

OFFICIAL PLANS FOR LOCAL DAM EXPECTED SOON

Moving of Norris Machinery To Be First Step In Program

Details of the first steps to be taken upon construction of the Hiwassee dam at the Fowler bend site 18 miles below Murphy, are now being worked out by the TVA, and according to a Knoxville newspaper, they should be made public within two weeks.

Although the appropriation for the local dam calls for an expenditure of between 12 and 14 millions, only the first million was approved by the recently adjourned congress and this amount will be used to move the machinery used for construction on the Norris dam to the Hiwassee site.

A recent news dispatch from Norris, Tenn., summing up the work on the Tennessee dam carried this paragraph: "Upon completion (of the Norris dam) the TVA plans to move the cableway and other equipment to the Hiwassee river damsite near Murphy, N. C., where construction of a similar storage and power dam has been authorized. Much of the Norris dam building equipment can be used there."

The remaining funds necessary to construction of the local project will be authorized when congress convenes again.

In preparation for actual construction of the dam, a great deal of work will have to be done on the Fowler site.

Transportation Means Studied.
At present engineers are studying the methods of transportation into the dam. Whether a railroad or highway will be constructed for the moving of the machinery and necessary equipment has not yet been determined, it is understood.

First, the land surrounding the authorized site will have to be cleared and graded and barracks for workers who prefer to stay close to the work will have to be built.

These projects themselves have taken on monumental proportions and it may be a matter of many months before the foundations will be thrown up by carpenters and the pouring of the cement is begun.

Even before actual construction is begun, purchase of private property to be taken over by the TVA must be consummated and the exact water lines up the Valley, Hiwassee and Noda rivers must be correctly determined. Washed out river roads must be replaced and the time required to properly take care of these and other preparations can hardly be estimated at this time.

The hiring of labor is expected to come immediately upon information of definite plans by the Tennessee Valley authority officials.

FORREST WELLS, LOCAL FARMER, IS BURIED HERE

Funeral services for Mr. Forrest Wells, 40, of near Marble, prominent Cherokee county farmer, were held at the Methodist church in Murphy Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock with the Rev. T. F. Higgins, the Rev. Jennie Carper and the Rev. Charles Steadman officiating. Interment was in Sunset cemetery. W. D. Townsend was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Mr. Wells died at 2:45 Monday afternoon of a two-day heart attack. He had been suffering from the ailment for seven years.

Born in Cherokee county the son of the late A. B. and Anne F. Wells, he had lived in this section all his life. During the war he was stationed at Camp Hancock near Savannah, Ga. He had been a member of the Methodist church for seven years.

Surviving are his wife; two brothers, Bascomb, of Murphy, and Thurman, of San Francisco, Cal., and two sisters, Mrs. Irene Grant and Mrs. Lee Ellen Kelly, both of Mur-

CHURCH REVIVAL IS INDEFINITELY POSTPONED HERE

The union revival services scheduled to begin here under the direction of the Rev. H. C. Caviness, of Hayesville, were postponed indefinitely this week, according to the Rev. T. F. Higgins, local Methodist minister. Mr. Caviness at this time is conducting a revival somewhere in the central part of the state and would not be able to appear here before Sept. 30, Mr. Higgins said. Since this date would be too close to the Methodist church conference to be held Oct. 23, the pastor said he did not feel that it would be feasible at that time.

MENTOR DEATON HAS LIGHT TEAM —AND HEADACHE

Coach Deaton's got a headache. The 1935 edition of his football squad turned out this week for "limbering up" exercises which consisted mostly of running the track and punting and passing.

And what's worrying the mentor is what worries every coach who has a bunch of good men that are too light in weight. His problem will be building a fast, deceptive team out of the boys, mostly novices, whereas during the past year he had plenty of huskiness to plug the line when he needed it.

Only six letter men have returned and Deaton only has three weeks left to put them in shape for the first game with Hayesville which will be played here, Friday, October 4.

The schedule for the season has not yet been completed.

As soon as Deaton can get his stalwarts in uniform and give them a real workout or two the complete squad will be announced.

Sure he's got a headache—but he'll have a good team before it's all over. That's the reason he's got a headache.

Sunday School Class Will Offer Play Here

A three-act comedy-mystery play entitled, "The Strange Bequest," will be offered in the Murphy high school auditorium Friday night, Oct. 20. The play will be given by the Young Woman's circle of the Methodist church in their drive for a fund of \$200. It is being staged and directed by Mrs. Tom Axley.

