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COUNTY BAR FAVOR HARKINS FOR ATTORNEY

Majority Favor Linney for Judge—Resolutions Drawn and Sent To Washington

Unanimous endorsement was given Thomas J. Harkins, of Asheville, for United States Attorney for the newly created judicial district in North Carolina by the Cherokee County Bar Association at a special meeting last Friday in resolutions drawn and forwarded to Washington. The meeting was held in the offices of Dillard & Hill, with twelve members present.

Upon the question of an endorsement of a candidate for judge of the newly created district there was a division of sentiment as to the two leading candidates. A large majority of the members favored Hon. Frank A. Linney, present District Attorney, for this position, a minority gave their endorsement to Johnson J. Hayes. No action was taken as a Bar Association on this question, the members being left to their personal choice. It is understood that nine members of the bar endorsed Mr. Linney and two Mr. Hayes, for judge.

The resolution endorsing Mr. Harkins was signed by J. H. Dillard, J. D. Mallonee, M. W. Bell, F. S. Hill, D. Witherspoon, Ralph Moody, W. M. Axley, J. N. Moody, Howard Moody, J. H. McCall and F. O. Christopher. It follows:

"Whereas, the Congress of the United States has created an additional Judicial District for North Carolina, and it will become the duty of His Excellency, the President, to appoint an United States Attorney for this District:

"Therefore, be it resolved by the Bar Association of Cherokee County that it most heartily and cordially commends to the favorable consideration of the President the Honorable Thomas J. Harkins, of Asheville, N. C., as one who is in every way eminently qualified to discharge the duties of this high office. His character, his ability, as a lawyer, his unflinching courtesy to his brethren of the bar, all these, with his many other fine qualities, render him a peculiarly fit man for this appointment.

"Be it further resolved, that we hereby request our Senators and our District Representative in Congress to do all in their power to bring about the appointment of Mr. Harkins.

"Done at a meeting of the Cherokee County Bar on March 4th, 1927.

CINCINNATI BUS BRINGS PARTY TO MURPHY

A Bartlett Tours Co., Bus of Cincinnati, Ohio, with a party of twenty tourists stopped at the Regal Hotel Sunday night on their return from New Orleans and its festive season during the Mardi Gras, and other Southern points. Mayor and Mrs. F. S. Hill, former Mayor and Mrs. W. M. Fain, President D. Witherspoon of the Chamber of Commerce and Mrs. Witherspoon, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Sipe and other local people were invited to dinner with the party of tourists, following which a very delightful meeting was held in the parlors of the hotel. After several contests were held and prizes awarded for the youngest woman, prettiest woman, etc., the local attendants were called upon to give the visitors some information about the town. Mr. Sipe spoke of Murphy as the friendly city and mentioned its great possibilities for growth, described the local school and the Folk School at Brasstown; Mr. Witherspoon told of some of the points of interest nearby and some of the beautiful Indian legends about streams, springs and other points in the community; Mayor Hill officially welcomed the guests to

MUSIC CLUB RENDERS FINE PROGRAM 24TH

(It is regretted that this article was omitted last week by oversight.—Ed. note.)

A most interesting and entertaining program was rendered by the Music Club at the School auditorium on February 24th, to a large and appreciative audience. It consisted of piano, violin and vocal solos, vocal duets, quartets and choruses, as well as a number of splendid monologues and readings.

The program was characterized by many as the best thing of its kind ever given in Murphy, and it was a real demonstration of the wide variety of local talent of which Murphy should have cause to be proud.

In the opinion of several in the audience, it was far better than any lyceum number ever seen in Murphy. One patron went as far as to say that if the lyceum numbers were worth 75c admission, this program was worth at least two dollars.

To say the least, it was highly entertaining and was a credit to the untiring efforts of both directors and participants.

The next public program of the club is entitled "Miss Cherryblossom", a Japanese musical comedy in three acts, and will be rendered at an early date. Officers of the club stated that the program was now in course of preparation, and would include a cast of about thirty people. The entire club will participate, and unless we miss our mark, it promises to far outstrip anything yet given. The program rendered follows:

Shadows Over the Sea—Woman's Chorus.

Improvisation—Mrs. H. D. Akam. The Reason Why I'm Single—Juanita Evans.

Who Is Sylvia?—Mrs. H. E. Dickey. The Thrush—Mrs. Moody, Miss Payne.

Lullaby Lane—Messrs. Boyce, West, Dobbs, Davidson.

My Love In The Garden—Emogene Axley.

Sonata Pathetique—Mrs. H. H. Keener.

The Night Song—Pauline Martin. Jim Baker's Ear Story—Mrs. E. G. White.

The Erl King—W. C. Boyce. The Snow—Mrs. Dickey, Mrs. Moody, Mrs. Savage, Miss Axley, Mrs. Parker, Miss Payne.

