

TOWN PROJECTS GIVEN TVA APPROVAL

89 Seniors Will Get Diplomas At Exercises Monday Night

Baccalaureate and 7th Grade Rites on Friday and Sunday

The 1941 class of 89 seniors of Murphy high school, 45 girls and 44 boys, will receive their diplomas in graduation exercises Monday night at the school auditorium, final ceremony in the program.

Dr. D. W. Daniels, member of the English faculty of Clemson college and noted speaker, will make the final graduation address.

The seventh grade graduation exercises and an elementary grades operetta will be staged Friday night and the baccalaureate sermon will be given by Rev. C. B. Newton, pastor of the Methodist church Sunday morning.

An elaborate program has been worked out for the seventh grade exercises in the form of an operetta, "The International Festival," which will be held in the auditorium at 7:30 o'clock Friday night. About 230 children will take part including the 88 members of the seventh grade.

The program will feature folk dances and songs with each of the elementary grades representing children of foreign countries. These are entertained at a huge festival the climax of which is the awarding of diplomas to the seventh grade students.

The seventh grade students, the high school glee clubs, and other individual students will have part in the program for the baccalaureate sermon Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the auditorium. Rev. J. C. Ammons and Dr. H. I. Paisley will also take part in the rites. Rev. Newton will deliver the sermon.

H. Bueck, superintendent, will direct the program of the graduation exercises Monday night at 7:30 o'clock in the auditorium, and will also present the diplomas to the retiring seniors.

The salutatory address will be made by Miss Lois Thompson. H. G. Ekins, school board member, will present special awards. The valedictory address, closing part of the program, will be made by Miss Mary Porter Fain.

Members for the commencement exercises are: Anna Jean Dickey, Miss Thomasine Slayton, Nell Amos, Helen Carringer and Mattie Lou Crisp.

Successful All-Electric Cooking School Staged By Dealers Thursday and Friday

The electric dealers of Murphy, economics classes. Foods of every kind were prepared with the electric ranges and refrigerators. Further displaying the adaptability of the electric ranges, complete meals were prepared on individual units, showing the wide possibilities of combining all the units for a super meal.

Large numbers of women from all over this section attended the appliance exhibitions both afternoon and night on Thursday, but apparently the most interest was aroused by the cooking school Friday afternoon. Between 75 and 100 ladies were present for this feature.

Mrs. Beulah Harris, TVA specialist, conducted the appliance show Thursday and served refreshments to visitors, assisted by the high school home economics classes.

Miss Parker, another TVA specialist, conducted the cooking school on Friday, also assisted by the home

FEREBEE NAMED TO HIGHWAY POST; TELLS OF HOPES

Declares Many Roads In This Section Are "Sadly Out of Date"

For the first time in the history of the section, a Cherokee County man has been named Road Commissioner for this District. Appointment of Percy B. Ferebee as member of the State Highway Board for the tenth division was announced by Gov. Broughton in Raleigh last Friday.

In addition to being hailed with delight by members of both political parties in Cherokee, Graham and Clay counties, the appointment is the more noteworthy because Mr. Ferebee made not the slightest personal effort to win the post. On the contrary, indeed, he made strenuous objection to any efforts being put forth in his behalf by his friends. Against this, at least two other candidates were boosted by intensive mail campaigns and a vast deal of political activity, including the sending of delegations to see the Governor in Raleigh.

Mr. Ferebee, of course, is widely known as president of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Andrews and Murphy. It may not be so generally known that banking is a comparatively recent profession with him. Originally he was a civil engineer. (Continued on Page Two.)

SATURDAY IS LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR CITY ELECTION

All persons who have not registered for the coming municipal elections are urged by registrar Porter Axley to do so immediately as the registration books close Saturday, April 26.

Filing date for candidates in the town election also closes Saturday. So far only one ticket has been filed, that of C. D. Mayfield for mayor, and the incumbent board with the addition of L. M. Shields.

May 3 has been set as challenge day. The elections will be held May 6.

J. D. MALLONEE JR. IS LAID TO REST HERE WEDNESDAY

Hundreds Gather To Pay Tribute at Funeral Services

Final tribute was paid James D. Mallonee Jr., attorney, Murphy school board chairman, and member of the state legislature, in funeral services conducted from the county courthouse Wednesday afternoon. Hundreds of friends from all over Cherokee county, and from all surrounding counties gathered to pay their respects.

The services were held at 1:30 o'clock with the Rev. C. B. Newton, Methodist pastor, assisted by Rev. E. F. Baker, pastor of the Andrews Baptist church, officiating. Interment was in Sunset cemetery. Townson Funeral home had charge of all arrangements.

Mr. Mallonee, who was only 27 years old, died near midnight Sunday night in a local hospital from a bullet wound received early Sunday morning. Mr. Mallonee Sr. said that the injury was inflicted accidentally, apparently while the young man toyed with a revolver still in its scabbard. The bullet entered and passed through his left side just below the

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Elbert C. Mallonee Dies Thursday in Chicago Hospital

Elbert C. Mallonee, 47, prominent in Murphy business, social and political circles for many years, died in a Chicago hospital Thursday afternoon at 3:15 o'clock. He had been seriously ill for more than four months.

Funeral arrangements, which are being made by Townson funeral home, are as yet incomplete. Mr. Townson stated that the body would be brought to Chattanooga at 4:40 o'clock Saturday morning and would arrive in Murphy at approximately 9 o'clock.