The action revolves around the strange will left by a rich relative and everybody from a Mae West widow to a dumb Frenchman figure in the denouement which shows the old man not to be as eccentric as he seemed.

Those having parts in the cast are: Miss Martha Nell Wells, Mrs. E. C. Mallonee, Mrs. J. H. McCall, Mrs. Wade Massey, Miss Della Meroney, Miss Emily Sword, Messrs Harve Elkins, E. C. Deans, H. Bueck, and Sam Carr.

Murphy Hardware Co. Offers Hunters Digest

Through the courtesy of the Murphy Hardware company a digest of the local game laws is being run in this issue of the Scout and all hunters, trappers and fishers will find it exceedingly handy to clip out and use later for reference.

Mr. R. C. Mattox announces that he is carrying a complete line of hunters accessories, shotguns, rifles and shells and cordially invites the public to trade with him when the season opens.

Single Stalk Bears 67 Beautiful Lillies

A stalk of lillies, carrying 67 perfectly formed blooms, is attracting much attention here.

The lillies were raised in the garden of Mr. Don Witherspoon, local garden enthusiast, from seed he planted there some time ago.

Sunday morning they were placed in front of the pulpit of the Presbyterian church where they formed a perfect wreath.

Sweeping Program of Town, County Projects Now Filed With WPA, PWA Officials

MURPHY SEEKS WATER, STREET REPAIR FUNDS

Three New School Buildings Asked For Cherokee County

A number of projects have been filed with the WPA and the PWA for federal allotments on county and town projects by local officials. It was learned Wednesday.

Cherokee county is seeking, through the Public Works administration, allotments for a new school building in Murphy at an approximate cost of \$90,000. The building, according to plans, would be located between the high school and graded school buildings on the Murphy campus and would contain from 12 to 15 rooms exclusive of an auditorium and a gymnasium.

Two other school houses are being sought at Ranger and Hangingdog. Mr. A. W. Martin, county superintendent of schools, said.

Also filed in Chapel Hill for PWA approval is a \$39,000 water and sewer project more particularly concerned with the re-building of the Fain mountain reservoir with purification accessories and the installation of an auxiliary pumping station.

Complete Details Filed.
Complete plans and details of the filter plant and reservoir were drawn up by Arnold H. Vanderhoof, Asheville engineers and were submitted by Mayor J. E. Gray on the town board's authority.

The engineer's plans would insure 400,000 gallons of water per day for the city, Mayor Gray said. A plan suggested some time ago to furnish the town's water supply from Davis creek was given up as entailing too much expense for the benefit derived and with present plans of repairs and enlargement of the present water system, a plentiful supply is assured.

In view of Murphy's rapid rise in population and building, the town board expressed itself as feeling these two projects are necessary to the proper development of the town in meeting these problems.

The town has filed two additional projects with the Works Project administration at Asheville for a \$2,000 fund for grading, building and repairing the streets of Murphy, the mayor advised. A large part of this appropriation, if it is made, will be used in buying a sidewalk from the Methodist church on the left side of the highway going toward Andrews to the Valley River bridge.

Other Appropriations Sought.
Another appropriation of \$2,000 is sought, Mr. Gray added, for the extension of the Murphy sewer system.

Also filed with the WPA, but with the funds upon approval not to be taken from the county's allotment from that body, is a project to have the TVA completely survey and re-map the town of Murphy. The only expense upon the town will be the pointing out of the old landmarks and this will be practically negligible, the mayor said.

What dispensation would be made of these applications could in no way be determined by the town and county officials at this time but with the Cherokee county allotment running at a moderate figure, full cooperation of both federal bodies is expected.

MAYOR GRAY FAMILY MOVES

Mayor J. B. Gray and family Monday moved into the residence on Valley River avenue formerly occupied and owned by Col. M. W. Bell.

MURPHY TO MEET CANTON, ENKA AT LOCAL BALL PARK

Elated over his victory over the Hazelwood ball club on Labor Day, Henry Hickman is lining up with bigger and better teams and announced Monday that he had scheduled games with Canton and Enka to be played on the Murphy fair grounds the next two Sundays which will mark the ending of a brilliant season.

Both teams scheduled are in the Industrial league which was won by Canton, the team that will appear here against the Boomers Sunday. The following Sunday will find the invasion of the Enka boys.

