



Commissioner Plans Meeting On County Highway Problems

The citizens of Cherokee and Clay County will soon have an opportunity to talk over highway matters with the new Commissioner of the 14 Division, W. Curtis Russ, of Waynesville.

The Commissioner wrote W. A. Hoover, Cherokee County Board of Commissioners Chairman, and William T. Groves, Chairman of the Clay County Board of Commissioners, that he was gathering data on Cherokee and Clay County roads in Raleigh preparatory to the meeting.

No date has been set, since it is not known how long it will take to get all the facts the Commissioner wants. He said the time and place will be much publicized in both newspaper and over radio.

The Commissioner said he was also going to provide the local news media with the facts about highway projects

in the county, and keep them well informed.

Russ is a newspaper editor, and has, over the past 34 years in Haywood, led many campaigns for specific road projects, the largest being the Interstate Road down Pigeon River Gorge into Tennessee.

The Governor sought Russ for the post, citing his interest and experience in highway matters. The Commissioner has no political ambitions, and said: "My job is to try to get the roads needed in the 14 Division. In fact, to build roads and not a political machine."

Very soon, the Commissioner will also announce when he and the complete Division staff will be at headquarters in Sylva to transact all highway matters. In view of the absence of records and data in his office in Waynesville, all road matters will be transacted in the Sylva office.

Scoutlets

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Oops! We goofed a little in last week's story concerning the Jaycee Water Festival. We failed to mention one of the most important organizations in our town, The Cherokee County Rescue Squad. The rescue "gents" were a great asset to the Jaycees, helping direct traffic, communications and serving as rescue pick up boats at the races. The squad also gave away a nice fishing rig (boat, motor, and trailer) after the boat races on July 4. The lucky winner was Jimmie Walker of Murphy, an employee of the U. S. Forest Service. Sorry Fellows.

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A tip of our Scoutlet hat goes to J. H. Duncan, owner of the Duncan Oil Company, this week. Mr. Duncan says he just can't see people having to pay to use Uncle Sam's picnic facilities so he built one adjacent to his bulk plant on US 64 West of Murphy. Mr. Duncan's picnic table even has a roof over it to provide shade and keep the rain off should a quick shower come up. Best of all it's FREE.

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Neighbors thought that "Tarzan" had come to Murphy when preacher Bill Thompson came swinging from his roof top recently. Bill had decided to clean the gutters on his house so he parked his Volkswagen at the edge of the carport, skipped lightly from the top of the car to the roof of his house and began his chores. Then a quick shower came and caught him on the house. Fearing a jump back to the slick car top, Bill called one of his youngsters to toss him the end of a ski rope which was tied to a nearby tree limb. Off he swung, but the rope slipped through his hands and gave some pretty bad cuts. We're sure Preacher Bill learned two lessons from this experience. (1) Leave the vine swinging to the jungle man and (2) It's cheaper to buy a ladder. Right Bill?

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Fred Davis, our fast photographer, was kind enough to keep our Parakeet during vacation and we just learned that the bird caused some embarrassment. Fred put the bird in his photo studio for safe keeping but the whole thing backfired. A Bride-To-Be came in to have her picture made and wouldn't you know it, that cotton picking bird let out with a couple of good whistles. Fred seemed to be the most embarrassed and he says he'll never trust another bird.

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Most folks know Elmer Kilgore, Sinclair Products Distributor here, but if you don't, he's a tough old Ex-Marine who talks with the "bark on" all the time. He comes into the restaurant every morning yelling for his coffee before he reaches the back table. Usually the waitresses see him coming and have coffee on the table when he sits down. Friday morning no one saw good ole Elmer come in. He plopped into a chair, beat on the table and yelled for coffee and water. Waitress Billie huddled over, placed a cup of coffee in front of Elmer and poured the glass of ice water down his back. Boy did that cool him off. It almost broke the place up. We'll have to give Elmer credit though, he can take it as well as dish it out.

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One other thing about Elmer, he always seems to be in a good mood and we just couldn't resist asking how he managed it. Elmer's philosophy: "A moment of anger is a moment of happiness lost". How true. How true.

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Clyde Gladson, a barber at the City Barber Shop, says he'll not buy another "pig in the poke" from fellow barber L. B. Ledford. Clyde gave L. B. \$3.00 to bring him six Rhode Island Red chickens and when L. B. brought them to the shop the other barbers said they looked like a mixture of Owls and Crows. In fact, they convinced Clyde that they were not chickens and he gave them away.

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Prizewords Has \$240 Waiting

Speed and skill will get you \$240. That's the payoff for solving this week's new Prizewords puzzle. Sharpen your pencils and your wit, we're just itching to give away all this money. The clues for this week's Prizewords puzzle await you on page 3. Hurry, enter as many times as you wish.

