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EIGHT PAGES THIS WEEK

Lions Sponsors Of Two-Day Eye Clinic

Murphy Lions club cooperated with the Cherokee county health department this week in conducting two eye clinics in which approximately 70 individuals were examined. Clinics were conducted Monday and Wednesday. On Monday 35 were examined, out of which 21 were given prescriptions for glasses. Two children, both seven-year-old boys, were advised to be fitted in prosthesis. One child needed a new artificial eye. The other had no artificial eye.

Applications for surgery were made on two old ladies, one 73 years old and the other 75 years old. Both, almost totally blind in both eyes, were advised to have cataract extraction immediately. Cataract extraction was advised for another lady, 70 years old. Surgery was advised for one six-year-old boy, and for one seven-year-old boy. A three-year-old girl was given a prescription for glasses.

The clinic on Wednesday had a similar work and number, but the figures were not available in time for this week's paper.

The above report was made at meeting of the Lions club at the Methodist church Tuesday evening, by Frank Forsyth.

The Rev. Ralph Taylor was the speaker for the evening, using as his subject, "Mission Accomplished". He stated that during the new club year the progress that will be made will be determined by the attitude of the individual member. He said if there is the attitude: "Let George do it", nothing can be accomplished, but with a spirit of full cooperation the club can set an example of team work for the community, render real service, and be an inspiration in the accomplishment of much for the community.

President R. S. Bault presented attendance pins to the following members who served in the armed forces during the war: Merle Davis, H. A. Mattox, Buel Adams, Edwin Hyde and J. H. Duncan. A pin also was presented Dr. R. H. Cox.

Lt. Commander E. L. Easley of Camp Peary, Va., was a guest of his brother, R. W. Easley, Jr.

C. E. Weir read a letter from Miss Josephine Heighway, librarian, in appreciation of an electric fan the club presented the library.

The Rev. Ralph Taylor announced plans for establishment of the off-campus college center here.

The next meeting will be a picnic, and the district governor, D. R. Mauney of Cherryville will be a special guest. The following committee is in charge of the supper: Dr. R. H. Cox, C. E. Weir and T. A. Case.

Three Murphy boys, Pvt. Hubert E. Robinson, William Darnell, and Newell McDonald, have met in Tokyo according to reports from Pvt. Roberson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roberson.

Pvt. Roberson is serving with the 8th Engr. in Tokyo. He entered the service in September 1945 and took his basic training at Camp Plauche, New Orleans, La., and was sent overseas in March.

Two enlist in army. The following Cherokee county men have recently enlisted or re-enlisted in the regular army:

Olin J. Palmer of Marble, son of Mrs. Annie B. Palmer, who had served 68 months previously, enlisted in Corps of Engineers.

Hubert Y. Williams of Murphy, husband of Mrs. Elizabeth P. Williams, who had not seen service previously.

Imperial high priest. San Francisco — Hubert M. Po-teat, Professor of Latin Language and Literature at Wake Forest College for the past 34 years and a distinguished scholar and author was last unanimously elected Imperial High Priest and Prophet of the Shrine of North America at its Victory Convention now in session here.

Guests from Canada. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harrington of Sachkatchewan, Canada, and Mrs. C. W. Bell of Sapphire were guests of Mrs. Eric Lloyd here Monday. Mrs. Lloyd entertained them and Miss Addie Mae Cooke at dinner Monday evening at the Henry House.

Candidate. Allen Brendle, merchant of Shoal Creek, has been nominated to succeed the late Glenn Crowe as a candidate for election as member of the county board of commissioners in the November election.

Funeral Is Held On Friday For Gene Simonds. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at First Methodist church for Gene Simonds, 16, who was fatally injured Wednesday afternoon about 2 o'clock in a fall over Notley Falls near Neel Gap in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Georgia about 35 miles from Murphy.

The Rev. Ralph Taylor, pastor, the Rev. C. A. Smith, a member of Murphy high school faculty, and the Rev. J. Alton Morris, pastor of the First Baptist officiated. Burial followed in Sunset cemetery, with Ivie funeral home in charge.

Active pallbearers were: Ralph Warner, Carl Meroney, Arthur Beal, Ted Green, Kenneth Christopher, and J. B. Decker, all schoolmates. There was also an honorary escort of school boys.

