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Forecast: Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, scattered showers.

Extra \$100 Cash Prize For This Week Only

Winner Of \$100 Extra Cash Prize Will Most Likely Be \$2,525 Grand Award Winner

Early Reports Indicated Record-Breaking Week In Subscription Sales With Only 14 Working Days Remaining To Win 1962 Dodge Dart Sedan And Other Big Awards; Many Have Good Chance To Win Big Awards.

For this week only -- \$100 Extra cash prize will be awarded to the campaign worker who turns in the largest amount of money for subscriptions to The Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress from Monday, June 18th through Saturday, June 23rd. The worker having hopes of winning the new 1962 Dodge Dart first award better make every effort to win this Extra Cash Prize.

This Extra Cash Prize is in addition to any other prize or commission a worker will win at the close of the Campaign. This extra \$100 cash prize will be awarded at the close of the Campaign along with the other prizes.

EXTRA VOTES ALSO Beginning Monday, June 18 and continuing through Saturday, June 23rd the following extra vote offer will be in effect: Twenty dollars worth of subscriptions entitles the candidate to 144,000 Extra votes. Therefore those who are now working for one of the biggest awards cannot afford to lose any time during this present week. Two \$20 "Clubs" this week will pile up 288,000 extra votes, fifteen "clubs" this week would earn 2,160,000 extra votes, etc. There will be another drop in votes next week.

RESALE SUBSCRIPTIONS A resale subscription is a further payment by anyone who has already subscribed or renewed their subscriptions for a definite length of time during some previous period of the campaign, and will carry extra votes which amount to more votes than a first subscription payment collected at

this time thus allowing a big advantage in votes to apply on the winning of the bigger and more valuable awards and each member is advised to get as many "resale" subscriptions as possible.

NOTE - IMPORTANT Candidates are requested to mark "Resales" when they turn in subscriptions, otherwise the campaign department will not be responsible for the additional votes that resale subscriptions carry.

NEW INTEREST AROUSED Members who, up to a week or so ago, had displayed only casual interest in the race, realize that their chances of winning the big awards are as good as any other member's. The fact that just the subscriptions that are turned in this present week count to apply on the \$100 extra prize offered for this week only,

gives each and every member on the list exactly the same opportunity to win. This in itself is creating unbounded enthusiasm. "Till" the day is done they are fighting the battle, courageously keeping busy at it in order that the tide will sweep toward them.

It may be truly said that the real campaign is just beginning, judging by the enthusiasm being demonstrated by the campaign workers lately. One and all are more determined now to finish higher in the list than ever before. Again the public is lending its support in the commendable way and urging the workers on to greater achievement. This increased activity indicates an exceptionally active week in each of the sections. The "alert" members, will "bear down" as never before on subscriptions



THE THREE PRISONERS that made their escape from the Cherokee County jail early Monday morning used this rope fashioned from bed sheets to climb from the jail roof to the catwalk that connects the jail with the courtroom. (Scout Photo)

3 Prisoners Gain Freedom In Daring County Jail Break

Three Cherokee County prisoners including two being held in maximum security cells made a bold and daring escape from the county jail sometime in the early morning hours Monday, June 18.

As of noon Wednesday, the trio remained at large. Members of the Cherokee County Sheriff's department, N. C. State Troopers, and SBI have been alerted to look for the escapees.

While it has not been determined exactly how the trio got out of their second story cells,

deputy Robert Hartness theorized that a pocket book was lodged at the base of the steel door leading to the prisoners cells which prevented the huge door from securing properly. From the second floor cells the prisoners climbed the steps to the third floor, then forced open a trap door leading to the attic of the jail. The pad lock on the trap door was still in place.

Working from the attic, they tore a hole in the roof and used several bed sheets to lower themselves to the catwalk that connects the second floor of the jail and the courtroom.

The trio walked across the catwalk, found the door to the courtroom not locked, entered the courthouse, down the steps and out the back door to freedom.

