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PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECT 55% COMPLETE Several of the 36 units now under construction on Hiwassee Street in Murphy, are shown in their various stages of completion.

15 Boys Attend Summer Camp In Guntersville, Ala.

MURPHY - Fifteen boys from Cherokee and Clay Counties are attending a two week camp sponsored by The Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress.

Camp Ney-A-Ti, near Guntersville, Ala., on the Tennessee River, is owned and operated by a group of southern newspapers. The Scout has sent boys from this area to this camp for a number of years.

Last year twenty-one boys attended the camp. This year the number was fifteen.

The boys left Murphy at 8:00 a.m. Monday, July 20, and will return Sunday, August 2.

Boys come from almost every state in the southeast when Camp Ney-A-Ti opens in June. A typical day at the camp begins early by Lake Guntersville. A salute to the flag opens the day's activities.

Nestled on the side of a mountain in a forest with many winding trails, the camp naturally leads the youngsters to nature. During the two week camp, each camper has an opportunity to try his hand at handicrafts. Boys are singled out for their excellence in crafts.

At Camp Ney-A-Ti they play basketball, baseball, badminton, miniature golf, shuffle board, and horseshoes.

All competitive games are under the supervision of one of the counselors or the camp director, Coach Clemon K. Gant, head basketball coach at Ringgold, Ga., High School.

Camp Ney-A-Ti is an Indian name meaning "Camp By The Lake", and water sports place high on the list of activities for the campers. Whether it is fishing, swimming or boating, the never ending task of teaching goes on. Campers are taught to swim, get instructions in diving, life saving, and first aid.

Area boys attending camp this summer are Cary Brackens, Larry Chambers, and Rex Smart, all of Hayesville; Dennis Stevens, Randy Thompson, Steve Wells, Grover Smith, Chris Schuyler, David Gill, Tommy Gill, Jackie Pope, Eddie Radford, W. C. Stalcup, Jr., Ronnie Carringer, and Denny Smith, all of Murphy.

REMEMBER: THE BLOOD YOU GET MAY BE YOUR OWN!

The Bloodmobile Will Be In Murphy Monday, July 27, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Murphy Power Board Building.

Scoutlets

In the absence of the regular author of "Scoutlets", several persons have joined in to contribute to the column this week. In all honesty, however, Jack Owens is the only man on the Scout staff able to collect the happenings in Murphy of an odd or unusual nature each week. Part of this week's column is devoted to some of the more unusual items included in past "Scoutlets".

Cherokee County Republican Woman's Club will meet Thursday night at 7:30 at the Family Restaurant.

According to a news release we received this week some of the world's finest collections of coins, representing several fortunes, will be on display at the annual Blue Ridge Numismatic Association Convention in Asheville July 29 through August 1. Auction sales will be conducted and coin experts will be on hand to explain the exhibits and to appraise coins for non-collectors.

April 23, 1964: Street Scene: Murphy Police Chief driving his personal car down town Tuesday afternoon with a parking ticket stuck under the windshield wiper. (Scoutlet can report no visible change from status quo.)

April 16, 1964: The heavy rains this month have lakes full ahead of schedule in WNC and Hiwassee is rising fast. First spring action at boat docks will probably get rolling this weekend if the weather holds. (Scoutlet notes that the last boat dock was washed away during this past week's rain.)

March 26, 1964: The weather report for Sunday calls for scattered showers and if the forecasters are right, the Easter Parade will be washed out. (Scoutlet notes that to that prediction should have been added the Horse Show and July 4th Water Festival.)

February 27, 1964: A Chapel Hill publication quoted a feller as saying he didn't know whether to "roar for Moore," to be "on fire for Preyer," or to say "Everything's Jake with Lake." (Scoutlet notes that Moore roared, Preyer burned, and everything was Jake with Lake.)

January 23, 1964: The best quip we heard during the "Stop Pollo Sunday" was reported from Andrews. An elderly man came in and a sweet young nurse handed him the little paper cup with his sugar cube, and said, "Just chew it up." The gentleman looked at her in all seriousness and asked, "The cup too?" (Scoutlet observes that it's a good thing the Jaycees didn't use glass cups.)

October 31, 1963: Fans at Andrews - Robbinsville football game there Friday night were shell-shocked from firecrackers exploding around the field during the game. (Scoutlet observes that some folks seem to get a big bang out of football.)

Housing Project Is 55 % Complete

MURPHY - Murphy's half-million dollar Federal Housing Project which was begun in November, 1963, is now 55% complete.

When the contracts for construction on this job were awarded in October, members of the Murphy Housing Authority stated that this is the largest contract ever signed in the history of Murphy. The total construction cost is \$626, 813.00.

At the peak of construction, 100 men will be employed constructing 40 apartment units.

