

Murphy Elementary School Receives Accreditation

Murphy Elementary School has finally received accreditation by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction according to a letter received by School Superintendent John Jordan Tuesday.

This is the first time the school has been accredited in its history, which began at the turn of the century.

Accreditation of the 800 pupil school came after a self study and committee recommendations. Although officially only a provisional rating was given, the school is now fully accredited. The provisions listed are correcting deficiencies in the following areas: inadequate classrooms in the old dome building, out-of-field certificate in grade one, and inadequate library and music facilities.

Plans have already been made to correct these deficiencies and gain full accreditation, Mr. Bill Hughes, principal of the school, said Tuesday. The inadequate classroom space will be remedied when the classroom building at the Murphy High School is completed. With the completion of this building the 7th and 8th grades at Murphy Elementary will move to the High School, thus automatically removing the deficiencies caused by inadequate library and music space.

Peace Corps Test To Be Given August 17th

Cherokee and Clay County area residents interested in putting their skills to use in developing nations around the world are invited to take the Peace Corps Placement Test at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 17 at The Federal Building in Asheville, N. C.

The Peace Corps uses the Placement Test to determine how an applicant can best be utilized overseas. The test measures general aptitude and the ability to learn a language, not education or achievement. The test requires no preparation and is non-competitive; an applicant can neither pass nor fail.

Twelve thousand volunteers are currently serving in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Pacific Island, working with the people of those nations in self-help projects ranging from food production to health and education. More volunteers are needed for programs which will begin this fall and winter.

Persons interested in serving with the Peace Corps must fill out an application, if they have not already done so, and present it to the tester before the test. Application forms are available from post offices or from the Peace Corps in Washington, D. C. 20525.



Wind Damage

Fallen trees and dangling power lines were common around Murphy on Wednesday of last week as wind gusts estimated at 50 mph caused minor destruction around town. The tree in the top picture against Peck Hyatt's house was part of a weeping willow tree that stood in the yard of Scout Editor-Publisher Jack Owens. The huge willow knocked out telephone and power service for several blocks.

Four Members Of Family Drown

Boat Overturns In Hiwassee

The wife and three children of Quince C. Quinn of Route 4 Murphy drowned about 6:00 p.m. Saturday in the Bear Paw section of Hiwassee Lake.

The tragedy occurred when a flat-bottom home made boat overturned near the shore in

about 25 feet of water. Six of the nine members of the family were in the boat at the time.

The father rescued two year old Larry and went back into the water and brought Gary, five, to the shore. During this time Larry wandered into the water and drowned with his mother and two sisters. Quinn managed to pull Teresa Kay's body from the water and then ran a mile and a half for help.

The six had just started out in the boat during a camping trip when the boat overturned.

Cherokee County Coroner J. C. Townson identified the victims as Mrs. Hazel Jean Quinn, 29, and children Barbara Ann, 12, Teresa Kay, 4, and Richard Larry, 2.

While Mr. Quinn was gone for help some passing fishermen spotted the overturned boat and summoned help. Answering the

call were the Cherokee County and Andrews Rescue squads, the sheriff's department and the State Highway Patrol.

The body of the young boy was found about 9:30 p.m. and the other two were recovered by 11:30 p.m.

Three other Quinn children, Linda Sue, Brenda Jean and Debra, were staying with relatives at the time of the accident.

Also surviving Mrs. Quinn are the father, Alva Sneed of Ellijay, Ga.; a sister, Mrs. Geneva Stroud of Blairsville, Ga.; and two brothers, Harold of Dalton, Ga. and Edward Sneed of the U. S. Army in Alaska.

The children are also survived by the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George S. Quinn of Murphy Route 4.

Joint funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday in

Reeds Chapel Methodist Church, Hiwassee Dam, of which Barbara Ann and Mrs. Quinn were members.

The Rev. Alfred Smith officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Garfield Clark, Claude Stiles, Gene Ware, Robert Reed, Pierson Campbell, Clifton and Steve Raper, Bill and Lewis Reed, Zane Hickey, Hank Morrow, Bruce Boyles, Arnold Starks and James Hedrick.

Ivie Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Harry Bishop, County Tax Collector, Resigns

Harry Bishop, Cherokee County Tax Collector and Accountant resigned from his post officially Monday before the County Board of Commissioners. At the same time the Commissioners appointed Mrs. Bobby Stalcup, Assistant under Bishop, to take up the position vacated by Bishop's resignation.

