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EIGHT PAGES THIS WEEK

THREE BALLS TO BE HELD FOR POLIO DRIVE

Fourth War Bond Drive Is Now In Full Swing

\$66,993 Reported To Chairman Up To January 22

Cherokee county is far from attaining its goal of \$202,000 in the Fourth War Loan, but the drive is now in full swing and people are responding well, according to Chairman Percy B. Ferebee.

The latest figures from the Treasury Department reported that \$66,993.75 had been bought from Cherokee county, through January 22. It is thought that the total will reach at least \$100,000 by the end of this week.

Frank Forsyth, cashier of the local bank, stated that \$44,000 had been sold at his bank through Tuesday of this week, and \$10,000 had been sold by the local post office.

Of the \$202,000 quota for Cherokee county, \$81,600 must be sold in E, F, and G bonds.

The chairman appeals to every person in Cherokee county to do his best in the purchase of bonds this time. More people who have not been buying them must do so now, in order for the drive to be successful, he says.

Hope To Start Paper Collection In Near Future

Murphy people have been expressing their desire to give their old papers and magazines to the salvage drive, but thus far no definite arrangement has been made to handle the papers. Scoutmaster A. B. Cash has been trying to ascertain a method of getting the papers to the mills, and it is hoped that something can be worked out in the near future.

Miss Addie Mae Cooke has had a conversation with officials of the Army's Chemical Warfare Department in Atlanta who state that Senoco Paper Company in Hartsville, S. C., will purchase all scrap paper that is shipped to them. This information was received too late to make a follow up of what can be done before the paper went to press. Announcement will be made next week. In the meantime, people are asked to hold their paper just a little longer and have it ready when collection begins.

Lewis W. Taylor Is Reported To Be Lost

Lewis H. Taylor, seaman first class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Taylor of Murphy, R. F. D. 3, was reported as missing on March 10, 1943. His parents now have received word that he is lost. The U. S. Navy Department stated in a message to Mr. and Mrs. Taylor: "I desire to offer to you my personal condolence in the death of your son, Lewis Hamilton Taylor, Seaman First Class, United States Naval Reserve, which occurred on March 10, 1943, while in the performance of his duties."

It is hoped that you may find comfort in the thought that he made the supreme sacrifice, upholding the highest traditions of the navy in the defense of his country."

License Plate Sale Is Lagging

More than 50,000 Carolina automobile, truck and trailer owners have not bought their 1944 license plates, according to J. L. Hall, local Manager of the Carolina Motor Club. This lag is in spite of a thirty-day extension granted motorists by virtue of a bill enacted by the North Carolina General Assembly at the 1943 Session.

The local office of the Carolina Motor Club has sold a total of 1820 automobile, truck and trailer plates through the 22nd day of January. This represents a loss of 937 plates over the same period during 1943. The extension of time was blamed for the decrease in the number of plates sold here, and it is expected that a last minute rush will be created by those motorists who have put off purchasing their plates until the last minute.

Mr. Hall, local Manager of the Club, cites a recent notice received from the Department of Motor Vehicles in Raleigh, in which definite commitment was made that no extension of time beyond January 31 would be granted motorists this year.

The hours of 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. are observed at the local office.

Jas. Birchfield Wears Coveted Expert's Badge

Camp White, Oreg. — Corporal James C. Birchfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Birchfield of Hiwassee Dam, has qualified as an expert shot with the 30 caliber light machine gun and is now entitled to wear the coveted expert's badge, the 96th Division's highest marksmanship award. Cpl. Birchfield is a member of the 381st Infantry Regiment.

Bill F. Walis Is Promoted In Italy

With the Fifth Army, Italy—Private Bill F. Walis, whose mother, Mrs. Annie Walis, lives on Route 3, Murphy North Carolina, has been promoted to corporal. He is now serving with the 36th "Texas" division of the Fifth Army in Italy.

Mrs. Mary Logan

Mrs. Mary Logan, 93, died Monday at the home of her son, John Logan, of Braestown. Funeral was at the Sweetwater church Tuesday with the Rev. Blaine Ledford and the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Benton, officiating.

She is survived by one son, John, and one daughter, Mrs. Ruth Mease of Hayesville, several grandchildren and great grandchildren. Townson funeral home was in charge.



LOST IN WAR — Lewis Hamilton Taylor, Seaman First Class, who was reported missing on March 10, 1943, is now reported lost. He entered the Navy in August, 1942, and was stationed in Virginia before going overseas. Lewis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rollin Taylor.



FUNERAL HELD — James Robinson, of Murphy, whose funeral was held today (Thursday). He died at Great Lakes naval training station.

Jas. Robinson Dies In Naval Hospital

James Rouley Robinson, 27, son of Mrs. Myrtle Robinson of Murphy and R. Robinson of Akron, Ohio, died of a heart attack at 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning at Great Lakes naval hospital, Great Lakes, Ill.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Presbyterian church, with the Rev. Ralph Taylor and the Rev. A. B. Cash officiating. Burial was in Sunset cemetery, with Ivie funeral home in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers were: James Parker, Ben Palmer, Frank Ellis, Franklin Smith, Douglas Smith, Cloe Moore, Wayne Townson, and Abe Hembree.

