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TWELVE PAGES THIS WEEK

Snow Storm Hampers Traffic In This Vicinity

Snow which began falling early Monday morning continued to fall all day till it reached a depth of three or four inches. Due to rain which fell during the night, much of the snow melted as it fell, leaving about two inches on the ground. Being of the wet clinging variety, it stuck to the trees, shrubs and weeds, and the mountain sides presented a beautiful picture. More snow continued to fall through Wednesday night.

This is the first snow of the season to stay on the ground, and because of the sticky variety, it has packed on the streets and highways, making them slick and dangerous; however, buses continued to operate through Murphy to all points. A landslide on the highway near Rhodo where snow was about four inches deep, blocked traffic for several hours Monday, but steam shovels soon cleared it enough to permit travel. Travel between Murphy and Copperhill where snow was four inches deep was reported hazardous, and cars unable to get over Franklin Mountain, were abandoned by their drivers.

School was dismissed early Monday in order that buses might get over the roads before they became impassable. A high wind blew all through the night and the mercury dropped to 24 early in the night. Much damage from high winds is reported in different parts of the state, but no accidents or damage is reported in this county.

Supt. H. Bueck of the Murphy school unit, and Lloyd Hendrix county school superintendent, announced Tuesday that schools will be suspended for the Christmas holidays from this date, and classes will be resumed on December 27, which will make only a few days' difference in the length of the holidays, and the time of closing in the spring. The date for the holidays has been announced for December 20 to January 1.

Teachers Leave For Holidays

The following teachers of Murphy schools left this week to spend the Christmas holidays at their homes:

Miss Peggy Johnson to Lillingston; Miss Beatrice Robbins to Conway, Ark.; Miss Laura Bynum to Martin, Tenn.; Miss Virginia Ann Morgan and Miss Mary Lee Felmet to Asheville; Miss Emma Louise Jenkins to Young Harris, Ga.; Mrs. J. J. Berry to Augusta, Ga.; and Mrs. Woodrow Miller to Culberson.

Miss Mildred Farrow will spend the holidays in West Palm Beach, Fla.

POST OFFICE TO BE OPEN ALL DAY SATURDAY

Postmaster Howard Moody announces that the Murphy post office will be open both Saturday afternoons before Christmas, for the convenience of those doing Christmas mailing. The post office will be closed on Christmas day.

Methodists Overpay Their Crusade Quota

The First Methodist Church of Murphy overpaid its Crusade fund of \$2500 last Sunday at the 11 o'clock service. Within ten minutes, it was announced Monday by the Rev. Ralph Taylor, pastor of the church, the church had raised its quota, and after the service Sunday morning a good overplus came in. "A great many of our people who did not have the opportunity of making their contribution to this fund last Sunday will be given the privilege of doing so next Sunday", Mr. Taylor declared, in announcing the church's success in this endeavor. "Our people responded enthusiastically to the appeal for a practical demonstration of Christian love and

Mrs. Huffstetler Hurt In Wreck

ANDREWS — H. L. Higdon has just received word that his daughter, Mrs. L. D. Huffstetler, Idaho, was in a car wreck in which she sustained serious injuries. Her left leg was broken in two places. The accident occurred on December 11, while Mr. and Mrs. Huffstetler and their three year old son, Robert Lee, were enroute to the state of Washington. The last word received by Mr. Higdon on December 12 reported Mrs. Huffstetler's condition as favorable.

Mrs. Huffstetler is the former Miss Hazel Higdon. She and her husband were here for several days around Thanksgiving. Her husband is a chief petty officer in the United States Navy.

4-H Clubsters Have Achievement Day

Woman's Club Meeting Is Called Off

Mrs. J. W. Davidson, president of Murphy Woman's club, has announced that there will be no meeting of the club for December, since school closed Tuesday until after the holidays. The program was to have been given by the high school glee club, under direction of Miss Virginia Ann Morgan and Mrs. Duke Whitley.

Twenty-Two Men Are Inducted Into Services

Twenty-two Cherokee men left Murphy Wednesday morning for Camp Croft, S. C. for induction into the Armed Forces. Neal David Johnson was leader and Samuel Edmund Clonts, Jr., assistant leader. Those leaving were as follows:

Willard Gay Forrester, George Allen Morrow, John Embury Walker, William Clarence Arms, Fred Vivian Killian, Wayne Lovingood, Clyde Ballew, Rufus Theodore Stiles, John Dee McDonald, Willard Kinsey, Verlus Andrews Mason, Norris James Hogsed, James Holland Martin, Raymond Lee Tanner, James Porter Reece, Dwight J. Brown, Eastley Horton, Luther Lee Garland.

STORY HOUR

Mrs. J. M. Hughes will tell stories for children at the library Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, announces Miss Josephine Heikway, librarian.

mercy for the starving and destitute men, women and children of war-torn areas".

