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COOKE TO BE AT MURPHY NEXT WEEK

Cooke players are scheduled to appear in Murphy next Monday for a week's engagement under tent theatre, according to announcement this week by Sam Jones who was here making arrangements and distributing advertising matter.

This well known company of popular players has been making Murphy for the past several years, and needs no introduction to the public. Just the name of Cooke Players is sufficient to bring out the people not only from Murphy, but the outlying districts as well, and the plays this year promise to be even better than ever before.

The company is headed by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cooke, and during their visits to Murphy they have made many friends here. The company this year is composed of nine players, including Mr. and Mrs. Cooke, Sam Jones, Robert Land Kent, Lawrence Brasfield, Miss Delphia Kent, Miss Neva Fisher, Miss "Bobbie" Calender, and Billy Kelly.

The program for the week, besides the vaudeville features of singing, dancing, music and comedy, includes the popular plays, "Sweetest Girl in Dixie," "The Awakening," "Retribution," "St. Elmo," "Tempest and Sunshine," and "The Flapper."

REAL FISHING AT LAKE CARROLL

On Tuesday, May 22nd a happy fishing party composed of Col. O. L. Anderson, Mrs. O. L. Anderson, Mr. W. S. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Crawford and girls, Avis and Evelyn, left Hayesville at 9 a. m. bound for Lake Carroll, which bears the reputation of a veritable fishing paradise. Roads were good with the exception of that section of road between dam and lake. These fishermen drove their cars to the border of the lake at the point where the John Carroll residence formerly stood. The keeper of the lake, Mr. T. H. Martin, threw open the doors of the rustic cabin on the hill and welcomed us in. From our log cabin home we could get a magnificent view of the lake at certain times appearing like a great mirror, the surface only being disturbed occasionally by the feeding fish that inhabit this body of water, securing their respective meals. Once we caught sight of the old Shaggy Elk as he emerged from the dense woods to quench his thirst from the placid waters. The scene touched a sympathetic cord in our hearts as we beheld the animal in captivity, far removed from his native haunts, roaming alone in his new territory. A fisherman could not wish for a more lovely spot in the mountains than what we found here.

Very soon the bream and bass were changing their places of habitation. They were coming from the waters and taking up their respective positions on a long birch twig. They seemed to like the congeniality of Mr. Will Crawford better than any one else, for eighty three made personal acquaintance with him. The remaining forty-eight were divided among the three less fortunate fishermen.

Col. O. L. Anderson did not angle but he discharged his duty in a very able and efficient manner, cleaning fish and bull frog legs and eating enormous quantities of same. There were twenty-one big bull frogs that took part in the surnading the first night on the borders of Lake Carroll that went to a place from which no traveler has ever returned. All these twenty-one hind legs went to satisfy a bull-frog appetite.

All agreed that this dish was the best of all. Before Mr. Will Crawford ate the frog legs he had to walk to the various fishing positions around the lake, but after he digested seven pairs of legs he just hopped to where he desired to fish. We have been informed that he is now

The Political Babes In The Woods

By Albert T. Reid



OTHER STUDENTS OF JOHN O. HICKS

Mrs. T. V. Lance, who was Miss Alabama Kimsey; V. A. Barnard; T. C. Moore; Mrs. Lassic Hyatt, who was Miss Lassic Dickey; all of Clay County. A. B. Ledford, Dalton, Ga.; George Truett, Dallas, Texas, Harve Truett; Sharp Truett; Thomas Truett; Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Penland; John O. Coleman; Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Matheson, Shannon, Texas; Harrison Martin; Mrs. Mattie Chastine, Oklahoma; Thomas Sherrill, Murphy; Dave Ketrone; Mrs. W. F. Plott; John O. Harrison, Franklin, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. Harvie Pass; Pat Westmoreland, Cleveland, Ga.; Jim Merritt, Jefferson, Ga.; M. L. Mauney, Murphy; S. W. Lovingood, Murphy; Billie Davidson. These names were turned in by Mr. L. L. Scroggs, of Brass-town, N. C. Mrs. Joe Ollie Gillespie, Taylor, Texas; Mrs. Ann Harden Hancock, Haskell, Texas; Mrs. Lou Harden Hancock, and Mrs. Alice Harden Bennett, Clyde, N. C.; Mrs. Nora Harden Coleman, Oneita, Tenn.; Mrs. Nannie Harden Shearer, La Veta, Colo.; Miss Cora Harden and Mrs. Cannie Harden Carver, Hayesville; and Mr. Lee Harden, of Denton, Texas; nieces and nephew of J. O. Hicks, are also students. J. T. Scroggs, Hayesville; Frank Connely, Blairsville, Ga.; Mrs. Elie Sudderth, Murphy; Col. and Mrs. G. H. Haigler, Hayesville.

