

# First TVA City Sponsors Rural Power Movement

The Tennessee Valley Authority announced today that the City of Athens, Alabama, the first city in Alabama to contract for TVA power, has also become the first to sponsor a county-wide rural network to bring TVA power to the surrounding farm areas.

Arrangements have just been completed, the announcement states, whereby Athens will acquire from TVA all of the Authority's rural lines in Limestone County, and, in addition, construct some 65 miles of new lines with funds borrowed from the Rural Electrification Administration. The result will be a combined rural system radiating out of Athens and serving a total of 649 farm customers on 135 miles of line.

Transfer of the TVA lines to Athens will be made on October 31, and arrangements for construction of the new REA lines will be undertaken immediately. The rural customers will receive power at the standard TVA resale rates, plus an amortization fee of 1 cent per kilowatt hour up to the first 100 kilowatt hours per month, which will be used to retire the cost of the lines.

The City of Athens first began to receive TVA power for its municipal electric system on June 1, 1934, and since that time its electrical development under TVA rates has attracted nation-wide interest. Between June, 1934, and September, 1936, consumption of electricity doubled, and average home use increased threefold, from 51 kwh to 151 kwh. On September 1, 1936, 78% of the city's customers had electric refrigerators, 35% electric ranges, and 14% electric water heaters.

During the period of TVA power service, the number of customers increased from 692 to 1,032. Addition of the rural system will bring the total to nearly 1,700.

The plan for extension of rural lines by municipal electric systems has been put into practice by a number of cities distributing TVA power. Within the past year, extensive rural systems were constructed by the cities of Dayton and Pulaski, Tennessee, and New Albany, Mississippi. An REA grant for a 70-mile rural network has recently been received by the city of Holly Springs, Mississippi, and the cities of Bolivar, Milan, and Somerville, Tennessee, are all proceeding with surveys for rural lines radiating out of their municipal systems.

In a message to Mayor R. H. Richardson, Jr., of Athens, David E. Lilienthal, Director of the TVA, congratulated the city on its action and stated:

"The program adopted by your city administration is one which should be of genuine value both to the city and the surrounding area. Our experience has shown that the greatest benefits of electric service may be obtained when they are distributed in a plan of economical distribution. The city of Athens has already demonstrated its leadership in electrical development within the city limits and we are glad now to see the city take the lead in a far-reaching program of rural electrification."

## Is Engaged in WPA Survey of Blind Here

Thirteen field workers are engaged in the WPA survey of the Blind in Western North Carolina district. It was reported yesterday by Miss Jean Patton, district supervisor of the survey.

The survey in the district is making rapid progress and it should be completed by October 31, Miss Patton said.

Federal funds amounting to \$44,484 have been allotted for the work in the state. The program is being sponsored by the State Commission for the Blind. Dr. Roma S. Check, executive secretary of the commission is supervising the project. William C. Smithson is directing the field operations and tabulations.

The study itself will assemble in unit form all records of persons with defective sight which are on file in the various public and private agencies within any county. From these records future follow up work may be continued by rehabilitation workers for the Commission of the Blind.

Mrs. Lillian Hensley of Murphy, N. C. is research worker for Cherokee county.

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## SHERIFF SETTLES UP WITH BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: COLLECTIONS GOOD

The Board of County Commissioners met with the Sheriff on the first Monday and proceeded as provided by law to settle with the Sheriff and tax collector as follows:

The Sheriff had charged to him \$101,322.18. Of this amount \$71,599.82 has been collected and turned over to the Board of County Commissioners at various times and about \$27,000 was turned in in tax sales. The board expressed themselves as being well pleased with the fine spirit of the people and the cooperation given them. There has been a great improvement in the collections.

The previous years taxes was about the same amount charged and only about \$48,000.00 was collected and turned in at settling time. About \$48,000.00 in tax sales was collected. This improvement in collections has enabled the Board to retire the county's bonded indebtedness and eliminate a great deal of accumulating interest.

Chairman Board of County Commissioners

## Truett Warns Christ Must Be Followed

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 15—There must be no makeshift substituted for Christ's gospel if the world is to regain its equilibrium, the Rev. George W. Truett, pastor of the First Baptist church of Dallas, Texas, and president of the Baptist World Alliance, said Sunday afternoon at the mass meeting which marked the close of the National Preaching Mission here.

Thousands attended the final session of the four-day mission which is a part of a national program arranged by the Federal Council of Churches.

After predicting that "stupendous changes" will take place in government, and in economic, industrial, social, financial moral and religious conditions, Dr. Truett said Christianity alone could affect a worthwhile reconstruction.

## 8 Billions Spent Since Prohibition On Liquor, Beer

CHICAGO, Oct. 15—The American Business Men's Research Foundation has estimated the people of the United States had spent more than 8,000,000,000 for alcoholic beverages since prohibition ended.

The organization figured that in the forty-month period extending the relegalization of beer in April, 1933, to August 1, 1936, the nation's drinking bill averaged \$6,708,000 a day.

