



Annual PTA Talent Show Participants

Lots of fun, lots of songs, dances, highlight show.

Andrews Chamber of Commerce Reorganizes, Elects Officers

Thirty-five citizens of Andrews, Marble, and Topton met Friday, March 17, at the Andrews Town Hall to reorganize and elect officers of the Andrews Chamber of Commerce. The group elected A. B. Chandler, Jr., president; Joe El-Khourl, Vice - president; Sam Jones, secretary; and Ty Burnette, treasurer.

The Andrews Chamber of Commerce was first organized in 1950. Although the organization has been inactive for seven years, over \$10,957 is in the treasury.

The meeting brought forward several suggested projects and goals for the newly reorganized chamber. It was suggested that a paid secretary be employed to actively head the group. This idea was put aside when it was learned that the charter calls for only \$10 per month to be used for this purpose.

E. A. Munger of Topton told the group that recently two men had bought property in this area and that they expressed interest in a golf course being built around here.

Munger also added that he plans to add improvements to the Andrews Riding Range so as to attract more young people.

Directors named were E. U. Burch, Dr. F. E. Blalock, Dr. Charles Van Gorder, Robert Heaton, Sam Hartman, E. A. Munger, and Herman H. West. A golf course has long been a dream in Cherokee County.

Bill Sets Salaries

Cherokee County Rep. Herman H. West introduced legislation Tuesday to set the pay of four county jobs and the fees paid jurors and witnesses in Cherokee Superior Court.

The bill fixes the pay of clerk of Superior Court at \$5,000 a year; the deputy clerk at \$2,400; the register of deeds, \$4,000; and the clerk in the office of the register of deeds, \$2,400.

The salaries would become effective as of April 1.

Jurors, under the bill, would receive \$7 per day for each day required to be in attendance and witnesses would get \$3 per day. These rates would become effective upon ratification of the bill.

Brasstown Group Attends Berea College Conference

The regular annual meeting of the Southern Highlands Handcraft Guild met in the college at Berea, Ky., March 17-19. Those attending from Brasstown were Mr. and Mrs. George Bldstrup, Miss Eva Hensley, and Mrs. Murrill Martin. Mrs. Betty DeNash, formerly of Brasstown, now from Asheville, represented The Cherokee Crafters.

This is the Guild which sponsors the two Craftsman's Fairs. In July 17-21, in Asheville --- in October 24-28 in Gatlinburg. Many of our local crafters are members of the Guild, and have exhibits in both the summer and fall fairs.



Kenneth Beam Named Wildlife Protector For Cherokee County

Kenneth Beam, 27, Korean war veteran and a recent trainee in the Ninth District Law Enforcement division of the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, has been named Wildlife Protector of Cherokee County.

Beam replaces the late Arnold Dalrymple, who died suddenly Tuesday, March 14. Beam is a native of Gastonia. His promotion was announced by Bob Hazel, Chief of Law Enforcement Division in Raleigh.

Beam is married and is presently residing in Andrews, but expects to move to Murphy shortly.

Murphy PTA Elects Merle Davis President

Merle Davis, Murphy merchant, was elected president of the Murphy PTA for the 1961-62 Term at the March meeting of the organization Monday night.

Other officers selected were: Mrs. John Carringer, vice-president; Mrs. A. Breece Breland, secretary, and E. B. Armstrong, treasurer.

More than \$175 was realized from the PTA for the ticket sale of the talent show last week. Mr. Armstrong, who was in charge of the event, reported.

The paper sale --- another money-making project --- is to be staged Thursday, April 6. Those wishing to help are requested to bring newspapers and magazines to one of the schools that day.

Members attending enjoyed vocal numbers rendered by the eighth grade chorus, directed by Mrs. J. W. Davidson.

Young Republicans To Hold Meeting

The Cherokee County Young Republican Club has announced a meeting to be held Friday, March 24, at 8:00 p.m. in the Courthouse in Murphy. Officers will be elected at this meeting and organization plans will be discussed. "It is important that all parts of Cherokee County be represented and Young Republicans of the county are urged to attend," said Elmer Taylor, acting chairman.



