

USDA Food Program Aids Over 3,500 In WNC

ATLANTA, Ga.— U. S. Department of Agriculture food programs aided 147,799 needy persons in 87 of North Carolina's counties during July. Cherokee County had 1,037 participants while Clay County had 547.

USDA's Consumer and Marketing Service said that 100,811 persons in 61 counties took part in its commodity distribution program and that 46,988 persons in 26 counties took part in its food stamp program.

July's participation was down 8,997 persons from the number that took part during June. This was attributed mainly to seasonal fluctuations in employment.

In North Carolina, the commodity distribution program is administered by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture, and the food stamp program is administered by the North Carolina Board of Public Welfare, both in cooperation with the Consumer and Marketing Service.

Commodities distributed during July to needy North Carolina families had an estimated retail value of about \$800,000. These foods included canned chopped meat, cheese, dried milk, margarine or butter, peanut butter, raisins, lard or shortening, rice, dry beans, rolled oats, rolled wheat, corn meal, grits and flour.

Additional foods, such as canned whole chicken, scrambled egg mix, canned vegetables, canned fruit juices and corn syrup are being bought by the Consumer and Marketing Service for distribution to needy families.

Low-income families taking part in the food stamp program during July exchanged \$377,270 of their own money for \$690,004 worth of USDA food stamp coupons. This means that the families received \$312,734 worth of free, bonus coupons to increase their buying power at local grocery stores.

In other Western North Carolina counties the breakdown for distribution is as follows: Swain, 740 participants; Graham, 455; Jackson, 904 and Macon County, 750.

Feeder Calf Sale Rules

The Upper Hiwassee Feeder Calf Sale will be held at the Murphy Livestock Yard on September 30, 1968. Anyone wishing to make consignment to the sale should contact their County Agent's office before September 20. This deadline has been set to allow field inspection and to insure adequate arrangements at the sale.

The sale committee has announced that only producers who have consigned before the deadline will be allowed to participate in the sale. All producers are urged to cooperate and make their consignments as early as possible.

American Thread Forms Scholarship Foundation

The Cherokee Plant at Marble of the American Thread Company has sponsored the forming of the Cherokee Foundation, Inc. for the purpose of providing college scholarships for worthy and needy youth of this area.

The Foundation has just recently received legal recognition from State and Federal authorities and is in position to begin receiving grants and giving scholarships for the year 1969.

The Board of Directors of the Foundation are Mr. Dan Lamb, president; Mr. Lloyd Hendrix, vice president; Mr. Zane Metcalf, treasurer; Mr. Bill Brackett, secretary; Mrs. Polly Bault, Mr. Amos McGuire and Mr. Richard Haney. According to Mr. Lamb, "the Foundation in its initial stages will primarily aid the children of American Thread Employees and as the Foundation grows in the years to come, the program will be expanded to more and more fulfill the need for educational assistance in this area."

Drama Club To Entertain Hiwassee PTA

The newly organized Drama Club of Hiwassee Dam High School will entertain the PTA Monday at 7:30 in the gymnasium.

An original skit, "A Program For the PTA" will be performed. All parents and friends are invited to attend.

Rev. Wells Named Baptist Children's Home Chairman

The Rev. Thomas Wells, pastor, First Baptist Church, Andrews, has been named Chairman for Cherokee and

Clay Counties in the Founders and Builders Program of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

DAR Raising Funds For Harshaw Chapel

In an effort to raise money toward the restoration of the Harshaw Chapel in Murphy the Murphy Chapter of the DAR is now selling "The Book of Freedom", a 20 page book that contains historical documents and information about the United States.

The large, multi-colored book is being distributed by NAPUS, which is the National Association of Postmasters of the United States. Five hundred copies were ordered and distributed to the members of the DAR Monday night. Since then a DAR spokesman reported that almost one half of the books have been sold.

If you would like of these books, which sell for \$3, get in touch with any member of the Murphy Chapter DAR. All of the proceeds will go toward completing work already started by the DAR on the Harshaw Chapel.



