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# HELLO SABIN VACCINE - GOODBY POLIO

MURPHY - The endorsement of the County Health Department and the State Health Department was added to the backing of doctors in this county through the County Medical Association this week for the 'Stop Polio Drive' now underway under the sponsorship of the Murphy Jaycee Club.

The County Health Department also agreed to help run the stations where the vaccine will be given on three upcoming Sundays.

The first Stop Polio Sunday

is set for Jan. 19, the second for Feb. 23, and the third for Mar. 30.

The sites of the stations throughout the county were also announced this week.

These stations, set up so that every resident of the county can attend and receive the vaccine on each of the three Sundays, will be at the following locations:

Andrews at the High School.  
Murphy at the Elementary school.  
Peachtree at the Elementary School.

White Church at the Elementary School.  
Hiwassee Dam at the High School.  
Marble at the Elementary School.

To completely wipe out polio in the county, every resident should take the vaccine on each of the three Sundays, and the Jaycees are going all out to accomplish this.

The vaccine will be given orally by placing two drops on a cube of sugar, and the persons taking it will simply eat the sugar cubes.

The vaccine is approved by virtually every medical and health organization in the U.S. and every Doctor in the county is in favor of this program.

The sabin vaccine which will be given here will be administered in three different types on the three Sundays in order to protect those taking it against all types of Polio.

The Sabin Vaccine also offers the added protection of preventing those who have taken it from being carriers

of the Polio virus.

Enough vaccine has been ordered for every person in the county and surrounding areas, and it will arrive here the day before the first dose is given, packed in dry ice to keep it ready for use.

The Jaycees also have ordered a high quantity of sugar cubes to be used in taking the vaccine.

A similar program is set for the Chattanooga, Tenn. area on the same dates that the vaccine will be given here and TV stations in Chattanooga giving publicity for the campaign there will also be publicizing the Cherokee County drive.

Doctors from this area will appear on Chattanooga TV stations to urge people here to take the vaccine.

There is no set charge for the vaccine, but people who take it will be asked to contribute at least a quarter.

Everyone who shows up, however, will be given the vaccine whether or not they are able to contribute.



Mrs. Anderson and son...



And the proud papa...

## Sheriff, Mrs. Anderson Parents First '64 Baby

MURPHY - Cherokee County's first new resident for 1964 didn't arrive until the second day of the new year, but the whole county was thrilled when the proud parents turned out to be Sheriff and Mrs. Claude Anderson.

No better present could

have been presented to the sheriff and his wife to begin the new year, with the sheriff almost completely recovered from wounds suffered last September.

The first baby arrived at 11:12 a.m. January 2, at Providence Hospital with Dr. George Sizemore in attendance, and weighed in at seven pounds and four ounces.

He is the first son born to Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and has been named Paul Mitchell Anderson. The couple also has two daughters.

A check at all hospitals in the county showed that young Mr. Anderson was the first baby born in the county for 1964, and his parents therefore become the winners of the 'First Baby Contest' sponsored each year by The Cherokee Scout, and they will receive prizes offered in the contest.

Rules of the contest specified that the winning baby must be born in Cherokee County and that his parents must be residents of Cherokee County.

District Memorial Hospital at Andrews reported a baby born the same day, but several hours later. This was a son born to Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Aldridge of Marble at 3:30 Jan. 2.

Prizes for Mr. and Mrs. Anderson include a dozen Curly Diapers from Jabaley's of Murphy; a diaper bag from Fambro's 5 & 10; a baby blanket from Trudy's; a sweater set from Lena's; a diaper set from Collins - Crain, and an 8 x 10 portrait and a year's subscription from the Cherokee Scout.

### Mason, Davis Invited To Attend Democratic Meet

Mayor L. L. Mason, Jr., of Murphy and C. L. Davis of Hayesville, members of the State Democratic Executive Committee, representing Clay and Cherokee Counties have been invited to attend the meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 15 in the Hall of the House, State Capitol in Raleigh.

The meeting, called by State Democratic Party Chairman Lunsford Crew, will be highlighted by the election of a successor to Mrs. Henry Cromartie as vice chairman.



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## SAMPLE BALLOT ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

### INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTER

1. To vote FOR any amendment, make a cross [X] mark in the square to the left of the word FOR.
2. To vote AGAINST any amendment, make a cross [X] mark in the square to the left of the word AGAINST.
3. If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and get another.

