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60 GALLON STILL, 17 GALS. LIQUOR TAKEN IN RAID

One of the biggest hauls since his induction into office was made last Friday about noon by Sheriff Frank Bristol and four deputies in a raid on a still about three miles above Andrews.

The still was in operation, going full blast, when the raid was made. Two men were working at the still, hurriedly made their escape into the mountains.

The outfit was of about sixty gallon capacity. Nine 60-gallon barrels of beer were poured out, and the equipment destroyed. A shotgun, saws, mattocks, and other tools were confiscated.

The operators had run off about 17 gallons of whiskey before the officers raided the place, and this was also taken. While the work of destroying the furnace and equipment was going on, someone of the officers lifted the jug out from under the worm and about a gallon of the outlawed fire water poured out on the ground.

The place was located in a rocky cove down among the cliffs, and was ideally adapted to the manufacture of whiskey. It had two approaches. One was several hundred yards away, and anyone approaching could be seen from that distance, while from the other, one could approach to within several yards.

When the officers discovered that their quarry might escape in the opposite direction, two of them went around to cover the other approach. After they had been gone for some time, the two left to make the raid came out upon the operators.

One of the two was Sheriff Bristol and when the men saw the officers, some of them ran for a shot gun close by. However, Sheriff Bristol cut him off and he thought better of the attempt and ran for the bushes. The gun was found to be loaded with buckshot. The two officers went to cover the way of escape failed to get there in time, and the men got away.

The still outfit and liquor were brought to Murphy. The officers taking part in the raid were Sheriff Bristol, Deputies Fred Johnson, Lee Crisp and J. L. Chambers.

W. R. ELLERSON IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Clay County Banker's Body Taken to Hot Springs for Burial

The body of William Roy Ellerson, president of the recently reorganized Bank of Clay County, and former vice president of the Citizens Bank of Marshall and Hot Springs in Madison county, who died at his home in Hayesville shortly after midnight Friday night, was taken to Hot Springs, his former home, late Saturday for funeral and interment.

Mr. Ellerson, who was 46 years old, suffered a stroke of apoplexy late Friday afternoon. He had lived in Hayesville for three years.

Mr. Ellerson, who was a former business associate of the late Dr. E. W. Grove, Asheville capitalist, was superintendent of the North Carolina Tennessee railroad which has offices in Hayesville. He was also general manager of the Boice Hardware and lumber company which has extensive holdings in Madison and Haywood counties. At one time he was interested with Dr. Grove in vast real estate holdings in the Laurel River section near Pisgah National Forest on the Marshall-Hot Springs section on Highway No. 20. He was born in Madison county and for many years was prominently identified with various business enterprises in Hot Springs and other sections.

Mr. Ellerson resigned his position with the Citizens Bank several years ago and went to Hayesville to take charge of business interests there.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Jean Garrett Ellerson, and by a daughter, Elizabeth Carmichael Ellerson. He leaves also two brothers, F. H. and B. G. Ellerson, of Richmond, and two sisters, Mrs. Armstrong Thomas and Miss Roberta Ellerson, of Baltimore. His first wife was the former Miss Nell Carmichael of Asheville, who died several years ago.

Miss Mary Joe Davis Is Much Improved

The many friends of Miss Mary Joe Davis, who is in the N. C. O. Hospital at Gastonia, will rejoice to know that she has had her casts tak-

New Filling Station and Garage For Murphy

A new filling station and garage will be open in Murphy next Monday under the name of Murphy Auto Repair Company. The new business will be operated by W. A. Cook, J. E. Cook and J. N. Watkins, of Cartersville, Ga. The latter two will be in charge of the repair shop.

The building of the old D. & D. Motor Company is being put in condition this week for this new business. The front portion of the building is being torn down, and a drive way and filling station are being built in. The company will handle the well known Sinclair gasoline, greases and oil.

