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## LOCAL LIONS BACK FROM CONVENTION

Fain And Bueck Attend 12th Annual Convention Called Best Ever Held.

Guy O. Bagwell, of Charlotte, was elected district governor of North Carolina Lions Clubs at the annual convention in Salisbury June 8 and 9.

W. M. Fain, of Murphy, whom it was previously reported would run for district governor, stated upon his return "that on account of business connections he couldn't offer his name and it wasn't." Mr. Fain is past president of the Murphy Lions club and along with H. Bueck, newly-elected president of the local club, attended the convention from here.

Mr. Bagwell was a lieutenant governor during the past year and was chosen unanimously for the position.

O. Lee Barton, of Morganton, and V. J. Ashbaugh, of Durham, were elected lieutenant governors.

The 12th annual district convention was the best attended convention ever held. There were 292 delegates present and practically every club was represented.

A silver loving cup for achievement went to Concord. Murphy stood fifth. Several years ago the local club received this trophy; one year they tied with Durham for the same honor, and last year the Murphy lions club was runner-up. The Secretary's cup for the best secretarial report went to Bob Bristol of Morganton.

It was decided to hold the convention in Raleigh next June.

Deeming the reports as the best he had ever heard after having attended over 125 meetings, Earl W. Hodges, of New York, past international president of the Lions club, congratulated those present on having such a fine meeting.

Directors at the meeting were: W. M. Fain, Murphy; C. Fred Brown, Asheville; Rex Bellas, Salisbury; Rufus Johnson, Gastonia; Arnold Kooz, High Point; Mr. White, Shelby and Guy Brady, Raleigh.

The attendance trophy was won by Gastonia.

Two business sessions were held at the convention—on Thursday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock and on Friday morning at 9:00. At Friday morning session, Mr. Fain gave an eight minute talk on "Worthwhile Activities."

The convention was by now means confined to business sessions for improvements of the different clubs. Banquets, balls, golf tournaments, trips around the town, and a number of other entertaining features were held. Many ladies related to attending Lions were reported present.

The local club listed 53 activities in their year's work which gives them a fine standing nationally.

## HAMPTON ELECTED TEMPORARY TVAC MANAGER TUESDAY

J. H. Hampton was elected temporary manager of the TVA canning house at a meeting in the county farm agents office Tuesday morning.

Mr. Hampton will take charge of the cleaning out of the canning house, the installation of the machinery already moved here from Robbinsville, and the setting up of the new machinery that is being shipped.

The new machinery will complete the equipment to be used in the canning house. The bill for the entire machinery has been roughly estimated as over \$800. Actual repair work, moving, and incidentals are not included in these figures.

Mr. J. A. Barr, supervisor of the TVAC, will remain here for two or three days to help Mr. Hampton install the machinery and clean up.

At the meeting the committee elected Dale Lee secretary and treasurer. On the committee were: Mrs. John C. Campbell, J. A. Barr, A. Q. Ketner, J. R. Ellis, W. M. Fain, J. W. McMillan, and Mr. Hampton.

The farmers in this section are reported as taking a great deal of interest in the cannery. Approximately 160 acres of tomatoes and beans have already been contracted. More beans and tomatoes than that have been set out and the cannery is expected to have a busy season.

However there is a call for a larger subscription of tomatoes. As yet the TVAC prices have not been made known, but they will be sufficient to give the farmer a good bargain of profit on his crop.

## TWO PERSONS HURT WHEN AUTOMOBILE WRECKS NEAR HERE

Two of a party of four New York tourists escaped with minor injuries and two were unhurt when their car plunged 50 feet over an embankment and landed in the Hiawassee river on Highway 28 about two miles southeast of Murphy Wednesday afternoon.

E. T. Ricketts, driver of the car, received a cut over the left eye, and his small sister, Martha, was scratched and bruised on the head and arms when she was thrown from the car before it went over the embankment. His mother, Mrs. E. B. Ricketts, and a friend, Mrs. B. T. Moore, escaped unhurt.

The car suffered much damage, the top being crushed and the hood and radiator were badly mangled. The accident occurred when one of the rear tires went soft and caused the car to careen into a bank on the right. Mr. Ricketts lost control when it turned over on its side. The car then righted itself swerved to the left and plunged over the embankment.

The Ricketts party were southbound from New York. They plan to spend a few days in Murphy while the car is being repaired and then continue southward. They were brought to town by Mrs. J. W. Bailey where first aid was administered those that needed it.

## DROWNS IN WATER FOUR FEET DEEP AT SANTEETLAH

While swimming in four feet of water, 15 feet from the shore-line of Lake Santetlah Saturday morning, Frank Gamble, 24-year-old automobile salesman of Newton, was drowned. Death was attributed to a heart attack.

Gamble had gone to the lake near Robbinsville for a week-end fishing trip with J. R. Gaithers, also of Newton. In less than an hour after they arrived, Gamble was said to have gone swimming alone. He swam across the neck of the lake and then went under.

His body was recovered at 1:15 Saturday afternoon by a party of men under the direction of Sheriff T. R. Griffith, of Graham county, who dragged the lake for the body.

