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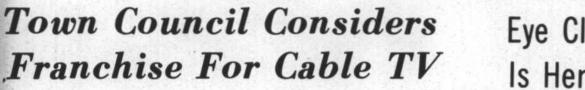


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Wrecked Cell

Cherokee Chief Deputy Glenn Holloway examines the debris in a wrecked cell of the Cherokee County Jail. A prisoner, officers said, ran loose in the jail on Wednesday of last week.

smashing commodes and wash basins and tearing up mattresses. Superior Court Judge Frank Snepp looked over the damage and promptly closed the jail, releasing the prisoners. (Staff Photo).



The Murphy Town Council Monday night again discussed the construction of a cable television system with Harold Shook, who is seeking the franchise for Murphy.

Shook appeared at the October meeting to ask for effect on the translators which beam television signals into the franchise and at that time Murphy from Fain Mountain. was instructed to make a formal request in writing and with the cable system it would include in his application the rates which would be charged

subscribers to the system. White Church Sets Festival

Monday night the council sort of public hearing on the members and Shook discussed matter, especially since two the planned system at length. out-of-town firms had previously asked for a cable TV Shook said it would offer a subscriber some 10 to 12 chanfranchise and the council so far nels for a fee of about \$5 a has taken no action on their month. He said it would have no requests.

Finally Mayor Moore appointed a committee of several of the councilmen to study the Shook also pointed out that matter and give Shook some kind of answer at the December be possible to purchase a meeting.

camera and send local In other action, the council television programs or athletic appointed five men to five-year events into the homes of the terms on the Murphy Hospital Authority - Bobby Burch, Henry Two aspects of the idea Simmons, Roy Weber, Bill seemed to bother Mayor Cloe Brackett and Harvey Kincaid. Moore and the councilmen. One

Eye Clinic Is Here The Lions mobile eye

screening clinic is now busy in Cherokee County, testing the vision of children between the ages of three and six. Lions say it is important to have a child's eyes tested before he starts school, some children

having a slow start at school due to eye problems which had not been detected. This week the mobile clinic

will be at the square in Murphy on Wednesday and Thursday all The following week, it will

be at White Church School on Monday, at Unaka on Tuesday, at the A&P parking lot in Andrews on Wednesday, at the

probably have wrecked it if he had been in Green's place. **By Wally Avett** Green has been charged with **Staff Writer** two counts of damaging public property.

The judge also telephoned

There was much discussion

The Cherokee County Jail Judge Snepp ordered that was closed down last week by the jail be used, if properly order of a Superior Court judge repaired, for keeping prisoners and all the prisoners were only for a maximum of six hours - "either someone State jail inspectors looked awaiting trial or for keeping a

over the local jail Tuesday drunk" until he sobers up. morning and returned to Raleigh to make their report to the state jail inspection section the Social Services department, which will make a ruling "in the near future" in the case.

released

As this writing it is not known whether the county will be allowed to keep prisoners in the jail again on a regular basis or on a six-hour mamimum or whether it will be used at all. the project started.

The jail inspectors have termed the Cherokee jail "one of the sorriest in the state" and James H. Pitts of Asheville, and have threatened to close it in the the chief of Jail Detention Services in Raleigh, N.C. past. The county voters approved a \$100,000 bond issue for Williams, said four jails in the construction of a new jail in the state have been closed down election on Tuesday of last and "by all rights both Clay and week.

Cherokee jails should be Sheriff Claude Anderson closed." said a prisoner ran wild on last Wednesday, shattering several of jail construction and how commodes and wash basins costs could be trimmed but it inside the jail, causing exsoon developed that the comtensive water damage. missioners have not heard yet

Superior Court Judge from their application for a Frank W. Snepp Jr. of \$100,000 federal grant and do not Charlotte, presiding over a have enough money to start the session of court here, went to project without the federal the jail to view the damage. He money returned to the courtroom with all the prisoners behind him. "Half the plumbing fixtures

were broken out, some of the windows were broken out making it hard to heat and there were the remains of foods on the floor and the mattresses

were filthy," the judge said. "There were two women in cells with no privacy," he added. "The jail was not fit for occupancy by human beings for anything more than a few hours.

