



Crowd Attends Park Opening; Hear Gray

Murphy's city park on the site of the old CCC camp overlooking Hiwassee lake which was leased from the TVA a year ago, was formally opened Tuesday afternoon. A large crowd attended.

J. B. Gray, Murphy attorney, made the dedicatory speech. He told how the site was acquired from the TVA and the U. S. Forest service, and how it was largely through the efforts of Joe E. Ray, former president of the chamber of commerce, who is now in the army, and the town council that the project was finally started. Plans for the development of the park have been mapped by the TVA, and will be brought to completion as fast as money and labor can be secured.

A marble tournament, with Jack Watkins winning, and Billy Browder and Gerald Davidson runners-up was held.

Carl Meroney and Frank Dalrymple, Richard Murphy and Everett Marr were winning teams in the boys' horseshoe tournaments; Clyde Patton and Willard Palmer won the men's horseshoe tournament.

Johnny Shepherd and Jack Watkins were winners in the archery contest. Prizes in the tournaments were war savings stamps.

A barbeque supper at 7 o'clock concluded the exercises.

Whiskey Found In Woman's Home

Sheriff L. L. Mason, Chief of Police Frank Crawford, and Deputy Tony Fain went to the home of Bessie Loudermilk in Factorytown Saturday where they found 15 gallons of whiskey under a trap door under the bed. The woman was taken into custody, together with Charlie Wise, and lodged in jail. At a preliminary hearing Sunday before Fred Bates, Bessie Loudermilk, who said the whiskey belonged to her, was bound over to court on \$500 bond. Wise, who was said to have no interest in the whiskey, was acquitted.

CRITICALLY ILL

Mrs. Grace Cooper is reported to be in a serious condition at Murphy General hospital.

Miss Alice Cobb of Pine Mountain, Ky. School spent Saturday at the Folk School.

Rev. W. L. Hutchins To Preach Here Sunday Evening

The Rev. W. L. Hutchins, superintendent of the Waynesville district of the Methodist Church, will preach Sunday evening at First Methodist church at 7:45. The business session of the fourth quarterly conference will be held immediately after the worship service.

"Becky" and "Bill" Taylor, twins of the Rev. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor, will be christened by Mr. Hutchins at the evening service.

Thieves Enter Davidson Home

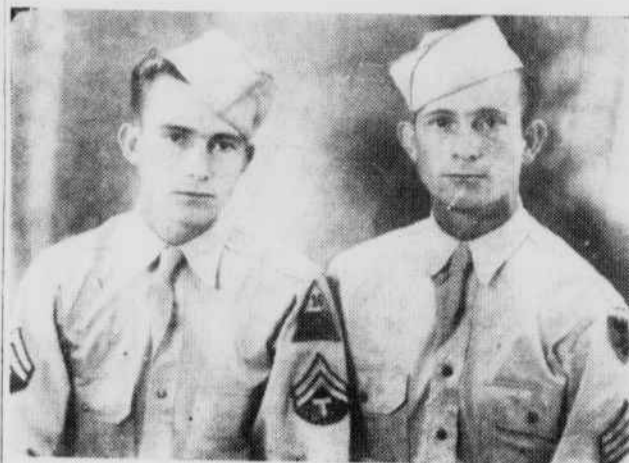
Thieves entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davidson Tuesday afternoon while the family was out, and emptied a number of pocket books. It was found that dresser drawers had been ransacked and pocket books were scattered all over the floor, and it was difficult to tell just what had been taken. Bloodhounds were put on the trail.

District Council Meeting Held In Franklin June 29

Members of the County Councils of Home Demonstration Clubs in Cherokee, Clay, Jackson, Macon, Swain, Graham, and Haywood Counties held their District meeting in Franklin on June 29. Miss Anna C. Rowe, District Home Agent, presided. Reports of the Home Demonstration clubs achievements and 4-H club work were given by a representative from each county. Mrs. J. H. L. Miller, State Chairman of the Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs, was guest speaker.

Representatives from Cherokee County were: Mrs. Clarence Hendrix, reporter for the county, Mrs. Paul Sudderth and Mrs. Gilbert Stiles. Miss Mary Cornwell attended the agent's Training School which was held in connection with this meeting.