Prisoners who escaped from the maximum security cell were Verlon Dockery, 22, white male, blue eyes, brown hair, 126 pounds, and Paul Brown, 41, white male, black hair, 170 pounds. Both were charged with breaking, entering and larceny. Dockery, officers reported is AWOL from the Marine Corps. He is from the Hanging Dog section of Cherokee County.

Brown, according to officers, is wanted in two other states, Tennessee and Michigan, on charges of burglary and larceny. Brown is from Route 1, Copperhill.

The third escapee, Fred McDonald, 50, white male, dark hair, 160 pounds, was being held on a capias after failing to appear for a reckless driving charge. He was supposed to have been tried Monday morning.

The jail break was discovered around 7 a.m. Monday by Sheriff Claude Anderson as he took breakfast to the prisoners.

The sheriff said he last saw the prisoners when he personally checked the cell block around 11 p.m. Sunday night. The sheriff and his family live on the first floor of the jail and spent the entire night in the building. Sheriff Anderson said he went to bed around midnight.

Another county prisoner, Lloyd Keener of Murphy, charged with public drunkenness did not take part in the escape.

Wagon Train Will Travel Longer Route This Year

Andrews -- Addicts of TV westerns and fans of pioneer days can get a taste of the real thing when the fifth annual Tennessee to North Carolina Wagon Train arrives in Andrews on July 4th.

Some 120 covered wagons and around 500 horseback riders are expected to make the 62 mile trip through the rugged Unicoi and Snowbird Mountains from Tellico Plains Tenn. to Andrews.

The first Wagon Train in

1958 made the trip to attract attention to the need for a modern highway between Eastern Tennessee and Western North Carolina where only wagon trails existed.

The first Train traveled from Tellico Plains to Murphy the far western outpost of North Carolina, and the success and fun of this July 4th publicity stunt brought a quick decision to make the trip an annual event.

Success for the original purpose of the trip came early this year, after four Wagon Trains in the ensuing four years, when the Highway Commissions of both states agreed to build the road.

But with plans for a larger Train than ever this year, the participants from both states decided to seek out a new route and continue to work for a second road.

This year's Train will travel some 20 miles further than did the original caravan coming from Tellico Plains to Robbinsville through Cherokee and Nantahala National Forest lands, then on to Andrews on July 4th across an old dirt road built in 1836 by Gen. Winfield Scott when he attempted to move the Cherokee Indians from Western North Carolina to Oklahoma.

This last lap of this year's route is a portion of the original Trail of Tears, the infamous name given the Cherokee's route to Oklahoma.

The trail with the Train will follow from Tellico Plains to Robbinsville is also an old Indian route which the Cherokees took to Tennessee and Kentucky in search of flints.

As soon as the new route was decided upon, and it was learned that the Train would pass through National Forest lands, Congressmen from both states introduced legislation to begin studies of the possibilities of building a road

between the two states following this route.

Progress has been so great and interest so high in building a road over the new route, that it may become a reality even sooner than the original trail.

Peter J. Hanlon, Supervisor of the N. C. National Forests and Jim Vessey, Regional Forester for the National Forest Service, have both accepted invitations to attend this year's celebration.