STILL AND WHISKEY CAPTURED MONDAY

One complete copper outfit for making moon shine whiskey and 2 1-2 gallons of whiskey were captured Monday on Cole's Branch in Clay County. Four men made their escape but only after officers had chased them for quite a distance. The still which was of a small capacity had been in operation, the four men who escaped having just completed a run. Officers taking part in the raid were: Sheriff Kitchens and deputies Ed Ledford and Pearl Kitchens.

building a pond near his home for the specific purpose of raising bull frogs for his own consumption.

Mr. Tom Martin and his family extended every courtesy and kindness to us, which made this trip one of the best we ever had. After three days stay we returned, all agreeing to make another journey to this favorite spot in the near future.

STEPHENS LODGE ENTERTAINS WITH BANQUET ON SAT.

The Stephens Lodge of Young Harris, Ga., gave their annual banquet on last Saturday evening, inviting as their guests the Clay Lodge of Hayesville and other Masonic lodges of Georgia.

Those going from Hayesville are as follows: Col. G. H. Haigler; J. A. Chambers; B. N. Haigler; A. F. Padgett; W. T. Bumgarner; J. V. Arrendale; P. C. Scroggs; R. W. Crawford; Marvin Alexander; Willie Crawford. A most enjoyable trip was reported by those attending this banquet.

L. D. MATHESON DIED ON MAY 27

Mr. Lee D. Matheson, age 75, died Sunday night at the home of his son, George D. Matheson, Hayesville, route 2.

Mr. Matheson was born and raised in Cherokee County, moving to Clay County many years ago. He married Martha Kimbrel, who still survives him. To this union were born five children, viz: George D. Matheson, Allie Matheson who died in infancy, Burton Matheson, Mrs. Delia Cheek, of Franklin, N. C., and Amanda Moody.

Funeral services were held at the old home and interment was in the Methodist cemetery at Hayesville.

HAS LARGE RHODE ISLAND RED EGGS

Mrs. N. E. Hawkins, of Hayesville route 2, brought to this office one day last week an egg of unusual size. This egg weighed a quarter of a pound and measured 8 inches around it length ways.

KILLS LARGE OWLS

Mr. N. E. Hawkins, of Crawford Creek section, reports the finding of two large hoot owls which were killed by Vinson Boyd, a colored boy. These owls measured 4 1-2 feet from tip of wing to tip of wing.

37 Pigs in 11 Months

Giving birth to 37 pigs in eleven months is the record of a fine pure-bred Duroc sow owned by Mr. Hoke McClure of Hayesville. This sow gave birth to 15 pigs last week.

POTATO CURING HOUSE FOR ELF

The progressive farmers of Elf community are behind a movement to build a sweet potato curing house in that community. Effort is being made to raise \$500.00 which would build a house that would hold 2000 bushels. Twenty-five shares of \$10.00 each or \$250.00 of this amount has already been raised. This amount would build a house large enough to hold 1000 bushels of potatoes, however, a house of this size would not be sufficient to hold all the potatoes that will be raised in this community.

Those who have not subscribed, but plan to do so, should see Mr. Fred Woodard or Mr. Stanhope Ledford at once and subscribe so that folks will not be in doubt about the house being built.