Plans for the other phases of the Crusade-for-Christ in the local church are progressing under the leadership of the Crusade Council. Continuation of Methodism's Crusade for a New World Order calling for expressions of opinion in favor of "international collaboration for all nations, special evangelistic efforts, education in Christian stewardship, and increasing Sunday school enrollment and attendance are included in the four-year Crusade program in which Methodists here will have a part.

Clingman O'Dell Maintains The "Little Friend"

A Ninth Air Force Advanced Thunderbolt Base, Belgium — "Little Friend" is a P-47 Thunderbolt which Staff Sergeant Clingman O'Dell, RFD 3, Murphy, N. C., has maintained in perfect condition for 105 consecutive combat missions without once having it turn back because of mechanical failure.

Sgt. O'Dell is assistant crew chief on the fighter-bomber which dive-bombs and strafes enemy gun emplacements and military objectives ahead of the U. S. First Army.

"Little Friend" has never turned back from a mission over France, Belgium and now Germany, but she has returned with battle damage. Sgt. O'Dell said. On a tail section had to be replaced. Another time a new section for the landing gear and a new cylinder had to be installed."

Local 4-H Club Achievement Day programs were presented at Robbinsville, Stecoah and Tapoco Schools on December 7 and 8.

Miss Helen Higdon, home agent in Swain county, was guest speaker, and club boys gave a hybrid corn demonstration. A list of county winners follows: Best All-around Club Girl award, \$5 in war stamps given by Mr. and Mrs. Jim Orr to Bonnie Lee Odom; Canning award, \$5 in war stamps given by Sears Roebuck and Company to Venice Garland; Dress Review award, \$5 in war stamps given by Frank Obivard's Filling Station to Joan Phillips; Clothing Achievement award, \$5 in war stamps given by Snowbird Supply Company to Kathleen Cabe; Food Preparation award, \$5 in war stamps given by Ingram's Drug Store to Genevieve Hall; Room Improvement award, \$5 in war stamps given by the Graham County Women's Club to Venice Garland; Victory Garden award, \$7 in war stamps given by Sears, Roebuck and Company to Bonnie Lee Odom; Safety award, \$5 in war stamps given by Clyde Garland's Store to Beryl Lequire.

The Citizen's Bank and Trust Company gave \$5 in war stamps to Bruce Garland, the best all-around club boy; 4-H Clubs gave \$5 in war stamps to Odema Odom, the champion potato grower; Southern Dairies gave a purebred Guernsey bull calf to Marshall Dayton, the dairy calf champion; J. J. Snider's Department Store gave \$5 in war stamps to Robert Owens for the best poultry project; Patton Phillip's Store gave \$5 in war stamps to Johnnie Stiles, the corn champion; the Robbinsville Lion's Club gave \$5 in war stamps to Harold George for the best brood sow project; the Citizen's Bank and Trust Company gave a \$25 war bond to Ben Orr who won the Feed a Fighter Contest; J. D. Stratton's Store gave \$5 in war stamps to S. A. Cable, Jr., for the best tobacco project; the Wilson Packing Company gave a gold medal to Ted Phillips for the best record in meat production; Bemis Hardwood Lumber Company gave a \$25 war bond to Berlin Aldredge for the best forestry project and Hooper's Garage gave \$1 in war stamps to Verlie Hooper for the best beekeeping project.

SINGING

The third Sunday singing will be with the Calvary Baptist church Sunday, December 17 at 1:30. Every one is invited to attend.

IMPROVED

Pvt. Frank G. Clouse, who was hurt while on maneuvers at Fort McClellan, Ala., recently, is reported to be much improved.

County Expected To Go Over Top In Sixth War Loan By End Of Week

Miss Slayton Is In Who's Who

Miss Thomasine Slayton, a graduate of Murphy high school, now a student at University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, has been selected, as one of 15 students, to appear in the next issue of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, one of the highest honors that can come to a student.

Who's Who has appeared every year for the past 11 years, and represents more than 600 colleges and universities in the nation. The publication selects the campus leaders and outstanding students on the campuses of the country on the basis of character, scholarship, leadership in extra-curricular activities and for future usefulness to business and society. Only juniors, seniors and students in advance work are eligible to appear in Who's Who.

Miss Slayton will graduate from the School of Pharmacy at the University in July of next year. She is the youngest student in her class.

The Slaytons now live in Knoxville, Tenn., formerly having resided in Murphy.

Edward Chastain Wounded, Germany

Pfc. Edward W. Chastain of Murphy was wounded in the face, right arm and both legs on Nov. 22 somewhere in Germany, when struck by a shell, according to a message received here by his wife, Mrs. Irene Hughes Chastain. Pfc. Chastain, son of E. L. Chastain of Blairsville, Ga., entered the service Dec. 4, 1943, and received training at Camp Blanding, Fla., and Fort Meade, Md. He left for overseas duty, June 30, 1944.

