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## United Fund Drive Has Reached \$24,000



### Family Receives Medals

Four medals and a certificate were presented to members of the family of Thomas E. Brown, who died November 25 in the vicinity of Quang Tri Province, Vietnam.

Accepting the posthumous awards are Melvin and Margie Brown, far left and far right, brother and sister of Private Brown. Presenting the Purple Heart Medal and Certificate, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the Vietnam Campaign Medal is Major T. W. Hancock, Jr., Inspector-Instructor to "M" Btry 4th BN, 14th Marines. (Scout photo by Bill Gray)

### Forest Service Renames Local Recreation Area

A name change of a local recreation area has been announced by District Ranger Bunch A. Nugent. What has been called the Hiwassee Lake Recreation Area will now be known as the Hanging Dog Recreation Area.

In making this announcement Ranger Nugent stated that there were two reasons for the change:

First, the name "Hiwassee" is a very common and much over-worked name in a three state area of Georgia, North Carolina and Tennessee as far away as 75 miles from Murphy.

Ranger Nugent went on to say that it is particularly important to the recreation visitors to our area that local attractions have individually

unique names to avoid confusion with other attractions in the vicinity.

Second, the locale around

the recreation area is known as the Hanging Dog Community. It is a good community with a

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### Welfare Regional Programs Discussed By State Of Franklin

RALEIGH - On Thursday, December 12, members of the ad hoc committee on social welfare of the State of Franklin discussed plans for a

regional public welfare program in services with Col. Clifton B. Craig, State Commissioner of Public Welfare. Members of the state Public Welfare staff also participated in the discussion.

The State of Franklin region of Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, and Swain Counties was represented by Roy English of Bryson City, Mrs. Dorothy Crawford of Franklin, Alvin Penland of Hayesville, Mrs. Christine Corpening of Robbinsville, and Charles Edwards of Lake Junaluska.

The State of Franklin was encouraged to continue a study of the need for regional services and to plan the organization of a regional program to meet those needs without regard to county lines. In no way will this plan affect the public assistance program which will continue to be administered by county departments.

Some types of work which may be experimentally attempted on a regional basis are child welfare, services to the aging, juvenile court work, family counseling, family planning, and work with alcoholics. Also envisioned are broad new services to resolve social problems associated with illness whether physical or mental.

### Christmas Edition Set For Monday

The annual Christmas edition of The Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress will be published Monday, December 23. Monday's edition will feature three sections with several pages printed in multi-color.

The advertising and news deadline is 10 a.m. Monday Dec. 23. Advertisers who have not been called on and wish to place advertising in this edition are requested to call 837-5122 and a Scout representative will contact them.

Offices of The Cherokee Scout will be closed Tuesday Dec. 24 through Sunday Dec. 29 to give employees a well deserved rest. Offices will reopen Monday Dec. 30. Those wishing to call in news items while the offices are closed may do so by dialing 837-2813 or 837-2537.

### Post Office Says 'Thanks'

Postmaster Joe Ray and the employees of the Murphy post office today expressed sincere appreciation to the citizens of the Murphy area who helped assure on time delivery of holiday mail by cooperating with the post office.

Without the help of our customers, by mailing early and using ZIP Code, we never

could have done as good a job as we did, postmaster Ray said.

"The Post Office Department needs the cooperation of all citizens in the use of the codes to help keep expenses down and to keep postal rates at their attractive low price," said the Postmaster.

### Berkshire Donates \$1,500



JOE KUHN, plant manager of the Berkshire plant in Andrews, presents a donation pledge to Joe El-Khoury, one of the Cherokee United Fund directors. This pledge for \$1,500 helped push the drive to \$24,000, over two-thirds of the total drive goal. (Scout photo by Bill Gray)

Berkshire International Company, Inc., which has a plant in Andrews, donated \$1,500 to the Cherokee County United Fund Monday. The donation came from the company and not from the plant employees, Joe Kuhn, plant manager at Andrews, said.

