

Editor's Note-Book

This week's Scout includes the annual Scout Calendar with twelve lovely young ladies from Murphy High gracing the page. The girls of the month are all seniors, were selected by members of the senior class, and have not appeared in a previous calendar. We suggest you clip and save the whole calendar pictured here, but if you forget, we will run a monthly calendar on the front the first week in each month. Our thanks to Miss Maria Travis of Murphy High for her help in the calendar.

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Fred G. Smith of Brass-town received congratulations from Congressman Roy A. Taylor for his craftsman exhibit in the Smithsonian Institute.

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There's a lot of interest in the meeting on tomato growing tonight (Thursday) at 7:00 p.m. in the Vocational Agriculture Building in Andrews.

TR
Wayne Gladden, community planner assigned to Andrews, by the Western North Carolina Regional Planning Commission, and Charles Cunningham, Murphy's planner from the WNCPRP, presented a program on housing conditions at Andrews to the town Planning Board here Monday night.

TR
The power of newspaper advertising has done it again. Mrs. Lillian Higgs who is opening a new beauty shop in Andrews advertised a free permanent to the lady submitting the best name for the new shop. She's been flooded with entries, and has decided to leave the contest open until Feb. 10.

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HAYESVILLE - The meeting of the Tri-County Methodist Men will be held here tonight (Thursday) at 7:00 p.m. at Hinton Center.



Scout Photo - Reese
DEMOCRATIC GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE Richardson Preyer chatted with Mrs. G. W. Cover of Andrews and George Postell of Murphy after his speech in Andrews Monday afternoon.

Preyer Visits Murphy, Andrews

ANDREWS - Democratic candidate for governor Richardson Preyer was the first of five announced candidates in his party to visit Cherokee County, as he visited briefly in Murphy Monday then went to Andrews for a campaign speech at City Hall.

Earlier in the day, Mr. Preyer spoke at Hayesville, and his visit to Murphy was not on the schedule.

His entourage arrived here about 2:45 p.m. Monday, he visited several party members up and down main street, shaking hands and greeting the public, then stopped by the County Courthouse, accompanied by Sen. Frank Forsyth of Murphy, who went all out to give Mr. Preyer a warm welcome here even though he has already announced his support of another candidate, Dan Moore of Canton, the "favorite son" candidate of most people in Western North Carolina.

The party arrived in Andrews around 4:00 where Mr. Preyer was greeted by Mayor Percy B. Ferebee. The candidate spoke to those who gathered at the City Hall for about 30 minutes.

He was introduced by Robbinville attorney Leonard L. Loyd, who accompanied him for the day's visit to WNC. At Andrews, Mr. Preyer's talk covered public utilities, roads and industrial development.



Mr. Jordan

John Jordan Receives Scouting's Highest Award

MURPHY - John Jordan, who has an outstanding record of some 26 years of work with the Boy Scouts, received Scouting's highest honor, The Silver Beaver Scouting Award, at the 43rd annual appreciation dinner of the Daniel Boone Council at the Battery Park Hotel in Asheville Monday night.

The award came as a surprise to the veteran Scouting leader, as he was 'tapped' in an impressive ceremony conducted by the 'Order Of The Arrow,' a Scouting Society, but an equal surprise was in store when his three sons appeared to accompany him to the rostrum to receive the award.

The Jordan boys had been 'smuggled' to Asheville by some of Mr. Jordan's many friends and Scouting associates from Murphy who were in Asheville for the dinner. So many Murphy folks were on hand, in fact, that the local

delegation won the attendance award for having the most people present at the dinner. As the ceremony by the Order of the Arrow was in progress, two Scouts in Indian regalia roamed the aisles of the banquet hall and stopped beside Mr. Jordan, signifying that he was an award winner.

He was accompanied to the rostrum to receive the award by his wife, Mary, and by three previous winners of the award from Murphy, Holland McSwain, Joe Ray, and Hobart McKeever, and then joined there by his sons as they made their surprise appearance.

Hugh Monteith presented the awards, and it took a five-minute talk just to cover the highlights of Mr. Jordan's career, as a leader in education, church and civic affairs, as well as his Scouting career.

His accomplishments included the facts that he holds a Masters Degree from Columbia University, is principal of Murphy Elementary School, had received his 25 year Scouting pin on this same night, and had served as head of the junior department of Murphy First Baptist Church for the last 13 years, as well as a long list of civic endeavors.

Mrs. Jordan placed the ribbon bearing the medal around her husband's neck, as Mr. McKeever read the inscription on the certificate accompanying the award.

The crowd of some 250 on hand gave Mr. Jordan a standing ovation.

Winners of the Silver Beaver Award are selected by past winners of the medal.

