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R. H. Foard, Murphy Business Man, Dies

Robert Hubbard Foard, 57, prominent Murphy business man, died suddenly of a heart attack at his home here about 3:30 o'clock Friday morning. He had been in ill health for several months, but at the time of his death was apparently feeling well and had returned Wednesday night from Cleveland where he and Mrs. Foard had spent Christmas with relatives.

Born in Salisbury Nov. 1, 1887, the son of Robert Hubbard and Annie Steele Foard, he was taken in infancy to Cleveland where he resided for a number of years. With his brother, the late Steele Foard, he became engaged in the veneer business a number of years ago. They established a veneer plant in Hayesville in 1929 and moved to Murphy in 1933, where they became associated with A. E. Welborn and R. G. Alexander to form the Appalachian Veneer company.

At the time of his death, Mr. Foard was vice president and general manager of the company, and was one of 10 members of the war production board advisory committee of the Veneer Hardwood association of the United States. For 18 months he had made trips to Washington every six weeks in the latter capacity.

Mr. Foard was married in 1918 to Miss Annie Lee Kincaid of Cleveland.

He took an active part in the affairs of Murphy Presbyterian church in which he was an elder at the time of his death. He was a veteran of the first World War, and was listed in "Who's Who" in the fourth edition of Commerce and Industry in 1944.

Brief funeral services were held at the home here Saturday morning at 9 o'clock with the Rev. Ralph Taylor, pastor of First Methodist church, officiating.

Active pallbearers were: J. B. Gray, Dale Lee, R. G. Alexander, R. S. Parker, Dr. W. B. Whitfield and H. Bueck.

Following the service, the body was taken by ivie funeral home to Cleveland to the home of his sister, Mrs. Q. J. Scott. Funeral services were held at Third Creek Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with the Rev. W. E. Opliger, pastor, and the Rev. W. H. Goodman of Kannapolis, officiating.

Surviving besides the widow, are three sisters, Mrs. C. H. Rosebro and Mrs. S. J. of Cleveland, and Mrs. S. J. of Everett, Wash.

Those from Murphy attending the funeral were: Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Alexander and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gray, and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Eller, and Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Welborn of Waynesboro, Ga.

Jas. Carter Is In Army Hospital At Daytona Beach

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla.—Pfc. James H. Carter, who formerly lived in Murphy, has recently arrived at Welch Convalescent hospital, the army's new reconditioning center, Daytona Beach. The carefully planned reconditioning program here will speed his convalescence and assist his return to the best of health.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Carter, entered the army June 1942 and has since served seven months in the European theatre of operations, where he was awarded the Purple Heart.

The Welch soldier also has two brothers, Sheridan and Jack, in the armed forces.

TO PREACH SUNDAY

Rev. Robert Barker will preach at the First Baptist church Sunday at 11 o'clock in the morning and at 7:30 in the evening. At the morning service the church will elect three deacons, approve the budget and elect Sunday school officers and teachers for the New Year.



TAKEN BY DEATH—R. H. Foard, prominent business man of this town, who died at his home on Friday morning.

Hugh Rogers Is Among Flash And Sound Observers

SIXTH ARMY GROUP, FRANCE — Infantrymen, crawling on their bellies through the brush and mud at advanced outposts of the front, sometimes wonder who the stranger is in their midst. Besides a doughboy's equipment, he has a little electrical gadget.

It doesn't take the doughboys long to find out he's a member of the 3rd Field Artillery Observation Battalion, and performing a mighty important job in locating enemy guns, adjusting our own artillery fire, and collecting important intelligence for the strategists at headquarters.

When an enemy artillery piece fires, the American forward observer presses a button on his electrical gadget. With that snap of a button, a series of concealed microphones, strung out in a line a couple miles back, are turned on.

Since the "mikes" are at varying distances from the enemy gun, they pick up the sound at varying time-intervals as little as one-thousandth of a second. From each microphone are wire lines leading to another, more-complicated instrument as a central recording point.

Here the variations in time-intervals are almost instantaneously photographed as jagged lines, half-a-dozen lines, half-a-dozen microphones. Transcribed to a plotting board, these time-intervals become intersecting lines on a map, with the point of intersection revealing the location of the enemy gun.

