



The Cherokee Scout

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The only security of all is in a free press. The force of public opinion cannot be resisted, when permitted freely to be expressed. The agitation it produces must be submitted to. It is necessary to keep the waters pure. We are all, for example, in agitation even in our peaceful country. For in peace as well as in war, the mind must be kept in motion.— Jefferson to Lafayette, 1823.

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YOUR SAW CUT OUR WAR DEATH

GIVE IT 3 EXTRA DAYS

US VICTORY PULPWOOD CAMPAIGN

Atlanta Couple Indicted For Murder In Death Of Homer Stiles Of Suit

Serve On Grand Jury This Week

The following served on the grand jury for the term of court held this week:
L. B. Nichols, chairman; John Killian, W. A. Puett, C. C. Hamp-hill, Bruce Bristol, U. H. Fox, L. A. Grag, Ray Barton, J. O. Palmer, Clyde R. Townson, J. G. Clontz, A. J. Barton, Claude Nichols, Edgar Raper, J. W. Floyd, D. V. Carringer, L. L. Anderson, H. I. Taylor.

Hoover Resigns As Member Of Murphy Council

Dr. W. A. Hoover resigned as a member of the town council at the meeting of the board held Monday evening. He gave as his reason, shortage of personnel and assistants at Petrie hospital. His resignation was accepted, but a successor was not appointed.

At the request of members of the local library committee, the board appointed as members of the library board of trustees for terms of six years each, H. A. Mattox and W. F. Forsyth.

W. D. Townson made a second request for the town water lines to be extended to his mill. A committee was appointed to investigate the costs and requirements and report back at a call meeting of the board at an early date.

It was ordered that the local theatres be instructed not to open their shows on Sunday evening until the regular closing hour of the churches.

Spivey, Wilhide Get Commissions

ATLANTA, GA. — Charles P. Spivey and Robert M. Wilhide, of Andrews, N. C., have been commissioned second lieutenants in the U. S. Marine Corps and assigned to active duty with a flying squadron of the fighting Leathernecks. The Marine fliers received their commission after graduating from an advanced flight training school.

Second Lieutenant Spivey is the son of Jessie Therman Spivey, Route 4, Benton, Ky. He attended Brevard College, at Brevard, N. C.

Site For USO Lounge Selected

Three rooms in the Mauney building, back of the draft board office, have been selected for the U. S. O. lounge planned by a group of interested citizens representing civic organizations.

The following committees have been appointed: Executive, Mrs. Dale Lee, chairman; Mrs. Kate Mauney, vice-chairman; Mrs. Wade Massey, secretary; and Frank Forsyth, treasurer.

Homecoming At Hopewell Church Sunday, Aug. 15

There will be a homecoming program at Hopewell Baptist church, Sunday August 15. Many speakers and singers will be present to provide interesting messages and songs at this event.

Commends The Scout

Upon receiving word of the Cherokee Scout's enlistment in the Victory Pulpwood Campaign, Walter M. Dear, Chairman of the newspaper Pulpwood Committee, Tuesday sent the following message:
"Hearty congratulations on your prompt response to our appeal and that of your Government to aid in rectifying the serious pulpwood shortage situation. We appreciate your cooperation and that of your newspaper. The best of luck in your campaign."
Walter M. Dear, Chairman Newspaper Pulpwood Committee.

Red Cross Makes New Shipment

The Cherokee County Chapter of the American Red Cross recently sent a shipment of knitted garments to Sea Girt, N. J., according to announcement by Mrs. Dale Lee, production chairman. Included in the shipment was a number of garments made by the Hiwassee Dam unit. This shipment consisted of 17 mufflers, one helmet, 5 wristlets, 9 pairs of socks, 7 small sweaters, 4 medium sweaters, 4 large sweaters, 2 extra size sweaters, and 4 turtle-neck sweaters for the army and 10 large sweaters for the navy, 1 medium sweater, 2 turtle-neck sweaters and 2 pairs of socks.

