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Cherokee County Singing Convention At Peachtree 11th

The annual meeting of the Cherokee County Singing Convention will be held at Peachtree in the school house auditorium on June 11th. All music classes and singers from all over the county will be in attendance to compete for the banner which is awarded every year to the class making the best music.

The occasion has always drawn large crowds and no exception is expected this year.

Everybody is cordially invited to come out and hear some good singing, and all the singers and singing classes are urged to come prepared to compete for the banner, and every body is urged to meet with the convention at 9:00 o'clock prompt.

All singers and singing classes of adjoining counties are invited to attend and take part, although they will not be privileged to compete for the banner.

ERNEST TRANHAM, Secy.

Theatre Leased By Henn and Owenby

A deal was consummated last week whereby T. J. Henn, of Atlanta and Chattanooga, and Frank C. Owenby, of Marietta, Ga., have leased the Bonita Theatre of Murphy from F. O. Bates.

The theatre building will be completely remodeled, a new screen and a new lighting system installed. Work will begin Thursday on remodelling inside and front of the right up to expect to have every for the July opening on

It was 7:10th. The programs are Central T every night, and will include feature pictures, comedies and animated cartoons at popular admission prices.

Mr. Henn was formerly connected with Lawas as manager in Atlanta. He is operating several theatres in Georgia, and owns the theatres at Canton and Acworth, Ga. Mr. Owenby is a brother of Paul and Bill Owenby, of Murphy, and has had experience in the theatre business.

The Scout and the people of Murphy are glad to know that our picture show will again be put into operation and wish Mr. Henn and Mr. Owenby a full measure of success in their new venture.

Marriage License Issued

Four marriage license were issued during the month of May, Register of Deeds B. L. Padgett stated this week. This is an increase, Mr. Padgett said, and is perhaps due to the changing over many months in previous years, of the marriage license laws by the last legislature. The law eliminated the medical examination of those securing license, and this makes a reduction in the fees of the prospective nuptials.

License issued during May follow: May 20, to R. S. Eskridge, 61, of Asheville, and Mrs. Martha B. Walker 71, Andrews. Married May 21st, at Andrews Presbyterian church by the Rev. E. F. Troutman, Lutheran pastor.

May 16, to Ed Brown, 23, of Blairsville, Ga., to Violet a Nix, 22, of Sweetgum, Ga. Married May 16th, at the Methodist parsonage, by the Rev. T. F. Higgins pastor.

May 6, to Henry Strange, 50, and Iva Lee May, 18, both of Murphy. Married May 17th by the Rev. L. A. Carroll, Baptist minister.

May 30, to James F. Marler, 47, of Decatur, Tenn., and Oda Ina Stokes, 38, of Chattanooga, Tenn. Married at Dickey Hotel May 30, by the Rev. George E. Erwin, Methodist minister of Decatur, Tenn.

Dickey House Bear Dies

Billy Bruin, the Dickey house pet bear, died on Tuesday of this week. Billy Bruin was a familiar figure for the past year in the hotel managerie, and on several occasions refused to leave the premises when he got loose. Mrs. Dickey is having the hide tanned and though Billy Bruin in person will be absent, his spirit will continue to haunt the Dickey house in the form of a splendid rug.

Masons To Meet

There will be a regular communication of Cherokee Lodge, No. 146, A. F. & A. M., held on Monday night, June 5th, at 7 o'clock. All duly qualified brethren are invited to attend.—E. O. Palmer, Secretary.

LIGHT FROM STAR OPENS WORLD'S FAIR

Light from the star Arcturus was caught by telescopes at four widely separated observatories Saturday night and caused signals to pass over Western Union telegraph lines to Chicago to open the Century of Progress Exposition.

Four observatories cooperated in this ceremony because it was desirable that it should not have to be postponed because of cloudy weather at any one point. These observatories were Yerkes, Williams Bay, Wis; the observatory at Harvard, Cambridge, Mass; the observatory at Urbana, Ill., and the observatory at Allegheny, Pa. Arcturus, a fixed star of the first magnitude in the constellation of Bootes is approximately forty light years distant from the Earth, or forty times the distance light travels in one year. When the Columbian Exposition in Chicago opened in 1893, Arcturus sent rays of light which were destined to reach the Earth at the time the Century of Progress Exposition opened.