Mr. Mallonee had been in declining health for many months and became seriously ill about the first of January. He was taken to several hospitals and put under care of specialists in Atlanta and other places. Lastly he entered Hines hospital in Chicago for an extremely serious operation. The operation was performed Tuesday, one entire lung being removed.

Originally from Franklin, Mr. Mallonee had lived in Murphy for the past 40 years. Up until two years ago he had been in business here as a

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Rev. Paisley Is Elected Presbytery Moderator

The Rev. H. L. Paisley, pastor of the local Presbyterian church, was elected moderator of the Asheville Presbytery, Synod of Appalachia, at noon Tuesday at a session held at the Mountain Orphanage near Swannanoa.

Dr. Paisley succeeds Rev. J. Clyde Plevico, pastor of the West Asheville Presbyterian church, as moderator. Rev. Paul P. Thrower, of Bryson City, is the stated clerk.

A special communion service was conducted by Dr. Paisley during the Wednesday program of the meeting of the Presbytery.

Areas Leased for Erection Of Two Recreation Centers

TOWN RELEASES STATEMENT OF YEAR'S FINANCES

Report on Condition Of Electrical Dept. Is Submitted In Detail

The financial and operating statement of the Town of Murphy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1940, which is published this week, shows an over expenditure of appropriations for the period of \$1590.54, one of the closest estimates of administrative expenses in the history of the town.

The appropriations, which are estimated by the town clerk and approved by the Mayor and board of commissioners, are made to take care of approximately 50 operating and expense accounts. These accounts range in totals from \$40 up to \$11,500, and involve a total operating expense of approximately \$36,000.

Totals arrived at for administrative expenses, etc., do not involve the electric department of the town which income and outgo do not relate to the general administration of the town of Murphy. The assets of the town are approximately \$350,000 while the assets of the electric department are approximately \$75,000, making total assets at approximately \$425,000.

In addition to the fine record of appropriations made for operating the town, a cash on hand balance of

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H. BUECK RENAMED TO HEAD SCHOOLS FOR NEXT 2 YEARS

H. Bueck superintendent of the Murphy School unit, was re-elected to that office at the last meeting of the Murphy school board to serve for a term of two more years.

Mr. H. Bueck, a native of eastern North Carolina, came to Murphy to serve as superintendent in 1932 and has held the office ever since. The two year term to which he has just been elected will bring his service age to eleven years.

The remainder of the school faculty has not yet been completed but will be announced soon.

Big Iron Ore Operation Soon To Start On 300 Acre Tract At Upper Peachtree

The iron mining industry, which made fat bank accounts for several residents of Cherokee County during the first World War is likely soon to be revived on a big scale, according to word reaching the Scout.

Preliminary steps are being taken, according to report, to get iron ore out of a huge tract on Upper Peachtree. Other developments, in other sections of the county may follow in the near future, for it is an accepted fact that iron ore is to be found, in vast quantities, throughout the county.

The new mining field is said to cover a tract of some 300 or more acres known as the Cooper heirs property. The Savage Brothers, hotel owners of Murphy, are said to be interested in the property, and so is Cyrus Witt. The actual mining will be done, however, by the Birmingham Steel Company.

Arrangements have progressed to the degree that Mr. Turner Holland, who recently purchased the Tennessee and North Carolina short-line railroad running from Andrews to Hayesville has been asked to make a price on hauling the ore from the mine to Andrews.

Mr. Holland agreed, if work is started, to build a spur-track directly to the scene of operations, thus doing away the necessity of hauling any ore by truck.

Arrangements are said to have been made to deliver the ore at its sales destination for \$3.50 per ton. Such a price will necessitate huge production by the mine operators, but the quantity of ore, easily available, is

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Two projects of the town of Murphy for constructing recreation areas on Hiwassee street and Valley River avenue were given official approval Tuesday according to a notice received by Mayor J. B. Gray. Leases were granted on both properties.

Final details of the projects and approval were expected to be completed at a meeting of the town planning commission with N. B. Guyol, of the urban community relations division in the town hall Wednesday night.

Mayor Gray received a letter from William J. Hayes, general manager of the TVA, Monday stating that the plan for the two recreation areas had been given approval but that the third plan, which called for a much larger project to build a golf course, had been temporarily rejected.

These projects approved are to be located in the area known as the city park now on Valley river near the bridge on the school campus, and in the area on Hiwassee street between the Shields and Townson properties.

The Valley river project calls for construction of two tennis courts, badminton, shuffleboard and croquet courts, furnaces and picnic grounds with tables and benches, and one or two shelters.

The Hiwassee street project would primarily be a picnic ground with outdoor furnaces, tables and benches conveniently placed about the area. The small winding creek would be crossed at two or three places with rustic bridges.

Both projects would be constructed according to plans laid out by the TVA in a recent blanket plan submitted for the entire town.

Cost of the two projects would amount to approximately \$4000. The town plans to secure a WPA project for the actual construction which would divide the cost nearly evenly between the two.

Leases will be permitted by the TVA for one-year periods subject to annual renewal. This lease would be given for a nominal consideration.

Plans, maps, cost estimates, and all other material have been prepared and are ready to submit to the WPA for a project, Mayor Gray said. The project itself will, of course, be set up by the WPA.