



The Rev. Thomas V. Wells and Mrs. John Dickey prepare to take large bites of earth in ground breaking ceremonies recently held for the Broyhill Home for Children. The Home will be located on a 96 acre tract between Waynesville and Clyde and will provide care

for about 50 boys and girls from Western North Carolina. Rev. Wells and Mrs. Dickey are chairmen of the Founders and Builders Program for Cherokee and Clay Counties.

Groundbreaking Ceremony Held For Baptist Children's Home

Groundbreaking ceremonies for the Broyhill Children's Home were held Saturday, April 26.

The Home, named in honor of the J. E. Broyhill family of Lenoir, N. C., generous friends and supporters of the Baptist Children's Homes for many years will be built in various phases, with the first phase calling for two-family cottages. The remaining structures will

be erected as money is received. They will include two additional family cottages, providing for 12 children each, a superintendent's home and multi-purpose for 12 children each, a superintendent's home and a multi-purpose campus center.

At a cost of \$634,000, the home will provide group care for about 50 boys and girls in W.N.C., and will serve as the

center from which will radiate the varied services of the Children's Homes.

An estimated 300 persons attended the event held on the site of the home, a 96 acre tract located on Jones Cove Road in Haywood County between Waynesville and Clyde. J. C. Broyhill of Lenoir, president of Broyhill Industries and a long-time beneficiary of Baptist Children's Homes,

turned a spade of dirt signaling the ceremonial start of work on the project.

Actual construction isn't expected to begin until mid-summer. Architects are now completing plans for the project and bids will be sought while the site is being landscaped.

Two-thirds of the money needed to finance construction has already been pledged. A total of \$420,253 had been pledged on April 26. Cherokee and Clay Counties have contributed \$31,765 to the home. Only one county of the 17 counties involved have contributed more than Cherokee and Clay, according to Mrs. John Dickey, co-chairman of the Founders and Builders Program.

Haywood Associates is the leading contributor. Dr. W. R. Wagoner, Baptist Children's Homes president, announced that Hugh Starnes of Asheville, who has been a counselor for the Homes among mountain families, will be superintendent of the Home.

Anyone wishing to make a pledge should contact Mrs. John Dickey at 837-3701.



Pictured from left to right are, Lawrence Beal, Charles Garland, Dickey Davis, Jim Jordan, Harry Smith, Bill Travis, Winston Craig, Arthur Hayes and Curtis Hewlett.

Jaycees Install New Officers

The Murphy Jaycees installed new officers to serve during the 1969-70 year at their annual banquet held at the Milton Inn in Blairsville, Ga., Thursday night.

During the ceremonies, Curtis Hewlett outgoing president was presented the outstanding Murphy Jaycee award by Jim Church, President of the North Carolina

Jaycees. This award is presented annually to the young man who the general membership of the organization feel has done an outstanding job for the club. The vote was by secret ballot at a meeting in April. No one knew the results of the ballot until it was announced at the banquet that Hewlett was the winner.

Church also installed the new officers for the club. They are: President, Bill Travis; First Vice - President, Winston Craig; Second Vice - President, Harry Smith; Secretary, Jim Jordan; Treasurer, Arthur Hayes; State Director, Lawrence Beal; Director, Charles Garland; Director, Dickey Davis; Director, Curtis Hewlett and Lonnie Hoover, Parliamentarian.

Nations First Coronary Care Network Dedicated; Cherokee County Hospitals Participate In Program

The nation's first network of acute coronary care units, installed in eight community hospitals serving a 3,000 square mile area in Southwestern North Carolina, was formally dedicated at a ceremony in Cullowhee.

Dr. Hugh Matthews, president of the State of Franklin Academy of Medicine and director of health services at Western Carolina University, was master of ceremonies at the dedication which drew some 200 area lay and medical leaders.

Mayor and Mrs. Cloe Moore of Murphy, who are very active in the State of Franklin

attended the ceremonies.

The coronary care units have been installed in hospitals at Murphy, Waynesville, Sylva, Cherokee, Andrews, Bryson City, Franklin and Highlands.