Flower girls were: Elizabeth Ann Elkins, Joan Barnett, Joyce Coleman, Barbara Arnold, Billie Adams, Margaret Akin, Jean Reid, Betty Lou Ammons, Mary Evelyn Carringer, Elaine Richardson, and Jane Sneed.

Gene had gone to the falls with Mrs. Margaret Akin, and daughter, Margaret, Joyce Coleman and Ralph Warner, on a picnic. He lost his footing and fell about half way down the embankment landing on a ledge. Ralph Warner is reported to have gone down the mountain side and reached him before the leader of a Boy Scout troop from Georgia, which was encamped near by was lowered to the ledge on a rope to aid in the rescue. It took more than two hours to remove him and he died about two hours after reaching Petrie hospital.

Gene was a student at Murphy high school, and was an active member of the First Methodist church.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Simonds and a sister, Mrs. Nelma Hinshaw of Murphy.

Funeral Held Saturday For Glenn Crowe

Funeral services for Glenn Crowe, 33, who was killed Thursday morning when a gasoline drum exploded at his store at Unaka, were held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Unaka Baptist church. Mr. Crowe had been demonstrating a welding torch, which he placed on an empty gasoline drum. The drum exploded from the heat, and Mr. Crowe was struck on the side of his head by the top of the drum and died before reaching the hospital.

Patton Coleman, who was standing by, was blown against an automobile parked near by.

Funeral services for Mr. Crowe were conducted by the Rev. John Moss, the Rev. Tom Smith, the Rev. A. G. Morrow, the Rev. Mr. Beaver, and Grant Phillips. His favorite song, "A Beautiful Life", was led by Bill Roberts and sung by the choir. Townson funeral home was in charge of arrangements. Burial was in the church cemetery.

He had been a leading member of the Unaka Baptist church for 16 years, a deacon for 10 years or more and Sunday School superintendent for seven years. Having been a leading merchant in Unaka for a number of years, he was a well-known and prominent citizen.

He is survived by: his widow Mrs. Minerva Morrow Crowe; a son, Glenn Crowe, Jr.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Crowe of Unaka; a brother, Lon, of Cleveland, Tenn.; three sisters, Mrs. Lloyd Hampton, Cleveland, Tenn.; Mrs. Earl McCord, Nashville, Tenn.; and Mrs. John Jones, Akron, Ohio.

Honorary pallbearers were: Sheridan Dickey, Otis Kilby, J. W. Odom, J. B. Rose, George Crawford, Patton Coleman, H. A. Mattox, Frank Morrow and Herman Jones.

Active pallbearers were: Clifford Rose, Frank Crawford, Cecil Jones, Charles Bates, Marion Morrow, Willard Morrow, Enoch Morrow, and Garland Radford.

Flower girls were: Geneva Radford, Grace Radford, Lois Jones, Roma Bates, Mary Lou Odom, Colene Crowe, Nellie Morrow, Lucile Morrow, Blanche Morrow, Evelyn Kisselburg, Blanche Hamby, Evelyn Radford, Elova Almond and Beatrice Coleman.

Curtain And Drapery Factory Opens Here

The Lynda Manufacturing Company, a new enterprise organized by E. O. Christopher, E. A. Browning, L. D. Schuyler and Jack Christopher, has begun operation here for the manufacture of curtains, draperies, plastic aprons and possibly plastic raincoats. An inexpensive cotton night gown is also being manufactured at present.

About 12 machines are now in operation and 10 or 15 additional ones will be put in operation as soon as they can be obtained, and material is available, according to announcement by E. O. Christopher.

Seven operators are employed, with Mrs. W. E. Studstill as superintendent.

The plant is located on the second floor of the Stiles building on Hiwassee Street.

Transferred. Waynesville — The Rev. Hugh P. Kennedy, assistant pastor of St. John's church and instructor in mathematics in St. John's high school, left Monday for his new assignment as assistant pastor of Immaculate Conception church, Hendersonville. A purse of \$200 from the parish was presented to Father Kennedy before his departure.

He will be succeeded at St. John's by the Rev. Francis J. Tait, who has been assistant pastor at St. Paul's church, New Bern.

On the job training. All veterans interested in taking on the job training in farming may contact Carlyle Stroud at the high school or at 417 Hiwassee Street.

In Washington. Floyd Matheson, chief fire controlman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Matheson, Topton, N. C., is attending the Instructors Naval Training School at Washington, D. C.

