

Slagle, Accident Victim, Succumbs

Ed K. Slagle, wellknown former resident of Andrews and a prominent businessman of Orlando, Fla., succumbed Friday afternoon to injuries received in an auto accident near Marble Wednesday morning.

Mr. Slagle, age 66, was born in Clay County, the son of the late James Alfred Slagle and Ida Martin Slagle. He was educated in the Clay County schools and attended Maryville College and the University of North Carolina.

During World I he served in the United States Marine Corps. He was selected one of twenty men to accompany the President of Brazil to Rio de Janeiro, on the Battleship Idaho, at the close of the war.

In June, 1929, he was married to the former Ethel Walker, of Andrews, who survives.

For the past twenty-five years, Mr. Slagle was one of the proprietors and salesmen of the Walker Shoe Store of Orlando, where he and Mrs. Slagle made their home.

Mr. Slagle was a member of the American Legion, a Mason, a Shriner, and a member of the First Presbyterian Church, of Orlando.

Surviving in addition to the widow, are one sister, Mrs. Lillian Slagle Ashe, of Andrews and two brothers, Arnold of Detroit, Mich., and Clifton of Andrews.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at the Andrews Presbyterian Church, with the Rev. J. C. Neville, officiating. Special music was presented by the church choir and by Miss Margaret Fisher, soloist.

Active pallbearers were John Slagle, Edwin Bristol, Melvin Arrowood, Bill Whitaker, William Walker and Will Hyde.

Interment was in Valleytown Cemetery.

Ivie Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Murphy High School Orients County Freshmen

Murphy High School observed its first Orientation Day last Friday when the eighth graders from Peachtree, Unaka, White Church, Ranger, Martin's Creek, and Murphy had an opportunity to observe high school life. Murphy seniors served as hosts.

At 9 a. m. guests went to assembly for an hour of entertainment. At noon they were guests in the luncheon. During the day all incoming freshmen registered for next year.

Solicits Pledges

J. L. Savage, county blood program chairman, announces that Miss Elma R. Dennis of Texana School helped contribute toward the success of the donation from Murphy when the bloodmobile was here last week by soliciting pledges. He said there were approximately eight or nine donors from the Texana community.



Baptists Plan Services For Elderly People

Worship services at Murphy First Baptist Church Sunday will begin at 11 a. m. The choir will give special music, "Where We'll Never Grow Old". The Rev. J. Alton Morris, pastor, says Sunday's services are especially for elderly people.

Sunday School begins at 9:45 a. m. Services will be held at Beal-town Mission at 2:30, and Sunday School at the prison camp at 3 p. m.

Training Union is at 7 p. m., followed by evening worship at 7:55 p. m. Mr. Morris' topic will be "The Great Conflict".

B. W. C. will meet with Mrs. Vivian Gentry at 7:30 p. m. Monday. Tuesday the Sunday School Workers Council will have a supper meeting at 7 p. m.

The Wednesday prayer services will begin at 7:30 p. m., followed by adult choir practice at 8:30.

Next Sunday the church will observe Mother's Day and also Baby's Day. The dedication service for the babies will be held in connection with the morning worship.



Murphy Free Methodists Begin Revival

Revival meetings will begin Tuesday, May 6, at Murphy Free Methodist Church, and will be held each night at 7:45.

The Rev. H. E. Baker of Salamanca, N. Y., is the evangelist. He has been called a "Second Whitefield" because of his ability to draw word pictures in the presentation of the scriptures. He is an author, song writer and a former missionary to the Seneca Indians.

The pastor, the Rev. C. Z. Miner extends a welcome to everyone.

Byrum Announces Church Schedule

The pastor of Murphy First Methodist Church, the Rev. R. Delbert Byrum, announces that his sermon topic Sunday at 11 a. m. will be "It's Up to the Family".

Sunday School will begin at 9:45 a. m.

The pastor will speak on "Waiting Upon God" at the 7:30 evening services.

The monthly Family Night at Church will be held Wednesday at 8:30 o'clock. A film, "The Family Next Door" will be shown as a part of the program in keeping with Christian Family Week, May 4-11. The men of the church will be responsible for serving the meal.

The monthly meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will meet with Mrs. H. A. Mattox Tuesday at 2:30 p. m.



POULTRY CHAIN—Shown above, left to right, are members of Cherokee County Poultry Chain for 1952. They are: Ruth Logan, Jerry Ruth Smith, Jack Garrett, J. B. Curtis, Billy Parker, Roger Swanson, Jimmy Mintz, Ted Anderson, James Kilpatrick. The last two on the back row are M. B. Wright, assistant county agent, and Don Ramsey, manager of Farmers Federation.

