



Keeping The Nation In Stitches!

Mrs. Betty Sue Queen of Andrews operates a twister at American Thread's Cherokee Plant in Marble. Open House and Dedication will be held at the plant Saturday beginning at 10:30. Operations such as the one pictured above will be shown in plant tours that

will be conducted until 4 p.m. This week's issue of The Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress includes two special sections devoted to American Thread. (Photo by Putnam Photography)

Students Ask For Anti-Litter Ordinance

A group of Elementary School students led by Donald Coleman recommended to the Murphy Town Board Monday night that an ordinance be adopted to control littering in Murphy.

The students discussed what they described as "the littered condition of the town" and displayed the trophy which the school won in the Town Beautification Contest.

The Board said the student

request would be presented to the Murphy Planning Board and the Citizens Advisory Committee. The Board members said a litter ordinance would be incorporated into a garbage and rubbish ordinance which is now in the survey stage.

In addition to Coleman, the group included Mike Dockery, Tony Nunnelley, Donald Dockery, Mark Edwards, Kenneth Hyatt, Sammy Hyatt, Blaine

Barnett, David Gill, Edward Reynolds, James Barnett, Martha Ann Thompson and Jane Morgan.

The Board appointed ten new members to the Murphy Hos-

pital Authority.

Those appointed were Sister Mary Frances, James F. Taylor, Hobart McKeever, Kenneth Godfrey, W. R. Gossett, Paul Ridenhour, Jack Owens, John

Gill, John Jordan and Dr. W. A. Hoover.

The Jaycees were granted a permit to use loud speakers during the Fourth of July celebration.

MHS Senior Play On Friday & Saturday

The Murphy High School Senior Class will present the annual class play Friday and Saturday nights.

This year's play, "Knock, Knock", is a three-act comedy by Anne Coulter Martens and is produced by special arrangement with The Dramatic Publishing Company of Chicago.

The play will be presented at 8 p.m. each night in the gymnasium. Admission will be \$1.

Twenty-eight seniors have put together this ghost story-comedy. Several departments of

Murphy High School and many local business have contributed toward the success of this year's production.

"Knock, Knock" opens in the living room of the Cosgrove home in the suburbs of a large city. Mr. Cosgrove, a physicist, has been transferred to a Government Research Center and has taken the family to live in a new home. The new home doesn't want this family. Events begin to go badly at the beginning. Before the final act we have involved a ghost, attempted kidnapping, espionage, and hopefully some laughter.

A new air taxi mail service designed to extend the range of overnight mail delivery between the states of Georgia, South Carolina and North Carolina will be inaugurated within 60 to 90 days, a top postal official has announced.

Atlanta Regional Director Banks Gladden said this new service, consisting of 10 air taxi round trips six night a week, will be launched at a cost of

some half million dollars a year.

Murphy postal patrons will be tied into the service through Gainesville, Ga. and Atlanta. Gainesville will be linked to Atlanta through truck service. Atlanta will be linked to Valdosta, Albany, Waycross, Macon, Savannah, Augusta, Chattanooga, Florence, and Columbia by the air taxis.

Mail posted in Murphy prior

to the 6 p.m. dispatch to Gainesville will arrive there at 8:30 p.m. and is scheduled for 10:15 p.m. arrival in Atlanta, according to Postmaster Joe Ray.

Another dispatch leaves Murphy at 10 a.m. and arrives at Gainesville at 2:45. Mail destined for Atlanta in this dispatch arrives there at 4:05 p.m.

Gladden emphasized that only first-class mail and air mail will be hauled on the air taxis. He also emphasized that preference will be given to mail that can be delivered overnight.

Previous tests have shown that transportation patterns are already in operation that should provide 100% overnight delivery within South Carolina and up to 98% overnight delivery within Georgia and North Carolina.

Under the new type of service, air taxis will leave their point of origin between 9:30 and 10:00 each night. After a layover of two to three hours to allow incoming mail to be processed, the air taxis will return to their points of origin throughout the three-state area.

The air service into Atlanta originates in the other cities listed, thus all mail dispatched from Murphy at 6 p.m. should be ready for the return flights from there.

Gains Recognition As Certified Market

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI. Murphy Livestock Auction Company of Murphy has gained recognition as a Certified Livestock Market, according to an announcement today by the trade association offices in Kansas City.

