

HIWASSEE DAM SCHOOL NEWS

The Hiwassee Dam school is well into what promised to be a most successful school year. With the support of TVA, the local citizens, and state and county educational agencies much progress has already been made. To date the following improvements have been completed or are in the process of developing. First, four new courses have been introduced: boys' shop, home economics, music appreciation, and typing. This necessitated employing extra teachers, of course, and the establishment of new departments. However, typing is not offered to the entire student body because of the problem of equipping such a department at the present time, so is being offered only to a few irregular students. The school plant consists of an abandoned TVA community building, two buildings once used as dormitories and a special first grade building. This called for much remodeling in order to still use part of the building as a recreational center for the TVA village and at the same time conduct a well-organized school. A club room for the Woman's Club and Red Cross has been set apart; music room for the appreciation classes and piano pupils of Mrs. Wilbur Kochtitzky has been completed; the shop boys and their teacher, J. Franklin Smith, are at work on their shop room; the carpentry work for the home economics unit is being completed as Mrs. Marguerite K. German and the four home economics groups plan and organize their department; a new seventh grade classroom has been celled, floored, and wired; the fifth grade classroom has been painted. It has been necessary to obtain some new equipment, and thus far a few additions have been made. The school has three new sewing machines, and an old one is being processed; a new duplicating machine, and some athletic equipment. This school is fortunate in that a TVA gymnasium-auditorium, asphalt tennis, volley ball, and shuffleboard courts are already erected; and an excellent library is in operation.

The daily activity period offers a diversified program to all high school classes with its alternating schedule offering music, health, physical education, and club work. The five clubs—Hobby, Photography, Mathematics, Victory, and Adventure provide interesting outlets for the students' creative abilities.

The school lunchroom is now in operation, and provides a balanced hot meal each day.

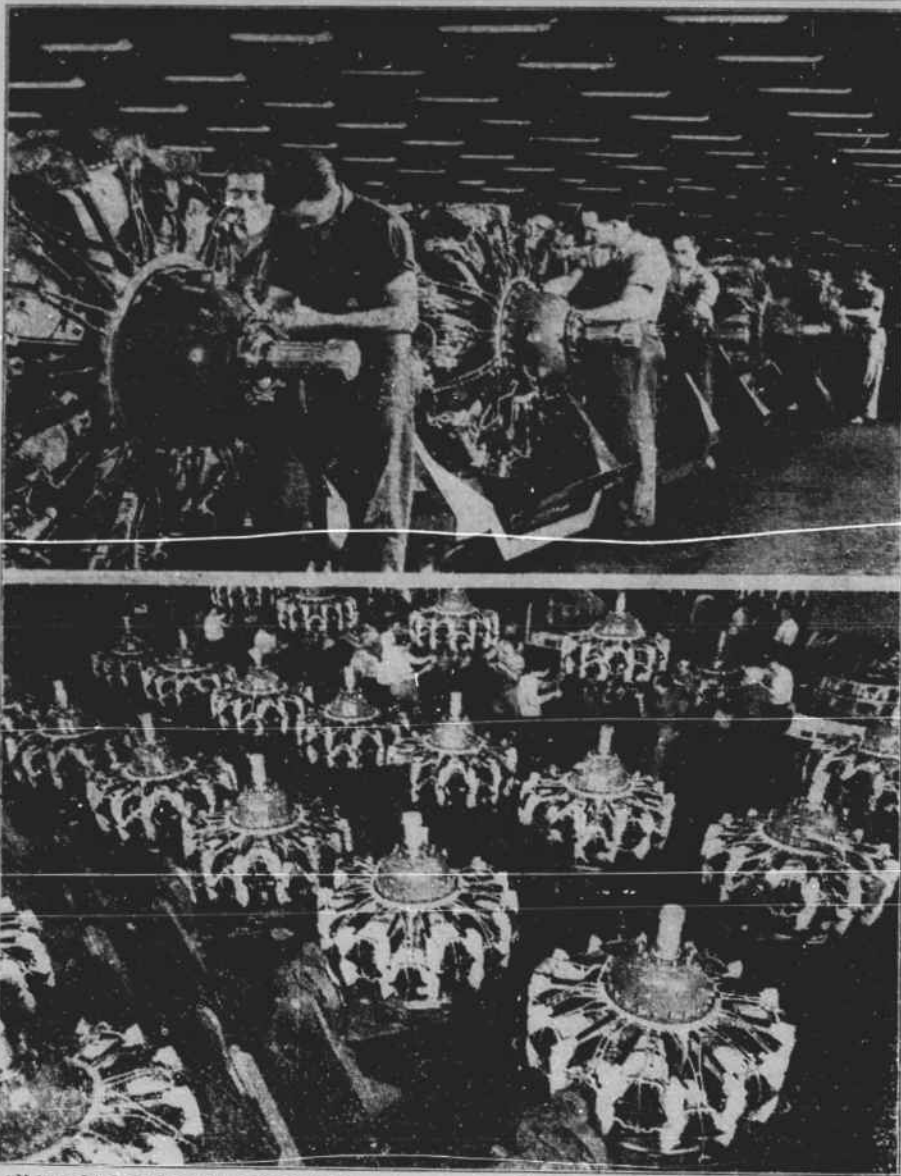
The principal of Hiwassee School is Harvey H. Ferguson of York, S. C. Mr. Ferguson has an A. B. degree from Erskine College, Due West, S. C.; a Master of Education degree from the University of Georgia, and additional graduate work from Duke University. The faculty consists of the following teachers: first grade, Misses Lucile Matheson and Trilby Gienn; second grade, Mrs. W. P. Watson; third grade, Mrs. L. Thomasson; overflow from second and third, Mrs. A. Lee Smith; fourth grade, Miss Pauline Kisselburg; fifth grade, Miss Annie Lou Keenum; sixth grade, R. L. Keenum; seventh grade, Mrs. H. H. Ferguson; high school, Miss Sarah Witherspoon, Mrs. Marguerite K. German, C. C. Carlton, J. Franklin Smith, and T. F. Thomasson; music appreciation and piano, Mrs. Wilbur Kochtitzky. The school is very fortunate in having Ralph Buice, recreational director for TVA, to direct the athletic program.

