



Association Is Giving Farmers More Reason To Participate In Fair

The board of directors of the Cherokee county fair association met at the courthouse Monday and made definite plans for holding this year's county fair. The new directors are revising the catalog and appointing departmental committees. In order to create new interest in the county fair the committee is adding substantially to the amount to be paid in premiums, and a number of large special premiums are being offered to encourage and to promote agricultural projects in the county. For example, the general farm exhibits will carry five premiums of \$75, \$60, \$50, \$35 and \$25. These exhibits are expected to encourage farm families to produce a more abundant food and feed supply.

Another special prize of \$50 will be offered to the producer of the highest yielding acre of corn. To be eligible for this prize the individual will be required to exhibit at the county fair and to file with the association a yield report.

New fair catalogs are being made up and will be ready for distribution in the early spring. Under the agreement of the county and town, it was decided last fall to ask the county attorney to file an application to incorporate the fair association, and to bond the secretary-treasurer, and also to require the secretary-treasurer to publish a financial statement within 60 days after the date of the fair annually.

Officers and directors of the association are: Chairman, Lawson Lunsford; vice-chairman, Mrs. J. W. Dyer; secretary-treasurer, Harold Wells; members, W. S. Dickey and W. D. Townson.

W. E. Payne Is Found Dead Near His Home

W. E. Payne, 74, died suddenly at his home at Culberson, Friday morning, January 10. He went to the woods to get some wood, it was reported, and not returning, his daughter went to look for him and found him dead.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock at Shady Grove church with the Rev. Freed Townsend officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with Townson funeral home in charge.

He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Lydia Davis of Gastonia, Mrs. Cynthia Shields of Danville, Va., Miss Maida Payne of Culberson, and Miss Anna Lee Payne of Atlanta, Ga.; two sons, W. A. Payne of Gastonia and Poley Payne of Murphy; two brothers, Jim Payne and Oliver Payne, both of Suit; three sisters, Mrs. Mollie Stiles of Tomolia, Mrs. Emma Dockery of Grandview, and Mrs. Nannie Richards of Buchanan, Ga.

Four-H Clubs To Meet This Month

All 4-H clubs in the county are scheduled to meet next week as follows: Monday, January 20, Peachtree, 1:30 o'clock; Tuesday, January 21, Ranger, 1:30 o'clock; Tuesday, Jan. 21, Hiwassee Dam, 11:00 o'clock; Wednesday, January 22, Marble, 9:30 o'clock; Wednesday, January 22, Andrews high, 11:00 o'clock; Wednesday, January 22, Andrews elementary, 12:45 o'clock; Thursday, January 23, Murphy elementary, 10:00 o'clock; Thursday, January 23, Murphy high, 11:00 o'clock; Thursday, January 23, Martin's Creek, 1:30 o'clock; Friday, January 24, Beaverdam, 10:30 o'clock.

ATTEND SCHOOL

Rev. Leonard McClure of Murphy, Rt. 2, and Rev. Jess Rich of Letitia left Monday morning for Fruitland, where they will take a six-week training course for preachers, sponsored by the Baptist state convention.

Give Resolution On Liquor To General Assembly

The following resolution on the liquor question, adopted by the Baptist State convention in November, to be presented to the General Assembly, has been accepted and endorsed by the executive committee of the Western North Carolina and West Liberty associations, and signed by the Moderators, P. G. Ivie, and Rev. Fred Stiles, respectively:

"We deeply deplore the situation in North Carolina regarding intoxicating beverages caused by the Acts of the General Assembly, without a vote of the people, legalizing the sale of beer, wine and ale, the infamous one-gallon intoxicating liquor provision, and permitting the Counties to establish A. B. C. Liquor Stores as a County unit. All of these things were done by the General Assembly not only without a vote of the people, but directly against the wishes of the majority of the people in North Carolina as expressed in every state referendum on the subject.

BE IT, THEREFORE, RESOLVED:

1. That the Baptists of North Carolina in convention assembled, favor a state wide referendum in regard to intoxicating beverages and to that end we request and urge the Members of the General Assembly of 1947 to enact legislation providing for the state wide referendum in 1947.

2. That this Convention is squarely in accord with the work of the Allied Church League, and we respectfully request said League to make such plans as it deems best to properly present this matter to the next General Assembly and secure favorable action thereon.

3. We respectfully request that the Executive Committee of each district association contact their duly elected Members of the General Assembly immediately and, either orally or by written resolution, request said Members of the General Assembly to favor legislation in conformity with this resolution.

4. That the General Secretary of the Convention send a copy of this resolution to each Moderator of the Association and request said Moderator to act in accordance herewith immediately.

