

NO MORE DAMS ABOVE MURPHY SAYS TVA REPORT.

Rumors Are Groundless According to General Manager Clapp

Brasstown, May 18 (special). — Authentic word from TVA Headquarters has been received here that there will be no more dams constructed on the Hiwassee River above the Hiwassee Dam. This word comes despite persistent demoralizing rumors to the effect that a dam is in prospect at one of two likely sites between Murphy and Brasstown, many of the rumors allegedly based on word from official quarters.

The Brasstown Blotter, periodical published by the Campbell Folk School here, reveals that it has recently received from the General Manager of the Authority, Mr. Gordon R. Clapp, information vital to the people of this section to be featured in the coming June Blotter.

Mr. Clapp writes in answer to a letter from Harry Cary, Blotter editor, in which Cary said "word from TVA headquarters is needed to counteract demoralizing rumors regarding a dam which many here are still rumoring will surely drown out this section."

Mr. Clapp says: "We are sorry to hear that rumors have again arisen that TVA will construct a dam above Murphy, N. C., which will flood the Brasstown area.

"We can only reassure you, as we did in our letters of May 19, 1941, and September 26, 1941, to Mrs. Campbell (Director of the Folk School), that the Authority plans no dam above Murphy and that the rumors are without foundation. Perhaps it would be of assistance in dispelling the rumors if we pointed out that the construction of Chatuge Dam, on the Hiwassee River above Brasstown, and of Nottely Dam, on the Nottely River, have provided all the storage capacity practicable for the development of power on the Hiwassee River system at Hiwassee Dam and above.

"Thank you for sending us the copy of the Brasstown Blotter. We trust that with the above information you will be able to set the minds of your readers at rest concerning the rumors of a new dam. Please let us know if we can be of further assistance — May 9, 1942."

Navy Now Organizing Volunteer Corps

A Volunteer Navy Recruiter Corps, composed entirely of patriotic civilians, is being organized throughout North Carolina, Lt. Charles B. Neely, officer-in-charge of Navy recruiting for North Carolina, announced today.

The VNR Corps is designed to bring the attention of qualified men and youths to the completely voluntary program of the Navy and the opportunities the Navy offers them for serving their country.

Civic clubs, other organized groups and individual citizens desiring to render a real service to their country are being contacted as leaders of the VNR in their communities. To each member will be issued an attractive honorary Navy Recruiter Certificate. Also, every member will be furnished with a brief statement of Navy recruiting policy and a pamphlet describing the various types of vocational training that are available.

Applications for membership should be addressed to Lt. Charles B. Neely, Navy Recruiting Station, Raleigh, N. C. When applying, each person should give his name, mailing address and the county in which he lives. Membership is open to both men and women.

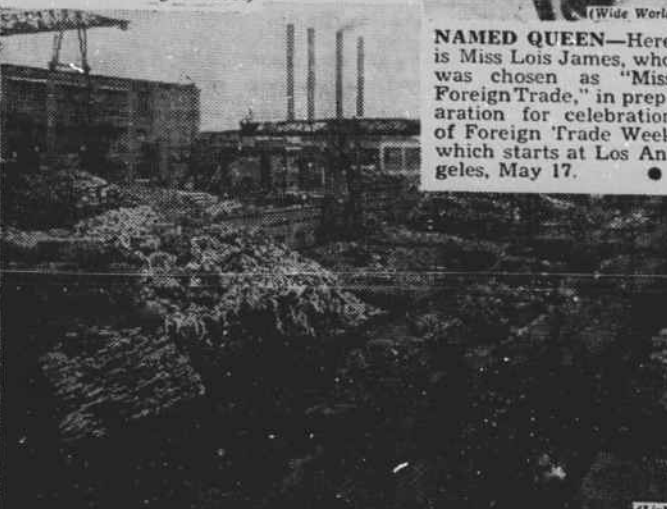
People, Spots In The News



SLAP DOWN JAP—Members of a U. S. Navy anti-aircraft machine gun battery are shown still at battle stations after repelling Jap bomber which attempted suicide plunge into their warship. (official U. S. Navy Photo.)



NAMED QUEEN—Here is Miss Lois James, who was chosen as "Miss Foreign Trade," in preparation for celebration of Foreign Trade Week which starts at Los Angeles, May 17.



