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## GIVES BENEFITS OF CAROLINA MOTOR CLUB

R. Shelton, District Manager of the Carolina Motor Club, who visited Murphy last week in the interest of the club, gave out the following statement of the benefits the motorists of North Carolina had received since it was organized in co-operation with the American Automobile Association:

Thieves have nine chances out of 100 to get away with cars stolen from members of the Carolina Motor Club. Rewards offered for the cars stolen from members is an inducement which rarely ever fails to get results. In the five years of the club's operation over six hundred cars have been taken from members, only nine of which have failed of recovery.

"A careful and accurate record, together with a most minute system is responsible for this record. Nine hundred chiefs of police, sheriffs, and deputies, together with more than five hundred garages and service stations receive notices of stolen cars in less than twenty-four hours after the car is lost. Telegrams and radio messages further serve to check up on the thief and he has very little chance of profiting from the theft. The club often spends ten or fifteen times the amount of membership to get the car back.

"Stolen car recoveries is a small part of the departmental activities of the organization, however. The emergency road service has been extended to over five thousand motorists in trouble on the road-side. This prompt and efficient service on the part of garages which service club members rarely fails to bring letters of high commendation. An active legal department, in the employ of a trained motor vehicle law attorney, is meeting a real demand. This department undertakes to answer questions and to render emergency legal advice to all members, attempting to settle cases out of court.

"Legislative work of a high type, keeping in mind the Hoover Safety code of uniform laws, is resulting in a set of laws in North Carolina which will be uniform with those of other states, thereby preventing confusion. Safety work, preventing accidents of the highways, preserving the lives of school children and definitely presenting safety measures throughout the state is carried on at some considerable cost to the club.

"Speed traps, of which there have been many throughout the state, are being eliminated through the efforts of the club. These unjust and unethical fine collecting agencies have found themselves in considerable 'hot-water' because the club has been checking carefully all their activities. Many members make good use of their bond card, good for appearance bond up to \$50 which is provided by the club in its membership card. These are accepted anywhere in North Carolina and in many states of the Union by officers of the law.

"The Carolina Motorist, published by the club, presents interesting travel trips and side-lights on places to go and see in Carolina. It is designated to advertise the Carolinas and to carry on progressive ideas which make for more convenient and comfortable touring.

"Free road maps and information, full membership in the A. A. A. and an attractive radiator emblem with membership in the Carolina Motor Club. Maps and information are available to members of this club without cost no matter where they go. All A. A. A. clubs render service to members of that organization.

"From a mere infant 5 years ago, the club has become a power in North Carolina for good. Every ef-

## Got His Eye on this Young Crasher

By Albert T. Reid



## ROAD TAX AND HOW ALLOTTED

At the meeting of the Cherokee County Road Commission Monday and Tuesday of this week, the Commission allotted to the different townships the percent of money to be spent during the year. At the request of the commission, the county auditor had prior to the meeting prepared a list of the amount of taxes to be received from each township during 1928 from last year's levy to be spent on roads this year.

The figures are interesting. It will be noted that Valleytown Township pays more road tax than any township in the county. Valleytown Township with 41.16 percent and Murphy Township, with 37.90 percent according to the figures, pay about 80 percent of all the road tax collected in the county. Hot-house Township pays less road tax than any township in the county, or one and one-half percent of the total amount of road tax collected.

The figures given represent the amount of taxes levied last year and to be used by the commission for maintenance work this year, and shows the amount levied in each township, the percentage of the total each township pays, and the percentage allocated to each township.

Township	amt taxes	perct. all
Murphy	\$11,905.80	37.90
Valleytown	12,932.40	41.16
Notla	2,453.07	7.82
Shoal Creek	1,699.41	5.40
Beaverdam	1,955.14	6.22
Hot House	468.63	1.50
Total	\$31,414.45	100.00

The article in last week's Scout entitled "The Flight of Time," should have been credited or signed by "M," said to be the late John Meroney, Sr.

fort of the organization is designed to effect some public benefaction, some public improvement which will advance the use and perfection of the automobile and touring. It's phenomenal growth, from 150 members in September, 1922 to over 16 thousand members in January, 1927 is an indication of how well the club has succeeded. It lives and grows because it serves."

## P. T. Association OF Murphy Holds Monthly Meeting

(Special to The Citizen)  
MURPHY, N. C., Mar. 5.—The Murphy Parent-Teachers Association has just held its regular monthly meeting in the Grammar School auditorium with some 350 parents and children present. The meeting was known as "Daddy's Night," and a special effort was made to have as many fathers present as possible.

An interesting entertainment program was rendered following an invocation by Rev. J. P. Anderson of the Presbyterian church.

Following this program a short business session was held. Mr. Sipe, superintendent of schools, was called on to restate what the P. T. A. stands for and what it has done and may do. The treasurer and the ways and means committee made reports as did also the playground committee.

Following the custom established two meetings ago, the number of parents of the children in the various grades, who attended the meeting, was counted in order to ascertain which grade should win the picture for the month. Miss McCombs' section of the fourth grade had the highest percent of parents in attendance and accordingly won the picture again. Mrs. Hoover's section of the sixth grade was a close second. A number of the grades made good showings.

