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Scoutlets

Gunshot Fatal To Local Youth

Kermit David Dockery, 14, of Cherokee Street, died Thursday, Sept. 4 in Oroville, Calif.

Death was caused by a self-inflicted gunshot wound, the Butte County, Calif., Sheriff's Department said. Dockery was visiting his father.

Services for Dockery were held at 2 p.m. Sunday in Grape Creek Baptist Church.

The Rev. Billy Stiles officiated. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Funeral home was in charge of arrangements.

Fallbearers were Rodney Bates, Dale Allen, Donald Palmer, Roy Moore, Jimmy D. Wallace, Andy Worley, Tony Dockery, and Bruce McDaniel.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. Mildred Dockery; his father, David Dockery of Oroville; two brothers, Donald and Mike Dockery, both of the home; a step-sister, Lori Jean Dockery of Oroville; his grandparents, Mrs. Dixie Clark of Murphy and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dockery of Murphy; and a great-grandmother, Mrs. Jessie Stiles of Murphy.

Townson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Jury List Drawn For October Term

The Jury list for the October session of Superior Court was announced Wednesday by the Register of Deeds Office. Sixty people were chosen from the county to serve of the term beginning October 20. Those chosen were:

Murphy:
Cora Lee Dockery, James Kenneth Rogers, Algie M. Micky, Hayes Dockery, Ms. Nathan Amos, William H. Palmer, Thelma Brendle, Eunairlie Whitner, James Gibson, George D. Furkum, Kenneth L. Jones, Fred Brendle, Iowa Baker, J. H. Hampton, Thad Laney, Pearly Chastine, Thomas Dockery, Orman K. Stegall, Zeb Derreberry, Jess Greene, Mrs. J.N. Boling, Evelyn Green, Neil Colbert.

Murphy, Rt. 1:
Verdie Ledford, Harold Hall, Mary Millsaps, Sue Hendrix, Mary George Moore.

Murphy, Rt. 2:
Floride Hill, Norma Kimbrell, Myra Stewart.

Murphy, Rt. 3:
Ervin Dockery, Lindie Hartness, Quinton Dockery.

Murphy, Rt. 4:
Kathleen Elliott, Margaret Seroggs.

Culberson:
John Ware, Volita Brown, Kathleen Nix.

Culberson, Rt. 2:
J.E. Anderson, Essel Forrister, Helen Cearley.

Andrews:
Birdie Lee Bradley, Mrs. Carol Postell, W.L. Whitaker, Eva P. Barton, Mary Alice Cruse, D. Elmer Moore, Mrs. Jo W. Fuller, Lenard Adams, May Cole.

Marble:
Lille Mae Wilson, Mary Lou Swanson, Letha Hall, Robert Stiles, Mrs. Frank Coffee.

Brasstown:
William Thomas Tipton, Mary Sue Chastain, Geneva Chastine.

Copperhill:
Charles G. Helton

Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church, Warme. Missionaries from New Mexico and Malaysia will be present. You youngsters bring 25 cents for lunch, okay?

The Cancer Clinic at the Murphy Health Department will be open at 1 p.m. Friday to serve residents of Cherokee, Clay and Graham Counties. Call 837-2311 for an appointment.

TODAY'S THOUGHT: The average person farms an opinion by adding to a small measure of information a dash of imagination and a large quantity of prejudice, shaking well with emotion.



Minor Damage

Sunday's hit and miss storm frightened some residents while others hardly knew it rained. Torrential rains and high winds dropped this big tree

limb on the home of Mrs. Flonnie Sherrill of the Andrews road at Pleasant Valley. Only minor damage was reported to the house.

Macon County Airport Dedication Set Sunday

Dedication of the new Macon County Airport will take place on the recently completed landing strip this Sunday afternoon. The program will start at 2 p.m.

Congressman Roy A. Taylor will deliver the principal address.

Officials of the Federal and State Aviation Authorities, Burlington, Belden and Van Ralte Company executives and county and state government officials have been invited and are expected to be on hand. Members of the County Board of Commissioners and the County Airport Commission will be recognized. In addition to the platform ceremonies there will be an Air Show which is expected to last approximately two hours.

Highlighting the show will be acrobatic flying by P-63, King Cobra, a special performance by Frank Tyghe, a stunt pilot flying a Pitt Special and sky diving exhibitions. Two airplanes and the personnel from the North Carolina National Guard are expected to be on hand for the occasion.

"There will be absolutely no admission charge and we hope as many people as possible from throughout Western North Carolina will be on hand to see the new Macon County Airport," said Oscar Ledford, Chairman of the Macon County Board of Commissioners.

