

LOCAL ACTION AIMED AT TVA DAM PROGRAM

Concerted Action On All Business Fronts Sets Forth Advantages Of Coleman Dam Site For \$13,000,000 Project.

Greatly encouraged by reports that the Tennessee Valley authority has definitely decided to spend 13 million dollars on a dam in this section, practically every citizen in Cherokee county is lining up behind a drive to have the dam located at the Coleman dam site below Murphy.

Realizing Chattanooga is building up sentiment to have the dam built at the mouth of the Hiwassee river, local business of every kind is concerting action to make a wide-spread appeal to have the dam here.

In expression of the many advantages of the Coleman dam site for this momentous structure definite action is being constructed calling to the attention of TVA authorities that Murphy and Cherokee, county residents are willing to support the dam.

Letters from local people have been steadily pouring into the Scout office giving all sides of the situation. Many are still coming in too late for this issue.

No definite action had been decided on Thursday but indications are that special plans are being drawn up for formal presentation soliciting authorities to put the structure here.

Some of the letters, giving every side of the question, showing the unprejudiced public sentiment of the people in this section, are being printed in this issue of the Scout.

NO LICENSE FEE IS REQUIRED TO RUN THRESHERS

Rellech, N. C.—Many complaints and inquiries have been made to the Department of Agriculture, county agents, and local agricultural teachers concerning the rumors that a prohibitive license is to be made for each threshing machine operated this year.

While no license fee or charge is to be made, each operator is required by state statute to procure a license card from the County Registrar of Deeds before he may begin threshing this summer. With this free license card is given a free record book for recording threshing of each farm. This book may be kept by the operator for his future reference.

The Department of Agriculture is simply striving to aid threshermen in keeping good records which, in turn, will help with the small grain and peanut official county allotment figures. A farmer will do well, therefore, to be sure that the machine threshing his crops is licensed, and that a full record is made of his acres, as well as threshed productions.

Mr. Harry Miller Gets Emory Degree

Mrs. E. S. Miller returned Tuesday from Atlanta, Ga., where she had been to attend the graduation of her son, Harry Miller, who received his degree in medicine from Emory University.

Dr. Miller has received both the B. S. and M. D. degrees from Emory and remained in Atlanta this week to take the examination of the Georgia State Board of Medical Examiners. He will arrive in Murphy Saturday to spend a short vacation at home before going to Georgia Baptist Hospital, Atlanta, to serve his internship.

William, another son of Mrs. Miller, is also a student at Emory University, and is studying for an M.D. degree.

Folks Catchin' 'Em At Lake Santeetlah

Several parties of Murphy people who have been fishing this week in Lake Santeetlah, near Robbinsville, report large catches and that the fish are plentiful and hungry. Among those on the lake this week from Murphy were, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Lovingood, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Sneed, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Mauney, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ellis, E. C. More, C. W. Bailey, L. Hodges, A. W. Lovingood, Walter Mauney, Quay Ketner, H. A. Mattor, and Harry Bishop.

TVA CANNERY GIVES ADVICE TO FARMERS

Under Government Code Good Prices Are Assured For Produce.

Many helpful and useful hints on tomatoes have been issued in a booklet which has arrived at A. Q. Ketner's office in the court house. The book, an invaluable source on successful tomatoes growing, will aid in preparation of the opening of the TVA cannery here in August.

Plans have practically been completed for the opening, and a great many farmers in this section are preparing soil that ordinarily goes to waste, for the more profitable purpose of growing tomatoes. In answer to many queries in Mr. Ketner's office, the price has not yet been determined. But the TVA is working nationally on a basis of fair prices. In fact, that is the fundamental principle of the TVA, and a good price for tomatoes or beans is assured every one that grows them.

The season is too far gone to grow tomatoes from seed in time for canning. It is suggested that a good grade of plants be brought from a reputable merchant. A prime factor in growing a nice crop of tomatoes is crop rotation. That is, do not plant a crop where they have been cultivated the past season.