This \$1,500 added with the donations made since December 9th, has helped push the drive to \$24,000, well over two-thirds of the \$30,000 goal. Murphy Recreation Program, \$1,000

Operated by a non-profit corporation, this program provides a softball diamond and two tennis courts at the fairgrounds in Murphy during the summer months. In addition, a gymnasium is made available under adult supervision for various indoor sports at the same location.

Donors for the past week include: Cherokee Furniture Company, Duke's Lodge, Boyce Stiles, Nelson's Lumber & Supply Company, City Barber Shop, Rogers Electric, Deckers Grill & Grocery, Hughes Supply, Inc., Hilton Business Equipment, Hughes Electric.

McAfee Poolroom & Grill, Mrs. Kate Evans, A. C. Harris, W. Thornton Hawkins, Davis Ezzo, Wells & West, James R. Sprung, Blue Ridge Trucking Company, McDonald Cash Grocery, House of Fashion, Cherokee Restaurant, Kenneth Godfrey.

### Tri-County Offers New Courses In Mechanics

Two new training programs, one in Auto Mechanics and one in Auto Body Repair, are now being offered at Tri-County Technical Institute.

Twelve young men are now receiving training in Auto Mechanics class and are receiving training in Auto Body Repair.

In order to give these men practical experience, private vehicles as well as public vehicles will be accepted for repair work.

All work will be performed under the supervision of a qualified instructor.

Anyone wishing repair work on his automobile, should contact Tri-County Technical Institute for specified information.

Jack Owens, Jim Morgan, L. D. Schuyler, Bill Gray, Jimmy Simonds, Hugh Carringer, Betty Patterson, Ruth Anderson.

## Murphy To Receive All Three TV Networks, If...

Murphy residents will be able to receive all three major television networks by next fall if the Federal Communication Commission approves a request by Asheville station 13, Murphy Jaycee President, Curtiss Hewlett said early this week.

In a letter addressed to the Jaycees, WLOS TV station, which is located in Asheville, said that they had filed for an application to the FCC to use Channel 6 in bringing WLOS to Murphy. WLOS would be transmitted from Andrews to

the Murphy translator, and Murphy residents would receive WLOS on channel 6.

The Murphy Jaycees conducted a survey of a 'great majority' of Murphy residents about the feasibility of bringing in the Asheville station on Channel 6. According to Hewlett, the idea was over whelmingly accepted.

WLOS has indicated that if the FCC approves, the completion date for installing additional equipment would be around next September. The Murphy Jaycees own the

building where the present translators and the new one will be located.

The Jaycees have worked for some time to obtain the third network, so that area residents will be able to receive all three networks with the same antenna alignment.

Curtiss reiterated that the Jaycees have worked to obtain the TV translators because, unlike Cable TV, the translators provide free television reception for area residents.

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25,000  
20,000  
15,000  
10,000  
5,000

**\$30,000 NEEDED**

**"You Benefit"**



### Outstanding 4-H'ers Are Recognized

Outstanding 4-H members, leaders and sponsors were recognized at the 1968 Cherokee County Achievement program held at the First Baptist Church in Murphy, Friday night.

The Achievement Program is held each year to recognize the outstanding 4-H members in the different subject matter areas in the 4-H Club program, to recognize the community 4-H leaders of each club, to recognize the outstanding 4-H

boy, 4-H girl and outstanding 4-H club leader, and to recognize the 4-H donors and sponsors who have helped make the 4-H program in Cherokee county successful. The picture above is of the project book winners and three of the donors. They are first row reading from left to right: Lynn Loudermilk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Loudermilk, winner in Dairy Food Science and Entomology; Debra Radford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Radford, winner in

Home Grounds Beautification. Kathy Hughes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Hughes, winner in Dog Care and Training; Rosanna Radford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frances Radford, winner in Crafts; Vickie Davis daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davis, winner in Frozen Foods; and Sandy Ledford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ledford, winner in Recreation. Second row: Patti Little, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Little, winner in Health (Jr. Health Queen);

Kathy Lunsford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Loy Lunsford, winner in Marketing and Junior Clothing. Jo Ann Pope, daughter of Mrs. Wilma Pope, winner in pre-teen Dress Revue; Linda Pope, daughter of Mrs. Wilma Pope, winner in Foods and Nutrition, Senior Clothing Senior Dress Revue, Key Award, Junior Leadership and Health (Senior Health Queen); Wanda Wilson, daughter of Mr.

