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Murphy, North Carolina, Thursday, January 17, 1935.

THE PRESIDENT'S BALL

On January 30, the birthday of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, a number of dances will be held in all parts of the county. The proceeds from these dances are to be used in curing and fighting infantile paralysis generally.

Seventy per cent of the proceeds this year will be kept at home to be used in worthy instances of people who are suffering from the malady. The other thirty percent will be sent to national headquarters where it will be used in research for a possible prevention for the disease.

The editor of the Scout has been appointed chairman of the local committee and has chosen the following to serve with him on the general committee: Mrs. H. Bueck, of Murphy; Miss Josephine Bradley, of Andrews; Mayor W. W. Ashe, of Andrews; Mayor J. B. Gray, of Murphy; and Col. Harry P. Cooper, Murphy attorney.

Since the editor has taken charge of the affair the question has been brought to his attention several times as to just where the money will go. This year, the committee decided, the seventy percent that is to be retained here will be added to the Mary Jo Davis fund here which fund is now in charge of the Young Women's Club of Murphy.

In making this decision the committee took into consideration other cases of paralysis in the county. Although there is believed to be several more cases in the county, there is no evidence that any funds have been raised or efforts to enter the victims at Warm Springs.

Moreover after the task of having the patient entered and examined there is a cost of more than \$40 per week to keep the patient there. The Mary Jo fund now amounts to more than a hundred dollars and it is hoped that the local dances will lend substantially to the sum.

The Junior Woman's Club has gone forward in their efforts to have Mary Jo entered at Warm Springs and even Mrs. Roosevelt has offered her assurance. It is believed that Mary Jo might go there at a greatly reduced fee of about twenty-five dollars per week.

The local clubs have cheerfully helped in raising this sum that one amongst us, whom all of us love, might be freed of the malady. The people of this section have generously cooperated in raising this fund.

That the people of this section are more than willing to lend their assistance and time in helping to put over the two dances to be held on January 30, is significant. Everyone the chairman has sought help from has cheerfully lent their aid. Such work and spirit is greatly appreciated.

With the aid of the committee this should be one of the most brilliant affairs ever held in the county. Practically all arrangements have been made for both dances—the square dance to be held in the local gym and the round dance to be held in the Andrews gym.

Lavish plans for decorations in both halls have been started by the committee and a number of surprise dances and local talent acts will be presented. Door prizes will be given by the merchants of both towns.

Cooperation from Graham and surrounding counties has been assured and the chairman is deeply indebted to those who are taking an interest in the work.

In making the arrangements for the dances the committee has tried to be fair in taking both sides of every question into consideration. Plans have been made for a SUCCESSFUL enjoyable set of dances and every one will have a big time, more than their money's worth, and at the same time contribute to a worthy cause.

There will be no complimentary tickets given out. Everyone will be asked to pay the full price of admission which will be well within reason. Tickets will be printed and put on sale within a week or two.

MURPHY STEPS OUT

Murphy's regularity of increasing industry and business seems to have become a habit and almost weekly new firms are locating here, department stores are enlarging their floor space while building has been evidently on the upswing.

This is apparently a sign of better times. That others should come in and locate here at this time is definite proof that this section has the possibilities of becoming one of the most industrious centers within a radius of hundreds of miles.

Within the next few weeks another furniture firm will open here. Plans have been made for the opening of a new five and ten cent store and it is our understanding that even more buildings are being contemplated in the immediate future.

In running back over the past year, a number of local firms have increased their business and there is half again as many business houses here as there was last year at this time. More money is being turned loose here now than there ever has been at one time heretofore.

Our increased business has not been an ordinary happening. It has come about through the foresight of the county's leaders. Our new business has come through the untiring efforts of those who have always wanted to see Cherokee county forge ahead.

Potentially this county has always been rich and when the wakening once started it was evident that it would go steadily forward. The move has now been started and even greater changes are expected during the current year.

If the TVA sees fit to build the Hiwassee dam somewhere in this vicinity even more industry will be added.

Murphy is stepping out. There have been substantial reductions in our debts. And even a greater increase in business can be expected within the next year if we trade at home and protect the business we have here now.

A YOUNG FOLKS' WORLD

More than half of the people in the world at any given time are under 30 years old. In the United States only 55 per cent of the population enumerated in the Census of 1930 were more than 21 years old.

Seventeen years ago the World War began, resulting in social and economic upheavals so widespread that it is fair to say that since 1914 no part of the world has returned to its former normal conditions. More than half of the people of this country have never had any conscious experience of the world that older folks knew and lived in.