The units are used to help compensate for the lack of local heart specialist. The coronary units in the eight participating hospitals maintain around-the-clock telephone tie in with a monitoring and consultative center at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine at Winston-Salem.

The idea of establishing a network of up-to-date coronary care units on a

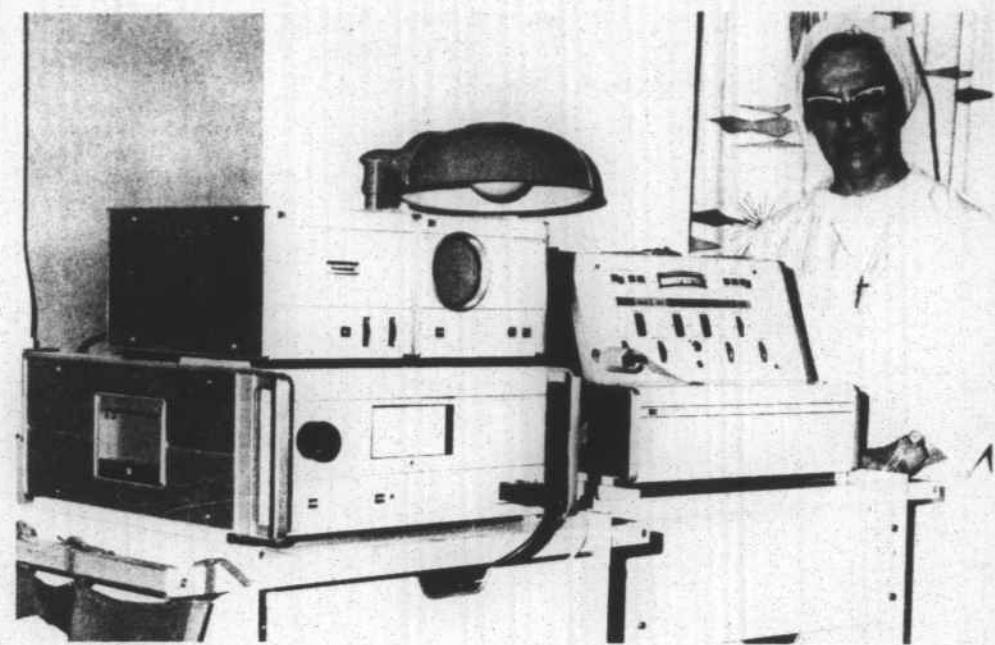
regional basis was first proposed in August, 1967, by the Health Council of the State of Franklin. The proposal was made to the North Carolina Regional Medical Program, which has undertaken to assess and apportion the statewide medical needs with special emphasis on heart disease,

cancer and allied diseases.

Six patients have used the coronary unit in the Murphy Providence Hospital, to date. Mr. Ernie Young of Murphy was the first to use the unit, on October 26, 1968. All six patients have responded to the use of the unit, therefore making it 100% successful. Dr.

Walter Mauney is director of the coronary unit and Mrs. Ramona Hendrix is supervisor of the unit.

The District Memorial Hospital in Andrews received a unit approximately the same time as the Murphy hospital. Twenty to 25 patients have used the unit in Andrews.



Sister Mary Francis Xavier, Administrator of the Providence Hospital stands beside the coronary

care unit which was recently dedicated at a ceremony in Cullowhee.

Eavesdropping Pays Off

City Policemen Tommy Palmer and Roy Almond overheard several Murphy men invite others to a drag race on Highway 64, Monday morning 2:15 p.m. Figuring they were invited the policemen followed the group and saw three cars racing east toward Murphy on the four-lane highway in front of Townson's Lumber Company.

Three persons were arrested for pre-arranged drag racing.

The three drivers of the cars that were arrested were Clifton Scroggs, 22, of Murphy, Marvin Dockery, 20 and Kenneth Mills

21, both of Rt. 5, Murphy. They were each placed under \$1400 bond. Arrested for aiding and abetting were Charles Ray Stiles, 19, of Murphy, Ronnie Rogers, age not given, of Murphy and Richard Hughes 21, of Blairsville, Ga. They were placed under \$1000 bond each.

Chief of Police Pete Stalcup reported six other arrests were made over the weekend. Four persons were arrested for public drunkenness, one for driving under the influence and one for disorderly conduct.