The latter committee announced the gift of a 14 foot slide for the playground given by E. P. Hawkins and invited other individuals or business houses to make similar donations.

The association adjourned until the first Friday in April at 3:15 o'clock.

Miss Catherine Thompson, Miss Nan Dixon and Miss Elizabeth Brittain, returned Monday from a visit of several days to Miss Thompson's sister, Mrs. Robert Barclay, of Copperhill.

Mr. M. H. Rockyear, step-father of Mrs. Henry Axley, stopped several days here over the week-end to visit Mrs. Rockyear and Mrs. Axley enroute from Florida to his home at Evansville, Ind.

## Culberson School Closes

The Culberson school will close March 16. With commencement exercises Thursday night, Friday afternoon and night. This term the patrons say has been the best for a number of years. The school has been more of a civic center than previously. The school spirit in the community has been very great and we hope this will continue until our District is carried over the top for one hundred percent consolidation. Our faculty has given good satisfaction. The two assistant teachers, Mrs. L. W. Shields and Miss Lelia Mason are of this place, while Prof. W. M. Collins who hails from Piedmont section of the state where he has taught school for several years. His former home was at Brevard, N. C.

Mr. C. K. Hoover spent several days in Asheville this week attending the convention of the Southern Coca-Cola Bottlers Association.

Misses Elizabeth Smith, Annie B. Bailey and Gladys Polatty attended the meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association at Andrews Tuesday night.

Mr. John E. Nelson of Topton, is spending the week with his wife and family who are keeping house for her mother, Mrs. Mattie A. Taylor, while she is away on a visit to Texas.

Dr. M. G. Hendricks, of Ball Ground, Ga., spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wofford enroute to the convention of the Southern Coca-Cola Bottlers Association at Asheville.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church held their regular business meeting at the ladies parlor of the church Thursday afternoon. The topic for discussion was "China After Fifty Years," which was led by Mrs. Arthur Akin and Mrs. C. E. Stedman. Preceding the program, a devotional was led by Mrs. R. V. Wells. Miss Elizabeth Smith gave an interesting and instructive talk on social service. Plans were made to hold a prayer service next Wednesday from 1 to 11 o'clock in the morning. About fifteen members were present.

## ROCKEFELLER GIFT ASSURES SMOKY MT. PARK

Nearly Ten Millions Made Available Under Terms—N. C. To Issue Bonds

RALEIGH, March 6.—The creation of the Great Smoky Mountain National Park in western North Carolina and east Tennessee was definitely assured Tuesday with the announcement by the North Carolina Park Commission of a donation by the Laura Spellman Rockefeller Memorial of \$5,000,000 to the fund for the establishment of the park.

The trustees of the Rockefeller Memorial have agreed to match contributions to the park project from all other sources, dollar for dollar, up to \$5,000,000, the Park Commission announced. Bond issues and public subscriptions for the park in North Carolina and Tennessee already amount to \$4,860,000 and with this sum doubled by the Rockefeller donation, sufficient funds will be immediately available for the purchase of the entire park area, the North Carolina Park Commission announced.

A simultaneous announcement of the Rockefeller memorial donation was made in Knoxville, Tenn., by Col. David C. ... president of the Great Smoky Mountain Conservation association.

The new national park, the first great reservation of primitive nature in eastern America, will comprise 428,000 acres of forest clad mountains, lying half in North Carolina and half in Tennessee.

Memorial to Mother  
Mrs. Laura Spellman Rockefeller was the mother of John D. Rockefeller, Jr. The Laura Spellman Rockefeller Memorial fund from which the donation comes, was created in memory of Mrs. Rockefeller.

The gift which assures the Smoky Mountain Park, is therefore, a memorial to Mr. Rockefeller's mother. Tablets bearing her name will be erected at the Tennessee and North Carolina boundaries of the park, under terms of the donation.

Favorable action on the part of the State of North Carolina to make secure the Laura Spellman Rockefeller Memorial \$5,000,000 donation to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park is regarded as certain enough. The only question is one of time.

In a communication to the press Wednesday night, Governor McLean said: "As soon as the Governor and Council of State can review the matter submitted to them by the North Carolina Smoky Mountains Park Commission, and determine that all requirements have been met, as provided for by the Act of the Legislature governing the issue of two million dollars of the bonds for the Smoky Mountain Park, favorable action will be taken, and the Park project will be put through on the part of North Carolina."

Walter Coleman and Frank Ellis have opened a broadcasting station at the home of Mr. Ellis, and are daily putting programs on the air. It is known as PBX, Murphy, N. C., and is an amateur test station, using the short wave set. The programs are put on the air between the hours of 12 noon to 1 p. m. and 5 to 6:30 p. m. They do not broadcast at night or other hours on account of not wanting to interfere with any local radio enthusiasts getting other stations which might be on the air. The first day twelve phone calls came in stating that their program had been picked up in town, and since then it has been picked up by twelve different radios. Friday noon a special program made up of local talent will be put on the air. The station is the work of Walter Coleman, local radio enthusiast and mechanic.