

# Andrews To Get \$345,000 District Hospital Soon

## District Must Raise \$73,830 And 6-Acre Site

A modern, fully equipped 30-bed hospital costing some \$345,000 will be built in Andrews to serve a hospital district composed of

Graham and Clay Counties and Valleytown Township of Cherokee County. Percy Ferebee, hospital chairman, said. Federal funds will supply \$151,300, or 44 per cent, of the cost and state funds will cover \$119,370 or 34.6 per cent of the cost. The hospital area must raise \$73,830 or 21.4 per cent of the cost plus a six acre site, Mr. Ferebee

said. Over \$30,000 has already been pledged in the area. And two sites in Andrews are being considered for the new building. The new building will be called the "District Memorial Hospital of Southwestern North Carolina, Incorporated." Andrews was selected as the site of the hospital because it is centrally located in the dis-

trict and has a six inch water line and adequate sewage disposal is available, Mr. Ferebee pointed out. **NON-PROFIT** The hospital will be a non-profit, non-stock corporation and will not be owned by any doctor, individual or group. No one will make a profit from its operation. The new hospital will be maintained and operated for the medic-

al care of persons from any class, race, or creed, with priority given to residents of the district. Cost of hospital services will be kept at the lowest possible rates and will be comparable with the other hospitals in North Carolina. A board of trustees composed of citizens from the three sections of the hospital district will direct the operation of the hos-

pital and all doctors in the district, who are qualified, may use the hospital facilities. Construction will begin, Mr. Ferebee said, as soon as the \$73,830 is raised and the site is decided upon. Patients from Clay County will be able to use the new road planned from Hayesville to Marble by way of Peachtree. And Graham

County patients will have better road facilities when the Robbinsville-Topton highway is straightened. The District Memorial Hospital will have a plaque with the names of men and women of the three sections of the hospital district who gave their lives in World War I, World War II and the Korean War, Mr. Ferebee said.

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## Kathern Zimmerman Wins Scholarship



KATHERN ZIMMERMAN

Kathern Zimmerman, valedictorian at Murphy High School, was announced as winner of the Civitan Scholarship Tuesday night at the annual graduation exercises at the school.

Dorothy Foster won the \$100 nursing scholarship given by Dr. Helen Wells.

Dr. Charles R. Clegg was speaker at the event when 91 seniors became graduates of Murphy High School.

Glenda Ivi Brandon was salutatorian of the class.

Meanwhile Tommy Gentry was the winner of the citizenship medal given by the Murphy Junior Woman's Club and Marvin Harold Stiles and Jean Reed Zimmerman won the dramatics medals given by the PTA, for being selected as outstanding actor and actress in the senior class play.

The following other medals were awarded by the school to outstanding students: Latin, Howard Cornwell; editor, Betty Moore Brown; math, Hedy West; bookkeeping, Kathern Zimmerman; history, Ruth Logan; biology, Judy Cook; journalism, Hedy West; agriculture, Bobby O'dell; English, Dorothy Foster; typing, Winnie Ruth Little; home ec. Mildred H. Hughes; art, Garry McClure; geography, Bobby O'dell; chemistry, Billie Jane Rush; staff, Adir Aronson; glee club, Geraldine Ruth Smith; arithmetic, Jerry Patterson; shorthand, Betty Moore Brown; band, Richard Foster; athletics, Eugene Dockery; Betty Palmer; library science, Ruby Radford; music certificate, Geraldine Ruth Smith; and nursing Dorothy Foster.

## Fred W. Radford Dies Of Injuries

Fred W. Radford, 63, of Murphy died Wednesday, May 12, at 11 a. m. enroute to a Murphy hospital of injuries received when he was struck by a falling tree.

Radford was hit on the head by a falling tree near Blairsville, Ga., in Union County.

He was employed by the Commonwealth Lumber Company here and was watching a group of men cut some trees at the time of the accident.

He was a native of Cherokee County, son of Mrs. R. P. Radford and the late Mr. Radford. He was a member of Mt. Nebo Baptist Church.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday in Unaka Baptist Church. The Rev. Raymond Carroll the Rev. C. C. Cunningham and the Rev. J. Alton Morris officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Curtis Radford, Jesse Horton, Charles, Harve and Garland Radford, Hobe Garrett, Mark and Ralph Farmer. Surviving are eight sons, Clifton of Murphy, Howard with the U. S. Air Force stationed at Casablanca, Marvin and Leonard of Unaka, John of Eureka, Calif., Kenneth with the U. S. Army stationed at Randolph Field, Texas, Billy Jean and Lois of Chicago, Ill.

Also three daughters, Mrs. Elmer Weber of Bellair, Md., Mrs. Bruce Brewster of Murphy, Ore., and Mrs. Winford Patterson of Unaka; two brothers, Vance of Unaka and Kellis of Andrews; two sisters, Mrs. Clifford Rose of Unaka, and Mrs. Henry Rose of Andrews; 24 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Townson Funeral Home was in charge.

