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Murphy, North Carolina, Thursday, September 19, 1935

A GOOD BALL TEAM

With the first tint of fall in the air, the world of sports is in "eyes right" formation for the World Series, which marks the passing of baseball for one season; and directly ahead looms another term of football.

And before baseball passes clear out of the picture for 1935 we think a word should be said for the local team.

It was an aggregation of boys, some of whom were not from Murphy, we admit, but boys who really put out for the town and made up one of the best sand-lot combinations in this part of the country.

With nearly 50 games to their credit with only a fifth of that many losses, Hickman went a long way toward giving the town a good ball team, and if it is going to have one, it might as well have a good one.

The fans spent many pleasurable afternoons here during the summer watching the local team go through its routine of winning game after game—and the sad part of the story, the part that we hate to incorporate, is the lack of support given them.

Scarcely was a game played during the past summer when the park was not jammed with spectators and cars and perhaps one of the biggest crowds was here last Sunday—when the receipts, on final count showed only a little over \$17.

Some men in town with no more than a moderate interest in the game have given almost that much in one day to provide a good winning team for the town of Murphy, and the situation only goes to clearly show that it is unfair for a half dozen men to support the team for 500 or more other people.

Next summer Murphy expects to have even a better team and the advertising it affords this community and the pleasure it affords visitors and the people in this area merits a good team. But every one should share the expense and it would be extremely small if every one chipped in his part.

One local man, it is understood, financed the grandstand alone and he has gotten very little outside of the enjoyment of the games, which is shared by everyone who sees them, for his generosity. That can hardly be said to be fair, and the game should be played fair from the grandstand as well as on the field.

UNAMERICAN IN EVERY SENSE

The passing of Senator Huey Long, no matter what the like or dislike of the individual citizen may have been for him personally, is unamerican in every sense of the word and is a blot, pure and simple, on the flag of this nation.

Assassination is reserved for the mentally deprived class and when such an exhibition is demonstrated in this country we are lowering our standards to that of the most common nation.

The pitiful part about it now is, nothing can be done about it. The murderer did not have to share any of the physical torture and agony that his victim did. Regardless of the oppression that may have caused Dr. Weiss to resort to his blood-thirsty deed, he sought the wrong way to correct any misgivings.

We have courts in this country to handle those situations, but as the senator was above the law of court the assassin evidently chose what he thought was the surest way. But any man that goes above the law will eventually hang himself and for that reason Dr. Weiss could easily have spared the life of the Louisiana dictator and his own and the subsequent sorrow that will ultimately be borne by both families.

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THE FLORIDA SHIP CANAL

On the same day that the news came from Miami that the Steamship Dixie had been driven upon a coral reef off the Southern Coast of Florida by a Caribbean hurricane, word came from Washington of the allotment by the President of \$5,000,000, from his Works Relief Fund, to begin construction of a sea-level ship canal across the Florida Peninsula. Had such a canal been

in existence, the "Dixie" would not have been compelled to make the treacherous passage through the Florida Straits in the hurricane season, on its voyage from New Orleans to New York. It would have taken the shorter cut directly from Port Inglis on the Gulf of Mexico across to the St. Johns River and the Atlantic. It would have saved perhaps two days in time, besides taking a safer course.

The fact that all of the passengers and crew of the "Dixie" were restored, comparatively uninjured, does not alter the force of the example. The "Dixie" is only one out of scores of vessels that have come to grief in the troubled waters between Florida and Cuba, and it is only one of thousands of ships, plying between ports on the Gulf of Mexico and those of the Atlantic Coast, to which the new Florida Canal will offer an immense saving in time and cruising cost when it is completed. The tropical hurricanes which sweep the Caribbean and sometimes brush the Southern tip of Florida have little or no effect, either upon land or water, as far north as the location of the Canal.

Few who have not given study to the subject realize the immense volume and importance of the sea-borne traffic between the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic Coast. From Vera Cruz and Tampico in Mexico, from the Texas ports of Galveston, Houston and Port Arthur, from New Orleans and Mobile, Pensacola and Tampa, a tremendous stream of commerce is constantly flowing to Savannah and Charleston, Norfolk and Baltimore, New York and Boston, and to Europe, a stream which flows steadily in both directions. Every one of those ships today must pass between Key West and Havana. Every one of them in the future will save hundreds of miles of steaming, cutting down both time and fuel consumption, by the new short-cut from the Gulf to ocean.

To thousands of small craft the new canal will offer the safe and necessary connecting link between the inland waterways along the Atlantic Coast and those which follow the Gulf Coast. And to the Navy of the United States the Florida Canal might easily prove almost as valuable in case of war as the Panama Canal.

Add to those considerations the important fact that the Florida Ship Canal will immediately provide employment for thousands, both in construction and in producing equipment and materials, and will, eventually, through the expenditure of the estimated cost of \$100,000,000, put many thousands more to work. It seems to us to be one of the most justifiable of all the undertakings of the Federal Government. Moreover, it will definitely be self-liquidating, as is the Panama through the tolls it will be paid by water-craft of all kinds for the privilege of passing through it.

To Florida, of course the new canal means more than to the rest of the country. New towns will spring up along its route and new business opportunities will thus be opened. Beyond a doubt, the completion of this canal will make Jacksonville one of the most important seaports on the East Coast. But entirely apart from its local value, we see a greater value as a national asset of very high importance indeed.

Too the assassination demonstrates still another unamerican principle—that of seeking dictatorship. That is reserved for inhuman, avid morons like Mussolini and Hitler, who have not enough to do to rule their own peasants but must seek to rule others when nothing near benefit can be derived from it.

