

### VENEER PLANT TO OPEN HERE THIS WEEK

Appalachian Veneer Company Has Large Plant at Regal—Headquarters at Murphy

The Appalachian Veneer Company, a corporation which will furnish regular employment to from 25 to 30 men and an annual market for millions of feet of veneer logs from Western North Carolina, North Georgia and East Tennessee, will begin operation here about December 1st, it was announced this week by officials of the company.

Headquarters of the new corporation will be at Murphy. The plant is located on the site of the old Regal Marble Company about 3 miles east of town. J. S. Foard is president; R. H. Foard, vice president and general manager; and R. G. Alexander, secretary-treasurer.

The plant, which has capacity of two car loads of finished veneer weekly, includes two buildings in addition to the boiler room and offices. One of these buildings is 100x40 feet, and the other is 100x60 feet. The boiler room is 20x40 feet, and the capacity of the boiler is 150 horse power. The plant will operate entirely by steam, two engines being used, one of 50 h. p. and another of 25 h. p.

The lathe or cutting machine will take logs up to 90 inches long, and handles from 5 to 8 thousand board feet of logs daily. The installation of an automatic drying machine will be completed this week by Mr. Duke, of Painesville, Ohio, with tests completed and the machine ready for use by the time operation begins. All other machinery has been erected and test runs made, but very little cutting has been done.

The corporation is capitalized at \$50,000 and will manufacture veneer from the dominant hard and soft woods native of this section. Mr. Foard stated that orders for two car loads of veneer were already booked.

"The Appalachian Veneer Company will operate under the code of the Southeastern Veneer Association," Mr. Foard said in announcing that the plant would be ready for operation by December 1. "We are planning to give employment to 25 or 30 men to begin with," he continued, "and if business justifies it we will probably get more men."

The Foard brothers are natives of Cleveland, Rowan Co., N. C. where they operated a veneer manufacturing plant for many years. About four years ago they established a large veneer plant and business at Hayesville. About a year ago the drying plant at Hayesville was destroyed by fire. Several months ago they began negotiations for moving the plant to Murphy, and Don Witherspoon, prominent local attorney, and W. M. Fain, president of the Murphy Lions Club, worked unceasingly with them in their efforts to locate a site and assisted in securing a lease on it.

Already thousands of feet of logs have been placed on the ground, and besides furnishing employment to 25 or 30 men directly, it is expected that hundreds of others will find employment cutting the timber and hauling it out of the woods. The plant will create a market for more than two million board feet of veneer logs annually.

### LIONS CLUB HOLDS MEETING TUESDAY

The Murphy Lions Club held an interesting meeting in the private dining hall of the Murphy Cafe, and the club voted to hold regular meetings there in the future.

The next meeting will be ladies night, and T. F. Higgins, C. W. Bailey and Dr. Edw. E. Adams were named a committee on arrangements, and W. M. Fain, H. G. Elkins, and G. W. Ellis were named as a committee on the program, with H. Bueck, Abe McBride and R. F. Williamson as a committee on decoration.

A committee, composed of Dr. Edw. E. Adams and C. W. Bailey, was named to take up the matter of the park road with Mr. C. W. Savage, and see in what way the club could co-operate in the matter.

Virgil Johnson, who had been absent for several meetings, was again with the Lions. Dr. R. W. Petrie and Grady Crawford were elected to membership.

In the absence of the president, H. Bueck, first vice president, presided during the first part of the hour, and the meeting was then presided over by G. W. Ellis, second vice president.

### MRS. ALLIE BELL DIED LAST SUNDAY

Mrs. Allie Bell, 79, wife of the late Dr. J. M. Bell, Confederate Army doctor during the civil war and for many years afterward one of the leading physicians of this section, died Sunday morning at 5 o'clock at the county home following a three weeks illness.

Born in Macon county, May 2, 1854, the daughter of the late Pleasant and Mrs. Rhea, her parents settled in Murphy when she was about four years old. She affiliated with the Murphy Methodist church in girlhood and was married to Dr. Bell in 1876. Following the death of her husband she made her home with her sister, Miss Sis Rhea, until death separated them about a year ago.