Fair Exhibit Winners Named

Pictured above is one of the many exhibitions made and displayed at the Cherokee County Fair by local talent. Winners in the Exhibition judging are Peachtree Extension Homemakers, Blue Ribbon, Tomotla Extension Homemakers, Red Ribbon, and Hilltop Extension Homemakers, White Ribbon. In the 4-H Club division the Hanging Dog Club won the Blue Ribbon, Pleasant Valley received the Red Ribbon and Tomotla and Peachtree Clubs, both won

White Ribbons. Peachtree Community won the Blue Ribbon and Tomotla Community the Red and the Development Club division. Other winners include the Cherokee County Assoc. for Retarded Children, Blue, Cherokee County Agriculture Extension Service, Red, and the Home Economics Agent's Office, White. Pictures of other displays and the horse show winners are on page 8. (Photo by Bill Gray)

Two Boys Held In Pennsylvania

Car Stolen From Burch Motors

Two young men who police think broke into the Burch Ford Motor Company in Murphy are being held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, according to reports by Murphy Chief of Police Pete Stalcup.

The two boys, Tommy Ryan, 16, and William E. Wyane, 18, are charged with breaking into the Burch Ford building Thursday night and stealing two candy machines and a 1966 Ford. According to a spokesman at the Company, the boys apparently entered the building by breaking a window at the rear of the building. He added that they tried to break into the candy

machines, but took the machines with them when this failed.

Damage was done to the coke machine and to a new Ford that was parked inside the building.

Stalcup said that a car assumed to be driven by the boys to Murphy was found on a dirt road near Fair Mountain Friday. It has not been determined yet whether the

1968 Mercury Cougar, a rental car bearing Pennsylvania license plates, was stolen.

Warrants have been certified and issued for the return of the boys to Cherokee County, Stalcup said. He noted that he was not informed of any of the details of the boy's capture in Pittsburgh Saturday.

The hometowns of the two boys was not given in the report.

Blue Ridge Mtn. EMC Announce Annual Meeting

Blue Ridge Mountain Electric Membership Corporation announces the 1968 Members Annual Meeting on September 14, Young Harris College, Young Harris, Georgia. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. in the Charles R. Clegg Fine Arts Auditorium.

Entertainment will be furnished by the Chuck Wagon Gang, beginning at 12:15. Registration for prizes and voting eligibility will begin at 10:00 a.m. and last until time of balloting in the Foyer of the Fine Arts Center. All members are urged to register at the Office of the Cooperative starting at 10:00 a.m. Saturday morning the 14th of September.

Georgia Senator Herman E. Talmadge will be the principal speaker. Now in his 11th year as a member of the United

States Senate, Herman E. Talmadge has attained national recognition as an authority on the nation's Agriculture and is a member of the Senate Finance Committee which must consider all the complex financial and tax matters for the Nation.

Congressman Phil M. Landrum, representative of the people of Georgia's Ninth Congressional District since 1952, will be present and participate in the Annual Meeting. Congressman Landrum serves on the Ways & Means Committee in Congress, which is considered to be the most important Committee in the House of Representatives.

Ed Swartz, Director of Member Services, has announced that there will be several prizes given to members attending the meeting.

United Fund Campaign Established For First Time In Cherokee County

The establishment of a United Fund Organization in Cherokee County has been completed after several weeks of organizational meetings held throughout the County. At a meeting held August 29th a steering committee, Constitution and By-Laws were approved and officers were elected for the coming year.

Hobart McKeever of Murphy has been elected to serve as the first President of the Fund. Other elected members of the Executive Committee include, Dr. C.O. Van Gorder, First Vice-President; Joe El Khouri, Second Vice-President, both of Andrews; and Tommy Gentry, Secretary and John Jordan, Treasurer, both of Murphy.

The idea for a United Campaign grew out of experiences shared by members of the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce. Chamber President Tommy Gentry asked Horace Cannon to try to get something started on developing a fund in the County. Mr. Cannon's work was responsible for the meetings being held throughout the county.

The purpose of the United Fund is to combine all soliciting organizations into one drive and eliminate duplication of volunteer manpower and time. The experience of other communities has been that with better planning and spending provided by a combined fund more money has been raised than by the individual drives.

Every worthy educational, health, recreational and welfare organization now soliciting funds in the county will be invited to join. Each of these agencies submits a request outlining services and stating its needs for the next operating year. A citizens committee studies the requests, reviews the services of the agency along with the community needs, and makes a recommendation to the Board of Directors, which, in turn sets a goal representing minimum needs.