Residents Owe \$347,881 To County In Back Taxes

Cherokee County residents owe a total of \$347,881 to their county in unpaid taxes, Mrs. Pete Stalcup, Cherokee County's accountant and tax collector said this week. This figure represents unpaid taxes for 1968 as well as all past years.

According to the figures released by Mrs. Stalcup, the total amount of taxes assessed on county residents in 1968 was \$476,730. This figure includes taxes on all personal and real property, poll taxes and late listing fees.

Of the \$476,730 to be collected, only \$369,866 has been collected as of May 1. This leaves a balance of \$106,864 of unpaid taxes for this year.

"Tax collections so far are ahead of last year," the tax collector said. "A majority of the people paid their taxes before February 1, the date they must be paid before a penalty is assessed."

L. L. Mason, Jr., who, as the county attorney is responsible for collecting the back taxes, agreed with Mrs. Stalcup on this year's collection. "I think most of it can be attributed to the fact that most everyone is working and that times are good," Mason explained. "People have been unusually good in paying their taxes as

compared to previous years," he commented.

The county accountant keeps the records for the three most recent years in her office and tries to collect by sending out bills each year. What she does not collect after keeping the records three years is turned over to Mason for collection.

Delinquent taxes prior to 1968 amounted to \$294,130 on June 30, 1968, but \$53,483 of this amount has been paid since then. This leaves a total of \$240,647 in delinquent taxes prior to 1968.

As the county attorney, Mason has the power to bring suit against the property owners to satisfy the lien, and

garnish wages and attach bank accounts in order to collect. However, Mason has not used any of these measures recently. "In the past I have brought a number of suits against property owners to collect back taxes," Mason said. "But as I said, people have been good about paying and I haven't brought any suits in the past few years," the attorney said.

Mason brought out one important fact in describing some of the problems in collecting taxes. "Any man or woman who owns property knows that he or she owes a tax on that property. That is the law here and everywhere else, too."

Mrs. Lovingood Named Chairman Of Committee

The Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce announced that Mrs. Lena Lovingood was appointed chairman of the Murphy Merchants Committee at a Monday night meeting. Mrs. Lovingood will appoint a committee to work with her to organize and unite the work of the merchants.

At the meeting the Chamber received information that the Jaycees are sponsoring a Welcome Wagon for the new arrivals in Murphy for the July 4 celebration. Mr. Dicky Davis is chairman of the Welcome Wagon Program. The Chamber donated \$100 to aid the Jaycees in the Welcome Wagon Program.

After the Chamber had finished its business meeting, Mr. Buck Rose of the Jaycees reported on several Jaycee projects.

All members and interested persons are urged to attend the next meeting of the Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce, which will be held June 2, at 7:30 p.m., at the Power Board Building.

Scout Troop Attends

Cadette Girl Scout Troop 212 attended Pisgah Council annual Rounder at Bear Den Campgrounds near Spruce Pine, N. C., from April 27 through April 29.

The girls enjoyed being together, cooking and eating out, and sleeping in tents. Those girls who attended the Rounder were: Denette Hubbard, Patrol Leader, Deborah Radford, Debbie Dockery, Linda Carlson, Susan Hatchett, Martha Singleton, Jane Mason, Teresa Davis, and Betts Edwards.

