

Wreck Kills Andrews Mother, Daughter, Young Man

Van Horn Is County's First Eagle Scout

Fifteen year old Fred Van Horn next week will come before a Boy Scout Court of Honor to become Cherokee County's first Eagle Scout.

The Honor Court will be held at the Courthouse here Tuesday, July 7 at 7:30 p. m.

Van Horn will also receive his 26th merit badge making him eligible for the bronze palm addition which he will receive in a later honor court.

A rising junior at Murphy High School, Van Horn is active in Four-H Club work as well as in scouting and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Van Horn of Rt. 2, Murphy.

He has had five years in Scouting, beginning as a member of Cub Scout den. At present he is patrol leader of the Wild Bear Patrol of Murphy, Troop Two.

Earl Van Horn will present the Eagle award to his son.

Bobby Morris of Murphy will go before the Court to become a 1st Class Scout.

Merit badges will be presented to the following Murphy Troop Two Scouts: swimming, John Morris, Harry Duncan and Hubert Sneed; book binding, Billy Lovin-



FRED VAN HORN

good, Tommy Moore; reading, Bill Browning.

Also, scholarship, Ed Gibbs; electricity, Ed Gibbs; public speaking, Tommy Moore; home repairs, Johnny Thus and Bobby Easley.

It is expected that a number of Andrews Scouts will also receive awards at the Court of Honor.

Mrs. Jack Conley, Joy Conley, David Smith Die

A tragic pre-holiday auto-truck wreck yesterday killed Mrs. Jack Conley, her 20-year-old daughter, Dorothy Joy, both of Route 1, Andrews, and 15-year-old David Howard Smith of Gastonia.

The accident occurred around 10:30 a. m. some seven miles east of Andrews on the highway.

One of Mrs. Conley's daughters, Peggy Sue, 16, was injured and taken to a local hospital as being in fair condition. The two sisters were in the rear seat of the car.

The Smith youth and Mrs. Conley were both dead on arrival at a local hospital. Joy Conley died at 2:35 p. m. some three hours after the collision.

The car was completely demolished.

The truck, a trailer-tractor, was driven by Sam Thomas, 41-year-old Negro from East Point, Ga. He suffered lacerations of the left ear. Thomas told officials he was driving toward Murphy on U. S. 19 when the 1949 four door Plymouth with the Conley party headed toward the truck on the truck's side of the white line.

Thomas said he swerved to the left in an attempt to miss the auto. Then, Thomas asserted, the Plymouth cut toward its own side of the highway. The truck driver said his vehicle hit the door.

Sheriff M. G. Crawford said he was unable at press time to determine who was driving the Plymouth. However, he said, both the Smith boy and Mrs. Conley apparently were sitting in the front seat with the two Conley girls in the rear.

The Sheriff said he is holding Thomas pending questioning of the Conley girl.

Deputy Sheriff Guy Roberts said the Plymouth came to rest after the collision on the truck side of the highway. The trailer was on the same side of the road with the car, Deputy Roberts said.

Jack Conley, husband of the dead woman, is employed by the State Highway Department. Officials first had the dead Gas-

Folk School Herd Among Top 12 In State Supervisor Says

Special Square Dance Set Tomorrow Here

A special Fourth of July eve Square Dance will be held tomorrow at 8 p. m. in the Murphy Gymnasium. Everyone is invited to attend and there will be no admission charge.

However, donations may be given for the Summer Recreation Program fund.

Music will be by the Peachtree Camp Band, and a tap dance number will be given by one of the musicians.

Irvin Greene, director of the program, said a large crowd is expected to attend.

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tonia youth listed as Charles Battle of Marble.

But Gene Brown of Gastonia, a Cherokee County native, identified the dead youth as the son of Claude Smith of Gastonia.

The boy's family still had not been reached by 1:30 p. m. yesterday.

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The John C. Campbell Folk School's 31 registered Jerseys, during May, were among the 12 top Dairy Herd Improvement Association's herds in the state in butterfat production.

Some 429 herds, including 13,878 are members of DHIA in North Carolina.

The Folk School's herd averaged 792 pounds of milk and 41.5 pounds of fat.

The May test climaxed a year of testing, which saw the average cow in the Folk School herd increase milk production 1,950 over the previous year. This milk, worth about \$115, was produced for an additional feed cost of \$20, according to William P. Walker, supervisor of the Cherokee and Clay County DHIA.

During the winter, Walker said, the roughage fed was of about the same quality as before, but more care was exercised in the feeding. More silage was fed and more bedding used. The grain mixture was the same. 16 per cent home mixture of crushed corn and cotton seed meal with about the same amount of commercial mixture used at certain periods of each year. Only about 150 pounds of additional grain was fed.