Working closely with the Executive Committee will be three principal committees. These committees and the appointed chairmen are: Campaign Committee with Horace Cannon, Chairman and W. D. Whitaker, Vice Chairman.

Public Relations Committee with Mrs. Dora Blalock, Chairman; Mrs. Louise Bayless, Vice Chairman; Father Dave Glockner, Mrs. H. L. McKeever, and Ken Godfrey.

Budget & Admissions Committee with Francis Bourne, Jr., Chairman and Lee Nichols, Vice Chairman. Also serving on the Budget and Admissions Committee will be Rev. Thornton Hawkins, Herb Sheidy, Bob Heaton, Bill Brackett, Ty Burnett, Ted Susac, Giles Bryson, Dave Moody, and Mrs. Al Brown.

The management and administrations of the Cherokee County United Fund Corporation will be governed by a twenty-eight man Board of Directors made up of the following citizens of the county. Wayne Abernathy, Horace Cannon, P. B. Ferebee, Lee Nichols, Dr. C. O. Van Gorder, Jim Sprung, Mrs. Dora

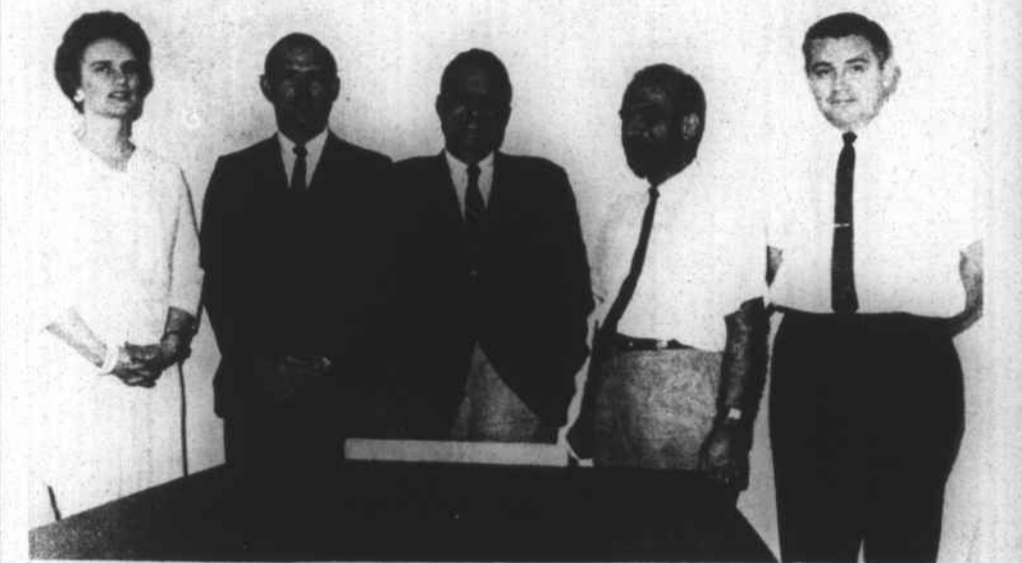
Blalock, Hobert McKeever, Joe El Khouri, Rev. Jack Watson, Father Dave Glockner, Bill Whitaker, Mrs. Gills Cover, Dave Townson, Dave Moody,

Doug Carlson, Tommy Gentry, Frank Forsyth, Mrs. Lynn Brown, Rev. T. W. Hawkins, Lonnie Hoover, Gene Farmer, Houston Ledford, Herb Sheidy, Ted Susac, Bob Mason, Bill Brackett and Giles Bryson.

Membership in the Cherokee County United Fund, Inc. will include all persons or groups who contribute to the United Fund. Each member shall be entitled to attend and vote at all membership meetings. These meetings will be held at least

once a year with a complete report of all activities, including a financial report. The Board of Directors may also elect honorary members to the Corporation in recognition of outstanding and unselfish service to the Community.

The first fund drive is tentatively scheduled for October of 1968. All local charities wishing to be granted membership in the Cherokee County United Fund, Inc. should contact or make application immediately to Mr. Francis Bourne Jr. of Murphy.



