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MONUMENT UNVEILED WITH BEAUTIFUL EXERCISES

Occasions now and then occur in the great commonwealth that mark a mile post on life's highway. Pleasing incidents so thrilling that we are charmed, even fascinated and spell bound, and made to wonder if it is real or only a dream.

The pretty town of Murphey—a city in miniature—situated most delightfully amid the mountains of North Carolina, enjoyed a red letter day on the 11th of August, 1917. The occasion was the unveiling a beautiful fountain placed on the public square by the Woman's Club in memory of Judge Archibald D. Murphey, for whom this town was named. Thus fittingly recording their admiration for this great and good man. The exercises were so beautiful, impressive and entertaining, that the occasion ought not to pass without notice.

Mrs. Oliver Kinsey, former President of the Club, presented the fountain to the Mayor of the City and in behalf of the city the Mayor accepted it in a few well timed and appropriate remarks. Mrs. Kinsey's presentation speech was ornate, impressive and beautiful, and was later characterized by one of the subsequent speakers as a Bunch of Roses; recounting and giving proper credit to the devoted members of the Club for their combined efforts to secure this handsome token of appreciation dedicated to the memory of this noted jurist and educator. She was followed by Hon. J. H. Dillard, who was the orator of the occasion. He appropriately and fittingly traced the history of this great North Carolinian from the morning to the evening of his life. In a well modulated voice, his speech was marked by deep pathos, and at all times eloquent, while the great audience responded enthusiastically to his grand perorations.

The Woman's Club was seated on an improvised stage under the shade of those great elms on the public square. Hundreds of people nestled about this stand, flags waving in the glad sunlight, automobiles were parked in a semicircle, and the school children of the city thronged the vacant spaces about the stage and square. Sweetly and softly these children sang the "Old North State," and the vast crowd joined in the chorus, while just in front stood this exquisite pink colored marble shaft with snow white vase, gurgling from its summit pure water from the mountain that fell like a bridal veil over the base. Pure as a limpid stream, clean as the chisel marble are the hearts and motives of those patriotic women, who made it possible that this splendid fountain stands in the public square of Murphey, North Carolina, today.

Superior Court was in session,

and the venerable and distinguished Judge Shaw called a recess, and he and the court officers, the local bar and visiting attorneys all joined and aided by their presence to honor the occasion. It was truly a cosmopolitan audience; the southern visitor joined in the chorus as they sang the "Old North State."

Strange it is that the greatness of all the great is magnified as they recede from our view down the long vista of the past, but such is the human habit. We do not seem to recognize the strength and height of human character, unless we stand at a distance and take a retrospective view. We often measure great men and great lives as we take the height of the mountain trend at a distance, we see lone peaks more lofty than their fellows upon whose summit the storm cloud rests, whose towering head is gilded with the first rays of the morning sun, and receives the last lingering ray of the same at eventide; and we compare our dead heroes to these great supernal heights. They inspire us with grandeur and greatness, and ought to beget within us a spirit of emulation.

H. N. WELLS.

TOPTON TOPICS

A. Postell, who has been away for sometime taking a course in telegraphy, was in town Monday.

Mrs. T. J. Edwards and little son of Chattahoochee, Florida, and Mrs. W. Jenkins Duke and little daughter of Brinson, Ga., are spending a few weeks with their aunt, Mrs. S. A. Wilson.

E. B. King has been appointed postmaster to succeed D. E. Wright at this place. Fourteen years of faithful, courteous and efficient service has won for Mr. Wright a permanent place in the esteem of the people of Tipton and vicinity.

Under the able management of Miss Bennie Wright, ably assisted by Miss Gladys Axley, the school here is progressing nicely.

Mr. Miller of Decatur, Ga., is here visiting his friend, Geo. W. Taylor, and at the same time looking for a summer home.

Subscriber.

PEACHTREE PARAGRAPHS.

Miss Fannie Erwin of Young Harris began teaching in the Peachtree school Monday.

