

## Local FHA To Make Disaster Loans

The Secretary of Agriculture has designated all counties in North Carolina as areas in which Disaster Loans may be made. This announcement was made this week by S. S. Williams, County Supervisor in charge of the Farmers Home Administration's program in Cherokee and Clay Counties.

According to estimates made by G. H. Farley, Cherokee County agent, the corn crop has been cut at least 55 percent, hay 60 to 65 percent, tobacco about 30 percent, truck crops 50 percent or more.

The county agent said those who had hay or corn crops in the bottoms were not hit as severely as those on uplands. He said this damage is a severe blow to this county, as farmers have had to import some feed even during lush years.

Farley pointed out that there are no commercial truck crops in this county.

The disaster loans are available to eligible farmers who have suffered substantial crop losses because of drought or hailstorm damage. In areas where pastures and feed crops have been badly damaged or destroyed by the recent prolonged drought the Farmers Home Administration is prepared to cooperate fully with other agricultural agencies and eligible farmers in an effort to immediately meet the need for feed that will be required to keep desirable productive livestock on farms that otherwise would have to be sold because of the lack of feed.

This agency is also prepared to render immediate assistance to eligible farmers who find it necessary to re-seed or renovate pastures that have been substantially damaged or destroyed by the extended period of excessive dry weather and extreme high temperature.

## Pays Tribute To Martin E. Denash

By GEORG BIDSTROUP

Martin E. Denash came unobtrusively into the Brasstown Community a little over three years ago seeking health and inspiration. He was a rare Englishman who chose the United States as his adopted land and served it bravely and loyally in World War I and II.

Prior to coming to Brasstown he and Mrs. Denash had lived in Waynesville for a year and a half. They were attracted to Brasstown by the John C. Campbell Folk School with which they became associated on a part-time basis, he teaching mechanical drawing and allied subjects and she as a photographer of professional skill. But Mr. Denash was more than a teacher. He was a man of cultivated tastes and disciplined mind, who left his impress on the total life of the school and added to an understanding and application of its philosophy of friendly cooperation and abundant living.

Mr. Denash's death on Sunday, August 17, means a serious loss not only to the Folk School but also to the culture and vital concerns of the entire community. Time will register this loss with an increasing appreciation of what Martin Denash was and had to offer in human understanding and community progress. Brasstown is indeed fortunate to have had in its midst such a rare gentleman of high quality. As such he will live in the hearts and minds of those who knew him more intimately.

## Howell Released Under \$300 Bond

Billy King Howell, charged with assault, has been released under a \$300 bond. Howell, according to Buren Grant, chief deputy sheriff, and Gilbert Stiles, pummeled each other with truck standards last week.

Grant said the two had disagreed over a horse trade. Stiles was released from Murphy General Hospital Wednesday, August 27. Howell has waived preliminary hearing.

The alleged argument occurred at Stiles' residence on Martins Creek. Luke Carver made the arrest.

## Power Company Buys Radio Sets

The Nantahala Power and Light Company has recently purchased fifteen two-way radio communication sets and will begin operating its new system of communication as soon as the radio operator's permits are received from the Federal Communications Commission, according to an announcement made recently by H. H. Gnuse, Jr., Vice-president of the Company. The new equipment is being installed, he said, for the purpose of providing better service to the customers of this area and to facilitate routine and emergency repair work.

The short wave radio network consists of twelve combination transmitter-receiver mobile sets which are affixed to the various service and maintenance trucks and engineers' cars throughout the service area; and three fixed stations at the Franklin Office, Nantahala Power House and Thorpe Power House, respectively. The antenna at Franklin is approximately 2100 ft. above sea level, the one at Nantahala is mounted atop the surge tank and has an elevation of about 3050 ft. and the Thorpe antenna is located at the Thorpe dam and is nearly 3600 ft. above sea level. The three fixed stations, says Mr. Gnuse, should permit communication to any point within the service area, and for short distances the mobile sets can communicate directly with each other.

The assigned frequency of these sets is 37.7 megacycles and each set has a power output of 50 watts which should provide coverage within a twenty mile radius in this mountainous area, says Mr. Gnuse.

With this new system of communication, it was pointed out, service calls can be handled quicker and more efficiently by radiating a service truck in the area, eliminating considerable travel time and expense. Also, maintenance work will be greatly facilitated by the maintenance men in different locations being able to talk to one another while the work is in progress.

Another interesting feature about this installation, according to the Company engineers, is that in case of a power failure at any of the fixed stations, an automatic device starts a gasoline or diesel generator so that the radios can still be operated in any kind of emergency. The mobile units are battery operated.

The Nantahala Power and Light Company officials state that this investment in equipment was made so that the Company could continue to supply its more than 10,000 customers with dependable electric service.

## Crafters 4-H'ers To Meet Saturday

Four-H Club members, crafters and 4-H leaders will meet Saturday, August 30, at 9 a. m. at the courthouse for a corn shuck workshop.

