

## DR. J. M. MAY, 49, OF HAYESVILLE, TAKEN BY DEATH

### Physician Succumbs After Long Illness; Funeral Thursday

Dr. J. M. May, 49, of Hayesville, died Wednesday morning in a Marietta hospital after an illness of several months.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Hayesville Baptist church with the Rev. J. H. Wilson, pastor, Rev. E. L. Adams of Young Harris and Rev. H. H. Hyde of Andrews officiating.

Interment was in the church cemetery with the Masons in charge of burial arrangements. Funeral arrangements were conducted by Ivie funeral home of Murphy.

Active pallbearers were Wiley Mc Giamery, Ed Cloer, Everett Crawford, Bob Tiger, Ed Mease and B. B. Cantrell.

Honorary pallbearers were all doctors, from Young Harris, Franklin, Andrews, Murphy and Hayesville.

Dr. May is survived by his widow, who is the former Miss Lessie McHan two sons, Jack and Joe; one daughter Beatrice, all of Hayesville; his mother, Mrs. S. J. May of Flats; four sisters, Mrs. L. A. Boone of Flats, Mrs. B. C. Jones of Bryson City, Mrs. J. B. Gray of Murphy, and Mrs. J. E. Hoyle of Asheville, one brother, T. A. May of Hayesville.

## Red Cross Campaign Makes Good Progress

The Red Cross roll call campaign in this area has brought in total proceeds of \$284.00 in memberships and contributions to date, according to Mrs. C. W. Savage, chairman.

The drive, sponsored by the woman's club, has not as yet been completed and workers are still making a good effort to raise the total. Those who want to contribute are asked to see either Mrs. Savage or Mrs. T. A. Case.

## Epidemic of Measles Strikes Local School

An epidemic of German measles in the first and second grades of the Murphy schools will not cause the school to lose any time from closing. H. Bueck, superintendent said today due to the fact that the schools will close for the Christmas holidays Friday.

Outside of the first two grades, Bueck said, the disease has reached only a few persons in the school and all precautions are being taken to prevent any spread. The schools will continue on schedule through the week with the approval of the county health department.

## You Can See or Smell It in the Newspaper— But You Can't Taste It!

There's always something new and interesting about a newspaper—even if the boss fires a relative—but this time it is really novel.

The Knoxville News-Sentinel not only printed the lifesized colored picture of big sticks of peppermint candy in an advertisement in its Wednesday edition, but it added the SMELL. U-u-m-m, and does it smell good!

Here's the trick. By merely mixing oil of peppermint in with the regular red ink, the papers rolled out of the press with that excellent aroma of peppermint candy.

## Cherokee County Draft Quota May Be All Volunteers

Over one-half the required number of draftees from Cherokee county have volunteered for service up to this week, the local draft board reports, and there is a distinct possibility that the entire number, 94 may volunteer to fill the quota.

Questionnaires have been mailed out to 350 registrants in the draft, and another set to be sent out soon, making a total of 400, is expected to be enough to take care of the year's required quota.

Twenty-seven young men have taken physical examinations in connection with the selective act, and are ready to take their year's training as soon as the next call is issued. The local draft office has not as yet been notified as to when the next group of men will be taken, or how many will compose the next allotment.

Volunteers between the ages of 18 and 36 are being accepted at the draft office, giving an opportunity for service to some men even outside the required age limit. So far, 48 men have volunteered.

## 1939 Mattress Quota Almost Complete: New Applications Taken

More than 750 mattresses have been turned out in the county mattress factory to date and the total number needed to meet the requirements of the 941 applications is expected to be finished in time to start work on the new applications the first of the year.

New instructions have been recently given out by the state office, according to A. Q. Ketner, county agent, making it possible for persons with an income of less than \$600 per year eligible to apply for a mattress.

An application for every two persons in a family can be made, up to a maximum of three mattresses.

The mattress factory is now operating in its new location in the knitting mill building. The factory was moved several days ago in order to make room in the Fair building for the high school athletic activities.

## W. GEORGE PHILLIPS ELECTED TO HEAD CHEROKEE MASONS

William George Phillips was elected Worshipful Master of the Cherokee Masonic Lodge for the year 1941 at a recent election.