Brasstown Native Promoted

ELGIN AFB. -- Newly promoted Senior Master Sergeant Vaughn A. Rogers, receives a set of his new seven-striped chevrons from Air Proving Ground Center Commander Major General Robert H. Terrill. This 11-year Air Force veteran is Non Commissioned Officer in charge of the Communication Electronic Facilities Branch at this northwest Florida research center. SMSgt. Rogers, a native of Brasstown, North Carolina, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Rogers. (U. S. Air Force Photo.)

22 Cherokeeans Attend School Meeting At Franklin

Some 200 persons from Western North Carolina, including twenty-two from Cherokee County, gathered in Franklin on Tuesday night, March 20, to attend the District 8 School Board Meeting. Discussion groups met, starting at 4:30 p.m., with a banquet at 6:30.

Speakers for this meeting of educators and local school board members were Senator W. Frank Forsyth, 33rd District, and Representative Jack Felmet, Haywood County. The two legislators explained the school program of Gov. Terry Sanford and the proposed methods of financing the program.

School board members, school district committees, school principals, and superintendents from the counties of Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Swain, Graham, Clay, and Cherokee were among the 200 present.

Watershed Project Meeting Scheduled At Peachtree School

Arrangements have been made to hold a meeting at Peachtree School next Thursday night, March 28, 1961, to discuss the possibility of making application to the Federal Government for assistance in establishing a Small Watershed Project on Peachtree and Slow Creek watersheds.

The Federal Government is authorized under Public Law 566 to assist landowners to carry out conservation work which will greatly reduce the danger of flooding from heavy rains such as has been experienced in recent weeks.

Mr. Jim Lanford, Work Unit Conservationist with the Soil Conservation Service in Hiwassee, Ga., will be present to show pictures of work which has just been completed in Hightower Creek Watershed in Towns and Union Counties in Georgia.

U. S. Highway 64 Improvements Sought

Survey Of Route To Be First Step

Charles C. Potter, Mayor of Highlands, has announced plans for a meeting to be held Saturday, March 25, at 2 p.m. in the Galax Theatre in Highlands for the purpose of organizing and promoting the need of improving U. S. Highway 64 from Murphy to Morganton.

Organization of an association to push for improvement, relocating and widening of U. S. 64 between Morganton and Murphy was discussed Tuesday morning, March 14, at a meeting of 11 WNC members of the General Assembly.

The legislative group met at the request of the town of Highlands.

Mayors, chairmen of boards of county commissioners, chamber of commerce representatives, western legislators, and other officials are invited to the meeting.

One of the first association objectives is expected to be a survey of the entire route by the State Highway Commission. This step would be necessary before any actual construction program.

According to Rep. Jack H. Potts of Brevard, who called the meeting Tuesday, the group will seek an improved two-lane highway. He said the organization is not now pressing for a four-lane route.

The group will probably tie its drive for improvement of U. S. 64 to Gov. Terry Sanford's avowed theme of opening Western North Carolina through construction of a better east-west artery. Sanford has said on several occasions he wants such a road to penetrate into the far western end of the state.

Attending Tuesday morning's conference in addition to Potts were Sens. W. Frank Forsyth, representing Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Macon, and Swain counties; Boyce A. Whitmire and Tom L. Clayton who represented Henderson, Jackson, Haywood, Transylvania, and Polk counties; Reps. Hollis M. Owens, Jr., of Rutherford, Dan R. Simpson of Burke, Lacy H. Thornburg of Jackson, Mrs. W. N. Cook of Macon, Herman H. West of Cherokee and Wayne G. West of Clay.

Methodist Pastors To Exchange Pulpits For Holy Week

The Methodist Church of the area will have special Holy Week services beginning on Sunday night, March 26, and continuing through Thursday night, March 30. The services will be at 7:30 p.m. each evening.

The schedule of services is as follows:

First Methodist Church of Murphy - Sunday evening, Rev. C. A. Smith; Monday evening, Rev. D. P. Smotherman; Tuesday evening, Rev. C. A. Smith; Wednesday evening, Rev. F. M. Orr; Thursday evening, Rev. R. T. Houts.

