

Special Bond Election Will Be Held In County

ASK CONGRESS FOR LOCAL DAM APPROPRIATION

Report Funds Are Included In Federal Deficiency Bill

Wires were dispatched to members of Congress this week seeking to have the remainder of the \$14,000,000 Hiwassee dam appropriation made before its adjournment following a meeting of local citizens in the Regal hotel here Sunday.

One million dollars was appropriated by the last Congress for further surveys in the Hiwassee basin and for the removal of Norris machinery to the Fowler's Bend site, and it was announced that the remainder would be appropriated during the present session of Congress.

It was understood here Tuesday that enough money to complete the Hiwassee dam had been earmarked and incorporated in a \$37,000,000 TVA appropriation which is included in a deficiency bill to be brought before Congress before its adjournment which is expected some time soon after May 1. This information was learned through a letter which is now in the hands of Harry P. Cooper, local lawyer, in the form of a copy of a letter from Kennedy Rea, clerk of the Senate appropriations committee, to Senator Bob Reynolds.

It is believed that Hiwassee basin land purchase, which were recently condemned under legal procedure, and the appropriation of the \$37,000,000 TVA bill is holding up official announcement of the dam which has been momentarily expected for some time.

When President Roosevelt signed the second deficiency appropriation bill during the last session of Congress the Hiwassee dam became law, and with the first million dollars of (Continued on back page)

EPIDEMIC CAUSES ALL DOGS TO BE CONFINED 60 DAYS

Following a mad dog epidemic in surrounding counties during the past several weeks, the Cherokee county Board of Health in a called meeting Monday decided that all dog owners shall keep their dogs confined for a period of 60 days.

The announcement was made public Monday by W. A. Adams, chairman of the association and A. L. Martin, the secretary.

The notice also stated that during "the week of March 16th a dog ran at large over a section of Cherokee county biting other dogs indiscriminately", and that upon investigation it was found to have rabies.

All persons having dogs who were known to have been bitten recently is required to have the dog killed immediately, they decided.

Violation of any of the provisions is a misdemeanor and violators are subject to fine or imprisonment subject to the discretion of the court, it was announced.

Town To Discuss Coming Elections

The town council of Murphy will meet in its regular session Thursday night to make arrangements for city elections which will be held the second week in May.

Although only five weeks separates the dates no announcement for the mayor's office or aldermen has yet been placed on the books.

A special financing representative will talk to the group during the evening on the town's debts.

MR. HARVE ELKINS

Mr. Harve Elkins, popular manager of the Southern States Power Co. here is able to be out again after being confined to the hospital and his home for several weeks from an infected hand.

Trout Season Not Open Until April 16

The Scout regrets being in error last week in reporting that the fishing season on trout opened Monday, March 16. The season opens on April 16.

These fish stories periodically appearing in this paper have been no end of worry and embarrassment to the editor and he deeply appreciates Mr. Debereaux Birchfield's and Mr. Don Witherspoon's efforts in putting him straight on the matter and hopes it doesn't happen again.

START DRIVE TO HELP FAMILIES IN FLOOD AREA

Red Cross Chapter Here Seeks To Raise \$100 For Relief

A drive for Murphy's Red Cross chapter quota of \$100 as a special fund to go toward flood relief in the Eastern states was begun this week. W. M. Fain chairman of the local Red Cross committee has announced.

All persons wishing to make a donation are asked to leave their money with the Citizens Bank and Trust company in Murphy.

Millions of dollars property damage, in instances representing lifetime savings and earnings and 118 lives up to Tuesday night had been lost in the devastating floods which have swept 11 eastern states leaving thousands homeless without food, water and lights, and tying up traffic and freight.

The floods are said to be the worst that have ever been known in this country.

The American Red Cross has asked all its chapters to raise their regular quota to be applied to the relief funds. Similar drives are being made throughout the United States.

The total amount of donations left so far has not yet been determined. Among the many subscribers were Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Gilbert who gave \$7 on behalf of the Second Baptist church at Factorytown.

The wire received by Mr. Fain, is as follows: "Reports received late tonight (Wednesday) indicate 38,000 families in 11 states driven from their homes in flooded areas. This number expects to increase. These people all looking to Red Cross for immediate relief including shelter, food, clothing, medical care. Minimum relief funds of \$3,000,000 necessary to provide care for the flood victims for an indefinite period until they can return to their homes. Raise your chapter quota of \$100 in behalf of these disaster-stricken families. Feel confident people in your community will wish to give promptly and generously. Remittances should be forwarded to headquarters as promptly as possible. Report progress at least twice each week."