Mr. Jordan is presently the Chairman of the local Scout Troop Committee, a District Committeeman of the Nantahala District, and has past service as both assistant Scoutmaster and Scoutmaster of a local troop, troop committee member, District Commissioner and District Chairman.

Dr. George D. Heaton, former pastor of Myers Park Baptist Church in Charlotte, who is presently engaged in industrial relations work, was the main speaker at the dinner.

Council Scout Executive Kenneth Drupelewski gave his annual report and president R. Williams, Jr., outlined objectives for the coming year.

Others from Murphy who attended the dinner included Mr. and Mrs. Holland McSwain, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Minor, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ray, the Rev. W. J. Thompson, Julian Suggs, Hobart McKeever, Paul Ridenhour, Larry Black, Dave Moody, Dr. and Mrs. Doyle C. Burch, Becky Jo Ray, Mike and Bob and Jimmy Jordan.

Forecast: Thursday, overcast with showers possibly thunder showers; Friday, showers ending; Saturday, broken cloudiness, showers by Saturday night or Sunday.

Date	High	Low	Prec.
22	70	22	0
23	71	28	0
24	70	36	1.44
25	80	37	1.89
26	57	24	0
27	55	20	0
28	53	25	0

Planning Board Reviews Land Use, Hears Report On Town Subdivisions

MURPHY - Policies and plans by which land can be more efficiently used in Murphy are under review by the Murphy Planning Board.

In conjunction with technical work performed by staff personnel of the Western North Carolina Regional Planning Commission, members of the Board are examining mistakes made in the lay-out of streets and lots in the past, with the view toward recommending improvements for future growth.

At a special meeting of the Board last week, members heard from a study committee headed by F. O. Christopher, which has under review proposed standards for the development of subdivisions in the town.

The standards would insure that new roads and streets are of adequate width for the traffic they will handle, that building lots are of adequate size, and that certain improvements are made to land before it is offered for sale as a residential building site.

Many communities in the state have adopted such re-

quirements under authority of state statutes. Land developers, residential home builders, and the general public benefit from the knowledge that streets and lots are laid out in an orderly manner.

The Murphy Planning Board will continue to review proposed standards and has requested its community planner to give particular study to the problems presented by unusually steep topography in the area.

Contract Awarded
For Andrews New
Sewerage System

ANDREWS - Bids on construction of a new sewage disposal plant and system for the town were opened here last Thursday, Jan. 23.

A. P. Allen and Associates of Charlotte was awarded the contract on a low bid of \$185,000.

Low bid for the electrical contract on the job was submitted by Midnite Electric Co. of Andrews for \$1,075, but after a check with attorneys it was discovered that the bid could not be accepted because Harold Jones, owner of Midnite Electric Co., is a member of the Town Board.

Next low bid for the electrical work was submitted by Dock Gibson, electrical contractor in Andrews, and the job was awarded to his company.

Walter Carringer To
Appear With Symphony

MURPHY - The announcement this week that a Murphy native of great fame, Walter Carringer, will be guest soloist when the N. C. Little Symphony appears here for two concerts Feb. 27 added extra excitement to the preparations for the event.

Mr. Carringer is the son of Mrs. Ruth Carringer of Murphy, and is rated by critics everywhere as one of the top tenors in the world.

Members of the Cherokee County Chapter of the Symphony Society are renewing their efforts to sell enough memberships and get Donor and Patron memberships to make the Symphony's appearance here this season a financial success, as well as to insure that the orchestra will appear here in future years.

While the children's concert the afternoon of Feb. 27 is free to students who will attend from schools throughout the county, the educational matinee must be supported through the sale of memberships.

At this time only about

half enough memberships have been sold to finance this year's Symphony concerts here, and members of the local Society are urging patrons in the county to buy their memberships now to keep this fine attraction coming here.

Edward J. Reynolds is president of the Society in this county, and membership chairmen who are working to sell enough memberships to make the concert a success are John Gill and Ron Ressel for the Murphy area and Mrs. Dan Hawk and Mrs. Herman Brauer for Andrews.

Membership prices are listed as follows:

\$1 Student (to attend evening concert), \$3 single, \$5 joint (2 adults at the same address), \$10 Active (four adults or ten student cards). Donor memberships begin at \$25 and Patron memberships start at \$100. Donor and Patron members receive 10 adult or 25 student cards for each \$25.

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New Form
Slowing
Tag Sales

MURPHY - A recent check with Max Johnson, license tag salesman here for the N. C. Dept. of Motor Vehicles, showed that sales are running about 200 behind last year at this time.

There is also considerable confusion about a new form on the back of pocket cards received by vehicle owners this year.

Before applying for a tag, vehicle owners must supply information about their insurance on the back of one of the cards. This information must include the name of the insuring company for the vehicle, the policy number and the date the policy becomes effective.

