

# This Week IN HISTORY

Items Taken From The Cherokee Scout of By-Gone Days

35 YEARS AGO

Tuesday, August 14, 1894, J. S. Meroney Sr. & Co., Editors and proprs. Rev. L. T. Cordell is still improv-

ing. Mrs. T. C. Dickey, who has been quite sick for a week, is much better.

Mrs. J. S. Meroney and daughter, Mrs. Maud, are visiting friends at Ogretta.

Arthur Gurley, of Gaddistown, is now assisting his uncles, Gurley Bros. in their store.

Ben Posey, Esq., came over from Murphy yesterday on professional business.—Asheville Citizen.

A bouncing big boy made his appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hayes, of Tomotla, last Friday morning.

M. A. Myatt treated himself and family to a beautiful new two-horse carriage, which he took from the depot last Saturday.

Mrs. F. J. Axley and little boy, after spending several weeks with her parents, left Friday morning for her home at Statesville.

Dr. B. B. Meroney, of Murphy, has been in town several days attending Mr. R. L. Porter's little boy who has fever.—Franklin Press.

G. W. Candler, after spending a week with relatives, returned Friday morning to resume his duties as postal clerk between Atlanta and Charlotte.

Hon. Kope Elias, of Franklin, is a stockholder of the new company that will hereafter publish the Raleigh News and Observer, with Mr. Joseph Daniels as editor.

Mr. W. H. Woodbury is going to move back from Elliyay to Murphy, and will handle lumber. He will place a saw mill at Brandreth's variety works.

A. A. Jordan and Miss Samantha May were married by W. S. Davidson Esq. last Sunday at his residence. They have our best wishes for a life of prosperity and happiness.

Mrs. V. H. Olmsted, Miss Myrtle and Master Carlton, who have been spending a fortnight here visiting relatives, left this morning for the sea shore where they will be joined by Mr. Olmsted.

Died in Hayesville on last Friday morning, after four weeks illness of typhoid fever, Miss Sallie Sanderson, daughter of G. W. Sanderson. The family have our heartfelt sympathy in the loss of this lovely daughter.

The Republican county convention met at the court house last Saturday and nominated the following ticket: J. H. Cobb, representative; D. L. Watts, clerk of court; J. S. Moore, sheriff; T. C. McDonald, register of deeds; Thos. Payne, treasurer; F. M. Lovingsood, surveyor; E. H. Brannon, coroner. The convention was largely attended.

The following guests are stopping at Cottage Park: J. W. Fletcher, wife and daughter, Knoxville; Mrs. Mary A. Beckwith, Atlanta; A. C.

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## Olmsted To Appear In Murphy Recital

Stanley Olmsted, noted author and pianist who occupies the position of Art and Music Critic, on the staff of the Washington, (D. C.) Herald, and who is spending some time in Murphy with friends and relatives, will appear in a recital at the Murphy school auditorium Thursday evening, August 22, at 7:45 o'clock, under the auspices of the Murphy Music Club.

Mr. Olmsted is donating his services and the club is charging a small admission of 25c to defray the expenses attached to the recital. The following is the program:

Piano recital, Thursday, August 22, 1929, 7:45 P. M., school auditorium—Stanley Olmsted, Art and Music Critic, The Washington, (D. C.) Herald. (Brief explanations of some of the compositions will be made from the platform.)

Program  
Beethoven—Sonata Pathetique—First Movement.

Chopin—Prelude in E. Minor. Prelude in G Major. Prelude in C. Major. Ballade in G Minor. Etude in C Minor. ("Revolutionary Etude.")

Civil Scott (English Composer)—"Lotus Land."

Richard Wagner—"Fire Music"—Finale from Opera "The Walkyrie." Eastwood Lane—(American Composer)—(by request) Persimmon Pucker (Negro dance) Pow-wow Dance (Indian.)

MacDowell (American Composer)—The Iceberg. Improvise (from Virtuosity Studies.) In Deep Woods. Perpetual Motion (from Virtuosity Studies.) March Wind (from Virtuosity Studies.) Polonaise (from Virtuosity Studies.)

