

Renewal Authority Buys Mulkey Land

Murphy Man Injured In School Explosion

Burton Graves, 42, of Murphy, was one of 11 workmen injured in a gas explosion at the new high school gymnasium in Lenoir City, Tenn., Monday morning. Graves suffered first and second degree burns on his chest, arms and head. He is hospitalized at Fort Sanders Presbyterian Hospital in Knoxville.

The Knoxville Journal reported Tuesday that the explosion was apparently set off as workmen were trying to clear air from a gas line before connecting it to the gymnasium's hot water heater.

Police said the blast was set off by a spark of unknown origin, according to The Journal.

Bricks and concrete blocks were ripped out and 100 windows were shattered in one end of the building.

Graves is employed by City Electric Co. of Cleveland.

The gymnasium is located about 150 yards behind the main school building which was opened this fall as part of a \$2,300,000 high school complex. No school children were reported injured in the explosion.

Larry Shope Wins Football Contest

Larry Shope of Rt. 3, Murphy was the first place winner in last week's Scout Football Contest.

He won five dollars and was awarded five points in the competition for the grand prize for picking 20 winners out of 24 games.

Larry joins Karen Watson in a tie for first place in the grand prize standings. The winner will win two free tickets and \$25 expense money to see the Atlanta Falcons play the Chicago Bears on December 17.

He didn't need the tiebreaker to win, but his guess was close - Georgia 21, Clemson 17.

The tie breaker was used to separate the second and third place winners.

Sandra Mintz, last year's grand prize winner, won second place with 19 correct guesses and the closest call on the tie breaker score. Georgia defeated Clemson, 24-17, and she predicted Georgia would win 27-13.

Abby Mathis of Andrews took third place with 19 correct predictions but she picked Clemson to win, 17-13, on the tie breaker.

The second place winner receives three dollars and three points and third place pays two dollars and two points.

The results of the first two weeks of the contest emphasize the importance of the tie breaker.

Turn to the contest page and try your luck this week.

Commissioners Hold October Meeting

The Cherokee County Board of Commissioners held their October meeting Monday at the Courthouse.

County Attorney L. L. Mason Jr. advised the Commissioners that he investigated the question of authority to act on the establishment of an asphalt plant at Topton.

A group of Topton residents complained to the Board about the Asheville Paving Co. operation in August.

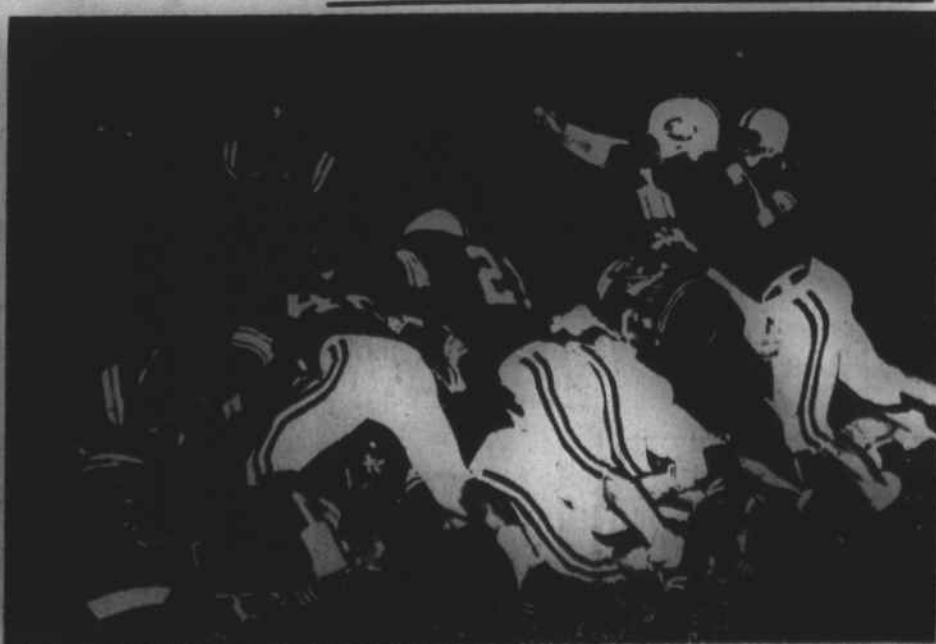
Murphy Bombs Franklin

The Murphy Bulldogs, paced by Doug Stevens, rolled over Franklin, 40-0, Friday night. Stevens scored three touchdowns and five extra points. He plunged across from the one in the first period and scored on a 25-yard pass from Roger Stiles in the second quarter to give Murphy a 13-0 lead at half-time.

Stiles passed to James Hembree and Mike Kepahrt made a one-yard plunge to account for the third period scoring.

Kepahrt scored on an eight yard run in the fourth period and Stevens went across from the one for the final touchdown.

The Bulldogs were forced to kick only once, while Franklin punted six times. Murphy recovered five Franklin fumbles.



