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1969-70 United Fund Campaign Underway, Goal Set At \$30,000

Hospital Authority To Be Incorporated

A certificate of incorporation was filed Monday to allow the Murphy Hospital Authority to operate as a nonprofit, nonstock corporation.

The certificate listed five primary purposes for which the corporation is formed.

(1) To promote, improve, expand, and develop more and better medical services and hospital facilities in the Murphy area by and through cooperation with the area physicians, dentists, nurses, hospitals, pharmacists, civic

organizations, and the general public.

(2) To seek out, attract, and locate additional physician in the Murphy area.

(3) To ease the patient "work load" on the physicians now serving the Murphy area.

(4) To secure funds with which to accomplish the aforesaid purposes.

(5) In order properly to prosecute the objects and purposes above set forth, the Corporation shall have full power and authority to borrow money, to purchase, lease, and otherwise acquire, hold, mortgage, convey, and otherwise dispose of all kinds of property, both real and personal and generally to perform all acts which may be deemed necessary or convenient for the proper and successful prosecution of the objects and purposes for which the Corporation is created.

The Corporation will consist of 25 members and will make up the Board of Directors. Members of the Board of Directors are:

J. Kenneth Godfrey, W. A. Hoover, Jr., William R. Gossett, Jack T. Owens, Cloe Moore, H. A. Mattox, Robert D. Bruce, John Jordan, Frank Sudderth, James F. Taylor, Hans W. Beekens, Walter F. Mauney, Peter J. McKeon, John B. Carringer, William L. Christy, W. Douglas Carlson, J. Jerry Cabe, Calvin Stiles, James Hendrix, Samuel W. Duncan, Pete Setser, Howard W. Alexander, Joseph Fowler, Jerry Dickey, Kenneth G. Keenum.

After the first year of the existence of the Corporation, the Board of Aldermen, upon the recommendation of the Board of Directors will appoint five new members and designate which five of the old members will be retired. The Board of Aldermen will also designate the terms of all members, selecting five members to serve for one year, five members to serve for three years, five members to serve for four years and five members to serve for five years. Thereafter annually, the Board of Aldermen will appoint five new members for five year terms, from nominees submitted by the Board of Directors. No member can succeed himself and must have one non-active year before reappointment. Vacancies caused by death or resignation will be filled by the Board of Aldermen upon the recommendation of the Board of Directors.

Hiwassee Classes

Tri-County Tech will offer a beginning typing course and a class in dressmaking at Hiwassee Dam School.

The typing class will begin Monday, September 29 at 6:30 p.m. and the dressmaking class will start Tuesday, September 30 at 7:00 p.m.

Rep. Roy Taylor To 'Get Word' On Low Lake Level

Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce President Tom Gentry and other members of the organization met with Tom L. Mallonee, 11th Congressional District Assistant to Congressman Roy A. Taylor, Friday at the Power

Board Building to discuss the rapid fluctuation of Lake Hiwassee and the land now owned by the U.S. Forest Service.

The group pointed out to Mallonee that the lake level was lowered and then raised as

Katherine Cole Is D.A.R. 'Good Citizen'



As a Junior, Katherine was a member of the Pep Club. She was Secretary of the Student Council and also Secretary of her Class. She was a delegate to the W. N. C. District Student Council Congress in Asheville receiving an Academic letter in English and World History.

This year Katherine is a member of the Pep Club and Journalism Club and serves as President of the Student Body. For the fourth year she was chosen Secretary of her Class. She has also been elected to the 1969 Homecoming Court.

Katherine is a member of Second Baptist Church and active in its Youth Organizations, serving as a Junior Dept. teacher and a member of the choir.

This Contest is approved by the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges and is nation wide. The four requirements for the "Good Citizen" Award are: Service, Dependability, Service, Leadership and Patriotism.

Miss Cole will take a Test prepared at National D.A.R. Headquarters and will submit an Essay on What it means to be a "Good Citizen."

August Bond Sales Exceed \$20,000

Savings Bond and Freedom Share sales in Cherokee County were \$20,000 for August. For the year, cumulative sales amounted to \$169,434, which is 57.4 percent of the county's 1969 dollar quota, according to W. L. Christy, volunteer chairman of the savings bonds program in Cherokee County.



One Killed, Seven Injured In County

One person was killed and seven were injured in three Cherokee County accidents Saturday and Tuesday.