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EXPLANATION OF ANSWERS PRIZEWORD PUZZLE NO. 542

- ACROSS:
1. A severe blow on the foot sometimes causes a permanent LIMP (Lump). - The specific reference to foot and the frequency of sometimes indicate LIMP. A permanent Lump isn't nearly so likely.
 5. FIRE can travel very quickly (Wire). - A Wire (Telegram) does travel very quickly. The doubt expressed by can't better with FIRE; it depends on circumstances.
 6. When we know we're right in an argument, we tend to resent attempts to CONFUTE us (Confuse). - Tend to resent doesn't go far enough with Confuse. It's an unfair attempt to gain an advantage over us. CONFUTE indicates an all-out attempt to prove we're wrong, but there's nothing unfair about it. Note when we know we're right.
 8. Too-easy success is apt to make an arrogant BOAST (Beast). - BOASTfulness might well arise out of arrogance as a result of too easy success; it's not nearly so likely to make the arrogant man a brute or Beast; it might even mellow him.
 11. We're apt to think twice about ignoring a POLITE request (Police). - We're more than apt to think twice about ignoring a Police request. To ignore a POLITE request is not by any means so serious.
 12. Fond parents usually think more of visitors who SEEK to be well informed about their children (Seem). - The objection to Seem is that the information the visitors have about the children might not be at all pleasing! SEEK implies the visitors ask questions about the children - and fond parents like to talk about their youngsters.
 13. His having an extravagant wife causes many a poor man to RAVE (Save). - Whether it causes him to Save is surely dependent upon his ability and resources to Save. RAVE is more reasonable.
 14. Domestic quarrels often result when a wife has MIXED ideas on running the home (Fixed). - Often exaggerates with Fixes; she might well know her business and run the home efficiently. There's less likelihood of her doing so when her ideas are MISED, muddled.

- DOWN:
1. A conspicuous LOCK o hair often causes a man to be stared at (Lack). - Often goes too far with Lack; men who are bald are by no means uncommon. LOCK is more to the point.
 2. Often, the older they are the harder it is for MENIAL workers to get a job (Mental). - Often exaggerates with Mental; such workers are experienced and more or less skilled. Not so the MENIAL workers. And the body ages and becomes less agile more quickly than the mind.
 3. A poorly concocted LIE rarely proves palatable (Pie). - Not Pie; individual palates for food are widely varied. But rarely do you like to be told a stupid LIE -- it's an insult to your intelligence, and thus figuratively unpalatable.
 4. People who never BEG often criticize adversely those who do (Bet). - BEG is better with often because begging is at the expense of people other than the beggar. People who Bet do so at their own expense. Their actions need not concern others.
 7. We're sometimes surprised to see how little MOVED by children are people who fuss over them (Loved). - Loved goes rather far; most children like attention. The case for MOVED is stronger; it concerns the reaction of the people who fuss over children; sometimes, such people can be surprisingly hardhearted.
 9. Probably most men who SHAVE find it irksome (Slave). - The triple restraint in the clue - probably, most, and irksome - is too great with Slave. SHAVE is true to life.
 10. It tends to irritate a husband when he hears his wife boast she's got him TAPED (Tamed). - The restraint in tends is better with TAPED. It implies she's got the measure of him, that she understands him completely. Tamed goes much further, implying that he obeys her dictates. Tends understates with Tamed.
 11. People of a restless disposition are apt to have difficulty in holding a steady POSE (Post). - With POSE restless applies in a physical sense; with Post it applies in a mental and more figurative sense. Those who are physically restless are apt to have difficulty in holding a steady POSE. Post, a job, is weak; their difficulty is not in the holding of the Post, but in the disinclination to remain in it.



Up A Tree

Photo by Scout Studio

The Beech Creek Seed Orchard at Murphy hosted a Tree Climbing School for climbers from the National Forests in North Carolina Tuesday and Wednesday. Climbers from Tennessee and Georgia were also at the session.

Climbers trained at this session will collect the twigs from superior trees on the National Forests in North Carolina, Tennessee and Georgia, to be used in grafting for the Beech Creek Seed Orchard. The Orchard will produce seed from these grafts to be used to improve our National Forest timber stands.



Patt J. Miller

MURPHY - Patt J. Miller, a former Clay County man, has been assigned to Cherokee County. Patrolman Miller joined the N. C. State Highway Patrol in 1959. In 1960 he resigned to go into business for himself and operated a service station in Highlands and a dairy farm in Hayesville. Patrolman Miller rejoined the

Town Board Sets 1965-66 Tax Rate

MURPHY - At a regular meeting of the Murphy Town Board Monday, July 12, the tax rate for 1965-66 was set. After discussing the budget for the next fiscal year, the Board adopted a tax rate of \$2.00 per \$100.00 evaluation.

The 1965-66 rate remains the same as last years tax schedule.

Teenage Club To Meet Friday

HAYESVILLE - Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lyvers have announced plans for the Teen Age Club to meet at the Walker Building Friday night July 16 at 7:30 p.m.