War Bond Rally Is Held In Robbinsville

War bonds and stamps amounting to \$3400, were sold at a war bond rally and auction in Robbinsville on December 7. The rally was sponsored by the Graham county Women's club. Admission was by war stamps, and during the evening, articles contributed by Robbinsville merchants were auctioned off with Jim Miller, auctioneer. The Fontana quartet, the Robbinsville quartet, and the Robbinsville glee club, under the direction of Mrs. Donna Edwards, sang religious and patriotic songs.

SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS

High school boys and girls who work in business or industrial jobs during the holidays were urged today by D. W. Lambert, manager of the Asheville office of the Social Security Board, to take care of their social security account number cards, and show them to every employer for whom they work.



Annual Christmas Tree To Be Held At Marble Church

The Marble Baptist Church will sponsor a Christmas Tree for the entire community at the Church on Saturday night, December 23rd, at 6:30 o'clock. The community tree is an annual event of the church and is looked forward to by the community. Christmas music and a short Christmas program in addition to the giving of gifts will be part of the program. White Christmas will also be observed in connection with the Christmas tree.

On Sunday evening, December 24, at 7 o'clock a Christmas play "The Nativity", will be given at the Marble Baptist church. Special Christmas music in connection with the play will feature the program.

Ninety-Two Men Take Military Exams

Ninety-two Cherokee county men left Murphy Monday morning for Camp Croft for pre-induction examination. Ben David Palmer was leader of the group, which included:

Atlas Sirous Ledford, Harvie Earl Hamilton, Andrew James Taylor, Skiller Bunyan Stiles, Emory Thomas Beaver, Roscoe Lamb, James Lee Morrow, Cecil Phillips, Herbert Holloway, Lawrence Dockery, Everett Lee Bruce, Ervin Malone Hughes, Wade Lawrence Garren, Grady Grogan Watkins, Elmer Robert Stiles, Lloyd Bayless Lunsford, Randle Edgar Cook, Charlie Winford McClure, John Clifford Rose, Ralph Edwin Ramsey, Herbert Mack Collett, Alvin Edgar Clayton, Arnold William Derreberry, Aubrey James Regis, Wilburn Patton Rose, William Derreberry, Aubrey James Regis, man Stiles, Glenn Dale Johnson, Hadley John Self, Ben David Palmer, Ak Gentry, Clarence Clay Hemphill, Arvil Cronan, Nulin Jackson, Joe Conley, Taft Hyatt, Willie Ledford, Glen Alfred Owenby, Alonzo Taylor, Wayne Vincent Truett, Frank Harford Byers, Wiley Edward Wakefield, Ernest Woodree Reighard, William Franklin Tilson, Noah Webster Hembree, Glade J. West, Vernon Dockery, Sam Grady Rose, Henry Hewey Chambers, Robert Ralph Horton.

Clint Taft Shuler, Mark Hugh Brittain, Clarence Max Witt, Ed Adams, Wade Marcus Hedrick, Thomas David Elrod, William Gordon Darnell, Glenn Coy Martin, Oscar Rollin Davis, Robert Guy Crisp, Clyde Walker Roberts, Dewey Franklin Garrett, Lee Rowland Ledford, Ralph Lenard Lovingood, Boyd Nesbit Martin, Glenco Hardin, Vincent Hardin, Fred Lee Moss, Allen Burton Lovingood, Dave Howard Passmore, James Willie Ledford, Henry Elwood Elrod, James Cecil Rice, Chester Arthur Greene, Ralph Ray Wilcox, Herbert Mull, Donald Hopson Green, Thomas Cloe Moore, Arthur Joshua Elrod, Kenneth Lee Wheeler, Vernon Hue Davis, Bronce Hubert Patterson, Charles Finley Bates, Jr., Enloe Nelson Carpenter, Luther Blake Roberts, Harold Brown, Jesse Ray Whitener, Thomas Willard Crowder, James Dennis Hampton, Howard James Gregory, James Neal Payne, Charlie Brumby Hall.

SERMON SUBJECT

"The Saviour of Sinners" will be the sermon subject of the Rev. Ralph Taylor at First Methodist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Everyone is most cordially invited. "And the folks are friendly".

Wounded Are Remembered By Junior Red Cross

The Junior Red Cross of Murphy recently completed the following items which will be carried to Moore General Hospital this week: 200 Christmas nut cups, 50 Christmas tray favors, 100 New Year's nut cups, 125 score pads for games, 25 scrap books, and 25 mounted cross word puzzles.

Several weeks ago 100 menu covers were made by the high school art classes to be used by the navy at Christmas time.

