

# The Cherokee Scout

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## MEDITATION

"The faculty to dream was not given to mock us. There is a reality back of it. There is a divinity behind our legitimate desires. But the desires that have divinity in them, we do not refer to the things that we want but do not need; we do not refer to the desires that turn to Dead Sea fruit on our lips or to ashes when eaten, but to the legitimate desires of the soul for the realization of those ideals, the longing for full, complete self-expression, the time and opportunity for the weaving of the pattern shown in the moment of our highest transfiguration. A man will remain a rag-picker as long as he has only the vision of the rag-picker. Our mental attitude, our heart's desire, is our perpetual prayer which Nature answers. She takes it for granted that we desire what we are headed toward, and she helps us to it. People little realized that their desires are their perpetual prayers — not head prayers, but heart prayers — and that they are granted.

"Most people do not half realize how sacred a thing a legitimate ambition is. What is this eternal urge within us which is trying to push us on and on, up and up? It is the urge, the push in the great force within us, which is perpetually prodding us to do our best and refuses to accept our second best."

## No Secrecy

Murphy's town council is a public-spirited group of men, with the welfare of the town uppermost in their minds. They have given their time and results of their experience as business and professional men to the upbuilding of the municipal government. The mayor, clerk, and councilmen have urged the citizens of the town to sit in at the meetings and become familiar with the work that is done by that group.

This week the town is publishing the complete report of the auditors, for the fiscal year of July 1, 1942, to June 30, 1943, which they have just received. Some months ago the budget for this year was published.

One of our democratic principles is that governmental affairs be exposed to public scrutiny and discussion. The councilmen do not fear the comment and opinion of the people. It is a right of the public to have specific and accurate information about the conduct of their affairs. Our law making bodies have recognized this necessity and enacted laws from time to time through the years, that certain facts and information concerning the fiscal affairs of State, county, and municipal governments be published.

When affairs of governing bodies are exposed to broad daylight, there is no opportunity for irresponsible or corrupt practices, and all public officials should be as diligent in informing taxpayers and the public of their conduct of offices as they are in performing others devolving upon them.

## In Wartime and Peacetime

Postwar planning in Cherokee county should include the development of the enterprise of dairying. With a market for all the dairy products that can be produced right in our midst, the natural resources that can be tapped for increased dairying should be put into use.

Wartime needs of milk and other dairy products make it urgent that every possible gallon of milk be produced now, but the expansion that is taking place now can be topped with the coming of peacetime.

John A. Arey, extension dairyman says that our climate and our soils make it possible to graze cows on a combination of permanent and temporary pastures approximately three-fourths of the year. For the winter and semi-winter months an abundance of good quality legume hay should be provided, two tons for each cow is not too much. This will keep up the mineral needs of the cow and furnish valuable protein to make milk. Its bulk is also valuable as an aid to the proper digestion of more concentrated feeds. Where five or more cows are kept it is practical to provide silage for them. Three to four tons of silage should be provided for each mature cow. An acre of corn fed through

## Don't Be Charged With Non-Support



U. S. Express Department

## Price and Ration News

**PROCESSED FOODS:** Green K, L and M (Book 4) expire March 20. Blue A-8 through E-8 (Book 4) become valid Feb. 27 at 10 points each, for use with tokens; expire May 20.

**MEATS AND FATS:** Brown V, W and X (Book 3) expire Feb. 26. Brown Y and Z (Book 3) expire March 20. Red A-8, B-8, C-8 (Book 4) valid Feb. 27 at 10 points each, for use with tokens; expire May 20.

**PORK:** Spare stamp No. 3 (Book 4) good for 5 points of all pork cuts, cured or fresh; all sausage and canned meat if 100 per cent pork, February 18 through 26, ONLY.

**SUGAR:** Sugar stamp No. 30 (Book Four) good for five pounds until March 31.

**CANNING SUGAR:** Sugar stamp No. 40 good for five pounds of canning sugar until February 28, 1945.

**SHOES:** Stamp No. 18 (Book One) and Airplane Stamp No. 1 (Book Three) valid indefinitely.

**FUEL OIL:** North Carolina, Period 4 and 5 coupons (10 gals.) expire September 30.

**GASOLINE:** A-9 coupons now valid. Rationing rules now require that every car owner immediately write his license number and state on all gasoline coupons in his possession.

