



Mattox Is Elected President Lions Club



LION PRESIDENT — H. A. Mattox, who was elected Tuesday as president of Murphy Lions club for the fiscal year beginning in July.

H. A. Mattox was elected president of Murphy Lions club at the meeting held Tuesday evening, in the Methodist church dining room. He will succeed Frank Forsyth. The new officers will take office July 1.

Other officers elected Tuesday evening were: S. N. Bobo, re-elected as secretary; Robert Easley, treasurer; first vice-president, Doyle Burch; second vice-president, H. Bueck; third vice-president, Robert Bault; talltwister, Dr. W. A. Hoover; lion tamer, Rev. Ralph Taylor; H. G. Elkins, J. B. Gray and P. G. Ivie, directors.

W. D. Whitaker, cashier of Citizens Bank and Trust Co., Andrews, and county chairman of the sale of war bonds, spoke of special plans for D-Day, requesting that a special program be arranged for that occasion by organizations and churches of Murphy. President Forsyth is to appoint a committee to work out a program with other organizations.

Mr. Whitaker announced that the county's quota in the Fifth War Loan drive is \$210,000.

N. T. Newberry, head of the Woodmen of the World, Charlotte, was a guest of Virgil Johnson, and Dr. M. P. Whichard was a guest of Dr. J. R. Bell.

K. C. Wright announced that over \$318 has been received in the adult scout membership drive. Doyle Burch announced that a profit of \$459 was realized on the recent calf sale to be used for the city park. H. G. Elkins requested that since the club now has some money for the park, it should be used to make the site ready for recreation. Doyle Burch, the club representative on the park commission, was asked to carry out this suggestion.

Dr. B. G. Childs To Preach And Conduct Course

Dr. B. G. Childs, professor in Duke University and Lay Leader of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church, will preach at the First Methodist Church Sunday at 11 o'clock. His subject will be "For the Facing of This Hour."

Dr. Childs will begin a course of study entitled the "STEWARDSHIP OF LIFE" at the Methodist Church Sunday evening at 7:45 o'clock. The course will continue for five evenings, meeting at 7:45. Everyone is invited to hear Dr. Childs, who is an outstanding educator and churchman.

Don Witherspoon Dies Here On Friday

Don Witherspoon, 62, prominent Murphy attorney, died suddenly at his home here Friday night about 8 o'clock. Mrs. Witherspoon and their daughter, Mrs. Ray Brown of Winston-Salem, were with him at the time he suffered a heart attack, and immediately called a physician, but he was dead when the doctor arrived.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Murphy Presbyterian church of which he was a member. The Rev. Ralph Taylor and the Rev. A. B. Cash officiated.

The body lay in state at the flower-banked altar of the church from two to three o'clock. Burial was in Sunset cemetery.

Active pallbearers were: H. A. Mattox, Frank Forsyth, Walter Mauney, Frank Ellis, Dr. Harry Miller and H. G. Elkins.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the district Bar association: J. B. Gray, J. D. Maloney, F. O. Christopher, Mrs. Winifred Townsend Wells, Clyde H. Jarrett, Andrews; E. D. Whitaker, Bryson City; Hoke Lee Myratt, Mr. Garrett and Mr. King of the legal department of TVA, Bryson City.

A native of Wilkesboro, Mr. Witherspoon was reared at Newton. He attended North Carolina State college at Raleigh and received his law degree at the University of North Carolina. He was licensed before he reached the age of 21 and was engaged in the practice 41 years.

He moved to Murphy in 1911 and in December of the following year was married to Miss Margie Norvell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Norvell.

Mr. Witherspoon represented Cherokee county in the general assembly in 1915 and was mayor of Murphy in 1922-23. He also was county attorney for Cherokee county a number of years.

When the Carnegie library was opened here during his term of

17 Men Report To Fort Bragg For Induction

Seventeen men left Murphy Friday morning by bus for Fort Bragg for induction into the army. The list included:

Vaughn Eldah Hembree, leader; Norman Oscar Elliott, Harold Ray Bradley, Aline Alvin Adams, Fred Willys Nichols, J. C. Palmer, Theodore Robert Townsend, Donald Molton Hyatt, Willie Ray McClure, James Bircho Blaylock, John Henry Garrett, Clyde Horace Sneed, Edgar William Holland, Edward William McAfee, Robert Earl Rogers, Reginald David Wilson, Edgar William Oliver.

Republicans Elect County Officers Tuesday

A meeting of the Republicans of Cherokee county was held at the courthouse Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock to elect a county chairman. B. B. Morrow was elected chairman, and T. S. Evans was elected vice-chairman. Mr. Morrow was appointed to select a chairman from each precinct, and the precinct chairmen are to appoint the township chairmen. E. E. Stiles, J. E. Graves and J. W. Franklin were appointed to have someone to fill the vacancy of Mrs. Winifred Townsend Wells as county representative. J. W. Franklin was appointed county secretary.

TRANSFERRED

Pvt. Johnny Raper, husband of Mrs. Edith Raper of Culberson has been transferred from Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., to Camp Blanding, Fla., for his basic training.



