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62nd Anniversary



MARRIED 62 YEARS. — Mr. and Mrs. Samuel West Jones, Kenansville, celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary yesterday. They were married March 18, 1902. Mrs. West is the former Annie Smith. Their children gave a family reunion dinner to them, their relatives and friends, Sunday at the home church, Free Will Baptist Church of Serecta. The children are: Mrs. Preston Brown of Rose Hill; Mrs. James E. Bell of Burlington; Mrs. Carol Eubanks of Wilmington and Raymond Jones of Elizabethtown. They are both 81 years of age and have 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Charles S. Murphy Will Come Home Diamond Jubilee

Charles S. Murphy, Under Secretary of Agriculture since 1961 will accompany Under Secretary of Commerce Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., on his trip to Wallace on Friday, April 10th. Murphy, son of the late W.F. and Kate Westbrook Murphy was born August 20, 1909 in Wallace where he attended public schools.

As Under Secretary of Agriculture, Murphy is the number two man in the administration of the Department and serves as Acting Secretary in the absence of the Secretary of Agriculture. He is the Chairman of the Budget Committee of the Department of Agriculture, and President of the Commodity Credit Corporation. He has special responsibility for supervising the commodity programs of the Department. This includes support prices and acreage allotments for tobacco, cotton, feed grains, peanuts, rice, wheat and other commodities. His responsibilities also include policies relating to management and disposition of government stocks of agricultural commodities, the purchase and distribution of commodities for the school lunch program, as well as the direct distribution program for providing foods to needy persons.

Both Under Secretary Murphy and Under Secretary Roosevelt were appointed to their present positions by the late President Kennedy and serve as their Secretaries' alternates in attending Cabinet meetings. Each has attended meetings of President Johnson's Cabinet in recent weeks.

Murphy received an A.B. Degree from the Duke University in 1931 and a LL.B. in 1934; having worked his way through school as a laborer and clerk in the Post Office. He was admitted to the North Carolina Bar in 1934.

In 1934, he became a law assistant in the office of the U.S. Senate Legislative Counsel, serving in this post for two years. For the next 11 years he was Assistant Legislative Counsel to the Senate. His duties were to help the Senators and senatorial committees draft bills and committee reports and to advise them on legal matters. As a specialist in agricultural legislation, he helped draft the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, prepared committee reports on agriculture and assisted in the drafting of other important farm bills. In 1947, he became Administrative Assistant to President Truman. In 1950, he was advanced to the position of Special Counsel to the President, where he acted as the principal staff assistant on legislation—in-cluding farm legislation.

Charles Murphy married Kate Chestney Graham of Durham in 1931. They have three children. One daughter, Courtney, is married to Whitney Slater and lives in Arlington Va. Westbrook, their son is a law student at Yale University. Another daughter, Betty 14, lives at home and attends Woodrow Wilson High School in Washington.

His parents and grandparents Westbrook were longtime residents of Wallace and his participation in the Diamond Jubilee will afford his many boyhood friends the opportunity to renew acquaintance.

Some 24,000 orphans of veterans who died from service-connected disabilities are currently participating in the Veterans Administration War Orphans Educational Assistance Program.



CHARLES S. MURPHY, Under Secretary of Agriculture, Wallace native, will attend the Diamond Jubilee Celebration April 10th, along with Under Secretary of Commerce Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. and other distinguished guests.

JAMES KENAN BETA CLUB MINUTES

The James Kenan Beta Club held its March meeting in the home of Dianna Outlaw.

The president, C. H. Pope, called the meeting to order. After the minutes were read and approved, several items of business were discussed.

Marina Blackmore gave the devotion entitled "The Upward Way." Ruth Lavergne and Rebecca Oakley presented the program which was "The Life of William Wordsworth."

Dianna Outlaw led the group in the game "Familiar Numbers." Bette Walston was high scorer in this contest.

After the meeting was adjourned, refreshments -- consisting of punch, potato chips, cookies, and assorted sandwiches -- were served to the eighteen members and the advisor, Mrs. C. H. Pope.

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