

CUBAN MINISTER TALKS TO LIONS CLUB MEMBERS

Dr. Ezequiel Torres gives Principal Address At Regular Meeting

Dr. Ezequiel Torres, president of the Kate Plumer Bryan school, near Havana, Cuba was the principal speaker at a regular meeting of the Lions club held in the Murphy cafe here Tuesday night.

Speaking on the background of the student movement in Cuba, Dr. Torres declared that "politics in Cuba depend on what the students will do. They will determine the course of Cuban history in the future."

The speaker went back to the seventeenth century to bring out illustrations showing that the Cubans had followed the political movements of other countries rather than choosing the alternative of selecting government for the benefit of the people.

The students opposed the government that followed the United States and managed to break through the form of government known as the "Cuban Revolution." The speaker predicted to overthrow the present government with the result that a whole system was revolutionized and the government fell in 1933.

Change In Government

Confining his subject to the change in the government, the speaker contended that on Sept. 2, the president, who had won disfavor in the student's fight, was forced to make his officers take a "holiday" as they were oppressive to the type of government the students sought.

At the present time there tends to be two different factions of students in Cuba—those that follow Stalin and those that follow Hitler and Mussolini. Classifying the Cuban students as radicals and conservatives, the speaker declared that the former could not break the conservative, or group representative element, lines in the student councils.

Public opinion in Cuba is following student leadership, Dr. Torres asserted.

The meeting was thrown open for discussion and the Cuban minister discoursed at length on the various phases of student leadership that was brought up by members of the club. Dr. Torres has been visiting the John C. Campbell Folk school at Brasstown for the past week and has made several engagements to speak in this vicinity during his stay here.

Among the regular business that was transacted at the meeting, Walter Coleman, chairman of the Lions club minstrel show that was held here last week, reported that more than \$70 had been realized from the performance.

Twenty members attended the meeting.

Ideal Laundry Will Open Here Monday

Equipment is being installed in the Burns building across from the L. & N. depot preparatory to the formal opening of the Ideal laundry Monday morning. Wm. R. Lloyd proprietor of the Ideal Cleaners, which establishment is now located on Valley River Avenue, announced this week.

"The laundry will be modern and up to date in every respect and we are prepared to offer the best cleaning service available to all our patrons in Murphy and surrounding towns and counties."

He purchased the machinery several weeks ago in South Carolina before it was ever set up, he said, and it was originally intended for a \$10,000 city plant. Also new pieces of machinery has been added to his dry cleaning business.

Mr. Lloyd establishes his pressing club here last March and has enjoyed a wide and delightful patronage which he says he hopes will grow even bigger.

MAN ACCUSED OF RECKLESS DRIVING IS ARRESTED HERE

Lester Parks, of Troy, N. C., literally "side-swiped" Murphy Sunday and caused more excitement than has been evidenced here in some time when he suddenly drove in town, ed up and down the sidewalks hurling curbs at a rapid rate of speed and departed in a whirlwind of smoke and dust before the lackadaisical afternoon spectators realized what had happened.

After he drove wildly through town several times, a number of local cars gave chase and Burt Savage, policeman, in a car driven by F. A. Fain overtook him near Marble, 10 miles from here, and finally stopped him by shooting down one of his rear tires.

Arraigned before Mayor J. B. Gray here, Parks, who is a member of the CCC camp near Blairsville, Ga. was bound over to the Superior court and placed under \$500 bond on charges of reckless driving and driving under the influence of whiskey.

The car had been borrowed from a Georgia man and was claimed soon after arrest was made.

BOOMERS MAKE SEASONS DEBUT AT BLAIRSVILLE

Blairsville Is First Victim Of This Season's Basketball Players

Murphy high school's basketball team made their season debut at Blairsville Tuesday night in fine style by winning 23 to 17 from their seasoned opponents.

The local aggregation hooked the basket for six points before the boys in Georgia had hardly touched the ball and maintained the margin throughout the game.

Three new players in the Murphy line-up—Pipes, Taylor and Barnett played a nice game for the Boomers while Foster proved the real Blairsville menace and Martin played a jam-up defensive game for the opponents.

Pipes was high scorer of the game by marking ten points and Arnold Millsaps and Foster made nine apiece for second honor Murphy played eight men and coach O. W. Deaton shifted them around a great deal seeking the best possible combination.

Although a little ragged, the local crowd showed up well against the more experienced Georgia boys who had played five games already this season.

Practice began here less than a week ago with approximately 25 boys turning out for practice. Coach Deaton expressed his satisfaction at the way the Boomers went after the game and said there was a lot of room for improvement as a good many of the boys are novices at the game.