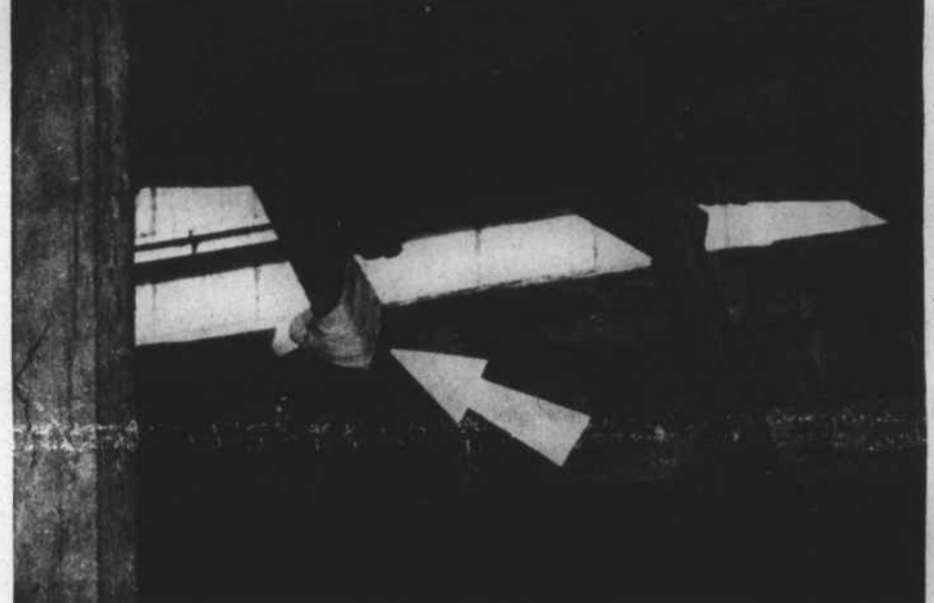
As for the original purpose of seeking publicity for the need for such roads, national magazines such as Life and Ford Times have carried features on the event, NBC TV has used film clips on their Today show, and area newspapers, radio and TV stations have also devoted much time and space to the event.

Interest has become so great that horse owners from practically every state in the East have asked to join the Train and make the trip, and literally thousands have flocked to Western North Carolina on July 4th to see the spectacle.

As for the Wagon Master, he says, "The more, the merrier," and each year the Train grows larger, and more people are on hand as spectators.

Festivities this year will begin in Tellico Plains, Tennessee on the night of June 30 where the Train will form, including a parade through town and a mountain "hoedown."

The Wagon Train will camp in the mountains between Tellico Plains and Robbinsville on the nights of July 1 and 2 and in Robbinsville on the night of July 3, with a pioneer celebration there, then make the 17 mile pull on into Andrews on July 4, arriving around 3:00 p.m. for a gigantic "Trail's End Celebration."



A LARGE HOLE was torn in the roof of the jail after the escapees had forced open a trap door leading to the attic. The arrow points to where the sheet rope was secured. (Scout Photo)



POCKET BOOK (at arrow) prevented the steel bar door to close properly it is through by law enforcement officers. This picture was posed for the benefit of this news shot. (Scout Photo)



DEPUTY ROBERT HARTNESS points to the series of locking levers that secure the door leading to the maximum security cells from which Verlon Dockery and Paul Brown escaped. The levers are enclosed in a steel box which is locked after the levers are in place (Scout Photo)



COLD BREAKFAST - Sheriff Claude Anderson discovered the escape around 7 a.m. Monday morning when he carried this breakfast tray to the second floor cells where the prisoners had been locked up. (Scout Photo)

Teen-Dem Club Goes To Raleigh

By Wanda Thompson

On Friday June 15 five members went to Raleigh from Cherokee County. Tommy Curtis, Hiwassee; Gerald Bryson, Andrews; Charlotte Stalcup, Jerry Dickey and Wanda Thompson, Murphy attended the first annual Teen Dem Convention in the United States. There were over 300 delegates attending the convention.

Friday night the convention got under way on the campus of N. C. State College with welcoming speeches. District meetings were held and officers were elected. Wanda Thompson of Murphy was elected vice-chairman of the 11 congressional district.

Saturday morning several workshops were held. Among the distinguished democratic leaders who spoke was Edwin Gill, state treasurer. We held a workshop for organizing Teen-Dem Clubs in our home counties.

Saturday afternoon we held elections for state officers. Saturday night the YDC clubs and the delegates had a banquet at which Governor Terry spoke and introduced the main speaker, Sargeant Shiver, head of the Peace Corps.

After the banquet, a dance was held which ended the convention.

All the delegates from Cherokee County wish to express their appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Brumby for financing and supporting the delegation. The delegation would also like to thank the Cherokee County Y. D. C. club for sponsoring us. The delegation feels that this was one of the most interesting and educational trips it has ever taken.

We are very interested in organizing a Teen - Dem Club in Cherokee County. Further announcements will be made later concerning the club. The age limits are 15 through 19.