At an inquest Dr. J. H. Crawford testified that drowning was due to heart failure.

The body of Gamble, who was said to have been married a year ago, was returned to Newton in the middle part of the state.

## QUAY KETNER TO BE IN ANDREWS EVERY FRIDAY

Quay Ketner, Cherokee County agent, announced that he had secured an office in Andrews and will be stationed there one day each week. He will probably be there all day Friday, but as yet has not definitely decided the exact day.

Mr. Ketner's office here in the court house is open Monday and every morning in the week. He is in his office all day on Saturdays.

He said he believed by going to Andrews one day per week he could attend his business in that section with more thoroughness than heretofore as the scope of his work all over the county keeps him very busy.

## TVA FORESTRY MAN AND STATE EXPERT HERE ON BUSINESS

Bernard Frank, of Knoxville, Tenn. TVA forestry inspector, and R. W. Greaber, of Raleigh, state forester, were here Wednesday to make a preliminary investigation of timber in the Hiawassee basin as to the possibilities of wood-working industries.

Declining to divulge any authentic information they may have had from headquarters, they rode out through Clay county with A. Q. Ketner, Cherokee county agent.

Mr. Frank said they were inspecting the quality and kinds of timber in this section in hope of finding it favorable to start up possible new TVA projects.

Mr. Frank and Mr. Greaber arrived Tuesday morning and left Wednesday morning for further study in this side of the hills.

## CASES TRIED WITH RECORD SPEED HERE

June Session Of Superior Court Brings Swift Verdicts On Civil Cases.

A heavy docket faced Judge McElroy, Monday, the opening day of the June session of the Superior Court with 64 cases to be tried.

Two divorces granted within the first hour of its sitting was the record hung up by the Cherokee superior court Monday. This session is a scheduled two weeks term for the trial of civil cases only.

The first fifteen minutes of the court was devoted to hearing the divorce petition of M. N. Parker from Ina Mae Parker. Mr. Parker showed to the court that they had not been living together during the past two years, and that he had been keeping the children. The jury deliberated about five minutes and returned a favorable verdict and the court granted the decree and gave him custody of the children.

M. C. Satterfield was granted a divorce from Josie Satterfield on the grounds of desertion during the next 15 minutes. Following this the court spent the greater part of the morning checking the sixty odd cases on the calendar.

In the case of J. W. Walker, who had been given a homestead exemption from receivership on his residence at Andrews, the jury held that his home was worth \$2,000. His residence had been valued at \$1,000 and allotted as his homestead. However, creditors contended that the property was worth more and the value of the property was fixed by the jury.

A motion of non-suit was sustained by the court in favor of the defendant in the case of Gurney P. Hood, Commissioner of Banks, against L. E. Bayless, former cashier of the Bank of Murphy, in which the banking commissioner sought collection on notes aggregating \$5,000 given by Bayless and others when the bank re-opened in March 1933.

The notes were given as deferred agreements and a condition of the bank's re-opening. The commissioner of banks contended the obligations valid from the time they were executed and placed in the bank. The defendants contended that the notes and agreement were valid only if the bank continued to operate. The bank closed and was taken over by the liquidating agent in February 1933.

Five cases involving principally the same questions of law, were made out of the whole. Besides the case against Bayless, the others were the commissioner of banks against, J. C. Coburn, M. W. Bell, W. W. Hyde, and Mrs. E. G. White. The case of Bayless was the only one tried at this court.

Gray & Christopher, attorneys for the commissioner of banks and liquidating agent, filed notice of appeal to the supreme court, and none of the remaining cases are likely to be tried until the supreme court passes on the merits of the case against Bayless. Moody & Moody and M. W. Bell were attorneys for the defendant.

If motion for non-suit is sustained by the supreme court, attorneys believe it will have some bearing on the deferred agreements signed prior to the reopening of the bank by depositors, involving a sum in excess of \$25,000. A number of depositors signed second agreements to let various percent of their deposits remain in the bank until all other depositors had been paid in full. When the bank closed the second time, the liquidating agent refused to accept the amounts signed on these deferred agreements as common claims and they were accepted as deferred claims.

If the court upholds the non-suit in the Bayless case, attorneys say suits against the liquidating agent probably would place these depositor deferred agreements upon the common claim list. As a result of the non-suiting of the Bayless case, already plans are being made to have these deferred depositor agreements aired in court.

## POWER COST LESS UNDER TVA RATING

Rankin's Talk Gives Example Of Lessened Power Rates Under

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Following is a speech made by Hon. John E. Rankin, of Mississippi, in the House of Representatives, June 2. As an indication of the results relative to the power question in this section if the TVA dam were built here, we sincerely ask every reader to put himself and his business in the place of the following examples of the results of the first contract signed by the TVA with the city of Tupelo, Miss.)

One of the greatest accomplishments of this administration—one of the greatest accomplishments of any administration in all the history of our country—is that of putting into effect the power policies of the Roosevelt administration through the instrumentality of the Tennessee Valley Authority, thereby giving to the American people electric lights and power at rates based upon the cost of production and distribution, and not upon the alleged value of watered stocks, exorbitant overhead charges, and expenses of maintaining holding companies and their subsidiaries—or based upon the helpless-consumer's "ability to pay." As I said on this floor once before, if President Roosevelt had never done anything else for the American people, this one act alone would be sufficient to carry his name down the centuries. It is one of the greatest achievements of modern times.