C. F. Gordy, lumberman of Atlanta, and Mrs. Sallie Bradford Gibson, also of the Georgia city, were indicted Wednesday by the grand jury in Cherokee county superior court on charges of first degree murder in connection with the death of Homer Stiles, 22, whose body was taken Tuesday morning from Hiwassee lake.

The man and woman were brought from Atlanta to Murphy Wednesday morning by North Carolina officers, where they were apprehended. A true bill for first degree murder was returned later in the day by the grand jury, superior court being in session at the present time.

Gordy and Mrs. Gibson are being held without privilege of bond. They will not be tried at the present term of superior court.

The officers found at the apartment of Mrs. Gibson the slack suit that had been worn by Gordy. It was somewhat torn and had stains on it. The slack suit of Mrs. Gibson also was stained. All the clothing was brought in as evidence.

Mrs. Gibson stated to a representative of this newspaper that the three parties went to the lake for the purpose of fishing. After dark Sunday night she became cold and went back to the car, which was about a mile away. It was daylight next morning before Gordy came back to the car, she said, and he was alone.

The chain of events which led to the arrest of the Georgia pair began Sunday afternoon, officers reported. Stiles, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Stiles, of Suit, Cherokee county, left the store of J. P. Wood at Suit late Sunday with a man and woman who inquired of a place where they could rent a cabin and also doing some fishing. The three went to the place of O. C. Payne, who operates a store and also cabins.

After the strange man and woman had placed baggage in one of the cabins, they went with Stiles in the direction of the lake. The visiting pair did not come back to the cabin during the night but, upon arrival the next morning, that they had had no fishing luck and had been lost much of the night.

Later at the Wood store they were refused gasoline because the license tag was missing from their car. The man and woman said they had lost it since visiting the store the afternoon before.

Stiles did not return to his home on Sunday night and the first information as to his whereabouts came Tuesday morning when his body was found floating on the lake in the Persimmon (Continued on back page)

Drunken Driving Cases Prominent In Criminal Court

Drunken driving cases consumed the majority of the three-day criminal docket in Superior court here this week. Judge J. H. Clement of Walkertown is presiding and John M. Queen of Waynesville, prosecuting. L. B. Nichols of Andrews was made foreman of the grand jury and Glenn Crowe appointed as officer for the grand jury.

The following plead guilty to drunken driving and were ordered to serve sentences or pay costs and \$50 fines each, and their drivers' licenses are to be revoked for 12 months: Claude Bishop Cochran, Wade Guffey, Forest Owens, Cecil McCoy, John Woody, A. L. Postell, Walter S. Gosden, Floyd Moss, Jas. Oliver Gibson, Bass Stiles, Bruce Battles, Jr., Roy Lester Duke, Garland Crisp, Mullard Franklin Beaver, Olin A. Roberts, Homer E. Adams, Creml Ledorf, James Andrew Barton, Bob Hedden, and Don Wm. Byrd.

Lawson Henry Carroll was put on probation for six months for forgery and was ordered to pay costs. Ralph Guthrie was put on probation for 12 months for breaking and entering and ordered to pay one-half of costs.

Harley Croft, for non-support, was ordered to serve on roads 12 months or pay by September 3 \$35 and a like amount each month for the benefit of his wife, Fannie Croft.

Oliver Dockery, on one charge of violation of prohibition laws was sentenced to six months on the roads and on another six months on the roads, suspended upon payment of a fine of \$50 and costs.

Melvin Rogers was found guilty of several charges. For breaking jail he was given three months; for breaking and entering, two charges, 12 months each; stealing a bicycle, six months; breaking and entering, 2 years in jail; and larceny, six months, all to run concurrently.

Henry Logan was found guilty of two charges of violation of the prohibition laws and was given four months in jail for each.

V. H. Campbell was given six months on the roads for violation of prohibition laws. The case against his wife for the same charge was not pressed with leave.

Inez Hampton was acquitted on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon.

Alfred Ledorf, charged with trespass, through his attorney, Calvin Lunsford, for violation of the prohibition laws, was given four months in jail or to pay costs and a fine of \$25.