Mr. P. B. Owenby, of the Community Oil Company, which company handles the Sinclair products in the Murphy territory, is here supervising the construction on the filling station. Mr. Owenby will be in this territory for some time in the interest of promoting business for this concern.

Murphy welcomes this new business and these new citizens to our town, and we bespeak for them success in a large measure.

Goats are Winners In Lions Contest

The Lion Club Goats were winners over the Sheep in a member-hip contest which closed Tuesday night with the regular meeting, and now the Sheep must pay the Goats the spoils they are due.

The contest lasted over a series of eight meetings, and was the source of much fun and pleasure between the contestants. The losers are to entertain the winners at a special banquet on April 28th.

Following the announcement of the winners, the Sheep not to be outdone, immediately challenged the Goats to a resumption of the contest, when, how and where the Goats preferred. The Goats declined until further consultation could be had with the Chief Goat.

Mrs. Lelia Dickey, proprietress of the Maples, has invited the Lions to be her guests on their first meeting night in April.

President Fain reported that prospects for opening the hosiery mill were good, and that the mill was now in better shape financially than it had been in some time.

The meeting was well attended, and all members were enthusiastic—especially the Goats.

HARRY CARRINGER BURNS FACE AND HANDS WITH TAR

Harry Carringer, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Carringer, is suffering this week from burns on the face and hands caused from a can of tar exploding and covering his hand and face.

Harry was heating a can of tar the other day to repair some leaks in a boat when the tar became too hot and the can exploded. His face and left hand was badly burned, and he has been suffering considerable pain. However, the burns though badly painful, are now healing nicely.

CENSUS FIGURES SHOW GAIN OF 909 FOR CHEROKEE COUNTY

By Bryan W. Sipe, Statistician, Department of Conservation and Development

Final census figures show that Cherokee County had a population of 16,151 on the first day of April of last year, which represented a gain of 909 persons over the 15,242 reported in 1920, or a gain 2,015 over the 14,136 reported in 1910. During the ten year period from 1920 to 1930 North Carolina gained a total of 611,153, or 23.9 per cent, giving the State a total population of 3,170,276. North Carolina now ranks 12th among the states of the union in total population. During the same decade the population increase in Cherokee County was a fraction less than six per cent. North Carolina as a whole has 65 inhabitants per square mile; Cherokee County now has 35.6 people per square mile of land area.

The towns in Cherokee county showed greater gains in population than did the county as a whole. Murphy showed a gain in population of 238, Andrews of 114, Marble a gain of 138 and Culberson a gain of six. In 1920, there were 3,304 people

living in the four incorporated towns of the county and 11,938 people living in the unincorporated places and rural areas. The excess of births over deaths in the county is 18.6 per thousand of population per year. Thus, during the 10 year period from 1920 to 1930 there should have been 997 more births than deaths in the incorporated towns, and 1,888 more births than deaths in the rural areas of the county. On this basis, the population of the towns should have been 4301 whereas the population actually was only 3,860. Likewise, the population of the rest of the county should have been 13,826 whereas it was only 12,291, not counting any increase from immigration from other counties or other states. It appears from these figures therefore, that even though Cherokee county actually gained 909 inhabitants from 1920 to 1930, yet the number of births is considered, the county suffered a loss in population of 1,976 persons. In other words, if the county had been able to hold only the persons within her borders, the population would have been nearly 2,000 greater than it was at the end of the decade under review. The towns did better than the rural areas in holding their population, for they lost only 441 while the rural areas lost 1535 persons. In other words, the towns lost 44.2 per cent of the

HOSIERY MILL NAMES OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Meeting Well Attended—More Than Three Fourths Outstanding Stock Represented

An offer from a well known hosiery mill man was considered but no action taken, as other offers are being considered and stockholders reserved action until the others could be heard from.

