

Man Charged Here With Assaulting Local Woman

Kiwanis Club To Sponsor Rummage Sale

The Murphy Kiwanis Club will sponsor a rummage sale for the benefit of needy families in the Murphy area Saturday and Tuesday, Dec. 7 and 10.

The sale will be held in the basement of Davidson's Store next to Acme Hardware from 9 a. m. to 12 p. m. each day.

Joe Hamilton newly elected president is in charge of this clothing project.

Sunday School Honor Roll At First Methodist

The Sunday School Honor Roll for the First Methodist Church for the month of November has been announced as follows by Hugh Brittain, Sunday School Superintendent.

Nursery: Mrs. W. B. Johnson and Mrs. Gay Davidson teachers.

Kindergarten: Grover Smith. Primary I: Tommy McGuire Mrs. Mae Brittain, teacher. Primary II: Eddie Marshall, Ellen Davis, Carl Bryan Townsend, and Mrs. Tom Watson, teacher. Primary III: Adella Meroney teacher.

Junior Class: Barbara Worthen, Judy Brittain, Freddie Davis, James Sneed, Jane Worthen, Jan Davidson, Dewey Johnson and Betty Weaver, teacher.

Intermediate: Nancy Marshall, Brenda Quinn, Bobby Weaver, Lynn Whitley, Phil Mattox. Senior Class: Ronnie Brittain.

Letter To The Editor

Andrews Fans Consider It An Insult

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The Cherokee Scout
 Murphy, North Carolina
 Dear Mr. Editor:

In your edition of the Cherokee Scout of Wednesday, November 27, you printed a letter from the Murphy Quarterback Club. Our remarks here are in reference to this letter and in no way are they to be construed as a slap at Murphy's fine football team or their equally fine coach Mr. Ralph "Chuck" McConnell.

Reference is made to the letter from the Quarterback Club whereas they stated and we quote, "We lose such games because we fail to play teams all during the season that come up to our capabilities. Then we meet a topnotch AA team and get the tar beat out of us." Now, we here at Andrews look up on this as a downright insult. We are indeed sorry that the 7-0 game which Murphy won early in the season did not provide sufficient competition for Murphy and we are equally sorry the 6-6 tie later on, which we agree had no bearing on the league playoff, was not also sufficient competition.

During the past five years Andrews and Murphy have played ten games, with Andrews winning five, Murphy winning three, and two games being ties. This is a pretty fair record for a school that has an enrollment of 300 (Murphy has approximately 600) and only 25-30 boys out for football (Murphy has 50-60). In Smoky Mountain Conference play, Andrews went to the State semi-finals losing to a strong Reidsville team which later won the State Championship.

We bring out this illustration to point out that after losing the playoff game, Andrews did not propose a split in the conference as the Murphy Quarterback Club proposes because the teams met during the regular season did not provide sufficient competition. We grant that the present conference setup presents a problem but for the time being we will be forced to live with it because we do not think Waynesville, Canton, or Bethel would accept Murphy into their conference just because they have two winning seasons in a row.

Please understand, Mr. Editor,

A 33-year-old Cherokee County man was being held in County Jail this week on a charge of "assault on a female with intent to commit rape or rape."

Andy Martin of the Tomotla section was charged in a warrant signed by Sheriff Claude Anderson before Superior Court Clerk K. W. Radford. Bond has been set at \$5,000.

Sheriff Anderson said a hearing has been set for Monday in Recorder's Court.

The man is accused of assaulting a 52-year-old woman at her rural home Thanksgiving Day between 11:30 a. m. and noon. The woman was hospitalized about two days.

Sheriff Anderson said the woman gave this account of the incident. A man came to her home and asked to borrow a gun, claiming he had spotted a deer nearby.

The woman told officers the man attacked her in the kitchen. She was alone in the house at the time. Sheriff Anderson reported the woman was dragged approximately 180 feet from her home after being knocked unconscious.

The woman's son found his mother in a dazed condition in the yard when he came home about 1 p. m. that day.

Police were alerted and the sheriff and his entire staff, along with State Highway Patrolman Bud Ensley and a number of interested citizens began a search. Bloodhounds were put on the man's trail and he was apprehended about 5 p. m. that afternoon.

Sheriff Anderson said Martin was caught at the home of Wesley Martin, the man's uncle, in the Tomotla section. The captured man was taken to a local hospital and was identified by the woman, the sheriff said.



CHRISTMAS TREE HOLIDAY HOUSE — Members of the Murphy Garden Club are busy preparing decorations for the Christmas Tree Holiday House to be exhibited here Sunday. Pictured, left to right, are Mrs. Francis Bourne Jr., Mrs. Cecil Burgess and Mrs. Francis Bourne Sr., experimenting with the door arrangements.

Murphy Garden Club To Exhibit Holiday House

Bloodmobile Unit To Visit Andrews Tuesday

ANDREWS—The Red Cross bloodmobile unit will be at the City Hall in Andrews Tuesday, Dec. 10, from 12 to 5 p. m. for the purpose of collecting blood from this area.

