

# Exconvict Charged With A&P Break-In

A twenty-two year old ex-convict has been arrested and charged with breaking and entering and larceny of Murphy's A & P Supermarket. The break-in occurred in the early morning hours Monday, Jan. 15 when the store was forcibly entered through a rear door and \$200 - \$300 of cigarettes, \$150 display of razor blades, a watch, and several articles of clothing were reported taken.

Jimmy Stiles, 22, of Route 2, Murphy has been charged in connection with the incident. He was released under \$3,000 bond Saturday. The bond was signed by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Stiles of Martin's Creek.

Stiles was picked up by John Lay, Asheville FBI agent, in Dalton, Ga., Jan. 25. He was taken to Fulton County jail in Atlanta the following day by the U. S. Marshall in Dalton.

Stiles waived extradition back to North Carolina and was brought back to Murphy by SBI Agent M. G. Crawford and Cherokee County Sheriff Claude Anderson Saturday, Feb. 3.

Appearing before Magistrate Dick Richards on Saturday, Stiles waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the next term of Superior Court.

Stiles was released from the Federal Penitentiary at Petersburg, Va., Nov. 17, 1960 after serving a sentence for auto larceny.

Stiles denied having a connection with the break-in, SBI Agent Crawford said.

Evidence presented by law enforcement officers showed where Stiles sold some A & P stamped cigarettes in Lenoir City and Ducktown, Tenn.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR...

The Editor:

I was most amused and disgusted at a recent article in our Altavista paper on how an Altavista senior had reached the semi-finals in the National Merit Scholarship competition and was the first one in the town's history.

The newspaper also gave an explanation of what a National Merit was -- as though we're such a bunch of idiots we'd never heard.

Very seriously after having three very different children in schools in three small towns in three states, Murphy's were by far the finest. Murphy schools may not be accredited and they have many needs and shortcomings but you have the greatest percentage of dedicated school teachers and officials per staff I have ever encountered.

After you've taken children from one of the wealthiest suburbs of upstate New York's school system and put them in with great misgivings in a poor mountain school system and find your children are at least six months behind academically, you wonder.

They caught up because the teachers took the time and interest. Then you move them to a town two times the size of Murphy and find they're almost a year ahead academically, you decide Murphy is pretty good.

But how about publishing some statistics? What is the per cent of dropouts in Murphy? How many scholarships have been earned? What per cent go on to higher education?

These figures would have interest not only to local citizens but to the prospective industries. I believe they would make WNC sit up and notice.

Mrs. Mary Ressel Altavista, Va.

I have been surprised and shocked to realize that many of our citizens do not understand the workings of the Blood program.

Red Cross blood is free and cannot be purchased. Anyone who thinks he has paid for Red Cross blood is mistaken and should see me immediately so that we can investigate and establish the campaign enthusiastic support.

The Heart Fund Drive takes place through February, Mrs. Crisp stated, Hargrove Bowles, Jr., State Director of Conservation and Development, is state chairman. Local leaders of the campaign are: Community Chairman: Mrs. Wiley McGlamery, Mrs. Henson Chambers, Mrs. Arthur Murray, Mrs. Nancy Rosenkrantz, Mrs. Mary Staton and Mrs. Jim Armstrong.

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Recipe of the Week: Scientists are working on sweet potato flakes, a parboiled wheat product called bulgur, a bean powder that does away with soaking and boiling, whole egg powder, vegetable chips and dried honey. Already on the market are freeze-dried foods, (foods that have been dehydrated under vacuum while frozen). These foods, meats, fruits, vegetables, even casseroles keep on the cupboard shelf for long periods of time. Before too long the old saying of 'What's cooking?' will be replaced with 'What's Thawing?'. Hats off to Justice Rozier the Roving Reporter who takes my side in the battle of green bean cookery. The people here in the South just can't cook green beans?

HIGHWAY SAFETY: The Motor Vehicles Department's summary of traffic deaths through 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 5th is: Killed to date - 79; killed to date last year - 95. The record is better, but, remember, only you can help. Don't rely on the other fellow to do the job.

TEEN SCENE: Brenda Little and her sister of Culberson wrote in and said they do the Twist. Congratulations Brenda, few of our teens have been brave enough to admit it! A recent article in the "Tarheel Banker" said they were once told by a Baptist minister about the time a red wasp got down his back when he was preaching in the little country church back home in North Irredell. As someone has already suggested, maybe a bee started the entire movement on the Twist. I suppose most of us are just jealous that we're to far along to take it up.

SMILE OF THE WEEK: When son takes out the family car, father isn't worried so much about the up keep -- it's the turn over that bothers him.