The Rev. W. T. Medlin, Jr., returned Saturday from a week's vacation spent with relatives and friends in Raleigh.



MOORE BROTHERS IN SERVICE — Cpl. Harry B. Moore and Sgt. John B. Moore are visiting at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Moore of Murphy. Sergeant Moore, who recently completed a course in high speed tractors and tanks at Fort Sill, Okla., will return to his station at Camp Livingston, La., and Corporal Moore, who recently graduated at Fort Knox, will go to Camp Chaffee, Ark., at the end of this week.

Miss Mary Cornwell Is New Home Agent

Miss Mary Cornwell has been appointed home demonstration agent for Cherokee county, it was announced Monday by Miss Anna C. Rowe, district home agent.

The appointment was made by the N. C. Agricultural Extension service and the Cherokee County Board of commissioners.

Miss Cornwell succeeds Mrs. Alline R. King, who has resigned. The new home agent has served as Cherokee's assistant agent for the past two years. A native of Tennessee, she was graduated from Maryville college and took graduate work at the University of Tennessee. She was engaged in teaching before becoming associated with the Extension service. Her appointment becomes effective July 15.

Memorial Service To Be Held 16th

A Memorial Service for Private Howard Walker, who was killed in the Pacific Area on June 4, will be held at Friendship Baptist Church, Suit, on Sunday, July 16, at 11 o'clock.

ENOCH REID HOME

Pfc. Enoch B. Reid, with the Engineers, returned recently from 20 months overseas in the European Theatre of Operation. He went to Fort Bragg, prior to reaching his home at Vests, where he will visit his mother, Mrs. Ella Reid.

61,200 Surgical Dressings Shipped By Cherokee Red Cross Chapter In June

Murphy women who are making surgical dressings are receiving cooperation from Hiwassee Dam, Fontana Dam and Campbell folk school women. At Murphy 80 different women working 520 hours, made 12,480 sponges. Hiwassee Dam women made 6,480 sponges and Campbell Folk school 2,500, making a total for the month of 21,460. Women at Fontana Dam are doing the quota for May. The local women are now working on the June quota and already have on hand the July, August and September quotas.

Mrs. J. H. Wilson, surgical dressings chairman, states that this Red Cross chapter shipped 61,200 dressings in June, to ordinance depot in Louisville.

A series of pictures showing the uses to which the surgical dressings are put are on display at the Cherokee Scout office.

Mrs. H. Bueck, junior Red Cross chairman, is asking high school girls to work at the surgical dressings room every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 10 to 12 o'clock, to assist with the quotas. During the past month the following records were made by local women:

Working 34 hours, Mrs. R. S. Parker; 31 hours, Mrs. A. J. Burns; 18 hours, Mrs. W. M. Axley; 17 hours, Mrs. Jean Murray; 14 hours, Mrs. C. A. Beatty, Mrs. Charley Mayfield; 11 hours, Mrs. L. E. Bayless, Mrs. J. W. Davidson; 10 hours, Mrs. J. W. Thompson; 9 hours, Mrs. T. J. Mauney, Mrs. C. C. Richardson; 8 hours, Mrs. P. C. Hyatt, Mrs. C. R. English; 7 hours, Mrs. Vera Henry, Mrs. B. W. Whitfield; 6 hours, Mrs. T. W. Kindley, Mrs. Cleo Pitzer, Mrs. Arthur Akin, Mrs. R. C. Mattox, Mrs. E. J. Darnell, Mrs. T. A. Case, Mrs. O. K. Erhart;

Working 5 hours were: Mrs. Vivian Gentry, Mrs. J. L. Savage, Mrs. W. C. Kinney, Mrs. Cloe Moore, Mrs. Charles Worthen, Mrs. W. O. Hoffman, Miss Hattie Axley, Mrs. C. W. Savage, Mrs. Leonard Johnson, Mrs. B. B. Cornwell, Mrs. Roy Lovingsgood, Miss Wiliam Johnson, Miss Jean Coffey.

