

92ND BIRTHDAY IS CELEBRATED BY MRS. KEENER

Four Generations Present At Dinner Given In Her Honor

Four generations of Mrs. Harriet Admonia Keener's family gathered here Tuesday at a dinner celebrating her 92nd birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Keener has 150 grand children, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Keener is the widow of John S. Keener to whom she was married in April 1861. Mr. Keener was a local Methodist minister and school teacher, having taught school in Cherokee, Graham, Jackson and Swain counties. He was a soldier in the Confederate army and was captured and held prisoner by the Federal troops until the close of the war. He died in 1880 in Cherokee county.

Daughter of Pioneer

Mrs. Keener is the daughter of G. W. Hayes, one of the pioneers of Western North Carolina, coming to Cherokee county to reside in 1835 and establishing his home near old Fort Butler, the site of which is now in the town limits of Murphy.

Mr. Hayes assisted in the removal of the Cherokee Indians from Cherokee county and surrounding counties in 1839 when the government took the Indians to Indian territory, now the state of Oklahoma. He spoke the Indian language fluently.

One interesting event that took place while the Indians were being removed concerned a family of Indians who had been taken in custody in Jackson county by Federal troops (Continued on back page)

100 - Year - Old Marble Woman Dies Saturday

Funeral services for Mrs. Martha A. Moss, who had lived nearly a century in Cherokee county, were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Marble Baptist church with the Rev. Alga West officiating. Interment was in the old Moss cemetery near Marble. Peyton G. Ivie was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Mrs. Moss, who neared her 100th birthday, was born in Cherokee county and had lived here all her life. At the age of 16 she joined the Methodist church. Later she changed to the Baptist church. All her life she was a great Christian supporter. She died with a stroke of paralysis that had kept her bed-ridden for two weeks Saturday afternoon at 2:25 o'clock.

Surviving are four sons, C. W., of Murphy, and Henry, Mack and Richard, all of Marble, and two daughters, Mrs. Quincy Earwood, of Marble, and Mrs. Martha Webb, of New Jersey.

Refreshing Showers Aid To County Crops

Intermittent showers during the past week-end proved not only refreshing to the county but a life-saver to crops as well.

Reports coming to the Scout from all over Cherokee indicate that crops were in bad need of rain and were facing ruination until several hard thunderstorms provided moisture enough to keep them going for a while yet.

The ground is still dry, the reporters said.

Woman Recovering From Snake's Bite

Mrs. Grace White, of the Postell section, was said to be improving this week from the result of a bite inflicted by a Copperhead snake last Saturday evening.

Mrs. White was cutting grass in her yard with a knife when the snake bit her, the report said.

Will Begin Paving Mineral Bluff- Blue Ridge Highway Immediately Saturday Last

The Georgia State highway department has ordered the paving of about 10 miles of highway from the North Carolina-Georgia line at Culberson eight miles below here to a point where the road leads into a stretch of paving three miles north of Blue Ridge, Ralph Manning, of the highway department, said here Tuesday.

This link of paving, sought for the past several years, will permit through traffic over a paved scenic route between the Great Smokies and the East, and Atlanta and the South.

Mr. Manning, who has been in charge of a crew of men paving a highway between Dahlonega, Ga., and Dawsonville, Ga., said one crew of men would be sent here within the next three weeks to begin quarrying operations to provide a macadam base for the road.

When the project gets under full sway about 50 men will be needed to do the work and possibly 25 of them will be hired locally, the construction superintendent said. They will be quartered at a camp close to Mineral Bluff, he added.

Mr. Manning was accompanied here (Continued on back page)

MARBLE TO PLAY WARREN TEAM AT HOME SATURDAY

The Marble Blues buck the Warren Company team from Atlanta on the home grounds Saturday afternoon. Marble lost their game to this same team 5 to 2 in Atlanta on May 9th.

The Warren Company team is one of the strongest class "C" teams in the South having lost only one game to date—to Oglethorpe university.

The Columbia Marble Baseball association made public a financial statement the first of the month which shows the boys to be still some in debt. They want to pay up all their bills and anyone that wants to see a real good ball game will get the best to be had Saturday.

First Vet Bonds Arrive Tuesday For Distribution

Distribution was begun here Tuesday of the first bonds received in payment of the soldiers' bonus that is estimated to bring somewhere around \$100,000 to ex-service men in Cherokee county. About 200 veterans here will receive bonus bonds.

