



PLAN TRAFFIC SAFETY CAMPAIGN — Plans were made last Friday night at a meeting in the Citizens Bank for a county-wide traffic safety campaign. Some of the heads of the drive, shown here, are, Frank Ellis of Murphy, Dale Lee of Murphy, Gordon Butler of Andrews, John Ellis of Andrews, and Tom Day of Andrews.

County-Wide Traffic Safety Campaign Begins This Week

A 4-day automobile safety check lane which began this week in Andrews beginning May 1 started a county-wide campaign aimed at making every Cherokee County motorist accident conscious.

The safety check lane is scheduled for Murphy next week. It will run on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

The safety check lanes in Andrews and Murphy are the beginning of a county-wide, "Slow Down and Live" traffic campaign which will continue through Labor Day.

It is being sponsored by county civic and fraternal organizations and has the support of local law enforcement officials as well as the North Carolina Highway Patrol.

During the operation of the safety check lanes in Murphy and Andrews, a uniformed officer will be on hand and competent persons will be present to examine the cars, according to John Ellis of Andrews and Frank Ellis of Murphy, chairmen of the safety lane drives in their respective towns.

The safety lane is entirely voluntary, Mr. Ellis said, however he expressed the hope that all car owners in the area will take advantage of the opportunity to have their vehicles inspected without charge.

Gordon Butler of Andrews, coun-

ty coordinator for the coming traffic safety campaign, announced plans for the drive at a meeting Friday evening at The Citizens Bank in Murphy.

Representatives of most of the county's civic clubs were present as well as city and Chamber of Commerce officials from Murphy and Andrews.

Committees selected to conduct the campaign in Murphy and Andrews are:

County Coordinator, Gordon Butler of Andrews; General Chairman for Murphy, Harry Bishop; Finance

Committee, Tom Day of Andrews and John Gill of Murphy.

Records Committee, S. S. Williams of Murphy, chairman; Mrs. Hazel Ellis of Andrews, Charlie Johnson of Murphy; Purchasing Committee, C. R. Freed of Murphy, Check Lane Committee Chairmen, Frank Ellis of Murphy, and John Ellis of Andrews.

Slow Down and Live Chairmen, Dale Lee of Murphy, and Tom Day and John Ellis of Andrews, co-chairmen; Publicity Committee, Harry Bagley, C. R. Freed and Claude McEver.

Cherokee Deaths and Funerals

C. P. Edwards, Long-Time Resident Dies of Heart Attack Here Thursday

Clark P. Edwards, 64, long-time resident of Murphy died early Thursday morning, April 25, of a heart attack while enroute to the hospital.

Mr. Edwards had been employed as a projectionist at the Henn Theatre for the past twenty years. "He was one of the best projectionists in the Carolinas," Mr. Henn said. During the entire time that he was employed at the theatre he was off from work only about two weeks, Mr. Henn added and that was because of sickness.

Born and reared in Haywood County, he was the son of the late Pink and Laura Medford Edwards, a prominent Haywood County family. He was a veteran of World War I.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Lena McClure Edwards; a daughter, Mrs. J. T. Henson of Murphy; a son Sgt. Raymond Edwards with the U. S. Army stationed at Fort Riley, Kansas; two step-daughters Miss Kathleen McClure of the home, and Mrs. Clinton Green of

Baptismal Service To Be Sunday At First Baptist

There will be a baptismal service at the First Baptist Church on Sunday evening, May 5, at 7:30 p. m. during the regular evening service hour.

Approximately five persons will be baptized at this service.

American Legion Elects New Officers

New officers of the Joe Miller Elkins Post 96 of the American Legion were elected last Friday night at the regular meeting at Duke's Lodge.

The newly elected officers are: John Smith, Commander; Frank Ingram, Jr., Cecil Roberts and Ralph Davis, vice-commanders; Adjutant, Hugh Penland; Finance officer, Max Hannah, re-elected; Chaplain, John Jordan, re-elected, and Historian, Andy Kaylor.

The out-going officers are: Hugh Penland, Commander; Gordon Wilson, vice-commander; and Adjutant, Dillard Sword.

