



Free Parking Lot To Be Ready This Weekend

The lot on the corner of Central and Church Streets, which is owned by the First Baptist Church, has been turned over to the Town of Murphy to be used as a free public parking lot and, weather permitting, the lot is expected to be ready for use by this weekend.

Double Parking

Double parking in the area around the square has been ordered stopped by Police Commissioner Wally Williams.

Williams pointed out that when persons unable to find parking spaces park behind cars that are in meter spaces in the square area, they block those cars that are properly parked. He has directed the police force to issue tickets for this violation.

The Commissioner also said motorists parking on the islands in the square will be cited although he acknowledged this has not been as serious a problem as that of double parking.

Williams has asked that motorists use care to park within the painted lines in parking spaces, too. He states that failure to do so eliminates the possibility of someone using a space next to one containing an improperly parked vehicle.

Tippet Seriously Hurt In Wreck

James Adam Tippet, 78, of Young Harris, Ga., was seriously injured Monday morning when the car he was driving crashed five miles east of Andrews on US 19 129.

Patrolman Don Reavis said Tippet was travelling west when his car ran into the right side ditch. He pulled out and swerved across the road into the bank on the left side. The car travelled 200 feet before hitting the bank.

Murphy-Manteo Project Completed Successfully

The Murphy Jaycees have succeeded where all other efforts have failed in extending their assistance to the organization of the Dare County Junior Chamber of Commerce in Manteo.

Four members of the local club, President Jack Owens, Second Vice President Curtis Hewlett, State Director James Helton and Herb Swain drove to Manteo last weekend for the final organizational meeting of the Dare County club.

There are 29 members in the new club which plans to hold its Charter Night banquet sometime in January. Gov. Dan K. Moore, National Jaycee President Bill Suttle and State Jaycee President Irvin Aldridge will be invited to attend along with other national and state Jaycee officials.

The Murphy-Manteo extension is the longest in the history of the state and is believed to be the longest extension in the entire country. Owens talked with National President Suttle in Tulsa, Okla. last Saturday and Suttle

The work on the lot is being done by Wimpey's Bulldozing and Trucking which submitted the low bid on the job. It will be paid for by the town.

The public is invited to use the lot and the only restriction on it is that parking spaces be observed and cars parked improperly are subject to citation by the police.

Progress is being made on the Odum lot on Central St. also and it is expected to be ready in from 10 days to two weeks. Work has been delayed due to bad weather. The Town Board has not yet determined the way this lot will be operated.

\$100 Offered In Lighting Contest

Murphy Power Board and Radio Station WKKR are offering \$100 in prize money for their Christmas lighting contest. All homes and churches served by the Power Board are eligible.

The lighting will be judged in two categories—regular and religious. Person setting up scenes should be certain not to mix commercial and religious schemes. First, second and third place prizes of \$25, \$15 and \$10 will be awarded in each category. Judging will be conducted sometime during Christmas week.

The Power Board will lend assistance to anyone wishing to have help in planning their lighting display.

The judging guide for the contest allows a maximum of 100 points for a display. Artistic merit and lighting techniques are each allowed a maximum of 30 points and up to 20 points can be awarded for originality and ingenuity.

The Power Board stresses that indiscriminate use of expensive decorations is not a sure way to win.



Vandalism!

THE WISE MEN in the Christmas display on top of the Murphy Power Board Building lean sideways after vandals cut the supporting guy wires last Thursday night. The flood lights which illuminate the scene were smashed. It is believed the vandals climbed the side of the building using a rain spout for support. Footprints were found in the grass where it is believed they leaped after disfiguring the Christmas scene.

Stalcup, Earwood Arrest Suspects Soon After Theft

Three Chattanooga residents were arrested in Murphy Saturday afternoon and charged with larceny in connection with the theft of \$157 from Glen Hembree's market on

Valley River Avenue a short time earlier.

James Kidd, 22, Frances Meanes, 22; and Walter Bullock, 25, were charged and jailed under \$1,000 bond each. The police also picked up James C. Hopkins, 22, but he was released without being charged due to lack of evidence.

The three were tried in District Court Monday morning. Bullock pleaded not guilty but was found guilty. He was fined \$200 plus the costs and a 24 month jail sentence was suspended.

The charges against Kidd and the Meanes woman were dropped.

Glenn Hembree told police that he was at the meat counter in the rear of his store when he saw a man come in and started to walk toward him when he heard the bell on the cash register ring in the front of the store. Hembree's wife was in the basement at the time and he knew no one should have been opening the cash register. He asked the man "did you want something?" The answer was no and at that point, the stranger and another man, who had been at the cash register, fled.

Hembree attempted to chase them on foot and when he failed, called the police. He told police both were wearing white trench coats.

