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FOUR-H'ERS ENJOYED a square dance given for them by Mrs. E. U. Burch Tuesday night at the Andrews High School Gym. They are, left to right, Angie Jones, Tommy Thomas, Johnny Sandidge, Haroldette

Adams, Larry Adams, Terry Thompson, Kenneth Bradley, Luella Meyers, Wendell Barlow, Nancy Martin and Dickey Head.

## 3 Pedestrians Killed In Area During Week

### Murphy Calendar

- THURSDAY—MAY 5**  
12-4 P.M.—Bloodmobile will be at the Power Board Building.  
7:30 P.M.—The Lydia Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Ralph McConnell.
- FRIDAY, MAY 6**  
4:00 P.M.—Associational Vacation Bible School Clinic, First Baptist Church.  
SATURDAY, MAY 6  
9-12 A.M.—Bake Sale will be held at the Murphy Electric Shop on the Square, sponsored by Martin's Creek and Bellview Home Demonstration Clubs.
- SATURDAY, MAY 7**  
3:15 P.M.—Sunbeams will meet at the First Baptist Church, Ages 4 thru 8.  
6:30 P.M.—Rotary Club will meet at the Family Restaurant on Andrews Rd.
- TUESDAY, MAY 10**  
3:30 P.M.—The Evening Circle of the Presbyterian Church will meet at the home of Mrs. R. A. Potter.  
6:30 P.M.—Regional Brotherhood Convention at Franklin First Baptist Church.  
8:30 P.M.—Lions Club to meet in the recreation hall of the First Methodist Church.  
7:30 P.M.—Ruth Bagwell Circle of First Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. Boyce Stiles.  
7:30 P.M.—Frankie Martin Circle of First Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. Jack Crawford.  
8:00 P.M.—Ruth Swan Circle of the First Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Robert Bault.
- WEDNESDAY, MAY 11**  
6:30 P.M.—Brotherhood Supper Meeting, First Baptist Church.  
7:15 P.M.—W.M.U. Meetings, also R. A. Meeting.  
7:20 P.M.—Mid-Week Prayer Service at the Presbyterian Church.  
7:30 P.M.—Mid-Week Service at First Methodist Church.  
8:00 P.M.—Hour of Power at First Baptist Church.  
8:00 P.M.—Choir Practice Presbyterian Church.  
8:30 P.M.—Church Choir Practice, First Methodist Church.  
8:30 P.M.—Choir Practice First Baptist Church.



Dallas M. Reese, of Murphy, has been nominated by the Republican Party for State Auditor. Mr. Reese attended public schools in Murphy and has practiced accounting for 20 years. He is County Chairman of the Republican Party. Mr. Reese was born in Cherokee County and is married to the former Miss Louise Taylor of Murphy. They have four children and are members of the First Methodist Church.

### Knife Wounds Fatal For Man

Violence claimed the lives of four persons in Cherokee County during the past week. Three were pedestrians struck by vehicles.

**Dead are:**  
Theodore Derreberry, 52, of Murphy, struck by a car about 1:10 Monday afternoon on U. S. Highway 19 three miles east of Murphy.  
Harley Carroll, 32, of Murphy, struck by a car Sunday about 4 p.m. on Georgia Highway 5 between Blue Ridge and Ellijay.  
Miss Gracie Ellis, 74, of Marble Route 1, struck by a truck on U. S. 19 Saturday morning some seven miles east of the city.  
Boson H. Hickey, 65, of near Pain's Mountain died of a knife wound near his home last Thursday.

In the Derreberry death, James Mack Moss, 79, of Marble, was driver of the car. A coroner's jury quickly ruled the accident unavoidable.  
State Highway Patrolman E. N. Hooper said his investigation showed there was no negligence on the part of Moss. Witnesses told police that Derreberry ran into the highway and into the path of the car.  
Fred Duval of Bryson City was driver of a pickup truck which struck Miss Ellis. Duval told police the woman started across the road, then suddenly turned back and walked into the truck.  
Her body was carried 31 feet by the impact.  
She was a native of Clay County, a daughter of the late Jasper and Polly Martin Ellis. She was a member of Ogretta Baptist Church.

