

Yelton Is Speaker At N. C. E. A. Meeting

Nathan H. Yelton, executive secretary of Teachers' and State Employees Retirement system, was guest speaker at the meeting of the Cherokee county unit of the N. C. E. A. at Peachtree Friday evening. He was accompanied by his brother, C. I. Yelton, member of the State Safety department. Members of the Andrews school faculty and Mrs. L. W. Shields, president of the Murphy unit, were special guests.

After a tour of the building, dinner was served in the school dining hall to approximately 70 people. Group singing of Christmas carols followed the meal. Miss Mary Frances Axley gave a piano solo, "Minuet" by Paderevski and Miss Jean Penny sang, "Sweet Little Jesus Boy" and "Long Ago".

Bulldogs Take Two Games From Stecoah Cagers

The Murphy Bulldogs bounced back into the win column Tuesday with the girls trouncing the Stecoah Cagers 41 to 20, and the boys winning 38 to 24.

The girls led by Taylor was never behind as they sent word to other teams that they will be after the conference championship. She, playing most of the game led the lessies to a 41 to 20 triumph.

The boys losing four regulars from last year were fighting to defend the championship that they won last year. Paced by Hughes and Alexander the boys were very impressive in their 38 to 24 victory.

Community Shows Cooperative Spirit

Tangible results in the form of an eight bed infirmary, a doctor, and 5,000 dollars for medical equipment have been secured through the all-out efforts of the people of Young Harris College community to receive much needed medical facilities.

Their triumph in securing this is a story of cooperation on the part of all concerned to secure the best for a community.

The efforts to obtain medical facilities began when the college officials and the people of the community decided to change the ratio of doctors to persons in Towns county—a ratio of 1 to 4,500.

The college secured an infirmary building through the federal government surplus commodities, then all forces set to work to equip the building. The Towns County Lions Club led the way with the first contribution. This was followed by members of the Young Harris Community Club in a subscription of 1800 dollars. The college is providing the remainder of the necessary funds for equipment.

These facilities and the enthusiasm of the people have been sufficient to attract Dr. Albert Morris to the position of physician.

Tentative plans are for the addition of two nurses to the staff for of this cooperative health venture.

Under these plans Young Harris may well set an example for other communities to follow.

Motor Vehicle Inspection To Start In January

One inspection station will serve eight counties in Western North Carolina next year when every motor vehicle in the state will have to take a physical examination.

No schedule has yet been prepared for the station to be set up in the various communities, but it is anticipated that it will move about from town to town with weekly stops in each.

Some 200 state employees will serve as inspectors under Arthur T. Moore, a former lieutenant in the state highway patrol, head of the mechanical inspection division in the department of motor vehicles. One group of employees is attending a school at Chapel Hill learning their new jobs. Two other schools will be held in January.

To handle the inspection of more than 800,000 motor vehicles twice a year, decreed by the last legislature, Moore will place 36 inspection stations in operation over the state, each expected to handle approximately 200,000 vehicles. He plans to begin the program gradually, with the first five stations scheduled to open the first Monday in January, and five more the second Monday.

Each station will be manned by one supervisor and at least four inspectors. Motor vehicles will be checked for all manner of defects, covering the horn, rearview mirror, windshield wiper, wheel alignment, steering gear, exhaust system, tires, tail lights, head lights and brakes.

If the vehicle passes the test, the driver will be issued a seal of approval—a blue and black sticker in the shape of the state. Vehicles found to be unsafe to operate will get a red, diamond-shaped sticker which means that the owner will have to have the mechanical defects repaired. If he returns to an inspection station within the specified time with the defects corrected, he will be issued an approved sticker.

Owners who fail to make the repairs will have their cars tagged with a large yellow sticker which will say: "This vehicle is unsafe, must not be operated or parked on roadways or any public place."

If experience in other states which have adopted inspection systems holds true in North Carolina, only one car in three will pass the test at first. After the program has been in effect for a while, the percentage probably will be reduced.

Penny Announces Sermon Topics

The Rev. William B. Penny will preach on, "The World Preparing" Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at First Methodist church. At 7:30 in the evening he will preach on, "Whither Thou Goest".