ROUNDUP NEEDED—This young mountain of scrap rubber at B. F. Goodrich plant in Akron may look big, but John L. Collyer, company president, warned that total scrap receipts first two months of 1942 amounted to only 50 per cent of industry's reclaiming capacity, and said a "rubber roundup" in every community is needed.

Brother of Mrs. Gray Passes in Asheville

After an illness of several months Mr. T. A. May, brother of Mrs. J. B. Gray died in St. Joseph's Hospital Wednesday, in Asheville.

Mrs. Gray was called to her brother's bedside Tuesday morning and remained with him until the end.

Mr. May is survived by, besides his sister, Mrs. Gray; his widow, who before her marriage was Miss Nora Hurst, of Franklin; one daughter, Emma Jane; one son, J. W.; and three other sisters.

Funeral services will be held at his home at 3 P. M. in Flats, Macon County, today.

Miss Posey Receives Degree in Education

Miss Sara Ruth Posey, daughter of Mrs. Willabelle Posey, was among 80 who received diplomas at Asheville College Wednesday morning. Miss Posey received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education.

Miss Posey was employed in the Citizen's Bank and Trust Company at Murphy for a number of years after completing three years of her college course. Last fall she returned to Asheville College to complete the work for her degree.

Miss Posey plans to attend summer school in order to qualify for a certificate in commercial work in the high school.

TERRACES

Approximately 15.3 miles of terraces were staked for Edgecombe County farmers in the fall of 1941 and the spring of 1942, says J. C. Powell, county farm agent.

Hooper Pleads Guilty To Starting Fire

On May 2, 1942, officials of the Nantahala National Forest charged Woodrow Hooper, in Justice of Peace W. J. Winchester's Court at Hayesville, N. C., with being the cause of a forest fire which broke out in the Shooting Creek section of Clay County on April 30. This fire, according to the charge, was started by Hooper in his field. The fire got beyond his control, burned over other private interests, burned into lands of the Andrews Hardwood Company now optioned to the United States, and was stopped late in the night by a local crew at Government expense.

Woodrow Hooper plead guilty to illegally starting a fire on his lands without a permit and to allowing this fire to get beyond his control. Justice Winchester ruled the defendant guilty of violation of Forest Fire Laws of North Carolina (Section 4311 and 4311a). The defendant was fined \$10.00 plus \$2.50 court costs. Justice Winchester warned the defendant that his court held no sympathy for careless violators of the law.

Licenses Revoked

The Safety Division of the North Carolina Highway Patrol announces the revocation of several operator's licenses in and around Cherokee County. All of the revocations are for drunken driving.

The following were among those listed for the state: Frank Kilpatrick of Marble; Lee H. Morison of Copperhill, Tenn.; Ernest Anson Quinn of Murphy; Tom Swinburn of Andrews; Wayne Wilson of Aquone.

Officers Renamed at Democrat Convention

The Cherokee County Democratic Party had its annual convention last Saturday afternoon at the Court House.

At the same time the Executive Committee of the party met and re-elected the same officers for another year. H. A. Martox continues as Chairman with Mrs. G. W. Cover, Sr. of Andrews as Vice-Chairman. Pearly Arrowood of Marble was again named secretary.

Baptist S. S. Meet To Be Held At Tomotla Sunday

The Western North Carolina Baptist Sunday School Convention will meet with Tomotla Baptist Church Sunday afternoon, May 24th 2:30 o'clock.

Each Sunday School in the Association is urged to send a large delegation.

The Following Program will be given:

- Congregational Singing.
- Devotional—V. M. West.
- Roll Call of Sunday Schools and Reports.
- Special Music.
- Round Table Discussion on Vacation Bible Schools.
- Special Music.
- Talk—Rev. Robert Barker.
- Song.
- Adjournment.

Murphy Schools Get New Equipment

The regional office of the Federal Works Agency has approved the award of four contracts for classroom equipment costing \$1,998 for schools at Murphy in Cherokee County, N. C., C. L. Vickers, regional engineer of the Federal Works Agency, announced today.

Firms receiving contracts were: Universal School Equipment Company, Raleigh, N. C., chairs and tables, \$605; Southeastern Equipment Company, Siler City, N. C., desks, folding chairs, stool, kitchen and cafeteria tables, \$1,266.98; Atlas Supply Company, Winston Salem, N. C., wall fountains, \$93.44; West Durham Lumber Company, Durham, N. C., wall board, \$32.93.