Other officers elected for the coming year are Sam Kaye, senior warden, Tom Palmer, junior warden, R. D. Lovingood, treasurer, and J. Franklin Smith, secretary.

The following officers were appointed by the worshipful master: E. A. Browning, senior deacon, Fred Swain, junior deacon, J. Lawrence Hall and Ralph H. Jacobs, stewards, and P. C. Gentry, tyler.

A public installation of these officers will be held on the first Monday night in January with Harve Mulkey, district deputy grand master in charge.

## GUERNSEY SOLD TO WELLS

The American Guernsey Cattle Club, Peterborough, N. H., reports the sale of a registered Guernsey cow by L. W. Shields to H. N. Wells of Murphy. This animal is Golden Gal's Eva 466174.

Harry Dickey, student at Mars Hill, arrived Tuesday to spend the holidays here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sheridon Dickey.

## Christmas Activities Get Under Way Here; Church, School, Club Groups Taking Part

### YEARLY XMAS PLAY AT FOLK SCHOOL SCHEDULED DEC. 22

The annual performance of the Christmas Play at the John C. Campbell Folk School will be given Sunday night, December 22, at 8 o'clock (EST). As is the custom each year admission will be free to everyone.

The play is built about the public life in and around Palestine at the time of the birth of Christ. The music and action are artfully blended into a unified whole, with a rich dramatic quality of contrast.

The play makes use of popular European and local folk songs and includes many of the folk songs popular during Christ's time.

Repeated annually for more than a decade the play has undergone gradual development through the efforts of Mrs. Campbell, its author. Occasional new scenes have been added and revisions in the script.

The cast includes a large number of students, past students, and staff members, with both Cherokee and Clay counties being well represented.

## CAGE SCHEDULE OF CONFERENCE IS ANNOUNCED

### Teams Required To Play 12 Games; List Is Incomplete

Below is given the basketball schedule for the Tri-State Athletic Association for the season of 1941. To receive official recognition in the conference standings, a team must play in at least 12 conference games. The schedule is incomplete in so far as no word has been received from Morganton, Hiwassee, Bryson City, or Mineral Bluff.

- Jan. 3—Copperhill at Morganton  
Cherokee at Epworth
- Jan. 4 Cherokee at Copperhill
- Jan. 6 Blairsville at Murphy
- Jan. 7 Cooperhill at Blairsville  
Epworth at Ducktown  
Ellijay at Blue Ridge
- Jan. 10 Ducktown at Morganton  
Blue Ridge at Epworth  
Blairsville at Ellijay  
Hayesville at Copperhill  
Robbinsville at Cherokee
- Jan. 14 Epworth at Copperhill  
Morganton at Hayesville  
Murphy at Ducktown
- Jan. 17 Ducktown at Ellijay  
Epworth at Hayesville  
Blue Ridge at Morganton  
Blairsville at Copperhill
- Jan. 20 Epworth at Morganton
- Jan. 21 Morganton at Copperhill  
Robbinsville at Murphy
- Jan. 24 Copperhill at Ducktown  
Epworth at Blue Ridge  
Ellijay at Morganton  
Robbinsville at Hayesville  
Murphy at Cherokee
- Jan. 28 Ducktown at Robbinsville

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## Mrs. Laura Sparks, 72, Dies Tuesday at Warne

Mrs. Laura Sparks, age 72, died at her home near Warne, Tuesday, December 17, at 9:30 p. m. Funeral arrangements are incomplete. Townsion Funeral Home will have charge.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Maude McFalls, Gary, Indiana; Mrs. Stella Curtis, Hayesville; Mrs. Flossie Phillips, Warne; and three sons, Omer, Carl and Luther all of Warne.

## School Glee Clubs Bring Xmas Cheer To Many Tuesday

The Murphy high school glee clubs, 45 strong, spread a lot of Christmas cheer around town Tuesday, as they went from place to place singing beautiful Christmas carols.

Under the direction of E. B. Hauge, music instructor in the schools, the group visited the county jail, Petrie hospital, the home of Mrs. Paisley and Mrs. Sword, and ended up by singing from the public square in the center of town.