Western Union provided lines direct from each observatory to the Exposition, ready to carry the opening signal. The General Electric Company and the Westinghouse Electric Company installed photoelectric cells at the observing end of the telescopes which received the light of the star.

Operators at the observatories listened to radio broadcasts of the ceremonies at the Exposition. At the correct time they exposed the photoelectric cells to the light of the star. When the equipment operated by the tube closed the circuit in the telegraph line, the impulse traveled over the line direct to the Exposition and closed a contact there. The signal from each observatory closed one of a series of contacts and the closing of the last contact completed a circuit which operated a master switch.

This switch lighted a powerful searchlight on the tower of the Hall of Science. When the beam of the searchlight was turned on the buildings of the Exposition, the light caused photoelectric cells at each building to generate current and turn on the exterior illumination of the Exposition.

SAM AKIN CIRCLE

A New Stunt In The Methodist Church

Last Friday night at a meeting at the Methodist church the women of the church were complaining that the men had not been doing anything, while the ladies had been working hard. Mrs. Mattox appointed Mr. Sam Akin, as Chairman of the Men's circle, in a joking way. Mr. Akin accepted the appointment and started to work on his circle. Up to date more than 25 men have joined the circle, and it is believed that more than 25 more men can be secured.

It is the plan of this circle to put on some plays, serve some suppers and pull some stunts that will create some interest and activities on the part of the male members of the church.

Failure to cooperate and to work at a task has meant the death of many an organization. There is in this new organization a possibility of something that will pull the men together as nothing else has done in the past.

We want every man in the Methodist church to become a member of this circle. We need the fellowship and the good that can come to us from this work. We need to realize that our church and its work stands in need of our work and time.

Soon there will be a meeting for organization and to plan some activities. Let every one boost our work and bring in all the members that can be brought in.

We may cause the Women to change their minds.

23 Deeds Recorded During Month May

Twenty-three deeds and 18 deeds of trust were recorded in the office of Register of Deeds B. L. Padgett, it was learned this week, which sets a record for deeds and deeds of trusts recorded in any one month this year. Mr. Padgett said he had not checked the record, but it probably also set a record for any one month during the past year.

This is a sure indication that business in the real estate field is on the upgrade, and an indication that business generally is improving.

Tennessee Couple Married At Dickey House May 30th

Miss Oda Ina Stokes, of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Mr. James F. Marler, of Decatur, Tenn., were married at Murphy on May 30th, in the presence of a few friends. The ceremony took place in the parlor of the Dickey Hotel, the Rev. George E. Erwin, pastor of the Decatur Methodist Episcopal Church, South officiating.

The wedding party motored from Decatur to Murphy and included, besides the bride and groom, Messrs. Charles and Ty Davis, nephews of the groom, and the Rev. Mr. Erwin.

The bride is a popular business woman of Chattanooga, and the groom is a prominent farmer of Decatur, Tenn.

They left immediately to return to Decatur, where the groom's mother is said to be seriously ill, but they plan later to spend several weeks honeymooning in the mountains of Western North Carolina and East Tenn.

The Public Library

The Trustees of the public library are needing some money with which to buy books. The library has no income and books wear out, become old and out of date and must be replenished. It may not be generally known but there are almost as many patrons of the library who live in the county as who live in Murphy. The people from the Bates Creek section, Peachtree, Martin's Creek and other sections borrow books and seem to enjoy reading them; and it is always a pleasure to let them have them.

For the next month the Trustees are trying to interest the people of Murphy and the surrounding country districts to become members of the Library to the extent of contributing \$1.00 a year, every cent derived from such contributions to be used in purchasing new books to be added to those in the Library, and available for those who desire to borrow them under the rules, and read them. It is hoped that many people may see Miss Josephine Heighway, the Librarian, hand in their dollar and aid this most worthy cause. Last year a good deal was collected by this method and now we are making the same request of everybody. By making this payment of one dollar you become a member and your help is needed.

If you cannot spare a dollar, surely you can raise half a dollar. Let's all join in this effort to add to the Public Library and show a proper appreciation of it. The writer learns that every member of the trustees has handed in a dollar and did so last year as well.