Lt. Col. Davidson Commands AAF Team In Atom Bomb Test

51 Students Are Registered For College Center

At least 51 students are interested in securing off-campus college training at a center in Murphy, according to registrations in Murphy and Hayesville Monday and Tuesday. Forty-one registered in Murphy and 10 in Hayesville, and many were expected at Andrews. Others are expected to register before the opening of the center.

The center will be established in cooperation with the local high school, well-trained faculty members will be secured, and both veterans and non-veterans interested may enroll for freshman college work.



Lt. Col. Jerry W. Davidson

A North Carolinian, Lt. Col. Jerry W. Davidson of Murphy, commands the AAF inspection team on the Carrier INDEPENDENCE for the atomic bomb test. His duties include the preparation of items of AAF equipment and material for exposure on the flight deck of the carrier, and supervision of the inspections which will be made to determine the results. Although equipment and personnel in Col. Davidson's charge belong to the Army Air Forces, the Air Unit of which they are a part has been included in the Army Ground Group of Joint Task Force One for administrative purposes. The object of the exposure of the AAF test items on the deck of the INDEPENDENCE is to create a situation similar to that which would exist if AAF equipment on an air field were to be subjected to attack with the atomic bomb. It is hoped that once provided with information regarding the effect of the bomb, technicians of the AAF may be able to devise various measures of passive defense, including the designing of equipment better able to stand up to the atomic blast than that now in use.

Business Group Now Chamber Commerce

Olmsted Estate Sold To West

The following real estate transfers have taken place during the past week:

Myrtle Olmsted McMahan of Arlington county, Va., and Nesfield H. Cunningham, (formerly Nesfield H. Olmsted) and husband, William R. Cunningham of Washington, D. C., to Herman H. West and wife, Margie West, parcel of land in Cherokee county adjoining lands of Mrs. Don Witherspoon and W. A. Hampton.

Jasper W. Dyer and wife, Samantha Dyer, to B. R. Rogers and wife, Isadora Rogers, land in Cherokee county adjoining lands of M. R. Carringer, Alton Martin and A. McD. Harshaw.

Carl C. Ledford to Mary K. Hamby and Kamilla G. Hamby, tract in Cherokee county in Shoal Creek township.

Irene Ramsey Watson and husband, Grover E. Watson of McMinn county, Tenn., to Leonard Ramsey, tract in Murphy adjoining the L. & N. Railroad and Irene Ramsey Watson.

Glenn D. Cunningham and wife, Mary Cunningham, to E. F. Anderson and wife, Cleve E. Anderson, land in Cherokee county adjoining lands of Oma Smith, Grover, Miss., Victor Ellis, A. F. Cunningham heirs, and W. B. Raper.

Percy B. Ferebee to J. C. Kelly and wife, Lee Ellen Kelly of Beaufort county, lot in Andrews.

Claude V. Watson and wife, Hil-da Watson, to Ralph West, lot in Andrews.

P. B. Ferebee to Arthur Watkins and wife, Mary Lou Watkins, land in Junaluska Jungles on south side of Andrews-Aquone road.

Mattie Hendrix and husband, M. G. Hendrix of Cherokee county, Ga., and Corrie W. Hyatt and husband, P. C. Hyatt, to H. Grady Nelson and wife, Dovie D. Nelson, tract in Murphy adjoining lands of C. M. Wofford.

Ed King to Oscar W. Taylor and wife, Hazel L. Taylor, lot in Ed King sub-division in Murphy.

Roy Dockery and wife, Chloe Dockery, to Sylvester Woody and wife, Hazel Woody, land in Cherokee county adjoining land of F. L. Davis.

Mrs. Emma Silvey and Mrs. Maude Silvey Dotson, to T. H. Crofts and Fannie Crofts, lands in Cherokee county adjoining lands of W. A. Nichols, Mrs. T. H. Crofts, and Mrs. Anna Silvey.

A. F. Powell to W. E. Powell and Ella Powell, land in Cherokee county adjoining J. E. Powell and D. Mickens.

W. E. Powell and wife, Ella Powell, to Will Hall, lands in Cherokee adjoining J. E. Powell and D. Mickens.

T. M. Baker and wife, Margaret Baker, to E. S. Weaver and wife, Lou Emma Weaver, tract in Shoal Creek township.

Murphy Business Men's club has changed its name to Chamber of Commerce and is taking steps toward securing a full-time paid secretary to promote the interests of the community.