Reed's Chapel - Sunday evening, Rev. R. T. Houts; Monday evening, Rev. C. A. Smith; Tuesday evening, Rev. D. P. Smotherman; Wednesday evening, Rev. D. P. Smotherman; Thursday evening, Rev. C. A. Smith.

Belview - Sunday Evening, Rev. D. P. Smotherman; Monday evening, Rev. R. T. Houts; Tuesday evening, Rev. F. M. Orr; Wednesday evening, Rev. R. T. Houts; Thursday evening, Rev. W. F. Elliott and Rev. F. M. Orr.

First Methodist Church of Andrews - Sunday evening, Rev. C. W. Sartin; Monday evening, Rev. F. M. Orr; Tuesday evening, Rev. R. T. Houts; Wednesday evening, C. A. Smith; Thursday, Rev. D. P. Smotherman.

The public is cordially invited to services in each of the communities.

5 Year Old Lad Kills Rattlesnake

Waynesboro, Ga. - Five year Tom Palmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Palmer, formerly of Murphy, killed a rattlesnake with three rattles. The snake had crawled up and coiled in Tom's toy car. Needless to say, Mama went quite limp when her son yelled, "Mama, I killed a big snake!" Moral of the story: Be sure your children look before they sit in their toys!

Young Tom Palmer is a nephew of the Tom Palmer in Murphy.

Murphy Calendar

THURSDAY, MARCH 23
10:30 a.m. Circle No. 4 of First Methodist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. George Sizemore.

1:30 p.m. Ranger Home Demonstration Club will meet at the home of Mrs. J. V. Henson.

3:30 p.m. Junior Choir will meet at First Methodist Church.

Concord Choir at First Baptist Church.

7:30 p.m. Murphy Chapter No. 10 OES will meet in the Masonic Hall for regular meeting and installation of officers for year 1961-62. Rescue Squad will meet in the Murphy Power Board Building.

FRIDAY, MARCH 24
10:00 a.m. County Fair Board meeting at County Agent's office Court house.

7:30 p.m. Martha Chapter No. 246 OES will meet in the Masonic Hall at Ranger for installation of officers.

Noda Chapter OES meets at Dooly Lodge Hall.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25
12:30 p.m. Murphy Garden Club will meet at the home of Mrs. W. A. Hoover for a covered dish luncheon. Co-hostess will be Mrs. Emily Davidson.

SUNDAY, MARCH 26
5:30 p.m. MYF will meet at First Methodist Church.

6:30 p.m. Training Union at First Baptist Church.

MONDAY, MARCH 27
7:30 a.m. Holy Week Services at Presbyterian Church.

6:30 p.m. Rotary Club to meet at Family Restaurant.

7:30 p.m. Men's Choir Practice at First Baptist Church.

TUESDAY, MARCH 28
11:00 a.m. The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Murphy Methodist Church will meet at the church. Circle 2 will be hostess.

The Murphy Home Demonstration Club will meet at the home of Mrs. R. D. Chandler.

2:30 p.m. Lottie Moon Circle of First Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. W. H. Murray.

The Mae Perry Circle of First Baptist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. J. M. Ramsey.

3:15 p.m. Pre-Easter Communion class at Presbyterian Church.

3:30 p.m. Carol Choir at First Baptist Church.

Youth Choir At First Methodist Church.

4:15 p.m. Cherub Choir at First Baptist Church.

6:30 p.m. Unit Test Demonstration meeting at Murphy Power Board Building.

Lions Club meet at First Methodist Church.

Murphy Garden Club will meet at Power Board Bldg. for a pot luck supper. Mrs. Neil Seale and Mrs. Glenn Batts as co-hostesses.

8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous to meet at New Regal Hotel.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29
2:00 p.m. Valleyway Home Demonstration Club to meet at the home of Mrs. T. C. Christmas.

3:30 p.m. Chapel Choir at First Baptist Church.

6:15 p.m. Family gathering at Presbyterian Church.

7:15 p.m. Holy Services at Presbyterian Church.

7:30 p.m. Hour of Power at First Baptist Church.

