



Bird's-Eye View

A farmer working a field near the Valley River drives a tractor that is just a speck (left center) in photograph made from a low-flying plane recently. Black dots along the road at the bottom of the picture are cattle (Wally Avett Photo)

Cherokee Students Get Grants

State School Superintendent Craig Phillips has announced that 677 North Carolina students will receive \$600 student loans in 1970 from the Scholarship Loan Fund for Prospective Teachers.

Students from Cherokee County receiving an award this year include Barbara I. Guffy, Clara B. Hicks, Debra L. Martin, and Emily C. Witt.

Donald Cotton, scholarships coordinator with the State Department of Public Instruction said that some 2,300 students applied for the loans this year. This year's recipients, ranging from graduating high school seniors to college juniors, are or will be enrolled in 48 North Carolina colleges. Most of the recipients, he said, were in the upper 25 percent of their prospective class rank.

Some \$1,321,000 will be distributed this year to all the students in the scholarship program. The program began in 1957 with 300 awards and has been increased steadily since. The 1969 General Assembly, according to Cotton, raised the fund by some \$300,000 for the 1969-70 biennium. The fund will benefit a total 2,500 students during these two years.

Some 427 of the recipients have chosen to study elementary education. "We feel this is particularly encouraging," said State School Superintendent Phillips, "in view of the findings of recent research that shows a chronic shortage of adequately prepared teachers at the elementary school level."



Prize Pike

Leon Kimsey of Murphy boated this Lake. The big pike weighed nine walleye on Wednesday of last week, troling an orange Beno where the Notla River empties into Hiwassee

Young Harris Teacher Will Show Paintings

The J. Lon Duckworth Library at Young Harris College will feature Pictures With Words — And Without, a showing of drawings and paintings by Blanche Flanders Farley, Assistant Professor of Art at Young Harris College.

An afternoon reception will be held in the library on Monday, June 1, at 4 o'clock. The show will continue through the month of June.

Mrs. Farley holds the AB Degree from LaGrange College and MA Degree from the University of Michigan. Her works have been exhibited in several pre-juried shows including the Atlanta Arts Festival, The High Museum Art Shop and the Southeastern Annual Exhibition.



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Fell For Lizard

A five-pound, nine-ounce largemouth bass was caught last Thursday evening in the Valley River at Murphy by Hank Panther, 12, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Panther of Murphy. The youngster was casting from the bank and hooked the whopper on a lizard. (Staff Photo)

Baptists Pick Design For Church

Contemporary, modified architecture was chosen Sunday as the style for the new building planned by First Baptist Church.

Five different designs were submitted by the architect, Robert Daniels of Brevard. On Sunday afternoon they were on display, and members had the privilege of studying them and expressing a preference.

According to the pastor, the Rev. Woodrow Flynn, the decision was almost unanimous for the style chosen. The new church will be built in West Murphy.

All of the building will be on ground floor level. It will have approximately 33,000 square feet of space, accommodating 500 in the worship services and 500 in educational organizations.

The construction will be of brick with a pitched shingle roof. It will have laminated beams in the auditorium to support the roof and a Gothic type ceiling. Some of the stained glass windows from the old building will be re-mounted and used.

The auditorium will have a bell tower and spire on he roof. The interior of the auditorium will be finished with Roman brick and decking and have an elevated floor. Each end will have a tall window reaching all the way to the roof.

The education building will be of brick and block construction with a hip roof and will be in a general "U" shape with a court in the center. Full facilities are planned for all age groups. There will be two shelters for loading passengers, and parking spaces for 175 cars.

The auditorium and parts of the education building will be air conditioned. There will be a recreation hall with a seating capacity of over 250 at tables. The present schedule calls for contracts to be signed in August and occupancy within a year.

Wachovia Bank has purchased the church's property on Peachtree Street and plans to tear the old church building down and put up a new bank building on the site.

Sing At Shiloh

There will be singing at Shiloh Baptist Church at Hayesville on Saturday night, beginning at 7:30. All singing groups are invited to attend.

Young Republicans

The Cherokee County Young Republicans Club will hold its regular meeting Tuesday night at Andrews Community Center at 7:30.



Nice Stringer

John McDonald displays a nice stringer of bass, six white and one smallmouth, caught recently troling a Thinfin in Lake Chatuge. (Staff Photo)

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I was not close
I saw him twice a year at most
to get a dead Johnson five brought back alive
by skill and magic.
He'd put it in a big tank
and (just like I did, or so I thought)
he'd pull the crank
but where I only got a wheeze,
his big brown arm would make it purr
he'd call it bad names
when it died,
and "darlin'" when it worked.
Pale green fishing boats
and memories with his name painted on
drift happy
in the morning fog
of Hiwassee.

Jan A. Davidson
June 2, 1969

Written by Jan Davidson
and given to Mrs. Elmer Taylor

Memorial Service Set In Graham

The annual Veterans Memorial Day service will be held Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the Sweetgum Baptist Church at Robbinsville under the leadership of the American Legion.

It is the 10th year the Robbinsville church has held a service to honor the dead of all wars. All churches, servicemen and families of servicemen in the area are invited to participate in the service.

Leonard W. Lloyd, Robbinsville attorney and Marine combat veteran of World War II, will deliver the memorial address entitled "Stand UP For America."

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