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## MURPHY UNIT SCHOOLS OPEN HERE MONDAY

### Record Enrollment Is Reported By Super- intendent Bueck

With the usual play-ground hub-bub, the clapping of erasers and the scraping of feet on floors, over 1300 students returned to the schools of the Murphy unit when they opened on Monday.

The Murphy high school recorded its largest enrollment in history when 620 students signed up for classes the first two days of school. Superintendent H. Bueck reported that there were 385 students in the Murphy elementary school, 98 at Tomotla, 43 at Kinsey, 81 at Grape Creek and 50 at Bates Creek.

Some plain and fancy maneuvering has been done to squeeze all the pupils into the local school. The congested condition has been alleviated somewhat by a plan worked out by Mr. Bueck and Mrs. Fannie Hathcock Lee whereby students will use the chapel room for study periods. Two adjoining rooms have been turned into a school library.

It is necessary to hold a mathematics class in the manual training building at present.

During the first days of school, commuting students have been hampered by a lack of busses, some of the busses being required to make two and three trips over their routes to pick up all the students.

Mr. Bueck said two new busses would arrive from High Point this week and would be added to the Hiwassee Dam and Shoal Creek routes. When these busses go into service they are expected to adequately care for all community students.

It is believed that both Murphy and Andrews will get new school buildings soon through a plan devised by the Cherokee county commissioners some time ago whereby they will supplement WPA funds for the construction of such buildings.

At present the need for added class room space is acute with more than 100 students being registered for certain classes.

Mr. Bueck announced that a course in dramatics had been discontinued in favor of an additional necessary course in American history.

Through the help of NYA students two rooms adjoining the auditorium and the auditorium stage have been converted into a library which houses more than 700 books, 50 different varieties of magazines and five daily newspapers.

The NYA students built the tables, chairs, shelves and other necessary equipment for the library at a total cost of \$53. Mr. Bueck estimates the equipment would have cost \$320 had it been purchased new.

Mrs. Lee is the librarian and subsequently conductor of the study hall. Pupils who have open periods will go to the study hall where they will be checked either by Mrs. Lee or an NYA student. Then they may avail themselves of any of the library facilities or study as they choose. Mrs. Lee will offer assistance.

A complete line of encyclopedias, reference books and volumes of fiction are at the disposal of the students. Heretofore it has been necessary for the school children to use the Murphy Carnegie library for book-borrowing and reference-study purposes.

A collection of National Geographic magazines reaching back more than 15 years which were donated to the school recently by Mrs. N. B. Adams, widow of the late Dr. Adams, have been found and placed on the shelves. Workers have bound many volumes.

### COMMISSIONER TO MEET

The Board of Commissioners of Cherokee County are scheduled to hold their regular "first Monday" meeting in the court house Monday.

## REPUBLICANS TO HOLD MEETINGS IN ALL PRECINCTS

The Republicans of Cherokee county will hold a series of meetings during the month of September in every precinct of the county, Chairman Edwin Hyde has announced.

The complete list of meetings, giving time, place and date, is carried in an advertisement elsewhere in this issue of the Scout.

Party candidates will appear at all meetings and all Republicans are urged to attend the sessions which will initiate the party campaign in the county.

## W. P. BRITAIN, OF PEACHTREE, BURIED FRIDAY

### Veteran Merchant Was In Business For 57 Years

Funeral services for William Patrick Brittain, 76, of the Peachtree community, were conducted from the home Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with the Rev. W. S. Smith, pastor of the Andrews Methodist church, and the Rev. Robert Barker, pastor of the Peachtree Baptist church, officiating. Interment was in the Peachtree cemetery. W. D. Townsend was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Mr. Brittain, who was said to be Cherokee county's oldest merchant, died Thursday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock. He had been ill with paralysis for five years.

Mr. Brittain had been an active merchant for the past 57 years. He was born in Andrews in 1862 and had been a member of the Methodist church for 48 years. He was the last of the old Brittain family, one of the best and most prominent in the county.

Honorary pallbearers were: H. B. Elliott, L. E. Mauney, G. F. Hendrix, A. E. Sudderth, Horace Sudderth, Henry Sudderth, H. L. Robinson, Jeff Parker, John McGuire, John McCombs, J. T. Hayes, Will Moore, John Walker, John Hall and B. L. Padgett.

Active pallbearers were: Tom Axley, William Cover, Charles Dickey, Walter Mauney, Vernon Parker and Dr. Harry Miller.

