



Brandon P. Hodges Speaks Berkshire Ceremony July 2

Ceremonies at 4 p. m. Monday, July 2, will mark placing of the date stone of the new Berkshire Knitting Mills, described as one of the most modern in the nation. at the site of the new building near Andrews.

Invocation will be given by the Rev. Wm. E. Hall of the St. Andrews Lutheran Church followed by welcome addresses on behalf of the Town of Andrews given by the Honorable Percy B. Ferebee, Mayor of Andrews. Honorable Brandon P. Hodges, State treasurer, will make a welcome address on behalf of the State of North Carolina. The response will be given by Ferdinand K. Thun, president of the Berkshire Knitting Mills and Hugo Hemmerich, vice-president of Berkshire Knitting Mills.

Ferdinand K. Thun will set the stone with a silver trowel inscribed with the Berkshire seal and the date 1951 to commemorate the beginning of production in the South. This trowel was presented Mr. Thun by Romeo Guest.

Gordon L. Butler, president of the Andrews Chamber of Commerce, will act as master of ceremonies.

The benediction will be by the Rev. Wm. E. Hall.

At the close of the ceremony each person will be given a souvenir program of the home plant in Reading, Pa., and the completed plant in Andrews. Free soft drinks will be served to everyone while a quartet from the Cherokee Indian Reservation will entertain with a few selections. During the social gathering the officials of Berkshire Knitting Mills will meet the people.

A large crowd is expected.

Mrs. A. R. Bell and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of Garner, will spend the week-end with Mrs. Willard Cooper.

Crowds Attending "Unto These Hills"

By Joann Parrish
CHEROKEE—Visitors from every section of the country attended the opening of "Unto These Hills" Saturday night. In the audience were many dignitaries from North Carolina, Tennessee and Georgia. The drama will run nightly through July 8 and thereafter six nights weekly, Tuesday through Sunday, until Sept. 4.

There was new spark and color in the production which in its first season last year broke all attendance records for outdoor dramas playing to more than 107,000 persons.

An enlarged cast of 120, of which fifty-three are real Cherokee Indians, turned in a creditable first-night performance which speaks highly of the directing job done by Harry Davis, veteran director and producer of the famous Carolina Playmakers of the University of North Carolina.

As a whole, the production has been greatly strengthened by the addition of experienced actors and the re-scoring of the original Cherokee Indian mood music by its composer, young Cherokee Jack Frederck Kilpatrick.

Into the two-hour performance was packed a 400-year glimpse of the American past, highlighted by a series of vivid scenes that spun out the drama's principal theme of world brotherhood and peace.

In this reviewer's opinion, the production will be greeted with enthusiasm for its smooth professional tone. New costuming has given it more brilliance. And the actors and actresses have faithfully interpreted the story as written by Kermit Hunter. A new ending gives the audience a feeling of hope rather than the stunned reaction of last year when Junaluska died in view of the spectators.

The Battle of Horseshoe Bend scene, exceedingly weak last season, is made to come alive with true character portrayal by Blanche (Continued on page 4)



HUDSON MEDAL—Pictured above is the gold medal which was established this year in honor of Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Hudson by the junior and senior classes of Andrews High School. It is contemplated that the medal will be offered here in the high school indefinitely. Provision already has been made for the medal to be awarded the next three years.

The medal was first given this year at commencement, and was made to George Pulliam, following an announcement of the medal by senior class president, Jerry Reece. L. B. Nichols, former school board member, was asked to make the presentation.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson have been connected with Andrews schools for the past sixteen years. Mr. Hudson has been school superintendent, and Mrs. Hudson has been a high school teacher.

Mr. Hudson resigned as superintendent here March 12. He was named county superintendent of schools in Onslow County on April 23, and will assume the position there July 1.

Presbyterian Services Listed

"I Know Whom I Have Believed" is the subject announced by Bryan Hatchett for his sermon at the Presbyterian Church Sunday at 11 a. m.

Other services for the day are Sunday School at 10 a. m.; Pioneer Fellowship, 6:30 p. m.; Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p. m.