Reading—Mrs. J. W. S. Davis. Strumming—Messrs. Boyce, West, Dobbs, Davidson.

Cavatina—Mrs. L. R. Kohloss. Sunday—From Eleven to Twelve—Mrs. E. C. Mallonee.

Berceuse from Jocelyn—Mrs. Kohloss, Mr. Boyce. The Day Is Declining—Club.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Bates, there was no moving picture show this evening.

Moore Completes Garage Building

E. C. Moore has partially completed the garage and repair shop on Peachtree street. The building when completed will be three stories, two stories below the surface of the street and one even with it. The street floor has already been completed and his repair shop removed to it. It is a frame and corrugated sheet iron structure, and the floors will be so arranged that a car can be driven in all three.

Mr. Moore found it necessary to have more room for display of his new cars at his downtown place, he stated.

Murphy and invited their return; former Mayor W. M. Fain told of the great back country of Murphy and how through its good roads this section was moving forward rapidly and looked forward to greater progress; and Mr. C. W. Savage told of the timber and mineral resources and the water power in this section.

The party of tourists included some

LIONS CLUB HAVE MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT

Offer Prizes For Motto—Appoint Committee to Get Up, and Produce Play to be Given Soon

\$5.50 FOR A MOTTO

The Lions Club is offering \$5.50 in prizes for a motto, the first prize to be \$2.50 in gold and second and third prizes one year's subscription each to The Cherokee Scout. A good snappy motto is desired by the Lions Club, and they want the people to help them select one.

Can you think of something appropriate—something short and snappy? Perhaps, you can, if you will think a little bit. Just write your motto on a piece of paper with your name and address and mail it to the Motto Committee, Harve Elkins, chairman, Murphy, N. C., or better still hand it to Mr. Elkins.

Of course, only one motto will be selected, but two honorable mention mottos will be selected also, and these will be known as second and third prizes.

Anybody is eligible—except a Lion. Get busy and get yours in as soon as possible.

The Lions held an interesting meeting in the parlors of the Methodist Church Tuesday night, the occasion being the regular semi-monthly gathering.

Among the important measures acted upon was setting every fourth meeting as ladies night. It was thought that this feature would be looked forward to not only by the ladies, but also members of the club. It was decided to make a feature attraction of this night special programs of entertainment.

A committee composed of Harve Elkins, T. L. Sasser and Edw. E. Adams was appointed to have charge of a special play to be given by the Lions at some near future date.

A vote of thanks was extended to Mr. H. F. Seigler, representative of Maxwell House Coffee company, for the excellent coffee made for the occasion, for a can of coffee, and the remembrances given to each Lion present. Mr. Seigler spent two days in town at the J. G. Greene Grocery demonstrating this popular brand of coffee, and serving it to the public free.

A motion also carried offering a cash prize for the best motto presented by the people of the county, and two prizes of a year's subscription to The Scout for two honorable mention mottos. Harve Elkins was named as chairman of this committee.

Number Real Estate Transactions Are Reported By Hall

Several real estate transactions were reported this week, by John H. Hall who acted as agent.

Last week Mr. Hall sold to W. M. Fain six lots in the E. C. Moore subdivision. Mr. Fain contemplates improvements.

Fred Stiles recently bought through Mr. Hall a house and lot near the Gulf Reining Company's plant. Mr. Stiles expects to renovate the house completely and rent it.

C. M. Wofford and P. C. Hyatt recently bought a lot in Bealtown comprising three and a half acres through Mr. Hall, with some talk of improvement.

Real estate transactions in Murphy have been practically at a standstill, but developments indicate that this market is active again.

prominent bankers and business men of Cincinnati and neighboring cities. They all expressed their delight at stopping over in Murphy and the de-

C. & G. RAILWAY COMPANY SELLS AT AUCTION

Issuance of receiver's certificates for the purpose of raising funds for the operation of the Carolina and Georgia Railway was recommended yesterday by Silas G. Bernard, receiver for the road, in his report to the court of its sale to Percy B. Ferebee, of Andrews, for \$50,000.

Mr. Bernard's report to Judge Thomas J. Shaw declared "that the above price represents only about 25 per cent of the indebtedness of the Carolina and Georgia Railway Company, and therefore your receiver recommends that the bid aforesaid be not approved, but that your receiver be authorized to issue receiver's certificates and obtain thereon sufficient funds with which to put said road in running order at the earliest possible time."

The property, including all lands, road beds, superstructures, rights of way, contracts, bridges, trestles, charter rights franchise and rolling stock, was sold yesterday on the Buncombe County Courthouse steps to Mr. Ferebee, who was the highest bidder. Sale of the property came as a result of a complaint filed January 20 in Superior Court here, against the road by J. R. Simmonds and W. T. Givins, of Johnson City, Tenn., and the Franklin Fourth Street National Bank, of Philadelphia, Pa., creditors. The complaint requested appointment of a receiver. The appointment of Mr. Bernard was signed January 25 by Judge Shaw.