A Jacksonville, Fla., man was killed at 2:45 a.m. Tuesday

when the tractor trailer he was driving left the road 19 miles west of Murphy and struck an embankment.

Pronounced dead on arrival at Copper Basin Hospital was Thomas Nelson Christopher, 24. Investigating State Patrolman Don Reavis stated that Christopher was thrown from the vehicle and was apparently run over.

A chain reaction accident Saturday on US 19, one mile east of Andrews, sent four people to District Memorial Hospital with injuries not believed serious.

Patrolman Don Reavis reported that four cars were traveling in the same direction when the lead car stopped to make a left turn. The three cars following had a chain reaction accident.

Drivers of the vehicles involved were listed as James Stewart, Andrews, Bobbie Colvard Matheson and Glen Ted McLean, both of Topton. The fourth person treated at the hospital was Maggie Nelson, a passenger.

Patrolman Reavis charged McLean with following too close.

Charles Trantham, 17, of Murphy and Carmel Floyd Caldwell, 27, of Waynesville were treated at Providence Hospital for head injuries and internal injuries Saturday following a two car accident five miles west of Murphy on US 64. David Lee Cole, 18, of Murphy was treated and dismissed.

Patrolman Reavis said that Caldwell was being pushed by another car from a service station and struck Cole's car head on.

Caldwell was charged with failing to yield the right of way.

Hearing Waived By Gray, Murder Trial Is Set Here

An Andrews man waived preliminary hearing on a charge of murder in District Court last week and was bound over for trial here in November.

Floyd Gray, 46, charged in the shotgun slaying of "Tabby" Moore, is scheduled for trial at the Nov. 3 Superior Court session here, Judge W. K. McLean presiding. No bond was set and Gray remains in the Cherokee County Jail.

Andrews Chief of Police Milton Mashburn said Moore was shot on Sept. 3 with a 12-gauge shotgun, at the Andrews auto body shop

where he worked, the shot striking him in the chest and stomach. He died en route to a hospital.

Elmer Laney, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, waived preliminary hearing and was bound over for Superior Court trial, bond set at \$1,000.

Paul Ray Morrow, charged with larceny, waived his preliminary hearing and was bound over, under existing bond.

The case of Charles Herbert Whitaker, charged with leaving the scene of an accident

involving a personal injury, was continued until Nov. 17.

Other cases heard here before District Court Judge Felix E. Alley, Jr. and their dispositions were:

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Police Down But Not Out

Murphy City Police were down but not out Saturday following a one car accident near Marble that left the city's patrol car a total loss. However, city patrolmen are not being denied the opportunity to chase law breakers and get around to emergency calls.

Officers will be using their own personal cars with the Town of Murphy footed the bill until a new police car can be obtained. The personal cars

are equipped with either a dash mounted blue light or a portable blue light on top of the car.

According to Chief of Police Pete Stalcup, Saturday's accident occurred when Roy Almond was taking two Clay County officers to Andrews to catch a bus which they had missed in Murphy.

Almond reported that the left front tire blew out on rain slicked US 19 near Marble causing the car to swerve off

the right side of the road, striking a tree. Extensive frame damage deemed the car a total loss. No one was injured in the accident.

Bids are now being called from local automobile dealers by the Town of Murphy to replace the wrecked car for a new one. Stalcup stated it would take 60 to 90 days to get the new car because when a bid is accepted the patrol car would have to be replaced.

Open Letter From The Mayor

Editor's Note: This is the first of several open letters to the public by Mayor Cloe Moore concerning the statewide sales tax option vote November 4.

The time has finally come when the voters will have some say-so about keeping some tax money at home instead of Raleigh having it all.

The General Assembly passed a law giving the counties a right to vote a one cent local sales tax on a county option basis. As this is an opportunity and challenge to you the taxpayers to obtain a new revenue base for your local governments.

In years past the only basic source of revenue has been the ad valorem tax. In order for the municipalities and county governing bodies to keep operating and continue to

carry out the demands and services of the public it is continually requiring more revenue.

The only alternative to the new county option sales tax levy is to vote in ABC Stores or as a last resort to increase the ad valorem tax. This means if you vote no on the county option tax you are automatically voting yes for an ad valorem tax increase by both the towns and counties.

Every paper you pick up has something to say about inflation. This has also had the same effect on the town and county operating expenses.

Talk about inflation; read in the paper where Big Jim Folsom of Alabama is going to seek the Governor's job of Alabama again. Says he needs

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