Flower girls were: Cora Owenby, Inez Howard, Beryl Witt, Mae Sudderth, Alba Albright, Edna Hasty, Betty Robinson and Ruth Carringer.

Surviving Mr. Brittain are: a daughter, Mrs. V. T. Ledford, of Peachtree; a sister, Mrs. E. S. Miller, of Murphy; three grandchildren, Paul Ledford, of Murphy, Jean Ledford, of Gastonia, and Catherine Ledford, of Murphy, and a number of nieces and nephews.

## Man Held On Federal Forgery Charge Here

James Houston Birchfield, of Murphy, is being held in the Cherokee county jail here on charges of forging 61 government checks for a total of \$1830 since Dec. 2, 1935.

He faces trial before U. S. Commissioner F. O. Bates at a future date.

The arrest was made by George F. Crook, secret service agent.

The forged checks were allegedly sent to Birchfield's daughter over a period of nearly three years.

## Seek To Reestablish Wolf Creek Precinct

A petition bearing the signatures of 120 persons has been filed with the Cherokee County Board of Elections requesting the reestablishment of the Wolf Creek voting precinct in lower Cherokee county.

The precinct, which is overwhelming in Republican strength, was discontinued three years ago by board action.

F. O. Bates, chairman of the board, said the petition would be considered and official action taken at a future date.

# Gov. Hoey Speaks Here As Democratic Campaign Opens

## All-Stars To Play 3 Game Series Locally

The Cherokee County All-Stars will play a three-game series with the fast-stepping Canton, Ga., team here and at Marble over the coming Labor Day week-end.

According to present schedule the All-Stars will meet the Georgians at Marble Sunday afternoon, in Murphy on Monday morning and at Marble again on Monday afternoon.

The Canton aggregation is said to be a bit faster club than the locals have been accustomed to playing this year. They are sporting such famed players as Bob Hasty, veteran pitcher.

The All-Stars' hurling staff will be composed of: Paul Layman, late of the Newport, Tenn., team of the Appalachian league, who will pitch Sunday's game; Harry McNally, Copperhill "bus ticket", who will hurl Monday morning's game, and "Disappearing Act" Melvin Ensley, the Andrews sensation, who will perform on the mound Monday afternoon. The rest of the team will be composed of the usual line-up.

Managers of the team said the Monday morning game was being played here following a number of requests.

## TEXACO FILLING STATION TO OPEN HERE SATURDAY

The new Texaco service station on Valley River avenue in Murphy will open Saturday morning. Bill Petrie and R. S. Parker, Jr., will be the operators.

The station was recently completed at an estimated expenditure of \$18,000.

As a trade incentive, Messrs. Petrie and Parker have taken a full page ad in this issue of the Scout offering a special bargain to patrons on the first day.

The new firm will also handle the Seiberling line of tires, and are equipped with the latest and most modern car servicing equipment.

## DOVE SEASON TO OPEN IN COUNTY THIS MORNING

The dove season which opens in Cherokee county and Western North Carolina this (Thursday) morning is the first of the popular fall hunting seasons to bring joy and happiness to the hearts of local sportsmen.

The dove season will remain open until Sept. 30. Then it will re-open on Dec. 20 and remain open until Jan. 31, according to the new game digest. Bag limits is 15 a day and 150 for the season.

The next season to open will be that on squirrels Sept. 15. It will remain open until Dec. 15. The bag limit on squirrel is 10 per day but there is—oh, boy!—no season limit.

There will be no deer or turkey season in Cherokee county this year, but there will be an open season on Wild Russian Boars for the first time.

D. M. Birchfield, county game warden, advises that all last year's hunting licenses expired on Jan. 31 and that new licenses must be obtained before a person can hunt this year.

The Murphy Hardware company is taking a large advertisement in this issue of the Scout to present a digest of the local game laws. Duplicates may be received either at the store or at the Scout office in a few days.

Eugene West, of Marble has enlisted in the United States army, according to a recent dispatch from recruiting headquarters.

## SCOUT-JOURNAL CAMPAIGN TO END SATURDAY

### \$200 Cash To Be Awarded As Prizes; Many Subscribe

The Cherokee Scout - Junaluska Journal subscription campaign will come to a close Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

At that time Mr. L. A. Lee, publisher of the two papers, will check up with all contestants and a prize of \$100 in cash will be awarded to the one having the highest total number of points for subscriptions acquired.

Likewise some subscriber will also be given a \$100 prize as outlined in the rules governing the campaign.

Winning contestants and subscribers do not have to be present.