Others, working less than 5 hours, were: Mrs. C. W. Arnold, Miss Gillie Martin, Miss Edna Mae Palmer, Miss Frankie Wilson, Mrs. J. M. Ammons, Mrs. B. W. Brumby, Mrs. Ted Howell, Mrs. Allen Howell, Miss Perrie Vaughn, Mrs. J. W. Bailey, Mrs. A. W. Lovingood, Mrs. S. D. Akin, Mrs. P. C. Gentry, Mrs. Connie Holder, Mrs. L. W. Lloyd, Mrs. Evelyn Deekery, Mrs. J. W. Dyer, Mrs. Bill Gilbert, Mrs. W. H. Murray, Mrs. Dale Lee, Mrs. George Phillips, Mrs. Jno. Stillman, Mrs. A. E. Cash, Mrs. J. N. Moody, Mrs. E. F. Arnold, Mrs. Wayne Townson, Mrs. Clyde Townson, Miss Mozelle Moore, Mrs. Howard Moody, Mrs. Myron Jensen, Miss Toots Cook, Mrs. Marshall Ramsey, Mrs. Bill Adams, Miss Emily Sword, Mrs. Bill Brandon, Mrs. L. W. Hendrix, Miss Ruth Thompson, Mrs. Robt. Easley, Mrs. Jack Taylor, Miss Mary R. Cruse, Mrs. L. P. Schaap.

Red Cross Office Hours Announced

The American Red Cross home service office, located in the Murphy Electrical Shop, is now open daily except Thursday and Sunday from 9:00 to 12:00 in the morning, and from 2:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon. On Thursday the office is open only from 9:00 to 12:00. Those having business with the Red Cross are asked to keep these hours in mind. Rev. W. T. Medlin, Jr., home service secretary, and Mrs. H. G. Elkins, home service chairman, are in charge of the office.

Recruiter To Be Here This Week

Frederick Sheetz, manpower recruiter for war industries, will be in Murphy on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, at the U. S. Employment office, to interview workers for the Government agencies in the Norfolk area and for the Pearl Harbor navy yard.

County \$58,000 Short In The Fifth War Loan; Campaign Ends July 8

Harry L. Moore Is Graduated At Fort Knox

Fort Knox, Ky. — The Armored School Communication Department today had graduated a new class of skilled radio repairmen.

The list of graduates included Cpl. Harry L. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Moore, of Murphy.

During their course the electricians learn to repair and maintain radio sets. Their task is a vital one in keeping in operation the communication system by which the smashing, driving armored units control tanks and other vehicles in combat.

The Communication Department is one of eight in the Armored School, headed by Brig. Gen. F. M. Robinson, commandant. The school, unique among army and civilian institutions, is one of the largest technical schools in the world. It graduates annually several times more students than the average civilian university or college. Its 500 buildings were erected and equipped at a cost of more than \$20,000,000.

Baptist Church Lays Corner Stone

Murphy Baptist church on Sunday morning burned all the notes, bonds and deed of trust which had existed against the church property for a number of years. The church is now debt-free. At the close of the service the corner-stone, which was put in the basement in 1926, was laid, with Rev. A. B. Cash in charge. The service was attended by a large crowd.

Rev. W. L. Hutchins To Preach At Ranger Sunday

The Rev. W. L. Hutchins, District Superintendent of the Waynesville District of the Methodist Church, will preach at Rangers Chapel at 11:00 Sunday. Following the morning worship there will be held the Fourth Quarterly Conference of the Hiwassee Circuit. All of the church officials of the several churches comprising this circuit are urged to be present, along with the members who find it convenient to be present. This will be the last conference for this church year, and plans will be laid for next year at this time. This is the only appointment for this charge Sunday.

SERMON SUBJECTS

"THE DISTURBING CHRIST" will be sermon subject of the Rev. Ralph Taylor at First Methodist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Chas. Robinson Receives Wings

Fort Benning, Georgia. — Sgt. Charles M. Robinson son of M. L. Robinson of Route 2, Murphy, N. C., has won the right to wear Wings and Boots of the United States Army Paratroops. He has completed four weeks of jump training during which he made five jumps from a plane in flight, the last a tactical jump at night involving a combat problem on landing.

Jumping at The Parachute School has been steadily developed to a recognized war science. There is less than one percent chance of injury while jumping at the school.

In addition to producing jumpers, Parachute Specialist Training is given to qualified men in Communication, Demolition, Riggers and Sewing Machine Maintenance, vital skills for Airborne troops.