The road, which extends from the Southern Railway at Andrews, Cherokee county, through the Peachtree and Hiwassee Valleys into Hayesville, in Clay County, has been idle for some time. John C. Arbogast, of Asheville, president of the road, declared in his answer to the complaint, that the road had been unable to meet its obligations and he too requested appointment of a receiver. The sale conducted yesterday is subject to the court's approval.

POSTS FOR MAIL BOXES ARRIVE

HAVE YOU REGISTERED?

Have you registered for city mail delivery services yet? If you have not, do so at once. See Mr. Dickey, or one of the clerks at the postoffice, give your name, residence and street number, and the names of the members of your family to receive mail at your place, without delay.

April 1st is not many days off, and every minute's delay lessens the opportunity of Murphy for securing and maintaining the city delivery service.

Have you registered?

Postmaster Dickey stated this week that the posts for supporting the mail boxes at different sections of town have arrived, and the mail boxes had been shipped by the postoffice department. Two leather carrier satchels have also arrived, and everything possible will be done to have the city delivery service ready for inauguration on April 1st.

Mr. Dickey stated that the people were not registering with the postoffice for the service as promptly as they should, and urges all who wish to have their mail delivered to their home, office or residence to register at once. There is no cost attached to registering, the only cost will be securing receptacle to place on the door or wall, which costs 25c or more, according to the quality of receptacle desired.

sire to return again in the near future and the bus left here Monday morning for Asheville and expect to be back in Cincinnati Thursday.

WIGGINS SHOT BY PATTON AT ROBBINSVILLE

Physician Lodged In Jail Pending Outcome of Victim's Condition

Walter D. Wiggins, prominent Robbinville merchant, is in a hospital at Bryson City, and Dr. W. O. Patton also of Robbinville, former U. S. Consul to Bahai, Brazil, is in the Cherokee county jail pending the outcome of his victim's condition.

Dr. Patton, who is 67 years old, shot Mr. Wiggins in the latter's store at Robbinville Monday afternoon about 1:30 and Dr. Patton was shot by Sheriff G. W. Shuler of Graham county as the Doctor was leaving the scene, according to witness of the affair.

The shooting is said to have followed Mr. Wiggins' remonstrance with Dr. Patton over the use of what the merchant regarded as improper language in the presence of women in the general store of Wiggins and Ammons, in Robbinville. Dr. Patton is said to have been under the influence of liquor.

After Mr. Wiggins' protest at the physician's language Dr. Patton is said to have left the store with no apparent ill feeling.

A few minutes later however, Dr. Patton re-entered the store and leveled a shotgun at Mr. Wiggins. As the merchant raised his right hand to ward off a discharge of shot Dr. Patton fired. The lead almost severed the merchant's right hand. In addition, 112 gunshot wounds were counted in the chest and neck of Mr. Wiggins after his arrival at Bryson City hospital.

Sheriff Shuler and Zan Eller, town marshal of Robbinville, rushed into the store after the shotgun report was heard in the streets. As they approached Dr. Patton, the physician aimed his shotgun at the marshal, but, although he pulled the trigger several times, the weapon failed to fire, according to information from Robbinville. Sheriff Shuler shot Dr. Patton in defense of the marshal's life, it was said, the physicians receiving painful flesh wounds on the face and right shoulder.

Friends immediately started to Bryson City with Mr. Wiggins in an automobile, while friends of Dr. Patton rushed him to Murphy hospital.

Dr. Patton is a graduate of the University of Maryland school of medicine and did post-graduate work in Johns Hopkins university. He was born and reared in Murphy and lived here until his removal to Robbinville four years ago. He was appointed to the consular post by President Grover Cleveland in 1887 and served until the following year. He has been married twice. Dr. Patton has three sons: John and Oscar, who are adults, and Nick, 10 years old. Mr. Wiggins, about 40 years old, has been for many years a partner in one of the leading general stores of Robbinville, and has several brothers and sisters in this section, a brother of Mrs. Swan of Andrews. He also has other prominent family connections in this state.

Dr. Patton was removed to the jail here Tuesday morning pending the outcome of Mr. Wiggins' injuries. Neither Patton nor Wiggins will discuss the case. Wiggins is said to have a chance for recovery provided complications do not set up.

Victim of Stray Bullet In Cafe Battle Dies

Arnold Wright, 19, cousin of Emmett Wright and Victor Birchfield, who shot each other to death two weeks ago in a cafe at Topton and who was shot in the hip by a stray bullet during the fight, died Saturday night in Asheville hospital where he had been since the shooting.

Mrs. A. B. Chandler and Mrs. Maud Correll of Andrews were Murphy visitors Thursday morning.