



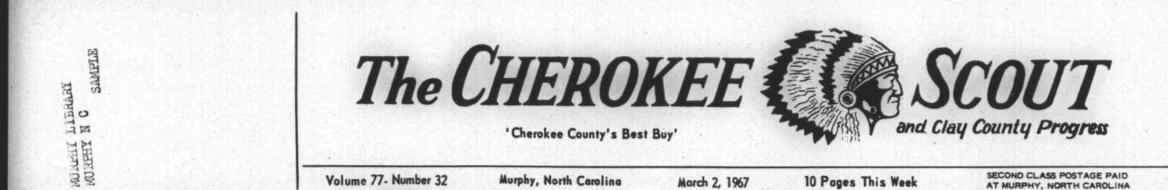


FTER A SNOW-FREE WINTER, the Murphy area was hit h a fast-moving storm system that dumped about three thes on the ground in a few hours Monday morning. The snow e along with a warming trend that followed the longest

cold spell of the year. The T\ A weather observer said the low Saturday morning was zero at 6 a.m. and the high for the day Saturday was a frigid 27 degrees at 3 p.m.. These photos by Scout Studio Manager Weaver Carringer were taken at the

at the western city limits is almost deserted in the center untouched.

peak of the snow-fall. The left photo, taken from the road lead- photo as a single car heads toward town. Tire marks on the ing to Rimco, shows the Hiwassee River in the foreground, the Southern Railway yard and houses in Murphy. Highway 64 on US 64 west, but the lane leading to the house on the hill is



Graham Worker Dies In Freak Explosion

ROBBINSVILLE ----- H.M. Illaps, 50 of Graham County as killed Monday in a freak colosion at a highway const-action site two miles north Robbinsville. It is believed that Millsaps

rilled into a hole loaded with dynamite charge. The accident occured just

ter noon, when the Wilkes onstruction Co. crew, orking on U.S. 129, had fin-

Kenneth Caldwell of Hazelood, a driller who was ssisted by Millsaps, said e had just walked toward an

ir compressor to put up his anch pail when he heard the xplosion. When he looked ar-Church.



Donald Gregory **Gregory** Named

Caldwell said. A taxi driver, Posey Roberts, was driving up the highway toward Robbinsville when he heard the explosion. Roberts said he saw a body

Millsaps was gone,

hurdling through the air, land and roll downhill toward a lake. Caldwell said Millsaps body was thrown about 100

feet from the explosion. Millsaps is survived by the widow, Mrs. Inez Hensley Millsaps, three daughters and three sons.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Old Mother

The Rev. Frank Jones and the Rev. Leslie Hedrick officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Luther McGuire, Vaughn Rogers, Ro-bert Moore, Kenneth Rogers, Leon Moore and Joe Millsaps. Townson Funeral Home was in charge.

Bank Gains 308 Places In Rank

Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Murphy gained 308 places in its standing among the 2,000 largest commercial banks in the United States during 1966.

trade paper of the banking bus-

There are approximately

Cherokee County

13,500 banks in the United

iness.

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Bates at 837-3617.



PAUL WATSON (left) of Hayesville shows instructor Bert Smith a homemade apparatus for puncturing cans of methyl bromide used to fumigate plant beds. Johnny and Jimmy Hogsed (standing) are among 48 students from Cherokee and Clay Counties who have been attending a six week course on Tomato Training at the John C. Campbell Folk School. The course ends Friday.

Steady Progress Seen At American Thread

Construction on American estimates Thread's new Cherokee Plant fix late April as the time when of the building and all its sysat Marble has been progressing steadily throughout the tems will be completed. Process machinery has al-

Most of the brick siding has ready begun to arrive and already been erected and a roof now covers the entire December. Once complete, the Cheroperating area. Inside, nearly

now available target date to start the hiring operating regular personnel.

In stressing American Thread's concern for its employees, Lamb pointed out deliveries will continue into that the company has set up an extensive training program. Once complete, the Cher-okee Plant, which is located on are 30 men from the Marble

Boy Found After Spending Night In Cold Mountains

Ten-year-old 'Pedro" Bryson of Marble spent a cold night in the snowmountains of Chcovered erokee and Graham Counties Sunday night. He was found Monday morning, unharmed except for frost-bitten feet. Over 600 men from six counties either participated in the search or were ready to go into action when he was found.

