago was a great blow to him. She was Miss Hood, a native of Cherokee Co., N. C., a woman of sterling qualities, always faithful and ready to support his ideals.

Burning ambition was the outstanding feature of his character. At fifty-eight, when most men are thinking of retiring, he returned to college to complete a few months work for his Bachelor of Arts Degree. One Career was ended, another began, when Divine Providence decreed that his labors should end. The decree of the Master of the Universe is greater than the ambition of men.

We must bow in reverence to Him and by faith realize that His will and way is that of all mankind, and that he who lives and toils righteously will be rewarded abundantly.

Annual Meeting Of N. C. Federation Of Women's Clubs

On September Thirtieth the First District of the North Carolina Federation of Women's Club held their annual meeting, 168 members answering the roll call.

The Women's Club of Murphy was well represented, those attending from this city being Mesdames G. W. Candler, E. B. Norvell, Edw. E. Adams, R. Mattox, D. Witherspoon, W. M. Bell, C. W. Savage and Miss Elizabeth Smith. These ladies were able to secure the next annual meeting of their district for this city in October 1927.

Luncheon was served all the ladies at one of the City Cafes in Franklin. Those attending the meeting reported it is being a very enjoyable as well as a beneficial one. A good program was rendered, the feature of this phase of the meeting being an address by Miss Elizabeth Kelly on "Equal Educational Opportunity." The remainder of the program follows:

Morning Session, 10:30 A. M.
Club Woman's Hymn.
Collect of Club Women of America.

Welcome—Mrs. Dick Hudson, President 1915 McDowell Club; Mrs. Neville Sloan, President Study Club.

Response—Mrs. H. D. Seecret, Canton Women's Club.

Greetings—Mrs. R. L. Alien, Chairman, Anti-Narcotics Committee, N. C. F. W. C.

Minutes—Mrs. J. W. Seaver, Secretary.

Appointment of Committees.
Double Quartet—Members 1915 McDowell Club.

Address—Mrs. E. L. McKee, President, N. C. F. W. C.

Introduction of New Clubs.
Reports of Clubs.
Luncheon.

Afternoon Session, 2:00 P. M.

Music
Suggestions for Club Work—Mrs. Charles E. Quinlan, District President.

Round Table Discussion.
Business.

Reports of Committees.
Address—Miss Elizabeth Kelly, "Equal Educational Opportunity."

Adjournment.

Special coming Tuesday, October 12, matinee 3 p. m., night 7 p. m., Rudolph Valentino in "The Eagle." Special music, also 2 reels comedy. This actor needs no advertising, news papers just recently full of his death. Your last chance to see "The Eagle" in Murphy. Theatre Cooled by Arctic Nu Air, a complete change of air in the theatre every minute. Popular prices. Try to get in.

A little boy was told he must go to the Hospital for the removal of his tonsils. "Well Mamma, I ain't afraid. I will go. But I am not going to let them palm off a baby on me like they did when you went there."

CHEROKEE FAIR WILL BE BEST EVER THIS YEAR

Premium Lists Being Distributed and Fair Grounds Put In Shape For Big Event

Workmen are busy this week putting the grounds and buildings of the Cherokee County Fair Association in condition for the annual county fair which will be held the last four days of next week, October 13 to 16th inclusive. The tickets offices are being renovated, the gates repaired, the grounds mowed and shaped up, the tables, shelves and walls of the exhibit halls put in shape to receive what is expected to be the largest display of farm and field crops, canned goods, flowers, fruit and handiwork ever assembled in this end of the state. In addition to this pens are being prepared for cattle, horses, hogs and poultry, which will make up a large part of the annual parade of progress this section expects to put on next week. Cherokee and all bordering counties are participating in this big event this year and the showing is expected to far exceed that of any previous year.

Crops have been good this year. The farmers are encouraged. They are talking the fair wherever groups of people assemble and officers are more than optimistic over the outlook. However, no stone is being left unturned that would add to the outcome of this annual event. Plenty of amusements and attractions are being provided to hold the interest of the hundreds who are expected to go through the gates of the fair grounds the last four days of next week.

A contract has been signed with the Suniland Amusement Company to bring its rides, shows and concessions here for the four days of the fair. This is a reputable organization managed by Edward H. Koch, who is known in the amusement world for the high type of entertainments he sponsors. This is evidenced by the fact that this year he is playing the Cherokee Indian Fair for the seventh consecutive time.

Several baseball games are being arranged between the Murphy and neighboring high schools for the various days of the fair. The Andrews Cavalry Company will give daily riding demonstrations and exhibitions with trained horses. The annual baby show is expected to attract wide interest. Daily demonstrations with the new La France 500 gallon per minute fire engine pumper of the Town of Murphy on the fair grounds will prove of interest to many of those attending the fair. The transportation contest, in which liberal premiums are offered those bringing the

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PATTERSON HILL TO BE REPAIRED

At the regular monthly meeting of the Cherokee County Road Commission on Tuesday of this week, a committee from the Murphy Lions Club, composed of D. Witherspoon, E. C. Moore and Harve Elkins, appeared before the Commission and insisted that some improvement and maintenance be made on what is known as the Patterson Hill.