Of the many types of tomatoes that can be grown, Mr. Ketner suggests that the farmers of this section plant Marglobe. He also says a 4-8-6 grade of fertilizer is helpful in growing a good crop although 5-5-5 can be used with success.

The local farm agent is very popular with farmers of this section and is willing to give advice as to the cultivation, setting out, and common diseases of tomatoes at any time. Above all he urges every farmer to plant all the tomatoes and beans he can, so the cannery will run full blast when it gets started.

Inca Indian Visits Ranger Relatives

Luis Della Cruz, South American Indian, who has been in the United States for several years, is visiting his wife's mother, Mrs. Minnie Kiliian, at Ranger.

Della Cruz is of the Inca tribe of Lima, Peru, and he plans to visit the Cherokee Indian Reservation and other points of interest in this section before returning to his home in South America. He speaks three languages fluently—Italian, Spanish and Portuguese—and broken English. He says English is hard to speak, and gets his tongue all tangle up.

While in this county he married Miss Ethel Poston, a native of Tennessee, and she plans to return to Peru with him this fall.

CULLOWHEE GIRLS RECEIVE DEGREES

Cullowhee, June 10 (Special to Cherokee Scout)—Miss Mary Nichols of Culberson, and Mrs. Leila Mason Thomasson, of Andrews, received the bachelor of science degree from Western Carolina Teachers College at the June commencement.

The following Cherokee County men and women received the two-year Normal diploma: Irene Kisselburg, Culberson, J. Franklin Smith, Murphy, and Glade Lovingood.

Davidson Building Is Sold To Atlanta Man

The Davidson building was sold at public auction Monday for nearly \$9000 to A. S. Clay, of Atlanta. The local three story structure has been used by professional men and business men for offices in the past. Since January 1933, it has been in hands of receivers. No plans for changes in the building have been announced.

COURT MEETS MONDAY FOR JUNE SESSION

Heavy Calendar Set For Superior Court Under Judge McElroy.

Sixty-four cases have been entered on the dockets to be tried during the June term of the Superior court to be held here Monday. Judge McElroy will have a busy session facing him when the court is called to order.

The jury for the June term as drawn by the jury commissioners on May 25 are: First Week; 1. Fred Jones, Postell; 2. Homer Long, Andrews; 3. A. L. Tippett, Culberson; 4. W. A. Evans, Ranger; 5. Floyd Stiles, Birch; 6. F. O. Bates, Murphy; 7. G. N. Parker, Andrews; 8. J. P. Pecker, Suits; 9. J. C. Wells, Murphy; 10. J. R. Mason, Brasstown; 11. J. C. Cooke, Culberson; 12. Ivan Harris, Culberson; 13. Bruce Bristol, Andrews; 14. Poley Hedden, Murphy; 15. John Donley, Murphy; 16. James L. Truitt, Andrews; 17. George Dockery, Unaka; 18. Dillard Morrow, Violett; 19. S. W. Lovingood, Murphy; 20. J. S. Martin, Ranger; 21. J. T. Stiles, Suits; 22. Evert Martin, Murphy, Route No. 3; 23. W. T. Moon, Andrews; 24. Frank Sparks, Suits.

Second week; 1. C. C. Mills, Andrews; 2. W. A. Nichols, Culberson; 3. Lawrence Anderson, Andrews; 4. J. W. Staleup, Murphy; 5. Carl Anderson, Culberson; 6. E. M. Bryant, Ranger; 7. Frank Hardin, Andrews; 8. M. M. Ledford, Postell; 9. C. S. Jenkins, Culberson; 10. John Lovingood, Grandview; 11. Abe Cole, Culberson; 12. J. A. Simonds, Culberson; 13. J. F. Glenn, Andrews; 14. Martin Raper, Farmer, Tenn.; 15. A. L. Johnson, Murphy; 16. F. S. Chambers, Unaka; 17. D. P. Johnson, Unaka; 18. W. J. Sneed, Murphy, Route 2; 19. W. W. Stiles, Birch; 20. J. S. McCombs, Murphy; 21. Z. V. Lovingood, Murphy; 22. Frank Burrell, Murphy; 23. W. W. Robinson, (Continued on page three)

