

Appalachian Highway Letting Scheduled

Line-To-Murphy Link To Be Under Contract By March

Highway Commissioner W. Curtis Russ told The Scout Monday the entire 18-mile stretch of Appalachian Development Highway from the Tennessee line to Murphy should be under contract by March 1.

Russ said the first two six-mile portions from the state line east will be advertised for bids in January and the bids will be opened January 30.

He said the State Highway Commission will review the bids and act on them on February 2.

Bids will be asked on the final six-mile portion ending west of February and should be under contract on March 1, Russ said.

"With favorable bids, the entire 18-mile section will be under contract by March 1," the Highway Commissioner said.

He pointed out that it was unlikely any actual construction could be done prior to that due to weather conditions even had the contracts been let earlier.

The first contract letting was originally set for December.

"I'm very optimistic about the whole thing," Russ concluded.

Tom Cromwell Elected Four-Square President

Tom Cromwell of Bryson City was elected President of Four-Square Community Action, Inc. at the regular monthly meeting of the Executive Board in Andrews, November 9. He succeeds Alvin Penland of Hayesville.

Cromwell and his wife, Mary Evelyn, have two children Brenda of Bryson City and Rodney of Lynchburg, Va. Rodney has been employed by General Electric for the past eight years.

Cromwell is a Deacon of the First Baptist Church and vice-president of the Bryson City Lions' Club. He has been employed by Butler Enterprise, Inc., Winston-Salem for the past 20 years.

Frank Rodgers of Robbinsville was elected Vice-President.

Rodgers is married to Nellie Vaughn Massey. They have five children, Steve, Gary, Gail Marie, Sandra and Frank, Jr.

Rodgers is Mayor of Robbinsville, Chairman of Graham County Planning Board, member of Board of Directors of Lions Club, the Rescue Squad and is employed by the Nantahala Power and Light Company. He succeeds Tom Cromwell.

Rev. George Dalton of Hayesville was elected Secretary-Treasurer. Rev. Dalton is Pastor of First Methodist Church of Hayesville. Mrs. Dalton is a teacher in the Hayesville Elementary School. He succeeds Leroy English of Bryson City.

Graham County Rural Renewal Project Set

Rural Renewal projects have now been approved in all three counties participating in the program with the letting last week of a contract for the Fort Hill Homesites in Graham County.

The Hayesville Homesites in Clay County have been completed and the Malby homesites near Marble are under construction.

Rural Renewal Program Leader Mack B. Ray said the application for the Andrews Homesites is now in Washington. Sixteen homes are included in the \$250,000 project which will be located 1.5 miles southeast of Andrews.

The Graham County project will consist of 18 dwellings on a site near Robbinsville.

Ray said a \$250,000 Farmers Administration loan for the project was closed last Wednesday and a contract was let to P&B Construction Company of Waynesville by the Graham County Rural Development Authority on Thursday. Construction is scheduled to start before December 1.

Other current Rural Renewal projects include the Cherokee County Recreation Complex and adjacent homesites near Murphy and the Chatuge Shores Recreation Complex in Clay County.

The Cherokee County project has been approved and construction will begin in early spring.

Ray said the loan application for the Clay County project is now in Washington.

He added that a recreation project for Graham County is being developed.

The three counties are the only counties in North Carolina participating in the Rural Renewal Program.

Scout Office Closed 2 Days

The Scout Office in Murphy will be closed Thursday and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Thanksgiving Service Thursday

The Murphy Community Thanksgiving Service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Murphy Presbyterian Church.

The Rev. R. W. Prevost of the First Baptist Church will preach the sermon.

The offering from the service will be used for the Church Charity Fund which assists transients in need while passing through Murphy.

A balance of \$130.24 was in the fund after the last offering on Good Friday. Since then, \$108.61 has been spent and \$21.63 remains in the fund.

Rimco Holds Turkey Shoot

Rimco employees competed for 50 turkeys in a shoot at the plant recreation area Saturday.

The women shot with rifles while the men used shotguns in the competition.

Manager Peter J. McKeon reported Rimco employees saved a total of \$14,898 in the Citizens Bank and Trust Co. Christmas Club program this year.

Wildcats Face Tryon Thursday

The Andrews Wildcats will meet the Tryon Tigers at Owen High School in Swannanoa Thursday night at 8 to determine the Western Class A Football Championship.

The Wildcats won the Smoky Mountain Conference title and finished the regular season with nine wins and one tie. They defeated Rosman, 27-7, in their first playoff game at Andrews on November 10.

Tryon rolled over Baker'sville, 40-7, last Friday to earn their place in the playoff with Andrews.

Coach Pee Wee Hamilton said Rocky Hood is expected to see limited action in the game. Hood suffered a broken collarbone in the Homecoming Game against Hayesville.