Evening service 7:30 p. m. Meditation, "The Bright and Morning Star". Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Bible Study; 8:15 p. m. choir practice.

Sunday at 4 p. m., Miss Jane Tipton soprano, of Young Harris, Ga., will give a concert in the church. She will be accompanied by Arthur Heinrich. The public is invited.

Murphy Drive-In Theatre Is Open

Murphy Drive-In Theatre opened last night (Wednesday), on U. S. Highway 64, four miles east of Murphy, across the highway from the prison camp.

This is the first drive-in theatre in this county. It is owned by Grover Mauney, Jack Lunsford, and Mrs. Walt Mauney. Mrs. Louise Caldwell will be the manager, and Mrs. Jack Lunsford will assist her.

List of pictures for the coming week, except for Friday and Saturday nights, were not available when the paper went to press, but regular schedules will be published week hereafter.

CLINIC CHANGED

The routine clinic conducted at the Health Dept. on Wednesday will be held on Tuesday of next week because of the regular day being a holiday, announces Miss Willie Lovingood, nurse.

Revival Starts At Mission On Monday Evening

Revival services will be held each evening, July 2-6 at 8 p. m. at the Baptist mission at Bealton. A Vacation Bible School will be held on the same dates from 9 to 11 a. m.

The Vacation Bible School at Texana this week is in charge of Mrs. E. V. May, principal, assisted by Mrs. J. B. Hall, Misses Judy Nichols, Shirley Bates, Billie Jane Rush and Doris Palmer. The colored workers are: Birdie Bowman, Reba Calvert and Claudette Calvert.

The Rev. J. Alton Morris returned Thursday from the Southern Baptist Convention at San Francisco and will preach at the Sunday services. The services are scheduled for 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School is 9:45, Bealton mission service at 2:30, and Deacons meeting at the same hour. Training Union is at 7 p. m.

Monday at 8 p. m. B. W. C. meets with Mrs. L. R. Walker. Tuesday 9:30 a. m. is Primary choir practice, Junior choir at 10:15, Fellowship supper at 6:30, and Sunday school workers' Council at 7:30. Wednesday the Hour of Power is at 7:30 and Adult choir practice at 8:30. Thursday Youth choir practice is at 7:30. Friday Primary choir practice is 9:30 and Junior choir at 10:15.

Offices, Stores To Close Fourth

Wednesday, the Fourth of July, will find the shades drawn and the doors locked at the offices in the Court House and the Town Hall. The bank, the postoffice, the Scout office, and other offices will be closed.

A spot check indicates that the merchants will take the day off, giving themselves and their employees an opportunity to celebrate Independence Day and get in a bit of fishing, or a quiet picnic.

Swimming Class Begins July 2

Swimming classes for non-swimmers and beginning swimmers will begin on July 2 at Cane Creek under the direction of the summer recreation program. Anyone interested in taking free swimming lessons may contact Irvin Greene, recreation director.

A free bus will leave the gymnasium at 9:30 in the morning. No one will be allowed to make the trip except Life Guards, Instructor, non-swimmers and beginning swimmers.

Group Attends Cherokee Meetings

Among those from Murphy who attended the meeting of Western North Carolina Tourist Association, and pageant, "Unto These Hills" last Friday night were:

Mrs. Tom Mauney and sisters, Misses Sue and Louise Haiger of Hayesville, Mrs. Mabel Weaver and Mrs. Willard Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Elkins, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gennett and Mrs. Joe M. Elkins, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Shields, Mrs. Lola Johnson of Denver, Colo., Mr. and Mrs. Whitfield Brown of Copperhill, Tenn., Mrs. J. B. Gray, Mrs. Essie McCreary, Mrs. Lula McCall of El Paso, Texas, Mrs. E. L. Shields, Mrs. C. W. Savage, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Hatchett, and Frank and Bill Beerkens.

C. R. Freed and W. D. Townson attended the meeting of Western North Carolina Associated Communities, representing Murphy Chamber of Commerce.

Miss Shirley Steele of Dalton, Ga., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Kinney, Jr., this week.