The Wesleyan Service guild will entertain the Youth Choir at a banquet at the church Monday, Dec. 15, at 6:30 p. m. Officers will be installed at this time.

Other regularly scheduled services will be held.

Jews Rejoice—Arabs Threaten



CELEBRATING THE FORMATION of the new Jewish state in the Holy Land crowds attending the New York convention of the National Committee of Labor Palestine dance in the street (top). Meanwhile Arab threats of violence continued. Below (right) Haj Amin El Husseini, former Grand Mufti of Jerusalem who has been granted leadership over all Palestine Arabs. He has issued no final orders for Arab action. At left is Dr. Hussein Khaldi, chairman of the Arab Higher Committee which ordered a three-day general strike of Palestine Arabs. (International)

No Firecrackers Allowed This Year

No firecrackers can be legally used in Cherokee county, nor the State of North Carolina, this year. Mayor Neil Sneed calls attention to the law which became effective July 1 that fire crackers cannot be manufactured, purchased, sold, dealt in, transported, possessed, received, advertised, or used in North Carolina.

A violation is a misdemeanor, with the fine or imprisonment or both left to the discretion of the court. Judgment must be passed by the Superior court if a person is found guilty.

Scouts Have Song Fest

The Boy Scouts of Troop 2, Murphy, met Tuesday evening in the recreation room. The meeting was opened with the Scout oath and laws, led by Tommy Alexander. The boys were led in songs by Harold West.

A stunt was put on by the Wildcat patrol, following which the troop had a few games. When the meeting was adjourned, the troop formed the "Friendship Circle" and sang Taps.

About 20 members were present.

Nova At Edwood's Is Top Producer

"Nova", one of the cows at Edwood Dairy, Andrews, was the high producer in this county for November. She gave 1,044 pounds of milk, with 61 pounds of fat. The 74 cows checked there by F. C. Ghiringhelli, tester, produced 21,812 pounds of milk, on which the average test was 5.2.

"Jenette" at John C. Campbell Folk school produced 741 pounds, with 31 pounds of fat. The 37 cows tested produced 11,958, averaging 5.2.

A. Q. Ketter's "Annie" produced 990 pounds of milk, with 39 pounds of fat. His four cows produced 2,610 pounds of milk, averaging 4.4.

Randolph Shield's "Princess" produced 978 pounds of milk, with 59 pounds of fat. His 42 cows produced 18,786 pounds of milk, 4.3.

Franklin Smith's "Christine" produced 741 pounds of milk, with 33 pounds of fat. His 25 cows produced 5,206 pounds of milk, averaging 4.3.

Lions To Operate Dime Board For Funds To Assist Blind

Sammy Beck To Play For Dance

Sammy Beck and his Skylanders of W. C. T. C. will play for the New Year's Eve dance to be held at the gymnasium here on December 31, announces the sponsors, the Cherokee Country club. The orchestra is composed of 15 pieces and two vocalists, most of them veterans. Several of the members were professional musicians prior to entering the war.

Murphy Club To Meet On Dec. 16

The Murphy Woman's club will hold its December meeting next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the school auditorium. Sister Virginia Hetherington will present a program on "Scouts in the Community."

This will not be a dinner meeting.

\$10,634 In Bonds Sold In November

W. D. Whitaker County Chairman of the U. S. Savings Bonds Division for Cherokee County, announced today, according to information received from Allison James, State Director of the U. S. Savings Bonds Office in Greensboro, sales of U. S. Savings Bonds for the period November 1 through November 30 for Cherokee county totaled \$10,634.00 in F Bonds.

Sales of Savings Bonds for the State of North Carolina for the same period were: E Bonds \$3,467,456.75; F Bonds \$178,562.00; G Bonds \$1,279,800.00. Total State sales of the three Series were \$4,925,818.75.

Mr. Whitaker said further, "there's a personal feeling to Christmas that you don't find during other holiday seasons. That's the time when you think of your family, of their happiness, of their security; That's why United States Savings Bonds make an ideal Christmas present—the present with a future. At maturity, they'll be worth four dollars for every three you put in originally. And they're safe—guaranteed by your Government. Savings Bonds, Series E, F and G may be purchased at all banks, post offices and other issuing agencies."