The Murphy Livestock Auction Company thus joins the nearly 850 competitive livestock markets across the nation serving the livestock industry under the Code of Business Standards of Certified Livestock Markets.

The market, under the ownership of Charles Turner, serves its trade area with a regular Monday sale day.

The trade-name markets make up a major element of the competitive livestock markets

industry, which last year merchandised 109.7 million head of livestock at a value of nearly \$9 billion. This represents more than half of all livestock sold through all channels.

Trade association spokesman say that Certified Livestock Markets have rapidly become identified with three basic livestock market business concepts: 1) the expansion of market services to both buyer and seller customers by which fully competitive determination of prices is established; 2) the merchandising of livestock as a product as opposed to the simple sale or trade of livestock as a commodity; 3) the assumption of industry leadership in applying a positive approach in livestock merchandising.

Dairy Team In Finals

The Dairy Judging team of Murphy High School Future Farmers of America Club will compete in the State finals to be held on the N. C. State University campus, June 28th.

This Judging team won first place in judging competition at Clemson College on April 24th and second place at the District finals that were held at The Biltmore Estate at Asheville on Saturday, May 11th to be eligible to compete in the State Finals.

Placing high at the State finals will earn this Judging team a trip to Kansas City for Nat-

ional finals.

The cash awards won by this team Saturday were donated by the team to help team member, Russell McMillan, who was injured in an automobile accident after the Clemson contest, pay his hospital expenses.

Anyone interested in making a donation to McMillan may contact a FFA member.

"Learning Is Fun" will be the theme of the Murphy Elementary School Summer Program. It is a free program developed under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Title I.

Children from the third through the eighth grades may enroll in the program which begins on June 10.

School officials emphasized that this is not a poverty program and all children may attend free regardless of family income. They also stressed that it is not a remedial program for slow learners. It is designed to be an enrichment experience for all children.

Reading, creative writing, drama, chorus, physical education and band will be offered. The band classes will be only for those now taking band.

The classes will be divided into 45 minute periods between 9 a.m. and noon each day. Children may register for all courses, or just the ones in which they are most interested.

School buses will not operate. All children attending will be responsible for their own transportation. The lunchroom will not operate during the program.

Sammy Elliott Wins Declamation Contest

Sammy Elliott was the first place winner in the 14th annual Declamation Contest at Murphy High School last Wednesday afternoon.

Elliott took the top honor with his presentation of "President Kennedy's Inaugural Address" by John F. Kennedy.

The second-place winner was Eddie Hughes. He used "By the Tomb of Napoleon" by Robert G. Ingersoll.

Third-place winner went to Bob Jordan for "The Black Horse and His Rider."

The other contestants were Dennis Colley with "President Roosevelt's Speech Dec. 8, 1941

--Asking Congress for Declaration of War on Japan"; Jackie Craig, "I am an American"; and Terry Puett, "Plea for the Abolition of Capital Punishment."

The contest, directed by Joe Ray, is sponsored by the Daughters of The American Revolution; the Joe Miller Elkins Post 96 of the American Legion and Fort Butler Historic Park and Museum Committee.

John Jordan presided at the program.

Senator Mary Faye Brumby, the Rev. Richard Hicks, and the Rev. Thornton W. Hawkins served as judges.

Sent For Induction

Seventeen Cherokee County men were forwarded to Knoxville Monday for induction into the Armed Forces.

Those sent were Ernie Wright, Michael Edward Carringer, Horace Alfred Ledford, Robert Leon Hatchett, Tommy Rogers, David Bruce Yonce, William Hugh McDonald, Thurman Harold Morrow, Thomas Dewey Garland, Roger Dale Adams, Larry Eddie Dockery, William Richard Chambers, John Wayne Roberson, David Ray Turner, Eddie Monroe Howard, Harold Howard and Billy Ray Rhodes.

Another 21 men were sent for the Armed Forces Physical Examination.

New Rest Home Opened

Carolina Living Rest Home, located on the Pisgah Road about two miles south of Andrews, was officially opened last week when it was licensed by the North Carolina State Board of Public Welfare. Carolina Living is a twelve bed capacity facility and is the first of several similar homes planned to be built by Warren and Elden Strawn.