NED DAVIS



MAX DAVIS



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RAY DAVIS



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DON DAVIS



SAM DAVIS



MRS. J. BAXTER DAVIS



J. BAXTER DAVIS

Seven Davis Brothers Serving In United States Armed Forces

Mr. and Mrs. J. Baxter Davis of Boiling Spring (Murphy, Route 3), have seven sons serving in the armed forces of the United States, and each son has a name of only three letters. The couple have 13 living children — eight sons and five daughters. Mr. Davis is 65 years old and Mrs. Davis, 56.

All of the children grew up at the home located within only a few hundred feet of Boiling Springs school and attended that school. They assisted their parents in the operation of the farm, poultry yard and other activities at the farm home. Following graduation from Murphy high school most of the boys went to Springfield, Ohio, to work in a defense industry, where they were employed before entering the service.

Three daughters have married and left this state — Mrs. Blanche Ethel Heath, 35, who lives in Springfield, Ohio, and has two sons; and Mrs. Addie Beatrice Master, 33, who lives in Bakersfield, Calif., has three daughters, and nurses in Kern General hospital, Kern county, Calif., part time, and Mrs. Vistabelle Miller of Springfield, Ohio.

There are three children at home — Eulaly Jane, 17, Alice Marie, 15, and Rex, 11.

Ned, 32, the oldest boy, was the last of the sons to enter the service. He is married and has two boys, and was living in Springfield when he was drafted. He is now in the navy at Great Lakes Training center.

Max, 30, is a staff sergeant with the Army Air Force, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio. He was in-

ducted into the army November 18, 1942.

Hal, 29, volunteered in the navy August 17, 1942, at Springfield. He is seaman first class, and has been in the Hawaiian Islands for the past 19 months.

Ray, 26, is an aviation student at Southwest Missouri State Teachers college, Springfield, Mo., being inducted in the air force Nov. 26, 1943, at Columbus, Ohio.

Oid, 24, is a machinist's mate second class, in the navy. He volunteered in the navy July 20, 1942, at Springfield and is now serving overseas.

Don, 21, is a corporal, and is now at Fort Bragg. He was inducted in the army December 20, 1942.

Sam, 19, was inducted into the air corps July 28, 1943 and is now at Keesler Field, Miss.

DECORATION SERVICE

The annual decoration service will be held at the Rogers Chapel June 4, announces the pastor, Rev. W. T. Medlin, Jr. Services will begin at 9:30 and will conclude at noon. Friday and Saturday have been designated as the time for cleaning off the cemetery.

Five County Men Reported Missing

Several Cherokee and Clay county men have recently been reported as casualties in service.

Reported missing May 7, was Sgt. Grover C. Cunningham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude R. Cunningham, of Warne. Sgt. Cunningham had previously been reported wounded in a report of navy casualties for Feb. 9. A message however, received by the parents from the navy department stated that his status has been changed to miss. The message read:

Deeply regret to inform you that due to complete absence of information concerning the whereabouts of Sgt. Grover C. Cunningham, USMC, his status

has been changed to missing in action and will be so carried on the records of the marine corps.

T. S/G Willard J. Dockery, son of Mrs. Nora E. Dockery of Murphy is reported wounded three times since he went overseas in August 1942.

Pvt. Cecil B. Hedrick, son of Mrs. Mattie E. Hedrick, also of Murphy has been reported wounded in action.

Others reported this week as wounded in the Mediterranean area are, Pvt. John R. Cook, son of Mrs. Annie B. Cook of Grandview.

Pvt. James D. Crisp, son of Grant O. Crisp of Murphy, Route 2.

Light Primary Vote Is Expected

Forty-Two Men Leave For Navy

Forty-two men left Murphy Wednesday morning by bus for Spartanburg for induction into the navy.

Walden Albert Hatchett was leader and William Bunyan Fish was assistant leader. Others in the party were:

Major Shaffer Goins, John Henry Webb, George Lee Hughes, Otis Alexander West, A. V. West, Glenn McLean, Kermit Frederic Reese, Alvin Beaver, Giles Tillman Truett, Aude Garland, William Donald Blaylock, Claude Garrett, Lloyd George West, Ben William Mintz, Fred Crawford, Clinton Foch Stalcup, Jud Forest Stiles, Loster Lee Love, Howard Vaughn Martin, Garland Graves, Burton Benjamin Killian, Clarence Verlon Postell, Hoyt Paul Mull, Arthur William Coleman, Clyde Davis, James Ervin Rich, John Wesley Green, Claude Bedford Davis, Hoyt Jenkins, Thomas Candler King, Harold Woodrow Jenkins, Thomas Clay Beaver, Ralph Payne, Wayne Lance, Gaston William Clark, Russell Sims, John Moore, Earl Murrell Payne, Percival Ray Collins, Mitchell Ammons.

The following did not report: Earl Jackson Morgan, Roy Lincoln Nichols.

Chief interest in the primary to be held in Cherokee county Saturday is centered in the race for governor. The vote is expected to be moderately light because of no county contests, according to A. W. McIver, chairman of the Cherokee county board of elections. No county ticket has been printed.