The influx of workers employed in the construction of four hydroelectric power dams in the vicinity of Murphy has brought a large increase in the public school enrollment, and additional equipment was needed to accommodate the pupils. The cost will be met by a Federal grant of \$2,000.

Charlie Morrow of Postell Dies Sunday

Charlie Carpenter Morrow of Postell died Sunday at his home after a lingering illness of many months.

The funeral was held Monday at 3 o'clock at the Three Witt Cemetery near Turtletown, Tenn., with the Reverend Tom Truett officiating.

Surviving are his widow and one son, Harold, both of Postell.

The Ivie Funeral Home of Murphy was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Soldier Son's Plans Include His Father

Lewin Little, who enlisted in the U. S. Navy two years ago, Culberson, Rt. 1, writes his father E. L. Little, that he is well and enjoyed seeing the outside world.

Lewin urges his father to keep well as he wants to have him visit him in New York this summer and tells him he thinks he will find the way people live in New York is somewhat different from in Cherokee

DRAFTEES FROM COUNTY GO TO FORT JACKSON

Farewell Party Plans Withdrawn Because of Mixup in Schedule

The Lions Club of Murphy and the Rotary Club of Andrews had planned a farewell party for the men being inducted, but due to a misunderstanding of the Bus Company and the State Director in routing the buses, Andrews Rotary Club was forced to withdraw because the men had been routed through Anderson, S. C. but later developed, they were routed through Asheville which put Andrews back on the route, but not in time to say farewell to the boys. The following men left by special bus at 7:00 A. M. for Fort Jackson, S. C.:

- Bryant, Bill C., Culberson.
- Killian, Lonnie Lester, Murphy.
- Johnson, Andrew Jackson, Rt. No. 2 Murphy.
- Coleman, William Stanley, Unaka.
- Stiles, Ralph, Rt. No. 3, Murphy.
- Elliott, Samuel Carl, Rt. No. 2, Murphy.
- Breedlove, Troy Elmer, Rt. No. 1, Murphy.
- Morrow, Clarence David, Hiwassee Dam, N. C.
- Pullium, Richard Lee, Andrews, Rt. No. 1.
- Sudderth, Ralph, Rt. No. 1, Murphy.
- Ledford, Arnold David, Andrews.
- Garrett, Frank Lewis, Grandview.
- Roberson, Kenneth Emanuel, Ranger.
- Bruce, Marion Garfield, Culberson.
- Suit, John Rastus, Murphy.
- Bobo, Silas Newell, Jr., Murphy.
- Cole, Leonard Edward, Unaka.
- Gladson, Carl Emory, Culberson.
- Branton, Andrew Jack, Unaka.
- Conley, John Edgar, Andrews.
- Carroll, Howard Tak, Murphy.
- Tatham, Henry Edward, Andrews.
- Gibby, Boyd, Andrews.
- Harper, John Arvel, Tomotla.
- Kirkland, Tom, Murphy.
- Rogers, Andy, Murphy.
- Abernathy, Jacob Luther, Murphy.
- Garren, Fred Lee, Murphy.
- Brown, Clyde Lee, Murphy.

South Leads Nation In Reforestation

In 1941, the Southern States planted 52½ million young pines and hardwoods to reforest denuded privately owned lands. This is nearly 54 percent of the total number so utilized in the entire country. Georgia led all the States with nearly 10.4 million, Mississippi was second with 9.8 million, and South Carolina was third with nearly 9.7 million.

The above figures include only distribution by the States in cooperation with the federal government under the provisions of the Clarke-McNary and Norris-Doxey Acts. Many millions of young trees were also planted in the South by such federal agencies as the U. S. Forest Service, the Soil Conservation Service, and the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Over half the land of the South has been found by farmers to be better suited to tree crops than to other crops. Fortunately, trees grow faster in the South than in any equally large area elsewhere in the United States. Given protection from forest fires an dprovided plenty of seed trees are left, Southern woodlands will restock to young trees without much help from man. Meanwhile, planting would be required only on woodland areas already stripped of desirable trees.

SHEEP

Five 4-H Club sheep projects have been started in Greene County, reports J. W. Grant, assistant farm agent of the State College Extension Service.