After Christmas, various schools that have joined the Junior Red Cross will fill boxes with educational supplies to be sent to schools in the European countries now in the hands of the allies for the rehabilitation program.

Sidney Bryson Is Driver At Port Of Leghorn

Allied Force Headquarters, Italy — Private Sidney J. Bryson, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Bryson, Route No. 2, of Murphy, North Carolina, is serving as a driver with the unit controlling the Port of Leghorn. This outfit administers work that sends an average of nearly 10,000 tons of war supplies to the Fifth Army front daily.

Men of this unit operated the Port of Palermo, Sicily, before coming to Italy. They sent detachments to the Anzio Beachhead to assist in handling of supplies for the Fifth Army in the early weeks of the fight there and later managed the embarkation of the entire Seven Army for the invasion of Southern France.

Last September 1, the outfit's first group took over the operation of the Port of Leghorn while German artillery shells were still falling in the city. In addition to regular port functions, they set up a large ship repair shop and a small craft-operating section to speed the unloading of Liberty Ships arriving with ammunition and other high priority supplies. The entire port was wrecked by retreating Germans and over 11,000 land mines were taken from the dock area in one day.

Pvt. Bryson has been overseas 19 months and has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal. He also wears the Mediterranean Theater Ribbon with 3 Battle Participation Stars.

Wilson Palmer Is New Scoutmaster

Murphy Lions club will operate a dime board December 16-23 for the purpose of raising funds to remember unfortunate families at Christmas. This method has been used annually for the past few years and always finds a ready response on the part of public in making contributions.

President H. A. Mattox announced that Wilson Palmer, who was recently granted a medical discharge from the Army Air Forces after serving three years in this war, will be the new Boy Scoutmaster to succeed Rev. W. T. Medlin, Jr., who moved away. This dinner meeting was in

Sixth War Loan Chairman P. E. Ferebee stated Wednesday that it appears the county will have gone over the top in the present drive, with a quota of \$194,000 in bonds, of which \$86,000 was for "E" Series, by the end of this week. Latest figures from the Treasury Department, as of last Friday, gave the county a total credit of \$100,148.25, of which \$54,371.25 was for "E" bonds.

Mrs. J. W. Davidson, chairman of bond sales in the Murphy schools has reported the total sales to date to be \$31,503.65. Of this amount the high school has sold \$4,743.65 and the elementary school \$26,760.

By classes, the following amounts have been sold in the elementary school: Miss Clara McCombs, \$1,400; Mrs. Brendle, \$25; Mrs. Patton, \$600; Mrs. Schaap, \$25; Mrs. Dair Shields, \$225; Miss Emily Sword, \$2,825; Miss Kate Hayes, \$100; Mrs. Martha Adams, \$875; Miss Addie Leatherwood, \$19,310; Mrs. J. W. Davidson, \$3,375.

Schools Close Early Because Of Bad Weather

Due to weather conditions and the fact that school buses may not be able to operate for several days, Supt. H. Bueck of the city school unit, and Lloyd Hendrix, superintendent of county schools, decided Tuesday to suspend schools until the 27th of December which will make a difference of only a few days in the length of the Christmas holidays, and the time of closing in the spring.

Pageant Is Given At Baptist Church

"Gifts", a pageant on the Lottie Moon Christmas offering, was presented Sunday evening at First Baptist church by the Young Woman's auxiliary, under the direction of the leader, Miss Addie Mae Cooke, and the W. M. U. leader, Mrs. J. C. Ammons.

Miss Emma Louise Jenkins was reader, and members of the junior choir assisted with the music. Rosalind Staleup sang two solo parts. Those taking part in the pantomime were: Mrs. Roger Ammons and baby, the madonna scene; Joe Hamilton, Lloyd Hendrix and P. G. Ivie, wise men; Cyrus White, Roger Ammons and R. D. Chandler, shepherds; Mrs. J. J. Berry, widow with the mite box; Miss Alice Jayne Dockery, young lady with an alabaster box; Mrs. Winston Craig, Chinese woman; Miss Jayne Ricks, Mexican Woman; Miss Frances Ricks, missionary; Sammy White and Gordon Eates, Africans; and Miss Janice Hall, peasant woman.

The first scene was of the manger and the second the cross.

Prior to the presentation of the pageant, Rev. R. Lane Akins spoke briefly on the subject of "Mission".

honor of the football squad of the local high school. Coach Al Smith and several of the football players were special guests.

Miss Virginia Ann Morgan, accompanied by Mrs. Duke Whitley, sang several selections. She was presented by the program chairman, Bob Bault.

B. I. Mirkin of New York City, owner of Murphy Box and Flooring Manufacturing Co., and S. P. Horowitz of Murphy were guests of Frank Forsyth. At the close of the meeting, Mr. Mirkin contributed a check for \$50 to the blind work which the club carries on.