Judge Snepp released some of the prisoners on their own recognisance to stand trial later and for others he ruled that they had appealed to his Superior Court and that their sentences were the time they had already served in the jail, effectively

the commissioners agreed to check on the status of the federal grant and also to have their architect, James L. Padgett of Asheville, meet with a man from the Jail Detention

Judge Closes Jail

Services and design a jail for the two counties, to be constructed on the courthouse parking lot behind the present jail in Murphy. Williams and

spected the Cherokee jail on Tuesday morning but said a decision will have to be made in Raleigh as to how the jail can be used until a new one is

system. Using the table, the

local principals and lunchroom

supervisors will decide on the

eligibility fo the child, he added.

with the ruling as to whether his

child is eligible or not to receive

lunch free or at a reduced cost,

he may request a hearing to

appeal the decision, Jordan

He noted that a

If a parent is dissatisfied

Board Of Education Applies For Tri-Tech Building Loan

The Cherokee County Board of Education applied for a lowinterest loan in its meeting last week to finance a building program at Tri-County Tech.

The Cherokee County commissioners had voted at their meeting earlier in the week in favor of the \$25,000 loan, which will be paid back by the county to the state Literary Fund. The special fund charges an interest rate of 412 per cent.

Holland McSwain, Tri-Tech from Clay and Graham counpresident, explained in the ties. Students from both study county school board meeting at Tri-Tech but the school is Thursday night that the located in Cherokee, which has building program will see a a greater population than both large new building rise on the Peachtree campus and also includes remodeling present structures to do away with the "prison look," the school formerly serving as a prison camp. McSwain told the board of

At the end of the meeting, education that federal Ap-

Canvass Sets Official Vote Returns

The official canvass of the Carl Killian in Cherokee by only votes cast in Cherokee County eight votes, 3623 to 3615. in last week's general election was made on Thursday and no major changes were seen. Candidates of both parties, Ramsey, 3652 to 3536. winners and losers, were present in the courtroom as the incumbent Register of Deeds, Board of Elections began the beat the Democratic candidate, long process of reviewing the Mrs. Thelma Crawford, by 95 vote-counting procedure and votes - 3651 to 3556. adding in a few absentee ballots

and correcting errors made in the tally on Tuesday night.

The totals were approved

Roy Stalcup, Democrat, beat John Donley for county The Democratic candidate surveyor, 3721 to 3398. J.B. Hall, for clerk of court, Jimmy Howse, beat the incumbent Don for coroner, 3896 to 3233.

favoring the jail bond issue was Ed Graves, the Republican 3805, with 2903 voting against it. In the school board voting,

Blain Stalcup, Democrat, was elected sheriff over Charles White, 3893 to 3344. In the District I com-

with 3574 and the Rev. Robert Democrat, beat Ralph Rayfield Barker, with 3571 were the winners. The final figure for voters

J. Doyle Burch polled 2979 votes in the school board race, Charles Aiken got 2724 and Johnny Wilson drew 2639 votes.

Dr. Charles VanGorder with

4423 votes, Dr. W.A. Hoover

Brasstown 'Record' Was Error In Tally

counties In other business, the board education approved a policy of of providing school lunches either free or at a reduced cost

ticket system of some sort will the other two combined, and this county has provided more probably be installed so that money by far than the other two there will be no discrimination and no way for any of the children to know who paid the full price for his lunch ticket, who paid a reduced price or who got a ticket free

said.

to children unable to pay the full palachian funds in the amount of \$300,000 have been approved price. Superintendent John for building at Tri-Tech, funds provided on a 80-20 basis. Jordan said an application form for such lunches, based on a The local 20 percent will be table showing family sizes and provided, he said, with the annual incomes, has been sent parents of each child in the

\$25,000 loan from the state Literary Fund and with \$50,000 gotten from the last Legislature by State Senator Herman West for Tri-Tech McSwain had indicated in

the past that local money for the

project would also be sought

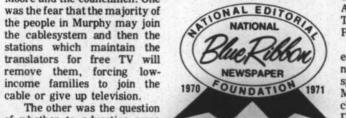
of the Social Services department and on Monday two officials met at the courthouse with Clay and Cherokee commissioners to discuss the situation. The two counties have tentatively planned to build a jail at Murphy to serve both and the state officials want to see The regional inspector,

The Harvest Festival will be held on Saturday night at White Church School, beginning at 6:30.

festival will include bingo, income families to join the cakewalks, darts, a boweling cable or give up television. alley, ring toss, fishing pond and all sorts of refreshments.

the people in Murphy may join the cablesystem and then the stations which maintain the translators for free TV will Sponsored by the PTA, the remove them, forcing low-The other was the question

cable subscribers.



