

TWO SLAIN IN WRECK OF TRAIN

Mayfield, Incumbent Board File For Municipal Election

First Ticket Made Public on Monday; Balloting May 6

The first ticket to file for Murphy's election elections on May 6 as certified and announced here Monday.

The ticket is composed of the following: for mayor, C. D. Mayfield; for commissioners, E. C. Moore, Noah Lovingood, T. W. Axley, L. M. Shields, Walter M. Mauney and W. P. Odom.

Mr. Mayfield, local business man, has served as a member of the board of commissioners for the past several years. Moore, Lovingood, Axley, Mauney and Odom are present members of the town board.

Mayor J. B. Gray, who has held that office since 1932, has made no statement indicating that he will be a candidate for any municipal office.

April 26 has been set as the official closing date for filing of candidates. Registration of voters began April 5 and will continue daily until April 26. Porter Axley is registrar. Saturday, May 3, has been set as challenge day.

The election which is run on the non-partisan basis, will be held between the usual hours on Tuesday, May 6, according to an official notice by the city clerk, E. O. Christopher.

April 15 Is Deadline For Entries In Lake Naming Competition

All persons wishing to submit entries in the contest to name the new lake at Persimmon creek are urged to send or bring them in within the next three days by Joe Ray, president of the Murphy chamber of commerce, as the closing date for the contest is April 15.

A prize of \$15.00 is being offered to the person who gives the best name, the winner to be selected by a group of judges to be appointed after all entries are in.

Entries should be sent or brought to the forest ranger's office in Murphy. As soon as all entries are in they will be turned over to the judges and a winner selected within the next few days. This winner will be announced as soon as a decision is reached.

County Jail Is Vacant First Time in 2 Years

The Cherokee county Jail was completely empty of prisoners on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week for the first time in two years, according to Patton Coleman, jailer.

Patton averred that the institution might have gone empty for a full week had not one of his regular customers come home late Wednesday to break the record.

BANK TO CLOSE

The Citizens Bank and Trust company will be closed both Saturday and Sunday, in observance of Halifax Day Saturday, and Easter Monday.

William Larson was fined \$200 by a Chicago judge for pawing his wife's false teeth to obtain money for liquor.

Local Draft Board Reorganized; Dickey Appointed Chairman

The local draft board was reorganized this week due to the recent resignation of Dr. R. S. Parker and the death of J. W. Lovingood, chairman. The new board is now composed of W. S. Dickey, chairman, Walt Witt and H. M. Whitaker.

A readjustment was made recently also in the advisory board and the number of members reduced. This board now consists of M. W. Bell, chairman, Dale Lee, and Miss Leuna Tatham of Andrews.

Dr. J. N. Hill and Dr. F. V. Taylor are examining physicians for the board and F. O. Christopher is attorney.

Health Department Planning City-Wide Clean-up Campaign

Plans for a city-wide clean-up campaign, tentatively scheduled for the first week in May, are being mapped by W. B. Stronach, sanitarian of the district health department with the cooperation of the town of Murphy and a number of public agencies and organizations.

Based on an idea to beautify as well as conduct a general "spring cleaning" the health department and other organizations will concentrate on disposing of every item of garbage and filth from tin cans to dead dogs with a lot of pointers thrown in on the side to maintain cleaner conditions in both residences and business houses, Stronach stated.

Each of the organizations participating in the campaign will have a definite job to perform and a director to guide its efforts for the best and quickest results.

The Woman's club, led by Mrs. M. W. Bell, will lead a movement with—
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J. W. LOVINGOOD TAKEN BY DEATH HERE TUESDAY

Funeral Services Held Thursday at Baptist Church

J. W. Lovingood, prominent business and civic leader in Murphy and Cherokee county, died at his home here Tuesday afternoon following a brief illness. He was 68 years old.

Funeral services were conducted at 1 o'clock Thursday afternoon from the Murphy Baptist church with the Masons conducting the rites. Interment was in Sunset cemetery. Ivie Funeral Home had charge of burial arrangements.

Mr. Lovingood, a native of Cherokee county, had been in business in Murphy and Grandview for the past 35 years. A recognized leader in the community until the last few years when his activity was stemmed greatly by ill health, he had been a prominent member of the Baptist church since early manhood and a Mason for many years. At his death he was serving as chairman of the local draft board.

He is survived by two sons, Ross and Virgil of Murphy; 3 brothers, B. W. of Norman, Okla., N. W. and A. W. of Murphy; six sisters, Mrs. G. A. Hembree, Mrs. J. A. Kephart and Mrs. Jack Dockery, all of Murphy Rt. 3, Mrs. C. A. Hembree of Delano, Tenn., Mrs. T. B. Panther of Opportunity, Wash., and Mrs. C. H. Peebles of Travelers Rest, S. C.; his mother, Mrs. Julia Lovingood of Murphy, three grand-children, and several nieces and nephews.

Honorary pallbearers were Ed Deeweese, R. C. Mattox, E. C. Moore, W. P. Odom, J. W. Donley, P. C. Hyatt, W. C. Kinney and Neil Davidson.

Fishing To Be Permitted On Sunday And Monday

All rivers and lakes in this vicinity will be open for fishing on Easter Sunday and Monday following. Devereaux Birchfield, county warden, announced this week.

Trout season will continue open until September, while the season on other types of fish will be closed until June 1st.

Southern Railway Company Officials Plan Investigation into Rail Accident

Farmers Federation Boasts 497 Survivors From Southern Wreck

As the Scout goes to press the Farmer's Federation store, in Murphy, is proudly displaying 497 survivors of the Southern train wreck which on Monday cost the lives of two at Rhodo Siding. The survivors are all baby chicks.