P. T. A. MEETING

Mrs. W. A. Hoover, president, announces that the December meeting of the Parent-Teachers' association will be held on Monday evening, Dec. 22, at 7:30 in the school auditorium. Mrs. Margaret Akin will present a Christmas pageant, and Christmas carols will be sung by the assemblage.

Post Office To Remain Open All Day Saturdays

Postmaster Howard Moody announces that the Murphy post office will remain open all day Saturdays, Dec. 13 and 20, for the convenience of those mailing Christmas packages.



EDITOR—Miss Mary Cornwell, Cherokee county home demonstration agent, who was elected to membership on the public relations committee to serve as co-editor of The News Letter of the National Home Agents' association, at the national convention in Chicago last week. Miss Cornwell assisted in presenting gifts from North Carolina to the delegates, giving Cherokee county considerable publicity on its crafts, minerals and other assets. A North Carolina girl wore a large hand carved dogwood pin representing the state flower during the convention. Mrs. Clarence Hendrix had written a poem on the assets of North Carolina, and this was read by Miss Velma Beam of Hayesville as he presided over North Carolina Agents' part of the program.

Miss Beam was elected chairman of the cooperative buying committee of the National association.

RENOVATED

Students of Young Harris College were again using the Susan B. Harris Chapel this week, renovations having been completed.

Renovation was carried out as a part of a program of the alumni association and board of trustees working jointly.

HURN IS PRESIDENT

John Hurn, Lakeland, Fla., was recently elected president of the Veterans Club of Young Harris College.

John Mappin, Cordele, is the retiring president.

Twenty-Four North Carolina 4-H Club members will attend National Club Congress in Chicago when it convenes the first week in December.

Murphy Lions club has spent several hundred dollars this year on its assistance to the blind in the county. Several eye clinics have been held, and the club cooperated in purchasing glasses for those examined and found to need corrections. Also, other blind work has been done.

To replenish the treasury and carry on the wide-spread service to the blind, the club will this week begin operation of its dime board on the square in Murphy. John Davidson is chairman of the board committee and has made assignments for the Lions to work at various hours from December 13 through December 23. The board will be operated from 10 to 6 o'clock daily except Sunday during that period.

At the meeting of the club Tuesday evening at the Methodist church, H. Bueck was program leader. He presented a recording of a speech of Dr. Clyde Erwin, state superintendent of Public Instruction, delivered recently at the Resource Education conference at W. C. T. C.

President H. G. Elkins announced that the next meeting of the club will be Tuesday, December 30, instead of December 23.

Guests at this meeting were: A. A. Payne of Asheville, guest of J. H. Duncan; H. T. Partain, guest of W. M. Fain; and Rev. W. B. Penny, guest of Dale Lee.

Seven new members were taken into the club: Howard Adair, Frank Crawford, P. J. Henn, Glenn Patton, Cecil Penland, Karl Weiss, and Bob White. Only three were present: Adair, Crawford, and White. They were initiated by H. Bueck, who required them to sing, "Silent Night", and give a nursery rhyme. President Elkins presented them a pin and read the code of ethics.

Industrial Survey Data Is Being Compiled By Tva

The largest cooperative project for the industrial development of Western North Carolina was undertaken recently by the year-old W. N. C. Associated Communities.

With the assistance of the T. V. A. and the N. C. Department of Conservation & Development, an industrial survey of 11 counties in the Western tip of the state is now being compiled and the data is to be organized and published by T. V. A.

