



## Cherokee County Triples Quota In Polio Campaign

### \$452,400 To Be Spent On Cherokee County Highways

#### Announced By Highway Commission

Cherokee county will get a total of \$452,400 for the construction of 57.2 miles of highways in the county this year, according to figures released by the State Highway commission in Raleigh this week.

The State Highway commission will spend an estimated \$5,806,980 on highway construction in 19 Western North Carolina counties this year.

Chairman A. H. Graham says that the 1947 program includes construction, grading and stabilization of 125 miles in Buncombe county at an estimated cost of \$1,286,550. This includes the construction of 9.1 miles on a county road from near Dix Creek southwest to Newfound church to beginning of bituminous surfacing 1.6 miles east of Canton at a cost of approximately \$300,000.

The construction program for other Western North Carolina counties:

- Haywood, 74 miles \$434,000; Henderson, 63.6 miles \$528,500; Cherokee, 57.2 miles, \$452,400; Clay, 20 miles, \$36,600; Graham, 3.5 miles, \$31,500; Jackson, 50 miles, \$88,100; Macon, 55 miles, \$97,200; Madison, 55 miles, \$97,200; Mitchell 24 miles, \$44,600; Swain, 34.3 miles, \$95,850; Transylvania, 35.6 miles, \$100,900; Yancey, 34.8 miles, \$350,300; Polk, 114.2 miles, \$170,750; Rutherford, 165.6 miles, \$275,500; McDowell, 137.7 miles, \$350,750; Burke, 182.05 miles, \$752,500; Ashe, 100.6 miles, \$353,630 and Watauga, 63.23 miles, \$213,200.

#### Morris Announces Sermon Topics

The Rev. J. Alton Morris will preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at First Baptist church on, "The Second Coming of Christ in the Light of Present Day Events". His subject for Sunday evening at 7:30 will be, "Hired Helpers in God's House".

Sunday school begins at 9:45 o'clock and Training Union at 6:30 p. m. At 4 p. m. Sunday the pastor will hold services at the prison camp. On Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock the Training Union council will meet. The hour of power service will be at 7:30 Wednesday evening, and the Sunday school preview and choir practices according to the regular schedule.

#### New Sugar Stamp Good For Ten Pounds April 1

To avoid the substantial expense of printing and distributing new sugar ration books, all sugar stamps made valid on or after April 1, 1947, will be good for 10 pounds of sugar. A. D. Simpson, Jr., OPA Regional Sugar Executive, said today in Atlanta.

Spare Stamp No. 53, now valid for five pounds of sugar, will expire for consumer use at midnight on March 31 and a new stamp, good for 10 pounds of sugar, will be validated on April 1 to cover both home canning and regular home use, Simpson stated. He added that the number of the next valid stamp will be announced at a later date.

**TO GIVE CONCERT**  
The Guilford College choir will give a sacred concert at First Methodist church on Friday, March 28, at 7:30 o'clock. The choir has forty-five voices.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward B. Madden and children, Donna and Ned, who were here last week for the marriage of Mrs. Madden's sister, Miss Sarah Witherspoon and Mack Patton, returned Saturday to their home in Little Rock, Ark.

#### Hospital Meeting To Be February 21

The speaking on the Good Health program, by Dr. I. G. Greer of Thomasville and Harry B. Caldwell of Greensboro, planned for Feb. 14, has been postponed until February 21, announces Dr. W. A. Hoover, member of the state council, who is making arrangements for the meeting here.

An effort is being made to reach every person in the county, with an invitation to attend the meeting. It is hoped that a large crowd will be present to hear plans for enlarged hospital facilities for the county.

#### Play Changed To Friday Night

The presentation of "The Bargain Bride" by the Beta club of Murphy high school has been changed from Feb. 13 to Feb. 14. The play will be presented in the Murphy school auditorium at 7:30 p. m. Friday evening.

#### Legislative Activities

At the close of the fourth full week, the 1947 session of the General Assembly was still apparently a little ahead of its 1945 counterpart. In respect to the volume of business transacted. At the end of the 27th legislative day, the 1947 Senate had received 109 bills and the House 276, for a total of 385, as against 129 in the Senate and 240 in the House for a total of 369 for the same period in 1945. Except for postponing consideration of an occasional bill for a few days, both bodies have been able so far to keep their calendars cleared from day to day, and practically all committees seem to be pursuing their duties with unusual diligence. All in all, this session shows considerable promise of being able to wind up its work within approximately the same number of days consumed by the 1945 session, which would mean an adjournment date somewhat earlier than had been generally predicted. The 1945 session required 67 legislative days; the same number of legislative days would send this Assembly home on March 26. With the major fights still to be decided, however, there is still ample opportunity for "well into April" to be realized.

