

Telephone Building Is Credit To Murphy

The new building being constructed by the Western Carolina Telephone Company in Murphy is a real credit to the town. And when the company makes the change over to the dial system on June 30, Murphy telephone service will rank with the best systems in the country in up-to-date service. Western Carolina is expressing great faith in the future of our city by this expansion program to meet the demands of a progressive area.

The new telephone building, located on the corner of Central and Church Streets, is of cream brick and modern split-level architecture perfectly complementing its sloping lot. Church St. will soon be paved by the town and Central St., running in front of the new construction will be widened by 10 feet, thereby enhancing the town's business district and alleviating traffic congestion on a busy corner.

These signs — an attractive new building, widening of streets, expansion of service — all point to growth for Murphy, and a bright future for Cherokee County.

Flouridation Is Timely Topic

In many papers throughout the country the word flouridation crops up again and again. There have been those who are in favor of it and those who are not.

The purpose of this column is to bring up such a timely subject so that it can be aired by each and everyone and let the public at large be the judge.

Today more than 22 million people in 1,100 communities are drinking water with flourides added to bring the level to the recommended proportion of one part per million. In this quantity the desired results are supposed to be obtained, to help control cavities in teeth.

The Asheville Citizen carried an article on Flouridation in the May 6 Sunday edition and with the coming of our new water system, The Scout felt this talked of subject is worthy of notice.

WORDS OF LIFE

THE MEANING OF OUR SAVIOR'S ASCENSION

BY
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Luke 16:19, "So then the Lord Jesus, after He had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God."

Today the Christian Church is celebrating the Festival of the Ascension of our Lord. This is one of the most important events in the Church Year. The Ascension is the fulfillment of our Savior's life on the earth as God and man in one person.

As we contemplate upon the importance and meaning of this Festival there are few things of which we should be aware. And first of all, the Ascension of our Lord was a proof that His mission on earth was completed, the prophecies of the Old Testament were fulfilled. By giving Himself upon the Cross our Lord completed the act of atonement for every sin and every sinner. He fully reconciled heavens and earth. He gave back to man the chance and opportunity to have a fellowship with his Creator. In His victory over death and grave the plan of God for man's redemption was finished.

By His sufferings He bought us, by His sacrifices He made us His own. The purpose of the Incarnation was completed in the Resurrection, therefore now He could return to the glories of heaven, as it is pointed out by St. Paul, "Therefore God has highly exalted Him and has bestowed on Him the name which is above every name..." (Phil. 2:9)

Secondly, through His Ascension our Savior turned to His rightful place as the Son of God. And He returned to plead for His own. Today He as our High Priest pleads for us, prays for us, intercedes for us: every time we stray away from His Grace He asks the Heavenly Father, "Father, I was wounded for their crime. I was bruised for their iniquities. I was crucified for their transgressions. The punishment by which their peace was secured came upon me, and by my stripes they are healed."

However, it was not Christ alone who ascended into heaven, but also the human race with Him, consisting of those who have found life in His promises. It was St. Paul who said, "But God... made us alive together with Christ and raised us up with Him, and made us sit with Him in heavenly places..." (Eph. 2:4-6) Thus our Savior's Ascension is our ascension also, for He has said, "Father, I desire that they also, whom Thou hast given me, may be with me where I am, to behold my glory..." (John 17:24)

Can there be a greater comfort, joy and assurance to any believer, than to look up at our Ascended Savior and have faith, trust and confidence in Him?

IT'S THE TALK OF THE TOWN

By Emily Costello

HIGH HAT

The High Hat card party to be sponsored by the Cherokee Rose Garden Club has been set for Wednesday, May 23 at 1:30 p. m. at the Regal Hotel. Prizes will be given the silliest, funniest, prettiest, most original and other hats, as well as to winning card players. Some ladies in town are already trying their hand at hat designing in preparation for the party which should be colorful and enjoyable. So make your plans to attend the party. Tickets will be \$1 each and you can get them from any member of the club.