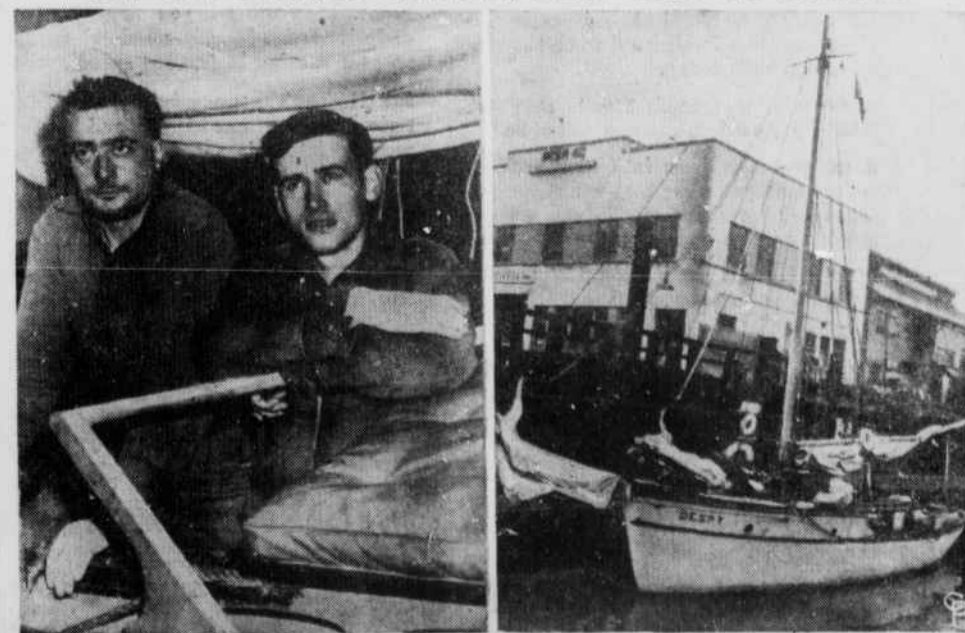
The survey, in rough form, has already been instrumental in securing two new industries for the section it covers.

TRUETT'S SUBJECTS

The Rev. W. T. Truett will preach at Ranger Sunday morning on, "The Lost Sheep" and at Shady Grove at 2:30 p. m. on the same subject.

This minister is supply at Shady Grove, preaching every Sunday afternoon at 2:30, until the church calls a pastor.

OFF ON DARING 'THANK-YOU' TREK TO PACIFIC



READY TO SAIL FROM SEATTLE, WASH., in their small craft are Marvin Norstedt (left) and Jack Maier, whose port of destination is atoll-sized Tabiteuea Island, in the Gilbert group. During the war, Maier was ship-wrecked on this dot in the South Pacific. Determined to repay the islanders' kindness, Maier, an evangelistic man, will carry to them on the ship (right) a cargo of Bibles so that they may learn the teachings of the Holy Book. When the men left on the trip they had \$14 between them. (International Soundphoto)

Symphony Drive Is Now Under Way

The North Carolina Symphony orchestra has played in this county for the past two consecutive years, and local committees are now conducting a campaign for funds to have it return here on the annual tour next spring. A total of \$750 must be raised in the county for two concerts, one in the afternoon for school children and one in the evening for adults.

Miss Margaret Fisher of Andrews is county chairman this year. Committees in the various communities of the county will work with her.

Among those to work in Murphy are: Mrs. B. W. Whitfield, Mrs. T. A. Case, Mrs. Wade Massey, Mrs. H. Bueck, Mrs. Howard Adair, Mrs. Tom Axley, Mrs. J. W. Davidson, Mrs. Robert Easley, Mrs. Dale Lee, and Miss Tommie Slayton, for the residential sections; and Harry Bishop, Dale Lee, Karl Weiss and others for the business section.

The Brastown and Hiwassee Dam committees have not yet been announced.

Simple Rules For Christmas Safety

TRAFFIC

1. Use extra care for the extra holiday hazards.
2. Put the Christmas spirit of "good will" into your attitude toward drivers and pedestrians.
3. Don't let Christmas packages obstruct your vision when walking.
4. Don't drive if you drink—and vice versa.
5. Start in time and take it easy. Allow for winter weather and extra holiday traffic.

HOME

1. Check your home for anything that might cause an accident.
2. Keep your Christmas tree in water and away from flames.
3. Use electric tree and window lights—no lighted candles ever. Don't leave tree lights on when you are out of the room for a considerable time.
4. Check your electrical connections for shorts and worn-out wires.
5. Keep flimsy Christmas decorations and wrappings away from the fireplace.