Murphy will play a double-header with Blairsville here Saturday in the gym. The first game will start at 7 o'clock.

The line-up was as follows:

Murphy	Blairsville
A. Millsaps (9)	Foster (9)
Pipes (10)	Berchum (4)
Taylor (0)	C Martin (2)
T. Millsaps (4)	G Morgan (0)
Farnett (0)	G Penland (2)
B. Millsaps	G
Ayers	G
L. Millsaps	F

SUBSCRIPTION CAMPAIGN NOW IN THIRD WEEK

As the Cherokee Scout's huge subscription campaign bounds into its third week of existence, hundreds of people from all parts of the county are obtaining their coupons that are worth 25 cents on the regular yearly subscription price of this Newspaper.

One hundred dollars in prizes, the first grand prize being a beautiful cab (Continued on back page)

CITY ALDERMEN REJECT PLAN OF DEBT REFINANCE

Council Unanimously votes against plan; County Takes No Action Yet

A plan of financial readjustment of the town of Murphy by the Refinance Corporation of Chicago was unanimously rejected by the board of aldermen at their regular meeting here Thursday night.

The proposition, which would reduce the city of approximately \$260,000 of debts by issuing refunding bonds for the principal which would mature in 40 years nominally bearing interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum providing on the face that coupons which could be redeemed in full at the end of each maturity date by the payment of lesser amounts starting at 2 per cent per annum, was first considered by the city council more than three months ago.

The plans have been discussed at meetings of the council and the corporation sent their legal representatives here on numerous occasions for conferences. At the same time the plan was being considered by the county commissioners.

To date the new county commissioners, who took office on Dec. 3, have not made a final vote on the proposition but it is expected to come up before the board in the near future.

The contract with the county commissioners lists the outstanding principal indebtedness of Cherokee county as \$1,083,000 and the defaulted interest on the indebtedness as \$125,000.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MISS PATTON, 83, HELD MONDAY

Funeral Services for Miss Belle Patton, 83, who died here after an extended illness Sunday night, were held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon with Rev. T. F. Higgins officiating. Interment was in Sunset cemetery. W. D. Townsend was in charge of the body.

Miss Patton, who was born on Dec. 19, 1851, had lived in this section all her life and was a member of the Methodist church since early childhood. She took an extremely active part in the work of the church and for years taught a Sunday school class which was composed of many of Murphy's most prominent citizens.

She was the daughter of Dr. J. W. and Mrs. Martha M. Patton, and the granddaughter of Rev. Sam Patton, who for more than 30 years was editor of the Christian Advocate. Her father, who came here in 1848 from Knoxville, Tenn., was one of the most beloved physicians to ever practice in this state.

Surviving are: three sisters; Mrs. Mary E. Hicks, of Sweetwater, Tenn.; Mrs. V. H. Olmsted, of Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. Birdie Adams, of Brasstown, and two brothers; Dr. W. O. Patton, of Robbinsville, and Henry T. Patton, of Murphy.

CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE IS IN FULL SWING LOCALLY

The annual sale of Christmas seals, the proceeds of which go to prevent further spread and cure of tuberculosis, has been launched here under the chairmanship of Ms. C. W. Savage.

The seals are on sale at the Regal hotel and may be obtained from any of the school children.

The sale of seals so far this season is far above those of any of the past few years and all persons are urged to get them some time before Christmas, Mrs. Savage said.

It is estimated by Dr. Kendall Emerson, Managing Director of the National Tuberculosis Association that three million people are engaged in (Continued on back page)

APPOINTMENTS TO 4 COUNTY OFFICES MADE PUBLIC HERE

Four new officers have been appointed to county offices by the Republican county commissioners who came into office here Dec. 3.

A. B. Stronks was appointed county accountant; J. N. Bell was named county sheriff by Z. C. Ramsey, newly elected sheriff of Cherokee county; Francis Barkley was elected superintendent of the county home to succeed Hayes Latherwood, and Hunt Ware was given the post of janitor in the place of J. R. Ray.

Clyde Patton, former county accountant, is now connected with the bank here.

LOCAL CANNERY DIRECTORS HOLD MEETING FRIDAY

Intensive Program For Next Summer Discussed By Local Board Here

Plans designed to increase facilities for a general canning program here next summer were discussed by directors of the Mountain Valley Canning Association, a PVAC unit, in the county agent's office in the courthouse here.

Among the matters brought up at the meeting was the possible naming of a local director and field manager in the near future. The matters of the completion of a charter and insurance were discussed at length by the board. Also the possibility of the local cannery entering a central marketing association was presented.