Mrs. Tom Ledford and Miss Fannie Brittain visited Andrews Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. McGuire of Andrews, and Mr. and Mrs. Victor McGuire of Nowata, Okla., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Boyd and Mrs. Margaret Howell the first of the week.

Miss Alba Sudderth spent several days at Murphey last week the guest of Miss Lucene Wells.

Earl Boyd of Cincinnati, Ohio, is the guest of his brother, W. A. Boyd.

Miss Ruby Owensby of Young Harris, visited at H. E. Elliott's the first of the week.

Mrs. E. P. Tatham of Robbinsville, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Tatham.

Will Pruett of Marble, visited here Saturday and Sunday.

A COMPROMISE VERDICT REACHED

A settle of the cases against J. L. Smathers and C. M. Hickerson, President and Cashier, respectively, of the Commercial & Savings Bank, was reached Wednesday morning in Superior Court, before Judge Thos. J. Shaw.

The first case, against J. L. Smathers, alleging transfer of notes without authority of board of directors with intent to defraud the depositors. The jury disagreed and a mistrial was ordered.

In the cases against Smathers and Hickerson, charging embezzlement and abstraction of funds, after a trial had been about finished, both defendants tendered a plea of not guilty of embezzlement, abstraction or misapplication of the funds of the bank, but offered to plead guilty of an attempt to misapply certain funds of the bank, and not guilty as to the felonies charged, and to pay the costs of the action, all other cases being nolle prossed. This plea being satisfactory to the Solicitor and Court, it was accepted, and the prayer for judgement was continued until the next term of Court in order for the defendants to show to the Court that in the meantime they had paid the costs.

No civil cases will be heard this term, and Court will likely adjourn Friday.

Misses Alba Sudderth and Clara McCombs spent the week-end at Ogden and Brasstown.

Miss Mary Wright is visiting relatives at Murphey.

George Mauney of Copperhill, was at home last week.

Mrs. Boyd Abernathy and two children of Murphey, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. M. L. Mauney. JOLLY.

A CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank from hearts of genuine gratitude, the party or parties, who so thoughtfully hung the Horse-shoe in our apartments at the Regal Hotel during the recent hearing of the Commercial & Savings Bank case. The little instrument of "good luck" and "good will" is missing today, and we presume that it served its mission to the satisfaction of the parties who placed it there. We would also avail ourselves of this opportunity to give expression to our appreciation of the many other courtesies and kind words of sympathy from our many friends in and about Murphey.

Acts of this kind give fresh impetus to fellow beings to hold their nose high above the stenchy odor of unjust and jealous persecution, into the pure atmosphere of conscious upright personal integrity, and strengthen afresh in us the belief that "the milk of human kindness" still flows in the veins of men and women, notwithstanding the lowering of the dark clouds of injustice on man's horizon sometimes. Small acts as well as noble deeds from the hearts of conscientious self-respecting men, serves to aid us to smile at Satan's rage and repeat "We thank you gratefully."

August 15, 1917.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Smathers.

SECOND CALL FOR 86 MEN IS MADE

Local Board Cherokee County, North Carolina. Notice of Call and to Appear for Physical Examination.

The following named persons are hereby notified that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved May 18, 1917, they are called for military service of the United States by this Local Board.

They will report at the office of this Local Board for physical examination on the 20, 21, 22, day of August, 1917, at 9 o'clock a. m.

Any claim for exemption or discharge must be made on forms which may be procured, or the form of which may be copied at the office of the Local Board, and must be filed at the office of this Local Board on or before the seventh day after the posting of this notice.

Your attention is called to the penalties for violation or evasion of the Selective Service Law approved May 18, 1917, and of the Rules and Regulations which may be consulted at this office.