Andrews Health Center on freeing them. Thursday and at the Topton

Post Office on Friday. The mobile clinic will be at each location from 9 a.m. until noon and from 1 until 4 p.m. It is sponsored in this county by the Murphy Lions, the Andrews club and the Ranger-Hiwassee Dam Lions Club.

Jerry Green, 34, was identified as the man who did the damage and was sent off for treatment. He has been in and out of the jail for the past several months, including one short-lived escape, but the judge said after looking at the

follows: jail that he himself would

Elections in Raleigh after the canvass was completed on Thursday night about 7 o'clock. stayed on the board of com-The official figures are as

Democratic Congressman Roy Taylor beat his GOP challenger Luke Atkinson in Cherokee by a vote of 4228 to

Erwin Patton, Democrat, beat W.P. Bradley, Republican, for state representative in this county by a vote of 3666 to 3360. GOP State Senator Herman

West Herman West beat Dr.

County Republicans Vote Straight...Regardless

Hundreds of Republican voters in Cherokee County proved last week in the election that they will vote a straight party ticket - even if nobody is running on the Republican side of the ballot.

This was demonstrated in the judges' ballot, on which 29 Democratic candidates were listed for Superior Court posts. No Republican candidates were listed on the right hand side of the ballot, although there were lines where write-in candidates could be entered.

There was a good bit of snickering, especially by the Democrats, when the official canvass was made on Thursday of last week. For in the returns from some precincts, a good number of Republicans had not written in any names at all but had marked a straight GOP vote for the blank right side of the ballot.

and sent in to the state Board of missioners' race, the results were correct as printed last week. Democrat W.T. Moore missioners with 1165 votes to Mauripe West's 982.

In the District 2 race, Republican Jack Lovingood beat Ray Sims, 1396 to 1095.

In the District 3 race, Republican Jack Simonds saw an increase in the slim lead he had held over Democrat Fred Sneed when the votes were first counted Tuesday night. The final figure saw Simonds the

winner, 1307 to 1221.

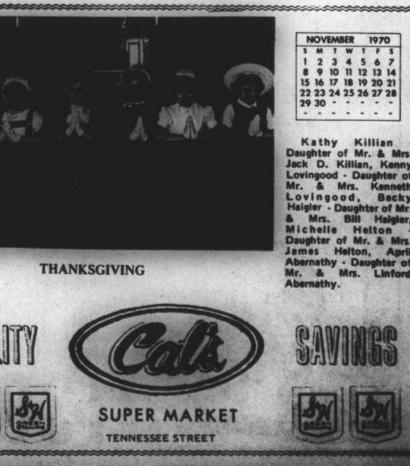
race in many cases, feeling that a vote for 29 blank lines was worthless.

No, there was nothing irregular in the voting last week at Brasstown precinct - what looked like a "record" turnout of voters proved to be a counting error.

The Scout published the registration figures for the 17 county precincts last week along with the unofficial returns from the general election. Several people noticed that Brasstown has a total registration of 255 but the returns printed showed more than 270 votes counted in several races.

The Cherokee County Board of Elections checked into the figures and found that an error was made in the tally at the precinct after the election. The split ballots are counted, it was explained, and then the straight tickets are also counted. Then the number of straight tickets voted for the Democratic side is added to every Democratic candidate's total and the same is done with R epublican straight tickets for the Republican side of the ballot.

The error was that the number of Democrat straight tickets voted was added, in some races, to both candidates. The returns, example, showed GOP State Senator Herman West beating Dr. Carl Killian, the Democrat, in Brasstown by a vote of 145 to 135. The actual tally, once the error was corrected, saw Dr. Killian beating West in that precinct by a vote of 135 to 92.



Computerized Phototypesetting

Scout typesetter Betty Clay, right, feeds a perforated tape into the new Compugraphic 4961 computer put into production this week as Ruth Anderson, compositor, checks the finished photographic reproduction. The computer gives The Scout greater versatility coupled with high speed, turning out printed matter in ready-to-use column widths in a variety of type faces. At

right. Weaver Carringer, recently returned from Army duty in Fairbanks, Alaska, operates a Compugraphic CG7200 display phototypesetter. This machine is used to "set" headlines and advertising material from a typewriter-like keyboard, with computerized word and letter spacing, replacing three older and slower machines. (Staff Photos),

In Andrews North Ward, for example, 214 straight Republican votes were recorded for the empty side of the judges' ballot. Other precincts had witnessed the same thing, it was explained, but the precinct officials had thrown out the ballots in that