Surviving besides his parents are his wife, one brother, Harry Robinson of Akron; two sisters, Mrs. James Fortney of Akron and Miss Barbara Robinson; his grandmother, Mrs. Hettie Frankum and a nephew, Frederick Robinson all of Murphy.

Mr. Robinson was born and reared in Murphy. He went to Akron several years ago where he lived until a few months ago when he came to Murphy to visit his mother, and went to work at Fontana Dam. He enlisted in the navy October, 1943, and completed "boot" training at Great Lakes Naval station. He was on his way to San Diego, Calif., to take up radar training when he became ill and was returned to the hospital at Great Lakes.

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Scout Wins Third Place In State Contest For Its Community Service

Cherokee county's newspaper, The Cherokee Scout, won third place for community service in the statewide contest conducted during the year 1943 by the North Carolina Press Association. Announcement of the results of the contest was made by Governor J. M. Broughton at the annual mid-winter institute at Chapel Hill Friday. First place was won by Elkin Tribune and second by Forest City Courier. Spindale Sun also received honorable mention.

Were You Born On February 29?

Many folks who have not had a birthday in four years will celebrate again this year, on February 29. Mrs. R. F. Merritt of Route 7, Benton, Ky., a subscriber, says she is interested in knowing how many SCOUT readers have a birthday on the 29th.

Mrs. Merritt writes: "I for one have a birthday on that date. It will be my fifteenth birthday, and I will be 64. I was born on February 29, 1880, and went from 1896 to 1904 without a birthday as 1900 skipped the 29th, it being century year."

THE SCOUT also is interested in knowing how many readers were born February 29. If you were born on that date, please notify the paper.

William Martin Buried At Marble

Funeral services for William (Bill) Martin, 52, who died Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock at Opelika, Ala., after an illness of three months, were held Wednesday morning at 10:30 o'clock at Marble Baptist church, with the Revs. Algie West and Leonard McClure officiating. Burial was in Marble cemetery with Ivie funeral home in charge.

Pallbearers were: Willard Hedrick, Ernest Humphrey, Wayne Anderson, Wayne Trull, Marion Doss and H. S. Kimbro.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Effie Martin, one daughter, Opal, and one son, Jerry, of Rock Hill, S. C.; Willard, Harold, Mark and Howard who are in the army; Frank and Rol.

Body Of Walter Thompson Brought Here From Calif.

Walter Thompson, 36, died in Bakersfield, Calif., January 12. Funeral was at Bethany Baptist church January 25 at 2 p. m., with the Rev. Thomas Truett officiating. Burial was in church cemetery with Townson funeral home in charge.

Mr. Thompson was born and reared in Cherokee county but had been making his home in California for the past fifteen years. He was the son of the late David L. Thompson and Mrs. Martha Thompson of Culberson.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Martha Thompson of Culberson; three sisters, Mrs. Luther Carley, and Mrs. Lester Stalcup, of Taft, Calif.; Mrs. Lawson Stiles of Bakersfield; four brothers, Howard of Michigan; Elbert, of Taft, Calif.; Jewell, of Murphy; Marvin, of U. S. Army, Hiawian Islands.

TO HAVE OPERATION — Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bailey left Wednesday of Atlanta where Mr. Bailey will undergo an operation.

Contests Net \$75 For Infantile Paralysis Drive

According to a final report just made by J. H. Pitzer, Athletic Director of Murphy high school, the net proceeds of the contests held in the gymnasium Monday evening amounted to \$75.77, which goes on the Cherokee county quota for the infantile paralysis campaign.

The games were sponsored jointly by Murphy Lions club and the high school athletic association. All receipts above actual expenses of \$9.75 went to the polo fund.

Tickets were sold by the high school and grammar grade pupils, and met a generous response from the public. All teams participating paid their own expenses, as well as admission to the games.

One of the highlights of the evening was the volley ball game between two teams of Murphy Lions. The winning team was captained by Pritchard Smith, and included Lions W. A. Sherrill, Loren Davis, K. C. Wright, Roger Ammons, and J. D. Burch. The losing team was made up of Lions R. S. Bault, W. A. Hoover, Ralph Taylor, A. Q. Ketter, Bob Easley, and Frank Forsyth.

Service Window Started At The Scout Office

A window of the Cherokee Scout office on the square is now being used for pictures of Cherokee county men and women in military service. It is the desire of the paper to secure a picture of every county person in service for this window display. Because the use of the window will be for an indefinite period, the paper does not agree to return any pictures.

Those who wish to have pictures put in the paper may do so by paying the cost of having a cut made, \$1.25.

ATTEND MEETING

Frank Forsyth, Bill Waitaker, P. B. Ferebee and Smith Howell of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company attended the Bankers' convention held in Asheville at George Vanderbilt Hotel Saturday evening.