5. That by way of implementing and giving added force to our resolutions and petitions that this Convention definitely request all the Executive Committees of the Seventy District Associations of the State to cooperate in a movement to have present at the Legislature a strong delegation every day the Legislature is in session, until the Legislature calls said election, that the duty of the delegations will be to bring all legal and moral pressure to bear on the Legislature to call said election.

Civil Term Court Convenes Monday

Judge W. H. Bobbitt will preside over the civil term of Cherokee county superior court which convenes here Monday. Following is the calendar:

Estelle Stegal vs. Otis Stegal; Ruth Southard vs. Clyde Southard; Fred Olen Palmer vs. Georgia E. Palmer; Robert G. Wilson vs. Violet Mae Wilson; William A. McGee vs. Ruth J. McGee; Ona Gasperson vs. Kynzer Gasperson; Artie Johnson Gennett vs. Leo Gennett; Earline W. Rogers vs. J. B. Rogers; Elaine Terrell Gill vs. John F. Gill; Millie Masheson Dewese vs. Clyde Dewese; Samuel A. Nix vs. Callie Nix; Sarah Hathcock Lloyd vs. Edward Eric Lloyd; Ray W. Shields vs. Wilma B



AIDS POLIO VICTIMS — Screen Star Greer Garson makes the appeal for funds in the motion picture, "A Step Forward", which will be shown in local theatres during the March of Dimes, Jan. 15-30. The March of Dimes is the only fund-raising activity sponsored by the National Foundation for Infantile paralysis.

Lion Hold Memorial Service For Dr. Cox

Murphy Lions club held a Memorial service in memory of Dr. Robert H. Cox, at the meeting Tuesday evening in the Methodist church. In connection with the program, Lions were called upon to be responsible for \$10 each in the polio campaign which Dr. Cox was to have conducted. Instead of \$10, the members voted to turn in \$25 each.

With Harry Bishop in charge, the program opened with the singing of "One Sweet and Solemn Thought" by Mrs. Leo Smith of Andrews, accompanied by Mrs. T. Earl Ogg, also of Andrews. Resolutions were read by H. G. Elkins. The Rev. T. G. Tate spoke on, "Dr. Cox as a Christian and Man"; and Dr. L. T. Russell on, "Dr. Cox as a Physician". J. B. Gray presented the plan that Dr. Cox had outlined for the polio campaign, and also paid tribute to the deceased Lion. He suggested that the campaign be conducted as a memorial to Dr. Cox and made the request stated above for \$10 from each member. The program was concluded with prayer by the Rev. T. G. Tate.

Following were guests at the dinner meeting: Frank Henry of Franklin, guest of Frank Ellis; James Dellinger of Memphis, Tenn., guest of Mr. Henry; Jimmie Ward, guest of Dale Lee; J. C. Penland, guest of J. B. Gray; Rev. and Mrs. Leo Smith, Mrs. T. Earl Ogg, Andrews, and Pritchard Smith, Jr., of Franklin. Jas H. Palmer, Jr., who transferred as a Lion from the Cleveland, Tenn., club.

SERMON SUBJECT

"The Habit of Church Attendance" is the topic of the sermon for the service at 11 o'clock Sunday morning at the Presbyterian church as announced by the pastor, the Rev. T. G. Tate. At the 5 o'clock vesper service, the topic is "Philadelphia, the Church of the Open Door." Presbyterian Youth Fellowship will meet after the service. Sunday school will meet at 10 a. m. Mr. Tate will preach at the Presbyterian church in Hayesville at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

Pastor Lists Church Services

Coming services at Free Methodist Church will be as follows: Preaching Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by the pastor, Rev. Fred R. Horton, subject, The True Standard of Christian Living. The pastor will also speak at the 7:30 P. M. service. Sunday School is at 10:00 A. M. Young People's Service is at 7:00 P. M., and Missionary service Tuesday 7:30 p. m. Prayer Band meets at the home of the pastor, 506 Valley River Ave. Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Prayer Meeting is at Church Thursday at 7:30 p. m. The burden of the Prayer Band is for a revival awakening. If unable to meet with the band, join in at the above hour in your home.

Memorial Service To Be Held At Methodist Church

The public is invited to hear Dr. Umphrey Lee, President of Southern Methodist University, on the Methodist Hour over WSB, 8:30 Sunday morning.

The pastor, Rev. Russell L. Young, will use as his theme for the Sunday morning service, "Cooperating With God".

The evening service will be in memory and honor of those who died and served during the last war. All service men, who are not attending elsewhere, are invited to come and sit in a body. The service flag will be taken down at this service. The pastor's theme for the hour will be, "God's Challenge."

The Board of Christian Education will meet at the parsonage at 7:30 Monday evening.

The usual helpful prayer meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30. The public is invited to attend. Immediately following this service the Senior Choir will rehearse.

Lunsford Heads Cooperative

At a meeting of the directors of the Cherokee County Farmers Cooperative, Inc., on January 13, plans were laid to begin operation of the business and for selling stock in the co-operative. Plans call for setting up a warehouse as soon as suitable space can be found.

