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Scout Wins Second Place Among Weeklies In State

The Cherokee Scout, the only newspaper published in and for Cherokee county, was winner of a certificate of merit, second prize for general excellence among the weekly newspapers of the state, in the annual contest conducted by the North Carolina Press association. The winners in the contest were announced last Sunday by W. K. Hoyt of Winston-Salem, president of the association, and Russell M. Grumman, director of the University Extension Division at Chapel Hill, who managed the contest.

The contest was open to all papers which are members of the North Carolina Press association. It was required that the issues of the first week in June and the first week in November and any other three consecutive issues be submitted. The papers were judged on the following points: Mechanical excellence 25, general and department news 25, editorial page 15, advertising enterprise 15, promotion of community interest 10, and reporting excellence 10.

Out-of-state newspaper editors, reporters and teachers were judges in the contest.

Cash awards for the best editorial, spot reporting, feature writing and photography were won by men on daily newspapers. The Allegheny News of Sparta, and Transylvania Times of Brevard were winners of trophies for first places in the general excellence contest. The News-World of North Wilkesboro was winner of second prize in the B division of the general excellence contest. The Elkin Tribune at Elkin was awarded a trophy for best community service and The Williamston Enterprise of Williamston for the best special edition. Second prizes for the same went to: Hertford County Herald at Ahoskie and Elkin Tribune, respectively.

SHARE YOUR CAR

The North Carolina Office of Civilian Defense this week will push car-sharing in all sections of the state through block and community leaders. OGD says that car-sharing is "all important" in the present gasoline and rubber crisis and every effort should be made to share as many rides as possible.

CELLOPHANE GOES TO WAR

Housewives will see less and less articles wrapped in cellophane now until the war is over. Reason is that cellophane is needed for gas capes for the United States Army.

Schools At-War Program Presented By Students

Mrs. Mauney's home room assisted by Mrs. Davidson's 7th Grade, presented another "Bond and Stamp" program on Tuesday morning of last week.

Boys and girls with fathers, mothers, sisters, and brothers in the armed forces were "honor guests" and each one had a badge of red, white and blue pinned on. Carl Meroney reported the success of the Boy Scout drive.

The following program was presented: Song — "The Star Spangled Banner," Pledge to the Flag. Led by Doyle Burch, "Sacrifice — short story — written by Lois Hatchett read by Fred Brendle, "Goals" — Mrs. Mauney, Song — "God Bless America."

Mary Frances Axley read the following report of sales:

Teacher	Amount
Miss McCombs	\$ 71.15
Mrs. Patton	10.25
Miss Shields	4.00
Mrs. Shields	29.00
Mrs. Meroney	4.60
Miss Seward	30.40
Mrs. Adams	96.40
Miss Leatherwood	133.75
Miss Moore	7.80
Miss Hayes	2.10
Mrs. Davidson	1735.60

Total for Grammar School \$ 2130.65
High School Teacher Amount

Hiwassee Library Is Expanding

Miss Ellen Axley, camp librarian at Hiwassee Dam, announces that a new room has been added to the library and is being used as an adult reading room. It is attractively furnished with maple furniture and a new rug.

The Hiwassee library is a part of Nantahala regional library.

Scouts Start New Scrap Drive

North Carolina's Boy Scouts will make the month of February a scrap collection month. All Boy Scout councils in the state will co-operate in the national scrap drive for Scouts. J. B. Vogler, secretary of the North Carolina State Salvage Committee, said. After the scrap drive ends the Boy Scouts will set up a systematic method of collecting waste greases and fats from housewives' kitchens. The grease drive will begin about March 1.

Child Dies From Severe Scalding

Virginia McClure, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George McClure of Warne, died Saturday from scalds sustained when she fell into a tub of hot water and lye. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Mt. Pisgah church. Pallbearers: Nath Moody, Roy Anderson, Haridrem Payne, and Carrol Ford.

The child is survived by her parents; two brothers, Howard and Harold; and one sister, Joyce. Ivie Funeral home was in charge of the arrangements.

Hiwassee Red Cross Working

The Hiwassee Dam Red Cross has been very active lately. The Red Cross room has been painted. The Woman's Club gave new shades for the room.

The bandage making got underway last week with a talk by Mrs. T. A. Case of Murphy. Bandages are made on Thursdays and Fridays. Sewing is done on Mondays.

Jungle Fighters



THESE AUSTRALIANS photographed within 100 yards of Japanese positions in New Guinea, are coming out of the lines for a rest. Australian and U. S. troops have driven the Japs out of most of New Guinea. Their next job may be to protect Timor or New Britain, strategic islands northwest of Australia.

Town Council And Firemen Honored

W. S. Dickey and J. W. Davidson were hosts at a dinner party in honor of the town council, mayor and firemen, at Hotel Regal Tuesday evening.