The expenditure per family was calculated at \$259.85.

Liquor production was set at 4,507,859,428 gallons and per capita consumption at 35.19 gallons.

Beer production was fixed at 4,028,384,704 gallons and per capita consumption at 1.14 barrels.

Using government figures and current retail prices as a basis, the foundation reckoned the total forty-month bill at \$3,950,323,170—claiming the government's estimate to \$4,300,000,000 a month, \$43,000,000 a week and \$1,200,000,000 a month.

## Dairy Feed Too Costly For Low Producing Cow

The prohibitive cost of dairy feed means that only good producing cows will pay the dairyman a profit this winter.

Low producers will be an unnecessary expense and they should be sent to the butcher, said John A. Arey, extension dairy specialist at State College.

Consequently, he added, this is the logical time to improve the average quality of the herd by culling out inferior animals. There is no reason for keeping them.

The price of dairy feeds in North Carolina has risen more than 35 per cent since June 1, he pointed out, and there is possibility of still a further increase as a result of the mid-western drought during the past summer.

Arey also stated on many dairy farms it is advisable to grow winter hays as well as summer hays to insure an adequate supply throughout the year. Winter hays are not affected by dry weather as are those grown in summer.

He recommended that the following mixture for winter hay should be shown during the early part of October on well fertilized soil:

Two bushels of winter oats, one bushel of beardless barley, one-half bushel of beardless wheat, and either 20 pounds of Austrain winter peas

## Lions To Send Car To Cripple Clinics

The Murphy Lions club at their regular meeting Tuesday evening discussed plans for sending a car load of crippled children to clinics at Bryson City and Asheville Saturday. The club has afforded local cripples help in a number of instances since their work began along these lines about two years ago.

Other regular business was attended to during the meeting which was held in the dining room of the Methodist church.

or 15 pounds of hairy vetch.

This quantity of seed is enough for one acre. Yields of two to three tons of hay per acre have been secured from this mixture. Mowing should be done when the cereals are in the milk stage, as the hay cut at that time will be of better quality than that cut when the crop is more mature.

Permanent pastures can also be seeded in most parts of the State up to the middle of October. Seed mixtures for various sections are given in extension circular No. 202, which may be secured free from the agricultural editor at State College, Raleigh.

## KNOX IS HEARD . . .

(Continued from front page) and Miss Elda Vettori, dramatic soprano of the Metropolitan opera company, sang the national anthem.

Notables Present  
A number of state Republican

leaders including J. Sam White, of Mebane, the party's nominee for lieutenant governor, and Frank Patton, of Morganton, senatorial candidate were seated on the speaker's platform. Gilliam Grissom, governor-nominate, was unable to be present.

Also on the platform were Mayor Robert M. Wells and member of committees appointed by the local Republican organization to have charge of the program.

Before starting to deliver his prepared address Knox recognized the World War veterans from Oteen hospital present, and urged the United States to avoid the war-like situation that has arisen in Europe, and to steer clear of a dictatorship which, he said, deprived citizens of their basic rights.

Col. Knox prefaced his half-hour address here, the theme of which was "free enterprise", with special reference to North Carolina, with a few remarks pointed at President Roosevelt and his use of a Biblical text in a recent address at Charlotte.

### Could Use One Sentence

The candidate said: "I might also choose a text from that sacred work. There is the parable of the man who buried the ten talents and thus used them unproductively. There is a sermon in that. There is also the parable of the prodigal son. There is a sermon there. There is the story of the unhappy Biblical character who sold his birth-right for a mess of pottage. I could easily devote my time tonight to one sentence from the Bible, that solemn statement that: "by their fruits ye shall know them". There is an even more somber statement in our Bible: "They know not what they do".

He then turned to a summary of the industrial development of North Carolina, and cited the problems of

labor, industry and taxation, and divisions of political sentiment on those problems.

"I do not speak suddenly," Knox said, "when I tell you this economic future of your state depend on the outcome of the election in November."

## WPA FORCES . . .

(Continued from front page) Principal projects in Murphy have been the building of concrete curbs along the Andrews highway and Bealtown. All streets have been graded. In Andrews a road built to Leatherwood Lookout and a number of streets paved there.

With work almost completed the farm-to-market roads throughout the county assuring good rounding out almost a year of age for winter, the workers on WPA payrolls as they begin the Unaka road project.

Cherokee county citizens sought the maintenance of good roads to the dam this winter so the workers and officials will have difficulty getting over them.

Mr. Barnett says similar projects are being conducted in Clay and Graham counties, but since those counties are not as large as Cherokee, their payroll is not as large.

## Woman Burns . . .

(Continued from front page) and his assistant, Frank Menzies, remained until the flames began to die down, and leave nothing but glowing embers.

Funeral services for Mrs. Grimes were held Friday afternoon at the home of a son, Albert Grimes, with the Rev. John Hogan officiating. Burial was in Andrews cemetery.

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