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## Town's Tax Rate Is \$1.70 For This Year

At a recent meeting of the Murphy town council the tax rate for this fiscal year was again set at \$1.70, the same as last year. The council voted to publish the budget, after it is approved by the Local Government Commission.

The town council soon will invite the mayor and councilmen of Andrews and members of the county board of commissioners to join them in a meeting to discuss the possibilities of an airport.

Police officers are requested to attend all funerals held in the town hereafter, funeral directors being asked to notify the Town Clerk E. L. Shields, who in turn will notify the policemen to attend, to direct traffic.



**IN SOUTH ATLANTIC** — Leon H. Kimsey, A. O. M. 3/c, is now serving in the South Atlantic with the Naval Air Forces. He volunteered for service October 25, 1942, and took his basic training at Great Lakes, Ill., Norman, Okla., and Solomons, Md. He has been serving overseas since January, 1944. His wife is the former Bonnie Kephart.

## Collecting Old Clothing

The Methodist Woman's society of Christian service is sponsoring a campaign to collect old clothing for war victims in liberated Europe, October 16-28. Mrs. R. C. Mattox is chairman, and she announces that clothing will be received by Mrs. J. C. English at Bower's store, every day during the above period, from 8 to 5 o'clock. "Clothing — used or new — is urgently needed by men, women and child of all ages," Mrs. Mattox says. "Any usable garment you can spare will help to keep warm this winter some man, woman, or child who has lost everything."

## Garland Ramsey Awarded Combat Decoration

With the Fifth Army, Italy — Private First Class Garland W. Ramsey, whose home is on Route 3, Murphy, North Carolina, has been cited by his regiment of the 85th "Custer" Division and awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for actual participation in combat with the enemy on the Fifth Army front in Italy.

Standards for the badge are high. The decoration, which was recently authorized by the War Department, is awarded to the infantry soldier who has proved his fighting ability in combat.

The handsome badge consists of a silver rifle set against a background of infantry blue, enclosed in a silver wreath.

Mrs. Harvey Wilson, Jr., and son, Harvey III of Gainesville, Ga., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Wilson.

## Hazel Suit Awarded Prize In Stock Show

Miss Hazel Suit, Hiwassee Dam 4-H club member and daughter of a unit demonstration farmer of the Postell area, entered calves in the fat stock show in Asheville last week. Her best calf was seventh in a show of 92, and sold for 25c a pound. All calves brought over 20c per pound.

Bryan Hall and Herbert Stiles of Tomotla also fed calves and put them in the show along with Miss Hazel Suit.

Since the Suits became unit demonstration farmers, they have gradually improved their pastures and cattle to the point whereby Hazel can use their home-raised calves for feeders in her baby beef work to a profitable advantage. The limed and phosphated pas-

ture and meadows on the Suit farm are producing calves of good quality.

This year Hazel's record shows that her home-raised calves were more profitable than the one she brought from a purebred herd in Tennessee. Although the home-raised calves did not place as high in the show nor did they bring as much per pound as did the purebred calf, rapid gains made the home-raised calves the most profitable. Her record shows that the three calves sold for \$459.80 plus \$36.28 in prize money, totaling \$496.08. After deducting purchase price of purebred calf and value of home raised calves at the beginning of the project, plus feed purchased, a net labor income of \$311.58 is recorded.

## Carload Of Produce To Be Shipped To Orphanage By WNC Baptist Churches

The executive and promotional committees of the Western N. C. Baptist association met at Murphy First Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 2:30. The Rev. Paul Lovingsood, moderator, presided. Plans were made and discussed for the associational program for the next quarter. The Rev. R. Lane Akins, association worker, reported on his schedule for the fall and winter months, with work planned in the Peachtree, Andrews, Murphy First, Calvary, Notla, and Valleytown churches at present; others to be scheduled. The association will send a car-

load of produce, in collaboration with the West Liberty association, to the Orphan's Home on November 20-22. A minimum of 25 bushels of corn and 15 bushels of potatoes have been suggested as a gift for each of the churches to make. Contacts with representatives of the churches in this behalf will be made by Mr. Lovingsood, Mr. Akin, Rev. M. L. Hall, and Peyton G. Ivie, vice moderator.