Thomas Frye and David Allen are also expected to be back in action Thursday night. They were hurt in the playoff game against Rosman.



FORMER GOVERNOR TERRY SANFORD tapes his talk to Murphy friends and supporters for future television use. He met with the Murphy group at the Cherokee Restaurant last Thursday afternoon to discuss his possible race for the U.S. Senate. (Photo by Dave Bruce)

Terry Sanford Seeks Sentiment On Senate Bid In Cherokee, Clay

By Dave Bruce

Former Governor Terry Sanford concluded a day-long visit to southwestern North Carolina in Murphy last Thursday in his effort sound out voter sentiment about his possible bid for the U.S. Senate.

"I don't know if I'm going to run, but I'd like to," he told a group of Murphy friends and supporters during an informal coffee meeting at the Cherokee Restaurant.

Sanford said he will test voter sentiment for another month before deciding if he will run against Sen. Sam Ervin in the Democratic Primary next May.

"I'm going to run if I think I can win," he added. "If you hear I have announced, you'll know I think I can win."

The former governor said he'd like to make the senate seat "a real force to improve North Carolina. I want to put this office to work for the people of North Carolina."

He told the Murphy group "I'm more inclined to finding a way to do things than finding a reason for not doing them."

Earlier in the day, similar meetings were held in Robbinsville, Andrews and Hayesville.

Sanford began the day with a meeting attended by over 50 persons at the Graham County Courthouse.

He recalled there that he began his bid for the governor's chair in the mountains of western North Carolina and observed that this area would be a good place to start if he makes the Senate race.

Commenting on elements of the Democratic Party that threatens to bolt the party in 1968, Sanford said these "Democrats never were in the party if you want to know the truth."

At Andrews, he told his friends he will be a candidate only if he feels he can be elected. "I don't want to run just for the experience," he added.

He had the same message at an informal meeting in the Clay County courthouse.

After the meeting, he walked around the square in Hayesville, shaking hands and chatting with people.

He was interviewed by Ken Alford of WBT in Charlotte on the square in Hayesville and his remarks at Murphy were filmed for TV use.

Enroute to Murphy, Sanford visited some of the classes at Tri County Technical Institute at Peachtree.

School teachers in all towns visited during the day expressed their appreciation for Sanford's efforts on behalf of education while he was governor.

The Dawning Of A New Day

By Dave Bruce

Enroute to Robbinsville last Thursday morning, I watched dawn break over the ridges of the Valley River Mountains to the east.

Memories of 1960 floated back as I thought of the day ahead while it dawned.

I was on my way to Robbinsville to join former governor Terry Sanford for his day-long trip through Graham, Cherokee and Clay counties.

The memories forced a comparison between Terry Sanford and a young senator from Massachusetts, John F. Kennedy.

Their situations have some similarities. Sen. Kennedy was fighting the leadership of the national Democratic party for the presidential nomination and when he began there was no guarantee he could overcome the opposition of veteran party powers. Sanford, if he does run for the U.S. Senate, must butt heads with an entrenched incumbent who has accumulated much Senate seniority and who many people feel can not be beaten.

Thus, the former governor must convince members of his party that he can defeat Sen. Ervin in the primary and that he can retain the seat against Republican opposition.

I thought of the lonely airport stops John Kennedy made in the early part of 1960. Often he was lucky to find a half dozen supporters waiting.

I thought of Terry Sanford, who arose at 5 a.m. in Asheville to make the drive through the mountains and keep his 8 a.m. date with his friends in Graham County.

The comparison was valid.

When Sanford strolled through the door of the court room in Robbinsville the comparison became more

Deer Hunter Shot In Mouth

Kenneth Payne of Rt. 4, Murphy underwent surgery in an Asheville Hospital Monday night after being shot in the mouth while deer hunting in the Panther Top section near Sandy Gap Road.

Hospital officials said the wound was a grazing type that did not penetrate into the head.

Sheriff Claude Anderson said Payne was shot with a high powered rifle by Gerald Ledford, 45, of the Wolf Creek section.

Ledford said he was near a thicket when he saw the bushes move, thought it was a deer and fired.

Payne, home from Western Carolina University, was hunting with his father, Arthur K. Payne, when the accident occurred.

Father And Son Charged With School Break-In

Deputy Sheriff Glenn Holloway made the arrests after an investigation in which he was assisted by other members of the Sheriff's Department and Highway Patrolman Patt Miller.

Holloway said seven turkeys, 42 pounds of hamburger meat, 22 pounds of hot dogs and 52 cartons of milk were taken from the school.

He said one turkey was found buried in the ground at the Smith home. The other items have not been recovered.

Both defendants are being held under \$1,000 bond.

ZIP Does It!

Mrs. Dave Bruce received a letter last week addressed simply to North Carolina 28906. ZIP Codes get the job done!