Mrs. Bell possessed an excellent memory and could relate in detail many instances of her early life in Murphy and this section. At the age of 10, she was an eye-witness of the raiding of Murphy by a detachment of the Federal Army shortly after the surrender of General Lee at Appomattox, which swept down out of the mountains, ransacked the town and burned the court house. News of Lee's surrender did not reach Murphy until about a month later. The incident so impressed Mrs. Bell at the time that she could relate it in the minutest detail as though it had happened only a few days or a week ago.

One of her prized possessions was a copy of the first newspaper ever published in Murphy, The Cherokee Herald. It is dated Dec. 11 1873, and was published by James O. Roberson. Mrs. Bell's brother assisted in getting the paper out, she once said, and he brought home the first copy to come off the press, and she had preserved it.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock by the pastor, the Rev. T. F. Higgins, and interment was in the old Methodist cemetery. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. S. Z. Hubbard, of Dalhart, Texas.

### FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. DAVIS HELD LAST FRI.

Funeral services for Mrs. Eulala Davis, 81, who died Wednesday of last week at the home of her son, D. S. Davis, 5 miles north of Murphy, were held last Friday morning at 11 o'clock at the old Hangingdog church by the Rev. J. L. Mulkey, and interment was in the churchyard. She had been afflicted with pell-gra for more than a year.

Mrs. Davis was the wife of the late A. J. Davis, once chairman of the Cherokee County Commission, and a sister of the late D. W. Deweese who served as postmaster at Murphy and as sheriff and representative of the county in the general assembly.

She was born in Macon County July 2, 1852, and moved with her parents to Cherokee county when she was several years old. She had been a member of the Baptist church since she was 14 years old.

Surviving her are four sons, Baxter, Drew, Walter and John T. Davis, of Hangingdog; five daughters, Mrs. Yula Abernathy, of Hangingdog; Mrs. Emma Fair, Mrs. Vista Palmer, and Mrs. Blanche Welch, of Springfield, Ohio; and Mrs. Osie Bill Martens, of Pittsburgh, Pa. One brother J. T. Deweese, of Ellijay, Ga., and two sisters, Mrs. Jane Adams and Mrs. Catherine Mundy, both of Cherokee county, also survive.

### Faculty Minstrel Proves Big Success

The faculty black and white minstrel at the auditorium Tuesday night proved to be a big hit and a success from every angle. A sum in excess of \$75 was realized from the affair, all of which goes to purchase supplementary readers for the elementary department.

The program was made up of five parts, as follows: The Minstrel circle proper, a skit entitled "Deviled Crabs," a dancing and preaching act by Akin and Axley; a square dance act by "The Carper Cutting Cherokees," "Airport Airs," a dancing and joking act. One of the surprises was the singing by a number of colored CCC men from Bueck Creek Camp, and the buck dancing by Dude Townson.

The entertainment lasted about two and a half hours, and the evening was brimful of good jokes, songs and surprises. The players were greeted with hilarious laughter throughout the performance by a full house.

### MERCHANTS OF MURPHY FORM ORGANIZATION

Temporary Officers Elected Monday Night At Meeting In The Court House

An association of merchants and business men was organized here Monday night at a meeting in the court house, to be known as the Murphy Merchants Association, when temporary officers were elected and a proposed set of by-laws discussed. C. W. Bailey acted as Chairman of the meeting, and temporary officers were named as follows: Noah Lovinwood, president; G. W. Candler, vice president; and D. M. Reese, secretary-treasurer. Another meeting will be held next Tuesday night, December 5th, in the private dining hall of the Murphy Cafe, to perfect the organization on a permanent basis, adopt by laws, and name a board of directors to have general supervision of the organization's business. The meeting will be a Dutch affair, supper being served at 6 o'clock for 35c each.

The purposes of the association are to promote the general interests of its members, co-operation and promotion of trade, and the general upbuilding of the community at large. The primary purpose to begin with will be for the protection of its members against bad credit risks, and as the organization progresses other branches of benefit will be developed.

The secretary will operate a credit rating and reporting bureau with files of information on all persons within the trading territory of Murphy, and reports will be furnished to members upon request regarding the financial condition, and whether the customer seeking credit has a reputation of being bad or slow pay. All this information will be gathered by the secretary and kept up to date at all times, so that it will be immediately available to all participating merchants. No opinions will be given by the secretary, only actual ledger reports being given out as reported by creditors.

The reports will include all items of record, such as judgments, mortgages, and transfers, enabling the merchants to abandon the old-fashioned hit and miss methods of extending credit and collecting. The system proposed is the same as is now in use in practically all the larger cities and towns.