### SPECIAL SESSION AMENDMENT 1.

- FOR constitutional amendment increasing membership of Senate from fifty (50) to seventy (70), providing for compulsory redistricting of Senate, and reducing number of Representatives from one hundred twenty (120) to one hundred (100).
- AGAINST constitutional amendment increasing membership of Senate from fifty (50) to seventy (70), providing for compulsory redistricting of Senate, and reducing number of Representatives from one hundred twenty (120) to one hundred (100).

### REGULAR SESSION AMENDMENT 2.

- FOR the constitutional amendments empowering the General Assembly to make the rights of husband and wife the same in each other's separate property.
- AGAINST the constitutional amendments empowering the General Assembly to make the rights of husband and wife the same in each other's separate property.

General Election January 14, 1964.

*William Joslin*  
Chairman State Board of Elections

Sample Ballot For Election Coming Up Tuesday

## Here's The Story About Tuesday's State Election

MURPHY - Next Tuesday Jan. 14, voters in Cherokee and Clay Counties will go to the polls along with voters throughout the state to vote on two amendments which will change the Constitution of North Carolina if they pass.

As in all state elections all regular polling places will be open from 6:30 a.m. until 6:30 p.m., and all registered voters of both parties may vote in the election.

Despite numerous stories in both daily and weekly newspapers during the past months concerning the election, most people still say that they do not understand what the election is all about.

In its simplest form, here is the story.

A special session of the N.C. legislature was held in October of 1963 to redistrict the State Senate. The present State Constitution says this must be done every ten years following the federal census.

The state's lawmakers did this job, but while they were in session, they also decided to pass a bill to let the people of North Carolina decide if they want the whole make-up of the two branches of the State Legislature changed.

A change in the legislature requires a change in the State Constitution in the form of an amendment. The Legislature itself cannot change the Constitution, but can call for an election to allow the people to vote on any proposed change.

This is how the election came about.

The state's legislative or lawmaking branch is made up of a House of Representatives and a Senate House.

There are presently 120 Representatives elected every two years, one from each of the state's 100 counties and the other 20 divided up among the counties with large populations.

There are presently 50 Senators, elected every two years from 50 districts in the state, with each district made up of one or more

counties so that each district has as nearly as possible the same number of people living in it.

Because the population shifts from area to area within the state, the Senate districts must be changed every ten years to keep the districts on an even level population-wise.

That was the reason for

last October's special session to redistrict the senate.

Even though the present State Constitution says this redistricting must be done every ten years, it hadn't been done since 1941. But things got so hot that the Legislature finally decided it must do the job. They couldn't agree on a plan during the last reg-

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## A New Resolution

The editors of the Scout have made at least one New Year's resolution that we hope we can keep.

That is to adopt the practice of a regular, weekly editorial column. Editorials are simply the opinions of the editors about whatever subject is covered.

Every newspaper, whether a giant daily or a small weekly, needs an editorial space to function as a complete newspaper.

We don't have any wild-eyed ideas of revolutionizing our area through an editorial policy. We simply want to strive to make the Scout a better newspaper, for our readers and their communities.

We may crusade, we may cry. We may laugh or we may praise, as the situations that prompt editorials rise. But above all, we will speak our own piece about whatever will be covered in each editorial, even if we have to resort to writing about the weather.

We feel that perhaps the best basis on which to judge whether or not our editorials are serving a purpose in the coming months is the response they bring from our readers.

Along with space for editorials, we pledge to reserve room for letters from our readers, commenting on anything we write, whether they are in agreement or disagreement with our ideas.

Most of our readers are no doubt familiar with the very interesting section of letters to the editors of the daily newspaper coming into most of the homes in our area.

This feature always attracts our interest, at least enough to see who wrote the letters, which brings up a point.

To have any effect at all, a letter to a newspaper must bear the signature of the writer. Many people often hesitate to write letters for publication above their signature because they have some complex about exposing their thoughts and ideas to the public eye.

Let us urge you to overcome this feeling. We will be exposing our thoughts to the public each week, and we can assure you that though we may be scorned, 'cussed' or laughed at, it really doesn't hurt.

We plan to print our editorials on the inside pages, in a new, bolder, easier-to-read type.

We hope you, our readers, will look over our editorials, and, when you have the urge, give us a reply, no matter how the article strikes you.

Editorial number one under our new resolution appears inside this issue.

We hope you'll read it, and all the ones to follow.

## Tax Appraisal Completed, Commissioners Lower Base

MURPHY - The Cherokee County Board of Commissioners has voted to lower the tax base for property in the county, dropping the base five cents from 50 per cent of the appraised value to 45 per cent.

