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Prosperous
And Every Night
Full of Peace

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Fishing Should Be Good For Next 10 Days Say Expert Forecaster

In spite of cold weather, fishing will be good during the first ten days of January, according to a professional forecaster, who says he studies the moon, and all the "signs" that have any bearing on when the finny ones will bite.

According to this expert, fishing will also be fair on January 11, but will get poorer daily until the 15th. After that, he says, there will be no sport until the 19th, after which the fish should bite fast and furiously for the remainder of the month.

The above forecast does not apply if the day is windy, or if the waters are muddy.

Over Third Of Farms Now Have Electricity To Speed Production

Farm people of North Carolina are in a better position to answer the call for "Food for the Fighting Forces" because of the rural electrification program which has been conducted since 1935. The number of electrified farms in the State has increased 900 percent in the past six years.

More than 100,000 farm families in North Carolina now have high line service, Jones reported. This is one-third of all the farms in the State.

When the destination is desirable, expectation speeds our progress.—*Mary Baker Eddy.*

Glenn Melvin French, 26 Year Old TVA Aide, Dies Christmas Eve

Glenn Melvin French, 26 year old TVA worker who came to Murphy from Montana less than two months ago, died Christmas eve in a local hospital from pneumonia which followed an appendix operation.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning in the Methodist church in Murphy, with the Rev. C. B. Newton officiating. Ivie Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. French is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. French who came here from Traverse City, Mich. for the last sad rites, by his

70 Year Old Patriot Enraged at Rejection As Home Guard Soldier

From Ball Ground Georgia comes the report that E. C. Simpson is "stomping mad" because the authorities in Atlanta decided he is too old to shoulder a rifle and mow down a bunch of "them damn Jap and German Fifth Columnists". Mr. Simpson is 70.

The aging patriot went to Atlanta to try and enlist in the Home Guard. He figured that older men ought to guard water-works, bridges, industrial plants, etc. and so release the younger men for the army.

Told that the age limit was 55 he went back to Ball Ground declaring it a "crying shame that a man can't have the privilege of shootin' Fifth Columnists when he wants to shoot."

"Uncle Sam" Kilby Dies In Unaka; Rites Sunday

Mr. S. L. Kilby, known by his many friends and relatives as Uncle Sam, died at the home of his son Saturday morning after several days of illness. He was 85 years old. Funeral services were conducted Sunday morning at the Unaka church by Rev. Ellis, of Coker Creek, Tenn. He was buried in Unaka cemetery. He is survived by two sons: Albert of Unaka and Cleve of Coker Creek, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



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Contentment
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Teacher Shortage Seen If Living Cost Exceeds Pay Scale

The National Education Association has issued a statement declaring that increased living costs are forcing qualified teachers into other lines of work. "This loss of capable and experienced teachers," statement "can be prevented in your community only if you and the other members of your board take immediate steps to make adequate salary adjustments."

A survey just completed by the National Education Association was quoted to show that an acute shortage of teachers already exists in at least thirty-four states.

"Teachers are not leaving their school positions," says the National Education Association, "because they wish to, but because they have to. Prices are going up and the value of the buyer's dollar is coming down. The cost of living has gone up 11 percent since August 1939. Food prices are up 19 percent."

"A dollar at the grocer's has declined to the value of slightly more than 80c."

The Association points to the fact that during these two years the twelve million factory workers have received an increase of 30 percent in average weekly earnings, that cash income from farm products has gone up 45 percent, but that teachers' salaries for the most part have remained static.

A recent Associated Press story from Georgia announces that more than 1,000 school teachers in that state have resigned since July 1.



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