The plant is now in the best shape financially it has been in for some time, and indications are that a substantial payroll will be created. Old employees are making applications for work, and plans are being made to start operation as soon as sufficient collections have been made on outstanding stock subscriptions to guarantee sufficient working capital.

Reports coming before the meeting were highly encouraging. Several requests for samples and prices were reported. Demand has already been created for the product of the mill, and old customers have been making inquiries as to date deliveries may be resumed. Reporas were to the effect that hosiery mills throughout the south as a whole were enjoying good business, and the demand appears to be increasing.

Complete control of the Nu-Fashion Hosiery Mill has now passed into the hands of local business men, men who have the interest of Murphy at heart and who went into the venture primarily to create a payroll for the town.

Products

Now is a good time to make a safe investment and at the same time help create a payroll for the town. It is a project that every citizen should be interested in and under present capitalization every dollar invested is safe. The present stockholders are to be congratulated on carrying on during the depression and should be encouraged and assisted by others who are interested in the welfare of the town. It is a community project from which every one will directly or indirectly benefit and every one should rally to the call for sufficient capital to operate the plant which is equipped and ready to start making hosiery on almost a moment's notice.

Mr. Harry P. Cooper returned home Tuesday from a trip to New Orleans, La.

Mr. C. M. Wofford returned home Tuesday from a week's business trip to Florida.

Monday, April 6, 1931

- Gentry vs. Gentry.
- Watson vs. Nichols.
- Watson vs. Stiles et als.
- Ideal Motor Co. vs. Piercy
- Radford vs. Woodbury-Mauney Lumber Company.
- Graham vs. Taylor.

Tuesday, April 7, 1931

- M. & M. Bank vs. Quiett, et als.
- Walker vs. Quiett & Coburn.
- M. & M. Bank vs. Pace, et als.
- Almond vs. Oceola Mills.
- Woodbury-Mauney Lumber Co. vs. Dean Lumber Co. (Protested).
- Padgett vs. So. Ry. Co.
- Dailey vs. So. Ry. Co.

Wednesday, April 8, 1931

- Holloway vs. Railway Co.
- Hall vs. Hall.
- Hamby vs. Teague.
- Leatherwood vs. Holder Bros.
- Rice vs. Rice.
- Tatham vs. Cope.
- Wofford-Terrell Co. vs. Dean et als.

Thursday, April 9, 1931

- Dickey vs. Martin, Admx. et als.
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- Candler-Nichols Hospital vs. W. J. Barton.
- Mount vs. Meroney et als.
- Lenoir Fair Association vs. LaMance Attractions and Geo. W. LaMance.

MOTIONS

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- In re Harben, et als.
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The many friends of Mrs. Allen Lovingood who underwent a minor operation at John Hopkins Hospital at Baltimore, Md., will be glad to know that she is getting along nicely

Murphy Pastor Aiding In Statesville Revival

The Rev. Howard P. Powell, pastor of the Murphy Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is in Statesville assisting the Rev. Dr. A. L. Stanford in a two weeks' revival meeting.

During Mr. Powell's absence, his pulpit is being filled by visiting ministers. The Wednesday evening prayer service was conducted by the Rev. E. P. Troutman, pastor of the Andrews Lutheran Church, Sunday morning, the Rev. W. J. Miller, pastor of the Andrews Methodist church had charge of the services. In the evening, the congregation worshipped with the Presbyterian and Baptist churches. Prayer service on the 25th was in charge of the Rev. Dr. J. P. Anderson, pastor of the Presbyterian church. The services on Sunday morning, March 29, will be conducted by Professor T. J. Lance, president of Young Harris College, and, in the evening, there will be a union service of the three churches at the Presbyterian church, the Rev. J. LeRoy Steele, pastor of the Baptist church, preaching the sermon.

Funeral of Ephriam Keener, Father of Clerk of Court, Held Thursday

Ephriam Keener, 86 years old, father of John E. Keener, Clerk of Cherokee County Superior Court, died Wednesday morning about 8 o'clock at his home on Martin's Creek, after an illness of about a week.