COMEDY HIT BY LOCAL PLAYERS TO SHOW AGAIN

"Her Mistake", a rollicking four-act comedy of love and life on the farm, will be presented again Friday night at the Murphy school auditorium by the Character Builders Sunday school class. At a presentation two weeks ago, more than 200 people enthusiastically applauded the show and between-the-act performers.

It all concerns the man from New York who woos the maid of Silverbrook farm and complications that follow, due in no small part to be a red-headed comedian, his sweetheart, and the town gossip.

Included in the cast are: K. C. Wright, Mrs. Edwina Clark, Ralph Moody, Mr. A. W. McIver, Mrs. E. C. Mallonee, H. G. Elkins, S. M. Hinchshaw, Miss Emily Sword, Mrs. J. H. McCall, Miss Lella Posey, and Mrs. V. M. Johnson.

More News For The Readers— More Circulation For The Advertiser.

Folks, look at this issue of the Scout—16 pages filled with news from all over the county—news that gives the actual facts. There are also many interesting features. Comics, editorials, personals, and nationally known writers come to you each week through the columns of the Scout. More correspondents and writers will be added from time to time.

Also there are many advertisements for thrifty shoppers—advertisements that are news-telling where the best bargains can be found.

We are going to let the subscription price stay at \$1 per year for a limited time only. Come in and pay up for several years. Take advantage of this low price. You may never get it again. Most weekly papers that were \$1 are \$2 since the NRA has started and we will be forced to put our price up soon.

So send us your dollar by mail, or better still stop by the Scout office and see us personally.

NEW ROAD TO TELLICO BASIN TO BE BUILT

Old Road, Surveyed by J. L. Fain, to Run Near the Beaverdam Gap; Offers Scenic Beauty and Industrial Advantages.

BY D. WITHERSPOON

J. L. Fain, acting under suggestion of the State Highway Commission, last week completed a survey for a new road which has been adopted as part of the County Road System for Cherokee county, and placed in line for immediate construction by the State Highway Commission.

This highway will lead from the present Grandview-Beaverdam road, near Beaverdam Gap, to the Allen and Harshaw Gaps, and connect with the United States Forest Service road near the North Carolina-Tennessee line at some point to be selected by Mr. Browning, Location Engineer of the State Highway Commission, who is expected to be in Murphy within a few days to complete the exact location.

The road surveyed by Mr. Fain is that portion leading from the Beaverdam Gap to the Allen Gap, a distance of four and four-fifths miles. Stakes are now set awaiting the assignment of labor to the proposed road by the Federal Emergency Relief Administration. This highway had been adopted as a CWA project, but the discontinuance of the Civil Works Administration stopped progress, and assurances has been given that the road will be constructed from federal funds at the earliest possible date.

The United States Forest Service has constructed a road leading from Tellico Plains, Tennessee, to the North Carolina State line over the grade of the old Babcock logging rail road, and this has been improved from time to time both by the Forest Service and the CCW forces until it is a macadam construction, all-year-round highway, considered one of the most beautiful in Tennessee. Highway when it reaches the North Carolina line it ends abruptly in the woods, and the new road will make an interstate connection from Murphy to Tellico Plains and Knoxville, the shortest and most direct route, less than one hundred miles.

The territory to be tapped and rendered tributary to Murphy comprises all the Tellico River basin within the state of North Carolina, a territory of some ten thousand acres, hitherto reached from the North Carolina side by steep trails, and with such difficulty that few Cherokee County people have ever seen this vast area, largely virgin timber, that has never felt the lumbering operations.