Only one day old when they came through the wreck, the 497 survivors were part of a shipment of 500 sent to the Murphy store from Asheville. They were shipped in five crates, 100 to the crate, and were in the detailed baggage car.

The chicks were kept in the post-office in Murphy over-night, and when delivered to the Farmers Federation hatcher, it was found that only three had died. Since then, Manager Melvin Probst reports, all 497 have been thriving.

Court Is Adjourned Thursday; Workman Slayers Sentenced

The April term of Cherokee county superior court adjourned Thursday at noon after disposing of a docket of 180 cases, including one murder case. Hon. Felix Alley was the presiding judge.

Following pleas of guilty of manslaughter on Wednesday morning by Hosa Thrasher, Fred Wiggins and Claude Stewart, charged with the murder of James Workman last November, Judge Alley passed sentence just before court adjournment. Thrasher received from 12 to 15 years, and Wiggins and Stewart from 10 to 12 years, all to be served in state prison.

The greater part of the docket contained cases of drunken driving in which every offender was fined \$50 and costs, placed under suspended sentence, and their driver's licenses revoked.

A few cases were continued due to absence of important witnesses and will be heard next term.

Train Plunges Into River On Mountain Curve Near Here

Fred Bourne, engineer, and J. O. Zimmerman, fireman, both about 45, were killed instantly Monday afternoon about 2:30 o'clock when the Southern railway passenger train No. 17, travelling west from Asheville to Murphy, jumped the track and plunged into Valley river at Rhodo flag station about seven miles east of Andrews.

The engine and tender crashed down the 50-foot embankment into the river, pinning Bourne and Zimmerman beneath them. The baggage car, torn loose from the engine hung on the slope, while the passenger car, carrying seven persons, jumped the rail on the right side of the tracks and remained upright.

All but one of the passengers and the other members of the crew escaped injury. The injured passenger was Miss Lucy Morgan, about 50, of Marble, Cherokee county, who suffered an injury to an arm. Her condition was not considered serious and, following examination and treatment by an Andrews physician, she continued to her home.

Southern railway company officials planned an investigation as soon as the wreckage of the engine was cleared away. A number of these visited the scene. These were J. T. Moon, superintendent of the Asheville division of the company; S. S. Lewis, trainmaster; C. E. Burchfield, of Bryson City, supervisor; T. F. King, roadmaster, and J. J. Bailey, special agent.

Late Monday night a wrecker, dispatched from Asheville, set the passenger car back on the tracks and it was towed into Andrews. The wrecker continued the work of raising the engine which had to be cut before it could be gotten out. It was loaded on cars for shipment back to Asheville Wednesday evening.

Mr. Bourne, engineer in the cab at the time of the accident, was returning to work for the Southern railway on the Asheville-Murphy division after being off duty for some time. Grover C. Jackson, also a Southern railway engineer who was on the train, said he could see no reason for the wreck, adding that the train was traveling at its usual speed for that particular incline. He said he had just remarked to the conductor, S. E. Shook, that the engineer was making an unusually smooth descent on the mountain grade from Topton to Andrews.

The engineer and firemen were pined beneath the tender in the narrow gorge.

Although the passenger car re-stream which dammed up rapidly
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Electrical Progress Showing Scheduled Here—April 16, 17

Every woman interested in making their house work easier will have an opportunity to get some good pointers and advice on this idea by attending the March of Progress Electrical Show and Cooking School at the Murphy library Wednesday and Thursday, April 16-17.

Exhibits and demonstrations will be open from 2 p. m., to 5 p. m., and from 7 p. m., to 9 p. m. on Wednesday and from 2 p. m., to 5 p. m., on Thursday.

The Murphy Electric dealers, co-operating with the City of Murphy Electric department and the Tennessee Valley authority, will sponsor the show.

Demonstrations and explanations of all the newest feature of the 1941 appliance models will be shown, including the latest developments in

refrigeration, modern cooking with electricity, and the many and various ways a woman's housework may be lightened by use of electricity.

During the showing souvenirs and prizes will be given the people attending. The only requirement to be eligible for a prize is to be present and register. Manufacturers representatives, in addition to the dealers and their representatives, will be present to explain and demonstrate the 1941 electric appliances.

Mrs. Beulah Harris, TVA home economist, will have charge of the entertainment and will conduct the cooking school on Wednesday. Refreshments will be served to all attending.

H. G. Elkins, manager of the local electric department, expressed the opinion that this will be the biggest

and best electric show ever held in Cherokee county, even surpassing the one conducted here last year. He extended a special invitation to all women in the county and surrounding counties and states to attend this show, including all men who are interested.

J. Van Rogers, principal field representative for the TVA will take part on the program. In a statement Tuesday, he said that this electric show "should be a revaluation in economy and labor-saving to the women of this entire vicinity."

Dealers cooperating in the show and cooking school are: Walter Coleman, Peyton G. Ivie and Cherokee Furniture company.

A full page advertisement is carried in another part of this paper cooperatively sponsored by these dealers.

The Weather Vane

Listed below are maximum and minimum temperatures and precipitation for the past week compared with similar data for last year:

Temperatures	1940		1941	
	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.
April 3	88	50	72	34
4	77	33	69	51
5	75	38	67	43
6	63	27	54	46
7	67	38	65	33
8	58	52	67	41
9	66	41	69	50
Precipitation	1940		1941	
Total for week	1.02		0.86	
Total for month to date	1.02		1.01	
Total for year to date	13.59		10.00	