TUFF LUCK

ERNEST E. ELLIOTT of Robbinsville had a stroke of bad luck last week as he was returning home to Robbinsville from Fort McPherson, Ga., after just being discharged from 20 years' service in the Army. Ernest's duffel bag, bearing his name and serial number, was lost off the bus baggage compartment somewhere between Murphy and Topton. I certainly hope he has been able to find it by now. Unfortunately he didn't have his baggage checked, but the bus company is trying to help him locate the duffel bag.

At McPherson Ernest knew the twin Brown boys — Bud and Ben from Peachtree. Bud, you know is married to the former Betty Moore, and is stationed in Germany. And Ben, I believe is still at Ft. McPherson.

WAY AWAY

HOWARD WEST'S brother, W. R. WEST, wrote last week for a subscription to the Scout. He is living way out in Dayton, Wyoming where he has been for 25 years. He is also a brother of VENSON WEST of Marble and has a number of other relatives in this county that I can't begin to enumerate. I do well to keep up with individuals around here without getting into that endless business of who's kin to who. Anyhow, one of West's sisters, who lives in Akron, Ohio and takes the Scout, had been sending copies to Wyoming from time to time.

SUMMER BRIDES

At least three lucky young men are going to take away as their brides this summer three pretty Cherokee County girls — DORIS WELLS, JEANNE ELLIOTT and ANN SHIELDS. All three brides-to-be met their fiancés when they went away to college.

Doris, whose betrothal to ROBERT M. MOORE, JR., son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Moore of Winston-Salem, was announced last week, is now teaching in the Draper schools at Draper, N. C. (not far from Winston-Salem). Robert is now in the service, but will be getting out this summer and will probably teach school next year or go back to school himself and study toward his masters' degree. He and Doris met while they were both students at Western Carolina College, Cullowhee. Doris graduated last year and Robert the year before, I think. Doris is the attractive, daughter of the J. C. Wells' of Marble. I'm not sure when the wedding will be nor where, but it is planned for this summer.

JEANNE ELLIOTT, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. CLIFF ELLIOTT of Murphy, will graduate from Greenville College, Greenville, Ill. this spring. She plans to take some special course in summer school for six weeks following her graduation and her tentative date for marriage to MORGAN ROBERTSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. TED ROBERTSON of Breckenridge, Mich., is set at July 20. The wedding will be in the Free Methodist Church here. Morgan, who visited here spring holidays, is a freshman at Greenville College, after having been in service for a few years. So the couple will make their home in the college town at least for the present.

ANN SHIELDS, whose betrothal to EDWIN BROWN, JR. of Murfreesboro, was announced some months ago, is a junior at Woman's College of the University of North Carolina, Greensboro. Edwin is a senior at Guilford College.

Their marriage will be June 10 at 4 p. m. at the Murphy First Baptist Church. Right now Edwin plans to work for a year at Guilford following his graduation while Ann completes her final year of college, and after that they will make their home in Murfreesboro where Edwin will be associated in business with his father. Ann, you know, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Shields of Murphy.

UNIFORMS, PLEASE

About six Little Leaguers have been asking Murphy businessmen to help them out buying their uniforms for the approaching season. The Uniforms will be lettered with the name of the firm which purchased the suit. I hope the 16 uniforms are bought right away — and I believe they will — so the Little League can really get organized and get into the season early. Some of the fellows that came by our office were DOUG BOWMAN, SAMMY DUNCAN, BUDDY KILLIAN, HUBERT HINTON and a couple of others.

BUSY MAN

R. E. McKelvey of Franklin, who is spending a lot of time in Murphy these days overseeing the telephone company's extensive work, must be a plenty busy man. Mr. McKelvey is general plant manager for Western Carolina Telephone Company and at present the company is changing over to dial in Sylva, Murphy and several other of its towns in addition to a lot of other expansion. And the cut over dates to dial are set all to commence in June and July and I believe, Mr. McKelvey is the man directly responsible for meeting the schedule — which is a tough one.

THE AMERICAN WAY



Picking Another One

A Backward Glance

10 YEARS AGO

Thursday, May 9, 1946
Neil Sneed was elected mayor of Murphy with 561 votes. Elected to town council were E. O. Christopher, 627; E. E. Stiles, 544; W. D. King, 542; T. W. Axley, 536; C. H. Townson, 441; and J. C. English 396.

