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## 4-H Clubs Plan Program Around War Work For Their January Meetings

The Four-H Club Member "Locks Ahead" will be the subject of the programs to be held during the month of January by 4-H clubs of Cherokee county, announces Miss Mary Cornwell, who has charge of the work. Special emphasis will be placed on: Production of food, conservation of food, conservation of materials and equipment, purchasing of war stamps, keeping personal records, and participation in special war-time activities in the neighborhood.

The schedule of January meetings is as follows:

- Tuesday - Jan. 12 - 9:00 o'clock, Marble; and 10:30, Andrews.
- Wednesday - Jan. 13 - 10:30, Peachtree; and 2:00, Martin's Creek.
- Thursday - Jan. 14 - 9:00, Ranger; 12:55, Murphy Elementary; and 1:50, Murphy High.
- Friday - Jan. 15 - 10:00, Hiwassee Dam.
- Friday - Jan. 22 - 1:00, Wolf Creek.

## Mrs. W. P. Payne Dies At Home Here After Long Illness

Mrs. Lillie Hedrick Payne, 73, died December 29, at her home following a long illness. Funeral services were held December 30, at Ivie Funeral Home in Murphy. Interment was in Bear Paw cemetery at Union Church.

She was converted and joined the Union Baptist church at the age of 16, and in 1913 she moved her membership to the First Baptist church at Murphy, and was an active member as long as her health would permit. She was a loyal Christian to the end.

Mrs. Payne was known by a great number of Cherokee county citizens, was a friend to all, and a mother to all children. She was known to practically all her acquaintance as "Mama Payne," or "Mother."

Active pallbearers were: Ralph Killian, Robert Weaver, John Donley, Fred Johnson, Abe Hem-bree, Charlie Calhoun, Cecil Mont-tieth, and Roy Wells.

Honorary pallbearers were: Eld Barnett, Fred Moore, J. B. Mul-ke, John Seabolt, Hayes Dockery, E. E. Stiles, J. C. Townson, and Bert Savage.

Surviving are the husband; William P. Payne, and four daughters, Mrs. J. B. Martin, of Wilmington; Mrs. Homer W. Ricks of Murphy; Mrs. Ralph M. Moody of Raleigh; and Miss Men-nice Payne of Murphy; seven grandchildren; one brother, C. B. Hedrick of Ranger, one half brother, P. E. Hedrick of Robbinsville; one sister, Mrs. James Alexander of Snow Hill, Ga., and one half sister, Mrs. Will Smith of Robbinsville.

## PADGETT TRAINING FOR HOSPITAL CORPS.

Paul Padgett, seaman second class, has just started a six weeks training course for the hospital corps. He is now stationed at the U. S. Naval Hospital Training school at Great Lakes, Ill.

## Masonic Lodge Installs Officers At Meeting Held On Monday Night

The Cherokee Lodge 146, A. F. & A. M., held its annual installation ceremonies on Monday night, Jan. 4. The following officers were installed to govern the Lodge for 1943:

- R. R. Beal, worship master;
- Ben Palmer, Sr., senior warden;
- D. S. Davis, junior warden; Sam-uel Kaye, treasurer; J. Franklin Smith, secretary; W. A. Sherrill, junior deacon; Tom Palmer, jun-ior deacon; T. J. Mauney, and Fred Swain, stewards.

The Master Mason degree was conferred on Saul Schmitton.

## Mrs. W. W. Young Dies At Unaka

Mrs. W. M. Young, age 54, wife of the Rev. W. M. Young, died at her home at Unaka on Thurs-day, December 31. Funeral was at Unaka Baptist Church on Sat-urday morning at 11 o'clock, with the Rev. James Truett and the Rev. Mr. Moss officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

She is survived by her hus-band and four sons.

Townson Funeral home was in charge.