UNDERNEATH THE PILE-UP lies six points for the Murphy Bulldogs! Doug Stevens manages to get across the goal line for Murphy. He's somewhere underneath the mass of humanity in Murphy's 40-0 win over Franklin. (Photo by Jim Morgan)



CLIFTON PRECISION PLANT MANAGER ED SCHULTE (left) AND CONGRESSMAN ROY A. TAYLOR unveil a plaque at the dedication and open house held Sunday at Clifton's Peachtree plant. The plaque was unveiled at the conclusion of Taylor's dedicatory address. (Photo by Dave Bruce)

2,000 Attend Clifton Precision Dedication

About two thousand persons attended the dedication and open house ceremonies at the Clifton Precision plant in Peachtree Sunday afternoon.

Rep. Roy A. Taylor made the dedicatory address.

"The Southeast is becoming a new frontier of opportunity in America," Taylor told the crowd.

Murphy "was recognized as a solid community with a good labor supply where people have deep roots and are not likely to leave the area after having been trained to perform specialized jobs," the Congressman said he was told by "a top company official."

He said western North Carolina is "strategically located to reap increased benefits from the economic revolution sweeping the Southeast."

Taylor was introduced by Sen. Mary Faye Brumby of Murphy. She praised him for his strong support of the Appalachian program in her introduction.

At the conclusion of his speech, Taylor and Clifton plant manager Ed Schulte unveiled a plaque to commemorate the dedication.

Alex Owen, president of the Clifton Division of Litton Industries, told the crowd "the significant factor in the success of Clifton is the people who work here."

He stated that "Clifton has a fine crew in Murphy."

James Weidenman, vice-president of the Servo-Components Division of Litton Industries, traced Litton's history back to 1953. "We're youngsters, I guess," he observed, noting that Murphy's beginnings can be traced back almost 200 years.

"Maybe we are an old-fashioned, new company but we set great store by America's homely, fundamental values," Weidenman said.

He noted that the dedication was a homecoming for Alex Owen. Mrs. Owen is the former Miss Mary Porter Fain of Murphy.

Chamber Votes \$1,000 For Ft. Butler Work

The Murphy Chamber of Commerce board of directors voted Monday night to make \$1,000 available to the Ft. Butler Historic Park and Museum group.

"Nothing could mean more to the future growth of tourism in the Murphy area than the restoration of Ft. Butler and the Chamber is behind this project all the way," president Max M. Blakemore said.

Joe Ray, chairman of the Ft. Butler project explained the group's plans to the directors at the Monday meeting.

FM Decision To Be Appealed

Max M. Blakemore told The Scout Monday the Federal Communications Commission hearing examiner's recommendation against an FM radio station for Murphy "will be appealed."

The examiner, Millard F. French, had recommended that the permit be issued to Robert P. Schwab, operating as Fannin County Broadcasting Co., for a station at Blue Ridge, Ga.

Blakemore, doing business as Cherokee Broadcasting Co., said the appeal will be made "on the grounds that the people in the proposed service area of Cherokee Broadcasting Company are not now able to receive North Carolina news or service from any North Carolina AM, FM or TV station at night."

French said Blue Ridge had a greater need for the FM station than Murphy. There are no radio stations in Blue Ridge at present.

Father Hautz To Be Installed Sunday



Father Hautz

In a special service scheduled for 6:00 p.m. Sunday, Fr. Roland Hautz will be installed as the new pastor of St. William's Catholic Church in Murphy.

Rev. Joseph Bumann, the Catholic priest from St. John's Church in Waynesville, will conduct the ceremony. Fr. Bumann is the Dean of Western North Carolina and one of his duties is to install new pastors in their parish. Fr. Bumann will represent Bishop Vincent S. Waters, D.D., Bishop of Raleigh, who is also the Bishop for the entire State.

Fr. Hautz will replace Rev. John McNearney who has been Pastor of St. William's the past few years. Fr. McNearney has already left for Washington D. C., where he will continue his studies for another year, after which he will take over a special year of training for men desiring to study to be Catholic priests.

Fr. Hautz is a native of Cincinnati. After 12 years of elementary and secondary

Catholic education, he began his studies for the priesthood at St. Gregory Seminary, Cincinnati. He graduated from the college there in 1949 with a B. A. Degree, majoring in philosophy. After that, he continued with five years of post-graduate work at St. Mary's Seminary in Norwood, Ohio, and Our Lady of the Fields Seminary in Glendale, Ohio.

He was ordained to the Catholic priesthood on May 17, 1953, for the Society of the Home Missioners of America, commonly known as the "Glenmary Fathers." His first assignment was at Statesboro, Ga.

After a short time in Georgia, Fr. Hautz was transferred to Norton, Va. where he worked for a few years with Fr. Raymond Dehen, who was also one of the earlier pastors of St. William's Church in Murphy.

On June 1, 1955, Fr. Hautz was made pastor of St. Theresa Church in St. Paul, Va., where he continued his charge until coming to Murphy. Fr. Hautz spent 14 years in Virginia, more than 12 of which were devoted to the pastoral charge in St. Paul. Before coming to Murphy, Fr. Hautz had the distinction, in his own Society, of having the longest tenure as pastor of any man in one place.