The building of the road will insure the bringing of this lumber into Murphy, and an operation that will work seventy-five men or more for at least five years. There was imminent danger that the operations would be conducted from Tellico Plains, which would have created scarcely a ripple in our industrial life and this proposed road will rescue this business activity for the people of the people of the county, and insure that the lumber from this territory, estimated at over one hundred million feet will be marketed and shipped from Murphy.

The feasibility of the route was suggested some months ago by Jasper L. Fain, D. Witherspoon, W. A. Adams and others familiar with the topography of this section, and the present survey proves that the road is a practicable one, which will open a section of great scenic splendor as well as one of industrial possibilities. The Board of Commissioners endorsed the road and petitioned the Highway Commission for its construction, and with the aid of parties interested, in which Miss Harriett M. Berry, Secretary of the North Carolina Good Roads association, rendered particularly useful services, the interest of the State Highway Commission was aroused to the place where the road has been adopted, and placed upon the map for construction.

Among the points of interest which will be reached by the new road are the Tellico River and its tributaries, some twenty miles of trout streams which have recently been stocked and are now being given adequate protection, the Falls of Mistletoe Cree, Hooper Bald, Laurel Top and McDaniel Bald. The latter is probably the highest peak in Cherokee County, over a mile high, and from whom summit the entire country of Cherokee is spread in panoramic splendor. The entire section is simi-

INDIANS DRAW PETITION UP TO SEPARATE

Moody Addresses Large Crowd At Second Get- Acquainted Meet Wed.

The second get-acquainted meeting of the non-reservation Indians was held in the court house here Wednesday morning with nearly 75 people present. The meeting featured an address by J. N. Moody, local barrister, and a petition was drawn up to be sent to the council of the Eastern Band of Cherokees.

Among those present were: R. L. Spaulsbury, Indian agent; Jarrett Blythe, chief; W. M. Robinson, forest ranger; Sibbald Smith, county ranger; J. N. Moody, lawyer, and government representative. After Mr. Moody's talk, the petition was drawn up.

In part it read, "we are regularly enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokees of North Carolina,"—under law of the United States, and the rulings of the Department of the Interior, are entitled to participate in any and all property, money and funds belonging to said Eastern Band of Cherokees," and that—"petitioners have had little or none of the benefits and rights—for 20 years or longer.

Also—"petitioners are willing and agree that their membership as members of said Eastern Band of Cherokees may cease, and that their names may be stricken from the rolls—provided—the Department of Interior will make a fair and equitable accounting and settlement with your petitioners and each of them, their share in severality of all Indian property, funds and moneys belonging to said Eastern Band of Cherokees, or to which they may be entitled."

A non-regular meeting is expected to be called any time.

LOCAL LIBRARY OFFERS READING OF ANY NATURE

There are around 900 registered borrowers of Murphy Library books, and more than 200 volumes on the shelves, Miss Josephine Highway, librarian, announced Wednesday.

Since the library was built here during the war, the list of subscribers as well as the number of books has been growing steadily. The nature of the books runs toward educational subjects and research work, although there is a large number of fictional stories among the works. Also many periodicals and newspapers appear on the shelves. The scope of the works insures interesting literature of any kind.

The library was mainly started through the aid of the Carnegie Foundation. Their gift was made in 1919 when the actual work began. The property and other donations were given by the city, and since then the county has given a great deal of aid. The building was opened in 1922.

Many people and groups, such as the Women's club have donated books to the library. Outstanding among these has been Mr. W. M. V. Powelson, of New York, who gave around 300 volumes.

It was announced that plans are being formulated to launch a drive for more books in the near future. As a great many town and county children use the library, the campaign for books will be in that direction.

lar to the territory comprising the Great Smoky Mountain National Park, all made accessible to Murphy at an average distance of twenty miles or less. Few people in the county have ever visited this section, but those who have packed across its difficult trails are enthusiastic concerning it, and the building of the road will add another link to Cherokee County's road system, already one of the best in the state.