The outstanding feature of the Rest Home is the home-like atmosphere that will be possible to maintain because of its smaller size and home-style planning, the Strawns said. The owners planned to develop a place that would not only provide adequate physical facilities but also "an atmosphere of home-like security often missing in large, hospital-like institutional-type facilities."

The Strawns, having spent the past three years working on the plans and details of the building and working out "what seemed like almost endless problems of finance and legal red tape," feel that the licensing of their first Carolina Living Rest Home was the most important step toward realizing the goal of building a commun-

ity of Rest Homes in Cherokee County. They began construction on the project in the middle of October last year and completed it in April. They did most of the work themselves because of labor shortages. Winter weather and inavailability of many construction materials locally also slowed progress considerably.

Carolina Living is a one-story Colonial type building of white stucco and antique brick with a wide front porch and traditional white columns. Inside there is a large, comfortable living room providing ample facility for relaxation and social activities. Large windows across the front of the room provide a beautiful view of the mountains. The bedrooms are well furnished and roomy with two large windows to give plenty of air and light. The kitchen and laundry are furnished with modern quality equipment to insure the health and well-being of the residents as well as the convenience of the staff workers.

The building is of masonry construction and is equipped

with an approved fire detection system. All inside walls are plastered, baths are ceramic tile and all floors are terrazzo. Each bedroom is provided with an outside entrance as a safety precaution in case of fire.

Activities for residents will include gardening for those who are able, shuffleboard and other games, sewing and other crafts and a television and other items of interest. Churches and other organizations will be invited to conduct religious services and other meetings of interest to the residents. Relatives and friends will always be welcome to come to the home as well as anyone of the community interested in the work being done.

Carolina Living Rest Home will be operated by CARE, INC., a non-profit organization of which Elden Strawn is president. He built and operated a fifty bed nursing home in Yakima, Washington for eight years before he moved to Florida, in 1963. Since then he has owned and operated a smaller facility in Orlando, Florida. Warren Strawn, his cousin,

formerly a school teacher and minister, has joined him in the present project. Both men are experienced builders of homes and churches and have been doing business locally under the name Strawn Builders.

The Strawns say they like Western North Carolina country and especially the people. "We want to become natives of this good land. We know we will enjoy living here and we hope to be able to make a worthwhile contribution to the community while doing so. We particularly appreciate the encouragement and cooperation of Mr. Vernie Ayers and the Department of Public Welfare here in Cherokee County as well as others who have made the project possible."

At present Carolina Living Rest Home has room for seven residents and these vacancies are expected to be filled quickly. Anyone interested in the services and facilities offered should contact the home by calling 321-4272 in Andrews, or the Cherokee County Department of Public Welfare, Murphy, N. C. telephone 837-3977 or -2717.



New Officers

New officers of the Murphy American Legion Post include, front row, John Jordan, chaplain, and Homer Ricks, commander; back row, Don Ramsey, first vice commander; Carl Ledford, second vice commander, and Ralph Rayfield, finance officer and adjutant. Not pictured are James D. Younce, third vice

commander; Hugh Penland, service officer; and Wig Hughes, sergeant at arms. They were installed by District Commander John Queen. The Legion will meet on June 3 at 7:30 p.m. (Photo by Dave Bruce)

Car Crashes Into Pole

Cynthia Lou Styles, 17, of Rt. 1, Marble, escaped injury Saturday afternoon when her car knocked down a power pole on US 19 three miles east of Murphy. Power in the Tomotia area was interrupted about two hours.

Highway Patrolman E. N. Hooper said the car skidded on wet pavement in a curve and crashed into the pole.

Entertain

Postmasters

The annual 11th District Postmasters Meeting at Nantahala Inn was entertained Saturday night by students from Murphy High School.

The Carolina Sweethearts performed several dance selections and Sammy Elliott, winner of last week's declamation contest, presented John F. Kennedy's Inaugural Address.



Sammy Elliott (center) was the winner of the 14th annual declamation contest last Wednesday at Murphy High School. Eddie Hughes (front left) placed second and Bob Jordan (front

right) was third. The other contestants, in the second row from the left, were Dennis Colley, Jackie Craig and Terry Puett. (Photo by Dave Bruce)