WHO KNOWS: Before Alaska and Hawaii, which was the last State admitted to the Union? Which is closer to Tokyo - Seattle, Washington or Sydney, Australia?

MAIN STREET: I notice that many of our stores are having displays on trash cans with posters reminding people that clean town is a healthy town. Lets all take advantage of this campaign and buy one or two of these containers, which are the proper size and keep our refuse off the ground. When its on the ground all it does is breed disease.

Andrews -- Bob Gibson, chairman of March of Dimes campaign, has announced a total of \$535.00 collected from Andrews area. He received \$70.00 from the School, Mother's March - \$219.00, Containers - \$32.00, Main Street Drive - \$160.00 Ball game - \$54.00. The drive officially ended January 31.

Duncan's intentions and actions were the subject of a news story in The Scout Jan. 11. As a result of the Chamber's action and the news story, U. S. Forest Service officials from Asheville and Murphy met together recently to discuss the possibility of developing lakeside property around Hiwassee Lake into homesites.

During this meeting the announcement of the Chambers Creek project was made. According to Don Bylsma, Director of Recreation and Land, N. C. Forest Service, the funds are

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# THE CHEROKEE SCOUT

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## Former Scout Publisher Dies In Fall

William V. Costello, 39, former Murphy Newspaper publisher and appliance dealer, was found dead at the foot of a 150 foot cliff near his home in San Juan, Puerto Rico Sunday afternoon, Feb. 4. The body was reportedly found by a Puerto Rican youth.

U. S. officials at the government hospital in San Juan stated he died of multiple injuries, however further investigation is being made by the FBI.

Mr. Costello, owned and published Murphy's weekly newspaper, The Cherokee Scout, from 1952 to 1958 when he and his wife, Emily, sold the newspaper to its present owners.

He was associated with Arvel Woods in the Murphy Appliance Center, prior to entering the teaching profession. He pursued this profession up until death Saturday night.

His first teaching job was at Hayesville High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Costello accepted teaching assignments in San Juan. On arrival in San Juan, he was made principal of one of the high schools. He was promoted assistant to the Superintendent in the Antilles system last year. His wife teaches English in a high school. Mrs. Costello is returning to San Juan to complete the school year it was learned yesterday. The Antilles schools are for children of military personnel stationed in Puerto Rico.

Mrs. Costello arrived in Murphy Tuesday from Winston-Salem, N. C. where she had been visiting her mother, Mrs. Rose Poole, a patient in the Baptist Hospital there. Mrs. Costello arrived in Winston-Salem on Saturday.

Costello once was a reporter for the Georgetown Times of Georgetown, S. C. and for the Greenville, S. C. Piedmont. A graduate of Clemson College, he received his masters degree from Western Carolina College.

He was the son of Mrs. H. P. Costello of Georgetown, S. C. and the late H. P. Costello, and a native of Atlanta.

FBI special agent John Speakes said his office was investigating to learn whether foul play was involved in the death. He explained that the federal bureau was called into the case because the death occurred on U. S. government property.

The Fort Brooke provost marshal also is investigating.

The Costello home is situated on the side of cliff along the old Spanish El Morro overlooking the harbor of San Juan. It is a sheer drop of 150 feet to the beach below from the sun deck of the house.

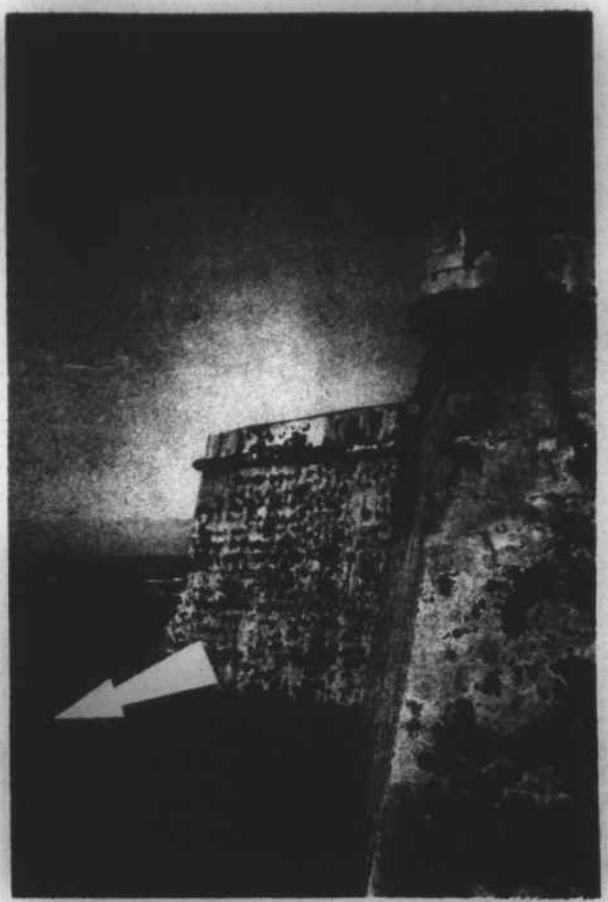
It is believed Costello accidentally fell from this sun deck or porch.