Lower Cherokee Is Hard Hit By Storm

Apparently the very lower end of this county was the worst struck by the heavy wind and snow storm here last week according to a letter received by Don Witherspoon, local attorney, from Mr. A. J. Hass, of the Tellico River section.

In regards to the storm the letter read in part: "It has blown down thousands of trees up the Tipton Creek trail which is positively impassable. The Red Log gap trail running to Jareds is full of timber. The storm at one time got so fierce that Bass Dockery and his family (owing to falling timber) had to retreat from their home to their barn where they were marooned without anything to eat for 20 hours. The storm lasted about 24 hours."

ASKS LIONS TO HELP CRIPPLED CHILDREN HERE

Bill Whitaker, Of Andrews, Principal Speaker At Meeting

Bill Whitaker, of Andrews, was the principal speaker at the regular meeting of the Murphy Lions club in the Murphy high school Tuesday night and asked the club's cooperation in a drive to help the crippled children of this community.

Mr. Whitaker said that 17 of 100 children who have been treated at the Bryson City's Rotary club clinic in that town have been from Cherokee county and only recently has this county offered any financial support to the cause.

He also cited a number of cases where crippled children from Cherokee county have been completely cured at the Bryson City clinic and at the Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children at Greenville, S. C.

Mr. Whitaker was recently given an appointment on the North Carolina Board for Crippled Children in this county and asked President H. Bueck to appoint one man from the Lions club here to help cover this large county.

Mr. Whitaker and the Andrews Rotary club have been extremely active aiding crippled children in this section and have sent six off to the hospitals in the past several weeks.

The Lions club honored Mr. Whitaker's suggestion formally and accepted his plea for help in this cause as part of their regular service to the community. The appointment was not made Tuesday night.

A collection was taken at the meeting to raise \$10 to provide glasses for a Cherokee county girl now in a North Carolina school.

Lion Harve Elkins, treasurer of the club who was welcomed back after having been absent because of illness for the past several months, said that James Penland, of Hayesville, had asked his support in making a survey of the blind in this territory and asked the club for their help in the matter.

Dr. Ed Adams and G. W. Ellis gave a report of the reorganization of the Blairsville, Ga., club which took place recently and reported splendid progress saying that the club had put a water supply project through already which was looked upon as a whole year's work in itself.

Secretary Dale Lee, in the absence of Chairman T. A. Case, reported that 112 persons had attended the Cherokee County dinner recently held in the Regal hotel here.

President Bueck urged as many Lions as possible to attend the Western Carolina Welfare conference to be held at Franklin March 31.

Dr. Lumpkin Arrives At Petrie Hospital

Dr. L. U. Lumpkin, of Baltimore, Md., arrived Thursday to be associated with the Petrie hospital here, it was announced Tuesday.

Dr. Lumpkin is a native of Baltimore. He is a graduate of St. Johns College, at Annapolis, Md., with a B. S. degree, and a graduate of the University of Maryland School of Medicine. Upon his graduation he spent six years in post-graduate work in various Baltimore hospitals and five years of surgical and industrial practice at Houston, Ten.

Dr. Lumpkin has spent several years in Baltimore with Dr. A. M. Shipley, where he had unusual opportunities to know surgery, and has gone through years of hard training with one of the best Surgeons in the United States.

Dr. and Mrs. Lumpkin are members of the Methodist church.

Mrs. Lumpkin and young daughter are now visiting relatives in Virginia, and will join Dr. Lumpkin in the near future.

State Drivers' License Law Becomes Effective

The drivers' license law became effective over the week-end and several local persons were hauled up before D. M. Reese, local magistrate of the police, for failure to present the license when called for.

Those who drive their car should either have their license on their person or have an affidavit signed by Patrolman E. B. Quinn, Jr., that has been applied for.

MAKING SURVEY OF BLIND IN THIS TERRITORY NOW

Hayesville Man Receives Appointment From Commission

The North Carolina State Commission for the Blind, at Raleigh, N. C. is making every effort to contact each person who is blind or with badly defective sight in the State, and to determine his condition and needs.

Pursuant to this purpose, Dr. Roma S. Cheek, executive secretary, has appointed James Penland of Hayesville, N. C. to begin this survey in seven counties, Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Macon, Swain, Jackson and Transylvania.