**Bryson Re-Named Demo Party Head** Cherokee County Democrats in a meeting Saturday, re-elected James Bryson of Marble as its chairman and also re-elected the rest of its former officers.

## Rites Held For Bascombe Padgett

Funeral services for Bascombe L. Padgett, 73, who died Wednesday, May 12, in a Murphy hospital after a brief illness, were held at 3 p. m. Sunday in the First Methodist Church of which he was a member.

The Rev. Asmond Maxwell officiated and burial was in Sunset Cemetery. The body lay in state in the church for one hour prior to the services.

Pallbearers were L. L. Mason, Roscoe Wilkins, Edgar Wood, Aud Sudderth, H. A. Mattox, Jack Herbert, Jack Barton and Cloe Moore. Mr. Padgett was a native of Macon County, a son of the late Blythe and Elmira Stepp Padgett. He moved to Clay County in early youth and lived there until 1900 when he came to Cherokee County.

He was married to Miss Ethel McTaggart in 1907 and lived in Andrews until 1933 when he moved to Murphy.

He was elected Register of Deeds of Cherokee County in 1930 and served until 1950 with the exception of two years, when he retired, due to ill health.

Surviving are the widow; two sons, B. L. Jr., of Lothian, Md., Paul William, with the U. S. Navy stationed in Trinidad; four daughters, Mrs. Lucy Wakefield of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Ruth Stiles, Mrs. Kate Hensley of Murphy and Mrs. Sara Posey of Waynesville, and 10 grandchildren. Ivi Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.



LILLIAN WEST left, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loftin West of Andrews is valedictorian at Andrews High School and Hoyt Lunsford, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Lunsford of Marble, and Elizabeth Postell, daughter of G. O. Postell of Andrews, are co-salutatorians.

## 32 Seniors Graduate Tonight At Andrews High Commencement

Eighteen boys and 14 girls will become graduates of Andrews High School tonight when they receive their diplomas at the annual graduation exercises.

The Rev. Asmond Maxwell of Murphy, pastor of the First Methodist Church, will speak.

Honor students are Lillian West, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loftin West of Andrews, valedictorian;

and co-salutatorians, Elizabeth Postell, daughter of G. O. Postell of Andrews; and Hoyt Lunsford, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Lunsford of Marble.

Girls in the class are Esther Day Bobbie Jean Deaton, Wanda Hardin Evelyn Hogan, Virginia Huffman, Mary Sue Ledford, Mae Mosteller, Reba Mosteller, Elizabeth Postell, Doris Ann Rogers, Joanne Sharp, Jewel Truett, Lillian West and Helen Whitaker.

Boys in the senior class are Lyle Bryson, Douglas Conley, Zeb Conley, Fred Cothorn, Donald Dills, John Gregory, Lawrence Hyde Hoyt Lunsford, Joe Mosteller, Porter Nelson, Dean Parker, Ronald Phillips, Joel Roper, Charles Thomasson, Dean Truett, Buddy West, Lewis Killian and Marlin West.

## No Tax Increase Be Needed In School Bond, Mattox Says

## Andrews Faculty Re-Election Told

The following re-election of teachers for the Andrews School Unit was announced this week by J. E. Ruffy superintendent.

High School: Mrs. Annie Ruby W. Barnett, science; Mrs. Aline E. Bristol, English, Latin; Miss Jean Christy, English, librarian; Miss Ruth E. Hamilton, social studies, girls physical education; W. Hugh Hamilton, math, coach, boys physical education; Joe T. McKelroy, math; Frank Murray, business education; Robert A. Willford, social studies; Miss Meredith Whitaker, home economics; R. W. H. Ramsey vocational agriculture.

## Duval Dies At Home In Warne

William David Duval, 61, a merchant, died suddenly of a heart attack at 11 a. m. Wednesday, May 14 in his home at Warne, Route 1. Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday in Ebenezer Baptist Church, with the Rev. Erley King, the Rev. Billy Hughes, and the Rev. Mr. Gunter officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Laura Long Duval; one daughter, Mrs. Will King of Warne, Route 1; two sons, Willie of Marietta, Ga., and Clinton of Detroit, Mich.; the father, Lewis Duval; one brother, Hensley of Warne, Route 1. Also five sisters, Mrs. Florence Brown of Bryson City, Mrs. Flora Jenkins and Mrs. Minnie Jenkins of Swannson, Mrs. Martha Long of Blairsville, Ga., and Miss Addie Duval of the home, and eight grandchildren.

All three school boards in Cherokee County have gone on record as recommending a county wide bond issue for the improvement of school facilities. H. A. Mattox, chairman of the Murphy School Board said in a speech Monday night at the Murphy Eighth Grade promotion exercises.

"We have held off as long as possible but feel now that this (the bond issue) is an absolute must," Mr. Mattox said in the Murphy High School Auditorium.

He said the school boards feel that the bond issue can be made without an increase in tax rates due to the increased valuation in property and the prepayment of some prior indebtedness.