**BEAN SEEDS CONTROLLED**  
 OPA's price control on vegetable seeds has been expanded to include commercial field bean seeds, as well as to green bean seeds. Those now under price control include the following varieties: pea, medium white, great northern small white, pink, pinto, light red kidney, dark red kidney, western red kidney and cow peas.

**VENEER PRICES INCREASED**  
 New dollars-and-cents ceiling have been placed on pine and cypress veneer produced in the south by OPA, which represent increases of about \$6 per 1000 board feet. Veneer is used in the manufacture of egg crates, nailed citrus boxes and wire-bound containers.

**DRESSES TO COST NO MORE**  
 Women of the United States were informed by OPA last week that there would be no increase in the cost of spring outer garments for women and children over 1943 levels, under a price control arrangement which set March 1 as the date to change over from winter to spring pricing schedules.

**MORE BED LINEN LIKELY**  
 To stimulate the production of sheets, pillow cases and domestic types of sheeting, OPA has authorized a limited increase in manufacturers' ceiling prices, but because retailers' margins are already large enough, there will be no increase in consumer prices.

The increase was authorized by the Office of Economic Stabilization to insure an adequate civilian supply of bed linen and low-cost textiles and wearing apparel.

**GAS FOR USO OFFICIALS**  
 Official representatives of USO and members of the War Production Board's salvage committees were made eligible to receive "C" gasoline rations for use on strictly official business, OPA has announced.

## Law Enforcement Conference Is Scheduled At Sylva, March 1

Edward Scheidt, special agent in charge of the Charlotte office of the FBI announces that a law enforcement conference will be held in Sylva on Wednesday, March 1. The program will consist of a discussion on evidence by Mr. Scheidt; exhibition of a movie, "Battle of Britain"; exhibition of slides of badly wanted fugitives and FBI fugitives of national interest.

Special Agent James E. Wallace of the Charlotte office will discuss the F B I's jurisdiction over criminal violators of the Servicemen's dependents' allowance act of 1942.

Attendance at the conferences is restricted to duly constituted law enforcement officers and auxiliary police. Mr. Scheidt says that as a result of these conferences being held throughout the United States by local officers of the FBI since 1940 all law enforcement agencies in America are today presenting a united front against subversive and un-American activities.

a silo will make more gallons of milk than any other way it can be fed.

Dairying is destined to be one of the biggest sources of income in this section. It is time now to plan for its future here.

## CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank all my friends who were so kind during my recent illness and stay in the hospital. The flowers, card and every remembrance was greatly appreciated.  
 Itp Mrs. W. M. Lay.

## Miss Mary Mull

Funeral services for Miss Mary Mull, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Mull who died at her home near Culberson, Saturday, were held Wednesday at 11 a. m. at Oak Grove Baptist church in Fannin county, Ga. Burial was in the church cemetery, with Townson funeral home in charge.

Survivors include the father and mother, three sisters, Misses Lessie Mae, Edith and Joyce Mull, and four brothers, Homer and Gilbert of Culberson, Randall of Gastonia, and Johnnie of the U. S. army, Los Angeles, Calif.

## Joseph J. Owenby Dies At Age 80

Joseph J. Owenby, 80, a native of Union county, Georgia but who has been residing in Tulsa, Okla., 30 years, died at the home of his daughter, Miss Norma Owenby near Blairsville, Sunday while

visiting her.

He was twice married, first to Miss Hannah Conley, of Union county, Ga., and then to Miss Laura Holland of Cherokee county.

Surviving are four daughters, the Misses Norma and Maude Owenby of near Blairsville, Mrs. Madge Finney of Monroe, La., and Mrs. Mary Turnisky of Mounds, Okla.; two sons, William Owenby and Ed Owenby of Tulsa; two brothers, W. G. Owenby of Marietta, Ga., and Robert Owenby of Eugene, Oregon.

Funeral services were held at Ivy Log Baptist church Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, with the Rev. A. B. Cash officiating. Ivie funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

## Final Rites For J. H. Mintz Held

Funeral services for J. H. Mintz, 79, who died at the home of his son, Ben Mintz, postmaster of Marble, Sunday at 1 o'clock a. m. were held Monday at 3 p. m. at Marble Baptist church. The Rev. Algie West, and the Rev. John Mulkey, officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery. Townson funeral home was in charge.