Survivors include a brother, W. G. Ellis; and a sister, Mrs. Mollie Murphy of Bryson City.  
Funeral services were conducted Monday at Ogretta Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at Bates Creek Baptist Church for Harley Carroll. Burial was in the church cemetery.  
He is survived by a daughter, Charlene of Murphy; his mother, Mrs. Laura Carroll of Murphy; five sisters, Mrs. Hazel McDonald, Mrs. Jennie Stiles and Mrs. Bessie Kephart of Murphy, Mrs. Bertha Bruce of Gastonia, and Mrs. Betty Dunsbey of Upland, California; and five brothers, Claude and Lawson of Murphy, Andrew of Canton, Frank of Detroit, and Clarence of Piedmont, Alabama.

The Derreberry funeral was conducted Wednesday at the home of the mother, Mrs. Martha Derreberry of Murphy. Burial was in the Moss Cemetery at Marble.

Survivors include: his mother, three sisters, Mrs. Pearl Hardin of Andrews, Mrs. Mack Darlon of Shoal Creek, and Miss Ruby Derreberry of the home; four brothers, Zeb of the home, Mack of Murphy Route 4, Frank and Lee of Tomoria; 24 nieces and nephews.

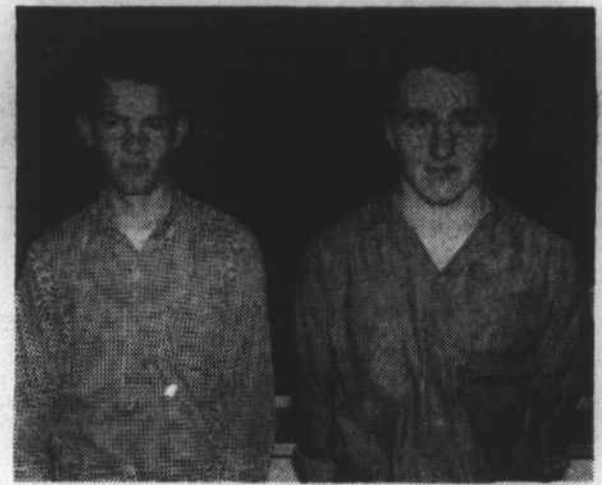
Truman Cole, 59, has been charged with murder in the knife slaying of 65-year-old Boson H. Hickey last Wednesday in the Pain's Mountain section of Cherokee County.  
Hickey was found dead near his home Thursday morning. Sheriff Claude Anderson said Cole told him that he cut Hickey in self defense after the older man threw rocks at him and knocked him to the ground.

The two men were neighbors in the Pain's Mountain section. In a hearing Friday before Justice of the Peace Dick Richards, Cole pleaded guilty but asserted self defense. The case was bound over to the July term of Cherokee County Superior Court.  
Sheriff Anderson said Cole told him that he met Hickey about 9 p.m. Wednesday, April 27. The sheriff said the two men had quarreled several days earlier.  
Cole told the sheriff that Hickey struck him on the shoulder, knocked him down, and hit him on the head. Cole said it was then that he cut the man, once in the jaw and another time in the hip.  
It was not until the next day that Hickey's body was found by Cole's brother, W. C. Cole, and Hubert Graves. The two were on their way to work when they made the discovery.  
Hickey lived alone.  
Funeral services were conducted last Saturday at Calvary Baptist Church. Burial was in the old Methodist Church Cemetery.

### Neighbor Held After Man Found Dead

## Hitchcock Corp., Minerals & Metals Give Employees Salary Increase

Employees of Hitchcock and Mineral-Metals Corporations of Murphy have received a ten cent per hour wage increase, according to Francis Bourne Jr., secretary-treasurer.  
The increase went into effect May 1.  
In making the announcement Mr. Bourne said that the wage increase will be across the board and applicable to all hourly employees of the corporations.  
Hitchcock Corp. has plants in Murphy, Atlanta and Macon, Ga.  
The Macon and Atlanta plants will also receive the wage increase.  
The two Corporations have an annual payroll in excess of a quarter of a million dollars.  
Hitchcock has 50 to 55 employees and Mineral-Metals employs 25.  
Both plants are operating at full capacity.  
The increase is expected to add approximately \$16,000 to the annual payroll.



New Murphy Hi Student Council Officers

Kenneth Dockery (left) was elected president of the Student Council of Murphy High School for the school term 1960-61 by the student body last Friday. Randolph Cunningham (right) was elected vice president. Approximately 600 students voted in the election. The secretary-treasurer, Virgil Decker, was elected by the members of the Student Council. Outgoing officers are Walter Owenby, president; Margaret Ann Wilcox, vice president, and Paul Barker, secretary.

