



The Cherokee Scout

FREEDOM—
Those who deny freedom to others deserve it not for themselves, and, under a just God, cannot long retain it.—Abraham Lincoln.

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MURPHY, NORTH CAROLINA, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1950

EIGHT PAGES THIS WEEK

Mrs. C. C. Buchanan U. N. Day Speaker

A United Nations Day program was presented at First Methodist Church Tuesday at 7:15 P. M. The program opened with an organ prelude by Mrs. Duke Whitley, followed by invocation by the Rev. J. Alton Morris and the United Nations Hymn. Approximately 150 people attended.

Next was the entrance of flags, color guard from 4-H Clubs Shirley Carver, Emma Jean Shields, Edwin Hendrix, William Franklin, 4-Hers.

Mrs. C. C. Buchanan, librarian at Western Carolina Teachers College, Cullowhee, an outstanding authority in this section on the United Nations, was guest speaker. She was introduced by H. Bueck.

Mrs. Buchanan has attended meetings of the Security Council since its organization, including 15 meetings during the past four months, while doing graduate work at Columbia University and is probably the best qualified and best informed person on the subject in this part of the state.

The program was closed with the Song of Peace, and benediction by W. N. Bolton.

L. B. Nichols Is P. T. A. President

ANDREWS—A meeting was held Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 18, in the High School auditorium for the purpose of reorganizing the Parents-Teachers Association.

The meeting was opened with a song "Glory to God", by the local High School Glee Club under the direction of Mrs. I. B. Hudson.

The Rev. James A. Alton gave the devotional, using scripture and prayer.

A report of the nominating committee composed of Mrs. Edwin Bristol, Mrs. Galusha Pulliam, and Mrs. Battle, was given by Mrs. Bristol, chairman, as follows: L. B. Nichols, president; Mrs. Zeb Conley, vice-president; Miss Martha Jeanne Mull, secretary, and Joseph Sarsavage, treasurer.

New teachers and principal of the school were introduced by Supt. I. B. Hudson.

A large vase of roses and a check for \$25 were presented to the organization by Mrs. C. S. Freel.

Plans were formulated to hold the annual Harvest Sale on Saturday night, Nov. 4, at the high school auditorium. Mrs. Luke Ellis was appointed as chairman of the Harvest Sale and working with her are Mrs. Gordon L. Butler, Mrs. Wade Reece, Mrs. L. B. Nichols, Mrs. Charles Huffman, Mrs. Polly McGuire, and Mrs. Lenna Ford.

The first P. T. A. meeting of the year will be held in the school auditorium on the second Tuesday of November at 3:15 p. m.

John T. McMillan Taken At Age 76

John T. McMillan, 76, died in his home in Murphy at 9:15 a. m. Saturday, Oct. 21. He had spent most of his life in Cherokee County.

He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Barbara Hartness McMillan; three sons, Ralph of Gastonia, Jack of Murphy; Hershel of Route 2, Murphy; two daughters, Mrs. Mae Gibson, Route 2, Murphy, and Miss Florence McMillan of Murphy, 14 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2 p. m. in Rogers Chapel with the Rev. Oscar Winkler and the Rev. Wayne Crisp officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery with Townson Funeral Home in charge.

Truett To Preach On "Better Life"

The Rev. W. T. Truett will preach at Ranger Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a. m., at Mt. Moriah Baptist Church Sunday at 2 p. m., and Hopewell Baptist Church at 7:30 p. m. His sermon subject will be "The Better Life".

School Observes United Nations Day

United Nations Day was observed in Murphy Schools on Tuesday by observing two minutes of silent prayer at eleven o'clock when the chimes were played. Attractive bulletin boards were arranged for the week by Miss Maria Travis and Miss Roberta Splers. All students were invited to the county meeting which was held at the Methodist Church on Tuesday night.

Easley Completes Sales Course

R. W. Easley, Jr., Special Representative in Murphy, for the Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company, recently completed a six-day Sales Training Course held at his company's Home Office in Greensboro. Eighteen agents from throughout the Company's 30-state territory were selected to attend the school.

The study courses were conducted by members of the Company's Home Office staff and covered such subjects as "Life Insurance Fundamentals," "Life Insurance as Good Property," "Social Security Benefits Coordinated With Income from Life Insurance," etc.

In commenting on the school, Karl Ljung, Agency Manager for the Company, had this to say: "Our purpose in bringing these representatives into the Home Office is to give them a better understanding of the fundamental principles of life insurance and to equip them to render more complete life insurance service to the insuring public."

Baptist Association To Hold Meeting Sunday Afternoon

The quarterly meeting of the Western North Carolina Baptist Association will be held Sunday 2:30 P. M., at Martin's Creek Church. P. G. Ivie, moderator, will preside. Reports of the work will be presented by Cyrus White, Mrs. Carl West, and Mrs. Elmer Childers.