A short time later, Assistant Police Chief Pete Stalcup observed two men wearing white trench coats and a woman crossing Tennessee St. at the square. He put them under arrest. They were Kidd, who was identified as the man who walked toward the rear of Hembree's Market, Hopkins, who was later freed, and the Meanes woman.

The three offered no resistance and told Stalcup that Bullock, who was identified as the person opening Hembree's cash register, was to pick them up "at the store next to the Post Office" (Howell's Market).

Patrolman Dale Earwood, who joined the force just last week was staked out nearby and he arrested Bullock in front of Howell's a short time later.

Stalcup said all the money taken from Hembree was recovered.

The group was known to have visited several stores in the downtown area prior to the incident at Hembree's. Persons fitting their description made a purchase at Carolina Hardware and offered a \$100 bill for the merchandise. A billfold was stolen from a woman's pocketbook at Carolina Hardware around the time they appeared there.

Officers Raid Murphy Home

Sheriff's deputies Glenn Holloway and Robert Hartness along with Federal Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Unit agents and a state ABC officer conducted a raid Sunday morning inside the Murphy city limits that resulted in the arrest of two persons.

Johnny and Lydie Ferguson were charged with possession of eight and a half gallons of non-tax paid white liquor which the officers found in and around their home on Rural Road 1363.

The two face a Federal charge in court at Bryson City.



Know Your Police

WILLIAM C. (PETE) STALCUP serves as Assistant Chief of the Murphy Police. His service with the department goes back to 1946. Between then and 1954 Stalcup served as a policeman and a deputy sheriff under Sheriffs L.L. Mason, Sr., Frank Crawford, M.G. Crawford and Luke Carver. He went to work for the N.C. Wildlife Commission in 1954 and rejoined the police force in 1960. Stalcup recalls that when he originally joined the force, he and Neil Sneed were the only members and that they worked a 12-hour shift, seven days a week. A veteran of World War II, Stalcup was wounded in combat in Italy in 1944. He and his wife, Barbara, are the parents of three children.

ZIP Code Helps Santa & Helpers

ZIP Codes will help Santa and his helpers deliver Christmas presents this year. Postmaster Joe Ray today emphasized that the proper ZIP Code in the address will help assure on-time delivery of Christmas presents sent through the mail.

"Every Christmas several million of Santa's presents travel through the mails. In a great many instances, ZIP coded parcels travel by shorter routes and are handled fewer times because the five digits help postal clerks choose more direct transportation routes," the Postmaster said. "This means there is less chance for damage to the gifts because they are handled fewer times."

"There is nothing more unpleasant for postal employees than not being able to deliver a Christmas package and knowing that some youngster won't receive the gift because the address was illegible," Postmaster Ray said.

"The key to the best possible postal service is ZIP Code. If you don't have the ZIP Codes for any addresses on your mailing list, they can be obtained through the Post Office."

The Redheads Are Coming!

The Redheads are coming to town on January 21! The Murphy Jaycees will try their luck at playing a nationally famous girls team that makes a habit out of beating men's basketball teams.

The game will be played at the Murphy High School gym beginning at 7 p.m.

The Redheads have long been noted for their antics and "behaviors" on the court and are tuned right in to fan interest.

Advance tickets for the game are on sale by the Jaycees now.

Political Game Continues As Tax Listers Are Named

The name of the game is politics and the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners showed their skill at playing it as they appointed tax listers for the County's six townships in a special meeting Monday.

Chairman W. T. Moore had

indicated earlier that he would not object to the Republicans' suggestion that a member from each party be appointed in the townships located in the third district which has two Republican members on the board. The other two Democrats on the board would not

go along with this, however.

The main controversy erupted over appointments for Notia Township which is located in both Districts two and three.

Democrats Andrew Barton and Ray Sims indicated their wish to appoint two Democrats for the township and Republican Jack Simonds insisted that one of the listers should be a Republican.

The Republicans supported Verlin Anderson as their candidate and the Democrats were in favor of Homer Davidson and Charlie Atkins who were elected with the double vote of Chairman Moore.

"I thought you were going to throw politics out when you cleaned the Courthouse out", Simonds told Moore.

Moore and Republican Carlyle Matheson had previously agreed among themselves to appoint Democrat Pitt Almond and Republican Marvin Dean Adams in Valleytown Township which is located in their district and the board concurred in this.

When attention was turned to other townships located entirely in District three, Moore stated his willingness to go along with his previously stated intention of appointing one member from each party but Sims and Barton persisted in their efforts to elect all Democrats.

During the discussion over the splitting issue, Sims said "I'm not gonna split any."

The Republicans nominated Lester Cole and Christine Golden in Hothouse Township and the Democrats nominated Jack Gaddis and Mrs. Charles McGill. Cole and Mrs. McGill were elected. Moore voted for Cole making the vote 4-2 and he was forced to cast his extra vote on Mrs. McGill.