Monday, August 20th, 1917.
218 Tump Calhoun, Murphey R 1.
620 Walter R. Martin, Oregrea.
550 Jacob Lunsford, Marble.
574 Carl Samuel Lenderman, Unaka.
31 Earl Weldon Adams, Andrews R 1.
981 Grady Watts, Culberson R 2.
70 Hain Roland, Marble.
322 Wm. Henry Stover, Topton.
677 John Willard Newman, Andrews.
749 James Carter Pipes, Murphey.
525 James Lindsay, Andrews.
760 Claud Clifton Robinson,
183 Thos. Harley Croft, Culberson.
56 James Blain Brown, Andrews.
792 Martin Thos. Raper, Oak Park.
5 Pitt Almon, Andrews.
350 Walter Gibson, Kinsey.
54 Pearl Brown, Andrews.
670 General Harrison Stiles, Wehuty.
549 John Walter Lunsford, Marble.
440 Frank Hartness, Kinsey.
741 Jas. Washington Postell, Topton.
1054 Henry Benj. Sudderth, Murphey.
711 Francis Elphlet Palmer.
1022 Geo. W. Young, Grandview.

Tuesday, August 21st, 1917.
841 Charlie Robt. Stewart, Culberson.
638 Robert McClure, Andrews.

1032 Edward Fair, Murphey.
628 Wilburn Mostellar, Andrews.
299 Carl M. Dickey, Ranger.
685 Joseph Newton, Tomotia.
1016 Harve Erwin Yonce, Andrews.
355 Elbert Gibson, Murphey.
923 Jasper Carl Townsend, Culberson.
341 Britt Gibby, Marble.
1007 Wm. Noah Wilcox, Hiawassee.
391 John Weaver Hodge, Murphey.
353 Jos. Sidney Gaddis, Culberson.
970 Bascomb Reno Winkley, Murphey.
537 Collin Livingston Morgan, Andrews.

390 John Barringer Hyde,
571 Winfield Scott Laney, Brasstown.
488 Henry Clingman Johnson, Ranger.

704 Patterson Galtner Fritchard, Andrews.
73 Clay Birchfield,
356 James Bagan Gragg, Marble.

112 Richard Whitfield Brown, Culberson.
1067 Samuel Fred Taylor, Murphey.
128 Howard Decatur Burgess, Unaka.
679 Ross Newman, Marble.

805 Jos. Archie Rogers, Topton.
11 Robert Burton Arrant, Andrews.
900 George Truett,
363 Paul Hogsed,
6 Robert Ammons

327 Chas. Edward Green,
Wednesday, August 22nd, 1917.

664 John McMillan, Unaka.

93 Jas. Oscar Ballew, Culberson.

PRESIDENT WILSON CONGRATULATES J. T. TATE

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON, August 6, 1917.

My dear Mr. Tate:

I have learned with much interest of the generous part which the Tate family stands ready to take in the fight for democracy. Three sons actually mustered into our fighting forces and three more registered for selective service is a record of which you may well be proud, and I congratulate you and your sons upon this patriotic showing.

Sincerely yours,
WOODROW WILSON.

Mr. J. T. Tate,
Murphey, North Carolina.

957 Henry Cyrus Walker, Andrews.
345 Wm. Edward Graham, Letitia.
108 Henry Lonzo Bryson, Wehuty.
558 Lester Joe Little, Culberson.
154 Victor Curtis, Andrews.
51 Wm. Geo. Brison,
717 Ernest Palmer, Marble.
1057 Frank Gus Siler, Murphey.
1078 Carl C. Stalcup, Unaka.
30 Chas. Adam Allison, Marble.
383 Benjamin Harrison Hampton, Murphey.

773 Farlee Rose, Unaka.
608 Harve Mulkey, Grandview.
406 Wm. H. Hancock, Marble.
59 Arlyle W. Kephart, Grandview.
22 Robt. Mills Alston, Murphey.
89 Wm. Riley Hodge,
889 Decid Shook, Tomotia.
388 Henry Boston Hickey, Murphey.
588 Jas. Monroe Morrow, Apalachia.
856 Frank Edgar Sparks, Suit.
705 Clyde Piercy, Andrews.
576 Calvin Lunsford, Marble R 1.
94 Geo. Wayne Walker, Andrews.
122 Manuel N. Burger, Murphey.
642 Alexander Winslow McEver,
399 Wm. Burton Taylor, Patrick.
Date of posting of notice 15th August, 1917.
Edmund B. Norvell, Chairman.
J. R. Leach, Clerk.

