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AT MURPHY, NORTH CAROLINA

### Next Week . . Maybe

Legal red tape has held up TV translator in Mur-phy for several months now. It has to be 'red tape' because the Murphy Power Board already has the power lines constructed to the top of Fain Mountain and the Murphy Jaycees kept their end of the bargain and constructed a building to house the delicate translator

In a letter from Washington to Carter M. Parham, General Manager of Television Station WDEF-TV (Channel 12) Chattanooga, Tennessee, he was advised by his attorneys that the attorney handling the Murphy translator case for the Federal Communications Commission would only say it should receive action "soon".

"The delays and frustrations in connection with this application are most incredulous," the letter said, "but we hope to have news for you NEXT WEEK."

## Mrs. Brumby Enters 33rd Senatorial District Race

Representative Mary Faye Brumby of Cherokee County has announced that she will seek nomination for state senate for the 33rd Senatorial District subject to the May Democratic Primary.

The new Senatorial District comprises Macon, Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Swain, Jackson and Translyvania Counties under the 1966 redistricting bill.

Mrs. Brumby served in the House during the 1965 Regular Session. She has also served two Extra Sessions.

She was a member of nine Committees including the Education Committee, Finance Committee, Conservation and Development Committee, Water Resources and Control Committee, and Health Com-

She supported and voted for increased appropriations for schools, teachers, state highway employees, and other state employees. She worked constantly to impress her colleagues and all others with the unspoiled beauty and great potential of Western North Caro-

She used T.V., radio, newspapers and speeches to tell the dire need for new highways and secondary roads through the

Mrs. Brumby appeared before the Historic Sites Commission and was successful in getting Fort Butler declared an historic site. Following this, she introduced a bill in House and secured a \$6,000 grant for Archaelogical research and planning preliminary to the restoration of Fort Butler. At the close of the General Assembly, Mrs. Brumby was named by a Raleigh Newspaper as one of the five outstanding freshman legislators.

Mrs. Brumby headed the 300 Million Dollar Road Bond Drive in Cherokee County which passed by one of the greatest percentages in the

Mrs. Brumby is a member of the Presbyterian Church. She has served in her church, the Girl Scouts, and Garden Clubs on a local and districtwide basis. She has also served in the P.T.A. and Business and Professional Women's Club. She served on the Planning Board in Murphy in

She holds an Associate Arts Degree from Young Harris College and a B.S. Degree in Elementary Education from Western Carolina College at Cullowhee.

Mrs. Brumby was featured in the Asheville Citizen in August 1964 as Woman of the

# Receive \$116,500 Gertrude Makela Worthen of

WASHINGTON--Grants totaling \$116,500 have been approved by the U. S. Office of Economic Opportunity to help three Western North Carolina groups conduct Neighborhood Youth Corps projects, 11th District Representative Roy A. Taylor announced Satur-

The grants were distributed as follows: Macon County Board of Education, Frank-lin, N. C., \$33,500, which will provide work experience for 175 enrollees,

Four Square Community Action, Inc., Bryson City, N.C. \$56,500 for 176 enrollees. Four-Square covers Clay, Cherokee, Graham and Swain

munity Action, Columbus, N. C., \$26,500 for 68 enrol-lees.

Congressman Taylor said he had received information that funds will be approved within a few days to help Mountain Projects, Inc., covering Haywood and Jackson Counties finance a similar NYC pro-

serves on the Council Commitee of Education and Rehabi-Mrs. Brumby owns and operates Murphy Textile Mill and is Vice-President of

Brumby Textile Mills, Inc.

Governor Dan K. Moore

appointed Mrs. Brumby, re-

presenting the House, Septem-

ber 38, 1965 to the State Coun-

cil of Mental Retardation. She



Mary Faye Brumby

She is married to Edward H. Brumby, operator and President of Brumby Textile Mills, Inc. They are the parents of two daughters, Mrs. Eric Townson of Asheville, North Carolina, and Mrs. Richard Forrest of West Hartford, Conn., and one son, Edward Brumby, Jr. They also have seven grandchildren.

### James C. Howse Candidate For Clerk Of Court



James C. Howse

James C. Howse announced this week he will seek the Democratic nomination as Clerk of the Superior Court, a post he held from December 1958 to December 1962.

Howse, 53, a native of Humweek.

boldt, Tenn., was educated at the Humboldt High School. He is a member of the First Methodist Church, Murphy and is married to the former Mrs.

In 1958 Howse served as South Ward Precinct Chairman of the Murphy Democratic Party. He is now owner and operator of the Cherokee Restaurant.