During the past eight weeks an average of 15 contestants has been maintained throughout the county, and hundreds of new names have been added to the Scout circulation list, making it the largest in the history of the county.

It is estimated that the Scout and Journal go into nearly two-thirds of the homes in Cherokee county and surrounding communities.

Prior to the opening of the campaign the publication date of the Journal was changed to Tuesday and the price of both the Journal and the Scout was changed to only \$2 per year.

Through this arrangement persons wishing complete semi-weekly news coverage of the county and a different array of features could obtain them at an extremely moderate price.

Enthusiasm greeted the campaign from the start. Subscriptions began piling in the first week and were added on until it is felt now that the subscription list of the two papers is about as complete as could be expected.

During the campaign several sample issues were published and papers placed in every home in the county. Cards bearing self-addressed and postage were included in some of the papers offering subscriptions on contest basis. This, too, brought great response and added materially to the circulation lists of the two papers.

Mr. Lee expresses himself as very well pleased with the campaign and the interest that has been shown in it by both the contestants and subscribers.

"It is one of the best and most successful campaigns I have ever seen" Mr. Lee stated. "I have witnessed a number of subscription campaigns on weekly newspapers, and I have never known one to be promoted more successfully than this one. Usually there are complaints of one sort or another in a campaign of this kind, but there has been nothing but the friendliest spirit manifest in this campaign."

## Dance To Be Held At Dam On Sept. 10

There will be a dance at the Hiwassee Dam Saturday night, Sept. 10, under the auspices of the Hiwassee Dam Athletic association, according to an announcement this week.

Von McLean's Swingsters, one of the best musical combines to appear in this section, will "mugg it lightly", "groove it", etc.

The dances at the dam have been drawing wide patronage. The surroundings and congenial atmosphere are proving favorites with the dancing crowd and naturally the athletic association is expecting another large group to attend from Murphy, Copperhill and surrounding towns.

## Crowd Estimated At 2,500 Attends Free Barbecue

Governor Clyde R. Hoey was the principal speaker at a Democratic rally in Murphy Saturday which marked the opening of the party campaign in the state and which attracted a crowd estimated at 2,500 people.

The Governor led a speaking program which included a number of prominent North Carolinians.

A free barbecue and baseball game followed the program of talks.

"The people of North Carolina are getting 100 per cent return for every tax dollar", the Governor assured the throng who milled about an improvised platform at the Exhibit hall of the Fair grounds.

He joined others in lavish praise of the Democratic party administration not only in the state but throughout the nation. The benefits of the party program "from farmer to industrialist" were discussed by the state chief executive.

"I was born a Democrat, reared a Democrat and will die a Democrat," the governor told the sweltering crowd that had stood through rain the first part of the program and endured stifling heat during his speech.

**Praises Democratic Party**  
The welfare of the state and the nation depends upon the correct application of the Democratic party principles, the governor stated.

He then referred to the work of the various state officers, a number of whom had spoken previously, and praised their work as "being unquestionably to the best interests of the good people of the state" from the axiomatic Currituck to Cherokee.

He referred to the progress that is being made in both agricultural and industrial lines in the state and stated the present administration was largely responsible for the increase in better conditions that were being manifest.

The governor referred to Western North Carolina's growing tourist business and said it came largely from an appropriation of a quarter of a million dollars in the last session of the legislature to advertise the Tarheel state.

D. H. Tillitt, Andrews attorney, was toastmaster for the occasion. In introducing the governor, he stated: "The true mark of greatness is the ability to also be humble and simple in your attitude toward your fellowman. Governor Hoey is such a man. He has integrity and ability."

The program was opened at 11 o'clock in the morning with W. P. Horton, lieutenant-governor, as the first speaker. Thad Eure, secretary of state, and George Ross Pou, state auditor, followed him and all three extolled the virtues of the governor referring to him as "one of the greatest governors the state of North Carolina has ever had".

**Others on Program**  
Ralph Moody, former Murphy attorney, now a member of the state (Continued on back page. This Sec.)

## Political Writer Is "Arrested" Saturday

Wade Lucas, prominent North Carolina political writer, underwent the ignominy of being publicly "arrested" here Saturday for not "having a license to take pictures."

Lucas was with a party of dignitaries from Raleigh who attended the Democratic rally when Chief of Police Fred Johnson "served the warrant" in a local drug store.

At first the columnist and reporter was baffled by charges, but when he saw suppressed laughter in the countenance of those about about him he said:

"That's alright. Just see the Governor. He's my personal bondsmen."