A quarterly meeting of the association has been tentatively set for November 30. Plans call for discussions of the Sunday school and training union work.

## Two Men Are Injured In Highway Wreck

Don Henson and Willis Hogsed of Hiwassee, Ga., are in Petrie hospital suffering from wounds received in an automobile accident near Hiwassee Saturday night.

Henson was walking along the highway about a mile from Hiwassee when he was knocked down and run over by a car driven by Elza Nicholson, also of Hiwassee, he said. It was reported that the car also struck Ed Medley who was standing on the highway, and three cars which were parked on the road. In one of the parked cars were Misses Bessie and Jessie Ledford, Christopher Shook and Wayne Berrong.

In the car with Nicholson were Willis Hogsed, Bill Farr, Arthur Gibson, Doyle Hunter and a Mr. Penland, it was reported. Nicholson is in a Franklin hospital. Others in the party were not injured according to reports.

All four cars were damaged.

## Clean-Up Drive May Continue All Next Week

The clean-up drive which was announced last week is going according to schedule, Mayor W. M. Fain said Wednesday. Everyone is requested to place trash at a convenient place for trucks to pick up. There are two trucks in service. If the drive is not completed this week, it will be continued through next week until the town is thoroughly clean, Mr. Fain said.

## C. R. Ledford Wins Award

Staff Sergeant Clarence R. Ledford, 31, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Ledford of Blue Ridge, Ga., has been awarded the first oak leaf cluster to the air medal, it was announced by the Fifteenth Army Air Force.

In the words of the citation, the award was made "for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy."

A graduate of Blue Ridge high school and a shipfitter at the Navy Yard, Charleston, S. C., Sgt. Ledford entered the service April 7, 1943. He is a tail turret gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber in a group, commanded by Lt. Col. Joseph G. Russell of San Antonio, Texas. The group has over 100 missions against German railroads, factories, airfields, industrial centers, and oil installations throughout southern and central Europe.

He attended armament school at Lowery Field, Colo., and aerial gunnery school at Tyndall Field, Fla., prior to going overseas to the Italian campaign.

## Ashe Taking Advance Course Marine Academy

Kings Point, N. Y. — Cadet-Midshipman Ernest Grover Ashe, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Glennard Oshe, of Route 2, Murphy, N. C., has completed seven and one-half months sea training as an engine Cadet-Midshipman aboard merchant ships carrying vital war supplies to the far-flung battlefronts and has just reported to the United States Merchant Marine Academy here for nine months advanced training. Upon graduation he will be qualified to serve as a Third Assistant Engineering Officer in the Merchant Marine.

Ashe is a graduate of Murphy high school where he was a member of the Beta Club. He served in the United States Maritime Service before his appointment to the United States Merchant Marine Cadet Corps ten and one-half months ago. He received his basic training of three months at the United States Merchant Marine Cadet Basic School, San Mateo, Calif.



## Donald Dockery Is Awarded The Purple Heart

With The 43rd Division in the Southwest Pacific — For wounds received in action, while manning his machine gun in an attack against the Japs in the battle for Munda airstrip last year, Private first class Donald H. Dockery has been presented the Purple Heart medal. The North Carolina infantryman is a veteran jungle fighter of 24 months experience in combating the Japs in the Pacific. He saw action at Guadalcanal, the New Georgia Islands, the Russells, and has been stationed in New Caledonia and New Zealand in addition to his present base, where he is engaged in cleaning up pockets of Japanese resistance. For his exemplary service and devotion to duty in combat, he has been awarded the Good Conduct medal and the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Dockery is the son of Mrs. Olivian L. Dockery of route 3, near Murphy.