Guests present included: Loren Davis, Mayor Shields, Fred Johnson, Frank Crawford, Ezra Price, E. A. Browning, Thomas Axley, Dr. B. W. Whitfield, Wess Garrett, Robert Weaver, H. G. Elkins, Reuben Cook, Frank Dickey, E. O. Christopher, Dutch Kinley, Jim Franklin, George Townson, Walter Coleman, Fred Swain, Bill Watkins, Frank Ellis and Joe Ray.

Victory Garden Food Available

North Carolinians who plan gardens this year will be able to obtain Victory garden fertilizer, the WPB announced this week. This special fertilizer will be used only for the production of food and not for lawns, flower beds, or shrubs about the home. OPA has set price ceilings on the new Victory plant food and it is labeled "Victory Garden Fertilizer — For Food Production Only."

Tire Inspection Rules Relaxed

North Carolina motorists are taking better care of their tires than ever before, the OPA has relaxed its rules on tire inspection. All holders of A cards will now have until March 31 for their initial tire inspection, and subsequently will have their tires inspected every six months, instead of every four months as first stated. Motorists with B or C cards must have their tires inspected by the end of February. After that, inspections for B holders will be held every 4 months, and for C holders bulk coupon holders once every three months. The Office of Defense Transportation has also postponed the deadline date for initial commercial motor vehicle tire inspection from January 15 to February 28.

NO LANTERN CUT

North Carolina farmers will be able to keep buying liquid fuel oil lamps and lanterns. While a large number of other articles made of steel for war use have been stoped for the duration — there will continue to be lanterns for use around the house and

President's Birthday Ball Sponsored by Lions Club

Large Number Books Donated For Campaign

Seniors from the Murphy high school under the supervision of Alfred Smith canvassed Murphy homes for books for the Victory Book Campaign on Wednesday, January 27. The collection includes: "Victory Through Air Power," "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay," "They Were Expendable," "The Last Time I Saw Paris," "War and Peace," "The Mediterranean," "Wild Geese Calling," "Come and Get It" and many other good volumes. A number of good mysteries and westerns were donated. Fifty-eight pocket editions and sixty-one other titles were given. Wednesday was the first day of the drive in Murphy. Books are still coming in.

Mrs. Holt Home On Furlough

Mrs. Neva Holt, the first Cherokee county woman to join the Woman's Army Auxiliary corps, is at home on furlough. She completed her training in the administrative specialist school at Fort Des Moines, Iowa on December 4 and was recently transferred to Fort Sheridan, Illinois, as a member of the first contingent of WAAC to be sent to that Fort. Mrs. Holt is the daughter of Mrs. R. M. Reece of Andrews, and the widow of Dr. E. L. Holt of Murphy. She has two brothers in service, Lieut. Harry Ward, who is in the Canadian army, and Seaman Raymond Ward, of the U. S. Navy.

KNOW YOUR OFFICERS

Before you surrender your gasoline ration book to any officer — be sure that he is authorized to enforce the pleasure driving ban. Norman Shepard, state OPA attorney, warned this week. Shepard said that all OPA investigators carry sufficient identification. All persons questioned by persons claiming to be OPA investigators have the right to demand this identification and should report persons who are without it. Shepard said.

Sales of Feed Wheat Continue

Federally-owned wheat for use as livestock and poultry feed still is available to North Carolina farmers under the 1943 sales program announced by the Commodity Credit Corporation, according to H. A. Patten, acting state AAA executive assistant. The wheat is being offered to farmers by the CCC at prices in line with the cost of corn in an effort to increase production of livestock and dairy products. Release of the wheat for this purpose was authorized by Congress.

NO CREDIT

Effective February 1, 1943, filling stations and other dealing in gasoline and other petroleum products cannot extend credit in any way to civilian users. Only exceptions are federal or state governments, commercial use of motor boats and motor vehicles displaying "T" ration stickers. Credit is OUT for the duration for the North Carolina passenger auto owner.

WORKS IN WALTERBORO

Miss Mary J. Davis has just completed a course at the Spencer Watchmaking School at Spencer, and has left for Walterboro, S. C., where she has accepted a position with Hane's Jewelry Store.

Have Three Sons In The Army

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lovingsood of Venance Creek have three sons in the U. S. Army. Pfc. Willard Lovingsood who entered the army August 13, 1941, is now stationed at Philadelphia, Penn. Pvt. Eugene Lovingsood is stationed at Fort Jackson, S. C. He entered the army August 12, 1942. Pvt. Clyde Lovingsood entered the army September 7, 1942 and is now stationed at San Francisco, Calif.

