



Murphy's New School Building Which Is Ready For Occupancy

Open House Is Planned At New Murphy School

Open House will be held Saturday from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. and Sunday from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. in Murphy's new High School Building, according to announcement by Supt. H. Bueck. Classes will begin Monday.

Water Line To Be Built To Berkshire Mills

Reed and Abee, Inc., of Asheville will start building a new six-inch water line to Berkshire Knitting Mills in Andrews January 28. Work will be completed in approximately six weeks.

Is Elected Church Warden

The Rev. Rhett Y. Winters announces that the Mission Committee of the Murphy Church of the Messiah selected Myron Jensen warden of the church at a meeting at the parish house Thursday evening.

Frigid Weather Hits The County

Local citizens have been shivering through frigid temperatures after several days of rain. There were snow flurries mixed with sunshine all day Tuesday, and the temperature went down to four degrees Tuesday night. Roads were icy.

Kesters Leave

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kester left Tuesday for Back Mountain where they will make their home.

Mrs. Ida Barnett Dies In Georgia

Funeral services for Mrs. Henry Polk Barnett of Jefferson, Ga., were held Saturday at 3 p. m. in the Presbyterian Church at Jefferson.

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Conduct Class In Farm And Home Record Keeping

A county-wide farm and home record book school was held in the court house on Friday, D. D. Brown, Farm Management Specialist, and Miss Mamie Whisnant, Home Management Specialist from the State College Extension Service, conducted discussions in methods of farm and home record keeping.

The main purpose of this school, sponsored by local farm and home agents, was to give all interested farmers and farm wives training in methods of keeping farm and home records.

It was pointed out that the important thing in regard to farm and home records was that each farm and home manager should see that accurate records were kept.

Methodists Plan Family Night

The Rev. R. Delbert Byrum, pastor of Murphy First Methodist Church, announces that his Sunday sermon topic at 11 a. m. will be "Winning Self-Respect" and the 7:30 p. m. topic will be "The Cure of Soft Winds".

Southern Bell Applies To Sell

Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company has made application to the North Carolina Utilities Commission for approval of a sale and transfer of franchise rights and all physical properties in Murphy and Cherokee County to Western Carolina Telephone Company.

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Wm. H. McKeever Is Buried Here Sunday Afternoon

William Hobart McKeever, 55, died at 9 p. m. Thursday in his home at Savannah, Ga., following an illness of several months.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 p. m. Saturday in the First Baptist Church, Savannah, of which he was an active member, with the pastor, Dr. Leroy D. Cleverdon officiating.

Active pallbearers were Lewis M. Rawls, H. A. Stockdale, L. C. Hull, Charles A. Barefield, Carl Heinrich, and Lee Rivers. Honorary pallbearers were officers of the Adult Training Union members of Landrum Masonic Lodge, and male employees of Western Union.

Mr. McKeever was president of the Adult Training Union of the Church. Also he was a member of Landrum Masonic Lodge. He had been Operations Manager of Western Union for a number of years, having served in Greensboro, Birmingham, Ala., Tampa, Fla., and Savannah, Ga.

J. H. Duncan Is Education Group President

Cherokee County United Forces of Education elected J. H. Duncan president at a meeting in Murphy courthouse Monday evening.

Herman Brauer of Andrews is to be assistant to Mr. Duncan. Mrs. Edwin Bristol of Andrews is publicity chairman, and Mrs. Starr Pulliam of Andrews is reporter.

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Donald Ramsey To Direct Red Cross Fund Drive

Donald Ramsey manager of the Murphy Farmers' Federation, has been appointed chairman of the 1952 Funds Campaign of the Cherokee County Chapter. He and his wife and Miss Addie Mae Cooke, chapter chairman, attended the Regional planning meeting held in Asheville Monday.

Bid Of \$250,601.30 Is Made For U. S. 19

The State Highway Commission received a low bid of \$250,601.30 from Asheville Paving Co., Asheville, Tuesday on the project for grading and paving 14.71 miles of US 19 and 129, 0.22 miles east of square in Murphy going east to US 19 and 129, 0.71 miles east of west city limits of Andrews.

Complete Water Reservoir Repair

The Pressure Concrete Company of Florence, Ala., completed repair of the Town of Andrews water reservoir January 18.

Lee Watkins Rites Set For Thursday

Lee Watkins, prominent merchant and business man of Andrews died at his home Wednesday, January 30, at 2:10 a. m.