This week there was nothing much to ordinary conversation except the "bonds" while the ex-service men speculated gleefully on the manner in which they would use their money.

Bonds arriving this week will be delivered in person only to the addressee, and this delivery will be made if at all possible on the same day they arrive.

The bonus will distribute bonds worth nearly \$1,650,000,000 to some 3,000,000 world war veterans. When the job is done, the 38,000,000 bonds will be in the hands of the nation's three and a half million ex-soldiers with the size of individual payments ranging from \$6 to \$1,500.

The bonus payment has been heralded for months by the predictions of its advocates that a tremendous upsurge in business would come when the million of dollars start flowing into the channels of trade.

The American legion estimated that merchants and retailers would receive \$623,615,793 from the payments.

President Roosevelt last week took cognizance of the expected appearance in circulation of the bonus money. He urged cooperation in cashing the federal checks in order that "funds to be disbursed may begin to flow through the channels of trade without unnecessary delay".

Mrs. R. F. Pierry, of Andrews was a visitor in town Sunday.

Saturday Last Day For Filing Work Sheets

Saturday being the last day on which work sheets can be filed for crop payments under the new Soil Conservation program, Dean I. O. Schaub had the following to offer as a last word to farmers:

"Due to the unfavorable seasons caused by the dry weather, many of the farmers of the state have lost some of their legume crops such as lespedeza, especially where it was sown late in the spring, and a good many of the other legume crops have not been planted due to the unusual weather conditions. These crops are necessary in order to qualify for the soil conserving payment under the Soil Conservation Program.

"We would like to stress to every grower the importance of seeding, before it is too late, a sufficient acreage of conserving crops in order to qualify for the soil conserving payment and as large a soil building payment as possible.

"In this state we are allowed, for the year 1936, to use soybeans and cowpeas as conserving crops even though the hay is cut. This is a very liberal interpretation of conserving crops.

"Realizing that legume seed is scarce, if peas or beans are planted in 2 1-2 to 3 feet rows and cultivated once or twice, you will generally make as much hay as if the peas or beans are sown broadcast. This will certainly make the seed go further and will enable the grower to receive his payments under the Soil Conservation Program.

"The question frequently arises as to whether sorghum or Sudan grass sown with peas or beans for hay is soil conserving. If beans or peas predominate the acreage will count as conserving but if the sorghum or Sudan grass predominates and is cut for hay the acreage will count as depleting.

"Provision is being made in the classification of crops to provide that sorghum and rye left on the land and not harvested will be classified as soil conserving for 1936.

Local Cannery Will Begin On Berries Soon

The Murphy cannery will begin operations for the season within the next week by canning all available blackberries, E. R. Thompson, cannery manager, announced Wednesday.

Tomato canning will begin immediately after the berries run out, Mr. Thompson said.

Wednesday a shipment of tomato plants was received here for farmers who had contracted tomato acreage and then had their plant beds fail.

The cannery is still signing up bean acreage, he added.

Th volume of business to be done by the local cannery, a member of the Land O' The Sky Mutual Canning Association, could not be estimated by Mr. Thompson Wednesday, but he expects operations to eclipse those of past years.

Peachtree Gets Singing Banner As 3000 Watch

Between 2500 and 3000 people were present at the Peachtree school house Sunday afternoon to watch the Upper Peachtree class carry off the banner at the annual Cherokee county singing convention.

The scores of the teams competing (Continued on back page)

RELIEF BILL'S PASSAGE HOPED FOR THIS WEEK

Passage in the Senate of the huge relief bill, which contains a \$3,337,228 appropriation for the Fowler Bend dam, is expected to materialize within the next few days.

If passed upon favorably by the Senate, which appears imminent, it will require the signature of President Roosevelt. But it is also supposed that he will sign the bill as soon as it is put before him as he is the sponsor of the giant relief measure.

Congress adjourned last week during the Republican convention at Cleveland and convened again Monday to wrestle with the new tax bill and the relief bill before final adjournment.

Before adjourning prior to the convention the Senate subcommittee, which passed favorably on the relief bill, referred it back to the Senate but it had to go back to the House for the adjustment of several minor amendments before receiving the final Senate account.

The president's signature upon the bill would authorize immediate construction of the Hiwassee TVA project.