## Dairy Princess Contest Set For Cherokee County

A Dairy Princess Contest will be conducted in Cherokee County, sponsored by the Murphy Lions Club.  
The event will be part of the North Carolina Dairy Princess Contest.  
Single girls between 17 and 25 years of age are eligible to compete in the county contest. She must be at least a senior in high school and additional education is desirable.  
Exact date for the Cherokee County judging has not been set but the contest will be held not later than June 11.  
The contest is being held during June since June is Dairy Month.  
Murphy Lions Club is still working out details for the county contest. High schools in the area will be contacted and informed of the event.  
Lions officials pointed out that talent is most desirable in the contest.  
The county winner will compete in the district contest in Asheville. Winner of this event will go on to take part in the state judging.  
Entrants will be judged on the following points: friendliness, beauty, personality, photographic qualities, healthy appearance, pleasing voice, and ability to think before an audience.  
The state winner will be awarded \$200 scholarship.  
First runner-up will receive a \$100 Savings Bond and second runner-up will get a \$50 bond.

## Clay, Gibbs Judged Best In Murphy Hi Senior Play

By PHYLLIS BABB  
Seniors of Murphy High School presented their annual Senior Play Friday and Saturday nights. The play, "Stars In Their Eyes," a three act comedy, was written by Ruth and Nathan Hale. Barbara Clay, who played the part of Beatrice, was selected Best Actress by a panel of three judges. Jimmy Gibbs, the father, was chosen Best Actor.  
The announcement of the judges choices was made Saturday night after the performance. The P-TA will present medals to Miss Clay and Mr. Gibbs at Class Day.  
The seniors were approximately a month in rehearsals for the play.  
The young people did a very good job on the play and the casting was excellent.  
Miss Margie Martin captured everyone's attention in her part as Gertie. She was especially funny and did a good job of portraying a "he-woman" athlete.  
Louis Martin also did an outstanding job in playing Kenny Leroy.  
Bud Penland, who played the part of Mr. MacDouglas, did not have a speaking part but he got a good laugh from the audience every time he crossed the stage.  
Other members of the cast were Betty Hyatt, Margaret Ann Wilcox, Linda Houts, Ruth Bates, Joyce Henson, Lavonne Thompson, Bill Rhodes, Virgil Decker, Lawrence Neal and Doug Burgess.  
Senior sponsors were Mrs. Barbara McConnell, Mrs. Geraldine Meadows and Randall Shields.

## Murphy Merchants Open Gala 'Old Market Days'

The color and charm of a nearly forgotten period will return to Murphy this week as "Old Market Days" are staged here.  
The event will be highlighted with sidewalk sales as merchandise is placed on display in front of downtown stores.  
And you'll even be able to buy a five-cent hot dog on the street during the gala celebration.  
"Old Market Days" are being sponsored by the Murphy Retail Merchants Association. The event runs Thursday, Friday and Saturday.  
Association officials have been planning the big affair for the past six weeks. Participating stores have been busy stocking the merchandise and making certain they will have plenty of bargains on hand when doors open Thursday morning.  
An added feature for Murphy shoppers will be the 1960 Dodge Dart which will be awarded July 2. Merchants giving Red M Tickets are participating in this event.  
"Old Market Days" have been planned with the shopper in mind, a Merchants Association spokesman pointed out this week. "No matter what you're looking for, you'll find it at bargain prices during this special celebration," he added.  
As a sample of some of these, check the advertisements in today's edition of the Cherokee Scout. You'll find them under the big heading "Old Market Days."

### Murphy Garden Club Holds Meet Friday

The Murphy Garden Club met on Friday afternoon, April 29, at the home of Mrs. Hobart McKeever with Mrs. F. V. Taylor as co-hostess.  
Mr. Lynn Gault of Brasstown showed his collection of slides of wild flowers native to this area.  
Mrs. Gault was a guest.  
Mrs. Francis Bourne Jr. presided over the business session. The Farmers Federation furnished sample bags of dairy compost to be given to each member. Plans were discussed for a flower show to be staged in August.

### Moody, Lovingood Elected To Public Health Posts

Dave Moody of Murphy was re-elected secretary - treasurer of the Western North Carolina Public Health Association at a meeting in Asheville last week-end.  
Miss Willy Lovingood was elected vice chairman of the nursing section.

### AUNT HET



I don't know which is worse, havin' George and Jennie mad at me or feelin' friendly and imposin' on me.



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