Mr. Watkins was born in Brownstown, Virginia December 22, 1885. He came with his parents to Andrews July 4, 1900. His father was employed by F. P. Cover Tannery who had moved at that time from Brownstown to Andrews.

Mr. Watkins was owner of Lee Watkins & Company, dealer in heavy groceries, feed and coal. For several years he has been the local wood buyer for The Champion Paper & Fiber Company. He was a partner in Ferebee & Watkins, owners of Davis Drug Company, Andrews Drug Company, and The Holland Store.

Mr. Watkins was active in the Republican party, and served at one time as alderman for the Town of Andrews. He was generous in contributions to civic, religious, and educational causes. The family requests that memorial gifts be made to the Andrews Carnegie Library rather than floral offerings.

Funeral services are today (Thursday) at 2:30 p. m. at the home. Officiating ministers will be the Rev. J. A. Richardson, the Rev. J. C. Neville, the Rev. William Hall, and the Rev. E. L. Kirk.

The body will remain at Ivie Funeral Home in Andrews until 1 p. m. and will then be taken to the home.

Burial will be in Andrews Cemetery. Mr. Watkins is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lettie Rogers Watkins, son, J. Arthur, one daughter, Mrs. Aylene Ezzell, one grandson, Tommy Lee, all of Andrews; three brothers, E. E. of Albany, Ga., J. C. of Andrews, and J. S. of Knoxville, Tenn.; a half sister, Mrs. Helen Vaught of Front Royal, Va.

Active pallbearers will be Edwin Bristol, A. B. Chandler, Jr., Jack Herbert, Loster Lovel, Alder Purser and Frank Forsyth.

Honorary pallbearers will be W. T. Forsyth, Frank Bristol, Bill Whitaker, Zeb and Harve Whitaker, P. B. Ferebee, S. H. Ledford, Herschel Keener, E. A. Wood, Hanscock Davis, Jeff Brooks, Herman West, John Christy, Edwin Hyde, L. B. Nichols, Mack McKelvey, Sam Cover, Bill Moore, C. S. Frest, Wymer Conley, Robert Heaton, Zola Adams, Dr. Gerald Almond, Dr. Charles O. Van Gorder, J. W. Hodda, Dr. J. H. Stickle, Hugh Jones, Luke Ellis, Wayne Battle, and Ben Grant.

Soil Conservation Unit For County To Be Proposed

By GLENN PATTON
Vocational Agriculture Teacher
Murphy Schools

There will be a meeting at the Cherokee County Courthouse February 7 at 2:30 of all farmers and other business men who are interested in setting up a Soil Conservation Unit in Cherokee County and in setting a time for a referendum on the subject. The meeting will be conducted by G. H. Farley, county agent, and by Frank Doggett, Extension Service's soil conservationist. All interested people are urged to attend.

The following quotation taken from the State Soil Conservation Committee's bulletin explains the function of Soil Conservation Districts: "The Soil Conservation District Act passed by the North Carolina General Assembly has made it possible for the rapid development of Soil Conservation Districts in the State of North Carolina. The State Soil Conservation Committee authorized by this Act has been deeply interested in making it possible to achieve maximum soil conservation throughout North Carolina. Your committee is ready at all times to aid in any situation that develops which is in the general interest of the State of North Carolina."

Gaddis' Funeral Is Held Thursday



CPL. ANDREW J. GADDIS

Little Symphony Drive To Be February 11-16

Plans for the North Carolina Little Symphony Drive, to be held February 11-16, are now getting underway, according to Miss Elizabeth Gray, Murphy chairman.

Advance tickets instead of memberships will be sold this year. The Little Symphony, under the direction of Dr. Benjamin Swain, will give two concerts in Andrews March 20, one for children in the afternoon and one for adults at 8 p. m.

Morris Announces Church Services

"Christ Speaks to a Careless Church" will be the Rev. J. Alton Morris' sermon topic at Murphy First Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a. m.

The Rev. A. G. Brooks will give the evening sermon at 7:30. The deacons will meet at 2 p. m. Services at Bealtown Mission will begin at 2:30. Sunday School at the prison camp will be at 3 p. m.

Georg Bidstrup Becomes Director Of Folk School

By FRED L. BROWNLEE
Georg Bidstrup became Director of the John C. Campbell Folk School at Brasstown January 1. He succeeds Howard Kester, who resigned to become Executive Head of the Fellowship of Southern Churchmen.