REV. R. W. SPEARS

Rev. R. W. Spears Is Sunday Speaker

The Rev. R. Wright Spears, president-elect of Columbia College, Columbia, S. C., is guest speaker on the Methodist Hour, a network radio program, for Sunday, July 1st. He speaks on the subject "When God Steps Aside."

Patriotic music for the 4th of July Sunday is presented by the Methodist Hour Choir under the direction of Hubert Vance Taylor. The choir sings the two hymns "God of our Fathers," and "God the Omnipotent" for the gospel melody for the program is the ever popular old fashioned arrangement of "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

For some years the Reverend Mr. Spears has been pastor of the First Methodist Church at Florence, S. C., and was pastor at Trinity Methodist Church in Charleston and widely known in his home state as a worker and leader with young people. He is a graduate of Wofford College and Duke University.

The Methodist Hour, sermon and music, may be heard over radio station WSB at 8:30 a. m.

John E. Ruffy Heads Andrews Schools

Mrs. G. W. Cover, chairman of the school board, announces that Prof. John E. Ruffy has been employed as Superintendent of the Andrews School unit.

Supt. Ruffy comes here from Brevard, where he has been teacher and principal of the three-school elementary for the past 22 years, during which time he has seen five outlying schools petition for consolidation with the Brevard city system.

The new Superintendent received his B. S. degree in school teaching and managing from Western Carolina Teacher's College and attended N. C. State College where he was a student for two summers in graduate work for principals. He is at present in Peabody College where he will receive his M. A. degree in August, and will immediately move to Andrews to take up his new duties.

Professor Ruffy owns a home in Brevard which he plans to sell, and has other holdings in the county where he has taught since 1926.

Officials in Brevard state that vast improvements in the elementary system have been made under the leadership of Superintendent Ruffy, including construction of two modern buildings, and beautification of grounds through community effort. In addition to improving the buildings proper, the principal was also responsible for securing standard rating for the system, and equipment required was secured other than through county appropriation of funds.

Modern playground equipment has been added at Brevard during the supervisory term of Professor Ruffy, and the school has a record of only two accidents. The physical education system has been improved, and the midget football team has been operating for three years with a record of wins for approximately 75 percent of games played. For two years the Junior Patrols for each school have been operating with uniformed students serving under supervision of the city police force in

TVA Assures State Committee Of Transfer Hiwassee Park Site

A. D. Rieger, manager of properties of TVA, Chattanooga, told the State Parks Committee of the Board of Conservation and Development last Friday that the TVA board has authorized the transfer of the 835 acres of Hiwassee State Park to the State of North Carolina for continuation of the park.

The park has been operating under a lease arrangement, and no permanent improvements could be authorized by the State until it was assured of possession of the property. Dr. Sylvester Green of Chapel Hill, vice-chairman of the Parks committee, stated that he believes this action will be the "go-ahead" signal for putting the park in shape to attract more visitors and serve a real recreational need for this section of the state. It probably will be a few months before the actual transfer of the property takes place.

The Parks committee arrived in Murphy at noon and had lunch here. They then went to Hiwassee State Park on an inspection tour and conference with Mr. Rieger, George Sutton, new park supervisor there, and others interested in the project.

Members of the committee included: Dr. Green and Mrs. Green, State Parks Superintendent Thomas W. Morse; Oscar Breece and Mrs. Breece of Fayetteville, and Mrs. Grace Lane, secretary to the Board of Conservation and Development. They were accompanied to the park by Miss Addie Mae Cooke of Murphy.

CLASS TO MEET

The Esther Class of First Baptist Sunday School will meet Friday at 8 p. m. with Mrs. Calvin Stiles, president.

Mr. and Mrs. Olin Harlan and R. L. Blake, all of Heflin, Ala., were week-end guests of Mrs. Ruth Carringer.

Plan Big Celebration Independence Day



CHAS. O. FRAZIER

Chas. O. Frazier Elected Principal Elementary School

An announcement has been made that the Andrews School Board have elected Charles O. Frazier of Canton as principal of Andrews Elementary school.