## Lions Raise Large Sum With Carnival

Murphy Lions club, combatting a cold wind and other unfavorable weather conditions, staged the carnival that had been advertised for Friday and Saturday, and netted a profit of \$880.99 to be used for the prevention of blindness and care of the blind and other charitable purposes.

The carnival attracted a large crowd of attendants, who played bingo, the penny game, the rat game, the cigarette stand, the milk bottle game, Friday evening and Saturday afternoon and evening. Members of the Lions club relinquished their business operations to a large extent and gave the two days of their time to put over the carnival in a big way, in order for the club's treasury to be swelled to take care of the projects of the club, suggested above.

Committees serving with Co-Chairmen H. G. Elkins and W. M. Fain were:

Rat board: Harry Bishop, chairman; Dr. L. T. Russell, Jr., and Dr. J. R. Bell; penny board: R. W. Easley, chairman; Doyle Busch, and Charles Worthen; alarm clock: Bob Bault; drinks and eats: Dutch Kindley, chairman; H. A. Mattox, and W. M. Fain; milk bottle game: W. F. Forsyth, chairman; W. W. Gudger, and Jim Gibbs; cigarette board: C. E. Wier, chairman; Wade Massey, and Robert Weaver; fortune telling: Joe Hamilton; merchandise soliciting: E. L. Shields, chairman; Edward Bromby, Roger Ammons, P. G. Ivie, and V. M. Johnson; bingo committee: Dr. W. A. Hoover, chairman; F. G. Ellis, and H. G. Elkins; select your own game: H. Bueck, chairman; Lloyd Hendrix, and S. N. Bobo; publicity: Addie Mae Cooke, chairman; Dale Lee, and Harry Webster; penny glass bowl: A. Q. Ketner, chairman; J. D. Elrod, and P. J. Henn.

## Cherokee County Honored At Ship Launching For Part In Fifth War Loan

Scores of North Carolinians whose home counties among them Cherokee, oversubscribed their Fifth War Loan quotas on October 12 saw their State's First Lady and the wife of the State War Loan Drive Chairman christen new landing ships medium in a duel launching ceremony at the Charleston Navy Yard.

North Carolina's Governor J. Melville Broughton, who was the principal speaker in the ceremonies, accompanied his wife and, a few minutes earlier, Mrs. Clarence T. Leinbach of Winston-Salem, to the launching platform

from which they smashed silver-mesh encased bottles of champagne against the blunt bows of the invasion ships.

Each ship slid into the quiet-flowing Cooper River bearing, on its prow, a large shield carrying the names of six North Carolina counties, one of them Cherokee, honored for having surpassed their Fifth War Loan quotas. War Bond chairmen and other campaign leaders of the honored counties cheered lustily as the ships hit the water. Governor Broughton, beaming proudly, waved both vessels all the way down the ways.



**ARRIVES IN ENGLAND** — Pvt. Horace J. (Rod) McLelland, husband of Helen McLelland of Murphy, N. C., has arrived in England, according to word received by his wife. He entered service in March, 1944, and received his basic training at Camp Jannin, Texas.

## Free Methodist Services Listed

Services at Free Methodist Church, Rev. L. E. Latham, Pastor, Sunday will be as follows: 10 a. m., Sunday School; 11 a. m., sermon subject, "The Saints Inheritance"; 7:30 p. m. Sunday evening revival sermon subject, "The Worst Sin in Murphy"; Thursday, 7:30 p. m., midweek preaching service.

The pastor says: "We have just closed a gracious revival in which many were saved and others renewed. Several requests were made for the revival to continue another week, but instead we will have a preaching service each Thursday night in which the revival effort will be continued. A good revival spirit prevails, so come to any or all of our services and enjoy the old time Religion."

Mrs. R. W. Petrie of Charlotte is the guest of Mrs. W. A. Hoover.