All worldly-illusioned men are bound to fall—if not by their own hand by that or another. No case in history ever contradicted it except the case of German's Kaiser, who now probably realizes the difference between being a respected ruler and an outcast.

Assassination is not new to this country. Many of our best men have gone that way. It is a situation we must meet with but one weapon—education.

The forceful presentation of the liberal view in all such cases will go a long way toward ridding us of the scourge of assassination.

Canal Nation Asset



TURNING BACK HISTORY'S PAGES

10 YEARS AGO

Friday, September 18, 1935.

Mr. Howard Oody left Sunday to enter the University of North Carolina there.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Whisenhunt, of Andrews and Mrs. N. C. Grant, of Asheville and Mrs. Chas. Stinnette of Spartanburg, S. C., passed through Murphy Thursday enroute to Gainesville, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Adams and little daughter, Ernestine, of Maryville, Tenn., spent the week end with Mr. Adams' parents, Dr. and Mrs. N. B. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Deweese, and son, L. H. Jr., of Knoxville, Tenn., spent last week with the former's mother, Mrs. Mary Deweese.

Mr. D. H. Tillitt and Mr. Walter Green, Mr. Woodard, of Andrews were visitors to Murphy last Friday.

Mrs. R. V. Wells is visiting relatives in Waynesville this week.

Mr. Ben Goforth returned Sunday night from Marion where he had been visiting relatives.

Mr. Roy Solesbee spent last week end in Bryson City.

Miss Pearl Taylor, daughter, of Mrs. Mattie Taylor returned last Tuesday morning to Asheville Normal School.

Messrs. Bob and Dave Nolen of Waynesville, spent two days last week with their sister, Mrs. R. V. Wells.

20 YEARS AGO

Friday, September 17, 1915.

J. M. Davis, of Ogreeta, was a pleasant caller at this office Saturday.

J. S. Robinson of Franklin, and John Christy of Andrews, were visitors here Friday.

Mrs. Jane C. Bates, of Reed's Chapel is visiting at the homes of J. T. and T. N. Bates.

Register of Deeds W. P. Odom was in Graham County's capital last week making some records.

J. P. Hampton, of Unaka, was in town Tuesday on his way to Knoxville.

Miss Georgia Matheson, of Tampa, Fla., spent a part of Tuesday here enroute to Andrews to visit her father, W. L. Matheson.

Col. J. W. Ferguson, of Waynesville, was a visitor here last Friday.

Miss Lelia Elliott left Monday for Ellijay, Ga., where she will teach music in the school.

Supt. A. L. Martin has gone to Waynesville to attend the meeting of the county Superintendents of W. N. C.

30 YEARS AGO

Tuesday, September 19, 1905.

J. H. Hall left Friday by private conveyance to visit his sister in Lula, Ga.

W. L. Fain, of Atlanta, arrived Wednesday to look after business interests.

Mrs. H. B. Elliott and baby, of Andrews, are visiting her mother at Peachtree.

Dr. J. M. Sullivan and Col. G. H. Haigler, of Hayesville, were here on business Friday.

Messrs. Abel and Rollin Bates and Oscar West left Thursday for Holly Col.

Wm. Jenkins and wife went to Graham County yesterday morning

to spend the week.

J. M. McAlister a merchant at Culverton, was a pleasant caller at our office Wednesday.

A. J. Gurley has returned from a visit to homefolks in the neighborhood of Gaddistown, Ga.

W. P. Rogers, Mrs. Craig and Mrs. Justice of Tennessee, are visiting their father, H. W. Rogers, at Grape Creek.

Joe Bates, who has been visiting on Hangindog, returned Tuesday to his home at Coalfield, Tenn., accompanied by his sister, Miss Lou.

Col. and Mrs. E. M. Kilpatrick, of Asheville, arrived last Tuesday.

H. B. Elliott, of Andrews, was here Tuesday afternoon.

40 YEAR SAGO

Tuesday, September 17, 1895.

W. T. Corder leaves today for New York to buy goods.

Mr. Jim Anderson has gone to Atlanta for treatment.

Capt. G. Blandreth and wife were down Sunday from the Cherokee Lumber works.

Mrs. T. S. Starnes, of our city is visiting her relatives in Shoal Creek Township this week.

Miss Medley Allen was down from Bellevue last Friday night on business.

Mrs. Helen Welborn, accompanied by her brother, Willard Axley made a business trip to Young Harris, Ga., the first of the week.

J. E. Smith, of Peachtree, was in town Saturday.

Miss Maggie Axley left yesterday for Statesville to visit her brother and family of that place. Later on she will enter the Girls Normal and Industrial School at Greensboro.

A. L. Cooper has just returned from Atlanta, and says things are lively there.

C. S. Jenkins and his father, J. C. Jenkins, of Suit were in town yesterday.

Mr. Davidson McLellan and Mrs. Carolina Fain, of our town and Miss Issie Fain, of Hayesville, made a business and pleasure trip to Morganton, Ga., the past week.

Two brothers, Charles and Thomas Vigoito, are expected to be opposing candidates for mayor of Paterson, N. J., in November.

Three men helped J. B. Heft push his disabled car some distance to his home near Latham, Ill., and then robbed him of \$14.

Two children of Mrs. Jesse Stone of Salt Lake City have been born in taxicabs while on her way to the hospital. One is a boy, born three years ago, and the other is a girl baby, born recently.

Nervous, Weak Woman Soon All Right

"I had regular shaking spells from nervousness," writes Mrs. Cora Sanders, of Paragould, Ark. "I was all run-down and cramped at my time until I would have to go to bed. After my first bottle of Cardui, I was better. I kept taking Cardui and soon I was all right. The shaking quit and I did not cramp. I felt worlds better. I gave Cardui to my daughter who was in about the same condition and she was soon all right."

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