The boards, he pointed out, have members who are rather large taxpayers and who are interested in lowering the county indebtedness and the tax rate.

But he said, they see the urgent need for so many things at the schools that they are not only willing, but urge that parents of school children get behind the program and demand better school facilities.

In the high school, Mr. Mattox said, the county went 40 years ago and added only the old high school and home economics building to the school plant.

He said we are at least 30 years behind as far as buildings go. "It will take unremitting work by every parent and every student" to catch up, he said.

During the exercises, scholarship awards were given to Betty Weaver, H. A. Strange and Howard Killian.

Ronnie Brittain, Ramona Haggard and Gloria Newman won the eighth grade attainable awards.

## Cherokee Co. Gets New \$33,349 Clinic

## 3 Murphy Churches Join For Bible School Parade Sat.

Three Murphy Churches will join in a Vacation Bible School promotion parade Saturday morning, beginning at 10 a. m.

Prospective pupils in the Bible Schools of the First Methodist and First Baptist churches will meet for a per-registration at 9 a. m. after which at 9:40 a. m. they will go to the library to get information for the parade.

They will be joined at the library by children from the Presbyterian Church.

The parade will move through town starting at 10 a. m., and will march to the school. There they will board cars to ride through the outskirts of town.

Bible School starts at the three churches next Monday morning, May 24, and will continue for two weeks, at the Baptist and Methodist Churches and for one week at the Presbyterian Church.

The Methodist School hours will be 8:30 until 11 a. m. for ages four through 14; Baptist, 9-11:30 a. m., ages three through 16 (a nursery is being kept for children of mothers teaching in Bible School); Presbyterian, 9-11 a. m., ages four through 14.

Construction on a 2,000 square foot health clinic, costing some \$33,349, for Cherokee County will start in Murphy about Sept. 15, Rep. Richard Mauney said today.

The federal government will pay \$14,670.00 on the cost of the clinic, the State will pay \$11,072.00 and the Cherokee County Commissioners have appropriated \$7,603.08 to finance the local share of the cost of constructing and equipping the center.

Mr. Mauney said he wrote Will Moore, chairman of the County Commissioners about the possibilities of the clinic and the Commissioners did the actual work of getting the clinic for Cherokee County.

Preliminary sketches of the center are now being drawn up. When the sketches are approved architects will be directed to prepare working drawings and specifications for construction.

The health center will give such services as sanitation, vital statistics, maternal and child health, communicable and other disease control, laboratory service and health education.

## Murphy School Faculty Re-Elected

The entire faculty of Murphy Schools has been re-elected for next year, Supt. H. B. Beck, announced this week.

With the exception of one change in the first grade, the faculty of this year will return, the superintendent said. Mrs. Martha Nell Thuss, first grade teacher, will not teach next year because of her health, and her place will be filled by Mrs. Constance West.

Other first grade teachers are Miss Frances Dickson, Miss Clara McCombs and Miss Bonnie West. C. K. Olson is principal of the grammar school and health and physical education instructor.

Second grade teachers are Mrs. Christine P. Ingle, Miss Ella McCombs, and Mrs. Evelyn Patton. Third Grade, Mrs. Martha Dreher,

Mrs. Ruby Hill and Mrs. Dair Shields, Fourth Grade, Mrs. Ruth Forsyth, Miss Emily Sword, Miss Wilma Tate.

Fifth Grade Miss Kate Hayes, Miss Leila Hayes and Mrs. Marie M. Hendrix, Fifth-Sixth, Mrs. Roy-na Mae Cobb, Sixth, Mrs. Otille de Calongne, John Jordan Mrs. Mary B. Jones, Seventh, Mrs. Jane H. Reynolds, Mrs. Maude M. Guldredge, Miss Addie Leatherwood, Eighth Grade, Billy McFalls, Alvin Russell, Mrs. Kate M. Shields.

Others are Mrs. Emily C. Davidson, library; Mrs. Edna P. Whitteley, music; Mrs. Pauline B. Bault, vocational guidance; Mrs. Fannie M. Case, math; Gene Denning, agriculture; Mrs. Jean H. Middleton, commercial; Ralph W. McConnell, health physical education; Mrs. Geraldine T. Meadows, science; Mrs. Emily C. Miller, English; Glenn A. Patton, agriculture; Miss Juliet Pegues, English, Latin; C. D. Puett, history, civics; Walter Puett, commercial; Edward Reynolds, band; Mrs. Barbara McConnell, commercial; Mrs. Dollie Smart, home economics; John A. Thompson, science; Miss Maria Travis, art, English; Albert Wallace, English, French; and Mrs. Anne Ward, history, civics.

Tomota School teachers are Mrs. Annie Brandon, first through third and Mrs. Willie Shields, fourth through sixth.

Texana School (Colored) Mrs. Ella B. Ragsdale, first through third; Miss Elma R. Dennis, fourth through sixth; Mrs. Gertrude H. Pearson, seventh-eighth; and Charles H. Pearson, ninth through tenth.

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