Miss Evelyn McDonald of Grandview and Eddie Graham of Letitia were first prize winners in the 4-H essay contest sponsored this spring by Farmers Federation, Roger Ammons, local manager announced. Miss Annie Ruth Stiles of Peachtree and James Myers of Peachtree were winners of second place.

Misses Blondine Luther and Faye Buchanan visited Miss Luther's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Luther in Andrews last week end.

All teachers in the Andrews units schools were re-elected at a meeting of the school board on Monday evening.

B. B. Cornwell, Jr. has been spending a 10-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Cornwell.

20 YEARS AGO

Thursday, May 7, 1936
The Brumby Knitting Mill, Murphy hose manufacturing company, will double its capacity this week. Beau Brumby, the manager of the mill states.

Taxes in North Carolina acted as the keynote for an address by Clyde R. Hoey of Shelby, candidate for governor.

C. W. Bailey, former publisher of the Scout, now of Waynesville, was in Murphy during the past week greeting his many old friends this section.

Boyd Wise and family of Mineral Bluff, Ga., spent a day in the Birch section last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alva Sneed of Birch went to their home at Hangingdog last Monday.

30 YEARS AGO

Friday, May 7, 1916
City officials this week have placed on display in the park at the public square for German Machine guns which are proving of much interest to spectators and visitors to the city.

The Thief of Bagdad will be show at the Bonita Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 11th and 12th, under the joint auspices

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THIS WEEK

—In Washington



With Clinton Davidson

In the spring we like to pick bouquet or two and pass them around to folks in Washington who are far more accustomed to a kick in the pants.

It has been our observation from 25 years on the Washington scene that a great majority of Washington officials do a good job, but that it is the few who do not that cause many people to think that most of them are bunglers.

Most folks think Washington is run by a bunch of politicians and professional job-holders. That is only partly true. There are hundreds of men and women who accept government jobs at a personal sacrifice because they feel a public duty to serve their country.

For every paragraph you read about dishonesty in Washington we could write a column about men and women who are doing a fine job, without expectation of public praise. Some of them spend a lot of their time dodging the barrage of brickbats thrown by scandal-hungry columnists.

This week we would like to give our bouquet to a Texan who came to Washington six months ago to become Assistant Secretary of the Air Force in charge of buying planes and all of the other more than 1,250,000 items that go to build the air arm of our military defenses.

Dudley C. Sharp supervises the spending of \$10 billion a year, to build and maintain the most powerful air force in the world. That is for material only and does not include salaries and other operational costs. It is the largest single item in the national budget.

Before coming to Washington, Mr. Sharp was president of the Mission Manufacturing Company, of Houston, an oil industry supply firm. He served in the Navy from 1913 to 1916. He is as proud of the Air Force as if he had originated the idea.

"My first striking impression," he says, "concerned the tremendous size of the U. S. Air Force—and when a Texan admits to being impressed by the magnitude of anything, it must be big."

His second impression was one of respect and admiration for the military and other people he works with. "We have," he says proudly, "thousands of career Air Force men who draw salaries only a fraction of what they could command in private industry. It is a tribute to their patriotism that they continue to serve the Air Force."

Mr. Sharp talks easily and freely about the Air Force and the great job it is doing, but very little about his role in it. The two most striking things about him, say his associates, are mental alertness and his ability to inspire confidence. When he boasts it is about the Air Force. He is proud of the outstanding Air Force record of many billions of dollars spent with a remarkable record of efficiency and honesty. Air Force records show that in the past three years, only one employee out of more than 1,250,000 has been found guilty of dishonesty.

Efficiency and economy in an operation the size of the Air Force is a remarkable achievement. It is by far the world's largest business with assets of \$70 billion. That is \$12 billion more than the combined assets of the 24 largest corporations in America.

of the theatre and Mrs. Kimsey's Sunday school Class of young women of the Methodist Church.

S. A. Kilpatrick of Ravenston, N. C., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kilpatrick.

Mrs. Susan Coleman of Farmer, Tenn., is visiting her son, W. J. Coleman at Patrick.

J. M. Hamby of Patrick made a business trip to Dr. G. M. Young Monday.

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