Joe Bailey Wins University Scholarship

Joe Bailey returned to his home at "Oakmont" Monday evening after being graduated with high honors from the McCallie preparatory school at Chattanooga. In addition to high commendation given Joe at the school, and his almost constant attainment of "A" rating, the Head Masters announced also that he had won a scholarship to the University of Virginia.

Joe's father, Mr. J. W. Bailey, and brother and sister, Mr. J. B. Bailey, and Mrs. Allen Lovingood, attended the graduating exercises Monday at Chattanooga, and he returned with them.

To Make Health Survey of Indians

Sanatorium, May 21.—The extension department of the North Carolina Sanatorium will co-operate with the United States Public Health Service and the State Board of Health in a health survey of the 2,800 Indians living in several western North Carolina counties, according to plans announced here by Dr. P. P. McCain, superintendent of the Sanatorium and director of the extension department, who has just returned from a visit to that section of the State, where he conferred with representatives of the other two groups.

Dr. Charles D. Thomas, of the Sanatorium clinic staff, will leave this week to administer the tuberculin skin test to the Indians of Swain, Jackson, Cherokee and Graham counties.—News and Observer, Raleigh.

Miss Tommie Coppinger who is attending Wesleyan College at Athens, Tenn. returned home Thursday to spend the summer with her mother.

Legion Decorates Veterans' Graves On Memorial Day, 30th

The American Legion Posts of Murphy and Andrews observed Memorial day by decorating the graves of all veterans of all wars with small American flags. Every cemetery in the county was visited by members of these posts, and every grave identified as that of a veteran, whether Civil War, Spanish American War, or the World War, received a small flag, in memory of the service he rendered his country in time of its need.

However, many graves of veterans, no doubt, did not receive one of these flags, due to the fact that they all could not be identified as veterans of a war. And if any reader knows of a grave of a veteran of any war in the county which was not decorated with a small American flag will notify any of the officers of the American Legion in the county, the matter will receive immediate attention.

Many of the three cemeteries visited by the writer contain graves with markers and some without markers. And some of those with markers do not identify the one resting there as being a veteran of any war, while some do.

The Federal government will furnish free of charge, transportation prepaid to the railroad point of delivery, to and relative of a veteran a suitable marker or head stone, properly inscribed, upon application containing the name of the veteran, company or unit and war in which the veteran served. The United Daughters of the Confederacy, a year or so ago, made a strenuous effort to get these markers for all veterans graves in the county, and did a wonderful work in securing and having marked the resting place of many veterans. However, many are still unmarked, and this situation should be remedied. And it is the duty and responsibility of the relatives and descendants of those veterans to see that these markers are secured and placed at the head of their graves.

The American Legion officials are desirous of securing a list of all the veterans of all the wars buried in every cemetery in Cherokee county. It will be appreciated by the Legion officials if a list of these veterans can be secured by cemetery committees and handed in or sent in to them, so that the decorations in the future will assure that no veteran's grave will be overlooked.

TAX LISTING IS COMPLETED

Wednesday, May 31st, marked the closing of tax listing in the county. W. T. Moore, tax supervisor, announced this week. The tax listers have been busy during the past month and a number of them will be busy at Murphy for the next few days filing and straightening up the lists for the six townships.

The register of deeds office was instructed to go through the records and check up on the mortgage deeds, deeds of trust, and chattel mortgages recorded since April 1, 1932, so that they could be checked to ascertain if they had been listed for taxes. About \$75,000.00 of this type of taxable property has been checked, some of which has been listed and some of which has not. This type of property must be listed for taxes, as well as all postal savings stamp certificates, it was said.

Just how the taxes listed this year compare with taxes listed for 1932 is not known yet, due to the fact that the final and total figures are still to be ascertained. However, it is believed that the amount will show a decrease, due partly to the greatly depreciated values and partly to the fact that the listers are equalizing values.

Ministers to Meet May 5

The Cherokee and Clay county Ministerial conference will meet in regular session at the First Baptist church in Murphy, Monday June 5th.

The program subject of the last meeting, Discipline in the home school church and the State, will be continued as the subject of the coming session.

It is hoped that a greater number of the pastors and of the two associations will avail themselves of the opportunity of being present at these meetings where we get much inspiration and encouragement for the work which is ours in the Master's Kingdom.