He had been a member of the Baptist church for more than 50 years.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Jake Davis of Marble, Mrs. Maggie Davis of Jacksonville, Fla.; six sons, Will, Ben, Noah and Everett of Cherokee county, Oliver of Tampa, Fla., and Jefferson E. Mintz of Cleveland, Ohio; 64 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

## Brother Of Local Man Dies Friday

Reid Mitchell Davidson, 41, died at a hospital in St. Louis, Mo., Friday. The body was shipped to Murphy where funeral services were held Wednesday at 10 a. m. at the First Methodist church, with the pastor, the Rev. Ralph Taylor, officiating. Burial was in the old Methodist cemetery beside his father and mother. Townson funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Davidson was born in Murphy, the son of the late Winslow

## Scouting With The Editor

J. L. HALL, our popular clerk of superior court, evidently can read the thoughts of an editor, for when he ran across the following rhyme on "The Steady Subscriber", he thoughtfully passed it on to me:

How dear to my heart is the steady subscriber,

Who pays in advance at the birth of each year—

Who lays down the money, and does it quite gladly,

And casts 'round the office a halo of cheer.

He never says: "Stop it, I cannot afford it;

I'm getting more papers now than I can read,"

But always says, "Send it; our people all like it,

In fact, we all think it a help and a need."

How welcome his check when it reaches our sanctum.

How it makes our pulse throb.

How it makes our heart dance.

We outwardly thank him; we inwardly bless him—

The steady subscriber who pays in advance.

And we are thankful for those hundreds of steady subscribers who frequently remind us that they appreciate their home county paper!

A PLEASANT SURPRISE was mine Monday when a former pastor, Lt. Paul Forsythe, and his family came by for a visit. They were enroute from their home in Boonville to Hitchcock, Texas, where Lieutenant Forsythe will serve as chaplain at the U. S. Naval Air Station. Never having visited Murphy before, they enjoyed being shown over our marble courthouse, the Baptist church, the city library. They remarked that all are fine for a town this size and would do credit to much larger cities. We think so, too! Limited time prevented further sight-seeing.

THE USUAL CUSTOM is that new fathers pass around the cigars... and such a custom has prevailed in our Lions club until a month ago when H. A. Mattox proposed that those members who have no children should buy the cigars. He got away with the suggestion... but he didn't get away with a whole necktie! Now it's we fatherless and motherless Lions — like Frank Ellis, Frank Forsyth, Dutch Kindley, Bob Bell, Worth Gudger, Bob Bault, and me — that have to pay — for cigars. The treat should be candy rather than cigars according to my way of thinking.

Davidson, former sheriff of Cherokee county, and Mrs. Davidson. He moved to St. Louis about 15 years ago, where he had made his home since.

Surviving are two children, Margaret and Bobby of St. Louis; three brothers, J. Q. Davidson of Maryville, Tenn., Neil Davidson of Murphy, and Donald Davidson of St. Louis.

Active pallbearers were: Dr. Harry Miller, Allen Howell, Tom Axley, Howard Moody, Neil Sneed and Henry Hyatt.

## Infant Dies

Dorothy Sue Clonts, four months' old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray P. Clonts, Murphy, Route 2, died at the home of her parents, Tuesday Feb. 15. She was buried at Macedonia cemetery.

Surviving besides her parents are two brothers, Carroll and Mack, and two sisters, Yonah Jane and Betty Ann Clonts.

## Y.W.A. Plans To Present Pageant

The Young Woman's Auxiliary of First Baptist church met Monday evening with Miss Betty Lou Burch. New officers were elected as follows: Miss Jayne Ricks, president; Miss Betty Lou Burch,

# Power and Light Have Enlisted for Unconditional Surrender

Throughout the nation, electric utilities are meeting the demands now being made on them. Electricity is helping to win on the farms, in the factories, on the home front — and electricity will stay on the job until the last Axis country has surrendered unconditionally.



LET'S GIVE

There is plenty of electricity — but don't waste it. Our government asks us to conserve fuel, manpower, transportation — vital materials — all of which are used in the manufacture and distribution of electricity.

# CITY of MURPHY ELECTRIC DEPT.