

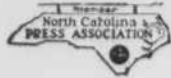
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MEDITATION

"If your place in God's ranks is a hidden and secluded one, beloved, do not murmur, do not complain, do not seek to get out of God's will, if He has placed you there; for without the polyps, the coral reefs would never be built, and God needs some who are willing to be spiritual polyps, and work away out of sight of men, but sustained by the Holy Ghost and in full view of Heaven. The day will come when Jesus will give the rewards, and He makes no mistakes, although some people may wonder how you came to merit such a reward, as they had never heard of you before."

An Aroused People

Murphy and Cherokee county hang their heads in shame over the manner in which a minister of the gospel was treated here by a man who was wearing the badge and weapons of a deputy sheriff, Sunday night.

As ministers said in a meeting at the courthouse Monday evening, protesting the lawlessness occurring here, such treatment of a minister of high standing and a chaplain of the U. S. army has not been heard of before in the whole country.

However, a similar incident happened in Murphy not so many weeks ago when a Negro minister of Brooklyn, N. Y., was accosted by two white soldiers in the city limits of Murphy and caused the minister and his party no little trouble. An Amsterdam paper published a story of the case when the minister returned to New York, saying: "Indignant over the attempted lynching and barbaric treatment that he, his family and two friends suffered in the town of Murphy, North Carolina, during May, a borough pastor is back in Brooklyn vowing never to expose himself or his brood to the insults and abuse they experienced while traveling to Asheville to visit his wife's mother."

Following this Chief of Police Frank Crawford received a note from a Brooklyn man saying: "Just read your expert handling of a situation that comes up much too often and is handled much too often by men who have no regard for law and order when color is injected into the case. All cases should be judged on their merits of justice and not on the issue of white or black. You and your policemen are to be commended for the way in which you did your duty as you saw it."

We are happy that our officers commanded these comments. Officers of the law are holding their jobs to protect men's rights, defend individual liberties, and to apprehend those who are infringing on the peace and rights of others. When they lose sight of the high responsibilities of their office, they should be relieved of their positions. A man who does not himself seek to uphold and observe the laws of our state and city cannot expect to carry out a full law-enforcement program.

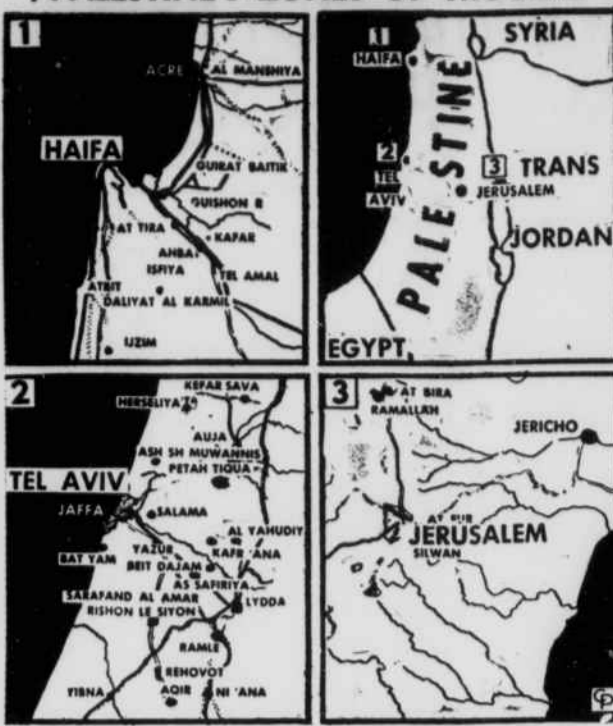
The people of this community are aroused to the point of demanding honest and just officers and strict law-enforcement. It is regrettable that it took the disgraceful Sunday night incident to accomplish this, but the SCOUT hopes that from behind the black-eye the community received will shine a light so brightly that local evil will hide its face and finally fade away.

If that boy of yours has been talking about getting his first pair of long pants, better realize that he's growing up, and in a few short years the problem will be how to provide a college education for him. The best way is not to wait but to start right now investing a little money each pay day in U. S. Savings Bonds through the automatic payroll savings plan. Every three dollars you invest now, pays back four dollars in 1956. Can you think of a better, easier way to buy a college education? Back His Future with U. S. Savings Bonds!