Farm Machinery Registrations Are Modified

RALEIGH, January 21 — Several restrictions on the manufacture and distribution of farm machinery and equipment were modified today by WPB.

The amendment does away with the 3 months restriction on the distributor's inventory of repair parts and eliminates the necessity of his filing a "certificate of emergency order" to obtain repair parts.

Certain provisions in the original order are changed as they apply to silos so that the weight of critical materials necessary for their construction, rather than the number of units constructed, governs the quota. At the same time quota percentages of silo construction is increased from 12 to 16 per cent.

Repayment of FSA Loans Up To 92%

The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced that repayments on Farm Security Administration rehabilitation loans jumped to 92 per cent of maturities on December 1, 1942, compared to 75.4 per cent on the same date in 1941.

The figures were received from the Department by FSA Supervisor, E. P. Arnold, of Murphy and cover loans throughout the country.

MORE BICYCLES

The February bicycle quota for North Carolina will be 1,767 it was announced this week by Chreston Holoman, state OPA commodity ration officer. Almost anyone can qualify for a bicycle ration purchase certificate now. Full information may be obtained from your local rationing board.

Acrobatic Program Given At Woman's Club Meeting

A program consisting of exercise routine, solo and group acrobatic numbers was presented by classes in physical education, at the meeting of the Murphy Woman's club in the school auditorium Wednesday afternoon. The program was directed by Miss Charlotte Varner. Those taking part in the exercise were: Margaret Meroney, soloist, Jean Davis, comic soloist, Jean Watkins, Frances Kennedy, Mary Evelyn Carrimer, Blaine Richardson, Eva Nell Kessler, Veda Estes, June Mulkey, Alice Jane Dockery, and Barbara Arnold.

Jaqueline Cash were narrator, and Virginia White and Billy Adams, ushers. Mrs. Duke Whitley played "Kamennoi-Ostrow," by Rubinstein. A business session followed, presided over by the president, Mrs. Harry Miller. She reported on a meeting held recently by the county agricultural council, and stressed the importance of planting "Victory Gardens," and urged all who could do so, to secure victory seed packs, and plant gardens.

A report from different departments of the Red Cross chapter,

Murphy Lions Club will sponsor a President's Birthday Ball to be held Saturday evening from 9 to 12 o'clock at Hotel Regal, as a means of raising funds for the "Fight infantile paralysis" campaign. At the Lions meeting held Tuesday evening, President W. A. Hoover appointed H. Bueck chairman of the ball. A committee to work with him was appointed as follows: Joe Ray, Frank Forsythe, W. A. Sherrill, A. Q. Ketter, and Jim Gibbs.

Tickets will be in the hands of all Lions club members for the remainder of the week, and those desiring to purchase advance tickets may secure them from the members.

The club voted Tuesday night to have the secretary to write the representative of the county and senator of the district requesting them to approve an appropriation of \$200,000 per year for state-aid to libraries, in the budget for the next biennium.

Special guests for the meeting were: F. C. Bourne and W. B. Collins of Asheville, and two boy scouts, Buddy Brendle and Nick Howell.

New Dentist To Establish Office In Local Hospital

Dr. W. W. Abernethy, dentist of Mayodan, will move here the second of February and establish an office in Murphy General Hospital, it is announced this week by Dr. F. V. Taylor and Dr. Abernethy.

The new dentist was born in Murphy. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Abernethy, the former a Methodist minister who dedicated the local Methodist church.

A graduate of Vanderbilt University Dental school, Dr. Abernethy also has taken post graduate work in several New York City schools. He specializes in oral surgery, orthodontia, anaesthesia. Dr. Abernethy will be accompanied here by his wife. The couple were visitors in Murphy Tuesday night and Wednesday.

COMPLETES JR. CLASS

Paul William Padgett, Seaman 2nd class, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Padgett, has completed his junior class in the hospital corps, at Great Lakes, Ill. He this week started on his senior class, which will last three weeks. When he has completed this course he will be sent to a Naval or Marine Base for more advanced training.

showed that all are busy sewing knitting and making surgical dressings. Mrs. T. A. Case, chapter chairman, pointed out the necessity of more workers in the surgical dressing department. The home economics classes under the direction of Miss Ruth Davis Emory, have made 115 soldier kit bags, the chapter's quota, and they are awaiting only one article to be put into the bags, and they will be ready to be filled and sent away.

There was a request from the home economics department for old clothes, to be made over for needy children, especially men's suits to be made into suits for girls, and to give pupils practice in making these suits.

The club voted to sponsor the bill for an increased appropriation for libraries, and the secretary was instructed to write Mrs. C. W. Cover, Sr., Cherokee county's representative in the legislature, to work for passage of the bill.

The club adjourned to the home economics room where refreshments were served by the foods classes under the direction of Miss Emory.