This is a very important visit of the bloodmobile unit, officials said. In three visits of the bloodmobile unit this year collection reached 200 pints of blood in Andrews. In the 10 months ending Oct. 31 District Memorial Hospital and the Rodda-Van Gorder Clinic in Andrews had used 351 pints. A total of 196 pints of this was used for people in Andrews and 161 pints for patients from towns outside of Andrews.

Any person giving blood through the Andrews Chapter will be eligible to receive blood for themselves and their immediate family for one year. Blood donor cards will be honored by the District Memorial Hospital and the Rodda-Van Gorder Clinic in Andrews and the Providence Hospital in Murphy. The Red Cross will ship blood to any hospital for use of a current card holder from an active chapter, if that hospital will accept Red Cross blood.

Interested parties wishing to donate blood through this chapter and do not have transportation to and from Andrews may call 56 or 71 in Andrews and transportation will be arranged. Officials said now that the Holiday season is here the need for blood is greater than ever. Give some one the greatest Christmas gift ever—give them a pint of blood.

Junior Class To Present Hillbilly Weddin'

ANDREWS—The Junior Class of Andrews High School will present "Hillbilly Weddin'" a comedy in three acts at the High School auditorium Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

The play is under the direction of the junior sponsors, Miss Elizabeth Whitson and Mrs. Ruth Savage with the assistance of Jim Wood.

The cast includes David Benham, Shirley Ann Green Joyce Birchfield Doris Jean Rogers, Patsy Holland, Hattie Derreberry, Joyce Deaton, Anita Luther.

Also, Donald Crawford, Steve Higdon, Ted West, Susie Cole, Wade Brooks, James Curtis, Walt Brown, Nick Holloway, Jo Postell, Robert Huffstetler, Roy Phillips, Robert Purser, Gerald Gibby and other members of the Junior Class.

Roy Lee Gilbert, member of Andrews High School faculty is directing the music.

The new home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brumby of Mooreland Heights will be featured as the "Christmas Tree Holiday House" of the season by the Murphy Garden Club.

The festive spirit of Christmas will vibrate throughout the home. Decorations will range from gilded Christmas trees to delicate pastel arrangements.

"Christmas Tree Holiday House" will be open Sunday afternoon from 3 to 6.

The beautiful arrangements will be exclusive and original. They are being created by members of the Garden Club.

Cookies and coffee will be served by the members of the club, and Christmas gifts will be on sale.

The Brumby home is located on Mooreland Heights, off highway 19 above Mooreland Heights Tourist Court.

The public is cordially invited.

Little Leaguers To Hold Banquet

The Little League football teams of Andrews and Murphy ended the season this week with their final games and their preparations for a season banquet.

The Murphy Junior Bulldogs had their football dinner at the Regal Hotel Tuesday night and the Andrews Junior Wildcats will hold theirs next Monday at the Shell Dining Room.

The invited guest for the Murphy team's dinner were Dr. Wm. Gossett, John Jordan, Scout Leader, Don Peterson, Editor Gene Parker, Mayor L. L. Mason, Neal Barnes, Ben Warner, William Wishon, and Jim Ed Hughes, who represented the Quarterback Club.

The Andrews boys are inviting their fathers and all interested citizens to come to the dinner. Members of the Andrews team are asking those who would like to attend, leave their names with Mrs. Younce at the Shell Dining Room before Monday noon.

The Little League players hope to interest more adults in coaching their basketball and baseball teams during the coming season.

Kiwanis Club Wants Old Toys For Needy

Murphy Kiwanis Club has started a drive to collect old toys for distribution this Christmas to underprivileged children.

You can make some child's Christmas happier by giving no longer used toys. Toys should be left at Davis' Esso Servicenter or Joe Fowler's Sinclair Station.

Kiwanians will clean and repair the playthings before they are distributed.

Local Bank Loans This Year Over Two Million Mark; Indicates Healthy Situation

Citizens Bank & Trust Co. in Murphy handled 2,027 separate loans from January through November amounting to \$2,460,075.42.

W. Frank Forsyth, executive vice-president, said:

"In handling this large volume, the total loans in the Murphy Bank showed no increase over the Jan. 1 totals. This indicates a healthy situation from the standpoint of our bank and the area the Murphy bank serves.

"In reviewing our loans, I find that a large percentage of them are made to farmers, for the purchase of cattle, improvements of pastures; loans for dairying and poultry.

"We made many loans for home improvements, loans to merchants and industry; personal loans to professional people and to individuals in all walks of life, all helping to build this our Southwestern North Carolina.

"All of our loans were made within this trading area, using part of the dollars you deposited for sound constructive loans to our people."

Jerry Davidson Last Winner In Football Contest

In The Scout's final football contest of the season, Jerry Davidson of Murphy was the expert of the week and winner of the \$5 first prize.

He guessed 16 correct games out of 20 and missed the tie-breaker score by only one point. Mr. Davidson guessed it 6-0 favor of Georgia over Georgia Tech. (That game ended 7-0 favor of Georgia).

