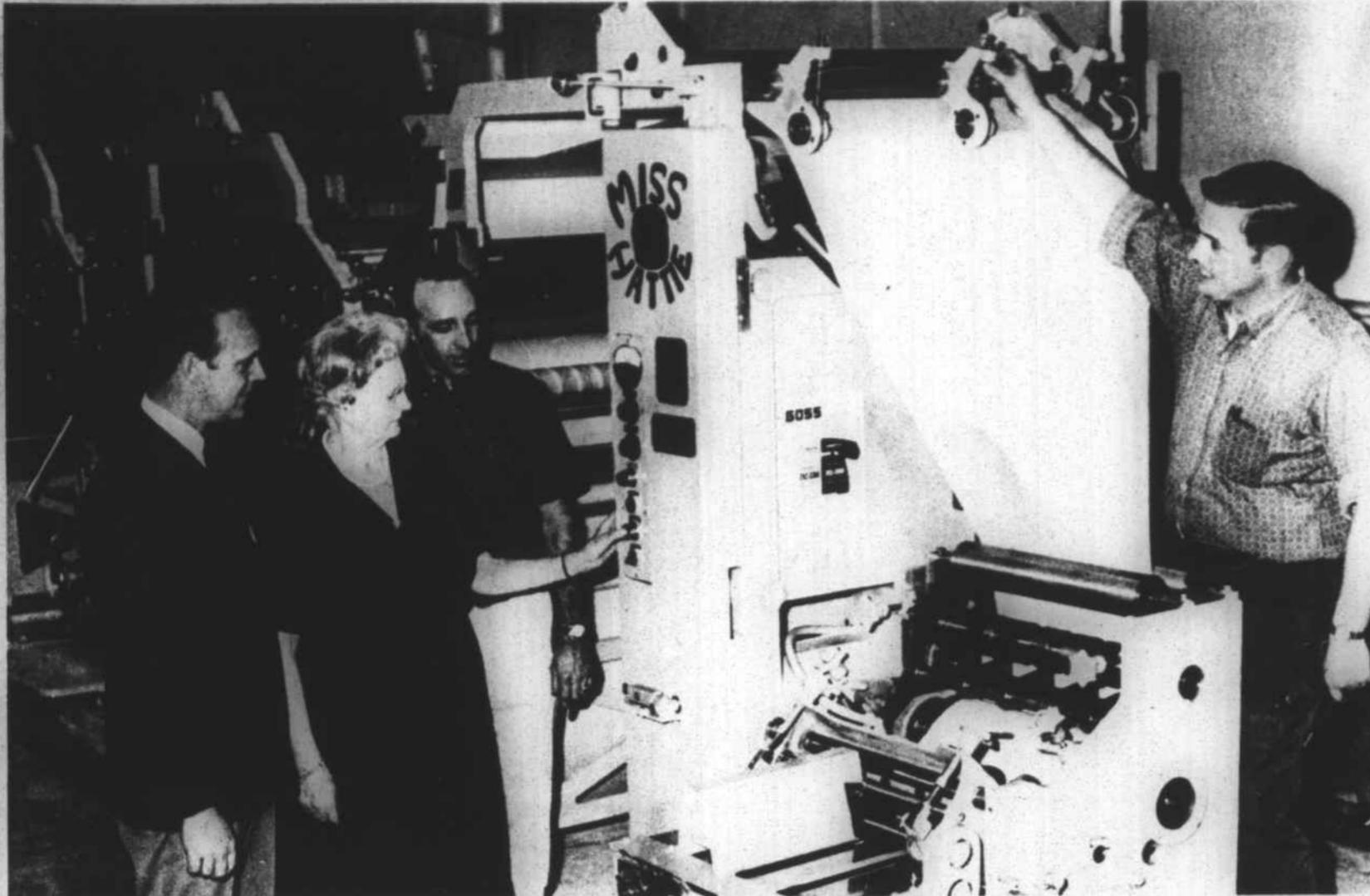


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The Oldest And The Newest

## Cardboard Subs For Postcard!

The U. S. Mail does get through, even on the cardboard lid of a C ration box!