Fully 50 per cent or more of the men have a knowledge of geometry, trigonometry and other advanced mathematics. And that knowledge is needed in computing temperature, wind and other corrections to the data picked up by the microphones. A meteorological section of the battalion informs the computers of these corrections, and also furnishes data to all artillery units in the XV Corps, with which the 3rd Field Artillery Observation Battalion is now serving.

The battalion uses another system of locating enemy guns—through observation, also by advanced lookouts, of flash or smoke. Using an instrument like a telescope on a graduated base, these "flash" observers report by phone to a "flash control," where again mathematicians and plotters determine the enemy position through triangulation.

In France, these "flash and sound" observers have served with the First, Third and Seventh Armies. They have captured prisoners, taken a few town themselves, and contributed directly to the smashing back of the Nazi forces.

Members of the battalion include Cpl. Hugh W. Rogers of Murphy, route 3.

Pathfinder Uses Story On Cherokee Boar

Cherokee County's capitol city again comes in for national publicity. In the December 25 Pathfinder magazine, a column and a half containing a half column cut was devoted to "Cherokee Boar." The Pathfinder story recited that their wild boars were shipped to Murphy in 1912 by wealthy New York City sportsmen. These boars and other game were carried out to Hooper Bald at that time. "A special wagon-cage was used" to transport these wild hogs. They came from the Hartz mountains in North Germany.

Moore To Attend Plymouth Meeting

E. C. Moore, Murphy Plymouth dealer, has been invited to confer with Plymouth factory executives at a meeting to be held on Thursday, January 11, at the Biltmore hotel in Atlanta. The invitations were issued by Joseph E. Bayne, general sales manager for Plymouth division of Chrysler corporation.

Plans and methods of operation vital to America's war and post-war transportation will be discussed at the meeting, Bayne indicated.

The meeting will include W. B. Rice, Plymouth director of service, Joseph E. Bayne, general sales manager, and R. C. Somerville and H. B. Heberling, assistant general sales managers.

Myrt Padgett Is Administrative Specialist

TAMPA, Fla.—Sgt. Myrt M. Padgett, 22, of Hayesville, who demonstrated administrative proficiency at her women's army corps job at Third Air Force Headquarters, was reclassified recently from clerk typist to administrative specialist.

Sergeant Padgett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew F. Padgett, of Hayesville, enlisted in the WAC in her senior year at the Women's College of North Carolina and reported to Fort Oglethope, Ga., for basic training upon her graduation in June, 1943.

Assigned to Third Air Force headquarters here in August, 1943, she was promoted to private first class a month later, to corporal in February, 1944 and to sergeant in August, 1944. At present she is assigned to the adjutant general's section.

She holds a bachelor's degree in music from the Women's College, where she won a dramatics medal, played in the college band and sang in the college choir.



RECLASSIFIED—Sgt. Myrt M. Padgett of Hayesville, who, because of her administrative proficiency in the WAC has been reclassified from clerk typist to administrative specialist.

BOOK REVIEW
The Library Book Review will be January 11 at 7:30. J. B. Gray will review U. S. Foreign Policy by Lippman. The public is invited.

G. H. Haigler, Father Of Mrs. Tom Mauney, Dies At Hayesville

G. H. Haigler, 89, one of the county's most prominent residents, died Sunday night at his home in Hayesville. He had been an invalid for some months.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Methodist church in Hayesville, with the Rev. Clark Benson, pastor, the Rev. E. L. Adams, of Young Harris college, and the Rev. R. Lane Akins, pastor of the Baptist church, officiating.

Pallbearers were members of the Masonic order and honorary pallbearers were life-long friends. Clay county lodge No. 301, A. F. and A. M., conducted graveside rites. The body lay in state at the church from noon until 2 p. m.

Born in Cherokee county, Mr. Haigler moved to Hayesville at an early age and taught school in Clay county for a number of years. He was superintendent of Clay county schools for nine years.

Mr. Haigler was postmaster for several years and a U. S. commissioner for 15 years. He founded the Clay County bank, serving for a number of years as its first cashier. He was also instrumental in having the Tennessee Railway constructed.

Master of the Clay county Masonic lodge for 26 years, Mr. Haigler was the first worthy grand patron of the Order of the Eastern Star of North Carolina. Known to his friends as a deeply religious person, he was a member of the Methodist church in Hayesville for 61 years, serving most of that period as steward. He was superintendent of the Sunday school of the church for 54 years.