Mr. Frazier received his B. S. degree from Western Carolina Teacher's College, Cullowhee and his M. A. from Peabody College, Nashville, Tenn.

He taught two years in the Waynesville Township High School and two years in the city schools of Franklin, Tenn. He is a member of Central Methodist Church, in Canton and a member of the Junior Chamber of Commerce in Franklin, Tenn.

At Cullowhee he was a member of the student senate organization during his senior year; he was business manager of the Cata-mountain. He served 3½ years in the Air Corp during World War II, two years of this time being in the Pacific theatre.

Mr. Frazier is married and has a son, Charles Robinson, (Chuckie) who is 7½ months old. He will move to Andrews in August. At the present time he is at WCTC, Cullowhee, taking workshop and teaching exceptional children. He is also doing elementary observation work.

First Methodist Offers Schedule

"This Nation Under God" is the subject for the 11 a. m. Sunday service at the First Methodist Church, as announced by the Rev. R. Delbert Byrum. His evening subject is "The Sign of Sonship," at 8 p. m. Sunday school is 9:45 and Evening Youth meeting at 6:30.

Mr. Byrum will preside at the Young Adult Assembly of the Western North Carolina Conference of The Methodist Church when it convenes at Lake Junaluska, July 3-6. Mr. Byrum is president of this organization. Mrs. Byrum will also have leadership responsibility at the Assembly.

The keynote speaker of the Assembly will be Dr. John K. Benton of the School of Religion, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. The Rev. M. Leo Rippy, Head of the Adult Department of the General Board of Education in Methodism will be one of the key leaders for discussion groups. The Assembly is sponsored by the Board of Education of the Western North Carolina Conference, of which Rev. Carl H. King of Salisbury is Executive Secretary.

Miss Anne Leatherwood will represent the Murphy Church at the assembly and will act as pianist for the assembly.

Mrs. Lola Johnson left Monday for Denver, Colo., after several weeks' visit here with her father, A. D. Evans and her brother, Jim Evans.

The Mammoth Fourth of July Fiesta will open in Andrews next Wednesday, the biggest celebration of its kind ever to be held in Andrews according to W. D. Whitaker, chairman.

Bunting and flags will transform the streets ready for the grand Kiddle Parade and Floats which open the program at 10 a. m.

Baseball enthusiasts will see a game at 11 a. m. and another at 3:30 p. m. The bathing beauty contest and the swimming meet are due at 2 p. m.

At 9 p. m. a wonderful display of fireworks will be put on, and following this the dance will begin with Teddy Martin's Orchestra.

Clouds Bring No Break In Heat

Another scorching heat wave has gripped Cherokee County this week. The atmosphere has been filled with electricity and rumbling thunder has promised much but failed to bring any general rain.

On Monday Murphy prepared for a deluge. Heavy clouds, black and threatening, and crashing thunder rolled, but only a few drops of rain fell here. That storm did, however, hit the Marble area, leveling corn, gullying the fields, and threatening to flood.

On Tuesday the scenery was again set. Murphy's skies were eloquent with promise and threat. But the scene was shifted, giving the town a clear evening although a hot one. But, once again, the storm that missed, came to earth at Andrews flattening corn and washing out the fields. Both of these storms were fierce for a few minutes but were of short duration.

Lions To Sponsor Square Dance

Murphy Lions Club will sponsor a street square dance on the evening of July 3. A place will be roped off on Church Street, between Farmers' Federation and Davis' Esso Station. All proceeds will be turned over to the Summer Recreation fund to help carry on the recreation program for young people of Murphy. Everyone is invited.



Pfc. ERNEST DEE WHITT SHARP

Sharp Is Stationed At Camp Polk

Pfc. Ernest Dee Whitt Sharp, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Sharp of Andrews, Route 1, is now stationed at Camp Polk, Leesville, La. He is a member of Co. B, 165 Signal Battalion, 154th Corps where he has been stationed since May 3. Prior to that he was stationed at Camp Gordon, Ga. He is spending a ten-day furlough with his parents at the present time.

Pfc. Sharp is a graduate of Andrews High School, a member of the 1949 graduating class.