Baldwin Grand Piano by courtesy W. D. Townson.

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## MURPHY SCHOOL OPENS FIRST MON. IN SEPT.

MEETING OF TEACHERS CALLED FOR SATURDAY AFTERNOON TO PLAN WORK

As has been the custom for a number of years, the Murphy Public schools will again open this year on the first Monday in September, which is the second of the month, school officials announced this week. The Superintendent has called a general meeting for Saturday afternoon preceding the meeting at three o'clock. The teachers, therefore, will be coming back within two weeks to make plans for the year.

It is expected that the enrollment this year will be somewhat increased, especially in the high school. There were 221 enrolled in the high school last year, and it is anticipated that there will be at least 250 this year. Last year there was a total enrollment of 440 in the grammar school. This will probably not be increased very much. It is possible, however, that before the end of the year, the total enrollment will reach seven hundred.

The school is now in the best condition it has ever been stated Mr. Sipe this week. Every year the laboratory facilities in the high school are supplemented; additional books added to the library, (there being now more than 1,000 volumes in the high school library,) the list of maps was supplemented last year, both in the high school and in the grammar school. For the past three years school officials have been working to make the elementary school more efficient. An elementary school library of over three hundred volumes has been collected and bought during this time; a number of sets of supplementary readers acquired through gift and purchase; additional maps added; and teaching aids for the primary department added. Also, last year many of the old shades in the grammar school building were replaced. This year further steps are being taken to strengthen the work done in both high and grammar school. It is expected that something will be done to give the class rooms in the high school building more of the atmosphere of the subjects to be taught in them, if funds will permit. Laboratory and library facilities will be still further supplemented. In the grammar school department kindergarten work tables and chairs are being added, library shelves are being provided and steps being taken to build up an adequate library in this department. A model record system was installed four years ago in both high and grammar schools and during the summer the scattered records of the past ten years are being gathered up and put into accessible files. With the full cooperation of parents and other interested people in the community, there is no reason why the coming school year should not be by far the best in the history of the schools, stated Superintendent B. W. Sipe.

By another year the buildings will be inadequate to house the increasing school population and this matter is being considered by the proper school authorities.

The faculty as secured for the present year consists of: A. B. Scroggs and White Mease, Hayesville; Miss Annie B. Bailey, Athens, Ga.; Miss Gladys Polatty, Greenwood, S. C.; Miss Ruby L. Courtney, Williston, S. C.; Mrs. W. E. Studstill, Murphy; Miss Mary O. McFather, Edison, Ga.; Miss Lucille Hutcheson, Sonoma, Ga.; Mrs. T. A. Case, Murphy, Misses Kate and Leila Hayes, Tomotla, Miss Ella McCombs, Murphy, Miss Emily Sword, Murphy, Mrs. Margaret Bell, Murphy, Mrs. Irene Grant, Murphy, Mrs. H. N. Wells, Murphy and Miss Annie Graham, Anderson, Murphy.

## MURPHY WINS AT HAYESVILLE

One of the most interesting baseball games of the season was witnessed Tuesday afternoon by a large crowd when Murphy's heavy team went on against the Hayesville boys on the local diamond. Murphy went to the bat first making one run. Hayesville did not score the first time up. The game was tied and full of interest throughout. The final score being Hayesville 4, Murphy 9. Full nine innings were played.

Miss Mary Norvell who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Norvell, returned to Raleigh last Friday.

## Yum, Yum, Yum,—Watermelon—Whoop-e-e!



Scene at one of the Lions Club watermelon cuttings in years gone by. The occasion will be celebrated again Friday 8:30 P. M., at the tourist camp on Valley River near the Fair Grounds, and everybody is invited.

## LIONS CLUB MELON FEAST FRIDAY P. M.

LADIES NIGHT OBSERVED AT MEETING LAST TUESDAY NIGHT

The annual Lions Club watermelon feast will take place in the tourist park this afternoon at 8:30, Murphy time, according to announcement and plans formulated at the meeting of the club Tuesday night at the Regal Hotel, official "den" of the Lions.