### P. T. A. THANKS

The Ways and Means Committee of the P. T. A. wants to take this opportunity to thank all those who helped to make the Benefit last week a success.

Twenty-four tables were in play and everything was donated for refreshments. About \$30 was realized from this affair.

We are especially grateful to merchants who gave the prizes. A list of which follows.

Fain Gro. Co. 1 lb Cocoa; Davidson & Carringer, 1 can of Apricots; Murphy Theatre, 2 tickets; Candler's \$1.00 pair hose; Mauney's 2 bottles beer; Akin Hwde, 10c; E. L. Townson 10c; Whitaker's 1 pair socks; Payne's Market 10c; Dickey's Market Jar pickles; Lahn's 7 small gifts; A. & P. 1 lb coffee; E. C. Moore Bill folder; Hatchetts, Cigarettes.

Wofford-Terrill Salt; Noah Lovinwood can peaches; Mr. P. Hyatt 25c; Parker Drug, 25c; Mrs. R. W. Gray preserves; Mrs. Emily Davidson linen handkerchief; Mrs. J. W. Thompson 2 linen handkerchiefs; Mrs. T. S. Evans 1 set bridge tallies; Mrs. H. Bueck 1 men's handkerchief.

### RHODO MAN LOSES LEG UNDER TRAIN

J. K. Stover, 35 section laborer, lost his right leg Saturday night about 6:30 o'clock when an embankment he was climbing in a railroad cut near Rhodo gave way and he rolled down the bank and was thrown under a passing Southern train.

His leg was completely severed above the ankle. He was given treatment at Andrews and rushed to the Petrie hospital at Murphy where it was found that an amputation below the knee was necessary.

Stover's condition was greatly weakened by loss of blood, and while it was still considered serious Tuesday, hospital attendants said he had better than a 50-50 chance of recovery unless complications developed.

Stover lives with his mother, Mrs. S. M. Stover, near Rhodo. The train

### SCHOOL NEWS

#### DECLAMATION AND RECITATION CONTEST

Several high school students under the direction of Mr. B. R. Carroll are planning to enter the annual Declamation and Recitation contest to be held at Mars Hill college December 8th and 9th.

The following students have registered to enter the contest:

Ann Hill, Arnold Stalcup, Glenn Tanner, Frank Stalcup, Elbert Mallonee and Mary Lou Coleman.

The preliminary will be held in the school auditorium December 5th at the regular chapel period. One boy and one girl will be chosen from the preliminary to enter the contest.

This is the second year the high school has been represented in the contest. Last year the representatives were Paul Posey and Mary King Mallonee.

#### STUDENTS APPOINTED TO ASSIST LIBRARIAN

In order to save time for bus students who borrow books from the public library, two students from each of the eight high school buses have been appointed to assist the librarian, Miss Josephine Heighway, in checking the books in and out of the library. Those appointed for this purpose, all of whom are juniors and seniors, since they are naturally considered the students most capable of performing such work, are, together with the respective buses from which they were appointed, the following:

Anne Ruth Stalcup, and Freeland Rallev—Martin's Creek.

Ruby Wells and Blanche Keener—Tomoda.

Beatrice Davidson and Neva Hyatt—Culbertson.

Eugene Allen and Hoyt Phillips—Unaka.

Virginia Lovingood and Nancy Lunsford—Peachtree.

Maysia and Zane Davis—Grandview.

Ray Suit and Martin Montgomery—Shoal Creek.

Maud Anderson and Alvin Gladson—Wolf Creek.

So far the students have assisted only in checking the books in, but Miss Heighway says that if they do the work well she may have them check the books out also, after they become more accustomed to the work.

As well as being an advantage to Miss Heighway in her work and saving time for the bus students, this work affords excellent training for the students, and they seem to enjoy it. Miss Heighway seems to be satisfied with the work the students are doing and says she appreciates their assistance.

#### THANKSGIVING PROGRAM PRESENTED BY 10TH GRADE

An interesting Thanksgiving program was given, by a group of 10th grade students under the direction of Mary Catherine Hensley, for the home room section Friday Nov. 24. The program was as follows:

Song by the class—"Thanksgiving Song."

The First Thanksgiving—Fain Weaver.

Our Modern Thanksgiving—Tom Axley.

Jokes—Junius Posty.