## R. W. McIver Is Transferred To Kansas City Base

CHAPEL HILL, Jan. 2 - Cadet Richard Winslow McIver of Mur-phy, has completed the initial step in his training as a Naval Aviation cadet at the Navy Pre-Flight School here, and has been transferred to the Naval Reserve Aviation Base at Kansas City, Olathe, Kansas, for primary flight instruction.

Cadet McIver was one of 293 cadets to be graduated from the Chapel Hill school on December 23, 1942, after three months of intensive training designed to prepare the cadets for combat flying to come. In addition to the important physical toughening phase, the Pre-Flight course in-cludes military drill, and instruc-tion in Naval customs and basic ground school subjects.

Cadet McIver now faces three months of primary flight instruc-tion and then three months of advanced training, before win-ning his wings in the Navy's air service.

## W. Dewey Henson Dies From Injury In Truck Accident

William Dewey Henson, 36, years old, died on Friday, Decem-ber 26, from injuries received in a truck accident near Blue Ridge, Ga. Funeral services were held Monday at Green Cove church with the Rev. Homer Cof-fey officiating. Ivie Funeral home was in charge. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are: His mother, Mrs. Lizzie Henson; his wife, Mrs. As-lee Henson and six children, L. D., Lloyd, Ruth, Millage, W. D., Jr., and Raymond, all of Roy, Ga.

## Young Girl Dies Friday At Warne

Linda Mae Henderson, 13 year-old daughter of Mrs. Minda Hen-derson of Warne, died at her home on January 1 following an illness of a few weeks. Funeral was at Many Forks Baptist Church on January 2 at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The Rev. Omer Sparks officiated, and Townson Funeral home was in charge.

Burial was in the church yard. She is survived by: Her mother, three brothers, Don, L. D. and Leonard, Jr., and one sister, Hub-by, all of Warne.

## Funeral Is Held For J. V. Ledford

James Vener Ledford, age 52, died at his home at Patrick on Tuesday morning at 4 o'clock, after an illness of several years. Funeral services were held at Liberty Baptist Church Wednes-day afternoon at 2 o'clock, con-ducted by the Rev. W. R. Hamil-ton. Townson Funeral home was in charge.

Mr. Ledford is survived by: His wife; five sons, Willis, U. S. Army, Camp Wheeler, Ga., Louis, Frank, Howard and Dillard of Patrick; three daughters, Mrs. Oona Wil-rod, Misses Louise and Kittle May, all of Patrick; two brothers, John Ledford and Wehuty Harve of Ducktown, Tenn.; two sisters, Mrs. Liddle Thompson, Gastonia; and Mrs. Walter Taylor, Ellijah, Georgia.

## SOVIETS SHOVE BACK NAZIS IN DON AREA



USSIA—Red infantry fighters attack Nazis in the Don arch, west of Stalingrad. Latest reports say the Soviets are developing their gains in the Surovikino area, 90 miles west of Stalingrad after punishing tank battles. Although many Nazi troops and transport planes still manage to pene-trate the area, the number is being lessened.

## Victory Book Campaign Starts Here This Week

As a result of the Victory Book Campaign of 1942, several hun-dred books went from the Nanta-hala Region to Camp McClelland, Alabama. The service men there expressed appreciation for the books on various occasions.

Beginning January 5 and run-ning through March 5, there will be another Victory Book Cam-paign. The slogan this year is, "Any book you really want to keep is a good one to give." Quali-ty, not quantity, is stressed. If anyone wishes to donate some books which they have enjoyed, or if they would like for the library to assist in ordering a book for service men, they may contact their local library branch, in Andrews, Hayesville, Robbins-ville, Murphy, Pontana Dam, Hia-wassee Dam, Apalachia Dam or the neighborhood bookmobile custodians.

Miss Dora Ruth Parks, regional librarian reminds that only really good books are worth transporta-tion to the camps. Special at-tention is directed to "Pocket Book Edition." These sell for 25c each. They are convenient for camps since they take up little space and are unabridged editions of some of the outstanding books in the field of non-fiction as well as mystery and adventure.