United Fund Officers

United Fund officers named to serve for 1969-70 term are left to right: Mrs. F. E. Blalock, Chairman, Public Relations Committee; Tommy Gentry, Secretary, Hobart McKeever, President; Joe El Khouri, 2nd Vice President and Horace Cannon, Chairman of the

Campaign Committee. Not pictured are Dr. Charles O. Van Gorder, 1st Vice-President and John Jordan, Treasurer, and Francis Bourne, Jr., Chairman of the Budget and Admissions Committee.

Employment Office Places Veterans

Nearly 15,000 armed forces veterans were placed in jobs at State Employment Offices during the year ending June 30.

North Carolina was 16th in the nation in the number of veteran job applicants, outranked only by California, Ohio, New York, Texas and other much larger populated states, according to Thomas C. Fuller II Veterans Employment representative of the local Employment Security Commission office.

He said about one-half the veteran applicants found jobs in all types of occupations. "It was fortunate for employers because they had one centralized employment service from which to recruit returning military personnel."

Explaining that veterans receive employment preference according to federal law, Mr. Fuller said State Employment offices are staffed by more than 80 job counselors and 50 veterans employment representatives to aid veterans seeking civilian jobs.

The most common problem encountered by veterans seeking jobs are wages and job location. "Often the veteran has started his family while on active duty and a lot have many dependents to care for. It's pretty rough going if he has to take less wages than he made during military service," said Fuller. "And sometimes there are no opportunities within his trade or profession where he wants to live in North Carolina and it's often a

problem transferring his skills to some other type of work."

The VER said State Employment offices make a little extra effort to place disabled veterans on the job. During the last fiscal year 500 out of 845 disabled veterans found employment through the public employment offices.

In June, the State Employment offices had 7,247 veteran applicants on file. Of this number, 1,123 were disabled.

Bulldogs Win Again, 39 - 0

The Murphy Bulldogs continued to dominate their opponents for the second week in a row as they poured it on the visiting Union County, Georgia team Friday night.

Murphy, led by Mike Kephart who scored four touchdowns, led in almost every department in the 39 to 0 romp.

Bulldog halfback, Jeff Jackson opened the scoring early in the game on a two yard drive up the middle. The extra point attempt failed.

Murphy then kicked off, and after a series of downs obtained the ball following a Union County punt. Mike Kephart took the ball on an end sweep from Quarterback Doug Stevens, and raced downfield 64 yards and a score. The PAT failed again, and Murphy led 12-0 at the end of the first quarter.

Three touchdowns followed in the second quarter, the first one a 35 yard pass play from Stevens to left end Wayne Holland. Stevens then kicked the extra point. Mike Kephart scored the two other touchdowns, one on a 24 yard run midway in the quarter and the other on an intercepted pass just before half time. Stevens again kicked the extra point, and Murphy went into the dressing room at half time leading by 32-0.

Murphy came out after halftime and continued to dominate the field. The Bulldogs seemed to be able to score almost at will, and did again about midway in the quarter when Kephart again broke loose around left end and raced 74 yards for his fourth touchdown and the last score of the game. The PAT was good, and Murphy, leading

by a score of 39 to 0, began to put in the second string players.

The second team failed to score during the last quarter, but at the same time held the Union County team from crossing the Murphy goal.

Former Democrat Chairman Backs George Wallace

Ben Scott, who resigned last week as Chairman of the Cherokee County Democratic Executive Committee has accepted the position of Campaign Manager for Wallace For President in Western North Carolina.

Scott told the Scout Monday that he received a call from George Wallace Sunday night asking him (Scott) to "head up the Wallace Campaign in Western North Carolina." Scott said that he agreed to head the campaign and noted that he received another call from Wallace confirming his appointment Monday afternoon.

Scott said that he had been considering working for Wallace, but that he did not decide definitely until Sunday night.

"I will continue to back the state ticket all the way," Scott stated, "especially Bob Batts and Pat Taylor." Bob Batts, running for governor, and Taylor, running for lieutenant governor, are the Democratic ticket in North Carolina.



Murphy Quarterback Doug Stevens goes for extra yardage in Friday Stevens are Richard Gillenwater, 65, and Arnold Crisp, 22. Laying on nights 39-0 victory over Union County, Georgia. Leading the way for the ground after throwing a perfect block is Mitch Myers.