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### Graves Is Promoted By Westco Telephone

Bobby Joe Graves has been promoted from installer to outside plant supervisor for the Murphy District of Western Carolina Telephone Company and Westco Telephone Company, according to Harry Smith, District Manager of the area.

Mr. Graves will be responsible for the supervision of installation, maintenance, and repair of all telephones and outside lines and cables in the telephone exchanges of Murphy, Suit, Andrews, Hayesville, Robbinsville and Fontana. This change, Smith said, is another step to improve the customers service in Cherokee County.

Graves went to work for Westco Telephone Company in 1962 as an installer.

Mr. Graves is a native of Cherokee County where he

attended Murphy High School. He resides on Reservoir Road in Murphy with his wife, the former Dorothy Queen, and two sons, Brian Keith and Jeffrey Kent.



Bobby Joe Graves



Bunch Nugent, left, receives a book of notes from Forest Engineer L. H. Mielke and other gifts at a dinner held in his honor in Blairsville December 7. Nugent will return December 20 after 35 years of government service. (Scout photo by Bill Gray)

### Bunch Nugent Retires

Bunch A. Nugent who has been District Ranger of the Tusquitee Ranger District, U.S. Forest Service here in Murphy for the past twelve years will retire on Friday, December 20 concluding 35 years Government Service.

He attended the University of Idaho and the University of Montana majoring in Forestry and began his career in the State of Montana. He also worked in Texas, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama and Louisiana. In 1942 he entered the U. S. Air Force and served in India and Egypt.

The Nugents moved to Murphy in 1956 and since that time, he has been actively engaged in Civic and Community Affairs having served as Superintendent of the United Methodist Church School, and past president of the Official Board. He has also served as president of the Civitan Club and was named Civitan of the year for 1962-63.

He is a member of the Tri-State Rockhoulder's Club and has been accepted into the

Southern Highlands Handicraft Guild.

The Nugents were honored with a banquet at the Milton Inn in Blairsville, Ga. on December 7. Mr. Peter J. Hanlon, Forest Supervisor of the National Forests in North Carolina, presented gifts to Mr. and Mrs. Nugent. Mr. L. H. Mielke, Forest Engineer and longtime friend of the Nugents, presented a book of notes and remembrances from their co-workers and friends. Helton Carmichael, formerly Assistant District Ranger on the District, served as Master of Ceremonies.

The Nugents will continue to reside in Murphy.

### Selective Service Office To Be Closed

Selective Service Office, Local Board No. 20, located in Murphy will be closed December 24 through Dec. 27, 1968, and also Jan. 1 through 3rd, 1969.

### Safe Is Stolen From Lay's Tuesday Night

A safe containing an estimated \$1,200 in cash and lay-a-way tickets on merchandise of over \$10,000 was stolen from Lay's 5 & 10 store in downtown Murphy sometime Tuesday night, according to Troy Flemming, store manager.

The safe, which was located on an upper sub-floor in the rear of the building, was taken out of the back door of the building, Murphy police officials said. The rear door of

the building was apparently forced open by a medal bar.

Flemming said that the cash from the registers was taken to the bank around 4 p.m. Tuesday afternoon, and that what was in the safe was sales after 4:00 plus coins, including personal money, and money that was already in the safe. Flemming said that apparently nothing else was taken from the store.

The Murphy police department is continuing in the investigation.