He has long been associated with the Boy Scouts, serving as chairman of the 1958 Boy Scout Drive. Being active in community affairs, he is a member of the Murphy Lions

Mr. and Mrs. Howse have three children, two girls and

## Grange To Meet

The Pamona Grange will meet at the Ranger School House at 7 p.m. Saturday for their regular meeting. All members are urged to attend and bring a covered dish for a pot luck supper.



#### Valley River Jumps Banks Near Marble

VALLEY RIVER rolled out of its banks Sunday morning and pushed three feet of water across to the deputy, pointed a shot-U. S. 19, blocking traffic between Andrews and Murphy. Traffic from Andrews had to be rerouted

# Flood Waters Inconvenience Andrews, Murphy Travelers

combination of torrential rains, melting snow, and frozen ground surged through

Flood waters caused by a halting traffic between Andrews and Murphy.

More than three feet of water lay across U.S. 19, five

ripened tomato project, work-

Agricultural Extension Ser-

Goforth announced that a

secretary, Mrs. Lois Jones

of Robbinsville, has been em-

ployed and is now on duty in

the Andrews office.

Services Held

MURPHY - Joint services

ter, Kim Allen 2, who drow-

ned Feb. 6 in the Cape Fear

River near Elizabethtown, N.

C., were held at 2 p.m. Mon-

church cemetery.

recovered.

Murphy.

have not been recovered.

Six persons drowned when

the 40-foot cruiser "The Kork" capsized Sunday Feb.

6 in the Cape River lock. The

etteville was the first to be

At presstime, crews were

still searching for the bodies

of Mrs. Allen and her two chil-

Mrs. Allen is the daughter

of Mrs. Dixis Stiles Clark of

Tomato Packing

House Depends

There will be a meeting

at the Courthouse in Murphy

at 7:30 p.m. Friday night, Feb-

ruary 18, to determine whet-

her of not farmers have suffi-

cient acreage of tomatoes and

pepper to operate a packing operation in Murphy this year.

"It is very important that

every tomato and pepper pro-

ducer in Cherokee County let

his intentions be know at this

time," Jack Early, County Ex-

tension Agent said, People

who are interested in market-

ing tomatoes or pepper should

attend the meeting if possible.

attend the meeting should con-

tact the County Agents office

in Murphy or one of the foll-

owing people: Claude Stiles or Troy West, Peachtree; Georg

Bidstrup, Brasstown; C. R.

Brown, Andrews; Henry Elli-

ott, Notla; Everett Voyles, Sandy Gap; Hadley Stiles, Ran-

ger; or C. B. Newton, Slow Creek.

Growers who are unable to

On Meeting

body of Jasper Hyatt of Fay-

day in Grape Creek Baptist

Cherokee County, Sunday, miles east of Murphy by mid-

# Four-Square's Medicare Alert Project Underway

vice Office.

With March 31 as the final date senior citizens may apply for medical benefits under the Medicare section of the Social Security amendments of 1964, Four-Square Community Actions, Inc., has launched a project to contact all eligible persons in Cherokee, Clay, Graham and Swain Counties, to lend assistance in preparing

and submitting forms. Utilizing \$10,921 in funds from the Office of Economic Opportunity, the Medicare Alert project will continue up to the March 31 cut-off date. It is headed by Mayes Behrman of Brasstown and has a total staff of fifteen persons.

In addition to Behrman, there are a secretary, three team captains, and ten community assistants. The project is under the overall direction of Bob Goforth, executive director of Four-Square Community Action.

Goforth said many persons have not applied for Medicare benefits because they do not understand the program nor the procedure in applying for the benefits. This is where the Medicare Alert project plans to be of assistance. members will spend their working hours calling on eligible persons in their homes and lending whatever help they can.

The following persons have been employed for the project: Graham County: Team Captain, Clifford George; assistants, James Huffman and Holland; Cherokee County: Team Captain, Mrs. Olen L. Myers; assistants, Frank Sudderth, Mrs. Lucy Laughter, Mrs. Tom Mauney and Mrs. Carrie P. Frizzell; Swain County; Team Captain, P. M. Brendle, assistants, Mrs. Glen McHan and Arthur Breedlove; Clay County: Team Captain, Mayes Behrman; assistants, Carl Parker, and Mrs. Mattie Moss Eller. The Recording Secretary is Mrs.