At the meeting held last Thursday evening at the Methodist church the members heard an address by J. C. Baskerville, executive secretary of the Lenoir Chamber of Commerce, in which he told what a Chamber of Commerce is and why a community needs one.

Miss Jean Dickey, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. J. W. Davidson, sang two solos.

President C. R. Freed appointed the following committees: Budget, P. J. Henn, Doyle Burch, Ed Brumby, Dr. W. A. Hoover, Duke Whitley, and R. S. Bault; and to work with a firm interested in a development here: T. A. Case, C. L. Alverson, Dr. B. W. Whitfield, and Dr. J. R. Bell.

Mrs. Dora Helton Of Culberson Dies

Mrs. Dora Helton, 22, of Culberson, died Friday at 6 p. m. at Petrie hospital following a few day's illness.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Mount Pleasant Baptist church with the Rev. Grady Chastain officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with Townson funeral home in charge.

Surviving are her husband, Herman Helton; two children, Frances and Edward; her mother, Mrs. Belle Rhodney of Blairsville, Ga.; six sisters and three brothers.

State Officers With Eastern Star

Mrs. Reta Henley of Roseboro, worthy grand matron of North Carolina, Order of the Eastern Star, Andrew L. Ducker, worthy grand patron of Charlotte, and Mrs. Frank Swan of Andrews, District deputy grand matron made their official visit to Murphy chapter No. 10, Order of the Eastern Star last Wednesday night.

Mrs. Ducker and Mr. Swan accompanied them to Murphy.

Sermon topics. The following sermon topics have been announced by the Rev. T. G. Tate for his services Sunday:

At 11 o'clock a. m., "The True Vine"; at 8 o'clock in the evening, "The Joy of Salvation."

The Young People and Pioneer societies will meet at 7:15.

Licensed to practice. Dr. A. J. Headrick, local veterinarian, passed the state examination, which he took several weeks ago, and has received his license to practice in North Carolina.

Lt. Col. Davidson's previous military experience is of a sort to give him excellent qualifications for his present mission. Although originally commissioned in the Infantry, he transferred to the Air Corps in 1940 and trained at Randolph and Kelly Fields, Texas. Following graduation as a pilot, he was assigned to Barksdale Field, Shreveport, La., as an instructor and later was transferred to Stockton, Calif., where he was assigned the duty of setting up a twin-engine school.

In February 1942, he spent sixty days in the Flight Test Section at Wright Field before reporting to the Headquarters of the 2nd Air Force. He served in the 2nd Air Force as squadron and group commander. In June 1944 he was assigned to the 8th Air Force and was a member of the group of operational engineers headed by Colonel Kelsey. He also flew combat missions over Europe in Liberators.

In June 1945 Lt. Col. Davidson returned from Europe and spent three months with the Air Transport Command at Greenwood, Miss. In November, he reported for duty at Wright Field and on January 28, 1946, he was made project officer for Operation Crossroads. Lt. Col. Davidson wears the Air Medal in addition to the various theatre ribbons.

Before entering the Army, Lt. Col. Davidson's life had been spent in the South. He was born in Murphy and received the degree of Aeronautical Engineer from North Carolina State College in 1937. During the two, and a half years immediately following his graduation he was a safety engineer with the Tennessee Valley Authority. Despite his extended travels, he still considers Murphy his home. His wife and daughter have recently been visiting Lt. Col. Davidson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davidson here. He arrived here last week to spend a few days.

Cases Tried For Drunkenness

The following cases were tried in Mayor's court here July 16 through the July 22:

Public Drunkenness: Allen Wise, \$5 and costs; Bass Stiles, \$5 and costs; Henry Sneed, \$2.50 and costs; Hillard Martin, fine \$6.90, called and failed to appear, bond forfeited, costs deducted and balance turned over to school fund; Hillard Phillips, \$2.50 and costs; David Phillips, \$5 and costs; William Arrowood, \$2.50 and costs; Ben Alverson, \$2.50 and costs; W. R. Herring, \$5 and costs; Robert Donaldson, fine \$6.90, called and failed to appear, bond forfeited, costs deducted and balance turned over to school fund; William Arrowood, \$5 and costs.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ray are spending a few days in Atlanta, where the latter is undergoing treatment.