During the first season of its operation here last fall, approximately 11,500 gallons of blackberries were canned. Large quantities of beans and tomatoes were put up, and next year the program calls for the canning of a number of other vegetables.

The board of directors have held meetings periodically for the past six months and from all indications when plans are perfected Murphy will witness canning on a larger scale than ever before as local farmers will have a means of disposing of thousands of dollars worth of produce that could not find a profitable market heretofore.

J. A. Barr and L. D. Staples are the Tennessee Valley authority representatives for the local cannery.

Those attending the meeting were: Mrs. John C. Campbell, of the Folk School, at Brasstown; Mrs. J. W. Dyer; J. W. McMillan; George Bidstrup; Dale Lee; A. Q. Ketter, county agent, and W. M. Fain.

"DRUMS OF DEATH" TO BE PRESENTED BY FACULTY HERE

Weird, wild and woolly, packing a thrill in every line and a chill between, "Drums of Death", a three act drama, will be presented by the faculty of the Murphy school at 7:30 o'clock Friday night.

With knife drawn, a half crazed negro advances upon Amelia, kin to old man Bailey. A ghost appears! A woman screams! A woman walks in her sleep carrying a lantern searching for the dead. Drums beat, beat the lagoon. Drums bringing death.

A poisoned file is hurled at the Sheriff. He pulls his gun: "Who done it?" Darkness in the room, a monster glares out of the darkness. Another file thrown at the Sheriff. He draws his gun: "Who done it?" No one answers.

Four people have been lured by false and forged telegrams into a house that tonight is being attacked by negroes who beat, beat slowly, softly, drums, drums of death! Who can save old man Bailey's relatives from Thompson and his gang? Who can save these people from "Drums of Death."

Only the faculty members are in the play and it is being entirely produced by them.

Those comprising the cast will be: (Continued on back page)

GOLF COURSE COST, UPKEEP IS CONSIDERED

Favorable Reports Made By Investigating Committees Monday Night

At a meeting of representative citizens of Murphy and Andrews which was held at the Hut in Andrews Monday night, plans for the selection and procurement of a suitable site for a golf course and club house were carried further as committees made favorable reports on several sites which had been inspected during the past week and presented for consideration estimates of the cost and upkeep of such a course.

Among the sites that were inspected and considered for a course were the farms of Mr. Lee Watkins, Mr. Gay Green, Mr. Carl Townsend, and Mr. McHan. As yet no definite decision as to which one of the sites would be best suited to the requirements has been made.

Mr. T. A. Case, chairman of the committee appointed by W. D. Whitaker at the last meeting held in Murphy, reported the descriptions and sites with some details as to the lay of the land, water and costs with reference to least. Serving on this committee with Mr. Case were: Mr. H. Bueck, Murphy; Mr. Arthur Palmer, Marble; Mr. John Archer; Hon. W. W. Ashe, Andrews.

Favorable reports were made by the committee on membership. The Murphy committee reported a list of thirty-nine members who promised to join. The Andrews committee reported a membership of twenty-five with possibly five more to be added to that number. The Marble committee reported eight members. This total of seventy-seven members exceeded the number estimated at the mass meeting held in Murphy last week.

The exact membership fee has not been decided upon but the sum of \$15.00 is being considered. Some question has been raised on the point regarding family membership where only one member of that family holds membership in the club. As yet no decision has been made on this matter but the consequence of opinion seems to be that one full membership with a small nominal fee for each other member of the family would be the feasible solution of this problem. No provision has been made for guests of members as yet but this will be worked out in time.

The erection of a club house is of vital importance to the course, it is believed, and it has been practically agreed upon to build the club house upon the site selected, using FERA labor. Materials for the erection of the club will have to be furnished by the membership and stockholders but no difficulty is anticipated in procuring government labor for the erection of the club house and the work to be done on the golf course. It is planned to incorporate the club immediately upon the beginning of the work.

Mr. R. W. Gray, federal relief agent of Murphy, will apply for the necessary appropriation just as soon as estimates can be made up. The next meeting of those interested will be held in Marble next Tuesday night at eight o'clock. Everyone interested in golf is urged to attend.

Mr. G. W. Ellis

Mr. G. W. Ellis, distributor for the Golf Refining company here, is very much improved after a severe illness that has kept him in bed and under medical attention for the past several weeks. It is said he will probably be out in a few days.

Mr. Bill Bayless

Bill Bayless, popular student at North Carolina State college, in Raleigh, son of Col. and Mrs. L. E. Bayless, has been home here for several weeks recuperating from an attack of yellow jaundice. His condition is much improved.