It is hard to teach the young to see through the spectacles of the old. Men and women of mature age look back to a background totally outside the experience of youth. Young people who are now arriving at voting age have had no contact, since childhood, with anything but economic depression. Since they were fifteen or so they have heard little from their elders but moans of anguish over vanished prosperity, a prosperity which, so far as the young are concerned, is entirely mythical; they never experienced it.

It is not to be wondered at that young folks are easily led into belief in economic and social experiments which older ones deprecate as impractical and unworkable. We don't know what anybody can do about it. It's their world, and they have to learn from their own experience. And maybe, somehow, they'll find ways to make it a better world than the one upon which the old folks look back with longing and regret for the "good old days".

END THIS NEEDLESS SLAUGHTER

More than 36,000 persons were killed by automobiles in the year just ended. The figures of motor fatalities show a steady rise from year to year, but the jump from 1933 to 1934 was the largest yet, an increase of more than 16 per cent.

For nine-tenths or more of these deaths there is only one cause. That cause is careless driving. It is rarely the fault of the machine; it is almost always the fault of the driver who strikes a pedestrian, collides with another car, or attempts to beat a train across a grade crossing.

For careless driving there are simple and effective remedies if the states would apply them. One is to restrict the driving of automobiles to persons who have been given licenses after severe tests of ability to drive. There are still many places where anybody may drive a car whether licensed or not. Then, every licensed driver should be required to carry his license with him at all times, and every accident involving violation of traffic rules should be noted on the license by a police officer or other authority. After three or four such citations the driver's license should be suspended or revoked.

In case of a death due to a motor driver's negligence there should be prompt, swift and severe punishment, and permanent revocation of the driver's license.

LET'S TURN BACK HISTORY'S PAGES

10 YEARS AGO

Friday, January 18, 1925.
Mr. Fred Johnson made a business trip to Robbinsville Wednesday.
Mrs. W. W. Hyde will entertain two tables of bridge this afternoon at her home in East Murphy.
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Penland and Mr. and Mrs. Lee Penland, of Hayesville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Candler last week.
Mr. A. K. Dickey, of Washington, Ga, is a business visitor here this week.
Col. W. V. N. Powelson, of New York was here last week in the interest of the Carolina-Tennessee Light & Power Co.
Mrs. Jim Bell, of Struthers, Ohio, spent the week end with Mrs. Margaret Bell in East Murphy.
Mr. R. H. Hyatt is out after his recent illness.
Miss Hattie Axley has returned from a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Fisher Hubbell in Atlanta.
Mr. J. W. Thompson will go to Blue Ridge Saturday to attend the dinner party of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Hendricks.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Phaup spent Wednesday in Atlanta.
Mr. R. A. Dewar of Atlanta and Andrews, was a visitor here over the week end.
Mr. and Mrs. Charlie West and Charles, Jr., are living at the Dickey House.

After a pleasant visit here with relatives Mrs. Roy T. Campbell and son have returned to their home in Newport, Tenn.

Misses Sara Cook and Annie Margaret Axley returned Thursday from Greenville, S. C., where they have been visiting Miss Cook's relatives for the past two weeks.

Mr. Robert Brown of Andrews, spent several days in Murphy this week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hyatt.

Mrs. John Sessoms is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Moody.

Dr. Davis of Blue Ridge, was a visitor in Murphy the latter part of this week.

20 YEARS AGO

Tuesday, January 18, 1915.
G. W. Candler went to Atlanta Sunday.
Dr. J. N. Hill left Sunday for Oklahoma City.
C. M. Slagle of Andrews spent Friday night here.
W. S. Patterson, of Englewood, Tenn., was here Saturday.
Prof. J. H. Harwood, of Andrews, was in town a few hours Saturday.
Jno. H. Carter, of Asheville, was here Saturday at the annual meeting of the banks.
Mrs. E. S. Miller and children left Tuesday to join her husband at Medford, Oregon, which place they will make their future home.
J. A. Lance, wife and three children, who live near Etowah, Tenn., and who have been visiting relatives at Marble and Hayesville since the day before Christmas, returned Saturday to their home.
M. W. Bell returned Friday night from the Grand Lodge of Masons at Raleigh.