Members of the North Carolina Highway Patrol, the Macon County Rescue Squad, the Civil Air Patrol and the Smoky Mountain Flying Club will be on hand to handle the traffic.



100 Year Old Lodge

During the last 100 years, Clay Lodge No. 301, A.F. & A.M. has owned four buildings. The two story frame building, above, was used as a lodge hall from 1892 to 1952. This building was located on Main Street, Hayesville, where the Citizens Bank and Trust Co. has erected a modern brick bank building.

The Masons of Clay County plan a dinner meeting in the Hayesville school cafeteria on Saturday night, October 4th, in celebration of their 100th anniversary. The cafeteria will seat approximately 300 persons and officials of the lodge expect an overflow attendance.

John F. Carter is Worshipful Master of the lodge.

Pistol Shots; No Arrests; Fair Closes

The 51st annual Cherokee County Fair closed early last Saturday night.

Just what happened is difficult to report, but these facts are correct in so far as we have been able to learn.

There was a disturbance at the fair involving a member of the carnival group and a Murphy youth.

The youth left and returned with friends. Taunts and jeers were exchanged.

Pistol shots were fired by the carnival man.

Members of the Murphy police department were on the scene but no arrests or charges were made.

The crowd dispersed, and the fair closed for the evening and the season.



BOBBY JOE GRAVES

Graves Is New Westco Manager

Bobby Joe Graves has been named District Manager for the Murphy District of Westco Telephone Company and Western Carolina Telephone Company, effective Sept. 5. The announcement was made by James Armstrong, President of the companies.

Mr. Graves is a native of Cherokee County and has held the position of Outside Plant Manager, Murphy District, and District Manager, Burnsville District.

He is married to the former Miss Dorothy Queen of Murphy and they have two children, Bryn, 7, and Jeffery, 4.

Mr. Graves is succeeding Harry Smith who is being transferred to the company headquarters in Weaverville.

"It is our desire to furnish high quality communications service and I sincerely request that you call on Mr. Graves for assistance in providing your needs," Mr. Armstrong said.

Blue Ridge Co-Op Slates Anniversary

Blue Ridge Mountain EMC is observing their 30th anniversary on Saturday, September 13. The members annual meeting will be held in the Chas R. Clegg Fine Arts Auditorium, Young Harris College, and will begin at 10:00 a.m. The Oak Ridge Boys will entertain, beginning at 9:30 and during the meeting.

Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. and last until office closes at 10:00 a.m. in Young Harris, Ga. Registration will continue at the Fine Arts Center.

Constituents Modify Thinking In Recent Congressional Poll

WASHINGTON -- Responses to an annual poll taken recently by 11th District Rep. Roy A. Taylor indicate that many of his constituents have modified their thinking on Vietnam and some other national issues during the last 12 months.

The Black Mountain Congressman said his office has completed tabulation of a representative sampling of more than 14,000 replies to his third annual legislative questionnaire. It was mailed to some 150,000 box holders in the 16-county Congressional District.

Thirty-seven percent of the respondents said that should the current Vietnam peace talks fail, they would favor renewed bombing of North Vietnam and stronger efforts to win the war. Thirty-three percent indicated they would prefer a gradual withdrawal of U.S. troops, with continued aid to South Vietnam while 29 percent favored immediate withdrawal of American troops. Only one percent favored continuation of limited warfare as at present.

By comparison, 81 percent of the respondents to the Congressman's 1968 questionnaire said they would favor renewed bombing and escalation of military operations should the Paris talks prove futile.

On new Administration programs, 68 percent said they favored the President's proposed anti-ballistic missile system while 65 percent voiced approval of the Postmaster General's plan to convert the nation's postal system to a private non-profit corporation.

Only 30 percent of the respondents favored extension of the surtax; 92 percent indicated approval of Rep. Taylor's bill to substantially reduce the oil depletion allowance; and 91 percent said Congress should have taken action to secure meaningful tax reforms before extending the surtax.

Asked about continuation of three anti-poverty programs, 61 percent favored retaining the headstart program; 52 percent the community action program; but only 49 percent favored keeping the job corps camps. (In 1968, when asked simply whether they would favor continuation of the poverty program, 67 percent said, "no.")

Sixty-seven percent opposed continuation of the foreign aid program; 87 percent favored stricter laws and regulations dealing with pornography; and 55 percent favored changing the draft system so as to draft 19 year-olds first and use a lottery system.

Perhaps the most detailed question on the 1969 questionnaire sought opinion on various pending proposals to change the method of electing the President and Vice President. Fifty-four percent

Leadership Conference Set For 16th

The Woman's Missionary Union leaders of Western North Carolina and West Liberty Baptist Associations will have an opportunity to learn new approaches and help for their work, in a workshop at Murphy Baptist Church Tuesday, September 16, at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. L. W. Hendrix, associational WMU director, states that following a short assembly, group conferences will be held.