The boy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Bryson, missed him around 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

The Andrews Rescue Souad began the search at 7 p.m. Sunday. The Nantahala Rescue Squad and the Cherokee County Rescue Squad joined them a short time later and midnight, the Cherokee County Sheriff's Depart-

ment and the Graham County Rescue Squad were combing the hills, too.

The Hayesville Rescue Squad stayed on stand-by and crawled into a hollow tree joined the search at daylight. trunk and called the dogs in Rescue Squads from Union and Swain Counties were on with him.



"PEDRO" BRYSON of Marble catches up on his sleep in District Memorial Hospital after spending a night in the cold, snowy mountains of Cherokee and Graham counties. (Staff Photo by Berry)

> was below 10 degrees during the night.

Women living in the area kept hot coffee available throughout the night for the searchers as they came in to

He said he was with three dogs and when the dogs began chasing a rabbit, he followed them. When it got dark, he

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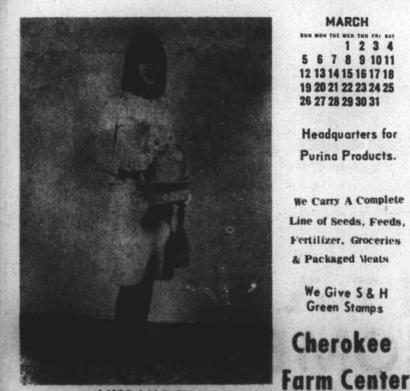
Alvin Penland, President of our-Square Community Action nc., has announced the ppointment of Donald regory as Director of Outa year earlier. each Program for Adult and outh Services.

Gregory, who has been ssistant Director of Mental nd Physical Fitness, was elvated to the Directors posiion of the Outreach Program when Jack Frauson was ap-pointed as Executive Director f Four-Square Community

ction, Inc.

Gregory, 35, a four year Navy Veteran, attended Wes-**Cancer** Clinic ern Carolina College. Greg-Cancelled ory taught at Nantahala High School and the Graham County Cancer Clinic set for March 9 School System prior to his at the Health Department in appointment with Fourare. He also coached footall and basketball.

Gregory is married to the ormer Joan Garland and they nave one daughter, Lisa, age seven.



MISS MARCH Miss Mory D. Cheney, daughter of Mrs. Ruth Cheney, Murphy, N.C.

three-fourths of the building's It now ranks as the 1924 concrete floor is poured and largest in size compared to the office area is now framed 2232 place at the end of 1965. out with cinder blocks. Still to be completed are CB&T reported deposits of the plumbing, heating, \$20,413,424 on December 31, 1966 compared to \$16,624,175

winter months.

electrical and air conditioning systems. Given good weather, best The figures were revealed in the 1967 Annual Roll Call

Chamber Gives published by the daily "Amer-ican Banker" of New York, the \$175 Cash

> The Murphy Chamber of Commerce awarded cash prizes totalling \$175 last week observance of the loca' Washington's Birthday Sale. Howard Moody, Hickory St., Murphy, won the grand prize of \$100 in a drawing held on Wednesday, Washington's Birth-

day. Kenneth Thomas, Rt. 3, Murphy has been cancelled. Murphy, won \$75 in a drawing held on Tuesday of last week. Tickets for the drawing Those wishing appointments for the April 13 Clinic are asked to call the Health were distributed by merchants Department or Mrs. Emogene who are members of the Chamber of Commerce.

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more than a quarter of a million square feet of floor space. That space will house the most training will involve the inmodern equipment now available to the textile industry.

To be fully air conditioned the plant will utilize electricity as its only source of power. As a result, it will have no smokestack and no smoke will be given off.

According to Dan Lamb, Plant Manager, about 325 people will eventually be employed at the Cherokee Plant. He went on to say that present hiring plans call for the gradual staffing of the plant as permitted by the rate of machinery installation. May 1 has been set as the plants in the company.

Lady Bird Schedules WNC Visit This Month

WASHINGTON ----Lyndon B. Johnson will visit month.

make a three-day visit to school rooms in Appalachia to look at what has been done with federal funds bolstering programs from kindergarten

Foodliner **Now Open**

Gibson's IGA Foodliner opened for business Wednesday on US 19 at the west end of Andrews.

Floyd Gibson said a Grand Opening will be announced in The Scout later.

The Foodliner is the largest supermarket in the Tri-State area.

Gibson also reopened his Dairy Whip which is located next to the new supermarket.

He announced Fred West and Mirs. Glade West are the new ident managers of the Dairy Whip. filed.

a 100 acre site, will provide area currently training to be skilled machinery fixers.