30 YEARS AGO

Tuesday, January 17, 1905
Pat Turnbull left yesterday to make Texas his future home.
John Akin has accepted a position with the furniture factory.
Attorney M. W. Bell went to Asheville Sunday on legal business.
A private letter says that Roscoe King is at Honolulu on his way to Japan.
Deputy Collector J. B. Ensley, of Jackson County, was here Friday on official business.
Samuel B. Coffin, manager of the furniture factory, leaves Friday for a business trip to Durham.
Gen. F. R. Hampton, an attorney of Bryson City, was here several days last week on legal business.
Dr. J. R. Collins, of Culberson, was here Saturday on his way to Unaka.
Jasper L. Fain was in town last week and told us that when he left the mountains Tuesday the snow was 20 inches deep on the level.
Rev. T. M. Fore and Luther Burgess, of Aubrey, Tex., who have been visiting relatives and friends in this county since Christmas, left Wednesday for their home.

40 YEARS AGO

Tuesday, January 15, 1895.
Hon. Kope Eika, of Franklin, was in town on legal business last week.
A. J. Phillips of Andrews, expressed us another wild turkey last week.
Mrs. C. B. Hill, of McCays, Tenn., spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents.
Clennie and Walter, sons of Rev. Mr. Mallonee, left last week for Rich-

erford College.
W. B. Ferguson, a prominent attorney of Waynesville, spent Thursday in town on business.
W. H. Woodbury, our clever lumber dealer, made a business trip to Ellijay the first of the week.
R. L. Cooper, Jr., of Peachtree is thought to be some better at this writing, but is yet in a critical condition.
Our well known Tom McCoy, after a pleasant stay among his friends here has returned to his home at Asheville.
A. M. Brittain returned last week from Richmond.
W. H. Clark and family, of Peachtree, leaves this morning for Nowato, I. T.
W. G. Payne, of Hout House was in town Thursday.
C. W. Fore and family, of Grape Creek, left yesterday for the "Lone Star State".

NOBODY'S BUSINESS
BY GEE McGEE

FLAT ROCK 100 PER CENT FOR THE ADMINISTRATION

hon. Harry I. Wallis, secker-terry of agger-culture, washington, d. C.
deer sentaro:—
I just want to let you know that flat rock went solid for the bank head bill, all except holsum moore and art square, but please don't pay any attention to them. they do not amount to a iota in the agger-culture world; it took both of them to make 1 bale of cotton last year and it weighed only 365 pounds.

please send me 10\$ at once on my rent. I have planned to let you and the government have 7 akers this year insted of 5 last year, and this will make you owe 35\$ insted of 25\$ as heretofoar, but if you will send me 10\$ as above requested at once, i will not charge you any intrust on the ballance you will owe me.

I worked verry hard for the bank head bill, as that is the only thing that has ever hope us poor dirt farmers out of a hole. the following Clarks voted for it: mr. mike Clark, rfd, scudd dudd, lud and mudd Clark. they follow me in politicks as well as in questions of state and we are dimmercrats from the bottom of our hart. scudd says send him 5\$ along with my 10\$ the other boys have not got a farm yet, so don't send them any money. i will keep you posted.

it is very much cheaper not to make cotton and get paid for same than it is to make it and get c12 for it. a farmer do not have to pick and gin government cotton, and that is why all farmers should be in favor of this fine bill. it would suit us ok if the government would rent all of our land pay us twist as much per aker and then cotton woud go higher and help everbody. think this over.

i have benn informed by our poleesman that the government will soon send all of the cotton farmers a parity check. i don't know what this is, but please send mine and scudd's at once and make it as much as possible as the f. e. r. a. wedges have been cut vry bad. if you have any other checks due us for annything kindly forward them to me by return mail.

i thought you would like to hear how flat rock voted and that is why i have rote you this letter. don't fail to send me part of my government rent at once. by the way, will we get another check for plowing up? i have got only 2 so far, but it looks like it is time for third one, as it has benn night 2 yr. since we plowed up our sorry cotton and left all of the good cotton.

your friend,
mike Clark, rfd,
farmer.

MARTIN'S CREEK

Mr. Bob Hughes was the Sunday evening visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Hughes.
Misses Erma, Ola and Carrie Stiles spent Sunday with Miss Pearl Rogers.
Mr. Elisha Birch was the guest of Mr. Glenn Stiles Sunday.
Miss Carrie Stiles spent Sunday night with Miss Pearl Rogers.
Mr. Dillard spent Saturday night at Persimmon Creek.
Rev. Will Hedden will fill his regular appointment Saturday night and Sunday. Everbody come.