PFC Jimmy Kimsey, serving in Vietnam, wrote a "postcard" to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Kimsey of Murphy, last week. Since the real thing wasn't available, Jimmy tore the lid off the box and made it the approximate size of a postcard.

"Getting along well, expect to move on Wednesday. Chilly nights, hot days, and plenty of dust. No steril technique. Only 356 days left. Pardon stationery. All I have," he wrote.

He wrote the "card" on Monday of last week, it was postmarked Tuesday and the Kimseys received it Saturday!

## Increased Employment Predicted For Rimco

Robert W. Lear, president of Indian Head, Inc., visited the company's Rimco Manufacturing Corp. plant in Murphy last Wednesday.

"One of our pleasant problems is increasing production," Lear said. He pointed out that the lace used in the Murphy plant is used in the highest quality lingerie and said that current fashion trends are using more lace than ever before.

"We are conducting a continuous expansion program" in Indian Head's Native Laces Division, he said. "Certainly over the next few months."

The number of employees at the Rimco plant will be increased, according to Lear.

The Murphy plant is presently working five and two-

thirds days a week on a three-shift basis.

Lear said, "the Murphy plant is one of the nicest and best we have." The plant recently completed an 8,000 square foot addition of floor space.

He pointed out that this expansion included the construction of additional office space that is not now needed and said this is an indication of the confidence he has in the continuous growth of the Murphy plant.

This was Lear's first visit to Murphy. He became president of Indian Head last fall.

"I enjoyed visiting Murphy on the first day of spring and I expect to be a regular visitor in the future," he said.

Lear was accompanied by Bill Dreury, Indian Head director of marketing and planning.

## Bob Scott Here Today

Lt. Gov. Bob Scott will bring his campaign for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination to Cherokee and Clay Counties today (Thursday), according to his western campaign manager W. Frank Forsyth.

The first stop will be at the Andrews City Hall where he will meet friends from 2:15 to 3:00.

Scott will stop in Marble to make an appearance at the May 4 Democratic Primary.

He is scheduled to arrive in Murphy at 4:00 for a reception

at the Murphy Power Board Building.

He plans to meet Clay County supporters at the courthouse in Hayesville at 7:30.

He will conclude the day's schedule with an appearance at the Cherokee County Courthouse in Murphy at 8:00.

Scott is opposed by Dr. Reginald Hawkins and J. Melville Broughton in the May 4 Democratic Primary.

Scott and Broughton are both the sons of former governors.

operating at 144 per cent capacity for several months and has proved to be inadequate because of increased industrial development and resulting increase in the population of Andrews and the surrounding area.

The facility can no longer adequately serve the area because of the overcrowded conditions which have plagued the hospital since the increase in population.

For over a year a hospital committee has been working with federal, state, and local officials toward expansion of the facility.

The proposed expansion will cost a total of \$1,499,360 and will be a two story building to be constructed as soon as possible. It will be constructed on a five story foundation so that three stories may be added later providing a 146-bed facility.

In addition to the Hill-Burton funds, the state will provide \$100,000 and Appalachian Regional Development Funds will provide \$271,668. This will leave a balance of a \$310,023 to be raised locally.

According to Ferebee, there is still a balance of \$90,000 yet to be raised since the fund raising efforts were initiated more than a year ago.

The hospital serves a three-county area, Cherokee, Graham and Clay and is centrally located for the eventual development of a regional medical center he said.

Ferebee said the need is critical and local funds must be found.

### School Board Meets Tonight

The Murphy City School Board will meet tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 in the superintendent's office.

### Chamber Meet Monday Night

The Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce will hold its regular monthly meeting Monday night at 7:30.

### Scout Has Raleigh Bureau

The Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress has added a Raleigh Bureau to its editorial department.

William A. Shires will report each week on events in the capital city in his column,

"Around Capitol Square".

Shires' column will cover political happenings and other events of state-wide interest.



WE CALL IT PROGRESS - The Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress is proud to offer this multi-color picture of golfing great Doug Sanders to demonstrate the reproduction we offer on our new Goss Community Web Offset Press. By the summer of 1969, area golfers will be able to play on their own courses at the Cherokee County Recreation Complex and the Chatuge Shores Complex in Clay County.