Walker noted that the milking procedure was changed slightly and "Managed Milking", as recommended by the machine manufacturer, was practiced. The very nervous cows were given special attention, and in some cases were moved to a different place in the barn. Some cows were culled.

The herdsman was given more complete authority over all matters affecting the herd and farm than in any previous year, Mr. Walker said.

Summer and fall pasture was good, according to the supervisor, who also said that very little winter grazing was provided. This spring's pasture, he said, has been excellent and has been managed so that maximum grazing could be obtained.

The Folk School increase was accomplished with many of the same old cows and a few of the first calf heifers which took the place of cows culled from the herd.

Mr. Walker said the level of production was low in 1951 and a future rate of increase as great as the one shown in 1952 is not likely, he said.

However, better care of young stock begin to pay off during 1953, with freshening heifers averaging 100 pounds heavier than previous ones. He also said the effects of extensively used artificial breeding should also become evident this year.

J. T. Henson, 95, Dies At Wolf Creek

Joseph Thomas Henson, 95, of the Wolf Creek Community, died at the home, June 21. He would have been 96 July 31.

A retired farmer, Henson had lived most of his life in Cherokee County after coming here as a young man.

The funeral was held at Wolf Creek Baptist Church, of which he was a member, Monday, June 22, with the Revs. Poley Helton and Phillip Chastain officiating. Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Earnest Henson, Ray Hawkins, Winston Hawkins, Tommy Shields, Jack Simmonds and Frank Taylor.

Finch Funeral Home was in charge.

Mr. Henson was a very active for his age until January of this year when he became ill. His condition grew steadily worse until the time of his death.

He was married to the late Delia Mull Henson who died in 1942.

Survivors include five daughters Mrs. Andrew Simonds, Mrs. J. H. Simonds, Mrs. Ollie Verner, Mrs. Dora McAllister and Mrs. America Burger; one son, Robert, Bob, Henson.

Mrs. Butler Takes Dress Revue Win

Mrs. G. H. Butler of the Hiwassee Dam Club took first prize at the annual County Home Demonstration Dress Revue last week. Other winners were Mrs. R. L. Keenum, Suit Club, second and Mrs. Tom Graham, Midway Club, third.

Air Show Intermission Plans Told; Air Aces To Perform

Climaxing an Independence Day celebration stretching over the week end, the Fifth Annual Air Show will get under way at Andrews-Murphy Airpark at 2:30 P. M. Sunday.

A varied program to broaden the appeal to the general public has been scheduled by Richard Parker, president of the Konnaheeta Flying Club, sponsor of the show.

Parker stated that in addition to the thrills and chills of straight aerobatics, there will be parachute jumps, a "crazy-Cub" act, a "dive-bombing" exhibition, and such educational events as demonstrations of late model single and twin-engine craft.

Finals in the Chamber of Commerce-sponsored beauty contest and fashion parade will also be held during the air show, it was announced today by Hildred Heaton. The fashion parade is a new wrinkle in the Fourth of July festivities.

Top billing in this year's air spectacle goes to Woody Edmonson, of Washington, D. C. Edmonson will fly a Monocoupe Special 200 through an intricate aerobatic routine that has won him acclaim everywhere.

He is also the present holder of the world's speed record between Washington, D. C. and Havana, Cuba. Edmonson set the record of slightly over six hours round-trip



BEN HUNTLEY "Gasps of admiration . . ."

in a P-51 Mustang fighter.

Ben Huntley of Charlotte in his Pitts Special 450 brought gasps of admiration from the crowd last season, so much so that he has been booked for a return engagement after a 30-minute solo performance, executed at low altitude almost within airport boundaries, he and Edmonson will team up in a dual precision aerobatics act.

The traditional air-show 'must' the parachute jumps, will be made by Melvin Robinson of

High Point. Robinson will make two jumps, one each from low and high altitude. He has not previously appeared in a show in this area.

All precautions will be taken for the safety of participants and spectators, according to Edgar A. Wood Jr., manager of the airport. Members of the State Highway Patrol, local city police, and members of the sponsoring organization will assist in keeping the event running smoothly.

Farmers Federation Sets Picnic Soon

The annual Farmers Federation picnic for Cherokee County will be held Saturday, July 11 at the Murphy Schoolgrounds. The Clay County picnic will be Friday, June 10, at the Hayesville High School.

"Pan Handle Pete", the one man band; Patsy Messer, acrobatic star from Canton; Alex Houston, Hendersonville ventriloquist, and many other acts will be included in the day long programs.

Acting as Master of Ceremonies will be James McClure Clarke, Federation Executive Vice President, who will report on the growth and progress of the Farmers Federation during the year.