Six other contestants picked 16 winners but only one, Jack Lunsford of Murphy, gave the edge to Georgia in the tie-breaker guess. He guessed it 20-13. Mr. Lunsford won second prize of \$3.

This left five knotted for third place, all favoring defeated Tech in the tie-breaker.

Mrs. Bergan Moore of Route 2 copped third place and \$2 by coming within 18 points of the score. Others getting 16 correct and how close they came to the tie-breaker follows: Max Cook of Murphy, 24 points; Bill Crain of Murphy, 26 points; Jay Wilson of Murphy, 26 points, and Wilford Stamey of Murphy 27 points.

Special Services For Players Set At First Baptist

Recognition services will be conducted for Murphy High football players, the coach, cheer leaders and school officials Sunday night at First Baptist Church.

Those to be recognized will be seated in a group. This is the third year First Baptist has observed recognition services for team members and others associated with the squad.

The Rev. J. A. Morris, the pastor, will preach at night services on the topic, "The Great Challenge". His morning topic will be "True Christian Giving".

Following the night services, a reception will be held in the basement of the church.

Rangers' Office Moved To Townson Building

The U. S. Forest Service Rangers' Office has been moved to the Townson Building over the A&P Store here.

It was formerly located in the Mauney Building.

On duty at the local office are Ranger Bunch Nugent, Assistant Ranger Donald Peterson and Mrs. Glenda Brandon, Clerk-typist. Mrs. Brandon was named to her position this week.



SANTA CAME TO TOWN — Old Saint Nick was on hand Saturday to greet many of the children who turned out despite snow flurries here. This photo shows just a few of the many who visited him. He will be back again Saturday to welcome all at his headquarters on the town square.

"Gift Guide For Christmas Shopping" Will Be Found In Today's Scout

Your "Gift Guide For Christmas Shopping" will be found in this edition of The Scout.

Co-operating in bringing you this guide are the following Murphy businesses: Sossamon Furniture, Murphy Supply Co., Candler's, Western Auto, Lovingoods, Davis Jewelers, Trudy's, Farmers Federation, Ivie Furniture, Economy Clothing, Citizens Bank & Trust Co., Coward's, J. B. Mulkey Cash Grocery, Jabaley's, Smoky Mountain Gas and Appliance Co., and Crawford Tire Co.

Stores advertising in the gift guide on other pages of The Scout are offering top value merchandise at enjoyable prices to make your Christmas shopping easier and merrier. Use the Guide to do your shopping.

Unheard of bargains are listed throughout. Valuable merchandise is being given away with the purchase of certain items. One business is giving away a portable television and all you have to do is register.

Shop these stores. Shop early before the rush. Only 17 shopping days remain before Christmas.

Stecoah Cagers To Meet Webster Thursday

The Stecoah Cagers will meet Webster in a double header at Stecoah Thursday night in a pre-conference tilt.

Stecoah girls coached by J. Franklin Smith of Murphy have played four pre-conference games, winning three and losing one. The boys have lost three out of four.



A. W. ANTHONY of Route 4 killed this 8-point buck Friday morning while hunting on the east side of Nolichucky river. The deer weighed about 350 pounds and was shot in the heart with a 30-30 rifle. Mr. Anthony said he found tracks of the deer Thursday and went back Friday morning and waited for him. This was the first deer kill for Mr. Anthony.

Yule Spending To Increase Over Last Year

U. S. Chamber of Commerce has predicted Americans will buy about the same volume of goods this month as they did last December, but they'll pay 600 million dollars more for it.

An Associated Press report from Washington quotes the Chamber as saying December sales should reach about 20 billion dollars compared with the record \$19,400,000,000 of a year ago. But most of the increases will represent price advances. The physical volume of sales will remain about the same as last year.

And the chamber noted there are now two million more Americans to buy or be bought for than there were a year ago.

In a preview look at the big Christmas shopping month, the chamber said general merchandise sales will be up one-half of one per cent over last year, furniture and appliance sales will be down by one-half of one per cent, and apparel sales will be up by 1 1/2 per cent. These three categories account for about 30 per cent of the Christmas shopping.

Food store sales representing about 20 per cent of the holiday buying should be up about 7 per cent over last year the chamber said, and drug store sales are expected to climb by 11 or 12 per cent.

Other categories of retail sales expected to rise are: lumber, building and hardware 3 per cent; eating and drinking places, 4 per cent, and gasoline service stations, 8 per cent.

First Snow Falls Here Saturday

Cherokee County's first snow of the season fell here Saturday.

Most melted as it fell but some traces covered certain areas until a bright Sunday morning sun hit with rising temperatures.

The mercury dropped to 13 degrees early Sunday morning but during the day rose to a high 52. Monday morning's low reading was reported by the local TVA Hydrologic Data Branch office at 17 degrees with a high of 60.

A low of 23 and a high of 52 were recorded for Tuesday. Wednesday morning's predicted low was 36. The high was expected to reach 48.

Clear, cold weather held for the first three days of the week with an overcast moving into the area early Tuesday bringing light drizzle.

Rainfall in the Murphy area during the past week was .40 inch.