## The New Look

This issue of the Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress is different in many respects. It was produced on our new Goss Community Web Offset Press, the format of the newspaper has undergone some changes and a multi-color photo is printed above.

The format has been changed from eight to nine columns and new type styles are in use. These changes are designed to improve the appearance of the newspaper, to speed up production, and to give the advertising and editorial departments more flexibility of reproduction.

## Dies From Wreck Burns

Lloyd Burton (Jim) Twigg died Saturday night in an Asheville hospital from burns suffered in an auto accident two miles west of Murphy on March 10.

Twigg was making a left turn off US 64 when his car was struck by a car travelling behind him. His car began burn-

ing on impact and exploded a few minutes later.

Twigg's death is the second traffic fatality of 1968 in Cherokee County. At this time last year, there were no deaths on the county's highways.

A passenger in his car, Ralph Barrong of Murphy, also suffered burns in the accident.

The driver of the other car,

Jack Douglas Pope, 16, of Murphy, was treated and released the night of the accident. A passenger in the Pope car, Joanne Hedrick, 16, of Rt. 4, Murphy, was hospitalized in Chattanooga.

Twigg was a native of Union County, Ga.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Monday at Ivy Log Baptist Church.

The Rev. Billy Styles officiated and burial was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Claudine Haney Twigg; two daughters, Kimberly of the home and Miss Lisa Denise Twigg of Murphy; a son, Richard Dale Twigg of Murphy; two step-daughters, Connie and Sandy Byers, and a step-son Danny Byers of the home; a sister, Mrs. Thelma McConnell of Ackworth, Ga.; the father, Jewell Twigg of Blairsville; the mother, Mrs. Lelia Burch Morgan of Marietta, Ga.; three brothers, Randall of Blairsville and Frank and Johnny Twigg, of Akron, Ohio.

Pallbearers were Lake Weaver, Leon Owenby, Merlin Ramsey, Ray Elliott, Wayne Beaver, Reginald Bryson and Rex Ledford.

Townson Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

## Prisoner Locks Up Sheriff, Escapes

A prisoner at the Cherokee County Jail escaped Wednesday morning by locking Sheriff Claude Anderson in the hallway leading to the stairs to the cell-blocks.

Anderson said he opened the door to the hallway to take breakfast to the prisoners when Bobby Thrasher grabbed him and shoved him behind the door and locked it. The Sheriff said

Thrasher injured his arm. He said Thrasher had been locked in a cell and somehow opened that door to get down to the hallway.

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The Sheriff said

Threshers had escaped from

a road gang in Georgia and turned himself in at the jail on March 11.

He refused extradition back

to Georgia and was being held

pending a hearing on the ex-

tradition, Anderson said.

## Stickley To Tour Area

Republican gubernatorial candidate Jack Stickley will visit Cherokee, Clay and Graham Counties on Tuesday, April 9.

J. Doyle Burch, Stickley's campaign manager in Cherokee County, said the candidate will arrive at Tipton at 11 a.m. and a motorcade of supporters from the three counties will meet him there to accompany him on the three-county speaking tour.

Stickley will make his first speech at 12 noon at the Graham County Courthouse in Robinsville.

The motorcade will travel to Andrews where he will make a speech at 1 p.m.

A lunch break is planned at O'Dell's in Murphy at 2 p.m.

The next speech will be at

the Clay County Courthouse in Hayesville at 3:15. The motorcade will return to Murphy and disband following the Hayesville appearance.

Stickley, a former president of Lions International, will meet with the Murphy Lions Club at 6:30 at O'Dell's.

He will wrap up the day's campaigning with a speech at the Cherokee County Courthouse in Murphy at 7:30 p. m.

Burch said anyone desiring to join the motorcade is welcome to do so.

Burch arranged the tour along with Clay County manager Co. Wayne West and Graham County manager Will Sherrill.

Stickley is opposing Congressman Jim Gardner for the governor's nomination in the May 4 Republican Primary.

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