Hickey's got a strong aggregation up his sleeve to shove at the northern visitors and there's bound to be a good crowd for the final games of the season.

RANGER IS SCENE OF 8 AUTO WRECKS DURING LAST WEEK

Eight automobile wrecks, involving a number of serious injuries, occurred on the Copperhill highway at the Ranger postoffice curve during the past week, according to local reports.

Similar accidents have not been infrequent at the same place in the past and the increase has aroused considerable indignation over the curve which will probably result in a petition to the highway commission to remedy the situation in the near future.

TWO RARE BOOKS ARE FOUND HERE BY EDWARD HYATT

Edward Hyatt, local stamp and book collector, recently came into possession of two rare books that are believed to be extremely valuable.

One of the books, "The Experience of Several Eminent Preachers," was written by John Wesley and published by Daniel Hitt in New York in 1812. It contains a volume of personal letters written to Wesley by eminent preachers of the 18th century which tell of their call and success in the ministry.

The other is John Bunyon's "The Barren Fig Tree, Or The Doom and Downfall of the Rutilless Professor". It was published in 1834 in New York by Daniel Coledge.

Both volumes are faded and worn but perfectly readable. Mr. Hyatt, who has one of the best stamp collections in this section has been rummaging attics for the past several years and has come upon quite a number of valuable stamps, books and newspapers. He intends to have them appraised in the near future.

Plane From Atlanta Crashes Near Murphy

Walter Scarborough, 30, of Atlanta, and Private Ernest L. Kilgore, 24, Fort McPherson, escaped without injury Saturday when their plane cranked up four miles southwest of here.

The plane piloted by Scarborough nosed over, breaking a wing and the propeller, in an attempted take-off after Scarborough made a forced landing in a draw because of a fuel shortage.

The two men left Atlanta Saturday for Silver City, Ga., 30 miles south of here, but lost their bearings.

Scarborough and Kilgore left here for Atlanta by bus.

Mrs. Mary Alston left Tuesday morning to enter Brenau College, at Gainesville, Ga.

COUNTY ROADS CAN BE BUILT WITH WPA AID

Residents Must Cooperate, However, Government Says

Farmers of Cherokee county can have good roads built through their communities if they are willing to lend their co-operation to the Work Progress Administration, which federal setup is anxious to spend over a hundred thousand dollars in Cherokee for this purpose.

Representatives of the Asheville district WPA office were here Friday afternoon and night conferring with Chairman W. A. Adams of the board of county commissioners and Messrs. H. H. and Roy Plimmons, and made up a Market project while covering 14 roads in the county totalling 75 miles, which will employ at security wages over four hundred unemployed men for the next twelve months.

Building of the roads in the several communities is contingent upon the people then, the WPA officials told Mr. Adams, and roads will only be built in such communities as will cooperate with the WPA insofar as work is concerned.

Labor Costs Paid
All labor costs, that is, the man hours, will be paid in cash every fifteen days, the WPA men told Chairman Adams, and such items as dynamite, small tools, and part of the team hire that will be necessary in the building of the roads will also be paid by the federal government.

People who live in the communities that need and want work done will be called upon to furnish some of the (Continued on back page)

Pyron's Variety Store To Open Here Saturday

Mr. R. D. Pyron, of Bryson City, will open a five and ten cent variety store here Saturday morning in the building formerly occupied by the Johnson meat market, the proprietor announced this week.

The building has undergone interior renovation and is being stocked with a full and complete line of small articles.

Mr. Pyron is the owner of a similar store in Bryson City and is anticipating a brisk trade.

Bueck And Lee Speak At Bible Class Dinner

A large crowd attended the dinner given in the Methodist church under the auspices of the Sam D. Akin Men's Bible class here Tuesday night.

Jointly attended by the public and the local Lions club, H. Bueck, president of local Lionism, and Dale Lee with Mrs. Bueck and Mrs. Lee described their recent trip to Mexico where they attended an international meeting of the club.

Large Auction Sale To Be Held Saturday

A diamond ring and a radio will be given free when the properties of John W. Walker, near and in the town of Andrews, falls under the auctioneers gavel beginning 9 o'clock Saturday morning.

Complete details of the property to be sold is contained in an advertisement elsewhere in this issue of the paper.

The sale will begin on the Morris farm. The Moon Auction Company of Gainesville, Ga., will be the selling agents.