This means that a property owner will pay county tax on 45 per cent of the appraised value of his property.

This announcement was made Monday at the Commissioners regular monthly meeting, following the Commissioners report that the new county-wide tax appraisal just

completed shows the unofficial appraisal of real property in Cherokee County at market value now totals \$30,482,445.

With the new 45 per cent tax base voted by the Commissioners, this means that the tax value of real estate in the county comes to a total of \$13,708,100.

These figures only include real estate, and not personal property, which is yet to be listed this year.

The County Tax Office estimates that after listing of

personal property in the county, which includes utilities, rail lines, etc., in the county, the total 1964 tax value for the county, for both personal and real estate will run about \$19,500,000.

Now that the appraisal is complete, several steps will be accomplished before tax listings for the year can get underway.

Letters are going out now to property owners in the county, informing each one of the appraised value of his property and the date for a hearing should there be any question of the new appraised value.

## Commissioners Explain New Tax Appraisal

### Accident Claims Life Of Local Man

MURPHY - A 75 year - old Murphy man died in a local hospital at 6:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, from injuries received when hit by a pickup truck about an hour earlier just inside the city limits on Highway 64 East to Hayesville.

The victim of the accident was Willie Marion Gilreath who had lived here since 1941.

The driver of the vehicle was Harry Edward Bishop, 23, of Murphy.

Investigating officers said the man was crossing the road in front of his home when the truck approaching Murphy, rounded a curve. The driver swerved into the left lane in an attempt to miss the man, but he stepped into the path of the vehicle.

In a coroner's inquest held here Saturday afternoon by County Coroner J. C. Townson, testimony showed that the accident was unavoidable and no charges were made against the driver.

Funeral services for Mr. Gilreath were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday in Zion Baptist Church, with burial in the Church Cemetery.

He was a native of Suches, Ga. and was a member of Lebanon Baptist Church in Suches.

Survivors include a son, Robert C. Gilreath of Murphy, Rt. 2, and a brother, A. J. Gilreath of Dawsonville, Ga.

Townson Funeral Home was in charge of funeral arrangements.

### Sheriff's Dept., SBI Capture Escaped Con

MURPHY - The Cherokee County Sheriff's Department and M.G. Crawford of the SBI arrested an escaped convict here Tuesday, who had been on the loose since Nov. 1, 1963.

The officers said the man has a long record of arrests for break-ins and burglary. He was identified as Loomis Graham Hill of Wilmington, who escaped from the state prison in New Hanover County Nov. 1 of last year.

The man had been in Murphy for several months, officers said, working under an assumed name, using another person's social security number, and living with a woman in the Factory Town section of Murphy.

He is being held at County Jail for investigation, and will then be turned over to the State Prison Dept.

TO THE CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS OF CHEROKEE COUNTY:

We, as your County Commissioners, take this opportunity to express our appreciation for your splendid cooperation during our first year in office. We want you to realize that we are interested in the welfare of

each taxpayer in Cherokee County and certainly have no desire to impose any undue burden upon any individual. However, we must all realize that demands for better schools, health, and welfare become greater each year.

We had to have a new appraisal of all real estate in this County this year. This was no idea of ours but such appraisal is required by law. A great number of people of both Parties insisted that professional appraisers be obtained for this appraisal. Other counties which followed this procedure seem to be well pleased.

The payment of principal and interest on school bonds, the cost of appraisal, repairs for the Courthouse, repairs for the Jail, as well as other necessary expenses, caused an increase in the tax rate for the year 1963.

If you as Citizens and Taxpayers will bear with us for a few months, we hope to relieve some of this burden.

Respectfully, CHEROKEE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS; By: W. A. Hoover, Chairman; Lester N. Cole; W. T. Moore.

## C. L. Alverson Candidate For County Representative

MURPHY - C. L. Alverson of Murphy has announced that he will be a candidate for the

State House of Representatives in the coming November general election subject to the Cherokee County Democratic Convention.

Mr. Alverson attended Auburn University and has been a resident of Cherokee County for the past 25 years.

He is general manager of Smoky Mountain Gas Company, member and trustee of the First Methodist Church of Murphy, past president of the Murphy Chamber of Commerce, director of the Asheville Agricultural Development Council, president of Cherokee County Development Corporation, Chairman of Murphy Public Housing Authority, member of Murphy Civitan Club, and is a member of the Murphy Masonic Lodge.



Mr. Alverson