Crafters and leaders are assisting the 4-H members in learning corn shuck crafts to exhibit and demonstrate at the State Fair October 13 through 18 at Raleigh. Mrs. Frances Puett, assistant home agent, says many useful as well as decorative articles may be made from corn shucks, such as scrub brushes, table mats, sun porch mats, baskets, chair bottoms, handbags, head bands, many types of dolls, corsages and bracelets.

She points out that these articles can be made from a material that would in most instances be discarded. The Cherokee County Home Demonstration Club will have corn shuck crafts as their exhibit at the fair, and a number of 4-H'ers will demonstrate weaving, chair bottoming, making of dolls and mats in the county's booth.

Thus far nineteen people have attended the workshop.

## Robt. Montgomery To Preach Sunday

Robert Montgomery, student supply of the Hayesville Presbyterian Church, will preach at the Murphy Presbyterian Church Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. in the absence of the pastor, the Rev. Frank Brown, who is vacationing in Mississippi. Sunday School will meet at 10 a. m.



ADDIE MAE COOKE

## Named In "Who's Who In South And Southwest"

Miss Addie Mae Cooke, publisher and editor of THE CHEROKEE SCOUT and publisher of THE ANDREWS JOURNAL, is listed in the 1952 edition of "Who's Who in the South and Southwest" which has just come off the press.

The publication is a biographical dictionary of noteworthy men and women of the Southern and Southwestern States. Biographies have been painstakingly searched out who fall under the unique measures of reference incidence carefully assembled at large expense by the publishers, but no fee is required from the biographee, selection being made and information furnished at invitation of the publisher.

Miss Cooke was cited for her work in the newspaper field, work with the Baptist denomination, and her work with the Red Cross and community organizations.

Miss Cooke will assume the position of Dean of Women at Chozen College, Murfreesboro, in September.

## Town Destroys Bull Moose Pen

This week workmen have been removing the small park in the center of Murphy, commonly known as the bull moose pen.

The decision to do away with the park was made at a call meeting of the Town Board August 21. The motion was presented by Robert Easley and seconded by J. N. Bolling to adopt plan A as submitted by State Traffic Engineer, Robert A. Burch, in regard to removing the park.

The plan as submitted by Mr. Burch recommended the removal of the entire enclosure and installing traffic islands and a four-way traffic light at the intersection.

It was decided to remove the statue to a location directly in front of the library, instead of in one corner of the square as recommended by Mr. Burch.

Workmen have already removed the wall, fountain, grass and shrubbery. The shrubbery has been planted around the courthouse.

## Fair Association Buys Show Case

A new show case has been purchased by the Cherokee County Fair Association to be used at this year's fair, says C. R. Freed.

Three cases were purchased last year. All have a mirror in the back which reflects the articles to be displayed.

Mrs. Frances Puett, home agent, says the cases will be used this year for a forestry display, and to display foods and crafts.

## Fall Weather Begins In County

The feel of fall has been in the air this week with lower temperatures. The maximum recorded for Cherokee County was 88 last Thursday, with the lowest, a reading of 52, Tuesday morning.

Other readings are as follows: Friday 86, Saturday 86, Sunday 83, Monday 84, and Tuesday 82.

There has been no rainfall with the exception of a trace on Friday.

## Hobart McKeever Named Chairman

Hobart L. McKeever of Murphy has been appointed chairman for Cherokee County of the John Motley Morehead Foundation program for awarding scholarships to the University of North Carolina to graduates of high schools and preparatory schools.

Mr. McKeever was presented his commission at a recent meeting of the county chairman in Chapel Hill.

Morehead scholarships heretofore have been available only to graduate students.

The undergraduate scholarships will be valued at \$1,250 a year for one year, but will be subject to renewal. These will be available for the fall term of 1953, but application must be in the hands of the county committee by November 15. The scholarships will be awarded next February 15.

Applications will be considered first by the county committee and then by the district committees and the central committee at Chapel Hill for recommendation to the Foundation's trustees.

The scholarship fund of the Morehead Foundation is valued at approximately \$3,000,000.

The Morehead scholarship fund was established by John Motley Morehead of New York, distinguished University alumnus of the class of 1891, who in 1946 created the Morehead Foundation, which has also given the University the \$3,000,000 Morehead Building and the Planetarium. A native of Spray and member of a distinguished line of pioneers and builders in the advancement of this State, Mr. Morehead has achieved an international reputation as industrialist, chemist, and engineer. He is a former Minister to Sweden.

## Cherokee County Amvets Organize

Approximately 50 World War II veterans met in the Cherokee County Courthouse Friday, August 22, to organize local veterans.

Temporary officers were elected as follows: Commander, John Morley; First Lieutenant, Hugh Hensley; Second Lieutenant, M. L. Williams; Third Lieutenant, Donald Ramsey; Adjutant, Pearl Kephart; finance officer, Leon Kimsey; judge advocate, Homer Carter; service officer, Pete Stalcup; public relations officer, Donald Ramsey; chaplain, Newell McDonald; provost marshal, Grady Carringer; surgeon general, Fred McDonald; Stalcup, historian; C. M. director, Carl Ledford.