Helping substantially to swell the total of 385 bills introduced thus far are 188 local bills, some of which are necessary in order to accomplish the purposes of the bills, some of which would appear properly to be the concern of local boards rather than of 170 legislators, and some of which are probably unconstitutional. Although the percentage of local bills so far this session is not as great as the average for the past several sessions (local bills have been averaging between 60% and 70% of the total), there is considerable feeling that they are still occupying

#### Pastors To Meet Monday

The program for the Baptist pastors' conference to be held Monday at First Baptist church, Murphy, at 10 o'clock a. m., will be as follows: Devotional, the Rev. Sim Martin; business session; address, "A Pastor's View of His Relation to Brother Pastors", the Rev. J. Alton Morris; and benediction, the Rev. Calvin Thompson.

**TO ATTEND CLINIC:**  
Miss Mildred Whitfield will spend next week in High Point attending the Better Bible Teaching clinic at First Baptist church.

#### Poultry School To Be Held In Hayesville 17th

Poultry specialists of State College Extension service will be in Hayesville Monday, Feb. 17, to conduct a school for poultrymen in Cherokee, Clay, Graham and Macon counties, beginning at 9:45 a. m.

C. F. Parrish, head of the Poultry department at State College; E. W. Glazener, I. S. Dearstyne and T. T. Brown, also of the department, will be present to discuss with the poultry producers any problems they have.

All the local county farm and home agents will attend the meeting, and anyone from this county desiring a ride with them should meet at the courthouse in Murphy at 9 o'clock in the morning.

#### Illustrated Lecture To Feature Club Program 19th

Collis Johnson, assistant to the chief of the Exposition Unit of the TVA, will give an illustrated lecture on, "Homemakers' Responsibility in the Use of Our Natural Resources", at the meeting of Murphy Woman's club Wednesday afternoon, February 19, at 3:15 o'clock in the home economics building.

Mr. Johnson will be presented by Miss Velma Beam, assistant home agent of Clay county, who will speak briefly on, "The Home". Mrs. B. W. Whitfield is chairman of the American Home department of club and has charge of the program.

Home demonstration club women and others interested in the subject to be discussed are invited to attend this meeting.

#### Savages To Have Open House

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Savage will hold Open House at their new apartment on Peachtree Street Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

#### Tate Announces Sermon Topics

The Rev. T. G. Tate has announced as his sermon subjects for Sunday at the Presbyterian church, "The Paradox of Religion" at 11 o'clock in the morning, and "Keep Yourselves in the Love of God", for the 5 o'clock vesper service.

Youth fellowship meets immediately after vespers, and Sunday school at 10 o'clock a. m.

Mr. Tate will preach at the Hayesville Presbyterian church at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

#### Cherokee Men Confer With Secretary Krug

Percy B. Ferebee of Andrews, president of Western North Carolina Associated Communities, Frank Forsyth of Murphy, W. T. Teas and H. J. Truett of Andrews were members of the Western North Carolina delegation which conferred in Washington last Friday with Secretary of the Interior Julius A. Krug on the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and Blue Ridge Parkway development prospects. They expressed satisfaction with the results of the conference and foresaw that it would lead ultimately to the improvements requested.

The conference had been arranged through the offices of Monroe M. Redden, representative of the 12th district, in behalf of the Western North Carolina Associated Communities organization.

Secretary Krug, it was reported, was highly attentive to the presentation and seemed to be in sympathy with the position of the delegation. He said that the program proposed for development of the park and the parkway is generally in line with what the National Park service has planned and expressed the opinion that any difference between the two could be reconciled satisfactorily.

#### AT TRAINING COURSE

ANDREWS — Mrs. C. C. Washam, Mrs. Boyd Robinson, Miss Lucile Bell, Miss Vera Moore and Miss Ruth Barnard attended the officer's training course held in Bryson City last Saturday.

#### ASTOUNDED AT ATOM POLICY



WHILE WHOLEHEARTEDLY endorsing the nomination of David E. Lillenthal as head of the Atomic Energy Commission, Bernard Baruch, appearing before the Joint Atomic Committee in Washington, declares he was "astounded" at the policy of Congress which made it necessary to place atomic energy control in the hands of civilian rather than military leaders. The elder statesman is shown leaning over a table to speak to Sen. Brien McMahon, of Connecticut, and the Committee Chairman, Sen. Bourke B. Hickenlooper, of Iowa. (International Soundphoto)

#### To Install Heating System In Gymnasium

For many months local people have been making an effort to have a heating system put in the gymnasium. Through a cooperative effort of the town and county, it now appears that within a few days gas heat will be installed by C. L. Alverson.