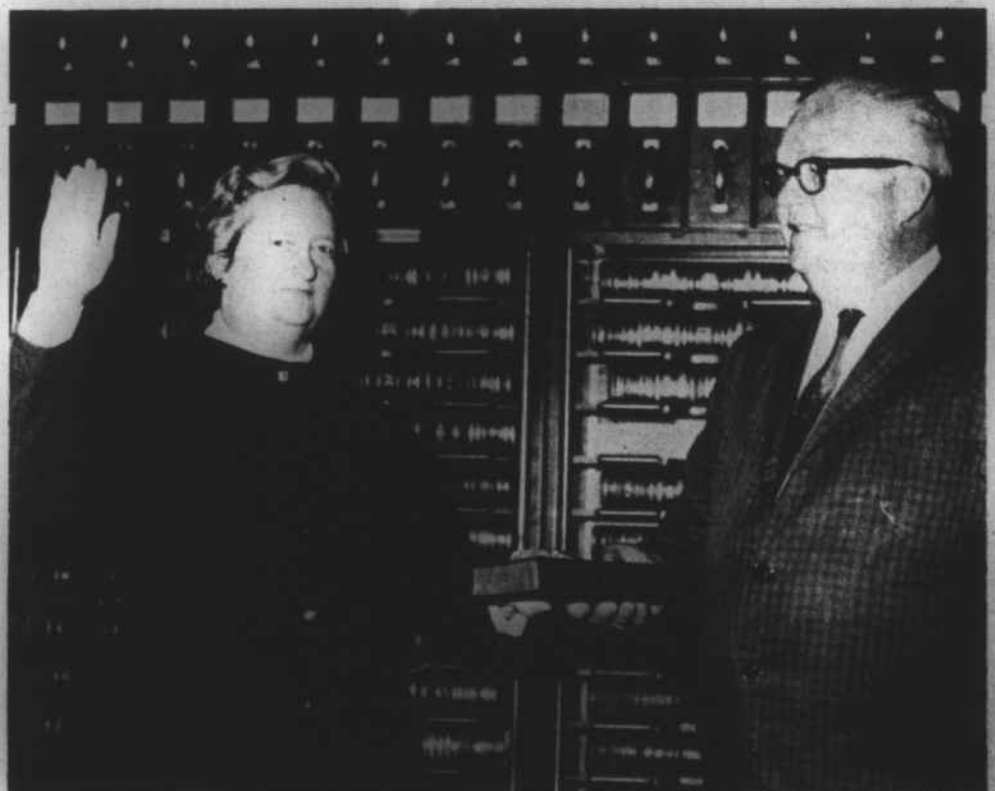
Carlyle P. Matheson Resigns; Board Seats First Woman To Commissioner Post

Carlyle P. Matheson resigned his seat from the Cherokee County Board of Commissioners effective Monday, April 28 and the first woman in the history of Cherokee County took a seat on the board.

Miss Emogene Matheson, sister of the retiring Commissioner will serve as County Commissioner, thus becoming the only woman to serve on the Board of Commissioners.

Miss Matheson said "with the help and cooperation of all board members I will try to serve all the people of Cherokee County to the best of my ability."

Mr. Matheson who had served on the Board for two and one-half years is still a patient at the District Memorial Hospital in Andrews recuperating from a heart attack he suffered approximately six-weeks ago. In a statement to the Board of Commissioners, Mr. Matheson said, "Due to physical illness I regretfully find it difficult to attend meetings and otherwise properly discharge my duties as member of the Board of Commissioners of Cherokee County. I therefore, hereby regretfully submit my resignation as Commissioner effective, Monday, April 28.



Miss Emogene Matheson takes the oath of office for a seat on The Cherokee County Board of Commissioners. Miss Matheson the first woman to serve on the Board of Commissioners is taking the seat of her

brother, Carlyle, who was forced to retire because of ill health.

Don Ramsey, Cherokee County Clerk of Court gives Miss Matheson the oath of office.

Body Found In Nottely

The body of a 34 year old fisherman who drowned Saturday night in Nottely Lake was found Monday in 100-feet of water.

He was identified as Don Edward Keasler, a Cherokee County native who lived in Dalton, Ga.

He was reported missing by his wife after he failed to meet her at the lake at 8 p.m. Saturday.

According to Mrs. Keasler her husband and a companion, Truett Dunn of Dalton, had spent Saturday fishing on the lake.

Dunn returned to shore late in the afternoon and left Keasler who said he would fish until 8 p.m.

Rescue teams from Murphy, Andrews, Haynesville and Blairsville, Ga., joined in the search.

ABC Station

A construction permit has been issued to WLOS Television Station, a division of Wometco Enterprises Incorporated for the construction and installation of a translator station in Murphy.

The translator station will relay the signal from WLOS T. V. to viewers in the Murphy area.

The equipment for the translator is in order and it will be about three or four weeks before construction will begin, according to WLOS. The new station will broadcast in the Murphy on Channel 5.