Hallowe'en Carnival Nets P.-T. A. \$300

The Parent-Teacher association is supporting the school wholeheartedly, as was exhibited in the success of the Hallowe'en Carnival. A profit of some \$300 was realized. Not only was it successful financially, but also as a source of amusement for this and neighboring communities. Mrs. Frank Brown was director of the Carnival, and proved to be a most efficient one.

The feature that brought the greatest amount of money into the carnival and much interest was the Carnival Queen contest, directed by Miss Sarah Witherspoon and Mrs. Bill Wiley. Jewel Perry was winner and was crowned Queen of the Carnival by the King of all hen-pecked husbands, A. D. Simpson. The Queen; her Maid of Honor and second winner Wilma Parish, and other ladies of

Power for the Wings of the United Nations



"Volume Production for Victory," Chevrolet's new wartime by-word, is illustrated in this view of the giant aviation engine plant where the nation's greatest volume producer of cars and trucks is applying automotive mass production to the manufacture of airplane engines. One of the great sources of supply for the Pratt & Whitney engine, Chevrolet is building toward peak volume output of this highly versatile motor, a great "standard" aircraft engine. Shown here are engineers and production men checking each engine prior to shipment to the various aviation companies (Chevrolet supplies). Individually cradled on wheeled mounts (upper picture), these engines are nearing completion on one of the assembly lines at Chevrolet's aircraft engine plant. Here skilled workmen who once produced car and truck motors speed the flow of armament for the United Nations.

The Queen's Court were awarded prizes for their efforts and have been invited to dinner and a theatre party in Murphy at an early date.

Many of the merchants in neighboring towns were very generous in their support of this project.

Scrap Metal Drive Nets Twenty Tons

The scrap metal drive sponsored by Hiwassee Dam school has brought in some twenty tons of scrap; however, this amount does not close the drive, for metal is still being collected in this community and others connected with the school. The student body has shown a very patriotic spirit throughout the drive and has had so much interest aroused that the whole school divided itself into three groups—Army, Navy, and Marines—and put the collecting of metal on competitive basis. The Marines were the winners during the designated period and the Navy ran a close second. During the same period the P.-T. A. sponsored a membership drive offering a prize for the group bringing in the largest percentage of dues. In this contest the Navy won over its closer opponent, the Army, by a very small margin. So much friendly rivalry has been shown that the three divisions of the student body are remaining as groups and will continue the various forms of patriotic activities as they arise during the school year.

POSTELL

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Brown, of Gastonia, are visiting Mr. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burl Brown. Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Stiles and children were in Murphy recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Burg Swanson were Coperhill visitors Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Stiles were visitors in Morganton, Ga., Friday.

Mrs. Opal Craig, of Farmer, Tenn., spent the week-end with her father, Bert Mason.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many friends for their kindness and sympathy shown us during the illness and death of our dear Mother, Mrs. Martha West. Also we thank them for the beautiful floral offering.

THE FAMILY.

Christmas Mail Gigantic Task For Post Office

The Post Office Department now is starting the most gigantic task in its history—the movement of a deluge of Christmas parcels, cards and letters while maintaining the regular flow of millions of pieces of mail daily to and from our armed forces all over the world.

Indications are that the volume of Christmas mail will be the largest on record. Already in September, lastest month for which figures are available, retail sales had reached a level second only to the record month of December, 1941, according to the Department of Commerce. And sales are rising. Such heavy purchases always pre-empt heavy mailings.