The State Commission wishes to contact each person who cannot read even with the aid of glasses, Dr. Cheek said, and in order to plan an effective and intelligent program for persons without sight, or with defective sight, it is necessary to know their number and needs.

So the churches and schools will be relied upon to help gather the information. Each school will be visited and cards distributed to the children to be taken home and filled out, the card is then returned to the school. The Commission's agent, Mr. James Penland urges that every one return the cards, regardless of whether or not there is a blind person, either adult or child in the family, those who have blind members in their family or who knows of any person blind or with badly defective sight fill out and return cards promptly. Of course those who have no blind members of their family or know of no one who is blind or with badly defective sight, should return the cards blank.

Promptness on the part of those who know of blind persons to report will be appreciated, so that the agent appointed by the Commission may visit the cases reported and determine what service the Commission can render. It is hoped that through the Commission employment may be given to many who are now unemployed, there will be a personal study of each case it is stated. Cards will also be distributed in rural churches since there are some families who have no children and in this way some might be overlooked. These will be collected by Mr. Penland. The Commission's field agent.

Any person who cannot see to read even with the aid of glasses is considered under the general term, blind, and should be reported also any one having seriously defective sight.

Murphy Loses Game To Tourney Winner

The Murphy high school basketball team was defeated in their second game in the Cullowhee tournament Friday by the Edneyville high team, 30 to 15.

Edneyville went on to win the tournament Saturday from Cherokee 26 to 18.

Murphy defeated its first foe, Clyde, 31 to 11.

Last year's winner, Sylva, lost by one point to Edneyville in the semifinals, and it was the Sylva team last year that eliminated Murphy from the tournament.

BOARD SEEKS TO COMBINE COUNTY DEBTS

Witherspoon, Adams Declare They Would Be Less Confusing

A general special Cherokee county election will be held to vote on "an act to allow the County of Cherokee to assume the bonded indebtedness of the various townships of this county and a road district therein, and to provide for the refunding of the existing bonded indebtedness of this county" Tuesday, May 12, the county board of commissioners unanimously decided at their regular meeting on Monday, March 2.

If the county took over all the bonded indebtedness of a number of townships in the county, the work could be made less confusing and less intricate by having only one set of books and reducing the interest from five and one-half or six per cent to approximately four per cent, D. Witherspoon, county attorney, declared Tuesday upon the public announcement of the election.

As many county officials view it now these county indebtedness are too confusing and are causing too much expense on the county's part.

Mr. Witherspoon and W. A. Adams chairman of the county board of commissioners appeared before the state legislature about a year ago and were granted a permit to hold the special election.

A complete re-registration, according to specific rules set out elsewhere in this paper, will be required, and it was announced that the registration polls would open Saturday April 18.

Complete information as to the purposes of the special election, the plan of the election, the registration and all matters pertaining to the election are set out in detail on page seven of this section of this issue of the Cherokee Scout.

MURPHY CANNERY MEN MAKE FINAL ACREAGE DRIVE

A final drive for sufficient acreage to insure TVAC funds for operation of the local cannery was begun this week, and L. D. Staples, assistant director of the Land O' The Sky Mutual Association, of Waynesville, of which the local cannery is a unit, said Tuesday that he believed the acreage would be obtained.

E. R. Thompson, cannery manager, and other members have been working hard to secure the acreage which, if it is not obtained, would mean that the local cannery would be forced to shut down its operations which means an expenditure of from \$30,000 to \$35,000 here per year.

Any one interested in growing vegetables for the cannery is requested to get in touch with Mr. Thompson at the county agent's office in the Murphy court house at once.

EXAMINATION HELD

Hadley Dickey, assistant postmaster here, was in charge of a civil service examination held here Friday for the purpose of filling a vacancy in a clerkship in the Murphy post office. A number of applicants took the examination.

DR. J. N. HILL

Dr. J. N. Hill, prominent local physician and chairman of the Cherokee county Democratic executive committee, who has been taking treatment in an Atlanta, Ga., hospital has returned to his office and resumed active practice.

BUILDS NEW CABINS

WARNE, March 23—Dr. W. H. Herbert has purchased from G. R. Ford one acre of land adjoining his filling station and tourist camps here for the purpose of rearranging his camps and building four additional cabins for the accommodation of tourists this coming season.