## Mattie Burch's Funeral Is Today

Miss Mattie Burch, 54, died at her home at Hiwassee, Ga., on Wednesday, after an illness of five weeks. Funeral services are being held today (Thursday) at 10 o'clock at Bell Creek Baptist church, with the Rev. Robert Lovell officiating.

Miss Burch is survived by her mother, Mrs. C. C. Burch; five sisters, Mrs. W. L. Carroll, Mrs. J. W. Isley, of Swannanoa, Mrs. E. N. Devlin, of Canton, Mrs. Tom Foster of Clarksville, Ga., and Mrs. Eugene Craig of Hazelwood; five brothers, J. C. Burch of Canton, Jack and Frank of Brevard, Wil-liam and Herman of Hiwassee, Georgia.

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## Copper Mine Explosion Kills Eight

Eight men were killed and the lives of more than two-score others endangered at Ducktown, Tuesday in a midafternoon ex-plosion at the Tennessee Copper company mine.

General Superintendent Lar-mar Weaver of the mine said a routine detonation of a normal amount of dynamite, set off at 3 p.m., caused a dust explosion which in turn interrupted the working of an air fan.

Eight bodies had been recovered within a few hours after the ex-plosion, Weaver said, and 14 other miners, suffering from varying degrees of asphyxiation, were under treatment at Copperhill and Ducktown hospitals. The re-mainder of the shift of 54 men in the tenth level, where the ex-plosion occurred escaped serious injury, he said, and there was no indication of further casualties.

Weaver said rescue squads were clearing the tenth level within an hour after the explosion. The air fan was restored to use to aid the squads in their work.

An unofficial list of dead was: Homer Payne, Simon Dunn, Thomas Fritts, L. G. Spurling, W. D. Deal, Elmer Pless, Ralph Han-cock and C. B. Helton.

All the victims lived in the cop-pere basin which embraces Duck-town, Copperhill and North Fan-nin county in Georgia.

## Fire Causes Big Damage To Home Of Miss Murray

The home of Miss Jean Murray, known locally as the club house, caught on fire in the basement Wednesday afternoon about 1:30 o'clock and much damage to floors and walls was done before the fire department could reach the scene.

Although the damage has not been officially estimated, it is thought that it amounted to sev-eral hundred dollars. There was insurance on the building, how-ever.

The fire started in the base-ment around the furnace and spread rapidly. Firemen worked quickly to extinguish the blaze, when it appeared that the whole house would go up in flames. It was described as "a miracle" that the house did not burn down.

H. S. Predmore, who lives in the home, and Miss Murray, both of whom were at home, were notified about the fire by a neighbor.

ODT REPRESENTATIVE TO BE HERE FRIDAY

A representative of the ODT will be in Murphy, at the court-house, Friday to discuss with truck owners, other than farmers, the rules and regulations regard-ing the use of trucks. Those con-cerned are asked to be present.

ANDREWS SCHOOLS OPEN

The Andrews City Schools opened January 4. All teachers re-ported for duty.

## Milk Is Available To School Children For Only 1c Daily

### J. C. Townson Is Improved

J. C. Townson, businessman and former sheriff of Cherokee County, has recovered from a heart attack which he suffered Saturday morning at his ice plant in Murphy. The attack. The at-tack occurred soon after break-fast. He was taken to a local hospital for treatment and was able to leave the hospital Mon-day.

### 4-H Clubsters Are Urged To Start New Pig Projects

With the idea of increasing the production of pork in Cherokee County, in co-operation with the war program, County Agents A. Q. Ketter and Carl Whiteside have secured a loan from the Lions club to finance pig projects among 4-H club members and other youths from 10 to 21 years of age.

As yet only six hogs have been placed, and those have been with members of the Peachtree club. Eight more pigs have been bought and five others are available. Twenty-five or thirty pig pro-jects is the goal.

The agents urge those interest-ed in starting a pig project to get in touch with them at an early date.