The hydroelectric power of this country is our greatest natural resource, outside of the soil from which we live. There is enough potential electric energy in our navigable streams now going to waste to supply all the needs of the American people. Heretofore this power has been used for the benefit of a favored few, and has been monopolized and so used as to maintain rates so high as to prevent its liberal use by the average individual or by the small enterprise.

When the Tennessee Valley Authority was created, something like a year ago, the President asked them to work out a "yardstick", showing a reasonable rate to be charged the ultimate consumers for electric light and power. That yardstick was worked out and the rates thereunder were applied in the first contract signed by the Tennessee Valley Authority with the city of Tupelo, Miss.

It has been charged by the private power companies that these rates are below the cost of production of electric energy. That is not true, for TVA took into consideration every element of cost involved. They even added an item for taxes which a private corporation would have to pay. They did this in order to be absolutely certain that they were not selling this power below the cost of production. These rates will be lowered in the years to come. They are higher than the rates in Canada, where they have had public ownership of power facilities for many years. They are higher than the rates in Tacoma, Wash., where they have had public ownership for many years; and, if private power companies will squeeze the water out of their stocks, get rid of useless holding companies, whose stocks as a rule are all water, and quit spending so much money for high salaried officials, attorneys' fees paid to lawyers who are hired for political purposes and otherwise they can deliver electric energy to the American people and where in the United States at the TVA rates.

The Tupelo contract went into effect on February 7, 1934. On that date the TVA began to furnish electric energy to the city of Tupelo to be retailed at the yardstick rates. Up to that time we were paying the same exorbitant rates that were charged country by the private power companies—electric energy throughout the panies—the same unreasonable unconscionable and exorbitant rates that are now being paid by the constituents of the gentleman from New York (Mr. Fish).

In order that Members of the House and everyone else who reads this Record may appreciate what this reduction in rates has meant to the ultimate consumer, I am going to read into the Record at this point duplicate power bills paid in Tupelo in the month of January under the old rates and then in the month of March under the new TVA rates. In order that everyone who desires to

Example Of Lessened Power Rates Under

## PASTOR TO FILL BAPTIST PULPIT THIS SUMMER

Rev. and Mrs. Baucom, Now Living In Parsonage To Be Here Until Fall.

The Rev. H. W. Baucom, Jr. filled the pulpit of the Baptist church here Sunday. He is the first regular preacher for nearly three years.

With his wife, Mr. Baucom arrived here last Thursday to be the temporary pastor for the summer months. Unless some unforeseen circumstance comes up in the meantime he expects to preach here until fall.

Rev. and Mrs. Baucom are now residing in the Baptist parsonage on Hickory Street. The house is now nearly completely furnished. Members of the church have aided materially in beautifying the parsonage.

Mr. Baucom is about 25 years old, and attended high school in Wilmington, N. C. Later he went to Wake Forest where he was graduated last January. He came here from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville. He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Baucom, Sr., pastor of the Baptist church at Waynesville.

Mrs. Baucom is from Wake Forest. She attended Meredith college in Raleigh where she was working on a bachelor of music degree. Before coming here she was in the music training school at Louisville. Her name before marriage one year ago last May, was Ruth Harrison.

During an interview Thursday morning in the parsonage, Rev. Baucom said he was very glad to be here. He said he had become very much attached to the town and its people and only hoped he could stay here permanently. He also added anyone desiring to do so may see him in his study any morning from 10 to 11:30. His study is at the parsonage.

When Mr. Baucom leaves in the fall he and his wife intend to return to Louisville.

## BOY SCOUTS TO MAKE CANVASS FOR USED BOOKS

A direct canvass will be made to every home in the city of Murphy next week by the Boy Scouts for the purpose of getting books for the library here. The Scouts under the direction of K. C. Wright are cooperating with Miss Josephine Heighway, librarian, to add more books to the library.

The drive is one of the steps designed to re-stock the local library. Special efforts are being made to obtain books of fiction, biography, and children's books. Although no special efforts will be made to obtain textbooks they will be acceptable.

Due to an error in setting type last week, it was said there were 200 books on the shelves at the library. This should have read 2000. A lot of the books are well-worn, but they are being read constantly by some 900 people.

A gift of used books of any nature will be greatly appreciated on this drive. Miss Heighway, Mr. Wright, and the Boy Scouts join in expressing appreciation for anything you may want to give them when they call.

do so may get first-hand information from the people referred to, I am going to insert the names of the consumers.

I will take the domestic consumer first, since he has been the most unjustly imposed upon in the past. He was the "forgotten man" until the Roosevelt administration came to his rescue. Let us see what has been done for him. I hold in my hand the power and light receipts of Mr. A. E. Berkley and others of Tupelo, Miss. In January Mr. Berkley used 24 kilowatt-hours of electric energy, at a cost of \$2.40, under the old rates. In March he used 27 kilowatt-hours of electric energy, for which he paid