Surviving beside his wife, his mother, Mrs. H. P. Costello of Georgetown, S. C.; two sisters, Miss Catherine Costello of Georgetown, S. C. and Mrs. Henry Love of Kansas City, Mo.; one brother, H. P. Costello, Jr. of Pine Bluff, Ark.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Ivie Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. William J. Thompson officiated and burial was in Sunset Cemetery.

Pallbearers were: H. A. Mattox, Harry Bishop, Hobart McKeever, Frank Mauney, Alvin Buchanan, Guy Wheeler, Edwin Hyde and Frank Forsyth.



THE COSTELLO'S HOME is located on the side of a cliff directly beneath the old Spanish Fort El Morro, a right above. The arrow points to the railing around the sun deck or porch of the house, from which it is believed Costello fell. The picket fence directly beneath the arrow encloses the walkway to the house.



## An Honorable Man

News of the untimely and tragic death of William V. Costello has greatly saddened and shocked this community.

Bill Costello with his unusual charm was loved and respected by all who knew him. His keen mind and splendid sense of humor will long be remembered. Bill Costello was an honorable man.

Bill Costello had a wide variety of interests. He enjoyed sports. He was a scholar. He was enthusiastic in all that he undertook -- a combination that made him a very special person. Since Bill and Emily Costello adopted Murphy as their home town, it is fitting and proper that Murphy has been chosen as his final resting place.

## Record Amount Collected At Tax Office

Tax receipts climbed to a new high during the month of January, Mrs. Kathrine Hunsucker, Cherokee County Accountant, reports. The total amount collected for the month of January 1962 at the Cherokee County Tax Office amounted to \$77,358.47.

Of this amount the schools in Cherokee County received the largest amount, \$27,588.73. Cherokee County Board of Education received \$12,485.61. Murphy City Schools received \$7,280.42; Andrews Schools received \$5,723.89; and \$2,098.81 went into the Special Account.

The rest of the money was distributed as follows: General Fund - \$19,379.63; Nantahala Library - \$1,527.74; Health Department - \$4,202.47; Township Bond Account - \$3,284.44; General Refunding Bond Account - \$10,797.28; Welfare Control Account - \$10,578.18.

In other business at their regular monthly meeting, the Cherokee County Commissioners unanimously passed to place on the map 1 1/2 miles of road in Murphy Township known as the Jenkins Road and a mile of road in Murphy Township known as the Spring Valley Road.

The commissioners also voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Paul Nave, County Agent, effective Feb. 15, 1962.

## Indian Head Buys Native Laces Firm

New York The completion of the purchase by Indian Head Mills, Inc. of the assets of Native Laces & Textiles, Incorporated, was announced last week by Leon Birnbaum, Chairman of Native Laces & Textiles, and James E. Robinson, President of Indian Head Mills, Inc. The purchase was for an undisclosed cash amount.

Native Laces & Textile makes finished nylon tricot and elastic fabrics, raschel and levers lace, angelace and embroideries. These are sold principally to manufacturers of women's lingerie, undergarments, blouses, dresses, and bathing suits.

The company is the leading manufacturer in its field. The manufacturing plants are located at Glens Falls, N. Y., Dallas, Pa., Hightstown, N. J. and Murphy, N. C. The firm's sales and executive headquarters are in New York City. Total employment is about 900 people.

As previously announced, no management changes are contemplated and key people and officers will continue to operate the Native Laces as a division of Indian Head Mills, Inc.

Indian Head Mills is a diversified textile company with nine largely autonomous operating divisions. Sales totalled \$103 million in 1961, according to the annual report distributed to stockholders recently.

Four cases involving three Murphy teenagers and a Murphy man charged in connection with a series of break-ins in this area during the past three months were either continued to a later date or bound over to the next term of Superior Court. The cases were heard by Judge Herman Edwards in Recorder's Court on Monday.

Billy Hedden, 17, charged with breaking and entering and larceny at Cline Hick's Gulf Service, Smithmont Farm Service, King's Cafe, and Timpon's ESSO waived hearing to Superior Court on charges of breaking and entering and larceny in connection with the Cline Hick's Gulf Service and Timpon's ESSO. The charges of breaking and entering and larceny of a value of \$100 or less in connection with the break-ins at Smithmont and King's Cafe were continued to April 16 term of Recorder's Court.