Poultry Chain Members Selected

Four-H members chosen to participate in the 4-H Poultry Chain for 1952 are: Jack Garrett, Unaka Jimmy Mintz, Rt. 3, Murphy; Billy Parker, Rt. 1, Marble; Ruth Logan, Rt. 2, Murphy; Don Peacock, Murphy; Roger Swanson, Ranger; J. B. Curtis, Unaka; Jerry Ruth Smith, Rt. 2, Murphy; Ted Anderson, Rt. 2, Murphy; Jimmy Kilpatrick, Ranger.

Poultry Chain members are selected on the basis of interest and available facilities for the care of chickens.

Each member received 100 production type chicks last week. The chain is sponsored by the Farmers Federation. At fair time each member will place on exhibit twelve of the pullets. They will receive prizes according to their rating, and the pullets will be sold at auction. Returns from the sale will be used for continuation of the chain.

Robert Franklin Has Severe Burns

Robert Franklin, commonly known as "Snake Frankum", is suffering severe burns on a large part of his body. He received treatment at Murphy Petrie Hospital and was later removed to Veterans Administration Hospital, Swannanoa Division at Oteen, where he is now a patient.

The following affidavit was sent to John O'Dell, American Legion Service Officer in Murphy, signed by Karl A. Muschette, Assistant Department Service Officer of Buncombe County: "Robert Franklin of Murphy, N. C., presently a patient in Swannanoa Division at Oteen Hospital, first being duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that sometime about 1:30 p. m., Thursday, April 17, he went into Brownie's Pool Room in Murphy where he met Jimmy Crawford, Olden Moore, R. M. Moore and Frank Taylor. That during the course of conversation he was offered a drink of whiskey. The conversation continued and he was offered another drink of whiskey, which he accepted. He was told to put his broom in his car, which he did. He then 'blacked out'."

"Deponent further states that the four friends mentioned above with deponent got into his car and left. This is all he remembers of the incident surrounding the burns he has received until he was returned to his home by persons unknown to him."

Chief of Police Neil Sneed told THE SCOUT that apparently Franklin had lighted a cigarette and burned himself. He said that was all he knew to give the paper. T. R. Kitchin, investigator for the State Bureau of Investigation, said he had no authority to release any information on the case. He said the investigation is still underway.

Franklin was interviewed by SCOUT reporters Saturday. His account was similar to what was in the affidavit. He named two other men not mentioned in the affidavit as being among the group: Jack Ramsey and Charles Laney.

He said that once in the car he did not remember anything about what happened until he got home, and did not know where he had been taken. He said his pants were on him but were not burned.



METHODIST SPEAKER—Bishop Paul Bently Kern of Nashville, Tenn., who will preach the sermon on the Methodist Series of the Protestant Hour Sunday at 2:30 a. m. over radio station WSB.



RADIO SPEAKER—Bishop Fred Pierce Corson of Philadelphia who will speak on the Methodist Series of the Protestant Hour Sunday at 2:30 a. m. over radio station WSB.

Town Of Murphy Officials To Be Elected Next Tuesday

Two Parties Have Candidates For Mayor And Council

J. W. Franklin, Republican, and L. L. Mason, Democrat, candidates for mayor, will oppose each other in the general election for the Town of Murphy Tuesday. Franklin is a local automobile dealer, and Mason is an attorney.

Candidates nominated for the council by the Democrats are: R. M. White, R. W. Easley, Jr., Cloe Moore, Newt Boling, Lonzo W. Shields and H. E. Bishop.

Candidates nominated for the council by the Republicans are: Dr. W. A. Hoover, H. E. Dickey, Loren C. Davis, Clyde Gladson, H. G. Elkins and J. M. Hughes.

The Democratic platform pledges no increase in the present tax rate, continuation of the present program of hard surfacing streets, courteous and adequate police protection, continued improvement of public cemeteries, a cleaner and better community, and said they do not advocate the legal sale of any intoxicating beverages in the Town of Murphy.

J. W. Franklin and other Republican candidates say that if elected they will eliminate unnecessary expenditures, reduce the tax rate by a reduction of expense of town government, and enforce efficient law enforcement by town officers.

The registrar will attend the polling place at the courthouse Saturday for the purpose of accepting challenges, says A. J. Hembree, chairman of the Board of Elections.

Poll officials are Charles White, Republican judge; W. W. Rogers, Democratic judge; Winston Craig, Republican clerk; Mary Catherine Sneed, Democratic clerk.