The group discussed a petition to obtain a referendum in North Carolina on the issue of whether veterans of World War I, II, and the Korean conflict of this state should be paid a bonus. Ramsey says the petition has already had several hundred signers in this area.

Permanent officers will be elected at the next meeting Friday, August 29, at 7:30 p. m.

## 60 People Attend Home Club Picnic

Sixty people attended the Bellview and Martins Creek Home Demonstration annual picnic at Bellview Community House Tuesday, August 26, at 7 p. m.

Miss Edna Bishop was in charge of the program. The picnicers saw a movie entitled "Corn Meal Enrichment". J. F. Weaver, a miller in the community, gave a talk on the enrichment program.

The group heard the Old Timers String Band, Grady Smith, Jerry Ruth Smith, Omie Smith and Tom Ellington; the Chastain Sisters, Darlene and Jean, who gave duets; Bill Hatchett, who gave readings; and played the French harp, Martha Chastain, who gave a vocal solo, and Jerry Ruth Smith, who played several accordion solos.



TEACHER—Mrs. J. D. Maloney who left this week for Lenoir where she has accepted a position in the Lenoir city schools. Mrs. Maloney has taught for several years in the Murphy high school.

## Schedule Four Games For Labor Day Week-End

Murphy Baseball Club has four games scheduled for this week-end, three at home and one in Cleveland, Tenn. The local team will play in Cleveland Saturday at 8:15 p. m.

Sunday they will take on Forest Park of Atlanta, Ga., at 2:30 p. m., and Monday they have a double-header scheduled with Forest Park at 1 p. m. and 7:45 p. m.

This is the second time this year that the Murphy teamsters have played a double-header with Forest Park. The other time they each won one game.

The lineup is as follows: Bob Huggins, Shag Hunt, Dug Cole, Jack Crawford, Bill Brannon, Ike Olson, Ed Rogers, Wayne Palmer, Woodrow Hemphill, Larry Posey, Dub Sherrill and Ted Sesson.

## 1,559 Are Enrolled In Murphy Schools, 2,100 In County

Cherokee County schools opened Wednesday with an enrollment of 1,559 in the Murphy schools and approximately 2,100 in the county schools.

H. Bueck, Murphy schools superintendent, gave the enrollment as follows: Elementary 875, high school 512, Texana 110, and Tomolia 62.

Lloyd Hendrix, county schools superintendent, said all enrollments have not been turned in, but estimated that there are at least 2,100 enrolled in the county schools.

## "This Way" To Be Morris' Message

"This Way" will be the sermon message brought by the Rev. J. Alton Morris, pastor of First Baptist Church, Murphy, at 11 a. m. worship services Sunday. His evening topic at 7:30 will be "An Impossible Silence".

Sunday School will begin at 9:45 a. m., Bealtown Mission service at 2:30 p. m., prison camp Sunday School at 3 p. m., prison camp worship service at 4 p. m., and training union at 7 p. m.

Sunday School Workers Council will meet at the church at 7:30 p. m. Tuesday. The regular prayer meeting will be held at 7:30 Wednesday.

## 6,656 X-Rays Made In Health District

Six thousand six hundred and fifty-six X-rays have been taken in the Cherokee-Graham-Clay District through Saturday, August 23. Of this number 4,297 were X-rayed in Cherokee County.

Officials say this is far short of the expected number. They urge people in this county who have not done so to come to the mobile unit in Murphy.

Officials who have worked in the three counties are Mr. and Mrs. Malcom B. Lam of Salisbury, Miss Margaret Lyon of Elizabethtown, Miss Elsie Lewis of Fairmont, Tony Ninnant of Wilmington, Miss Helen Gregson of Southern Pines and Frank Sanford of Greensboro. Flay Sellers, health educator, of Cherryville came to this district before the others to let people know about the free health service. Sellers has now gone to another section of the state.

Two local girls who are serving as clerks at the unit stationed in Murphy are Misses Carlene Kilpatrick and Josephine Garrett.

## Gibbs, Bueck Win First Prize In Soap Box Derby

Ed Gibbs was the driver of the winning wagon in the Soap Box Derby held in Murphy Wednesday, August 20. Gibbs and H. C. Bueck built the wagon. They were awarded a \$50 Savings Bond.

Bill Adams, second place winner, was awarded a \$10 Savings Bond. Third place winner, E. G. Gaddis, was presented a \$5 Savings Bond.

This third annual derby was sponsored by the Murphy Recreation Department under the direction of Irvin Greene. Mr. Greene said six wagons were disqualified because of unsafe construction.

Greene said the wagon owned jointly by Gibbs and Bueck is "the fastest we've had in a derby here". A large crowd watched the race.