A playlet will be given by the young people of Truett Memorial Church. The devotional will be given by the Rev. Earl Cable, pastor of the Mt. Pisgah Church. Special Music will be given by Misses Joanne Crawford, Martha and Joanne Moore of Mt. Pisgah Church.

Miss Doris Raxter of Andrews Church will tell what Fruitland meant to her this summer. Mrs. John Savage will speak on what Caswell meant to her. The Rev. Floyd Clark will give some highlights from the Preachers' school at Fruitland. The Rev. A. B. Lovell, pastor of Marble and Peachtree Churches, will bring the closing meditation.

Byrum Announces Sermon Subjects

The Rev. R. Delbert Byrum, pastor of First Methodist Church, has announced that his sermon subject for Sunday morning at 11 o'clock will be, "The Gospel of Protestantism" and for Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock, "God's Evergreens".

Sunday School will be held Sunday morning at 9:45 and Evening Youth Meeting Sunday evening at 6.

Family Night will be observed on Wednesday evening at 6:30 in the Assembly Room of the church.

The board of Stewards of the church will have its regular monthly meeting on Thursday evening, November 2, at 7:30 o'clock in the ladies' parlor.

ATTEND RALLY
Miss Shirley Steele and Bobby Sue Trull attended the District Rally of the Future Homemakers of America which was held in Shelby on Saturday.



REV. JULIUS SPEARS

Rev. J. H. Spears Preaches Sunday

The Rev. Julius H. Spears, Dean of Truett-McConnell Junior College, Cleveland, Ga., will preach at First Baptist Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday evening at 7:30 in the absence of the pastor, The Rev. J. Alton Morris, who will be conducting revival services in Brookford.

Mr. Spears received his A. B. Degree from Mercer University; Th. M., from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and M. A. Degree from Duke University.

Truett-McConnell Junior College was organized by the Georgia Baptist Convention and named in honor of Dr. George W. Truett and Dr. F. C. McConnell Sr. The fourth session of the college opened in September with 114 students enrolled in day school and 45 in night school. The college is operated in temporary quarters pending the completion of permanent buildings on a 410-acre site at Cleveland, Georgia.

Sunday School will be held at 9:45 a. m. and Training Union 6:30 p. m. The mid-week Hour of Prayer service will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30.

10 Men Leave For Induction

The first group of Cherokee County men to leave for actual induction into the armed services left Murphy Monday to report to the Veterans Administration Building in Charlotte. The 10 men were: J. R. Jones, Simon Eugene Webb, Luther Toby Dockery, William Taylor Kephart, Gracen E. Trantam, Herbert Clark Gibson, Harold C. Higdon, Keith Wilson, Harold Glenn Palmer and Charles Hoover Fullwood.

On November 2, 15 boys will leave for their physical examination, and on November 30, a group of 14 will leave for induction. These groups will report to Charlotte.

Rev. J. R. Crook Called For Exam.

The Rev. James R. Crook, pastor of Murphy Presbyterian Church, received orders last week to report for physical examination and stand by for orders to active duty in the army. Mr. Crook is a First Lieutenant in the Infantry. He served four years in World War II, including 25 months in the Southwest Pacific.

Many Take Prizes At State Fair

Last week John J. Wrinn, Assistant County Agent spent the week in Raleigh at the State Fair, assisting Clay County with two booths and carried several exhibits from Cherokee County. Seven blue ribbons, eight red ribbons and one white ribbon were placed on farm exhibits. Ten exhibits of corn were sent in from this county, and prizes were won on all but three, and they were open pollinated white corn. Following is a list of winners.
Corn: 1st prize, U. S. 282, seed ears, A. Q. Ketner; 2nd prize, U. S. 282, seed ears, Hillard Foster; 2nd prize, N. C. 27, feed ears, J. Franklin Smith; 1st prize, Dixie 17, feed ears, J. C. Wells; 2nd prize, N. C. T-20, feed ears, A. J. Barton; 1st prize, U. S. 282, feed ears, A. Q. Ketner; 2nd prize, U.

Presbyterian Services Listed

"The Call to Loyalty" will be the subject of the sermon by the Rev. James R. Crook, pastor, at the Murphy Presbyterian Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The offertory music will be a baritone solo by Ted Ploeger of Hiwassee Dam with Mrs. Ploeger, accompanist.

Sunday School will meet at 10 a. m. with Franklin Smith, Supt. Youth Fellowship and Pioneer Groups will meet at the church at 6:30 Sunday evening.

The moving picture, "The Life of Paul", produced by Cathedral Films will be presented at the church in connection with the midweek services, beginning next Wednesday. The public is invited to attend this fine movie in four installments on succeeding Wednesday evenings. The movie will be shown in the Sunday School assembly room at 7:30 p. m.