An important part of their stallation of machinery as it is delivered.

Regular operating personnel will receive their training in a separate room complete withworkingmachinery. There, new employ will be taught the proper me-

thods of operating this new equipment. In commenting further, Lamb said that the excellent progress made and the high

job interest shown by employees from this area now in training have made him confident that the Cherokee Plant will soon be one of the best

Mrs. through college. visit While the whole itinerary western North Carolina this has not been set, Mrs. Johnson's press secretary did

indicate she will visit Western The President's wife, ac-companied by Secretary of and Canada Township near Welfare John W. Gardner, will Asheville where members of the Teacher Corps are at work.

> Mrs. Johnson will visit in the Charleston, W. Va. area on March 13 and then come to Asheville.

Following her stay in WNC, the First Lady will fly to Nashville for ceremonies on March 15 commemorating the 200th anniversary of the birth of President Andrew Jackson.

Truck Runs Over Bank

A Ledford Cleaner's truck driven by Creed Coffee rolled down an embankment in the Beaver Creek section Monday

morning. Coffee escaped injury by jumping out of the truck as it started to go over the bank. The snow and ice on the road

were blamed for the accident and no charges were their way to help when "Pedro" was found.

A group of men headed by Mr. Williams of the Graham "Pedro" was brought to Andrews District Memorial County Rescue Squad and Mr. Hospital for observation. Dr. F.E. Blalock said the boy Truell of Marble found the boy around 9:30 a.m. Monwas in good condition conday in the Slick Rock secsidering his long, cold night ion of Graham County. of exposure.

"Pedro" was dressed in Snow began to fall in the a hooded sweatshirt, pants area after the search got and loafers.

The dogs stayed with the boy throughout the night and gave him warmth.

report on their progress. "Pedro's" first request

when he got home was that his friends, the dogs, be fed too. A greater tragedy was feared when the boy was first reported missing. The Columbia Marble Co. operations are less than a mile from the Bryson home and there was apprehension that he might have fallen into an open mineunderway and the temperature shaft.

Cultural Planning Program Underway

One of the most far- Cherokee. reaching projects resulting from the new federal assistance for schools is the 14 1/2 music teachers and Cultural Planning Program for Eight Mountain Counties.

The program which started December 1, 1966 was funded under Title III of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965.

Title III provides grants to local schools for establishment of supplementary education centers and services. A wide range of activities may be authorized under this title. School administrations are to co-operate with other educational and cultural interests in the community.

Jackson County school authorities under Paul Buchanan, Superintendent, and Mrs. Albertine Thompson, ESEA Dir-ector, realized that music, art and crafts instruction was a neglected area in the schools and in the communities.

Securing the co-operation of eight western counties, they gathered facts to show the cultural needs of the rea. An application was made to federal authorities and they were given funds to set up a planning group.

The planners will formulate program to eliminate the cultural deprivations in the area and apply for funds to put this program into operation. The counties involved are Haywood, Iransylvania, and those west, Jackson, Macon, Swain, Graham, Clay and

In this area at the time of the application there were only 3 1/2 art teachers in all the 75 schools of the area. In other parts of the country, many schools have trained art and music specialists in each school.

This section holds a rich folk heritage in music and in the arts. The schools can give only modest opportunity for children to develop their musical abilities.

of the country, craft skills were learned in families or in a few craft centers. But training in design and color was hard to find. All of us know of talent which has never had the needed help to develop. There is hidden talent which can be found and nurtured.

As these interests in music and art are helped to grow, some people will find they can go into new occupations using all their abilities. Others will find partime occupations using all their abilities.

As one of the craft centers

EDITORIAL:

The Choice Is Clear

A hearing in Washington on March 22 will determine whether Murphy or Blue Ridge, Ga. will receive an FM radio station.

Both Murphy AM stations are daylight stations meaning they are authorized to operate only from sunrise to sunset. Murphy is without local night time radio service.

We believe that an FM station, operating here at night, would be a great public service and a beneficial addition to our community.

Our position may be surprising since newspapers and radio stations must compete for the advertising dollar of a comm-unity and we are endorsing another competitor. Our position should not be surprising at all. The Scout has always believed that competition is an es-

sential ingredient in success. There is always room for one more, whether it be in the advertising industry, or any other type of business.

Our choice is clear when a decision must be made to de-termine whether Blue Ridge, Ga. or Murphy will get an EM radio station.

we will be pleased to welcome an FM station to our community.