SINGING CONVENTION SEPT. 9TH.

The Cherokee County Singing Convention will convene with the Red Marble church and choir Sept. 9, 1917, at 9 a. m. Red Marble church is located between Rhodo and Topton.

The program is as follows:

9:30. Singing by convention.
9:45. Lecture by H. B. Elliott, "Power and Effect of Music."
9:50. Singing by convention.
10:00. Lecture by Rev. E. G. Ledford, "The power and usefulness of singing in Sunday school and church work."
10:05. Singing by convention.
10:15. Lecture by Rev. H. C. Whitaker, "Selfishness in singing and other causes of religious work."
10:20. Singing by convention.
10:30. Contest singing by the various classes. The banter will be awarded the class rendering the best music.

Adjourn one hour for refreshments.
1:00. Singing by convention and various leaders, quartets and duets. All visiting singers and classes are welcome. Let us make it one of our best conventions.

Jas. L. Truett, Pres.
E. L. Ballard, Sec.

GOVERNMENT PLANS FOR FOOD CONTROL

Grain Exchanges Are To Be Regulated

TRADING IN FUTURES

Will Be Barred and a Fair Price Fixed For Grain—Government Prepared to Take Over 1917 Wheat Harvest.

The food administration announced its plan for controlling wheat, flour and bread, revealing that the government is prepared to take over the whole 1917 wheat harvest if necessary to conserve the supply, obtain just prices for America's fighting forces and their allies and reduce costs to the general public in the United States.

Establishing of buying agencies at all the principal terminals, licensing of elevators and mills, fixing of price to be considered fair, regulation of the middleman and of grain exchanges, with the elimination of trading in futures, are the chief features of the plan. The licensing will begin September 1.

The minimum price of \$2 for wheat fixed by congress does not become effective until next year, but the administration proposes to exercise very thorough control over this year's crop through powers conferred under the food and export control bills.

COTTON CROP VALUE.

Prices Paid Highest For Past Forty-Seven Years. The total value of this country's cotton crop, including the seed, for the trade year ended July 31, last, was \$1,412,860,035, as against \$958,200,000 a year ago, according to the annual report of Secretary Hester, of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange. Prices paid for this year's crop, he mentioned, were the highest for the last 47 years.

The average price per pound for middling for the year just closed he puts at 18.41 cents compared with 11.99 last year; 7.89 year before last and 13.49 in 1913-14. The average commercial value per bale of this year's crop was \$94.82.

As showing the rapid increase in price during the past year, Mr. Hester mentioned that the average value per bale in August, 1915, was \$74.50 and that by July, 1917, the average value for spot cotton was \$130.71.

MEATERS' DAYS FOR U. S.

Master Butchers Adopt Resolution at Minneapolis.

A recommendation that the sale of meat be prohibited throughout the United States on Tuesdays and Fridays was adopted and forwarded to Herbert Hoover, food administrator, by the United Master Butchers of America, meeting in annual convention at Minneapolis. The recommendation also suggested that the government make an investigation into the prices of fresh and frozen fish. Speakers asserted that the prices charged for fish in the retail market were unreasonably high.

Other resolutions adopted indorse a universal 6 o'clock closing law for butcher shops, prohibiting slaughter of young animals and fowls, and a system of one delivery daily.

ARRESTED AT GRAVE.

Georgian Charged With Death of His Wife.

Arriving from Chattanooga at the country home of his brother-in-law, near Maysville, in Jackson county, Georgia, summoned to attend the funeral of his wife, James Looney was arrested, charged with the death of Mrs. Looney.

He was taken from the graveyard to the jail at Maysville and transferred to the jail at Jefferson, pending investigation by the coroner's jury. Mrs. Looney died suddenly with symptoms, it is generally agreed by physicians and her people, of strychnine poisoning.

Breaks All Loop Records.

Edward Stinson, aviation instructor, looped the loop twenty-two times in succession, according to eye-witnesses who watched his exhibition which took place over Newport News. The performance is said to break American records for successive loops in the air.