At a recent meeting, Dr. Harry Miller was elected chairman of the Board of Deacons of the Presbyterian Church, and Mack Patten was elected treasurer to succeed Ben Vaughn, who has left Murphy to reside in Chattanooga, and R. G. Alexander, Jr., was elected assistant treasurer.

Lutherans Celebrate Reformation Sun.

ANDREWS—On the anniversary of the posting of the 95 Theses, the day before All Saint's Day, 1517, on the door of the church in Wittenburg by Martin Luther, St. Andrew's Evangelical Lutheran Church here will join with the majority of Protestantism in the celebration of Reformation Sunday on October 29 at the regular 11 o'clock service.

This day was set aside, Pastor Wm. E. Hall explained, on account of the bitter experience of Christianity in the period of the Reformation when it found that the Church had been misled.

"It is a day in which Evangelical Christianity pauses to see whether it is still Evangelical, that is, according to the Bible," he stated. In a divided Protestantism it is one time when the majority of Protestants can come together with singleness of heart and emphasize the three primary doctrines of the Reformation: Justification by Grace alone, for Christ's sake, through faith; that a Christian is at the same time justified and yet a sinner; and the universal priesthood of all believers.

The public is invited.

Latham Speaking 5 Days A Week

The Rev. L. E. Latham began a daily radio broadcast on station WGST, 920 ke., on Monday, October 23. The program will be heard five days each week, Monday through Friday at 6 a. m. At this hour of the morning WGST will cover much of the Western North Carolina area. This program will be known as "The Family Altar Broadcast".

Rev. A. B. Lovell Heads Temperance Forces In County

At a meeting in First Baptist Church Wednesday the Cherokee County Forces for Temperance and Law Enforcement elected the Rev. A. B. Lovell as county chairman P. G. Ivie, vice Chairman; and Paul McClure, secretary. It was decided that a meeting would be held four times each year. The next meeting will be on January 15, and will be held in the courthouse.

The newly elected officers were appointed to select a steering committee of nine whose names will be presented at the next meeting.

7.05 Miles Road Improvements Are Announced

The State Highway Commission has finished another 7.05 miles of road improvements in Cherokee County under the accelerated road-building program.

L. Dale Thrash of Asheville, Tenth Division highway commissioner, has announced the following work completed during the month of September:

(1) Resurfacing with bituminous concrete from US 64 to Peachtree via Peachtree School for 3.3 miles.

(2) Grading and surfacing with traffic-bound macadam the following roads:

Dockery Road, 1 mile; Rail Cove Road, 0.4; Coffee Road, 0.15; Owl Creek Road, 0.2; Bluff Road, right, 0.6.

(3) Strengthening and stabilizing the following roads:

Cumberland Gap Road, 0.3 mile; Joe Brown Road, 0.2; Wakefield Road, 0.9.

Dr. Henry W. Jordan, chairman of the Highway Commission, reports more road work under construction at this time than ever before in the history of the Commission. Numerous primary and secondary projects will be finished before the end of the 1950 construction season.

As of September 10, the Commission had spent \$49,874,221.50 and allocated \$95,067,744.27 of the first \$125,000,000 in bond funds.

Clairborne Speaks On Episcopal Hour

The Rt. Rev. Randolph R. Clairborne, Suffragan Bishop of Alabama, will be the speaker on the Episcopal Hour, Sunday morning, October 29, at 8:30 o'clock.

Several of the many stations from which the Episcopal Hour may be heard are: WGN, Gastonia; WHKY, Hickory; WMNC, Morganton; WHCC, Waynesville; WSB, Atlanta.

75 PER CENT PUPILS RIDE ON BUSES

There are 458 students enrolled in Murphy High School, and 344 or 75 per cent of this number ride busses daily to and from school. The total number of students travel 5,582 miles per day, 111,640 miles per month and 1,044,760 miles per year.

Cpl. Claude Sims Is Killed In Korea



CPL. CLAUDE SIMS

Cherokee Countians Invest \$11,137 In E Bonds

County U. S. Savings Bonds Chairman, W. D. Whitaker announced today that according to the monthly sales report from Allison James, State Director of Savings Bonds in Greensboro, sales of Series E Bonds in Cherokee County for the month of September totaled \$11,137.50.

The total figures for North Carolina's 100 counties were as follows: Series E Bonds \$2,208,694.50; Series F \$147,223.00; Series G \$374,000.00, totaling \$2,729,917.50. The E Bond sales in North Carolina for September were 10.5% higher than total sales for August.

Mr. Whitaker stated that on November 1st the Savings Bonds Division of the Treasury Department will launch a nationwide drive among industries to increase employee participation in the Payroll Savings Plan for regular and systematic purchases of Series E Bonds. A Bond campaign also will be held in Agricultural sections among farmers.