MARTIN'S CREEK TO OFFER 3-ACT PLAY FRI. NIGHT

"A Fortunate Calamity", a comedy-drama in three acts will be given at the Martin's Creek School Building on Friday night, June 19, at 7:30 o'clock. This play is sponsored by the Ladies Aid Society of the Martin's Creek Baptist church. The proceeds will go for a singing school.

The play is good, clean comedy with strong situations and interesting climaxes and has everything that a good play has: a little romance, a little tragedy, and a whole lot of humor. The two drakes furnish fun throughout the entire play. Everybody come. The admission will be 10c and 15c.

About 65 Meet To Organize All County's Clubs

About 65 representatives of Cherokee county social, civic and religious organizations met in the Fair building at Murphy Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock for the purpose of organizing into a council of social agencies.

The meeting was under the direction of Mrs. Margaret LeMay Mauney Cherokee County Case worker, and was scheduled to hear Mrs. W. B. Aycock, Director of County Organization of State Board of Charities and Public Welfare, of Raleigh, and Miss Victoria Bell, Field Representative of Public Welfare, of Asheville, as guest speakers.

The representative planned to organize in an effort to serve the citizens better and more efficiently in the matter of welfare work. Mrs. Mauney explained.

"We feel that so much more can be done for the county in welfare work if all our clubs organize and work together with regular periodical meetings and a cooperative plan", she said.

"For instance", she added, "some time ago Cherokee county could have been provided with a full-time child welfare worker. The county commissioners were asked to put up \$36 per year toward the worker's salary but felt that they could not afford it. Thus Cherokee county was deprived of a child welfare worker which it needs very much. If these clubs could have been organized then they could have probably provided the money themselves. It's things like this that they could help with so very much".

As the Scout went to press it was unable to obtain the remarks of the speakers and a full account of the organization with the names of the different officers and representatives present.

INQUEST IS HELD INTO DEATH OF WALDO SCROGGS

Opie Clayton, of Brasstown, Under \$1000 Bond; Funeral Held

A coroner's jury here Sunday returned a verdict that Waldo Scroggs, 30-year-old prominent Brasstown farmer, who died in the Petrie hospital at 5:30 Saturday evening, "came to his death by blows on the head at the hands of parties unknown", and Opie Clayton, 23, also of Brasstown, was bound over to Superior court under a \$1000 bond for "assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill" in connection with the case.

Mr. Scroggs was found lying on the edge of the Brasstown highway near the home of Gay Johnson, six miles east of here, about 11 o'clock Saturday night, May 30, with cuts in his back and neck and his face and head bruised.

He was brought to the Petrie hospital here and returned to his home Monday. The following evening he was returned to the hospital where he died last Saturday.

At the joint inquest—preliminary hearing conducted by Coroner S. C. Heighway, Dr. R. W. Petrie testified that Scroggs was in a bad condition when he was returned to the hospital Tuesday and that he was evidently gaining until Saturday noon when his condition steadily grew worse until he died.

Dr. Petrie testified that in his opinion (Continued on back page)

Mrs. J. Rogers 88, Dies In Cal., Funeral Is Held

Funeral services for Mrs. Jane Rogers, 88, who died last week at Bakersville, Cal., after a long illness, were held at the Antioch church near Blairsville, Ga., Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with the Rev. Thomas Truett officiating. Interment was in the church cemetery. Peyton G. Ivie was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Although she died at the home of relatives in California, Mrs. Rogers had lived here most of her life and had been in the West for the past nine years. She was a member of the church from which she was buried for 72 years.

Surviving are five sons, Orville, of Blue Ridge, Ga., Juan, of Blairsville, Ga., Victor, of Marietta, Ga., and Joe and Grady, of Bakersville, and four daughters, Mrs. S. S. Kisleburg, of Culberson, Mrs. Stiles, of Struthers, Ohio, and Misses Maggie and Julia Rogers, of Bakersville.

Change Registration Place Of City Election

The place of registration in the special town election on the pool room question has been changed from the Courthouse to Candler's Department store, Dale Lee, registrar, announced this week.

The registration books will be open Saturday, June 20; Saturday, June 27, and July 4. The election will be held at the Court House on Tuesday, July 14.

To register and fail to vote counts as a vote against permitting pool room operation in Murphy under the supervision of the local post of the American Legion.

Court Convenes Here, Dismissed In One Day

The regular June term of Cherokee County Superior Court convened and adjourned here all in one day Monday.

Judge John M. Oglesby presided over the short session that did not even require the calling of a jury.