Charles Sneed Injured In Fall

Charles Sneed of Murphy who is employed by Souther Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company in Asheville, fell Wednesday of last week from a 25-foot pole and crushed his left heel. He underwent an operation Wednesday of this week at Mission Memorial Hospital in Asheville, where he has been receiving treatment since the accident.

Mrs. Sneed and Mrs. Clyde Sneed went Wednesday to be at his bedside, and they and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sneed and Mrs. Clyde Sneed's children visited him Sunday.

Gibson Child Is Discharged

Gerry Lee Gibson, who was injured Saturday, April 19, when he was struck by an automobile in front of the Cherokee Ice plant, was discharged from Murphy General Hospital Saturday.

Gerry, the 10-year-old son of Mrs. Alice Gibson, suffered a skull fracture and severe contusions of the head.

A technical charge was made against Lee Poss, driver of Smyrna, Ga., until the condition of the boy was determined.

Patrolman Lee Lance says all evidence points to the fact that Mr. Poss tried to avoid the accident, when the child ran in front of the car.

Plan Family Night At Folk School

"Family Night" will be held at the Folk School Friday evening, May 2. Mrs. John C. Campbell, Miss Louise Pitman and Fred Brownlee, members of the Board of Directors, will be in Brasstown at the time for their spring meeting. A movie of the early days of the Folk School will be shown.

Candidates For Mayor



J. W. FRANKLIN



L. L. MASON

Graduates To Hear Dr. W. H. Plemmons

Dr. William Howard Plemmons, professor of education at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, will deliver the commencement address to the graduating class of Murphy High School, announces H. Bueck, superintendent of Murphy Schools.

The commencement address will be given Tuesday, May 20, at 8 p. m. in the gymnasium. Dr. Plemmons is an outstanding educator in the state. He is a native of Buncombe County and was formerly principal of Lee H. Edwards High School.

The baccalaureate sermon will be given Sunday, May 18, at 11 a. m. in the school auditorium by the Rev. Lewis E. Latham, director of the Missionary Hour of the Oriental Missionary Society with headquarters in Los Angeles, Calif. Mr. Latham, who was pastor of the Free Methodist Church here for three years through 1948, is now located in Atlanta, Ga.

On Monday, May 19, at 8 p. m. there will be a band concert, featuring the high school band, beginners band and an ensemble of both bands.

The eighth grade will receive certificates of promotion at the same time.

West Liberty Association Meets Wednesday

The Rev. J. Calvin Thompson announces that West Liberty Association will meet at Snow Hill Baptist Church May 4 at 2 p. m.

Parriott Headden will give the devotional, and Wayne Crisp will offer prayer. Special music will be given by Little Glade Church and the Harlow family. The Hampton girls will sing "In the Lord's Army".

The Rev. Tom Smith will preach.

Miner's Topic Is "Prayer"

The Rev. C. Z. Miner, pastor of Murphy Free Methodist Church, announces that his Sunday sermon topic at 11 a. m. will be "Prayer".

Sunday School will begin at 10 a. m.

Y. P. M. S. is at 7:15 a. m., followed at 7:45 by the evangelistic service.

There will be two prayer meetings this week, one Wednesday at 7:45 p. m., and the other Friday at 7:45 p. m. at Clifford Elliott's home. The theme will be "Revivals".



WILLIAM R. WALSH

William R. Walsh Is Now Sergeant

WURZBURG, Germany—William R. Walsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover A. Walsh, Route 2, Murphy, North Carolina, has been promoted to the grade of sergeant at the Wurzburg Military Post.

Sergeant Walsh is attached to the 7861st Ordnance Service Company.

He entered the Army in 1948 and upon completing basic training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina was assigned to the European Command.

Sergeant Walsh attended Murphy High School prior to joining the Army.

He was recently awarded the Good Conduct Medal for exemplary conduct.

State Grange Master To Speak

Harry B. Caldwell, Master of the North Carolina State Grange at Greensboro, will speak at the courthouse in Murphy Wednesday at 8 p. m. when the Pomona or County Grange will be organized. All Grange members of the various subordinate units should be present to take part in the organization, says W. T. Ferguson, Grange deputy of this section.

Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Hoover left Wednesday for Cherryville and Wake Forest. Dr. Hoover is attending a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Wake Forest College, and Mrs. Hoover is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sullivan in Cherryville.

PRAISES HD WORK—Governor Scott has praised North Carolina home demonstration club members for the contributions they are making to home and community life. The Governor's statement was released in connection with National Home Demonstration Week, April 27-May 3.