The melons are being donated by the W. M. Fain Grocery Company, as has been the custom of this company for the past several years. The melons are now reposing in the storage room of the Murphy Ice & Coal company, of which Carl Townson, a member of the club, is owner and proprietor. Lion E. P. Hawkins has charge of the festivities, and will be assisted by an able corps of Lionesses. And Lion Hawkins urges that everybody come, especially the children, as everything is free, including all of the rind you want to eat.

The meeting at the Regal Hotel Tuesday night was well attended, and the ladies were present to enjoy the occasion. The meeting was of a social nature, with a fine program of vocal and piano selections rendered by visiting and local musicians, including a vocal solo by Mrs. Good-year, of Indiana, with Mrs. Henry Axley at the piano. Then followed a piano solo by Miss Mary Bell. Mrs. Glenn Bates then rendered a vocal solo, with Mrs. Henry Axley at the piano. The selections were well received by the club and each one received an encore. Lion J. W. Davidson was in charge of the entertainment program.

Short talks were made by Lions Howard P. Powell, Don Witherspoon and President W. M. Fain. Lion Witherspoon reported on the road situation and paid a fine tribute to the late Mr. Abe Brown, calling attention to his fine public service record and his loyalty and devotion to the community and county affairs as a citizen. Lion Powell extended an invitation to the Lions on behalf of the Boy Scouts to meet with the Scouts four weeks hence at their cabin at Midway Lake. The Lions accepted, and a condition exists that temporarily bars the Lionesses from participating in the meeting, but Mr. Powell said he would use his influence and good offices with the Scouts and get them to include the lady Lions.

The next regular meeting of the Lions Club is planned to be at the Folk School at Brasstown, President Fain announced, and a large number of Lions are expected to go.

Those present Tuesday night were Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Witherspoon, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Fain and their guest, Mr. Mount, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davidson, Mrs. Lockyear, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Axley, Miss Hettie Kate Akin, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Elkins, Mrs. Glenn Bates, Miss Mary Bell, Dr. Ed. E. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hyde, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Sipe, Rev. and Mrs. Howard P. Powell, Carl Townson, E. C. Moore, Sid Powell and C. W. Sipe.

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Sipe visited the Marble schools Wednesday morning of this week. Mr. Sipe talked at the chapel hour.

## ABE H. BROWN, AGE 73, DIED ON LAST MONDAY

PROMINENT MURPHY CITIZEN PASSES FOLLOWING TWO STROKES OF PARALYSIS

Abraham Henry Brown, 73 years old last February 19th, prominent and widely known Murphy citizen and business man, died at his home in East Murphy Monday night about 8 o'clock after an illness of only a week. Early last week Mr. Brown suffered a stroke of paralysis, followed several days later by another. At the time of the first stroke, Mr. Brown was doing the evening milking as usual. Medical aid was summoned and everything done that loving hands could, but to no avail.

He was born and reared in Clay county, the only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Brown. In 1877 he was married to Miss Laura Ketron, of Hayesville, and to this union were born five children, all of whom are occupying positions of responsibility in the social, professional and business world.

Mr. Brown had been a faithful and loyal member of the Methodist church since 1877. During the tenure of his public service, he performed conscientiously and well the duties and responsibilities entrusted to him by the people. At one time he served as treasurer of Clay county. In 1908, during the fall, he moved to Murphy and since has made his home here. He served Murphy and Cherokee county in various public capacities, as member of the Murphy Town Council, Township Road Commissioner, and member of the county board of elections.

Mr. Brown was a farmer and business man, being engaged directly and indirectly in farming all his life, and for more than twenty-five years he was a member of the old firm of Brown, Corn, Martin & Co., of Murphy and South Georgia, and at the time of his death was a director of the Bank of Murphy. He always took an active part in the movements that tended toward progress in the social and civil life of the town and county.

Funeral services were held from the Methodist Church Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, by Rev. Howard P. Powell, assisted by Rev. J. P. Anderson, pastor of the Presbyterian church. His friend and neighbor, Col. Don Witherspoon, spoke briefly of his association with Mr. Brown during the past eighteen years, paying a glowing tribute to the public service of the deceased and his love of the beautiful flowers and trees, and all nature.