Mr. Keener was born in Lincoln county, N. C., and when he was about ten years old he moved with his parents to Catawba county. He came to Cherokee county about thirty ago.

He was a member of the Methodist church for more than fifty years and beloved and respected by all who knew him.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Hampton Memorial church by the Rev. J. I. Steele, and interment was in the cemetery close by.

He is survived by his wife, who before her marriage was Miss Sarah Wilson Williams, and two sons, John E. Keener, of Murphy, and Amos Keener, of Dallas, N. C., three brothers, Mike, David and George Keener, of Maiden, N. C.; and one sister, Mrs. Frances Parker, also of Maiden.

SUPERIOR COURT CONVENES HERE NEXT MONDAY

Cherokee County Superior Court convenes here Monday morning, Mar. 30th, for a two weeks term for the trial of both criminal and civil cases, with Judge Walter E. Moore, of Sylva, presiding.

The criminal docket contains forty five cases for trial on warrants, and more than fifty cases continued and on good behavior, etc. There are several cases to be tried for murder in various degrees, while the greater portion of the cases is for violation of the prohibition laws.

The civil docket is rather heavy, and is comprised of the following cases:

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Funeral Is Held For George H. Luther, 77

The funeral of George H. Luther, 77, who died at his home six miles west of Andrews, Sunday, was held at the Whitaker's Baptist church Monday morning at 11 o'clock. Interment followed in the church cemetery. The service was conducted by the Rev. Walter J. Miller, pastor of the Andrews Methodist church, of which the deceased was a member.

Mr. Luther was born in Buncombe county in 1854 and moved to Cherokee county in early manhood.

He is survived by his widow and nine children, J. W. S. S., H. L., J. M., and B. M. Luther, and Mrs. Mary Jane Adams, Mrs. Ella Lunsford, Mrs. Laura Lunsford, and Miss Julia Luther. Five brothers also survive, John Luther of Buncombe county, Andrew Luther, of Andrews, Fernon Luther, of South Carolina, Oscar Luther, of Greenville, S. C., and Gaines Luther, of Danville, Va.

MOUNTAIN GUILD TO HOLD MEETING

New Hampshire Man Making Study Of Handicraft

H. M. Rugg, of the University of New Hampshire, Durham, N. H., who has been visiting schools in the Southern mountains, learning about handicraft, spent a few days at the John C. Campbell Folk School at Brasstown. Mr. Rugg plans to develop handicraft throughout the state of New Hampshire. Before coming here he visited the Allanstand Industries, Asheville, Wood Novelties at Waynesville, and various other industries. Mr. Rugg will attend the conference of Southern Mountain workers in Knoxville this week, and go from there to Gatlinburg, Tenn., to the spring meeting of the Southern Mountain Handicraft Guild, which originated by Mrs. John C. Campbell.

Mr. Allen Eaton, of the Russell Sage Foundation, who is especially interested in arts and crafts, and Dr. Willard, of New York, spent Sunday night at the John C. Campbell Folk School, and joined Mrs. Campbell, Miss Margurite Butler, and Miss Jane Chase, on a trip to Knoxville to the Conference of the Southern Mountain workers.

To Attend Meeting

Miss Louise Pittman, who has been in Chicago for some time, going promotion work for the Folk School, getting in touch with people who are interested in building up rural adult education, and acquainting them with the principles and efforts of the school, will meet them in Knoxville, and they will all attend the Guild meeting in Gatlinburg. While in Chicago, Miss Pittman stayed at the Alorton House, official alumni residential headquarters for 102 universities and colleges. It is located within six blocks of Chicago's business and theatrical district.

George Bidstrup, manager of the Folk School farm, has gone to Denmark for a two months' visit with relatives. This is Mr. Bidstrup's first trip back to Denmark since coming here to take charge of the Folk School farm about four years ago.