Virginia Patton was the Republican lister selected for Beaverdam Township with a 3-2 vote as Moore abstained. The Democrats nominated Fred Martin and Allen Chambers. Martin was elected. Sims objected to Mrs. Patton's election because the board had not received an application from her although it was understood she had mailed one.

In Shoal Creek Township, the Republican choice, Walter N. Anderson was elected and Democratic nominee Clifford Stiles was elected. The other Democratic choice was Helen K. Loudermilk.

The commissioners voted 4-3, with Moore's extra vote, to allow the tax supervisor to make the appointments for Murphy Township.

Bonds for county officials were passed by the board and when Simonds and Sims found themselves voting together on one motion, they shook hands and laughingly remarked that they were working together for the good of the county.

The commissioners agreed to pay Mrs. Cleve Almond \$225 monthly to operate the commodity warehouse. She will have to pay any extra help she employs from this amount.

All unpaid county taxes from 1964 back were turned over to L. L. Mason, Jr. He will handle collection on a 20% fee basis and will receive a 25% fee on all old age liens he collects. Mason's salary as county attorney was set at \$100 per month.

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Reports, Election To Highlight Meet

President P.W. England of Hayesville said progress reports and the election of new trustees are among the business to be transacted at the annual meeting of the Upper Hiwassee Watershed Development Association on Friday December 30. It will be held at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center of Young Harris College.

Rep. Phil M. Landrum (D-Ga.) will be the featured speaker at the meeting.

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Sandra K. Mintz, Joe Fowler Win Top Prize

Sandra K. Mintz, Rt. 1, Marble has held onto her lead in the point standings and is the winner of our grand prize. She gained ten points by finishing first in the first week of the contest and took the lead never to relinquish it by winning first place several weeks later.

The grand prize is a football weekend in Atlanta to see the Falcons play the Pittsburgh Steelers Sunday. The Scout offered two tickets to the game and free lodging to the winner.

Miss Mintz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Mintz, will be unable to make the trip to Atlanta and The Scout is awarding her a cash prize in place of the football trip.

She has been confined to a wheel chair since 1961 when she was injured in an automobile accident between Ellijay and Blue Ridge, Ga. She was employed by the telephone company in Atlanta at the time.

Miss Mintz told The Scout she has always been an avid sports fan and she attributed her ability to pick winners in our contest to her close following of the game.

The winners for last week's final were: Lane Phillips, Rt. 1, Andrews, first place; B.T. Sanders, Box 293, Murphy, second place; and Efton C. James, Rt. 3, Murphy, third place.

Solid Progress Found In Chamber's Program

The Murphy Chamber of Commerce reviewed its first six months of work since it was reactivated last summer and found it has made solid progress in six of the 10 projects to be worked on this year. The review was made at a meeting Tuesday night.

The accomplishments listed are:

1. The Chamber has promoted two of the five retail sales it plans during the year.
2. The groundwork has been laid for a "Know Your Industries" week.
3. The Chamber has promoted off-street parking and this will soon become a reality with the preparations being made on a lot owned by the First Baptist Church and the Odum lot.

Four Square Program Will Be Televised Next Month

A Knoxville television station has notified officials of Four-Square Community Action that it will present a one-half hour show covering Four-Square's Physical and Mental Fitness program on January 29, 1967.

Peter Fenelly, Program Director of WBIR-TV informed Four-Square of the date last week. It will be the first of two shows involving Four-Square to be presented on television. The date for the second, which will feature the activities of a Community organizer working with the poor, has not been set.

Bob Goforth, Four-Square Executive Director and Jack Frauson, Director of Physical and Mental Fitness have been working with WBIR-TV personnel for several weeks in preparing the show. Officials of the office of Economic Opportunity in Washington also participated in the planning. Four-Square is the official Economic Opportunity Agency



Sandra K. Mintz

lowing of the game. The Scout offered the same football weekend to one of the advertisers on our contest page and the drawing for this was won by Joe Fowler of the Murphy 66 Service Station. Over \$400 in cash and prizes have been awarded by The Scout in this year's contest.

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57 Complete Self Help

Fifty seven students in Murphy High School have completed the Medical Self Help Emergency First Aid Training sponsored by the Cherokee County Civil Defense in cooperation with the State of North Carolina Civil Defense Agency and the North Carolina State Board of Health.

Training Kits have been made available for all high school students in Cherokee County.



MAYOR WALLACE W. HARVEY of Manteo presents a Lost Colony flag to President Jack Owens of the Murphy Jaycees in appreciation of the local club's help in organizing the newly formed Dare County Jaycees. The Lost Colony of Sir Walter Raleigh was located on Roanoke Island, the present site of Manteo, and Dare County was named for Virginia Dare, believed to be the first white child born in America. Looking on are (l to r) 22nd District Vice President Jack Swanger of Waynesville; Clifton Wright, President of the new Dare County club; Harvey; Owens and Vice President Curtis Hewlett of the Murphy club.