The Commission passed a resolution ordering N. E. Dockery, County Superintendent of Roads, to proceed at once to make the necessary repairs on Patterson Hill and to keep the same maintained in a manner that will accommodate the heavy traffic over this road.

For some time Patterson hill has been in bad condition and almost impassable, and on numerous occasions the commission had been waited on by numerous committees and individuals relative to repairing this hill, and a member of the commission stated that the work had been neglected and that the commission had hoped that state aid could be secured on the project.

Many petitions have been presented by different people for roads in various parts of the county, but it was stated that most of these had to be turned down on account of the limited means with which the commission had to work, and it was thought best to keep the roads already constructed in good shape and to keep them from becoming full of ruts and washouts.

TWENTY-ONE CARS ENTERED FOR ASH MOTORCADE 18TH

Tentative Program For Route To Atlanta Made Public; Three New Entrants This Week

With three new entrants this week in the motorcade on October 18th, from Asheville to Atlanta over the Appalachian Scenic Highway, only four vacancies remain in the quota set for Murphy by the Lions Club, which club is sponsoring the entertainment of the travelers during their stop-over of one hour in Murphy. However, there is no limit as to the number of cars to be entered, but the Lions Club set 25 cars as the least number that should be expected from here.

The new entrants this week are: C. M. Wofford, retired president of the Wofford-Terrill Co., wholesale retail merchants; Herman Ferguson, prominent farmer of the Peachtree section; G. W. Candler, of Candler's Department Store, retail merchants.

The Lions Club will work out final plans at the regular meeting next Tuesday night for the entertainment of the motorcade during their one hour stop-over in the city, and it is expected that the Lions Club will be 100 percent strong in the Murphy delegation when it joins the tourists here enroute to Atlanta.

Roscoe Marvel, President of the Appalachian Scenic Highway, and S. Burton, director of the Chamber of Commerce, of Asheville, were in the city last week enroute to Atlanta, and while here conferred with Hon. D. Witherspoon, chairman of the local committee, and others interested in the success of the stop-over here. Mr. Marvel expressed himself as being pleased with the work and the part Murphy was playing in helping to advertise the A. S. H. to the world.

The entrants to date in the motorcade from Murphy follow:

E. A. Davidson, president of the Cherokee Bank; C. W. Savage, proprietor of the Regal Hotel; E. C. Moore, local Dodge, Overland and Willys-Knight dealer; W. M. Fain, president W. M. Fain Wholesale Grocery Co.; J. B. Storey, cashier of the Cherokee Bank; Dr. Edw. E. Adams, practicing physician; A. B. Dickey, postmaster; G. H. Cope, lumberman; C. K. Hoover, manager Coca Cola Bottling plant; Richard S. Parker, druggist; S. D. Akin, traveling salesman; H. B. Elliott, farmer; H. R. McIntosh, of Hayesville, grain merchant; Mrs. J. N. Moody, Murphy; Attorney, O. L. Anderson, Hayesville; H. D. Barnett, contractor, Murphy; B. W. Sipe, Superintendent City Schools, Murphy; Attorney D. Witherspoon, President Chamber of Commerce; C. M. Wofford, retired wholesale merchant; Herman Ferguson, farmer, Peachtree; G. W. Candler, retail merchant.

The tentative program as announced for observance over the route from Asheville follows:

Monday, October 18.—Leave Kenilworth Inn at 7:30 o'clock in the morning; arrive at Murphy at noon; lunch at Murphy; leave Murphy at 2 o'clock in the afternoon; arrive at Gainesville, Georgia at 5:30 o'clock in the evening. The party will spend the night at Gainesville.

Tuesday, October 19.—Leave Gainesville at 8:30 o'clock in the morning; stop at Buford and Lawrenceville for refreshments; arrive at Stone Mountain at 11 o'clock in the morning, where Georgia Highway Commissioner Nash from Decatur, Georgia, will welcome the party and escort its members about the mountain. At 11:30 o'clock the party will leave for the Southeastern Fair ground, and at 12:30 o'clock a barbecue will be served in the Automobile building of the fair ground. From 3 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon members of the party will view the cyclorama of Atlanta. From 4 until 5 o'clock the party will be officially escorted to Emory University, the Ford Assembly plant, Sears Roebuck and Company's big Southern plant, Piedmont park, along Peachtree road, and through Ansley park. At 5 o'clock the party will arrive at the Ansley hotel where convention headquarters will be established.

At 6 o'clock Tuesday night Major John S. Cohen, editor of the Atlanta Journal, will entertain the party at a dinner in the Ansley. Major

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