Married 64 years last May, Mr. Haigler is survived by the widow; eight children, Mrs. Myrtle Reagan of Andrews, Mrs. P. C. Scroggs of Hayesville, Mrs. Donald Ryder of Pooler, Ga., Mrs. T. J. Mauney of Murphy, Mrs. Mark Weaver of Hayesville, and the Misses Sue and Louise Haigler of Hayesville, and B. Neal Haigler of Lakeland, Fla.; 16 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Ivie funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Murphy To Play Hayesville High Friday Night

The Murphy basketball team will open the 1945 season at Robbinville tonight (Wed.). Our first home game will be against Hayesville at the local gym Friday night at 7 o'clock. Each contest will see both boys and girls teams in action. Back your teams and make it a successful season.

Harold Bradley Is Graduated At Laredo Air Field

Pfc. Harold R. Bradley, son of Mr. and Mrs. V. B. Bradley of Andrews, was graduated recently from the Army Air Forces Flexible Gunnery school Laredo Army Air Field, Laredo, Texas, a member of the AAF Training Command. He is now qualified to take his place as a member of a bomber combat crew.

Along with his diploma, he received a pair of aerial gunner's silver wings and a promotion in grade at brief graduation exercises held here.

He was prepared for his place in America's stepped-up air offensive by a comprehensive six weeks course in every phase of aerial gunnery warfare. Besides learning to fire every type weapon from camera guns to the deadly calibre .50 Brownings, he studied turret manipulation, aircraft identification, stripping and reassembling of machine guns while blindfolded. He climaxed the course by air firing on towed targets.

Baptist Pastors To Meet Monday In Hayesville

The Western N. C. Baptist pastors' conference will meet at Hayesville Baptist church Monday, January 8, at 10 o'clock. The theme of the conference will be, "The Centennial Evangelistic Crusade." Some of the speakers are: The Rev. J. F. Marchman of Franklin, Rev. J. B. Warren of Sylva, Rev. W. H. Brown of Bryson City, Rev. L. P. Smith of Andrews, Rev. L. G. Elliott of Waynesville and Rev. Richard Kelley of Canton. Some of the topics for discussion are: "Advantages to local churches in co-operating in the Crusade," "The Challenge to Pastor," "How to Prepare and Deliver Expository Evangelistic Sermons," "Means of Pushing the Crusade in the Local Church," and "Conserving Results."

The annual election of officers will be held Monday by the conference, which meets quarterly. It is composed of all Baptist ministers in the western part of N. C. who desire to have part in it.

Wm. B. Hornsby Appointed Cadet Midshipman

Kings Point, N. Y. — William Barnette Hornsby, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Guy Hornsby, of Murphy, N. C., has been appointed a cadet-midshipman for officer training in the United States Merchant Marine Cadet corps. He has been assigned to the United States Merchant Marine academy here for four months preliminary training after which he will serve a minimum of six months as an engine cadet-midshipman aboard merchant ships carrying vital war supplies to the far-flung battlefronts. When he completes his sea time he will return to the academy for twelve months advanced training. Upon graduation he will be qualified to serve as a third assistant engineering officer in the Merchant Marine.

Hornsby attended Marlborough high school, Marlboro, Mass., and Andrews high school, Andrews, N. C., and during his school terms he was active in football, basketball, and was vice-president of the senior class.

Holiday Babies

Dr. Harry Miller's clinic has the record for holiday babies. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Guy Fox of Ranger on Christmas Day, and on New Year's Day, "Miss 1945" was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie McClure of East Murphy.

Made Captain

ANDREWS—Mr. and Mrs. Wymer Conley have been informed that their son, Hall, who is in service in France, has recently been promoted to Captain. Capt. Conley and Capt. Robert Brown met in France.



GRADUATES—Pfc. Harold R. Bradley of Andrews, who was recently graduated from the Army Air Forces Flexible Gunnery School at Laredo Army Air Field, Laredo, Texas.

Baptists To Start Centennial Crusade Program Next Sunday



BAPTIST HOUR SPEAKER—Dr. Wallace Bassett of Dallas, Texas, who will speak on the Baptist Hour Sunday morning, January 7, at 7:30 o'clock (CWT). With this broadcast Southern Baptists will inaugurate the 1945 Baptist Hour and the Centennial Crusade program.