In the voting for Bishop's replacement Carlyle Matheson, County Commissioner from Andrews, was nominated for the position, but Mrs. Stalcup received a 3 to 2 vote. Five of the six commissioners were present for the all day Commissioners meeting, with Mr. Matheson being the only one not present.

In other business of the day the Commissioners voted

unanimously to approve \$8,000 toward the construction of a new building at the Murphy High School. This \$8,000 was necessary before funds of \$130,000 could be made available for the building.

Two positions were filled that were held by John T. Gill, W. T. Brown, Jr. was appointed to the membership on the Cherokee County Rural Development Authority and Paul Ridenhour was appointed a member of the Cherokee County Planning Board. Both of the appointments were unanimous by the Board.

Usual business of the meeting included a report from the State Highway Commission on requests to have work done on county roads. The

Department indicated that no additional work would be done on the Poindexter Cemetery Road, Rogers Chapel Cemetery Road and the Bear Paw Church Road.

The Clerk's report for the month of July showed that \$2,801.25 was collected through the County Clerk's office. This amount was allocated so that \$464.95 went to the Facility Fee, \$415.30 to the general fund, and \$1,921 went to the County Schools.

The only discussion of the day involved a request by Sheriff Claude Anderson for an increase in salary for his two fulltime deputies. At present the deputies are paid \$210 a month in salary and receive \$125 each month for travel. Deputies Glenn Holloway and Kenneth Higgins, both at the meeting, commented that they were on call at all times seven days a week, plus they had to furnish their own car and pay all travel expense from the \$125 a month.

When asked if there was any way additional money could be obtained Chairman W. T. Moore said that under law monies could not be transferred within the budget after it was passed. Sheriff Anderson said that he had asked for a raise for his department before the present budget was passed, but it was voted down. The reason given by the commissioners for refusing the raises was that Chairman Moore felt that there could be no raises for any county employees this year. When asked if anything could be done, Chairman Moore said that he would ask County Attorney L. L. Mason Jr. to examine the budget closely.

Dep Kenneth Higgins said that unless he did receive a raise that he would have to resign at the end of the month. Higgins said that he could not operate under the present payment scale.

Rimco Expands For Second Time In Year

The expansion of Rimco Manufacturing Company announced this week by Plant Manager Peter J. McKeon follows on the heels of plant expansion completed in February.

The February expansion included an 8,000 square foot additional production floor space with new offices.

Beginning this month, six new lace machines will be installed and the Twisting department production will be expanded with new machines. Exact personnel requirements were not announced but it is expected that additional personnel will be employed during the expansion.

"This expansion will strengthen our position in the market", McKeon said,

"allowing us to service our customers more fully and make for a stronger, more secure employment."

He pointed out that production capacity should be increased 25 to 30 per cent with this internal program.

Robert W. Lear, president of Indian Head, Inc., visiting the company's Rimco plant here in March said, "one of our pleasant problems is increasing production." He told the Scout that the lace made in the Murphy plant is used in the highest quality lingerie and said that current fashion trends are using more lace than ever before.

The Murphy plant is presently working five and two-thirds days a week on a three-shift basis.

Cherokee County Tax Expenditures

Editor's Note: There has been a growing interest among the local citizens as to exactly where their tax money is being spent. The budget printed below and on page 9 gives a complete breakdown of the

expenditures of the Cherokee County Tax Dollar.

This year's budget along with the figures of 1966 and 1967 were given to the Scout office by Harry Bishop, who

was the Cherokee County Tax Collector and County Accountant when the budget was passed. According to Bishop the figures below are the final figures for the budget.

GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	BUDGET YEAR 1968-69		
OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE	1966-67	1967-68	1968-69
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Inspecting schools	\$ 125.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 180.00
County Commissioners	2606.00	7800.00	7800.00
County Attorney	1200.00	2400.00	2400.00
Election Expenses	9993.99	8500.00	10000.00
Auditing	6047.75	3300.00	2500.00
Advertising	1173.30	1500.00	1500.00
Salary Vet-Service Officer	1999.92	2000.00	2000.00
Misc. Contingent Expense	10662.11	8000.00	2269.76
Fire Prevention	3230.56	3405.30	3912.90
Tax Foreclosurers	5243.30	5000.00	5000.00
Supplies	266.93		
Travel	141.13		250.00
Employees Blanket Bond			96.00
Association Dues			204.00
	42690.19	42085.30	39842.90
PROPERTY REVALUATION		4500.00	4500.00
Court House and Grounds			
Janitor Salary	3145.90	3600.00	3600.00
Supplies	2366.57	2400.00	3500.00
Fuel	2365.04	2500.00	2800.00
Lights and Water	1750.35	2000.00	2000.00
Repair	1443.23	2500.00	2500.00
Insurance, jail, health center and courthouse	1040.80	1100.00	1100.00
	12111.89	14100.00	15500.00
Tax Collector and County Acct.			
Salary, County Acct.	5009.28	5760.00	5760.00
Salary, Asst. County Acct.	2028.00	4492.00	4492.00
Telephone	198.66	190.00	200.00
Clerical and Misc. Expense	1097.50	400.00	1200.00
Bond Premium	393.00	300.00	300.00
Supplies and Repair	1086.34	1000.00	1100.00
Association Dues	16.51	204.00	10.00
	9829.29	12346.00	13052.80
REGISTER OF DEEDS			
Salary, Register of Deeds	4593.73	4586.54	4500.00
Supplies	2333.12	3500.00	4000.00
Clerical	3120.00	3744.00	3744.00
Bond Premium	35.00	35.00	35.00
Telephone	172.68	160.00	160.00
Equipment Repair	100.17	150.00	150.00
Extra Help	517.98	1000.00	350.00
Association Dues	10.00	10.00	
Travel	58.13		
	10940.81	13175.54	13035.54
Special Purpose Account			
Civil Defence			450.00
Jury Committee			2000.00
Economic Development Com.			480.00
ASCS Rent			1050.00
Postage and Meter			7500.00
Loose Leaf Registration Expense			2000.00
Asheville Orth. Hospital			6000.00
New Equipment, Register of Deeds Office			19480.00

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Little Folk School Attracts Local Kids

About 40 youngsters from Cherokee and Clay counties are now participating in the "Little Folk School" held at the John C. Campbell Folk School in Brasstown.

The school is for both boys and girls in ages from 7 to 13, and will last for three weeks ending August 10. Activities ranging from folk dancing to first aid takes up the children's day. Both the local instructors and those that came to Brasstown just for the school are donating their time.

The different activities and their instructors include English, Danish and American folk dances taught by Belinda Smith and Brenda Anderson of Brasstown and Phillip Merrill of New York City; the art instructors are Jane and Neil DiTeresa of Berea; games and gymnastics are taught by Danny Wilson and Kurt Webber of Brasstown and Garnet Slone of Washington,

D. C.; and the Junior Red Cross First Aid is taught by Jack Thompson, a volunteer of the U. S. Forest Service with headquarters in Murphy.

The directors of the "Little Folk School" wished to thank the following sponsors for their contributions towards providing refreshments for the youngsters. In Clay County they are M. C. Moore's Store, the B & T Supermarket and Swanson's Grocery; in Cherokee County they are Ivie Funeral Home, Imperial Cleaners, Hughes Supply Inc., Wayne's Feed Store, Coble Dairy Products, Townson Funeral Home, A & P Supermarket and Carolina Hardware.

On August 10th from 10:00 to 11:30 the parents, sponsors and community leaders are invited to meet the young people in the final day's activities.

Ring From Vietnam

A 1963 Hiwassee Dam Class ring lost several months ago followed its owner, Sgt. Dennis R. Hamby home last week.

PSG Lee Wilson (no address) found the ring in his Vietnam company area and turned it over to the Health, Education and Welfare office when he was in Columbia, South Carolina recently. The office contacted the

manufacturer who identified the school and its owner.

The ring was sent to Mr. Harace King, principal of Hiwassee Dam School who returned it to Hamby's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hamby.

Sgt. Hamby served 12 months in Vietnam and was wounded April 5. He is now stationed at Fort Gordon, Ga. PGS Wilson has returned to Vietnam.



Registration At Murphy High

Registration for new students will be held at Murphy High School on Thursday and Friday, August 15 and 16, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This is for new students only, those who have moved to Murphy during the summer.

All students who attended Murphy High School last year or the rising Freshmen are already registered and will not need to register again.

Indians Can Have Liquor

Cherokee chiefs voted Wednesday to allow North Carolina Indians the right to legally possess liquor in their homes.

The possession of liquor will be legalized as soon as it is received in Washington and placed on the federal register.

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FISHERMEN

Bruce Burgess, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burgess and Emmett Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Thompson.

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