Leading the conferences will be associational leadership: Mrs. Hendrix, WMU directors; Mrs. Lena Greene, WMS presidents; Mrs. Robert Bruce, study chairman; Mrs. Edgar Wood, activity chairman; Miss Addie Mae Cooke, group leaders; Miss DeEtta Watson, WYA directors and leaders; Mrs. Everett English and Miss Linda Pope, GA directors and leaders; and Miss Sybil Bell, Sunbeam Band directors and leaders.

favored their election by majority popular vote, with a runoff election if no nominee received more than 40 percent of the total votes cast. Twenty-one percent said they would prefer no change in the present method of electing President and Vice President. Twenty-five percent were for retaining, but changing, the electoral college system so that electoral votes would be cast automatically and then prorated according to the popular vote in each state.

Asked whether they would favor raising Social Security

benefits, 40 percent said they would favor a 10 percent raise as recommended by President Johnson; 28 percent were for a seven percent increase, as recommended by President Nixon; 15 percent said the increase should be greater than 10 percent; and 17 percent said there should be no raises at all.

Seventy-five percent were against a government-guaranteed income compared to 91 percent who indicated a negative response to an almost identical question on the Congressman's 1968 questionnaire.

Simonds Named Scout Production Supervisor

Jimmy Simonds, 26, of Rt. 1 Murphy, was named Production Supervisor of The Cherokee Scout and Clay County Progress this week by Publisher Jack Owens.

Mr. Simonds assumed the duties of his new post Monday Sept. 8, and will be in charge of production of the Scout-Progress as well as five other Western North Carolina newspapers. He will also be responsible for the company's commercial printing plant.

A 1961 graduate of Murphy High School, Simonds began his printing career at The Cherokee Scout during his senior school year as a part time employee. After graduation he began a four year apprenticeship program that earned him the certificate of Journeyman Offset Pressman.

During 1966, Simonds moved to Greenville, S. C. where he was employed by Scott Press. He later moved to Atlanta where he operated offset presses for Longino and Porter.

In April 1968 Simonds returned to The Scout-Progress as a commercial printer and a graphic arts cameraman. At that time he also began a training program on the Scout's new high speed web off-set newspaper press.

"We were pleased when Jimmy decided to come back to his home town to work,"



JIMMY SIMONDS

the Scout Publisher said, "and we are especially pleased that Jimmy has accepted the production supervisors position. With his well rounded eight years of experience I am confident he will carry the duties of his new position with the utmost efficiency."

Simonds is married to the former Shirley McCoy of Murphy and they have two children, Angela, 6, and Pamela, 5.

Mr. Simonds replaces James Morgan who was production supervisor for the past four years.

Bill Carringer Accepts Savings And Loan Post

Walter Puett, President of the newly formulated Cherokee Savings and Loan, announced this week that Bill Carringer has been appointed manager of their Murphy office.

Carringer resigned his post as news editor of The Cherokee Scout last week and is now in a training program at Waynesville.

In a statement to The Scout Mr. Puett said, "We feel very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Carringer as our manager. He is a native of Cherokee County and has lived here most of his life. He returned to the county a few months ago after having lived and worked in the Atlanta area for a few years. Mr. Carringer stated to me that he wishes to live and work here permanently. I am sure that he understands our needs, goals, and objectives in the savings and loan business to the extent that he is well qualified to serve the needs of both the investor and borrower."

The Cherokee Savings and Loan plans to open their office in Murphy Sept. 22 when Mr. Carringer returns from his training program in Waynesville. Carringer, who came to the Scout on March 31, is the son of Mrs. Bertha Carringer and the late Mr. Luther Carringer of Brasstown. He is a 1960 graduate of Murphy High School and attended Trustee McConnell Junior College in Cleveland, Georgia.

For the past four years, Carringer has been employed with the General Motors Acceptance Corporation in Atlanta, Georgia. He and his family are members of the Brasstown Baptist Church.



BILLY CARRINGER

Carringer said that he enjoys all types of sports, especially golf and water skiing.

He and his wife, the former Doris Harper of Murphy, and their daughter, Lynn have recently moved to the Pleasant Valley Community near Murphy.

Police Blotter

The Murphy City Police Department reported 15 arrests during the past week.

There were 12 arrests for public drunkenness, two for violation of probation and one arrest for transportation and possession of an excessive amount of beer.

Assistant Chief Glen Reese, Lloyd Stroud and Roy Almond stopped a late model car on an anonymous tip and discovered 564 cans of beer in the vehicle. The beer was confiscated and the car was impounded at the county jail.