

Officers Are Launching War Against Bootlegging

Sheriff Frank Crawford and Chief of Police W. W. Rogers went to Raleigh Wednesday to attend the meeting called by Governor Scott and State ABC Chairman Robt. W. Winston, for the purpose of discussing ways to wage war on bootleggers.

Governor Scott made an appeal for all the law enforcing officers of the state to join in a big movement to stamp out bootlegging. He said: "It will take hard and determined work, but the job can be done. You can do it. My appeal to you is to discuss this problem frankly at this meeting, determine your course of action and go back to your respective communities with the wholehearted resolve that you will do everything humanly possible to stamp out the illegal liquor traffic."

The meeting was called by the Governor at the request of Winston, who stated through the press recently that if something is not done to stamp out bootlegging, people will become so disgusted with the situation they will vote the state dry in 1951. This is being evidenced, he explained, in the fact that so many counties now are voting out beer and wine.

The sheriffs and police chiefs promised to do what the Governor asked of them, and also asked for greater public support, stronger punishment by the courts, additional personnel, and closer cooperation with federal agents.

The Governor was asked to appoint a committee to study the problem.

In his plea to the group, Governor Scott said: "I think the illegal liquor traffic in North Carolina has grown so big and arrogant that all of us concerned with the welfare of our state must pull together to stamp out this evil or else curb it so drastically that the profit element as weighed against the dangers involved will not be sufficient to attract criminals into the liquor traffic."

The Governor said, "It is common knowledge that a literal flood of illegal liquor continually pours into this state and that the imported stuff is augmented by a considerable output of the home made product."

In recent months he said, the Department of Revenue has filed tax liens and penalties totaling \$1,386,024.49 against "known recipients of illegal liquor shipped into this state." This indicates the 65 persons against whom claims were filed imported some 872,000 gallons of liquor with a retail value of \$16,447,346.90, he said.

"We don't know how many additional thousands or tens of thousands of gallons were consigned to other individuals of whom we have no record," he added.

In the first six months of the year, Scott declared, 30 individuals received a total of 151,621 gallons from outside the state. Most of those on record as importing liquor, he added, live in dry counties.

In the year ending last June 30, Scott said, the Federal Bureau of Internal Revenue issued wholesale liquor dealer stamps to 94 individuals. Many of these individuals get federal stamps, he declared, so that if they are caught selling liquor illegally they will not be imprisoned in a federal penitentiary inasmuch as they complied with federal tax laws.

Illegal manufacturing of whiskey also is extensive, Scott told the

Council Studies Needs Of School Child, Andrews

ANDREWS: The Community Council on Elementary Education held its second meeting of the school year at the elementary school Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The welfare of the school child was discussed from many angles. Forums were conducted on school fire drills, teacher load, crowded conditions of the classrooms, overcrowded conditions of the school buses, care of sick children, health of the school child, and many other phases of school work that deal with the elementary education of the community's children.

The members of the Community Council on Elementary Education are as follows: Mrs. Gerald Almond, Mrs. Fred Babington, Mrs. Wayne Battle, Mrs. Ruthie Bristol, Mrs. Zeb Conley, Mrs. Glenn McGuire, Mrs. Jane Orr, Mrs. Joe Smith, and Boyd B. Robinson, elementary school principal.

Dr. Dyer Opens Offices Here

Dr. George L. Dyer announces the opening of his offices, rooms 8, 10, and 11, Mauney Building, Murphy, for the practice of Chiropractic.

Dr. Dyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dyer of Murphy, received his education in the Murphy schools, Brevard College and Lincoln Chiropractic College, Indianapolis, Indiana. After graduation in May of this year, he did four months of post graduate work at Lincoln, taking advanced courses in X-Ray and Laboratory Analysis.

Before entering the U. S. Navy during World War II and in which he served 42 months, Dr. Dyer was employed by The Asheville Citizen-Times Company of Asheville. He was married in 1941 to the former Dorothy Pittillo of Asheville. He is a member of the Delta Tau Alpha honorary fraternity and of the Lincoln College Post No. 244 of the American Legion. Dr. and Mrs. Dyer are making their home at 511 Hiwassee Street, Murphy.

Zone Meeting Of W. S. C. S. Held Here On Tuesday

A zone sub-district meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church of the Waynesville District, met at 10 a. m. Tuesday in the First Methodist Church here. The pastor, the Rev. R. Delbert Byrum, gave the devotional service.