After the installation ceremony Sunday, the parishioners of St. William's Church will have a Pot-luck Supper in his honor. The supper begins at 6:30 p.m. The public is invited to both the installation ceremony and to the supper, which will be held in the Community Room adjoining the Church.

Recreation Complex, Homesite Construction To Start In Early Spring

The Cherokee County Rural Renewal Authority completed the purchase last Thursday of 530 acres of land from Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mulkey for the development of the proposed recreation project and rural homesites three miles east of Murphy.

Each of the projects will be financed with a \$250,000 low interest loan from the Farmers Home Administration. Approval of the 30-year loans was announced in July.

The two \$250,000 checks were received last week and the deeds were transferred to the Authority and recorded last Thursday morning to complete the purchase.

The recreation complex totals 379 acres and 151 acres were purchased for the homesites.

The recreation complex will include an 18-hole golf course, a small lake, a picnic area, tennis courts, a skeet shooting range, and hiking and riding trails.

Eight homes will be built in the homesite project and 60 homesite lots will be developed.

The homes will be brick veneer, three bedroom units with water, sewer, electric heat, and landscaping. Each will be built on a lot of more than one acre.

Rural Renewal Leader Mack B. Ray said surveying and mapping is underway at the site now and construction will begin "as soon as the weather breaks in early spring."

He said "the cooperation of other agencies has been vital in this project" and he called for public support in making the recreation complex a success.

Ray pointed out that this project is the first recreation program to receive a Rural Renewal loan in North Carolina.

While discussing the benefits that will be derived from the recreation complex, Ray said Rural Renewal is "interested in things that are really vital to the upgrading of the economy of this area and we feel this complex will be a vital asset."

John T. Gill, chairman of the

Authority said the recreation complex will "be the equivalent of a new industry employing 200 people."

Over 389 local residents agreed in writing to support the recreation complex during a membership drive in June. Each of the signers paid an initial fee of \$10.

When completed, memberships will be \$10 per month or \$120 per year. A daily user fee will be charged other persons who desire to use the

complex.

In addition to local users the Authority expects many tourists will use the facilities. The site is within 2.5 miles of the proposed four-lane Appalachian highway.

The members of the Authority, in addition to Gill are Joe El Khouri, vice-chairman; Merle Davis, secretary treasurer; and Hadley Dicke and J. W. S. Davis.



MERLE DAVIS, secretary-treasurer of the Cherokee County Rural Renewal Authority, holds two checks worth a total of a half million dollars-loans from the Farmers Home Administration for the Cherokee County Recreation Complex and homesites on the Mulkey property which the Authority purchased last week. Looking on are (l to r) Authority chairman John Gill, Rural Renewal Leader Mack B. Ray, and Authority attorney Herman Edwards. (Photo by Dave Bruce)

Andrews, Bryson City Papers Sold To Group

Community Newspapers, Inc., a North Carolina corporation headed by Scout-Progress Publisher Jack T. Owens, announced the purchase this week of The Andrews Journal and The Smoky Mountain Times from Ted Smiley of Bryson City.

In a joint announcement Monday, Owens and Smiley said the sale also includes The Smoky Mountain Business Machine and Office Supply Co. and The Smoky Mountain

Travel Guide of Bryson City. The two newspapers will be printed at the Scout-Progress plant in Murphy under an agreement between The Scout and Community Newspapers, Inc.

Owens said The Andrews Journal and the Smoky Mountain Times will be independent newspapers that will comment editorially on issues of interest in their respective communities.

Marlin Warns Of False Servicemen

John Marlin, manager of Blue Ridge Mountain EMC, has warned customers of the electric co-op to be aware of persons misrepresenting themselves as electric system employees.

"We have learned that these people have been calling on homes in some parts of the TVA system and it is possible they will operate in our service area," Marlin said.

He pointed out that the same thing happened in this area some time ago.

"They go from house to house, inspect some portion of the electric wiring, and try to charge for correcting what they describe as a very dangerous condition," Marlin said.

He urges Blue Ridge

Mountain EMC customers to contact the office in Young Harris, Ga. if they are approached by anyone they have reason to believe is misrepresenting themselves on power matters.

Mallonee To Be Here

Tom L. Mallonee, assistant to Rep. Roy A. Taylor, will visit Cherokee and Clay Counties next Wednesday. He will be at the Town Hall in Andrews from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m., City Hall in Murphy from 11:00 to 12 noon, and the Town Hall in Hayesville from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Sylva ABC Store Open

Sylva's ABC Store opened Monday, it has been announced by Tom Murray, Chairman of the Sylva Board of Alcoholic Control.

The store is located at East Sylva Shopping Center, on US 19A near the east city limits, and will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

Sylva voters in August, by about a two to one majority, authorized the establishment of the Town Liquor Control Store. It is the first ABC Store ever to be located west of Asheville.



MISS OCTOBER

Miss Debbie Hensley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Hensley, Murphy, N.C.

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