Women Wanted For Training As Medical Technicians

Spiking rumors that recruiting for the Women's Army Corps was discontinued as of the first of the year, Sgt. Wm. D. Ashley, of the Asheville Army Recruiting office, in Murphy on Wednesday said that women to be trained as medical technicians for duty with the armed forces would be enlisted as long as the war against Germany and Japan continues.

"Enlistment requirements have been revised, however," the recruiting sergeant said, "and only those who possess a particular knowledge or skill which can be useful to the army, or those who can qualify for special technical training, will be eligible for the entrance into the corps."

"At present," the sergeant continued, "the U. S. Army Nurse Corps is making an all-out drive to enlist registered nurses for assignment to the armed force. A number of those seeking enlistment with the A.N.C., however, will not be accepted for duty with the nursing corps—and it is women such as these that we mean to enlist as WAC medical technicians. Requirements for a medical assignment with the Women's Army Corps are not as high as those for assignment with the Army Nurse Corps, and many who fail to meet the standards for one branch of the service will find that they are sorely needed for duty in another phase of the medical department of the Army."

Expressing the opinion that he certainly couldn't see how any woman who reads the casualty lists in the daily papers needed very much coaching to impress upon her just how badly she is needed by the medical corps, Sgt. Ashley announced that new enlistment requirements make it necessary that the enlistees possess a high school education or some technical knowledge in the medical field. "Red Cross nurses aides and doctor's assistants are among the women we need," the sergeant said, and expressed a desire to contact every one of these technically trained women in Murphy.

Announcing that a new recruiting schedule would place a Women's Army Corps recruiter in Murphy every week, Sgt. Ashley appealed for women who possess the basic qualifications to contact their local postmaster for an appointment to discuss the prospects of enlistment.

Southern Baptists will inaugurate the 1945 Baptist Hour together with their Centennial Crusade program next Sunday morning, January 7th, 8:30, E.W.T.—7:30 C.W.T., with Dr. Wallace Bassett of Dallas, Texas, speaking on the Baptist hour network, which covers all the territory from Maryland to Florida and westward to include Texas, Oklahoma and Missouri, according to Dr. S. P. Lowe, director of the Southern Baptist Radio committee, of Atlanta, Ga. The subject for this general series is "The Call of a New Era."

With Southern Baptists seeking to win 1,000,000 souls to Christ in 1945, and with millions of young men from the homes of the nation in military service, it is appropriate that Dr. Bassett's subject should be, as announced by the Radio Committee, "Prayer For a Stricken World." This broadcast is a part of the program of Southern Baptists to help lead the nation in prayer in the opening of the crucial year 1945.

Dr. Bassett, the speaker for that broadcast, has been pastor of the Cliff Temple Baptist church of Dallas, Texas for more than 25 years, and is recognized as one of the great spiritual preachers and leaders of our day, according to Dr. Lowe.

The music this year will again be by the Baptist Hour Choir under the direction of John D. Hoffman. The program will originate from the studios of WSB, Atlanta, Ga.

Petrie Hospital Is Provisionally Approved By ACS

Petrie hospital of Murphy was one of the 15 hospitals in Western North Carolina approved fully or provisionally by the American College of Surgeons for the year 1944. The local hospital was provisionally approved.

The listing, it was explained, indicates hospitals of 25 or more beds which have complied satisfactorily with the minimum requirements that assure the best care of the sick and injured.

Factors taken into consideration in granting or withholding approval include the hospital plant, its organization, the governing board, the superintendent, personnel, medical staff, diagnostic and therapeutic facilities, conferences of administrative and medical staffs, and "a humanitarian spirit—the primary consideration being the best care of the patient."

Of the 15 hospitals in this region on the list, seven were given full approval, and eight, provisional approval. Provisional approval, it was explained, was given to those hospitals that are endeavoring to meet requirements, "out for acceptable reasons have not been able to do so in every detail and were not at time of survey complying sufficiently to merit full approval."

Andrew Phillips At Depot Bomber Repair Base

AN VIII AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND STATION, ENGLAND—Private First Class Andrew J. Phillips, son of Mrs. Maggie Phillips, Robbinsville, N. C., is an automotive equipment operator in the transportation division of this strategic air depot bomber repair base. Prior to his entry into the military service August 18, 1942 at Fort Croft, South Carolina, he was a farmer. Pfc. Phillips has been stationed in the European theatre of operations since August, 1943.