The new officers will be installed at the next meeting which will be held May 24th.

Murphy High's Coach C. K. Olson Resigns; Accepts Job In Franklin

Coach C. K. Olson announced his resignation from Murphy High at a banquet Friday night honoring the high school basketball teams.

Mr. Olson, who has accepted a position at Franklin, said that he would be improving his status in the profession of education by making the change.

No one has been appointed yet to fill his position, according to H. A. Mattox, chairman of the Murphy Unit Board of Education.

Hugh Battle of Western Carolina College was the principal speaker at the Quarterback Club sponsored banquet held at Duke's Lodge.

Dr. George Dyer on behalf of the Quarterback Club, presented Coach Olson with a set of golf clubs, bag and cart and Bob Bault gave him a sports coat, a gift from friends who are not members of the Quarter-

back Club. Coach Olson said that this year's teams were the best he had ever coached and recounted the records of both.

Outstanding player awards were presented to Hoyt Zimmerman for the boy's team and Patricia Moor and Laura Bailey shared honors for the girls. They were chosen by their teammates.

Mr. Battle congratulated the Murphy teams on their reputation for sportsmanship and said that he had never heard any official say that he did not want to referee in Murphy. In fact, he said, several had requested to be sent to Murphy.

Mr. Bueck praised the work of the Quarterback Club and said also that Murphy's athletic fields and courts would be the finest in Western North Carolina next year.

Emerson R. Swain

Emerson R. Swain, 50 of the Myers Chapel Community of Clay County, died at 9:30 a. m. Friday, April 26, of a heart attack en route to a Hiwassee, Ga. hospital.

He was a native of Buncombe County, a son of Mrs. Belle Broyles Swain and the late Robert A. Swain. He came to Clay County when 11 years old.

He was a progressive dairy farmer and a steward and Sunday School teacher in Myers Chapel Methodist Church.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday in Myers Chapel Methodist Church. The Rev. Boyce Huffstetter officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Alma Townsend Swain; his mother; four brothers, J. D. of Atlanta, Enoch of Westport, Conn., Trant of New Canaan, Conn., Mark of Canton, N. C.; four sisters, Mrs. Buna Ledford of Hayesville, Mrs. Mamie

Andrews Club To Sponsor Thrift Sales

A "Thrift Sale" will be sponsored by the Valley River Garden Club, Friday and Saturday, May 4th and 5th., in the store building recently vacated by Bobbie's Beauty Salon on Main Street.

In addition to the sale of used clothing, used furniture, white elephant articles and miscellaneous items, sandwiches, cookies and coffee will be served.

The many articles will be on sale from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. both days.

ANDREWS PLANS DRIVE AT CALLED MEET

In a called meeting by J. E. Ruffy, chairman of the Andrews Chapter of the American Red Cross, plans were made to raise the \$1208 allocated to the Red Cross Chapter.

The Andrews Chapter includes the Marble Community which will be organized, Mr. Ruffy said.

Miss Mary Katherine Kinsey, Red Cross field representative and Dr. C. O. van Gorder spoke to those attending the meeting.

Miss Kinsey was enthusiastic in urging the Andrews Chapter to meet its quota at this time, and she asked all workers and participants to make their contributions as liberal as possible.

Dr. van Gorder pointed out that it would be necessary for the Andrews Chapter to meet its quota if we expect to continue to operate as a chapter and to participate in the National Blood Program after June of this year.

"When you are called upon for a donation, please remember that we have much to be grateful for in that we have not suffered a major disaster as many other people have," Mr. Ruffy said.

"In appreciation for our good fortune, let us donate liberally to the call of the American Red Cross knowing that in meeting our quota we will accomplish two important things:

1. We will be able to preserve the Andrews Chapter as a Unit.
2. We will be able to continue to secure the services of the Blood Bank."