Jayne Ramsey of Murphy. Tom Day, President of Four Square, stated the organization is pleased to be able to render this valuable service to the older citizens of the four counties and expressed hope that everyone would take advantage of the expert help being offered in the preparation of Medicare applications. He said anyone interested who has not been contacted should write Four-Square Community Action, Inc., Post Office Box K, And-

rews, N. C. In speaking of other Four-Square projects, Goforth said he has been conducting interviews and expects to have his full staff employed within the next tendays. This will consist of a six person staff for Physical and Mental Fitness, four Community Organizers and a Horticulturist. The Hor-

rerouted at Marble, through Peachtree then west to Murphy.
A slide two miles east of Murphy on U. S. 64 to Hayesville threatened to seal off

morning Sunday. Traffic trav-

eling west from Andrews had

way crews quickly pushed away the mud and rocks and traffic was maintained. The wet week-end began Thursday when a moderate ticulturist will conduct a vine rain hit most of the county. By 8:00 a.m. Friday, the T.V.A. Hydraulic Data Diviing out of the Cherokee County

Murphy from the east but high-

sion of Murphy recorded .80 Liches of rain. Sunday was the worst, with rain driven by gusting winds. A total of 2.63 inches fell in

the Murphy area. Swelling Valley River pushed flood waters to the back doors of many homes along US 19 but there were no reports of evacuation. Several rural Father, Daughter roads between Andrews and Murphy were completely submerged and impassable.

With the flood gates at Mission Dam in Clay County wide ened many homes along U.S. 64 between Murphy and Hayesville.

Both rivers receded Sunday night and traffic was maintained on US 19 Monday. Total rainfall for the Mur-

The Rev. Clifton Elliott ofphy area from Thursday ficiated and burial was in the through 8:00 a.m. Wednesday amounted to almost four in-The bodies of Mrs. Allen and two other Allen children

Forecast for the week-end calls for cloudy skies, light rain and moderate tempera-

### Highway Hearing Set For Today

RALEIGH- The State Highway Commission will hold a public hearing in the Cherokee County Courthouse in Murphy, Thursday (today), February

17, at 11:00 a.m.
The hearing is on the proposed improvements to 135 64 from the Tennessee State line east to a point west of Murphy, a distance of about eighteen miles, which is a por-tion of the Appalachian Development Highway System.

In charge of the hearing will be Highway Commissioner W. Curtis Russ of Waynesville, Assistant Chief Engineer R.W. McGowan and Public Relations; Officer Keith Hundley of Ral-

A map is posted in the Cherokee County Courthouse showing the location of the project. The public is invited to att-

end the hearing and all interested citizens will be given an opportunity to be heard,

#### High School. He is a member the National Education Association.

Murphy Schools will resume classes Friday, after being closed down for four days because of no heat at the Ele-

The fire box and grate on the furnace at Murphy Elementary School through over the week-end and parts had to be ordered from

"It was not practical to open the High School since our school buses transport both

students at the same time," John Jordan, Superintendent of Murphy City Schools said. The Elementary School has an enrollment of 829 and the

Area schools recently lost eight days of classes due to snow thus putting the schools schedule twelve days behind.

At presstime, a closing date ending the 1966 school year had not been set by school offiused to make up lost time.

# Truancy Warrant Brings Gunfire; Deputy Wounded

tendance laws, which sent one woman to jail here two weeks ago, brough gunfire, wounding Cherokee County deputy when he tried to serve another truancy warrant in the same rural section, Friday.

Deputy Robert Hartness was wounded in the head by shotgun pellets, and 19-year-old Robert Thomas Halkum lodged in Cherokee County jail on three charges, assault with a deadly weapon, assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and resisting arrest.

The events began Friday morning when Hartness came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Logan Halkum in the Tomotla Community. He had a truancy warrant sworn out by Mrs. Ruby Bryson, County Attendance Officer. The pupil in question was Halkum's 13year-old son, Dale. Robert Halkum, according

gun at him and threatened to kill him. Hartness turned his back to the shotgun and went for help. He returned to the Halkum home about 2:30 p.m. with Cherokee County Sheriff Claude Anderson, Graham County Sheriff G. E. Brewer, Deputy Glenn Holloway and eight State Highway Patrolmen from District 6.

They surrounded the house, called for Halkum to come out, and when he refused, tossed a tear gas grenade toward the dwelling. It fell short.

State Trooper Don Reavis stated that a second grenade exploded near a window, a shotgun blast came from the house, wounded Deputy Hartness and the officers surrounding the house opened fire.



Ray C. Sims

# Sims Seeks Nomination For Sheriff

Ray C. Sims announced this week that he will seek the Democratic Nomination for Sheriff of Cherokee County in the May Democratic Convention.

Sims was born in Jackson County, but has been a resi-dent of Cherokee County for the past 26 years. He is 33 years of age and a graduate of the Murphy Schools, Mars Hill College, and the University of Tennessec. He is also a graduate of the Non-Commissioned Officers Academy (lecclin, Korea, 1954), and the Army Combat Leaders School in Korea. He has had a year of Criminology Study at the University of Tennessee,

He was an active Boy Scout and Assistant Scoutmaster for a number of years. As an active member of the First Baptist Church for the past 24 years, he has taught Sun-School and served as an R. A. Counselor, He has served two years in the U.S. spending sixteen Army-months in Korea.

