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## LARGE CROWD HEARS O'NEIL IN 4TH ADDRESS

National Legion Commander Guest Of Honor At Gala Event At Murphy

In neglecting to build up the navy, America is gambling with the security of American citizens at stake, Ralph T. O'Neil, national commander of the American Legion said in an address here Saturday when he was principal speaker and honor guest at one of the largest Legion celebrations ever staged in this part of the country. Legionnaires and visitors from Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina, as well as from North Carolina were present to hear the address, and the crowd was variously estimated between three and four thousand.

The cloudy weather in the morning perhaps daunted the spirits of many people who planned to attend. It rained in fitful showers at intervals during the day and for awhile it looked like the speaking program would have to be moved indoors.

"The glory of those early pioneers of American liberty stands before us to inspire and keep alive, our duty to protect those institutions of freedom which they founded, the National Commander said. "On July Fourth, especially, we should renew our pledge to stand firm for the adequate protection of our country."

Declaring that permanent peace for the United States is one of the greatest objectives of American Legion patriotism; that experience has taught Legion members to abhor war; yet, the time has come to call a halt to the efforts of the pacifist element in this country to strip the nation of its defensive forces.

"The American Legion," he said, "has endeavored to do everything within its power to bring about a permanent peace between the nations of the world, and desires to continue in this worthy endeavor. We are organized for patriotic purposes and permanent peace for the United States is one of the greatest objectives of our patriotism, providing that peace is always an honorable one."

The National Commander asserted that the Legion believes, in order to serve that patriotism, it must be practical.

"We have seen war at its worst," he said. "We have seen our dearest and best comrades cut down or blown to pieces by enemy shell fire and, as awful as war has been in the past, we know that, with modern scientific development, the next war will be so cruel, and so inhuman, that we shudder to think what it will mean in suffering and anguish. Every year of Legion history is marked with some outstanding patriotic move on the part of our organization for the promotion of permanent peace."

The Legion, he said, believes there is no short cut to peace, and that permanent peace can be maintained only by the gradual education of the world to a better understanding, a spirit of friendship, tolerance and co-operation. He declared that the Legion has inaugurated many activities based upon that principle, and cited

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## Convention Speaker



JAMES A. IVEY

State B. Y. P. U. Secretary, who will be one of the speakers at the Associational Convention at Notla July 19th.

## FAMOUS STAGE STAR VISITING OLD HOME TOWN

Father of Mrs. Ford McKnight Once Owned "The Independent," Murphy Newspaper

Mr. and Mrs. Ford McKnight have motored down to Murphy from their artist-colony home in Greenwich, Conn., to visit Mrs. Victor H. Olmsted, here for the summer with her son Victor Jr. For Mrs. McKnight it is a trek backward, for she is the former Louise Messinger, a Murphy girl who went north to build a notable career on the stage. She has been the star of several famous New York productions.

Her father, Charles H. Messinger, back in the "eighties", was owner and editor of this newspaper, then located where the Regal hotel now stands, and then called "The Independent."

Mrs. McKnight is taking a summer vacation from her stage career to revisit the mountain scenes where she romped as a gangling school girl, in homespun stockings, button shoes, and hair in tight twisted "pig-tails". She and her husband expect to be here a month.

Mr. McKnight is a formerly prominent business man of Chicago, who retired, as he explains, "while still young enough to get a kick out of hunting pleasure instead of dollars."

Stanley Olmsted, novelist, pianist, and Art, Music and Literary critic of William Randolph Hearst's Washington Herald, motored down from Washington, D. C., with Mr. and Mrs. McKnight to visit his mother.