If thousands of our soldiers, sailors, marines and civilian friends are not to be disappointed at Christmas time, the public must cooperate by mailing earlier than ever before and by addressing letters and parcels properly. The best efforts of the Post Office Department alone cannot be enough, in view of wartime difficulties faced by the postal system. The public must assist.

About 25,000 experienced postal workers already have been taken by the war services. Arrangements are under way to add thousands of temporary personnel to postal staffs, but this manpower is hard to find and is inexperienced. Facilities of railroads and air lines are heavily taxed by movements of huge quantities of war materials and personnel. Extra trucks are almost impossible to obtain. Winter weather, hampering transportation, is beginning.

The free-mailing privilege granted to members of the armed forces has raised their mailings some 30 per cent, it is estimated. Expansion of those forces also is adding rapidly to the postal burden.

The deadline already is past for mailing gifts to Army and Navy personnel overseas with assurance that the parcels will arrive by Christmas. The New York post office reports that in late October, 350,000 such parcels were handled daily in that office alone.

The Post Office Department is making strenuous efforts to avoid such a terrific jam as it faced in 1918 under similar conditions, during the First World War. It can succeed in those efforts—and

avoid many heartaches for its patrons—if the public will cooperate by mailing early.

United States Agencies Need Managers, Nurses

Agricultural warehouse managers are sought, the U. S. Civil Service Commission announces, to fill Federal positions paying \$2,000 to \$4,600 a year. Broadened opportunities in Panama and in the United States are also announced for graduate nurses.

Warehouse managers will be recruited to supervise cold or dry storage of agricultural products. They are not required to take a written test. From 3 to 7 years of appropriate management experience in a warehouse storing agricultural products is required of applicants without college training. Persons with college training may qualify if they show from 1 to 3 years of the type of experience specified. There are no age limits.

Nurses for anaesthetic, general staff, and psychiatric duty in the Panama Canal Zone and in the United States are being recruited by the Commission. The previous announcement was open only to those who would accept duty in Panama. The maximum age limit for nurses in the Canal service has been raised from 35 to 40 years. For positions in the United States, there is no maximum age limit. Positions in Panama start at \$168.75 a month; in the United States at \$1,800 a year.

Qualifications required of nurses are: successful completion of a nursing course in a recognized nursing school requiring at least 2 years' residence in a hospital of appropriate size and character. Applicants for the anaesthesia option need an additional year of postgraduate work in that field. Applications will be accepted from senior nursing students.

Applications for these positions must be filed with the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., and will be accepted until the needs of the service have been met.

Full information as to requirements, and application forms, may be obtained from the Secretary of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners at first- and second class post offices, or from the United States Civil Service Com-

mission, Washington, D. C.

Applications are not desired from war workers unless higher skills would be utilized in a change of position. War Manpower restrictions on Federal appointment of persons engaged in certain critical occupations in specified areas are given in Form 3989, posted in first- and second class post offices.

Upper Martin's Creek

Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Martin and daughter, Helen, of Ivy Log, Ga., were visiting relatives on Martin's Creek Sunday.

"Uncle Billy" Hughes spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hughes at Bellview Sunday.

Mrs. Vesta Carringer of Murphy visited her mother, Mrs. J. B. Martin, and sister, Mrs. Bryan Chastain, Sunday.

Wayne Crisp, of Bryson City, spent the week-end with his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Chapman and son, Robert, Mrs. J. B. Martin and Eva Nell Keasler visited relatives at Ivy Log, Ga., Saturday.

PATRICK

We regret to hear of the illness of Duell Burgess, of Farmer, who underwent an appendectomy recently. He was a resident of this place at one time.

Bigge Taylor, of Violet, has purchased Glen Hamby's farm at this place and has moved his family to it. Mr. Hamby and family have moved to the A. J. Kilpatrick house.

The Rev. Hooper, of Benton, Tenn., filled his appointment at Liberty church Sunday. There was a baptizing at J. P. Bryant's in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Croft Jr., of Farmer, Tenn., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Horton Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobert Picklesimer and children of Copperhill, Tenn., were the guests of Mr. Picklesimer's mother, Mrs. Rose Ann Picklesimer, over the week-end.

Mrs. Louretta Williamson has moved back to her home near Pleasant Hill.

John Picklesimer was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Perlie Croft at Farmer, Tenn., Thursday night.

PLEASANT HILL

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Baine burned here Thursday morning.

Duell Burgess, of Farmer, Tenn., underwent an operation Saturday for appendicitis.

Ralph Deaver, of Ducktown, Tenn., spent Saturday night with his uncle, Frank Deaver.

Miss Virginia Morrow, of Violet, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Harding Baine.

The Rev. Leonard McClure filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

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