Attending the meeting were:

Miss Mary Katherine Kinsey, Red Cross Field Representative for this Western District; Dr. C. O. van Gorder; Mrs. C. O. van Gorder; Mrs. John Rodda; C. O. Frazer; Joe Sursavage, Public Relations Director of the Berkshire Plant; Tom Day, Chairman Blood Program; Charles Delaney, Treasurer; Richard W. Ramsey; Mrs. Gerald Almond; Ty Burnett; Jake Buchanan; Mrs. Arnold Reichman; Mr. Bill Whitaker; Mrs. James Baer and John Ellis. "Chub" Brooks, Chairman of the Finance Committee was unable to attend as were a number of other representatives who were invited.

World War I Vets Organization Formed in Murphy

Last Sunday, James E. Dayton Sr. of Asheville Barracks No. 505, assisted in organizing the Murphy Barracks of Veterans of World War I of the United States of America.

The meeting was held in the Courthouse, with 24 World War I Veterans present.

Mr. Dayton was assisted by Robert Barr, Commander; Jack Wall, Adjutant; and W. J. Smith, Chaplain, of Asheville Barracks.

F. O. Christopher was elected temporary Commander and J. C. O'Dell temporary Quarter Master of the Murphy Barracks. All twenty-four Veterans present joined and became charter members of the Murphy Barracks which will be given a number later when the charter is received. The annual dues are \$3.00.

The national organization will use its best efforts to benefit World War One Veterans, sometimes referred to as forgotten men. It will sponsor five bills pending in Congress, the most important is the bill which, if enacted into law, would provide \$100 a month to all veterans of World War I at age 60, regardless of income or financial condition.

There will be a meeting of the Murphy Barracks at the Courthouse in Murphy Monday, May 20, at 7:30 p. m.



DECLAMATION CONTEST WINNER—Ronnie Brittain (left) was first place winner in the annual Declamation Contest held at Murphy High School last Thursday. He is being congratulated by Judges Hobart McKeever and Dr. Robert King. The other judge, J. E. Ruffy of Andrews, is not shown.

Ronnie Brittain, Bobby Easley Winners In Declamation Contest At Murphy Hi

Ronnie Brittain of Murphy, with his rendition of Patrick Henry's "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death," address, was first place winner in the annual Declamation Contest held Thursday afternoon at Murphy School.

Bob Easley won second place in the third annual contest which is jointly sponsored by the Cherokee Historical Society and the Murphy Toastmasters Club. His address was, "The Constitution," by Wenig.

Receiving honorable mention in the judging were Harry Killian for "Sink or Swim," by Patrick Henry; Wayne Marshall for, "I Speak for

Democracy," by Elizabeth Allen Evans; and Tommy Moore for, "A Vision of War", by Ingersole.

Other contestants and their speeches were: Don Amos, "I Am An American," by Lieberman; Burt Berchfield, "Gettysburg Address," by Abraham Lincoln; Winston Craig, "Deathbed of Benedict Arnold," Anonymous, and Bobby Morris, "By The Tomb of Napoleon", by Ingersole.

Ribbons were presented to the winners by Mrs. Emily Davidson representing the Cherokee Historical Society.

Joe Ray of the Toastmasters Club, presided and judges were Hobart McKeever, Dr. R. R. King, and J. E. Ruffy.

Mr. Ray said that boys participating in the contest were volunteers from Murphy High student body and that each one, after selecting his address, was coached by a member of the Toastmasters Club.

H. Bueck, Murphy School superintendent thanked the two civic clubs for sponsoring the contest and said that it gave the students an opportunity to learn to speak before the public.

Woman Sentenced To Prison: Husband Goes Free

Mrs. Posey Stewart, of Andrews was sentenced to one year in the Raleigh Prison for Women at Records Court here Monday.

Her husband was fined \$100 and placed on four years probation and a daughter, Mary was set free.

Among other cases tried were Herbert Lee Griffith, of Route 3, Murphy for speeding and driving while intoxicated. He had been at large since that time until Saturday night, when Deputy Sheriff, Charles White, arrested him. He was fined \$250 and is to pay all the costs of the back cases.

Donald William Lovinggood and Therman C. Fair of Route 3, Murphy were also tried, Lovinggood for driving while intoxicated and Fair aiding and abetting to the case, and driving with no operators license.