Girl Struck And Killed While Aiding Motorist



Linda L. Stalcup

Linda L. Stalcup, 18, of Rt. 2, Murphy died of injuries suffered Sunday night when she attempted to aid another motorist involved in an accident on old US 64 near the Clay County line.

Highway Patrolman Don Reavis said JoAnn Henson, 18, of Warne was driving toward Murphy and attempted to pass Stalcup car. She lost control on a soft shoulder and ran off the road on the left side, striking an embankment.

Miss Stalcup stopped her car and got out to render assistance to the Henson girl, who was not hurt. She was struck by a vehicle driven by Doyle Brown, 30, of Rt. 1, Brassstown and knocked behind her own car.

She was brought to Providence Hospital where she died after being admitted.

No charges have been placed pending a coroner's inquest, Reavis said. He was assisted in investigating the accident by Patrolman Patt Miller.

Miss Stalcup is the ninth person to die on Cherokee County roads in 1967. There were no traffic deaths in 1966.

She was a 1967 graduate of Murphy High School and was employed by Peachtree Products.

Surviving are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stalcup of Rt. 2, Murphy; two sisters, Mrs. Charles Hemphill of Blairsville, Ga. and Rose Lee of the home; two brothers, Lloyd and Thomas of the home; and the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Bell Hughes of Murphy.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Old Martins Creek Methodist Church of which she was a member.

The Rev. Edward Lee and the Rev. Jack Palmer officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were cousins: Ronnie Clayton, Charles Smart, Leroy, Dennis, Alex and Jimmy Stalcup.

Nie Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Three persons were injured Saturday afternoon when the car in which they were riding ran off at Martins Creek road into a creek.

The driver, Jerry Lynn Carringer, 27, of Route 2, Murphy, told Reavis the steering came loose on the car. Carringer and Mary Palmer, 18, also of Rt. 2, Murphy, were treated and released at Andrews District Memorial Hospital.

Carringer's mother, Mrs. Onie Carringer, 55, was hospitalized.

Reavis said about \$1,400 in property damage resulted from a two-car collision 13 miles west of Murphy on US 64 Friday afternoon.

He reported Forest Bernard Johnson, 50, of Rt. 2, Culberson, pulled from a side road into the path of a car driven by Kenneth DeFoor, 40, of Chatsworth, Ga.

There were no injuries. Johnson was charged with failure to yield the right of way.

Reuben Moore, 27, of Brassstown was not injured when his car struck and killed a large dog on US 64 four miles east of Murphy Thursday night.

Reavis said damage to Moore's car was estimated at \$100.

Joann Matheson Takes First; Mauney Moves Up

Joann Matheson won first place in this week's Football Contest and last week's first place winner, Grover C. Mauney of Rt. 1, Murphy, placed second and moved into second place in the point standings for the grand prize.

Jane Colvard of Chattanooga and Juanita G. Killian of Rt. 3, Murphy tied for third place.

All four contestants had seven games wrong and the tie breaker was used to select the winner.

Three upsets and the Navy-Vanderbilt tie resulted in the high number of wrong predictions on the part of the winners.

Minnesota defeated Indiana 33-7 and Joann Matheson's prediction of a 14-7 win for Minnesota was the closest guess.

The other three winners picked Indiana and Grover Mauney won second place by one point with a 14-11 prediction. The third place winner said the score would be 14-10.

Mauney moves two and one-half points behind Don Gentry in the competition for the two tickets and \$25 expense money to see the Atlanta pro game on December 17.

Here are the pointstandings for the grand prize:

Don Gentry	10 1/2
Grover C. Mauney	8
E. C. James	5 1/2
Karen Watson	5
Larry Shope	5
James H. Kilpatrick	5
Patsy Hyde	5
Herbert Sheidy	5
Walter Ensley	5
Joann Matheson	5
Sandra Mintz	5
Boyd Pulliam	3
Don Gregory	3
Hoyt Brown	3
Terry Sanders	2 1/2
E. R. Voyles	2 1/2
Abby Mahis	2
Herbie Gibson	2
Mildred Burch	2
Dale Lunsford	2
James Nelson	2
Jane Colvard	1
Juanita G. Killian	1
Fran Crawford	2/3
Graham Bayless	2/3
Richard B. Caldwell	2/3



GRADING HAS BEGUN on this site about one half-mile east of the Murphy City Limits on US 19 for a proposed shopping center. The land is owned by William J. Wells of Murphy and Charles H. West of Andrews. Wells said a 100 x 700 foot building will be constructed to house from 10 to 12 stores. A 500-car parking lot is planned. He said construction of the building will begin in February or March. Wells and West are now in the process of securing tenants for the center. (Photo by Weaver Carringer)

Shopping Center Site