Since some of the officers have gone out of Clay County, Mrs. Lyvers said new officers will be elected new games and activities for the months of July and August will be discussed.

She said rumors have gone out that the club is closed, but this is in error and all members are invited to attend this meeting.



Jack E. Earley
Earley Is New Co. Extension Chairman

MURPHY - Jack E. Earley resumed his duties as Cherokee County Extension Chairman, July 1. He succeeds James H. Stewart, who has been appointed County Extension Chairman in Granville County, Oxford, N. C.

Earley is a 1954 Berea College graduate. After finishing at Berea he served two years in the Army and has served seven years with the Extension Service in Jackson County as Assistant Agricultural Extension Agent.

Mrs. Earley is the former Maxine Randolph of Canton and is a 1955 graduate of Berea. The Earleys have three children, Douglas, age 8, Gary, age 6, and Lynn, age 4.

Marble Youth Drowns In Andrews Swimming Pool

ANDREWS - A Cherokee County youth drowned about 4 p.m. Sunday, July 11, in the Andrews Swimming Pool.

Pronounced dead on arrival at an Andrews Hospital was Ronnie Palmer, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Miles Henry Palmer of Marble.

Companions reportedly notified the pool lifeguard and manager that Palmer was missing. An immediate search of the pool was begun and the body was found in six feet of water.

The youth was a student at Andrews High School.

Surviving in addition to the parents are a brother, Rickie Palmer of the home; the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Elbert Queen of Marble; and the paternal grandfather, Fred Palmer of Marble.

Services were held at 2 p.m., Tuesday in Marble Springs Baptist Church.



Ronnie Palmer
The Rev. Lester Stowe and the Rev. Ernest Sanders officiated and burial was in Moss Cemetery. Townsman Funeral Home of Murphy was in charge.

Cherokee And Clay Boys To Attend Camp Ney-A-Ti

Fifteen Cherokee and Clay County boys will leave for two weeks encampment at Camp Ney-A-Ti on Guntersville Lake in Alabama Sunday July 18. The boys will attend the camp under the sponsorship of the Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress. They range in age between 12 and 15 years of age and the camp is free with transportation furnished to and from the camp. Ney-A-Ti is an Indian name and means "camp by the lake" and is owned and operated by Summer Camps Inc., an affiliate of Southern Newspapers Inc.

Approximately 800 boys from all over the southern states attend the camp each year as guest of the various newspapers that make up Southern Newspapers, Inc. They attend at the rate of about 100 every two weeks for 16 weeks. As one group goes out another group comes in. A continuous cycle all summer long.

Clement K. Gant, better known as "Coach" is director of Ney-A-Ti and has held this position for quite a few years. "Coach" is capable and experienced director and is always considerate and understanding with all the youths at the camp. It has been said that he could tell from one year to the next about any boy who stays at the camp without reference to the camp records. He makes it his job to know and understand every boy who attends his camp.

A typical day at Ney-A-Ti begins early on Guntersville Lake. A salute to the flag opens the days activities. At the camp the boys play basketball, baseball, badminton, miniature golf, shuffle board, horseshoes and many other games. All competitive games are under the supervision of one of the counselors at the camp. Coach Gant is head basketball coach at Ringold, Ga. High School.

"The camp by the lake" is a water sports paradise for the campers. Whether its 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.

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, the camper has an opportunity to try his hand at handicrafts. Boys are singled out for their excellence and are awarded certificates. At night they have moving pictures at an outdoor or indoor theatre depending on the weather.

The boys will leave Murphy at 7:00 a.m. Sunday morning and will arrive at Ney-A-Ti in time for lunch.

Severe Storm Lashes Murphy

MURPHY - A severe thunderstorm accompanied by high winds lashed Murphy early Friday afternoon, July 9, and caused considerable property damage, in addition to being blamed for a traffic accident.

The 30-minute assault tore part of a roof from the Levi Strauss clothing plant and uprooted several large trees. Other roofs across town were raveled by the wind.

Cars driven by Daniel Green, 23, of Murphy and Dwight Sammons, 20, of Mocksville, collided on U. S. 64 West, just inside the city limits. Green and a passenger, Harvey Chastain, were taken to Providence Hospital. Sammons was not hurt in the wreck, but cut his jaw against a broken car window when a close thunderclap caused him to jump and slip after he had emerged from his car.

Green was treated in the emergency room and dismissed. Chastain was admitted to the hospital suffering from several broken ribs and cuts and bruises. His condition is listed as good.

Wilbur Arrant, Jr., 22, of Brasstown was involved later in the afternoon in a one-car accident on Peachtree Street in Murphy.

According to police, the door of his car came open, and he fell partly out, grabbing the steering wheel as he fell. The car swerved across the street and into a tree, causing some property damage to a yard.

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