At the meeting of Murphy town council Monday evening, a committee of E. E. Stiles, W. D. King and C. H. Townson were appointed to confer with Mr. Alverson and work out plans for the installation.

#### 4-H Club Meets Are Scheduled

Following is the 4-H club schedule for this month:

- Tuesday, February 18, Ranger, 9:00 o'clock; Tuesday, February 18, Hiwassee Dam, 11:00 o'clock; Wednesday, February 19, Marble, 9:30 o'clock; Wednesday, February 19, Andrews Elementary, 11:00 o'clock; Wednesday, February 19, Andrews High, 12:45 o'clock; Thursday, February 20, Martin's Creek, 9:30 o'clock; Thursday, February 20, Murphy Elementary, 12:30 o'clock; Thursday, February 20, Murphy High, 1:35 o'clock; Friday, February 21, Peachtree, 9:30 o'clock; Friday, February 21, Wolf Creek, 1:30 o'clock; Monday, February 24, Beaverdam, 1:30 o'clock.

#### Free Methodist Services Listed

Services at the Free Methodist church are as follows: Sunday School 10:00 A. M., preaching by the pastor at 11:00 A. M., subject "God's Presence Attracting"; young people's services at 7:00 p. m.; the pastor will preach again at 7:30 p. m. The prayer band will meet at the home of the pastor Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting at the Church is Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

Friday, night Feb. 21st at 7:30 the Rev. G. A. Gaines, District Superintendent, will preach, also Saturday night, Sunday morning and Sunday night. The public is invited to attend all these services.

#### SINGING

The Third Sunday singing will be held at Malby Baptist church, near Marble, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The public is invited.

#### Chapter Able To Meet Its Obligations

Cherokee county more than tripled its quota of \$1,050 in the 1947 polio campaign, according to announcement this week by W. T. Teas, chairman of the drive, who reported that the final figures soared to \$3,326.47.

In the past three years, the Cherokee county chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has spent several thousand dollars for the treatment of polio cases and the chapter still had an obligation of more than \$1,400 and also a contribution to the Asheville Orthopedic hospital to meet. It was for that reason the chapter would not accept the quota of \$1,050 set by the national organization, but set out to raise at least \$3,000.

People throughout the county cooperated heartily in the campaign, which was conducted as a memorial to the late Dr. Robt. H. Cox.

#### 50 Additional Beds Possible Under Medical Care Plans

RALEIGH — Dr. John A. Ferrell, executive secretary of the Medical Care Commission, says that under present plans of the Commission, the 67 counties in North Carolina with inadequate existing hospital facilities may be allocated, on an average, an additional 50 beds each under provisions of the Good Health Plan.

Since publication recently of a map which proposed location of nine new hospitals and 24 rural health centers in the 33 counties of the state which now have no hospital facilities at all, the Medical Care Commission has been a target for blasts from the 67 other counties in the state which have existing facilities, but which are inadequate to meet present demands. These counties, Dr. Ferrell said, have expressed the opinion that they were being "left out" of the Commission's plans.

Regarding this, Dr. Ferrell said, "The commission's tentative plans, published recently, provide for community clinics, health centers, or hospitals for the counties of the State now without any hospital facilities whatever. These areas, presumably, would require about 1,400 of the 5,000 beds for which the Commission is planning during the next five-year period. This would leave approximately 3,600 beds to be allocated to the remaining 67 counties of the state which now have some hospital facilities. On an average basis, this would mean more than 50 beds for allocation to each county."

"When the anticipated appropriations have been made (federal, state, and local), the Commission will undertake a thorough study by competent personnel of the situation and needs of hospital facilities in each county or hospital area; and on the basis of this study, the Commission will be placed in a position to give consideration to specific proposals from the various counties or hospital districts."

In the meantime, Dr. Ferrell added, "friends of specific programs for additional beds should not become over-anxious for the welfare of their projects."

#### Dr. L. T. Russell Attends Clinic

Dr. L. T. Russell, Jr., left Sunday for Chicago to attend the Mid-winter Clinic at Stevens Hotel this week. From there he will go to the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn., to take a post graduate course in plastic and oral surgery.