Cherokee County was recognized as the county which had come the longest distance to the convention.

EXTRA! EXTRA! This Week Only \$100 EXTRA PRIZE Supreme Effort Important Now

The \$100 Extra Cash Prize Will Be Awarded To The Candidate Who Turns In The Largest Amount of Money for Subscriptions From Monday June 18th Through Saturday, June 23rd.

This Is The Last Extra Cash Prize

Workers Centering All Interest On Extra Cash Prize This Week With Direct Understanding That All Business Turned In This Week Counts On The \$100 Extra And All Other Awards

Candidates: There is \$2,275 difference in value of first prize and third prize. This week is the time to

THINK — FIGURE — ACT

The big race ends soon. This week's offer can place you in the Winning List.

List of Candidates And Percentage Votes Accepted For Publication

Mrs. James H. Wallace....	Murphy	515,000
Mrs. Sue G. Helton.....	Murphy	520,000
Miss Wanda Sue West.....	Murphy	560,000
Mrs. Blain Stalcup.....	Murphy	555,000
Miss Jo Moody.....	Murphy	570,000
Miss Audrey Duckworth.....	Hayesville	570,000
Gregg Payne.....	Andrews	580,000
Miss Charlene Thomas.....	Brasstown	265,000
Miss Ruby S. Kitchens.....	Hayesville, R-1	560,000
Mrs. Wilda Barnard.....	Warne	535,000
Herbert J. O'Dell.....	Hanging Dog	580,000
Mrs. Ernest P. Hardin.....	Andrews R-1	525,000
Mrs. C. H. 'Doug' Hill.....	Sweetwater	260,000
Ralph Worley.....	Robbinsville	510,000
Mrs. Rose Mary Coffey.....	Marble	450,000
Mrs. Betty Jenkins.....	Culberson	210,000
Mrs. Ruth Ann Winchester.....	Murphy R-4	525,000
Mrs. Garland Hedrick.....	Murphy R-4	570,000
Kenneth Gladson.....	Culberson	545,000
Wayne Watson.....	Brasstown	425,000
Mrs. Patricia Buchanan.....	Robbinsville	225,000
S. J. Bateman.....	Marble	500,000
Mrs. Burton Graves.....	Hiwassee Dam	100,000
Mrs. Georgia Voyles.....	Hiwassee Dam	255,000
Mrs. Pearl Hunsucker.....	Peachtree	100,000

Mr. Public -- Help Your Favorite Worker NOW. Positively Nothing Better To Be Offered Later In Campaign.

\$100 Extra Cash Prize

Remember - There is a \$2,525 Dodge For Top Winner In The Scout Campaign.

Scout Is Well Read

It has been called to the attention of the Scout that in last week's editorial entitled "Strong Tickets" this newspaper failed to indicate which of the Cherokee County Republican candidates are seeking re-election this fall, while doing so for the Democrat candidates.

The incumbent GOP candidates are Claude Anderson for sheriff; Ed Graves for register of deeds; J. C. Townson for coroner, and completely omitted from the editorial, Heiman H. West is seeking re-election to the House of Representatives on the Republican ticket.

While it was not called to our attention, the Scout would like to point out that Democrats C. C. Hemphill for board of education, and W. T. Moore for commissioner, district one, are also incumbents. This same editorial failed to mention that these two Democrats are incumbents.

Also in the same issue, the lead story concerning the Cherokee County tax reduction of 12 cents to \$1.60 per \$100 evaluation; it was stated that "on a motion by W. T. Moore, seconded by W. S. Dickey, the Board of Commissioners unanimously voted the 12 cent reduction." While this statement was printed as it was given to the Scout, it is in error according to the official minutes of the meeting. According to the minutes, Walter Docke, seconded Mr. Moore's motion. The motion was then voted on unanimously by the commissioners.

Close scrutiny and study of editorials and articles appearing in the Scout are strong indications of the readership of this newspaper by our subscribers and is indeed gratifying and heart-warming.

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