## Two-Week First Aid Course Begins Here Monday, Oct. 23



ELLIS FYSAL

## Mother Of Rev. Ralph Taylor Dies Saturday

Charlotte — Mrs. W. A. Taylor, 74, died in an out-of-town hospital at 3 a. m. Saturday. Funeral services were held at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon at Hickory Grove Methodist church. The body remained at Yandle-Weathers funeral home until 1 o'clock Sunday, at which time it was taken to the church, and remained there until the hour of the service. The Rev. J. N. Randall, pastor of the church, officiated and interment was in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Taylor was born in Mecklenburg county May 20, 1870, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Hipp. She was married to W. A. Taylor in 1904. He died in April 1929.

Surviving Mrs. Taylor are one son, the Rev. Ralph H. Taylor, pastor of First Methodist church in Murphy; one sister, Mrs. J. E. Primm of the county; one brother, P. L. Hipp of the county; and four grandchildren.

The Cherokee county chapter of the American Red Cross will conduct a first aid course here October 23-November 3, with Ellis D. Fysal, field representative of first aid, water safety and accident prevention for the Southeastern Area, Atlanta, as instructor.

The course will begin at 7 p. m., Monday, October 23, in the home economics building at the school. Classes will be held two hours nightly for five nights each week. All adults interested in taking the course should get in touch with Miss Addie Leatherwood, first aid chairman, or H. Bueck, who is assisting in arranging the classes. The chapter is interested in enrolling a large number for this course and urges everyone that is at all interested to see the above workers and enroll.

Mr. Fysal was first associated with the Red Cross in 1927 in the capacity of life saving examiner.

When in high school Mr. Fysal gained valuable experience as junior director at Camp Leach, B. S. A., near Washington, North Carolina. Later, attending the University of North Carolina, he was a member of the University life saving corps organized by the Orange County Chapter of the Red Cross. He served as instructor at the Red Cross national aquatic school at Brevard, North Carolina, for three years, and taught Red Cross first aid at Elon College, North Carolina. For several summers he trained state park personnel at Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, in aquatics.

He received his A. B. degree from the University of North Carolina, took additional graduate work, and attended law school. He was student football coach at the University of North Carolina, assistant football coach at Elon College and Wake Forest College, and head boxing and wrestling coach at Elon.

## Elisha Craig Killed In Italy

LETTITIA — Pfc. Elisha Craig was killed in action in Italy on Sept. 17, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Craig. Elisha Craig has been with the armed forces for the past twenty-two months, six of which have been served overseas. He has a brother in the army also, Pvt. Nelson Craig, stationed in Arkansas. Surviving are the parents, five sisters, and four brothers, all of Lettita.

## Forsyth Says War Fund Drive Is Lagging

### Jas. S. Lance At Rogers Field

Pvt. James S. Lance, Marble, North Carolina, this week completed a four-weeks course in specialized training at the 380th AAF Base Unit (Military Police Training Center), Barksdale Field, Louisiana, returned to his home station at Will Rogers Field, Okla.

Around \$1,000 of Cherokee county's United War Fund quota of \$3,200 has been collected up to this time, Frank Forsyth, county chairman, announced Wednesday. Reports have not been received from the residential sections which are being worked by zone committees. The business district was canvassed last Monday and Tuesday. The drive is lagging, Mr. Forsyth says, and receipts are coming in slowly.

## Nantahala National Forest Breaks Its Own Timber Production Record

The Nantahala National Forest, with headquarters at Franklin, North Carolina, has again broken its timber production. During the three months ending September 30, 1944, 19 million feet of timber were cut from the Forest. This marks the greatest production for a three-months' period in the history of the Nantahala.

The cut included sawtimber, veneer stock, pulpwood and shut-the-blocks, all vitally necessary in satisfaction of the war effort. In addition, 855 tons of chestnut oak and hemlock tanbark were moved.

During the period the Nantahala made 72 sales. It now has on its books 275 active sales, ranging in size from one tree, suitable for a special product, to millions of feet of quality sawtimber.