While in the hospital and jail the students had the opportunity to inspect the two institutions which they enjoyed as much as did their audiences enjoy their caroling.

The same group will sing carols again on Thursday night in front of the Home Economics building on the school campus, beginning at 7 o'clock. The public is invited.

## Special Xmas Service Planned by Baptists For Sunday Afternoon

The Annual Christmas Candlelight Service will be held at the First Baptist Church Sunday 4:00 P. M. to be presented by the Junior and Senior choirs of the Church.

This Candlelight service consists of the Christmas carols and the Bible story of the birth of Christ given in a setting of yuletide beauty. At the beginning of the service there will be twenty minutes of Christmas music. The public is cordially invited to attend this service.

## Postoffice to Remain Open all Day Saturday

Postmaster Howard Moody has announced that the Murphy postoffice will remain open during Saturday afternoon for the special benefit of late mailers. The office will, as usual, be closed on Christmas day.

Mr. Moody, in making the announcement, urged that everybody mail all packages and cards as early as possible because of the great increase in the volume of mail during the Christmas season. In this manner, he explained, the postal employees will be able to clear all mail in time to reach its destination before Christmas day.

## LAST CALL ISSUED BY COUNTY AGENT IN FARM PROGRAM

Form letters were sent out to some 350 farmers in Cherokee county by agent A. Q. Ketner this week, urging them to sign applications for payments under the Agricultural Conservation program. This number is all that remains of a total of nearly 1600 who are eligible under this plan.

The deadline for signing these applications has been set up several weeks, but the agent advised that the sooner each man signs for his payment the earlier he will receive his check.

The letter also advised farmers that at the same time they could sign for lime allotments under the same program, and for the free TVA trees used in connection with reforestation and soil conservation.

BEST XMAS GIFT — THE SCOUT

## SCHOOLS TO CLOSE FOR XMAS DEC. 20; TO REOPEN JAN. 2

All schools in the County Unit and Murphy will close from December 20 until January 2 for Christmas holidays. Lloyd Hendrix and H. Bueck, superintendents, have announced.

Examinations are being conducted in the Murphy unit schools on Thursday and Friday of this week, which will close the first semester of work. When the schools reopen January 2 studies will be started in the second semester's work.

Some 250 sixth grade students were given the Stanford achievement test in the Murphy schools Wednesday. These tests were given for the purpose of classifying the students and rectifying teaching weaknesses.

## Thursday Is Holiday; Local Bank to Close

In compliance with a communication received this week from the North Carolina Bankers association, officials of the Citizen Bank & Trust company have announced that this bank will be closed both on Christmas day and the day following.

All other business places in town, with the exception of restaurants and filling stations will be closed on Christmas day as is the annual custom.

Some of the business houses, along with the bank, may be closed on Thursday, December 26, as that day has been declared a legal holiday by Governor Hoey.

## Grape Creek Pupils Make Xmas Presents

Pupils of the Grape Creek Elementary School of the Murphy Unit have been busily engaged the last few days with their several Christmas projects under the supervision of their teachers, Mrs. Pitzer and Miss Dickson.

Miss Dickson's first and third graders have been finishing crayoned luncheon cloths to present as Christmas presents. In addition toys are being fashioned from the spools obtained from sewing thread. Several interesting creations are on exhibit in the school room.

In the second, fourth, fifth, and sixth grades emphasis has been placed on the carving of animals from wood to use as presents to the parents at Yule time. The pupils are also making Christmas cards and have joined in the finishing of the luncheon cloths with crayons.

Products of these interesting projects are to be on display all this week at the Grape Creek school in the class rooms.

## Scout Will Be Early For Christmas Week

In order that the annual Christmas Greeting edition of the Scout will reach everybody before Christmas, next week's edition will be published on Tuesday instead of Thursday as is the custom.

Each year one issue of the Scout just before Christmas, is given over to the business people of the town for the purpose of issuing Christmas greetings. Christmas being on Wednesday this year, the day before the Scout is usually published, the greeting edition must of necessity come out early.