## POSTELL

On Wednesday, July 1st, 1931, at about noon hour, the death angel called at the home of Mr. J. J. Teague and took from him his beloved wife, Mrs. Ellen Teague, age 62 years. Mrs. Teague fell and broke her hip May 20th, and from that injury other troubles set up and caused her death. She suffered intense pain for 40 days. She professed a hope in Christ in her early girlhood days and was a member of Friendship Baptist Church. She and Mr. Teague were married more than 40 years ago, and to that union were born four children, Miss Mamie Teague, deceased; Merel, Glen and Blanche Teague, all present at her death. She leaves a devoted husband and three children; two brothers, Willis Allen, of Tahlequah, Okla., and Thomas Allen, of Postell, N. C., to mourn their loss but our loss is heaven's gain. Her remains were laid to rest by the side of her daughter, Mamie, in the Friendship cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. E. A. Beaver and Rev. John Decker.

Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Quinn, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Brendle, and Mr. and Mrs. Lakes Quinn and little daughter, Gennett, motored to Blue Ridge and Morganton, Ga., on the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Taylor and little son, Hoyt, of Ducktown, Tenn., passed through our section on their way to Murphy the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hamby had quite a lot of ice cold lemonade for their friends and neighbors on the Fourth.

We have had a fine rain, and vegetables and corn are growing fine.

## B. Y. P. U. ASS'N CONVENTION AT NOTLA JULY 19

James A. Ivey, State Secretary, On Program—Big Day For Young People Expected

The annual Western North Carolina Associational B. Y. P. U. convention will meet this year on July 19th (Sunday) at the Notla Baptist Church, beginning at 10:30 in the morning, (E.S.T.) and closing at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. It is expected to be one of the largest and best since the organizing of the association over four years ago.

James A. Ivey, State B. Y. P. U. Secretary, will deliver the principal address. He is a masterful speaker and it would be worthwhile to attend just to hear him. But others are to speak. Our young people are to appear on the program. Miss Mabel Jones, of Mars Hill College and Andrews, will have charge of one of the devotional periods along with other young people on the program. David T. Mashburn, president of the association, will speak at the morning service. There will be singing—duets, quartets and congregational singing, and what singing it will be as the young people of this association lift their voices in His praises. If you have a quartet, bring it along and inform the president.

In order that we may not be a burden to the church entertaining us, we are suggesting that those who come for the morning service bring their own lunch. This will not be hard on any of us and will relieve the hostess church of a large responsibility, so unless notified, each group will supply their own lunch. Places will be prepared for those who come to spread their lunch.

Every pastor in the association is invited, and also the church. Sunday school superintendents, teachers, B. Y. P. U. officers and members—everyone—bring the whole church. Look up the Ford, aeroplane, oxcart, or whatever you have and come—even walk, but be sure to come. Don't be absent on this great day. Have a short Sunday school and preaching service, and be present for the evening service if you can't come in the morning. James A. Ivey is to speak in the afternoon session, which will begin at 1:30.

Our keynote this year is "No Other Name"—in His name, who gave himself for us, we are holding this meeting, so don't forget the date, the time and place.

## Mrs. Sarah E. Brendle

Mrs. Sarah E. Brendle died at her home on Brasstown at 9 o'clock on the evening of June 18th.

Funeral services were conducted on the morning of June 20th at Little Brasstown Church by her pastor, the Rev. Sommers, assisted by the Rev. Howard P. Powell, of Murphy. The church was more than filled with sorrowing friends and relatives. The body was laid to rest in the cemetery by her husband. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

Mrs. Brendle was born September 20, 1874, in Jackson county. Her maiden name was Keener. She was married to William N. Brendle January 2, 1868. He died January 24, 1908. To this union were born nine children, all of who are living except one son, Joseph, who died in 1903. Those living are John H. Brendle, of Murphy; William Brendle, Mrs. Tom Green, Mrs. John Standridge, of Brasstown; Mrs. A. F. Passmore, of Hayesville; Mrs. Rufus Standridge, of Fanner, Tenn.; Mrs. R. W. Platt, Oakland, Calif.; and Mrs. Gene Moreau, of Olustee, Okla. All of the children were with their mother at the time of death except Mrs. Platt and Mrs. Moreau. Everything possible to comfort her was done by these children. Her only request was granted, and that was to keep her body two nights and bury her in the morning.