Midweek services at First Methodist Church.

8:15 p.m. Choir rehearsal at Presbyterian Church.

8:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at First Baptist Church.

Choir rehearsal at First Methodist Church.

APRIL 11 - 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. Don't Forget! The Bloodmobile will be at Murphy Power Board Building.



Receives Easter Lily Corsage

Little Miss Karen Wright, one time Cherokee County letter girl, is presented a Easter Lily corsage by W. D. Whitaker of Andrews, County Chairman of the Crippled Children's Society and Vice-president of the N. C. Society for Crippled Children. The 1961 Crippled Children's Society Campaign is now underway. Donations to this drive buy braces, crutches, and special shoes such as those Karen is wearing. During the past year, over \$700 was spent for braces and shoes for children and adults in Graham, Clay, and Cherokee Counties.

Murphy Protestant Churches Plan Good Friday Service

Protestant Churches of Murphy are to unite in a Good Friday service from 1 until 2 o'clock, Friday afternoon, March 31, which is the day that marks the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ. The Good Friday worship will be held at First Baptist Church.

Murphy merchants are being requested to close their stores as has been done in recent years, during the hour of service.

The ministers of Murphy churches, along with other invited guests, are to give short meditations on the Seven Words of Christ from the Cross. There will be appropriate congregational singing and special music.

The speakers for the different words are: "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do," by Rev. W. J. Thompson, First Baptist Church; "Today thou wilt be with me in Paradise," Rev. W. T. King, guest minister, Presbyterian Church; "Behold thy son" and "Behold thy mother," Rev. R. T. Houts, First Methodist Church; "My God, my God why hast thou forsaken me?" Rev. G. T. A. Haase, Free Methodist Church; "I thirst," Rev. J. Elmer Green, Baptist association missionary; "It is finished," Robert A. Potter, Presbyterian Church; "Father, into thy hands, I commit my spirit," Rev. Alex B. Hanson, Episcopal Church of the Messiah.

Offering at the service will be for the Inter-Church Charity Fund.

U. S. Forest Planting \$95,000 Seedlings

The U. S. Forest Service is now planting 95,000 tree seedlings in Cherokee and Clay Counties.

Fifty thousand white pine are being planted in the Panther Top, Beech Creek, Persimmon Creek areas on national forest land. This area suffered severe damage from the ice storm of a year ago. The damaged timber has been largely salvaged and unstocked areas are now being planted.

An additional 20,000 white pines will be planted in Clay County on old fields or poor hardwood stands on Huskins Branch of Fires Creek and Muskrat Branch of Shooting Creek.

Twenty-five thousand loblolly pines are now being planted on old fields near Lake Chauga.

Planting is being done under the supervision of Forester Gerard E. Jacques.

Capital Clipboard

As of March 20 --- a scant six weeks after convening of the Legislature --- there were five different Plans in the hopper for getting taxes to keep the Ship of State afloat in the next two years.

Only one Plan --- that of the Governor's --- would put a tax on food.

The original Plan --- the one left by the Hodges Administration --- would have no new taxes at all, of any importance, and little new progress --- either.

The three other Plans are combinations of tobacco taxes, alcohol, soft drinks, and beer and wine. Various combinations --- and sometimes called packages.

These three packages and the one left by the previous administration have three things in common:

1. They were designed by good, honest, sincere men.
2. They avoid a tax on food.
3. Not one of them --- unless a miracle occurs --- will do the job Terry Sanford was elected to do.

Kathy Dunn Wins Superior Rating At Music Festival

A total of 120 young musicians throughout Georgia competed for honors Saturday, March 11, in the annual state music festival at the University of Georgia chapel.

Miss Kathy Dunn, 10, daughter of Cdr. and Mrs. George Dunn of Athens and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lovingsood of Murphy, was one of the nine winners from Athens. She won a rating of superior and an invitation to play at the State Music Club Convention at Callaway Gardens April 11-13. Kathy will play Haydn's "Seven Variations" and Scarlatti's "Sonata."

AUNT HET



I don't see much advantage in bein' a woman yet, except that a man can't say just what he thinks without gettin' his face smashed.