In addition to the above entertainers, the Farmers Federation string band and various other local groups will be on hand to furnish music throughout the day. All singers, quartets, choirs, and other performers are especially invited to attend and take part in the picnic programs.

In addition to the entertainment, there will be a number of stunts and novelty acts to demonstrate new farm practices. To illustrate the Federation Commercial Egg Program a man sized hen will lay eggs on the platform.

Max M. Roberts, who is in

change of the picnics, announced the schedule of contests at noon which will include musical chairs, tug-o-war, roses and balloon blowing for the children. The afternoon programs will feature singing by quartets and choirs with prizes awarded to the winning groups. The winning choir will receive a complete set of new song books, and the second place choir will receive twelve new song books.

In addition there will be contests held and prizes awarded for the oldest and newest married couples, for the largest truckload of people, for the bald-headed man, and for the largest family at each picnic.

Lunch hour will be called at 12 o'clock when the crowd will gather on the school grounds to eat their lunches which will be supplemented by free watermelon and lemonade served by the Federation.

The Federation picnics, which were attended by 30,000 people last year, are held annually in counties served by the co-operative as a day of getting together and renewing old acquaintances. The picnics begin July Fourth and continue through the month of August.

Patrolman Urges Highway Safety

Cherokee County now holds an 11 months safety record with no traffic accident deaths, Patrolman C. H. Long said here today. He urged motorists to prolong that record by driving carefully particularly during the Fourth of July week end.

Last year, Long said 14 persons were killed in July 4 traffic accidents in North Carolina, and 253 persons were injured. There were 492 wrecks in the state that day, he said.

Long said the deaths were caused largely by drunken driving, driving on the wrong side of the road, improper passing, following too close, not having right of way and speed.

The State Highway Patrol has alerted all its patrolmen and all day off and vacations have been

28 Local Lovelies Are Entered In Bathing Beauty Contest July 4

Approximately 28 girls from Andrews, Murphy and Hayesville will vie for honors Saturday and Sunday at the annual Fourth of July Celebration in Andrews, it was announced here today.

The semi-finalists will be selected Saturday during the Bathing Beauty Contest at the Andrews-Murphy Air Park Pool. Finalists will be chosen Sunday during the intermission at the Air Show. First place winner will receive a \$25 bond and an engraved silver bracelet, second and third winners will receive engraved bracelets also.

A fashion show will be staged at 2:30 p. m. followed by the swimming acts and the bathing

beauty contest. Sunday during the Air Show intermission, the fashion show will be repeated and the beauty winners will be chosen.

Murphy fashion show entrants will rehearse today, Thursday, at 5 p. m. at Murphy High School. All contestants, Murphy, Andrews and Hayesville, will rehearse Friday, at 4:30 p. m. at the Air Park Pool. At the latter rehearsal contestants will be given tickets to the Air Show.

The Fourth of July Celebration parade, at 8:30 a. m., will assemble at Valley Town Motor Court and parade to the Gulf Station where Kiddies will join in and all will parade to the Pure Oil Station. They will then return

Many Merchants Close Shops Sat.

All Andrews stores will be closed Saturday, July 4, Chamber of Commerce President Bob Heaton said today.

Meanwhile, many Murphy establishments will also be closed. The courthouses, banks, Post Offices, and Town Halls in both towns will be closed for the holiday.

through Main Street again, stopping at Chain Grocery.

The 15 floats in the parade are sponsored by Citizens Bank and Trust Co, Reece Motor Co., Dickey Chevrolet, Konnaheeta Club, Junior Woman's Club, Lions Club, American Legion, Boy Scouts, Rotary Club, Andrews-Murphy Air Park, Teen Age Club, Vocational Agriculture, Golf Station, Chamber of Commerce. There will also be a number of decorated automobiles.

First and second prizes will be

50,000 Vacation Maps Be Distributed Soon

An edition of more than 50,000 new Western North Carolina Vacation Maps is now on the press, and will be widely distributed in the near future, according to officials of Western North Carolina Highlanders, Inc., the regional promotion organization that embraces twelve highland counties.

The Vacation Maps, brought up to date, have been popular not only with visitors already stopping within the area covered by the map, but also by numerous trav-

el agencies, seeking to answer the inquiries of prospective vacationers wanting to know about the interest points and facilities throughout Western North Carolina.

In connection with the map, listing of major accommodations and tourist facilities within each of the twelve counties are included, so that prospective visitors may know in advance the general characteristics of any given community they plan to see during their trip.

Cobb To Preach At Presbyterian Church

Dr. John Cobb of Young Harris College will preach at the 11 a. m. service Sunday at the Presbyterian Church.