She was converted and united with the Methodist Church when a young girl, and followed closely in the footsteps of the Master all her life.

She bore her suffering with Christian fortitude, but said, "I can't understand why I can't go home, as I have been prepared for 65 years."

All who knew her loved her. She was ever ready to assist and make sacrifices for her neighbors through sickness and trouble.

—A FRIEND.

## "Chemistry"

The word chemistry is derived from the Egyptian word "chemi," meaning the land of Egypt, especially with reference to its black soil. Originally chemistry signified simply Egyptian black magic.

## LEGION INVITED TO CAMP AT RAINBOW SPRINGS 30-31

The Murphy Post of the American Legion has been invited to join a two day camping party of the Hayesville and Franklin Legion posts at Rainbow Springs July 30th and 31st, by B. Neal Haigler, Commander of the Hayesville Post in a letter to the Commander of the Murphy post.

The letter follows: Hayesville, N. C., July 6, 1931. Commander Joe Miller Elkins Post, American Legion, Murphy, N. C.

Dear Commander and Comrades: We extend to you a most hearty invitation to join us on a two day camp at Rainbow Springs July 30th and 31st.

Some thirty of our boys camped there last year and had such a "grand and glorious" time that we voted to make this an annual event.

Mr. Commander, we will appreciate your telling every one of your members of this invitation, and we sincerely hope a goodly number of you will be able to join us. We are confident you will enjoy the outing.

The boys from Macon County are to meet with us this year also.

Come, let's have two days of real fun and frolic.

Yours,

B. NEAL HAIGLER, Commander Bob Roach Post 177.

Rainbow Springs is on Highway 28 about midway between Hayesville and Franklin, and a beautiful place to camp. Indications are that the local post will accept this invitation at its next meeting, and all members are urged to be in attendance. Officers of the Murphy post expressed appreciation for the invitation to join the Clay and Macon County boys on this outing.

## BRENDELE WINS SWIMMING MEET MIDWAY LAKE

Marshall Bell Close Second, While B. Rose Takes Third Place In Friday's Events

J. H. Brendle won first place in the swimming meet at Midway Lake last Friday with a total of fifteen points to his credit. Marshall Bell was a close second with 14 points, and B. Rose was third with 8 points.

The events included 40 yard dash, plunge for distance, 40 yard back stroke, fancy diving, and 300 yard swim. Cliff Parsons was in charge of the meet, and John Brittain, W. H. Murray, and Carl Dobbs were the judges.

Quite a number of contestants entered the meet, and a large crowd witnessed the events. This was the first public meet of this kind held at Midway and the management is planning to stage another one before the close of the season.

The results in the various events follow:

**40 Yard Dash**  
Brendle 5, Bell 3, and E. Hensley 1.

**Plunge For Distance**  
William Thompson, 41' 6"; Marshall Bell 37' 10"; J. H. Brendle, 36' 3"; B. Bayless 33' 2"; N. Hensley, 28' 3"; E. Hensley, 30' 6".

**40 Yard Back Stroke**  
J. H. Brendle 1st, M. Bell 2nd, and B. Bayless 3rd.

**Diving Event**  
The diving event included plain, jack knife, swan, and optional diving, and was won by B. Rose with a total of 49 points. J. H. Brendle won second with 46 points, E. Hensley 3rd with 45 points, and B. Bayless 4th with 20.5 points.