Jos. E. Clayton Is Graduated At Keesler Field

Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss. — Pvt. Joseph F. Clayton qualified recently as an expert B-24 Bomber mechanic upon his graduation from Keesler Field airplane mechanics school.

Pvt. Clayton, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Clayton, Andrews, N. C., was one of scores of soldier-students who finished the course of approximately 17 weeks. He will either be assigned to duty servicing one of the great four-engine Liberators, sent to a factor school for advanced study in some phase of their maintenance, or sent to one of the Army Air Forces Training Command's aerial gunnery schools to learn to shoot Axis fighters out of the skies.

All phases of heavy bomber repair school he received instructions in phases of heavy bomber repair and upkeep and then for eight days before graduation went to "Fort Liberator", a field test area, to put into practice under mock combat conditions what he had learned in the previous phases in class rooms and workshops.

Chas. Keenum Is In The Invasion

Charles K. Keenum, 21, fireman first class in USNR, was a member of the U. S. Naval crew in the American Assault force which invaded France. This was his first action with the enemy.

Charles' home address is Suit, and his parents are Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Keenum. His wife is Mrs. Helen Keenum of Murphy.

Before entering the Navy, he was employed with the TVA. He has one brother, Johnny L. Keenum, with the Seabees.

Cherokee county was \$58,000 short of its Fifth War Loan quota on July 1, according to figures from the Treasury Department, states Percy B. Ferebee, county chairman. Through July 1, the sales in this county totaled \$179,152.75.

The Fifth War Loan ends on Saturday, July 8, and Chairman Ferebee says that the \$58,000 must be sold by that time. He urges Cherokee county people to buy all the bonds they can and help reach the quota of \$237,000 by Saturday.

The war bond booth, conducted by the Murphy Woman's club, under the direction of Miss Dora Ruth Parks, chairman of the women's division, has sold several thousand dollars worth of bonds in Murphy. Special efforts have been made by numerous groups and individuals in the county.

Youth Fellowship To Meet July 13 In Hayesville

The July meeting of the Cherokee-Graham-Clay Methodist Youth Fellowship will be held Thursday night, July 13 at 8:00 at Hayesville Methodist Church. The young people of Hayesville will be host to the other groups, and will be in charge of the worship program and the hour of fellowship which follows.

The Fellowship includes the groups from Murphy, Hayesville, Robbinsville, Andrews and Shooting Creek. All of the young people and their leaders are asked to be present at this important meeting. Miss Madalene Cook of Murphy is president of this organization.

Annual Field Day To Be Held Sunday

Annual field mass of St. John's Catholic parish will be held in the amphitheatre at Cliffside Lake, near Highlands, Sunday at 11 a. m. The Rev. Hugh T. Kennedy will conduct the service. The public is invited.

An altar has been erected by the Rev. R. V. Erk, president of the Aircraft Corporation of Waynesville. Music will be provided by the choir of St. John's church, under the direction of Sister Mary Anthony.

The religious service will be followed by a picnic, swimming, boating and games. Those desiring transportation should contact the Rev. Hugh T. Kennedy at Waynesville.

FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING TO BE HELD

The public is invited to attend the Fifth Sunday meeting of the West Liberty Baptist Association to be held at Liberty Baptist church near the state line, on July 30. Rev. P. H. Hooker is pastor.

Saipan New Hub in Pacific War



As the biggest naval task force in history battles for the island of Saipan (1) in the Marianas group—and for Saipan's fine airfields, the importance of this particular spot—some 1465 miles from Tokyo and 1470 miles from the Philippines—becomes increasingly evident. Quite outside its proximity to the Bonins, located about 600 miles from Japan, which have just been attacked by a big carrier task force, Saipan is reported to have flat areas made to order for big land air bases.

Some already are envisioning the giant Superfortresses radiating from Saipan (as arrows show), as well as from China (2) to blast Nippon's big manufacturing areas and slam at the Philippines. Presence of great naval forces there, plus other forces battering at the Bonins, indicate that the big smash is on. It is pointed out that the recent capture of Biak (3) off New Guinea provides bases for crackling at areas indicated by arrows.



MEET IN ENGLAND — The above three Cherokee county men have met in England while serving in the army. They are left to right, Pfc. Don Lovingsgood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Drew Lovingsgood of Lovingood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Keenum of Hayesville, and Sgt. William Palmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Palmer of Regal.