Mrs. G. W. Cover of Andrews, Democratic candidate for representative, has no opponent.

A. L. Penland of Hayesville, Democrat, is candidate for senate for the 33rd district. Clyde H. Jarrett of Andrews is the Republican candidate for the state senate for the 33rd district.

Candidates for the U. S. Senate are former Governor Clyde R. Hoey, Former Governor Cameon Morrison, Giles Yeoman Newton, Marvin Lee Ritch and Arthur Simmons.

R. Gregg Cherry, Dr. Ralph McDonald and Olla Ray Boyd are the candidates for the gubernatorial nomination. Other state races are:

Lieutenant governor, L. Y. Ballentine, W. L. Halstead and Jamie T. Lyda.

Secretary of State, Thad Eure and W. N. Crawford.

State auditor, George Ross Pou and Fred S. Hunter.

State treasurer, Charles M. Johnson and L. J. Phipps.

R. W. Easley has returned from a business trip to Alabama.

Local Men Buy 14 Guernsey Cattle

Baptist Churches' Vacation Bible School Starts 29th

The Rev. A. B. Cash announces that the annual Vacation Bible School, sponsored by the First Baptist and Calvary Baptist churches, will begin on Monday, May 29. The sessions will be held at the First Baptist Church daily from 8:30 A. M. to 12 Noon.

A rally in the interest of the School will be held on Saturday of this week at 3:00 P. M. Motion pictures of the school held last year will be shown, and the faculty will complete plans for the opening on Monday morning.

Rev. R. Lane Akins will be in charge of the school and will be assisted by the following faculty members:

Mrs. A. B. Cash, Mrs. J. L. Savage, Mrs. C. W. Arnold, Mrs. J. M. Ammons, Mrs. W. S. Williams, Mrs. E. L. Shields, Mrs. Lloyd W. Hendrix, Miss Jean Dickey, Miss Jacqueline Cash, Miss Janice Hall, Mrs. Peyton G. Ivie, Mrs. K. C. Wright, Miss Gillie Martin, Mrs. Stanley Green, Mrs. Neil Millsaps, Mrs. W. A. Sherrill, Mrs. L. Simonds, and Miss Marie Hall.

T. G. Ellis Is Promoted To 1st Lieutenant

New Delhi, India — Thomas Graham Ellis, husband of Mrs. Nora Lee Ellis, Loman Mitchell St., Asheville, North Carolina, has recently been promoted from the rank of Second Lieutenant to First Lieutenant in the Sanitation Corps. His unit is functioning under the Services of Supply, United States Army Forces, China Burma India.

Previous to his induction into the service, Lt. Ellis worked with the North Carolina State Board of Health. He was graduated from Wake Forest College with the class of '36 and from the School of Public Health, University of North Carolina with the class of '39.

Lt. Ellis has been in the Army for eleven months, seven of which have been spent in the China

Fourteen purebred Guernsey cattle were purchased by Cherokee county people at the sale conducted here Thursday afternoon.

They were purchased by the following: Randolph Shields, one; Smithmont Farms, four; W. A. Hembree, one; W. S. Dickey, one; Frank Battle, one; Clarence Hendrix, one; Mrs. G. W. Cover, one; T. J. King, one; J. B. Hall, one; and J. D. Elrod, two.

The sale, which was held at the fair grounds, was pronounced a success by the sales committee, A. Q. Ketter, Cherokee agent; R. G. Vick, Clay county agent; and H. D. Elrod, manager of the local plant of Southern Dairies.

A feature attraction at the beginning of the sale was the showing in the ring of Klondike Konnie which A. B. Hammond of Berrytown, Ga., purchased for \$4,750 at the 1943 Klondike sale at Elkin, N. C. Comments on this cow by Ralph Coarsey, manager of Riegeldale Farms, Trion, Ga., brought to the attention of the farmers the value of breeding Guernsey cattle of superior blood lines and dairy quality.

Twenty-nine cows and heifers in the sale averaged \$237.41, and seven bulls averaged \$155.

The highest priced cow was consigned by A. L. Brown, owner of Clear Springs Farms, Concord, and sold to W. H. Anderson of Asheville for \$525.

The highest priced heifer was consigned by Fanning Fields Farm at Arden and sold to A. B. Hammond for \$525.

The top priced bull was consigned by Riegeldale Farms and sold to Randolph Shields of Notla Farms, Culberson, for \$300.

W. C. Anderson and son of Hayesville purchased five animals.

An interesting feature of the sale was the gift of the purebred calf that went to J. Frank Johnson, representative of the American Guernsey cattle club. Mr. Johnson gave the calf to the Murphy Lions club which sold it at auction at \$210. The money is to be used for the city park.

Pedigrees were read by Ralph W. Coarsey, Trion, Ga.; H. M. Hamilton, Jr., of Boone was auctioneer.

Burma-India Theater of Operations. He was inducted at the Medical Field Service, Carlisle Barracks, Penn., and served there as well as at Camp Wheeler, Georgia.