Alfred Bailey, charged with cruelty to animals, was ordered to pay costs and a sum of \$15 to J. S. Gaddis.

assault with a deadly weapon and ordered to pay a fine of \$25 and half the costs. Harrison McDonald was convicted of simple assault and ordered to pay one-half of the costs.

The grand jury failed to find true bills in the cases against (Continued on back page)

James R. Teams Dies In Clay County

James Rufus Teams, 64, died at his home in Clay county, Aug. 4. Funeral services were held at Green Cove Methodist Church at Brasstown, August 6 at 10 a. m., with the Rev. Blaine Ledford officiating.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. George O'Neil and Mrs. Irvin Hughes; three sons, Ronald, Bent and Bill all of Belview and Brasstown.

Pallbearers were Verlin Reece, Fred O. Scroggs, Marvin Myers, H. Logan, Herman Estes and John Logan.

SINGING AT TOMOTLA

There will be a singing at Tomotla Sunday at 1:30 p. m. All singing classes and quartets are invited to attend. Everyone is asked to come and make this one the best yet.

The following hundred men left today (Thursday) for Camp Croft, S. C., for induction into military service:

- Elbert A. Mallonee, leader in charge; William L. Guiley, assistant leader; Johnny L. Keenum, assistant leader; Thurman C. Fair, Wayne Radford, Ralph H. Baker, Lester Hamby, Ernest Loudermilk, Lake R. Ledorf, James S. Morrow, Ralph L. Watkins, Robert J. Reedy, Herman M. Wilson, Claude W. Barnett, Clyde S. Amos, John H. Mason, Kenneth F. Caldwell, James B. Ferebee, Jack Dickey, Harry Dickey, Glenn Loudermilk, George W. Swanson, Armos E. Morrow, Reed West, Jack D. Taylor, William T. Fair, Jimmy Pratt, John B. Dockery, Hillard Phillips, Ray Killian, Jack C. Gibby, Arnold Payne, Jr., J. H. Wallace, Floyd W. Carringer, Frank F. Ledorf, Joseph F. Clayton, Fred Blackwell, Jr., Hule C. Davis, James H. Jones, William C. Hughes, Howard A. Kilpatrick, Donald Cook, Harold H. Lovin-good, Homer Hunsucker, Elmer L. Hamby, Boyd R. Pace, Lofton H.

Carroll, Lewis G. Ledford, James F. Keys, Charles H. Laney, Robert D. Kephart, William L. Scroggs, Edward H. Price, Ray N. Nichols, Hollis D. Hughes, Lester Simonds, Mart C. Hamby, Charles A. Stiles, Buford C. Hancock, Gilbert O. Hickey, Jr., Vernell Johnson, Clay E. Hughes, Kendall Adams, E. B. Padgett, Lester L. Mason, Jr., Paul E. Rodgers, Howard L. Radford, James E. Dockery, Fred Sneed, Jr., Willie A. Ledorf, Joseph C. Hawkins, Quinton L. Jones, John McMillan, Jr., Ray W. Harris.

Bass Gentry, Jr., Robert L. Wilson, Clinton W. Roberson, Robert I. Farmer, Chester Haigler, Fred B. Lunsford, Robert V. Dockery, Marshall C. Tatham, Andrew H. McRay, Abraham A. Zimmerman, Marvin H. Adams, Earl C. Hat-maker, John R. Roberis, Albert Morris, Jr., Frank W. Freeman, Atlas Nix, Charles J. Sneed, Horace Coker, Herbert M. Fox, Mack Swain, Wayne O. Clontz, Arthur J. Risley, John F. Manthey, James N. Payne, Windon Jones, Jr., Ray B. Lovin-good.

The Cherokee Scout Enlists In Victory Pulpwood Campaign

This newspaper today has joined other weekly and daily newspapers of the nation in a campaign to aid the Government to help solve the serious pulpwood shortage situation.

It is the second time since Pearl Harbor that the nation's newspapers have been called upon to overcome a serious war material shortage.

Last Fall it was the Newspapers United Scrap Metal Campaign. At that time scores of steel mills faced shutdowns for lack of vital materials. What the newspapers accomplished in that drive is history. The situation was saved with more than 6,000,000 tons of precious metal collected.