Mr. Johnson said that he kept a record of one morning's sales recently, and 15 out of 20 applicants didn't have the form properly filled out.

Deadline for purchase of 1964 N. C. tags is Feb. 15. Tags for Cherokee County this year are numbered CZ-2901 to 7500.

Mr. Johnson urged vehicle owners to buy tags now and avoid the last-minute rush. Payment for tags must be in cash.

The tag sales counter is in Murphy Western Auto Store.



Scout Photo - Owens
GEORGE W. YOUNG, (center) was able to sit up when members of the Rescue Squad arrived to bring him out of the mountains early Sunday. Squad members in the photo are Jim Ed Hughes (left) and Hayes Dockery, Jr., (right).

Murphy Man Found Safe After 3-Day Search

MURPHY - A massive search for a local man missing since around 1:00 a.m. last Friday ended here early Sunday morning when the man was found by a trio of 'coon hunters on the side of a mountain some four miles from his home.

George Young 76, of the Owl Creek section was reported as missing to the Cherokee County Rescue Squad about 7:00 p.m. last Friday night.

A stepson, Neil Marcus of Fort Leonardwood, Mo., a student at N. C. State College, stopped at Mr. Young's home Friday and found that he was missing. The only clue at that time to his whereabouts was an overshoe found as Marcus tracked him into the mountains.

When Young didn't return, Marcus became worried and contacted the Rescue Squad here. Mr. Young had been reported despondent since the death of his wife about a year ago.

Members of the Rescue Squad combed the mountains

near Mr. Young's home Friday night, traveling in jeeps and on foot.

Some 200-300 members of Rescue squads from Cherokee, Graham and Union County, Ga. were ready to resume the search Sunday morning, when word came in that the hunters had found the man.

Gaines, Dale and Luther Coffey of Marble accidentally came across Mr. Young, huddled half-frozen under the branches of a spruce tree, in the rugged mountainous section at the forks of Colvert Creek and Gibby Branch.

His clothes had frozen to the ground.

Gaines and Dale Coffey built a fire and attempted to warm the man and get him to eat, while Luther Coffey walked back to Marble and telephoned the Rescue Squad to come help bring him out.

Luther's call from the home of Ralph Trull in Marble reached Murphy about 4:00 a.m. Sunday morning, and a dozen or more members of the Rescue Squad were soon

headed to the scene to bring Mr. Young out.

The squad members made it to the spot where Mr. Young was found about two hours later in jeeps, and they brought him back to Providence Hospital here.

Doctors said he was suffering from exposure, but the man was reported in satisfactory condition by Sunday afternoon.

He was so cold and weak from hunger when the Rescue Squad members arrived to bring him out that he had to be helped to the jeep.

Although Mr. Young was found only about four miles from his home, Rescue Squad officers speculated that he may have wandered for several additional miles before seeking shelter under the spruce tree.

The two hunters who had stayed with Mr. Young while the other went for help, rode out with the Rescue Squad members.

They said it was about 1:30 a.m. Sunday when their dogs led them to where Mr. Young was found.



Scout Photo - Owens
'COON HUNTERS' Gaines Coffey (left) and Dale Coffey and their dogs accidentally came upon Mr. Young about 1:30 a.m. Sunday morning, at the forks of Colvert Creek and Gibby Branch. A third hunter, Luther Coffey, walked out to Marble to summon help.

Neil A. Davidson, 90, Retired Merchant, Dies

MURPHY - Neil Allen Davidson, age 90, passed away in a local hospital early

Tuesday morning after a short illness.

A native of Cherokee County, Mr. Davidson was a well known merchant of Murphy for many years.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Sallie Stanberry Davidson, one son, John A. Davidson of Murphy, and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. at the First Methodist Church of Murphy with the Rev. Clark Benson officiating.

Burial was in the Sunset Cemetery. Pallbearers were Roscoe Wilkins, Harvey Akin, Alden Coward, Frank Forsyth, Thomas King, and Nat Kinney.

HAYESVILLE - Highlighting high school basketball in the area during the past week was a game between Hayesville and Andrews here last Friday night which ended with Andrews still holding a perfect record, but mighty scared.

Hayesville took the lead in the game from the start, and the Clay County lads strayed ahead until only four minutes remained in the third period.

At that point Andrews tied the score at 26-26, then went on to win 64-62. Bill Gray led the Yellow Jackets in the fine showing with 24 points, while Larry Owenby was high scorer for Andrews with 17. Andrews JV's won 67-34.

Other Friday night action included an upset win for Robbinville's boys over Murphy, 65-62. Murphy's girls won over Robbinville 66-58, with

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MR. DAVIDSON