Mrs. Paul Jordon of Andrews, chairman, had charge of the meeting. Mrs. J. R. Long of Bryson City, district president, presented the work of the district, the Advance Program of the Methodist Church.

Mrs. David Brown of Cullowhee, district supply secretary, also spoke.

Mrs. Will Hyatt of Waynesville, district spiritual life secretary, gave the Spiritual Life Retreat program.

The Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Crews of Robbinsville sang a duet, "Our Best."

Others taking part on the program were Mrs. J. R. Christy and Mrs. C. C. Washam of Andrews. Representatives from Robbinsville, Andrews, Hayesville, Shooters Creek, Murphy Circuit and Murphy attended.

The meeting closed with luncheon served in the church dining room.

Mrs. Joe Smith of Andrews is secretary.

Ralph A. Warner Is Promoted To Grade Of Corporal

623RD A. C. & W. SQUADRON, KADENA AFB—Corporal Ralph Warner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Warner of Murphy, North Carolina, was recently promoted to the grade of Corporal in the 623rd Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron of the Twentieth Air Force, Okinawa.

He attended the Electronics School at Johnson Air Force Base, Japan, in order to qualify for his present assignment.

Corporal Warner enlisted January 5, 1948, at Greenville Air Force Base, North Carolina, and arrived for duty in the Far East Command in December 1948 on the USAT General Hodges. Corporal Warner will return to the United States in January, 1950. After the completion of his current enlistment, he plans to return to school and major in geology.

Corporal Warner graduated from Murphy High School, Murphy, North Carolina in 1947. He then attended Lees-McRae College at Banner Elk, North Carolina and Western Carolina Teachers College at Cullowhee, North Carolina. During his high school and college life, he played on the football and basketball teams. This year, he is playing with the 623rd Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron Team who were last year league champions on Okinawa.

Corporal Warner has one complaint against Okinawa, these coral islands give him very little opportunity to continue the study of geology.

Soil Testing Unit To Be Bought For Area

Western North Carolina Associated Communities met Monday at Fontana Village. The 60 persons representing Chambers of Commerce of 14 communities in WNC, were guests of Government Services, Inc. at luncheon.

The Cherokee Historic Drama, Tourist Association, and Recreation survey were discussed. The organization voted to sponsor the purchase of a mobile soil and plant testing unit and the setting up of a poultry laboratory at the State Farm, Waynesville, for use in this area.

These projects were suggested by C. R. Freed of Murphy. He and the following were named on a committee to work out plans for the project: C. M. Douglas, Brevard; W. B. Wiggins, Robbinsville; Howard Clapp, Waynesville; and J. L. Langdon, Asheville.

Attending from the Murphy Chamber of Commerce were: Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. H. Bueck, and C. R. Freed. Percy B. Ferebee of Andrews, president, presided.

Johnny Olson Has Broken Ankle

ANDREWS—Johnny Olson is suffering a broken ankle of his right foot as a result of jumping from a four-foot wall in an effort to stop his parked automobile from rolling down the hill when the breaks failed to hold.

The accident occurred Saturday afternoon, and Mr. Olson was carried to the local hospital where he is resting well and will probably be able to return to his home in a few days.

ILL IN CHICAGO

ANDREWS—Carmen Johnson of Asheville, formerly of Andrews, is seriously ill in a Chicago hospital. Mr. Johnson was attending a lumber convention and became ill while there. His wife flew to Chicago to be at his bedside.

Dr. James Carr Preaches Sunday At Local Church

Dr. James Carr of the Home Mission office of the Presbyterian Church U. S. in Atlanta, will preach at the Presbyterian Church here Sunday at 11 A. M. announces the Rev. James R. Crook, pastor.

Dr. Carr is Director of Town and Country Church work in the Presbyterian Church in the United States. Until recently he served as director of Religious Education in the Synod of Appalachia. He has been successful as director of Young People's Conferences.

He is an outstanding preacher of the church.

Youth Fellowship will meet at 6:30 p. m. with Miss Mary Lou Gordon in charge.

The pastor will preach in Hayesville Presbyterian Church at 11 a. m. Sunday.

Church Night will be held at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday when a panel discussion of Our Responsibility for Social Conditions and Evangelism, and What We Can Do About it will be held.

\$9,506 Invested In Bonds Here

U. S. Savings Bonds sales, Series E, F and G, in Cherokee county from September 1 through 30, totaled \$9,506.25 it was announced today by County Savings Bonds Chairman W. D. Whitaker. This information was contained in the monthly state sales report to county chairmen from State Director, Allison James in Greensboro. The total of \$9,506.25 was in Series E Bonds.