The 40 units are scheduled to be completed by January 31, 1965. Completion was originally scheduled for August, 1964, but due to unfavorable weather conditions in the spring of this year, construction has been delayed. Murphy Housing Authority has announced that the processing of applications for the apartments will begin on October 15, 1964.

Details concerning the applications for apartment space will be released by the Murphy Housing Authority and published by The Scout at a later date.

Scout Plans 75th Anniversary Edition Soon

MURPHY - The Cherokee Scout, which began weekly publication in July, 1889, will celebrate its 75th Anniversary this month and Scout Publisher, Jack T. Owens, has announced plans to publish a special anniversary issue commemorating the event. The edition will feature photographed pages (of special interest to readers) from papers dating back to the 1900's.

MURPHY CALENDAR

THURSDAY, JULY 23 3:30 P. M. The Murphy Garden Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Paul Hill with Mrs. S. C. Burgess as joint hostess.

7:30 P. M. Murphy Chapter No. 10 OE to meet in the Masonic Hall Commission on Education at First Methodist Church.

SUNDAY, JULY 26 11 A.M. Services at the following churches: First Baptist, Free Methodist, First Methodist and Presbyterian Church and Episcopal Church of Messiah; 8 P. M. Union services of Presbyterian and Methodist at Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Clark Benson as speaker. Services at First Baptist Church and Free Methodist.

MONDAY, JULY 27 6:30 P. M. Women of the Presbyterian Church have a picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Black; Wesleyan Service Guild to have family picnic at the First Methodist Church.

TUESDAY, JULY 28 2:30 P. M. Lottie Moon and Mae Perry Circles of First Baptist Church to have joint meeting at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Hendrix at Peachtree. 6:30 P. M. Lions Club to meet in recreation hall of the First Methodist Church 7 P. M. Junior 2 GA's to meet at home of Miss Diane Kaylor.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29 7:15 P. M. Mid week services at First Methodist Church; 7:20 P. M. Mid week services at Presbyterian Church; 7:30 P. M. Hour of Power First Baptist Church; 8:00 P. M. Choir rehearsal at Presbyterian Church; 8:30 P. M. Church Choir First Baptist Church.

Firms and individuals contacted about the special edition have been highly enthusiastic concerning the proposed project.

In publishing the edition, the Scout expects to trace not only the histories of the local firms and industries, but also to emphasize the history of Murphy and Cherokee County.

The Scout has been unable to determine the exact date of the first issue and will, therefore, publish the special edition after July 31, 1964. Anyone who has old photographs, historical sketches, or other articles of historical interest and who would like to have those items included in the Anniversary Issue, is requested to bring them by the Scout Office before Friday, July 31.

The Scout needs issues published before 1924 and particularly issues published before 1900. All such items will be returned to the owner upon request after the issue is published.

American Legion Entertains Dedamation Contest Boys

MURPHY - Joe Miller Elkins Post 96, The American Legion entertained participants of the Murphy High School Dedamation Contest with a dinner at Duke's Lodge Monday evening. Approximately twenty members attended.

Murphy Civitans To Sponsor Square Dance

MURPHY - The Murphy Civitan Club is sponsoring a Square Dance Friday, July 24, at 8:00 p.m. in the Rock Gym.

Music will be furnished by the Glen Ellis and James Evans Band. A spokesman for the Club said this is to be an "old time square dance, with fiddle playing and banjo picking." Admission is 50¢ for all with proceeds going to the Civitan Club.

Portrait Of Judge McSwain Presented To Cleveland Co.

SHELBY, N. C. - A portrait of the late Superior Court Judge Peyton McSwain was presented to the county in courthouse ceremonies Monday, July 20. The portrait will hang in the courtroom.

The portrait, painted by Lee Settlemyre of Rock Hill, S.C., was given by his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gilbert and their children, Pete and Henry Gilbert. Mrs. Gilbert is the judge's daughter.

Holland McSwain, Superintendent of Murphy City Schools, a brother of Judge McSwain, attended the ceremonies.

Attorney A. A. Powell of Shelby, long-time friend of McSwain's, made the presentation speech.

In 1921 Peyton McSwain be-

Murphy & Cherokee County Schools To Open August 26

MURPHY - The Murphy and Cherokee County Schools will

open for the 1964-65 term Wednesday, August 26.

The first day will be a half-day with the first full day of the school year beginning Thursday, August 27.

Teachers for both the county and city units will report on Monday, August 24. A complete listing of faculty members will be published later.

came a member of the North Carolina legislature; in 1931, he became a member of the State Senate; at the 1928 Democratic convention, he served as a presidential elector; and served as Cleveland County attorney from 1932 to 1940.

In 1948 McSwain was appointed to the Superior Court bench by Gov. Gregg Cherry and in 1953 was appointed a special Superior Court Judge by Gov. William Umstead.