The County Chairman stated that due to the war in Korea and threats of war in other parts of the world individual citizens in the nation are being called upon to work together for promoting the well being of the nation during a critical period. It is important to the welfare of the nation that the Savings Bonds Program be supported by our citizens not only to back up our fighting men in Korea but to help stabilize our economy on the home front.

W. H. Neal, Senior Vice-President of the Wachovia Bank & Trust Company in Winston-Salem, has been appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury to head up the volunteer Savings Bonds State Advisory Committee in North Carolina. He succeeds I. M. Bailey, Raleigh attorney, who recently resigned after several years of active and devoted service to the Bond program.

Funeral Held Tuesday For Jas. K. Axley

Joseph Knox Axley, 80, retired rural mail carrier, and prominent Murphy resident, died at 6:45 p. m. Sunday October 22, in a Murphy hospital following an illness of two weeks. He had been in declining health for several years.

Born April 2, 1870, he was the son of Felix P. Axley and Margaret P. Axley of a family of ten children, he was the fifth in seniority of years.

The first rural mail carrier in Cherokee County, appointed in 1904, he remained on the job until his retirement. Having no roads, the mail was carried on horseback for several years.

His forebears were among the pioneers of the county. His father and grandfather were attorneys, the latter being the first attorney in Cherokee County.

Members of the family surviving are, three sisters, Mrs. B. B. Meroney of Murphy, widow of Dr. B.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sims of Murphy received a telegram from the War Department Friday, October 20, stating that their son, Cpl. Claude T. Sims was killed in action in Korea on September 5, 1950.

Cpl. Sims was born November 5, 1930, at Baldwin, Ga., and attended Glenville and Murphy Schools.

He was employed by the Trailways Bus System prior to his entry into the Army on July 20, 1949. Cpl. Sims received his training at Fort Jackson, S. C., and served with the 44th Engineers of the Third Army, at Fort Bragg.

Cpl. Sims later received orders to report to Camp Stoneman, Calif., to sail for Japan, and he sailed June 22, 1950, on the U. S. S. General Collins.

On July 16, Cpl. Sims wrote his mother that he was only 40 miles from the front in Korea and would be in action when she received the letter. He was with the famous 24th Infantry Division.

The parents received their last letter from him on September 2. Mrs. Sims says, "He was his unselfish self telling us not to worry about him, and that he would soon be coming home."

On October 6, his sweetheart received a letter from a buddy of Cpl. Sims, which read in part:

"We were buddies and were together operating a switch board when we hit a road block at An-Gong-Ni, and as far as I know Sims didn't come through. I could tell you what happened but they won't let me. I was hit, not serious, but he never came to the hospital or never did report to the company."

The family had been very uneasy, and the American Red Cross wrote a letter and Hobart McKeever, called Senator Graham's office, and checked with the War Department. At that date, however, Cpl. Sims was not listed as a casualty. Two days later the telegram came.

Cpl. Sims was a member of the Woodmen of the World Camp 891 at Murphy.

Mrs. Sims said about her son, "He lived a short, clean life and had a brilliant career as a soldier." His recognitions of merits are yet to be presented to his mother.

Cpl. Sims is survived by his parents; four brothers, Troy of Bland, Va., Russell of Marietta, Ga., Cline of Murphy, and Ray of the home and one sister, Mrs. Edna Tolley of Murphy.

Miss Ditmore Is Taken By Death

Miss Missouri A. Ditmore, 92, died at her home in Murphy at 5:30 a. m. Friday, October 20, after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 11 a. m. in Pine Log Baptist Church with the Rev. James A. Allen pastor of Andrews Methodist Church, and the Rev. Thomas Truett officiating. Burial was in Pine Log Methodist Cemetery, with Ivie Funeral Home in charge.

Surviving are three nephews, Frank Bell of Brasstown, R. S. Bell of Andrews, and Oscar Ditmore of Arkansas, and five nieces, Mrs. Lillie Patton, Mrs. Hattie Moats, Mrs. Augusta Solesbee of Atlanta, Ga., Mrs. Lella Adair and Mrs. Esta Moats of Texas.

B. Meroney, Mrs. Margaret Bell of Richmond, Va., and Miss Kate Axley of Murphy; two brothers, W. M. Axley, Murphy attorney, and Carl C. Axley of Statesville.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. in First Methodist Church of which he had been a member for many years. The Rev. Alfred Smith and the Rev. J. Alton Morris officiated and burial was in the Old Methodist Cemetery with Townson Funeral home in charge.

The body remained at the funeral home until one hour before the service, when it was taken to the church where it lay in state until the service.

Palbearers were, Walter Coleman, Noah Hembree, Lloyd Hendrix, Mercer Paine, Dave Carringer, and Hattie Dickey.