Sales of the three series Bonds for the state of North Carolina for September were: Series E, \$2,974,972.25; Series F, \$289,673.00; Series G \$691,500.00; total for state \$3,956,145.25.

Mr. Whitaker further stated that according to the report Series E Bond sales in North Carolina for September exceeded August E sales by \$486,307.00, due to increased seasonal purchases in farm areas.

"A farm Savings Bonds drive is now in progress," the county chairman said, "and an effort is being made in every county to urge farmers to build financial reserves in U. S. Savings Bonds, the crop that never fails."

In conclusion, he pointed out there is no safer investment on earth than U. S. Savings Bonds which increase in value by 33-1/3% by maturity, can be readily replaced if lost, stolen or destroyed, and can quickly be turned into cash in case of emergency.

ATTEND CONFERENCE

Women of the Murphy Presbyterian Church who attended the Group Conference of Women of the Church in Hayesville Saturday were, Mrs. R. H. Foard, Mrs. J. B. Graf, Mrs. Lewis Hodges, Mrs. Bruce Gordon, and Mrs. C. W. Savage. The Rev. J. R. Crook attended also.

District Governor Is Lions Speaker

Paul L. Cashion of North Wilkesboro, District Governor of 31-A of Lions International, was guest speaker at Murphy Lions Club Tuesday evening at the dinner meeting held in the First Methodist Church dining room. He commended the local club for its work for the blind, the underprivileged, and children at Christmas, saying that both in the district and Lions International, the Murphy Lions Club is recognized for these projects.

Mr. Cashion also told of Lions International City which is planned in Chicago. It will be built to provide a permanent home for Lions International, buildings and other equipment necessary to take care of the headquarters staff, and to make available homes for employees and other Lions who may want homes within the city, together with all other facilities



NEW PREACHER—The Rev. R. Delbert Byrum, new pastor of First Methodist Church, who was assigned here by the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference in session in Winston-Salem recently. He preached his first sermon at the local church last Sunday morning, and on Sunday evening other churches of the community gave him a welcome by holding a Union service at his church.

Mr. Byrum will preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock on, "Staying Alive Spiritually", and Sunday evening at 7:30 on, "Turn On the Light". On Wednesday evening at 7:30 he will speak on, "Religion With Teeth In It."

\$1,117 In Prizes Awarded At Grade Dairy Cattle Show

At the Nantahala Grade Dairy Cattle Show held in connection with the fair this year, there were 89 people who entered 107 animals. Cherokee County entered 24 animals, Clay County 15, Macon County 14, Graham County 11, Towns County, Ga., 35, and Union County, Ga., 8. There were 45 first prize winners, 55 second prize winners, and seven third prize winners. A total of \$1,117 dollars in cash prizes was given away.

R. G. Viek of Hayesville was secretary and C. R. Freed of Murphy, treasurer, and they made the above report to donors for the cattle show.

Miss Weaver Is In Auto Accident

ANDREWS—Miss Alice Dills Weaver, school supervisor for the Murphy and Andrews units, was in an automobile collision on Thursday night, Oct. 6. Miss Weaver was enroute to her home at Dillsboro when she met a driver who commanded more than half of the road. The driver of the other car was held by highway patrolmen for reckless driving.

Miss Weaver was driving alone at the time of the accident - about 10 p. m. Her car was considerably damaged.

138.8 Miles Road To Be Improved Here This Winter

Young People To Have Charge Baptist Program

The Rev. J. Alton Morris, pastor of First Baptist Church, has announced that his sermon topic for Sunday will be, "The Victory of the Cross". Sunday School will begin at 9:45.

The young people will have charge of the Sunday evening service at 7:30, which will be opened with the singing of the hymn, "Give of Your Best to the Master". Y. W. A. Girls will have charge of the devotional. The Youth Choir will render special music, "Take My Life and Let It Be". Sunbeams will have, "What is One Tenth?" Following this will be a hymn "Our Best". The Intermediate and Junior G. A.'s will give, "Why Should I Give", "How Should I Give", "When Should I Give", and "How Much Should I Give". A playlet, "Timothy's Tithe", will be presented by the Intermediate and Junior R. A.'s. The closing hymn will be, "I Gave My Life for Thee".

Prayer services are being held at 10 A. M. every day in the prayer room. On Wednesday night the Hour of Power Service begins at 7:30. Prayers of the Bible are being studied.