### Local High School Students May Take College Exams

All high school principals of this county have been authorized by the State Department of Public Instruction in co-operation with the North Carolina College Con-ference, to give special examina-tions on January 14 for any high school students who expect to be called into the armed services soon and who desire to better equip themselves with some col-lege training before induction.

Students passing the January 14 examinations will be eligible to enter the colleges at a special term which opens January 27, the time when the first semester for most of the high schools ends.

### Capt. E. F. Fleming Is Jap Prisoner

Relatives of the family recent-ly were notified that Capt. E. F. Fleming, Jr., of the U. S. Army, who was fighting when Bataan fell, is interned by the Japanese as a prisoner. He is the grandson of L. S. Bayless of Murphy.

### BARNETT TRANSFERED

Jack Barnett, seaman second class, has been transferred from Great Lakes, Ill. to Boston, Mass., for training as a yeoman.

### MILLS TRANSFERRED

FORT BENJAMIN HARRISON, Indiana - Pvt. Leonard Mills, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gid Mills of Murphy, R. No. 3, has been trans-ferred to Ft. Moultrie, S. C., for basic training.

### Peyton G. Ivie Speaks At Meeting Of Ministerial Association Monday

The Cherokee - clay county ministerial association met at the First Baptist church in Murphy Monday morning at 11 o'clock, for its regular monthly program. The newly elected president, the Rev. A. B. Cash, pastor of the church, presided.

Four hundred children in Mur-phy high school are now receiv-ing a half-pint of milk daily for the price of 1c. Milk at this price is made available to the child-ren through co-operation of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the school. The government pays approximately one-third, funds from the scrap metal drive so for one-third, and the child pays the remainder.

Supt. H. Bueck states that To-motla and Murphy schools are the only ones under his super-vision that are now using the milk plan. In addition, Andrews and Hiwassee Dam schools have started the service.

The Murphy school lunchroom is operated by the WPA. Free lunches are furnished daily to 80 pupils.

Since milk is made available to the pupils, many more are buy-ing their lunches at school. They buy a month's supply of milk at a time, being issued a ticket which is punched as used.

### Local Appeal For Polio Victims To Be Held Jan. 15 - 30

The tenth annual campaign for the benefit of victims of infantile paralysis is to be held in this county January 15-30, under the direction of a County Chairman to be appointed by Dr. McDon-ald of Chapel Hill, who has suc-ceeded Dr. Julian Miller as State Chairman.

Governor J. M. Broughton and six other prominent North Caro-lina citizens have been appointed honorary directors of the North Carolina Committee for the Cele-bration of the President's Birth-day. They will head up the 10th annual campaign for this State.

Four of the directors are form-er Governors - O. Max Gardner, J. C. B. Ehringhaus., Cameron Morrison and Clyde Hoey.

Josephus Daniels, editor and publisher of the News and Obser-ver, and Julian Miller, editor of the Charlotte Observer, are the other two directors.

Mr. Daniels was Secretary of the Navy during World War I when Franklin D. Roosevelt was As-sistant Secretary and is the only living man Mr. Roosevelt ever called boss.

Dr. Miller has served as State Chairman of the campaign for the last two years with great suc-cess.

R. W. Madry, director of the University News Bureau at Chapel Hill, has been named State Pub-licity Chairman, and J. B. Clark, program director of Station WNCN, Durham, has been ap-pointed State Radio Chairman.

The program committee an-nounced that at the February meeting, Dr. W. A. Hoover will discuss "The Minister in the Sick Chamber."

Present at the meeting Mon-day were: Mr. Cash, the Rev. E. F. Baker, the Rev. R. T. Houts, and the Rev. F. E. Feiker, pastors of the Baptist Methodist and Lutheran churches of Andrews, respectively, the Rev. Dan H. Dennis of Shooting Creek, the Rev. Ralph Taylor, pastor of the Murphy Methodist church, the Rev. Dr. H. L. Paisley, pastor of the Murphy Presbyterian church and Mr. Ivie.