The first and only sweet potato curing house in Clay County was built at Hayesville last fall after all potato crops had been planted which was not enough to fill the house, however, 780 bushels were stored in the house. The potatoes kept exceedingly well and every one who patronized this house was greatly pleased with the result of this splendid piece of demonstration work.

POULTRY SALE

At the poultry sale which was held in Hayesville Tuesday, 4181 pounds of poultry and 885 dozen eggs were sold which brought the farmers of Clay County \$1181.93. This poultry and eggs was bought by W. M. Fain, Murphy and Farmer's Federation of Asheville.

Mr. McGhee's Family Are Visiting Here

Mrs. Karl McGhee of Bristol, Tenn.-Va., wife of Mr. Karl McGhee manager of the new Boice Wholesale and Retail stores, and two children and Mr. McGhee's mother arrived in Hayesville Sunday night to join Mr. McGhee and to make this their home.

For the present they will make their home at the T. C. Scroggs' property.

We are glad to welcome them in Hayesville and feel that they will find a hearty welcome among the citizens of our community.

FUNERAL HELD FOR T. V. LANCE LAST THURSDAY

Funeral services for Mr. Thomas Vance Lance, who died Wednesday morning, May 23rd, at 9:00 o'clock, were held Thursday morning at 10:30 o'clock at the Hayesville Methodist Church. Rev. Chas. S. Plyler conducted the funeral services. Col. G. H. Haigler made some very fitting remarks concerning the life and work of the deceased who was one of the most loyal members of the local Masonic Lodge. The masons of the Clay Lodge acted as pallbearers, paying their last respects to their brother member. Interment was in the Hayesville Methodist cemetery.

Mr. Lance was born September 29, 1867, at the time of his death being 60 years 7 months and 24 days old. He gave his life to Christ when quite a young man and joined the Methodist church where he served a faithful member during the remainder of his life. He was a man of many friends, all of whom speak highly of the life which he lived.

Last February Mr. Lance had a severe attack of pneumonia and was confined to his room for many weeks. It seemed at that time that there was no chance of recovery but he rallied, grew stronger, and became able to be out again. On Monday before his death he became ill with uraemic poison and continued to grow worse until death took him Wednesday morning.

Those surviving Mr. Lance are his wife and two daughters, Mrs. Witt Penland and Mrs. O. L. Scroggs, of Hayesville. Many friends regret the passing of this excellent citizen.

DEMOCRATS ELECT DELEGATES JUNE 2

Democratic Presidential Convention Called For Clay

The Democratic Chairman and registrar of the respective townships of the county are requested to see that delegates are appointed next Saturday, June 2, at 2 p. m. from your township to the County Convention which will be held in the Court house at Hayesville June 2nd at 8 p. m. Appoint as many delegates as you wish, and urge that all attend, but be sure that at least one delegate represents your township. This convention is called for Saturday night in order that the greatest number of farmers can be present.

The purpose of the meeting is to determine for whom the Democrats of Clay are for president and to elect delegates to the State Convention, which convenes in Raleigh, June 12th.

The regular Democratic state primary will be held next Saturday, June 2nd to vote on men for only two offices, Commissioner of Labor and Printing and Lieutenant Governor, the only offices that are contested this year, so the above matter can be attended to without any loss of extra time. We would like for all Democrats to attend the Convention at Hayesville Saturday night, whether you are delegates or not.

MARK WEAVER, Democratic Chairman for Clay Co.

TIGER'S CASH STORE TO OPEN SATURDAY

Mr. R. N. Tiger returned Friday of last week from St. Louis and other markets where he bought goods for his new store. These goods are arriving each day and are being placed on the shelves preparatory to the formal opening of business on Saturday, June 2. This store will be a complete and up-to-date line of groceries and general merchandise.

This business occupies the store building where the Hayesville Mercantile Co., did business before the goods of that firm were moved to their store at the railroad. Mr. Tiger has remodeled the exterior of this building and painted it throughout.