Lovinggood was fined \$125, Fair \$100 and licenses revoked for one year.

Also six speeding cases were tried which were disposed of by the court.

Youth Banquet Held At Baptist Church

A tropical cruise aboard the USS Banana Boat was the theme of the Youth Banquet at the First Baptist Church Tuesday evening, at which time around 90 young people and workers were present.

Decorations, food and program was in native style of the West Indies.

Mrs. W. V. Costello had charge of a very interesting program in which she conducted an imaginary cruise from Miami, Florida, to Havana, Cuba, to Trinidad, and back to Miami.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO HANDLE MURPHY UNIT

At the regular meeting Thursday night of the Murphy Woman's Club, the ladies of the club voted to aid in the Red Cross Fund Drive.

Mr. Ben Palmer, charter, chairman and Mrs. Harve Elkins, Home Service chairman met with the club to explain the importance of this drive. Mr. Palmer stated that there is a possibility that the charter might be discontinued if our fund quota is not reached this time; this means that the blood bank and other services will be lost.

He also stated that money had been granted the past two years from the Atlanta Regional Office to maintain the local charter; and furthermore stated that there would be no more funds available from this office.

At present there is no charge for blood but if the charter is taken it will cost around \$40 a pint.

Mrs. Elkins told the members of four cases which the home office had served that day. The cases are the following: Serviceman wanted extension on account of illness of mother; family contacted Red Cross Home Service regarding message to serviceman notifying him of the death of his father; request from over-seas Field Director to verify illness of grandfather; Request from Home Service in Atlanta to Local Chapter for Home Service to determine if children of serviceman could be taken care of while the wife was in Atlanta, with sick child.

Mrs. Elkins said this entailed telephoning and visiting homes, but that it was a free service to the community.

Mrs. Bertha Bates expressed her gratefulness to the Red Cross when they contacted her son, Fred, Jr. in Japan, when her husband died. She said, "Help was there when I needed it most."

P. J. Henn is chairman of the drive with Sam Davidson, as co-chairman. Mrs. Dot Mason, Mrs. Ruth Cheney and Mrs. Hilda Olson are on the soliciting committee and Mrs. Olson says that on Friday and Saturday, members of the Woman's Club will call on the business places and also to the individuals who failed to respond or not at home at the time the canvass was made.

ADVANTAGES OF RED CROSS BLOOD

By DR. W. A. HOOVER
For a good number of years we have had the service of Red Cross Blood to be used in our hospitals. By having this service the hospitals are able to keep some of the more common types in stock for emergency need. For the rarer

Wanda Dillingham Queen of May Day Festivities Set Friday at Murphy

The Westward movement will be depicted in song and dance by Murphy Elementary School (grades 4 through 8) at the annual May Day celebration in the gym Friday, May 3rd, at 1 p. m.

Reigning over the festivities will be Wanda Dillingham, May Queen and her escort, Larry Stiles. Essie Williams is maid of honor and her escort is Jimmy Killian.

Others in the court are Lynn Whitley and Bobby Weaver; Betty Cornwell and David Thompson; Laura Ruth Jones and Joe Craig; Shirley Mann and Billy O'Dell; Reva Jean Garrett and Jack Sutton; Rebecca Hensley and Frank Hill, and Eva Smith and Doug Bowman.

Mrs. A. L. Maxwell and Mrs. Duke Whitley are in charge. After the crowning of the Queen the program will depict the build-

ing of the west with covered wagons, folk dancing and singing. Dances will include "Paper of Pins by the fifth grades; "O, Susannah", fourth grades; "Little Foot", seventh grades; "Scotts-chie", eighth grades; Maypole dance, seventh grade and two square dances by the sixth grades.

The public is invited to attend and there will be no admission charge.

Supt. H. Bueck Visits Governor

Supt. H. Bueck went to Raleigh Tuesday on the invitation of Governor Luther Hodges to attend an informal discussion and lunch at the Mansion.

The invitation stated the Governor was asking a few school friends.