He has been employed by the Murphy Schools and is presently employed by the Cherokee County Board of Education as a teacher at Hiwassee Dam

### Murphy Schools To Resume Friday No Heat Has Been The Trouble

High School, 634.

cers, however Jordan stated that Saturday classes will be

Shot From A Window

CHEROKEE COUNTY DEPUTY ROBERT HARTNESS suffered facial injuries from a shotgun blast fired from this window of the Halkum residence. The photo was taken from where Hartness was standing beside a tree taking cover as officers surrounded the house. The distance from the tree to the house is about

silence fell over the scene," Reavis said.

house and officers discovered \$5,000 bond. that he had not been shot, but that a fragment from the exploding grenade near the window had cut his hand.

According to Sheriff Anderson, Halkum was seen at the window with a shotgum and fired the weapon, wounding Hart-

Hartness was released from He was struck with several pellets, but not seriously injured.

Robert Halkum was sentenced Tuesday to four months in the State Prison on the assault with a deadly weapon charges at a hearing before Justice of the Peace, Hugh M. Brittain. On the assault

"Screams 'I've been shot', with a deadly weapon with incame from the house, and a tent to kill and the resisting charges, he was bound over to the March 28 term of Cherokee Halkum came out of the County Superior Court under

The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Logan Halkum were also charged on three counts, truancy of their child, aiding and abetting in assault with a deadly weapon, and resisting arrest. They have been bound over to Superior Court under

\$2,000 bond each. Dale Halkum has been placthe hospital after treatment. ed in the charge of juvenile authorities.

State Troopers involved in Friday's stake-out at the Halkum home were Sgt. J. L. Wilson, Cpl. W. L. McDonald and Troopers Don Reavis, P. J. Miller, L A. Turner, J. M. Shuler, W. G. Leming, and Z. V. Hawes.

## Cherokee County Man Breaks Story On Julian Bond Case

By: Barbara R. Sampson

Cherokee County's Ed Spivia recently fulfilled every newsman's dream when he broke a "big story" - the Julian Bond controversy in Atlanta.

Spivia's Julian Bond news-

break has been carried by such papers as the Atlanta Constitution, Augusta Herald, Rome News Tribune, and the Macon Telegraph. The American Broadcasting Company carried a special report about Spivia's involvment in the case, and United Press International made it available worldwide.

The extensive coverage of the young newsman's feat in the Georgia Capitol hassle makes complete repetition needless. To summarize briefly, Julian Bond, Negro representative elected from a North Atlanta district, allegedly denounced United States policy in Viet Nam and advocated that American youth avoid the draft.

Spivia, sent to get the story, interviewed Bond, who is a pacifist. The newsman taped the interview and subsquently used the two tapes on a WGST newscast. The lid blew off. Spivia was summoned to bring the tapes and appear before a session of special committee of the Georgia House of Representatives, which was reviewing petitions against seating Julian Bond in the House. The tapes were introduced over the objections of Bond's counsel.

After a four-hour session, the committee recommended that Bond not be seated. House Members voted 184-12 to accept the committee recommendation. It was stated that the action was taken, not because of his race, as contended, but because of Bond's unpatriotic comments as established by the tapes. This contention was justified on the grounds that seven other Negro representatives had been duly seated. On Jan. 29. a three-judge federal court upheld the House action and dismissed Bond's case.



Ed Spivia

Ed Spivia, son of Mrs. Burton Graves of Rt. 4, Murphy, was born and reared in this area, graduating from Hiwassee Dam High School in 1959. Soon after graduation, he and Judy Swanson, a classmate, were married. Mr. and Mrs. Spivia now have two young

Spivia attended Young Harris Junior College for a time, leaving there to begin his career at Station WLSB, Copperhill. There he served a sound apprenticeship, working in all capacities demanded by the needs of a small station operating with a minimum but versatile staff. From Copperhill he went to WKRK in Murphy, then to WMSJ, Sylva. He left WMSJ to take the position he now holds as radio newsman at WGST, At-

His former teachers at Hiwassee Dam express pleasure but no surprise at Spivia's success. Grady Anderson, Social Studies Department, co-mmented that "Eddie was a fireball of energy and enthusiasm, always talking about radio at every opportunity."

As a star basketball player during his school, Spivia is recalled by his coach, Lyle Carringer, as a real hustler, who would naturally make good at any job he set his mind to