The active pall bearers were Don Witherspoon, R. B. Ferguson, Wm. P. Payne, R. L. (Bob) Anderson, Sid Pendley, Willard Axley and W. W. Hyde; Honorary: A. McD. Harshaw, John A. Corn, A. B. Dickey, J. M. Vaughn, Dr. H. N. Wells, E. B. Norvell, R. M. Fain, J. M. Stoner, C. M. Wofford, J. M. Barnett, James Palmer. Interment was in the Sunset cemetery, C. B. Hill, funeral director, was in charge.

He is survived by his wife and five children, Dr. V. J. Brown, of Buckhead, Ga.; W. G. Brown, of New Orleans, La.; Mrs. J. E. Snow, of Copperhill, Tenn.; Mrs. J. W. Thompson and Mrs. L. E. Bayless, of Murphy; 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The large number of sympathizing friends attending the funeral, and the large array of beautiful flowers were indeed tributes to the esteem in which Mr. Brown was held in this county and section.

## 80 MILLION TO BE SPENT IN WESTERN N. C.

Mellon's Company Plans Five New Power Projects For Nantahala Section

TOTAL INVESTMENT WILL REPRESENT 125,000,000 DOLLARS

Villages of Bushnell, Wesser, Judson, Nantahala, Epos Springs and Others To Be Covered By Chain of Lakes

(By George W. McCoy, Staff Correspondent in Asheville Citizen)

BRYSON CITY, Aug. 7.—Five new hydro-electric plants to harness the turbulent Tennessee River and its tributaries in Western North Carolina will be constructed in the colossal power development program of the Aluminum Company of America, it was revealed here today.

Fully \$80,000,000 will be expended on these developments and this sum added to the cost of the three plants already in operation or under way, will bring the total investment of the Aluminum company in this section to approximately \$125,000,000.

The plans disclosed here call for the wiping out of the villages of Bushnell, Almond, Wesser Creek, Forney's Creek, Noland, Epps Springs, and possibly other communities.

Details of the program include:

(1) The building of five new dams; one at Fontana, two at Bushnell, one at Needmore, and one at Aquone.

(2) The relocation of some 20 miles of the tracks of the Southern Railway below Bryson City.

(3) The elimination of the 15-mile branch line of the Southern Railway from Bushnell to Fontana.

(4) The relocation of State Highway No. 10 below Bryson City for a distance of some five miles.

(5) The erection of a high bridge, over which the Southern Railway and the state highway will cross at a point on the Tuckasegee river below Bryson City.

When completed, it is estimated, these projects will make available more power than the electrical energy generated by Niagara Falls.

Began in 1905

Since 1905, the Aluminum Company of America, in which Andrew W. Mellon, of Pittsburgh, Pa., secretary of the treasury under three

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## Teachers Met At Murphy Last Friday

A county-wide teachers meeting was held in the Murphy Graded School auditorium last Friday morning at ten o'clock, County Superintendent A. L. Martin presiding. About forty teachers were present. Matters pertaining to schedule making and school organization were the principal topics for discussion. The new county school supervisor, Miss Estelle Mauney also talked with the teachers about her plans for the county schools this year. Reading has been chosen for especial emphasis, she stated. She will visit the school every little while and help out over a real year's work in reading, according to present plans. Individual teacher's problems were also freely discussed by those present. Those who attended felt that the meeting was very profitable. Other group meetings are being planned from time to time.

## CAPPS RAISES LARGE TOMATO

J. M. Capps brought a tomato to The Scout office this week weighing two and three quarter pounds. It was of the variety known as "Beef heart," and Mr. Capps says he will get about 300 pounds off of his garden patch of 165 plants.

## CLARK-GIBSON

Married on Tuesday, August 13, at the office of the Southern States Power Company Mr. Hollis Clark of Andrews and Miss Flossie Gibson, of Murphy, Squire T. N. Bates performing the ceremony.