Prior to his death on July 18, 1955, he was appointed resident judge of this judicial district but declined the appointment because of his health.

Attorney Joe Mull, president of the Cleveland County Bar Association, was master of ceremonies and introduced guests who included Mrs. McSwain, the Gilberts, and the late judge's brothers, Broadus McSwain and Holland McSwain.

Friends of the judge and his family filled the courtroom for the proceedings.

Jaycees Announce Membership Drive

MURPHY - Helton Carmichael, Internal Vice-President of the Murphy Junior Chamber of Commerce, announced at the regular Tuesday night meeting, July 21, that the Jaycees have begun a general membership drive.

Membership in the Jaycees is restricted to young men who are 21 to 35 years of age, inclusive.

The local club, organized some eight months ago, has already undertaken and completed two major projects, a mass polio immunization drive using Sabin Vaccine and a Fourth of July water festival on Lake Hiwassee.

3 WNC Counties May Be Designated Disaster Areas

WASHINGTON - Congressman Roy A. Taylor has called upon Agriculture Secretary Orville Freeman to designate three drought-stricken Western North Carolina counties as disaster areas.

Rep. Taylor wired Secretary Freeman that almost no rainfall this spring has produced "extreme drought conditions" in Cherokee, Clay and Macon Counties.

Designation of the three counties as disaster areas would entitle farmers to cer-

tain benefits, depending upon the seriousness of the local situation, Taylor said.

In extreme drought areas, farmers are allowed to graze cattle on lands reserved to federal soil banks. In less stricken regions, farmers are entitled to three percent federal loans if similar assistance is unavailable from local lending sources.

Donald Ramsey Attens Clerk's Annual Conference

MURPHY - Donald W. Ramsey, Clerk of Superior Court here, attended the 46th annual conference Association of Clerks of Superior Court held at the Blockade Runner Motel at Wrightsville Beach, July 1, through 4th.

Meetings were held each day and speakers were as follows: Lawrence Ross, Mayor of Wrightsville, gave the welcoming remarks; "Progress of Court Reorganization" by Senator Lindsay C. Warren Friday evening and master of ceremonies was Wayne C. Simpson. Speaker was E. P. Blair, Superintendent, Farm Life Schools, Craven County.

The meeting was closed on Saturday morning.

Mr. Ramsey was accompanied by his wife and family and Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ricks. They all returned home on Sunday.

Girl Scout Day Camp Tamed Success

MURPHY - Girl Scout officials, Mrs. Elizabeth Alley and Mrs. Sarah Davis, termed the first Murphy Girl Scout Day Camp a success when camps ended Saturday, July 18.

Utilizing the property donated to the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts by the late E. C. Moore, approximately 40 local girls spent the week learning the rudiments of outdoor living.

The Scouts were given instruction in compass reading, outdoor cookery, knot tying, and other crafts essential to camp life.

Despite torrential rains which frequently threatened to

Bloodmobile Coming Monday

MURPHY - Cherokee County residents will again be given the chance to donate blood when the Red Cross Bloodmobile comes to Murphy Monday, July 27. The Bloodmobile headquarters will be in the Murphy Power Board Building and will be open from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

A local Red Cross official has stated that 100 pints of blood are needed to help keep the blood program here.

The decision to remain open until 6:00 p.m. was made so that people who are employed until 5:00 will still be given a chance to donate.

The Bloodmobile will be in Andrews at the Town Hall on Thursday, July 30, and will be open at the usual time.

Remember, if only one person from a family gives blood, his entire family will be covered under the Red Cross Blood Program for the entire year.

Suspicious Confirmed

MURPHY - Chicken Pox: "An acute, contagious disease of CHILDHOOD . . ."

To all of those folks who claim, in recent months, to have detected symptoms of approaching second childhood in the Editor and Publisher of The Cherokee Scout, word circulating around town has confirmed the suspicions--- Jack has come down with the above mentioned childhood disease.

According to our reports, Jack was the last of the Owens children to catch chicken pox. We only hope for the sake of the Scout that mumps and measles have already passed through the Owens household. Seriously, Jack is in misery and was admitted to Providence Hospital Tuesday evening, July 21. All of us here at the Scout Office and his friends in town wish for him a speedy recovery.

Dockery Awarded Defense Fellowship

AUBURN, ALA. - Carl D. Dockery of Murphy has been awarded a National Defense Graduate Fellowship for study toward the doctoral degree at Auburn University, Auburn.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest C. Dockery of Route 3, Murphy, Carl has done graduate work in English at Auburn for the past year.

WEATHER

Date	High	Low	Prec.
16	85	54	1.45
17	83	60	0
18	84	59	0.43
19	83	63	0
20	84	64	0.17
21	76	65	0.58
22	85	62	0.01

FORECAST - Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun. Scattered to broken cloudiness with scattered afternoon and evening thunder showers.