Meaning of Thanksgiving—Aileen Hampton.

#### SCHOOLMASTER'S CLUB MEET AT HAYESVILLE

The Schoolmaster's Club held its second meeting of the year at Hayesville in the High school building Thursday November 23. Four members of the local high school faculty attended: Mr. Bueck, Mr. Carroll, Mr. Deaton and Mr. Wright.

An excellent dinner was served by the Home Economics Department of the Hayesville High School. Mr. Ralph Smith gave several impersonations of various people during the dinner.

#### HONOR ROLL FOR THIRD MONTH 11TH GRADE

Hoyt Phillips, Ruby Wells, Maysia Davis, Ernest Hawkins and Freeland Rallev.

#### 10TH GRADE

Aretta Franks, Ersa McNabb, Ruth Hampton.

#### 9TH GRADE GIRLS

Katherine Coleman, Anne Hill and Moselle Moore.

#### 9TH GRADE BOYS

Jake McClure.

#### PERFECT ATTENDANCE RECORD 11TH GRADE

Louise Axley, Earnest Hawkins, (Continued on page 4)

which struck him was a special passenger train bringing CCC boys to Camp Reynolds near Topton.

### 170 GET WORK IN CHEROKEE ON NOV. 30TH

#### Thanksgiving is Day Of Real Rejoicing For Many—Jobs Last 3 Months

Thanksgiving Day was a day of real rejoicing and thanksgiving for approximately 170 men and women of Cherokee's unemployed. Thursday morning what number received employment on public works projects in the county under the Federal Civil Works Administration, and their jobs are assured for the next 90 days according to R. W. Gray director of relief for Cherokee County.

This number of persons were taken from the relief rolls of the county and put to work, about 164 more men will receive work in the county between now and the 15th of December from the rolls of the re-employment office, it was stated.

Eight projects are included in the civil works administration program in which work began Thursday morning, and two other projects have been approved on which work is expected to begin by December 15th.

Thirty-five men went to work Thursday morning on a four mile stretch of road in Shoal creek township, from the Shoal Creek church to Wehuty. The type of work being done is widening, draining and surfacing.

Thirty-five men began similar work on 4 miles of road lying on the south side of Valley River, between Marble and Andrews. At Murphy, 20 men began widening and improving the streets, while 10 more were put to work on the school grounds. Ten women received employment in the sewing room at Murphy which has been established for making clothes for relief and needy families.

At Andrews, 20 men went to work on water main extensions of the town, and widening and extending a number of streets. Five women also received employment in the Andrews sewing room making clothes for relief families, while five men went to work upon improvements to the school grounds.

Thirty men will be put to work on December 1 on a road project of 4.2 miles, beginning at Jim Bob Bevins and ending at Grandview, on what is known as the Hangingdog road.

Labor for these first projects were taken from the relief rolls of the county, but the next contingent will come from the rolls of the National Re-employment Office, Mr. Gray said, which will include about 164 men.

Two projects which have been approved and on which work will begin by December 15th include the remodeling and rebuilding of outdoor toilets in Murphy, Marble and Andrews, and another road project in Shoal Creek township. The sanitary projects at Murphy, Marble and Andrews will be under the direction of Dennis Barnett, of Murphy, county sanitary inspector; and Edgar Johnson, of Murphy, district sanitary supervisor for all counties west of Haywood.

The road project in Shoal Creek township calls for widening, grading and surfacing a link from the Keenum place to the Shoal Creek bridge near Oak Park. Applications have been made for several other projects under the Civil Works Administration but have not yet been formally approved, but it is thought they will be approved in time for work to begin December 15th.

Mr. Gray said that only persons registered in the National Re-employment Office on November 16, or prior could be considered for employment upon these first projects, according to instructions to local relief authorities by the CWA. About 670 persons had been registered by V. I. Butt, director of the local re-employment office prior to November 16th, while since that time the registration has reached approximately 1,000, it was stated.

The amount of money made available for the payroll of relief workers on the civil works administration projects in the county will be approximately \$15,000 per month, Mr. Gray said, and the program had been planned to continue for the next three months.

### Infant Of Mr. and Mrs. Edd English Dies

Little Franklin Bruce English was born October 20, and lived only about an hour after birth. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edd English of Peachtree. Rev. Mr. Sinclair of Hayesville conducted the services and the little body was laid to rest in the Peachtree cemetery.