Methodist Church Begins Crusade For New World Order

Beginning Sunday, January 30, and continuing to February 6, the local First Methodist Church will join with the Methodist Church throughout the nation in conducting a house to house visitation for the purpose of carrying the message of the Crusade for a New World order to every Methodist home. In the local churches the visitation is being directed by the Woman's Division of Christian Service and the Board of Lay Activities. Mrs. Willard Axley and H. E. Bishop will direct the visitation here.

Visitors will go out two by two to call upon the membership of the Church. A leaflet will be left in each home. It calls upon the people to consider the necessity of the Christian forces of America to become influential at the place where decisions are to be made and before the decisions are made. The Christian forces



MEDICAL CONSULTANT — Capt. R. H. Brown, formerly of Murphy, is now one of 17 medical consultants in the European theater of war. A story about a recent experience of his is printed elsewhere in this paper.

Child Dies From Burns Sustained When Home Burns

Billy Gann, age 3, of Robbinsville died Thursday at a local hospital from severe burns suffered when his home was destroyed by fire a few days ago. Funeral will be held Friday in Robbinsville Methodist church with the Rev. Mr. Gorman officiating. Burial will be in Robbinsville cemetery with Townson funeral home in charge.

Billy is survived by parents, John W. Gann, Jr., of Fort McPhearsion, Ga., and Mrs. Gann and two brothers of Robbinsville.

Jas. R. Shields Ready For Duty

Camp Lejeune, New River — Private James R. Shields, of Rt. 2, Culberson, has graduated from the Quartermaster School at this Marine Base and has been awarded a certificate indicating his successful completion of the three-months course.

He is now ready for assignment to duty with a combat unit or for advanced training.

TO MOVE HERE

A. G. Hornsby of Andrews recently bought a saw mill from G. W. Harper. He and Mrs. Hornsby expect to move here soon.

Andrews, Murphy And Hiwassee Dam Are Cooperating

Dances will be held at three places in the county Saturday evening to celebrate the President's birthday and raise Cherokee county's quota of \$320 for the infantile paralysis drive. Dr. W. A. Hoover, county chairman, through his committees, has arranged for dances to be held at Andrews, in the school lunchroom; at Murphy, in the youth building; and in Hiwassee Dam, in the recreation hall. All will begin at 8:30 o'clock and end at midnight.

A meeting of the Murphy committee on arrangements of the infantile paralysis drive was held Tuesday afternoon, at which time final arrangements were completed. The meeting was attended by various members of the local committee, of which K. C. Wright is chairman. Among those present were Mrs. Harry Miller, representing the Woman's club; Mrs. J. H. Pitzer, representing the Junior Woman's club; Frank Forsyth, for the Lions Club; Miss Margaret Curd, of the high school art department; Supt. H. Bueck, Mr. Wright, and Robt. S. Bault, of the woodworking department.

The dance will begin at 8:30. Cars will be parked in front of the high school building, and special officers will be on the lookout for thieves and prowlers. Soft drinks, coffee and sandwiches will be served by a special committee under the direction of Mrs. Miller. The checkroom will be in charge of Miss Morgan. Music will be provided by an amplifier, in charge of Kenneth Farmer, and a variety of selections, ranging from languorous waltzes to the latest jive, promises entertainment for all.

At least a part of the program will call for "girl break" dancing to compensate for the shortage of 1-A males. Contests, including at least two "March of Dimes" will add further variety to the evening. Prizes will consist of home-baked cakes.

A large crowd is expected. Tickets are on sale by all members of the Lions Club, Woman's Club, and Junior Woman's Club.

Lions Club To Sell \$50,000 In Fourth War Loan

Murphy Lions club discussed the Fourth War Loan drive, of which H. Bueck is local chairman; the infantile paralysis campaign, of which Dr. W. A. Hoover is county chairman; and Boy Scout work, with Harry Webster reporting at the meeting held Tuesday evening in the Methodist church. The club voted to sell at least \$50,000 worth of war bonds during the Fourth War loan.

Pvt. Buster Bayless of New Orleans, La., was a guest of Dr. W. A. Hoover.

H. A. Mattox, who has a new son, had his necktie cut off by Robert Weaver and Tallwater Doyle Burch. The club discussed whether new fathers or non-fathers should henceforth buy cigars, but no definite decision was made.

Court Is Held

Cherokee county Superior court, for the trial of civil cases, with Judge Felix Alley of Waynesville presiding, is being held this week.

ACCEPTS POSITION — R. Arthur Akin, who was connected with The Cherokee Hardware Co. for many years, has accepted a position with Dickey Supply Co.

WINDOW IS BROKEN

The plateglass window on the right side of Johnson's Market and the front door were broken Monday when a car driven by Miss Harriett Pullum ran into it. Miss Pullum explained that her brakes were frozen and did not hold when she applied them in attempting to stop at the curb.