Don Walker Has Field Training At Mount Fuji

WITH THE EIGHTH U. S. ARMY IN HIRATSUKA, JAPAN—Private Don Walker, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Walker, reside in Letitia, North Carolina, recently completed extensive field training at Mount Fuji, Japan.

Private Walker is a member of the 16th Reconnaissance Company, a part of the First Cavalry Division stationed at Camp Hiratsuka, Japan.

The field training including tactical problems and firing of weapons, is being conducted by First Cavalry units in preparation for division maneuvers to be held later this year.

Wm. A. Miller Is Found Dead

William Alfred Miller, 57, was found dead at 5:30 P. M. Saturday near his home Marble, Route 1, in the Slow Creek section. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2 p. m. in Mt. Zion Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Truett officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with Ivis Funeral Home in charge.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Gertrude Nations Miller; five daughters, Mrs. Willa Mae Dietz, Mrs. Irene Johnson and the Misses Mary and Frances Miller of Marble, Route 1, and Mrs. Faye King of West Asheville, and two sons, Wayne of Barnardsville, and Junior stationed with the Army in Germany.

SINGING

The third Sunday singing will be held at New Martin's Creek Baptist Church on Sunday, October 16, at 2 p. m.

HOMECOMING

A homecoming will be held at Ringer Fairview Church, Sunday, October 16. Lunch will be served at noon.

POUNDING

A "Pounding" was given by the Rev. and Mrs. R. Delbert Byrum by members of the First Methodist Church Monday evening, at the parsonage.

The State Highway Commission's mountainous Tenth Division will launch a 1621-mile stabilization program with a major portion of its first road bond money. Cherokee County will get 138.8 miles of roads improved under the program.

Division Commissioner Dale Thrash of Asheville, in a preview of his road plans, said the emphasis in his 14 western counties will remain on stabilization through the next seven months of winter and early spring.

"The man riding on rock now who wants a paved road can be patient a little longer," he said. "He can afford to wait until the fellow living on the red road gets some crushed stone on his road. Our goal is to keep all school buses running this winter if possible and concentrate on placing rock on roads that have never had any rock on them."

The Tenth Division Commissioner said that the early advent of winter in the mountains also is a factor in his planning. In the near future representatives will be appointed to study roads in each township. Early in the spring these township representatives, the county commissioners, board of education members, county chairmen of the road and school bond drive and other leaders of each county will be asked by Commissioner Thrash to meet with him and choose the roads to be hard surfaced during the 1950 paving season. The season will open about April 1.

In the meantime, Commissioner Thrash announced the following mileage for stabilization in each county during the winter:

Avery, 52.6; Buncombe, 205.6; Cherokee, 138.8; Clay, 62.7; Graham, 73.7; Haywood, 91.2; Henderson, 155.0; Jackson, 176.2; Macon, 205.6; Madison, 182.2; Mitchell, 56.2; Swain, 51.5; Transylvania, 114.0; and Yancey, 55.7.

To carry out this ambitious stabilization program, the Division has placed requisitions for 685,000 tons of crushed stone to be stockpiled at convenient locations.

In some cases the Tenth Division plans to build 12-foot roads where traffic does not justify a wider-type road. "We do not intend to force this type road on anybody, but we think the narrow roads will be quite satisfactory under certain conditions. They will go much further up the coves for the same amount of money," the Commissioner said. "Recently the houses were counted on one of the roads we will recommend for twelve-foot pavement. The road is three and one-half miles long with a state highway at one end and a high mountain at the other end. There are exactly twice as many houses on the one-half mile at the dead end of the road as are on any other half-mile of the road."

In connection with the initial planning for the Tenth Division's expanded program, Commissioner Thrash and Z. V. Stewart, Division Engineer, are holding public meetings in various sections of the Division. Factors such as traffic count, population, churches, schools, school bus and mail routes, and general relation of the road to the county road system will play a part in determining which roads get first consideration.

Rev. P. O. Elder To Preach Here

The Rev. P. O. Elder of Macon, Ga., new district superintendent of the Georgia Conference of the Free Methodist Church, will speak at Free Methodist Church in Murphy Friday, Saturday, and Sunday evenings at 7:30 o'clock, and Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

BLOODSHED BOXSCORE
ON N. C. HIGHWAYS

Killed October 8 through October 10, 1948	5
Injured October 8 through October 10, 1948	84
Killed through October 10, this year	626
Killed through October 10, 1948	529
Injured through October 10, this year	6,957
Injured through October 10, 1948	5,586