Lawson Lunsford was elected President of the co-operative and Mrs. Kate Shields and H. B. McNabb were elected vice-president and secretary-treasurer respectively.

Any farmer is eligible to become a voting member by buying common stock at one dollar per share.

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SINGING CONVENTION

The third annual singing convention will be at the Bolling Springs Baptist church January 19, from 2 p. m. to 4 p. m. The public is invited to attend.

This County Expects To Raise \$3,000 In 1947 March Of Dimes

Work Stock Clinic To Be Held In County

Horse and mule clinics will be held in the county as follows: Monday, January 27, Marble, Abernathy's Store from 8:30 to 9:30 o'clock; Monday, January 27, Andrews at Hamilton Brothers' Auction from 12 to 2 o'clock; Tuesday, January 28, Peachtree at Barker's Store from 9 to 10:30 o'clock; Tuesday, January 28, Brasstown at Folk School Farm from 11 to 12; Tuesday, January 28, Martin's Creek at Chapman's Store from 1 o'clock to 2:30 o'clock; Tuesday, January 28, Bellview at Methodist Church from 3 to 4 o'clock; Wednesday, January 29, Grandview at Post Office from 9 to 10:30 o'clock; Wednesday, January 29, Unaka at Odom's Store from 1 to 2:30 o'clock.

Funeral Held For Sgt. H. E. Shields On Thursday

Funeral services for Sgt. Harold E. Shields, 19, son of Mrs. Kate Shields, who died January 7 at Walter Reed hospital, Washington, D. C., of leukemia, were held Thursday afternoon at Shady Grove Baptist church, with the Rev. W. T. Truett, Rev. Fred R. Horton and Rev. J. Alton Morris in charge. Burial followed, in Mt. Pleasant church cemetery, with Townson funeral home in charge.

Active pall bearers were: J. L. Tom, David, Edgar and Emory Shields and Reid Brown of Athens, Tenn.

Among the out-of-town relatives who attended the funeral were: H. B. Culberson and wife of Valdese; Mrs. Jack Coffey and daughter, Enka; Mrs. O. V. Gulledege, Montgomery, Ala.; O. W. McAllister, New Orleans, La.; R. W. Brown and family, Isabella, Tenn.; Mrs. Jack Black and Mrs. Tyson Smith, McCaysville, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Graham and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Shields, Isabella, Tenn., and Mrs. Arthur Lambert, Cherokee.

Sergeant Shields was a member of the 805th parachute infantry, medical detachment. He became ill while en route to the United States from Europe and was in a hospital at Camp Kilmer, N. J., before going to Walter Reed. He served nine months in the European theatre of operations and was stationed at Frankfurt, Germany. He received his wings in June, 1946.

GUILD TO MEET

The Wesleyan Service Guild will meet on Monday evening, January 20, at 7:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Tom Axley in East Murphy, with Mrs. Walter Witt and Miss Gladys McCleskey serving as associate hostesses.

Mrs. W. D. King will have charge of the program on the topic "Stewardship of the Children of the World."

John Cothorn Going With Navy To The Antarctic

John Cothorn, 25, seaman, first class, son of Mrs. Ollie Cothorn, of Topton, N. C., is serving aboard the destroyer USS Brownson, one of the 13 ships which comprises Task Force 68, the Navy's expedition to the Antarctic.

This expedition called "Operation Highjump", will explore the vast icy regions of the Antarctic for approximately four months, training personnel testing equipment, and developing Navy technique for establishing and maintaining bases in frigid areas.

The Brownson left Norfolk, Va., December 2, with three other ships of Task Force 68 and made port at Balboa on the Pacific end of the Panama Canal, December 7. The crew enjoyed two days liberty ashore before heading South again. When the Brownson crossed the equator the customary Navy ceremony took place in which "Shellbacks", or veterans of equator crossings, initiated "Pollywogs" into the "Royal Order of the Deep."

Christmas has not been overlooked, for the crew of every ship will participate in divine services and enjoy the traditional turkey dinner on that day.

Morris Announces Sermon Subjects

The Rev. J. Alton Morris will preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at First Baptist church on, "The Atonement", and Sunday evening, at 7:30, on "The New Day". Sunday School will start at 9:45 Sunday morning. Training Union is at 6:30 p. m.

On Tuesday evening of next week, at 7 o'clock, a general meeting of Training Union workers will be held. Hour of Power service is Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The junior and young people's choirs practice at 6:45, and at the same time a preview of the Sunday School lesson is given for teachers and officers. Adult choir practices at 8:30.

Pastors Meet Next Monday

The Baptist pastors' conference which has been meeting on Monday after the first Sunday in each month has been called to meet on Monday after the third Sunday monthly. The next meeting will be held on January 20 at 10 o'clock a. m. at First Baptist church, Murphy.