**300 Yard Swim**  
Marshall Bell 1st with 5 points; B. Rose 2nd with 3 points, and J. H. Brendle 3rd with 1 point.

**Final Score**  
Points of the final score reckoned by the winning of the various events stood as follows:

J. H. Brendle, 15.  
Marshall Bell, 14.  
B. Rose, 8.  
William Thompson 5.  
Edwin Hensley, 2.  
B. Bayless, 1.

## River Highway

The Colorado river is 2,000 miles long. It is navigable for steamers as far as Callicelly, 812 miles from its mouth. It is thought that it can be made navigable to the foot of the Grand canyon, 57 miles higher. The first attempt to navigate the upper part was made in 1801. In 1803 the stream was proved navigable for 130 miles between Green river and Cataract canyon.

## GOOD WILL TOUR PLANS BEING MADE

Citizens of Andrews and Murphy Confer With Georgians On Motorcade

Preparation for the proposed Atlanta to Knoxville good will tour and motorcade took on more definite shape Monday when a group of Georgians met with a committee from Murphy and Andrews at the Riverside hotel in Andrews for an informal conference on plans for the tour which is contemplated early in August.

These in the party from Georgia were Harlee Branch and Walter Sparks, of The Atlanta Journal, Charles Cook, of the Atlanta Motor club, and Bonnell Stone of Blairsville. The visitors were met and given luncheon at the Riverside hotel by a group of Andrews citizens, composed of Mayor D. S. Russell, G. W. Cover Jr., D. H. Tillitt, R. J. DeLong, L. B. Nichols, L. M. Ellis, and R. W. Prevost. At the close of the luncheon Mercer Fain of the Murphy Lions club, and Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Huber, of The Regal Hotel, Murphy, joined the party.

## Scenic Wealth

Words of welcome were spoken by Mayor Russell, of Andrews. He outlined briefly the advantages to be gained from such an undertaking as the proposed motorcade. He spoke of how the motorcade idea has spread from that of a local affair to include the interest of other states. Attention was called to the scenic wealth of the region traversed by the new road from Robbinsville to Knoxville.

Bonnell Stone, of Blairsville, emphasized the importance of the highways through this section, stating that due to the close proximity of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park to both the North and South that here will be a great concentration point for tourist travel. Hope was expressed that U. S. Route No. 129 would be located through Robbinsville and by Deal's Gap into Knoxville.

Merger Fain, of Murphy, brought assurance of the hearty co-operation of the town of Murphy and the town's various organizations in the good will tour.

Speaking on behalf of the Atlanta Motor club, Charles Cook called attention to the great value of motorcades as advertisers and voiced his enthusiasm over the scenery of the route from Atlanta to Knoxville.

## Is Unsurpassed

"Unsurpassed by any scenery in the United States," was Mr. Cook's characterization of the region.

Harlee Branch, of the Atlanta Journal, who has had wide experience in promoting and directing motorcades, expressed his great delight at the opening of the new route into Knoxville. He said that the American public want to see as they travel and because of the beauty of the region traversed by the new road there would be a strong appeal for the motorist to use this route north and south.

At 4 o'clock the party left for Knoxville, accompanied by G. W. Cover Jr., of Andrews. Conferences had been arranged with officials and organizations in the Tennessee city and it is expected that a definite date for the motorcade will be announced in a few days.

## WEHUTTY

Our community is being blessed with good rains for the past few days.

Mrs. Otis Hall was visiting her sister, Mrs. S. D. Horton, Sunday.

Mrs. R. C. Bryan and Mrs. E. D. Pearce, of Tampa, Fla., have arrived to spend the summer with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wilbur.

Crops in this section are looking fine, considering the dry weather.

Dr. G. M. Young and wife were callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wilbur Sunday afternoon.

Mr. J. A. Robinson, of Etowah, Tenn., spent the week-end with relatives at this place.

Miss Edna Wilbur, who has been nursing in the Kimsy Quinn Hospital at Ducktown, Tenn., has returned home.

We enjoyed some fine music Sunday afternoon rendered by a quartet composed of Mrs. S. D. Horton, Mr. Leonard Brown, Miss Edna Wilbur, and Mrs. R. C. Bryan.

## MAGIC Made Clear

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