Jimmy Fain, 19, charged in the same break-ins as Hedden with the exception of the incident at Timpon's ESSO, received the same judgments. The charge against Fain in connection with the larceny of four hubcaps belonging to Jesse Green was continued to April 16.

The cases against Dennis Stiles, 19, charged with breaking and entering and larceny at Timpon's ESSO and larceny of four hubcaps belonging to Jesse Green, were both continued to March 26.

The case against Howard Barton, 24, charged with receiving stolen goods, was continued to March 26.

In the case of both Stiles and Barton the illness of their attorney was given as cause for continuance.

## Four Cases Continued Or Bound Over

Andrews Man Arrested By FBI In Fla.

Orville Dean Pulliam, 24, of Andrews was brought back to Cherokee County Saturday by SBI Agent M. G. Crawford and Cherokee County Sheriff Claude Anderson following his arrest in Ocala, Fla. by the FBI recently.

Pulliam was charged with larceny in connection with the theft of an outboard motor, fishing tackle, spare tire and wheel from the trunk of an automobile belonging to Ray Frye, also of Andrews. The incident occurred six or eight months ago according to SBI Agent Crawford.

Sheriff Anderson and Crawford left Thursday last week to bring Pulliam back after he waived extradition. The law enforcement officers picked him up from the Deval County Jail in Jacksonville, Florida.

Pulliam was released on \$1,000 bond Monday and his case was bound over to Superior Court.

## L. C. Broome Elected Red Cross Chairman

L. C. Broome, principal Andrews Elementary School, was elected chairman of the American Red Cross Tuesday, January 31.

Mr. Broome will replace Harry E. Shaw, former director of District Memorial Hospital in Mr. Shaw and his family moved to Charleston, S. C. recently.

The 1962 - 1963 Red Cross fund drive for the Andrews chapter is scheduled for March. Charles Delaney was selected finance chairman.

Last year's campaign netted \$912. 129 pints of blood have been donated during the past three visits of the Bloodmobile leaving a total of 121 pints to reach the quota of 250 pints set for this fiscal year.

## Camp Site To Be Built This Summer

A camp site will be built on Chambers Creek on Hiwassee Lake below Ogretta this summer, Peter J. Hanon, Forest Supervisor of the North Carolina National Forest, has told the Murphy Chamber of Commerce.

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## Recommendations For County Election Board To Be Made

A meeting of the Cherokee County Democratic Executive Committee has been called for Tuesday, February 13, at courthouse at 7:30 p.m. It is announced this week by County Chairman Jack Dickey.

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## Murphy Calendar

- Thursday, February 8
- 1:00 p.m. Cancer Clinic at Health Office.
  - 3:15 p.m. Children's choir at First Methodist Church.
  - 7:00 p.m. Rescue Squad to meet at Murphy Power Board Building.
  - 7:30 p.m. A. A. U. W. Club will meet with Mrs. C. L. Alverson with Mrs. Otilde deCalonge as co-hostess.
  - 7:30 p.m. Murphy Chapter No 10 Order of the Eastern Star will meet in the Masonic Hall.
- Sunday, February 11
- 6:15 a.m. Mass at Providence Chapel.
  - 11:00 a.m. Holy Mass at St. Williams Catholic Church.
  - 5:30 p.m. MYF at First Methodist Church.
- Monday, February 12
- 6:30 p.m. Rotary Club at Family Restaurant.
  - 6:30 p.m. B & PW Club to meet at New Regal Hotel
  - 7:30 p.m. Town Council to meet in Murphy Power Board Building.
  - 7:30 p.m. Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Officer Committee meeting at St. Williams; Catholic Church
- Tuesday, February 13
- 9:00 a.m. Hiwassee Dam 5 and 6 4-H Club Meeting.
  - 9:50 a.m. Hiwassee Dam 7 and 8th 4-H Club meeting
  - 10:45 Hiwassee Dam 4-H Club meeting.
  - 1:30 p.m. Martins Creek Home Demonstration Club to meet in School cafeteria.
  - 6:30 p.m. Lions Club to meet Social Hall of First Methodist Church
  - 7 p.m. Alcoholic Anonymous to meet at Regal Hotel.
- Wednesday, February 14
- 1:00 p.m. Sunny Point Home Demonstration Club to meet at the home of Mrs. E. Roach.
  - 7:30 p.m. Mid-week service at First Methodist Church
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  - 8:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at First Methodist Church.