The program will include the following features: Devotional, Rev. Robert Barker; business session, discussion by Rev. J. Alton Morris, and benediction, Rev. W. T. Truett.

All pastors and church workers of the Western North Carolina and West Liberty associations are urged to attend this meeting.

Hooper Heads Red Cross Drive In March

Carr Hooper, principal of Murphy high school, has been appointed chairman of the 1947 fund raising campaign for the Cherokee county chapter of the American Red Cross, to be conducted in March, announces Miss Addie Mae Cooke, chapter chairman.

While the chapter has not yet been assigned a definite quota, it is believed that it will be between \$1,800 and \$1,900 this year. The budget has been reduced as much as possible, in order to decrease the campaign quota.

Mr. Hooper will announce his working committees later.

The termination date of the principal wartime price support programs will be December 31, 1948.

JOE CLORE

Upper Wolf Creek — Joe Clore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clore was buried in Wolf Creek, Tuesday, after a short illness. Rev. W. T. Truett officiated, with the Quinn and Humphrey funeral home in charge.

D. E. Sigmon has resigned as assistant state service officer with the Veterans administration and this week assumed his new position as seals and sale representative of the North Carolina Tuberculosis association. Mrs. Sigmon will remain in Murphy until they find a home in which to live in Raleigh.

An appeal to the community to double contributions to the 1947 March of Dimes — annual fund-raising drive of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis — so the \$24,000,000 national goal will be met, was made this week by Mr. W. T. Teas, chairman of the Cherokee county campaign. The local chapter has set as a goal the sum of \$3,000.

Mr. Teas pledged the local committee to redoubled efforts following receipt of a letter from Basil O'Connor, president of the National Foundation, stressing the crucial importance of the 1947 March of Dimes. The need to replenish funds drained in fighting last summer's epidemic which affected more than 25,000 persons and was the worst in the Foundation's history is more urgent than ever before, according to Mr. O'Connor. There is also a need to meet obligations of the local chapter, Mr. Teas said.

To assure continuing care of patients and build up adequate chapter reserves for future epidemics, \$12,000,000 is needed, Mr. O'Connor said. The other half of the \$24,000,000 minimum is required on the national level as follows:

Epidemic aid reserve fund \$5,000,000; Research and education \$5,000,000; General Working Fund \$2,000,000.

"During the 1946 epidemic," Mr. Teas said, "the \$4,000,000 epidemic reserve fund of the National Foundation, previously considered adequate, was wiped out completely by November in aiding chapters. By the end of the year approximately an additional \$1,500,000 earmarked for research had to be diverted for emergency aid to fulfill the pledge that "no one stricken by polio need go without care for lack of funds."

Pointing out that this community as every other in the nation must be adequately prepared for any emergency the future may bring, Mr. Teas concluded:

"Let us double our contributions now so we can be prepared. We cannot gamble with the safety of our children. By giving generously now we will avoid future self-reproach that we gave too little and too late when next summer's epidemics strike."

Among the committee members assisting with the campaign are: Buel Adams, Murphy chairman, and Walter Mauney and Harry Bishop, special gifts in Murphy; Wayne Battle, Andrews chairman, and L. B. Nichols special gifts and Rotary representative in Andrews; Mrs. Henry Trotter, Konnaheeta club which has charge of schools, dime board and movies in Andrews; D. F. Folger, Brasstown; and Jack Skinner, assisted by a special committee, at Hiwassee Dam. Mr. Adams will announce other Murphy workers later.

Recreation Room Hostesses Named

Hostesses for the recreation hall this week end as follows: Friday, 6:30 to 8:30 p. m., Mrs. R. G. Alexander, Mrs. Will Sneed; 8:30, Miss Jean Dickey and Mrs. Don Gentry; Saturday, 6:30 to 8:30, Mrs. Pauline Brendle, Mrs. W. H. Brandon; 8:30, Miss Toots Cook, Mrs. Ruth Carringer; and Sunday, 1:30 to 3:00, Mrs. Porter Axley, Mrs. L. W. Hendrix; 3 to 4:00, Miss Lucy Winston and Mrs. E. L. Shields.

MCCRANEY ENLISTS

CASERTA, Italy — Sergeant Jack L. McCraney, Sr., husband of Mrs. Margaret McCraney, residing at Andrews, N. C., Box 237, recently enlisted in the United States Regular Army for a period of one year. He will serve his enlistment in the Mediterranean Theater.

Prior to his enlistment he was assigned to the Headquarters and Service Company, MTOUSA in Italy.

Mrs. J. Alton Morris left Tuesday for Washington, D. C., to visit her mother, Mrs. Sarah Stone. She was accompanied to Greenville, S. C., by her husband and children, who visited in Anderson, S. C., before returning home.