Now it is the pulpwood campaign and it is equally serious because hundreds of thousands of cords of the nation's pulpwood are required for war purposes.

The Victory Pulpwood Campaign was initiated by the War Production Board, with the cooperation of other Federal Departments, war agencies and industry. It is designed to relieve increasingly serious shortages in pulpwood, the raw material which makes smokeless powder, rayon for parachutes, plastic for airplane parts, shell and bomb casings and shipping containers for ammunition, foods, supplies, blood plasma and other necessities for our armed forces and our allies.

Last Fall the weekly and daily press, responding to the call of Donald M. Nelson, Chairman of the War Production Board, organized and conducted the memorable

United States, will solve the problem of current and threatening pulpwood shortages and, by its broader example, help to hasten the winning of the war. Personally, and as Chairman of the War Production Board, I am happy to welcome the assistance of the newspapers in this important production campaign."

The campaign to increase the production of pulpwood for the manufacture of products vitally necessary for military needs overseas and for home front war uses, is addressed to farmers, woodland owners, forest laborers and other available workers in the three major pulpwood producing areas of the South, Northeast and Lake States, where manpower shortages have developed because of the withdrawal of woodsmen for service in the armed forces or other war work.

The growing seriousness of pulpwood shortages prompted Mr. Nelson to issue the following appeal to farmers:

"If every one of the more than 2,800,000 farmers in the 27 pulpwood producing states were to devote three extra days in 1943 to cutting pulpwood we could overcome the threatened 2,500,000-cord shortage with wood to spare." Mr. Nelson declared. "I urge every American farmer to get in touch with his nearest Department of Agriculture representative to find out whether he can be of service in the production of pulpwood. I, of course, realize the increased war load which our farmers are bearing today, but the pulpwood situation is serious enough to justify this call for an effort."

In anticipation of the present critical shortage in pulpwood supplies, the War Production Board called upon the U. S. Department of Agriculture for assistance. The Forest Service, Regional Extension Directors, Extension Foresters and County Agents were requested to assist in stimulating pulpwood cutting by advising farmers on sound cutting practices, mill prices and specifications.

This effort was supplemented by the publication of posters and pamphlets emphasizing the immediate need of pulpwood for war purposes. They urged farmers and woodland owners to harvest their pulpwood "right now" (Continued on back page)

Baptist Association Meets August 17-18

The 59th annual session of the Western North Carolina Baptist Association will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 17 and 18, at Calvary Baptist church and Notla Baptist church, respectively. The Rev. Paul Lovin-good, vice-moderator, will preside.

The first day's three sessions will be held at Calvary. The program opens at 9:30 with the devotion by Clarence Hendrix of Peachtree. At 9:45 the reading of the constitution, rules of order and program will take place, followed by the roll call of churches at 9:50. At 10:05, the moderator and executive committee will make their reports. At 10:50, the report of Christian Literature will be made by Miss Addie Mae Cooke of Murphy. At 11:20, the report on Sunday Schools will be made by Frank Walsh of Marble. The appointment of committees will take place at 11:30. The Rev. Robert Barker of Peachtree will deliver the sermon at 11:35, following which lunch will be served.

The afternoon program will be opened at 1:30 with the devotion by the Rev. T. D. Denny of Marble. At 1:40 factual reports will be given by Peyton Ivie on Ministers retirements plan, Rev. Cloyd Pipes of Macon county on Hospitals, and Lawson Lunsford of Peachtree on the Orphanage. At 2:40 a conference will be held, and at 3:30 a report of the committees will be heard.

The evening session will be a temperance rally. The program will start at 7:45 with the devotion by the Rev. C. A. Voyles of Calvary. The Rev. A. B. Cash will make a report on temperance at 7:55. An open discussion will start at 8:20.

The second day's program, at Notla, will open at 9:30 a. m. with devotion by the Rev. F. B. Garrett of Hayesville. Following the minutes at 9:40, mission opportunities will be discussed at 9:50 by the Rev. R. Lane Akins of Hayesville on state missions, the (Continued on back page)