Mr. Bidstrup is no stranger to the people of Cherokee County. He has been in the county since he was educated in a folk school. At the founding of the Brasstown school he joined Mrs. John C. Campbell's staff as farm manager and director of folk singing and folk dancing. His reputation for success in all these lines has spread not only throughout North Carolina, but in many other states. He has also endeared himself as a friend and fellow farmer to the people of Cherokee County.

Peachtree Grange Hears Ferguson

T. W. Ferguson, representative of the National Grange, was guest speaker at the Peachtree Grange meeting at Peachtree School January 16 at 7:30 p. m.

Apprehend Youths For Theft Of Foods

Sheriff Frank Crawford reported Monday that David Jenkins, 18, and William Clore, 19, both of Culberson, Route 1, had been accused of taking 900 pounds of pork, 100 pounds of chickens, a quantity of frozen vegetables from a deep freeze locker, some furniture, 25 bed quilts, and other household articles from the home of Walter Arp of Hot House Township one night last week.

Miner Announces Sermon Topics

"The Spirit of Power" will be the sermon topic for the Sunday worship service at 11 a. m. at the Murphy First Free Methodist Church, announces the pastor, the Rev. C. Z. Miner. Sunday School will be at 10 a. m. and Y. P. M. S. service at 7 p. m.

BUY FARM

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Peacock have purchased the J. H. Ellis flower farm and will operate it as a nursery. They also will have a greenhouse and will continue to have The Blossom Shop in Murphy.

Think On These—
Whatever things are true, whatever things are honest, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of a good report; if there be any praise, think on these things.—Phil. 4-5.

Killed In Korea On May 28, 1951

The body of Cpl. Andrew Jackson Gaddis, who was killed in Korea, May 25, 1951, was brought to Murphy by Townson Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. Thursday (today) in Hangingdog Baptist Church, The Rev. Fred Townson of Dalton, Ga., will officiate, and burial will be in the church cemetery. The body was at the home from Tuesday.

Cpl. Gaddis was born in Isabella, Tenn., September 10, 1931, the son of Mrs. Anna Lou Gaddis of Murphy and the late Emmett G. Gaddis. He attended schools in Isabella and Ducktown, Tenn., and Murphy High School.

He joined the service in September 1949, and trained at Ft. Jackson, S. C. and Ft. Benning, Ga., and was assigned overseas in July, 1950 and was killed May 28, 1951.

Military rites will be conducted by the Joe Miller Elkins Post of the American Legion.

Flower girls will be classmates of Miss Mary Ann Gaddis. Surviving are the mother, Mrs. Anna Lou Gaddis; a sister, Mrs. Ann Gaddis, senior in Murphy High School, and a brother, Emmett Gibson Gaddis, student in Murphy schools.

Presbyterians Call Frank Brown

Frank Brown, student at Columbia Seminary, Decatur, Ga., will preach in Murphy Presbyterian Church Sunday at 11 a. m.

Sunday School will meet at 10 a. m. with J. Franklin Smith, superintendent.

Mr. Brown, a senior at Columbia Seminary, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Murphy church. He will graduate in May, and will assume the pastorate here June 1.

Hear Concert By Miss Umphres

Miss Velma Umphres, educational director of First Baptist Church, gave a concert at the McCaysville, Ga., high school building Monday evening, proceeds going to the March of Dimes fund in this area.

Those from here attending the concert were: The Rev. and Mrs. J. Alton Morris, Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Hoover, Mr. and Mrs. Hadley Dickey, Mrs. Charles Shvlye, Mrs. Cecile Mills, Misses Faye Boling, Frances Fisher and Eloise Davis.

Auxiliary To Have Dinner Tuesday

The Murphy American Legion Auxiliary will sponsor a dutch dinner at Regal Hotel at 7 p. m. February 5. American Legion members are invited to join the Auxiliary members at this meeting. Each may invite one guest. Reservations may be made through Regal Hotel.

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The youths were arrested in Akron, Ohio, Sunday by Akron Ohio police and were being held for Murphy officers.

Crawford and Deputy Buren Grant left Murphy Tuesday morning for Akron to return the youths, who, he said, were charged with breaking, entering and larceny.

Crawford said Arp was working in South Carolina at the time and the house was unoccupied. He estimated the value of the goods at between \$800 and \$1,000.

The pork and chicken alone accounted for approximately \$500 of the value, by Crawford's estimating the value of the meat at current retail prices of 50 cents per pound.