Mrs. Robert Reid and daughters, Jean and Barbara, spent last week in Clinton, Tenn., visiting Mrs. Reid's sister, Mrs. Gaines Phillips and family. Jewell Alice returned with them for a visit.

The Rev. W. A. Hedden and the Rev. J. J. Baine will start a revival meeting at Pleasant Hill Baptist church next Sunday night July 14. Services will start at 8 o'clock at night and 11 o'clock at day.

PALESTINE'S ZONES OF TROUBLE



DESPITE THE RETENTION of 2,000 persons in the largest mass arrest in the history of Palestine, the Jewish resistance movement appeared still active. In the above maps, are shown the centers of trouble. Map 1 is a close-up of the Haifa area, in which one of the largest Jewish settlements is at Mt. Carmel. There an arms and ammunition cache was seized. Map 2 shows the Tel Aviv section where curfew laws are in force and troops took over the General Federation of Jewish Labor. Map 3 shows the Jerusalem zone where the big round-ups have been staged. Map in upper right, shows locations of these areas in Palestine. (International)

Reverberations...

From WNC Weekly Press Meeting in Murphy

ENJOYABLE OCCASION
(Editorial by Harvey Laffoon in Elkin Tribune)

The Western North Carolina Press Association, of which Miss Addie Mae Cooke, publisher of the Cherokee Scout, is president, Friday and Saturday held one of the most enjoyable meetings it has been the good fortune of its members, and a number of guests of the North Carolina Press Association, to attend.

The meeting, held at Murphy, in Cherokee county, was staged amidst some of the most beautiful mountain scenery our State affords and a number of tours of the section were both instructive and entertaining. Both the town of Murphy and Cherokee county went all out in their entertainment of the visiting newspaper folks.

One of the most interesting parts of the program in the opinion of the publisher of this newspaper, who had the good fortune to be present, was a trip to the Fontana dam where officials of the project were hosts to the group at a luncheon. This great dam is a notable structure, being the fourth highest and largest concrete dam in the world. It contains 2,800,000 cubic yards of concrete, and is 480 feet high and 2,662 feet long. It will ultimately contain three turbo-generators with a total capacity of 202,500 k. w. Two units now installed are in operation.

One of the outstanding things concerning the Fontana dam is the fact that construction was started in January, 1942, with the first electric power production beginning in January 1945, three years later. Ordinarily such a project would require from five to six years, but the wholehearted cooperation and enthusiasm of Fontana citizens, the project went forward in record time to supply power for wartime needs.

A visitor to the dam, and to the Murphy section of the state, is impressed by the fact that North Carolinians need not leave their native state to see some of the most beautiful scenery in the world, and the scenery at this time of the year is exceptionally beautiful. And best of all, well paved roads carry the visitors through a primitive wilderness of unmatched scenic beauty.

Every minute of the two-day press session was interesting and worthwhile, and visiting members of the press association counted themselves fortunate indeed to have had the privilege of attending.

SO I HEAR—

(By Albert S. Hardy in column "So I Hear" in Gainesville, Ga., News)

Western North Carolina is a great resort territory and its people make the most of their opportunities. I had the privilege of meeting with the Western North Carolina Press Association at Murphy Friday and Saturday, and I found the Murphysites on their toes. They have recently had a beautiful lithographed folder issued which is attractive enough to make you want

to visit that wonderful section of the Old North State and take in the many beautiful sights nature has provided. Their hotels, tourist homes, motor courts, etc., are clean and inviting, their rates are reasonable, and guests are showered with hospitality, all of which counts heavily in tourist promotion. The building of a number of TVA dams in that area has provided wonderful lakes, all of which have been stocked with fish, and hundreds of sportsmen are drawn to that vicinity every day by these attractions.

The Murphy Business Men's Club and the Lions Club were joint hosts to the press, with Miss Addie Mae Cooke, publisher of the Cherokee Scout, and president of the Western North Carolina Press Association, at a dinner at the Regal hotel Friday night after the visitors were taken on a tour Friday to Hiwassee dam, which impounds the waters of the river of that name, and to Copperhill, which was denuded by the fumes of the copper mines before these fumes were harnessed and put to useful instead of destructive use. The Copperhill mines comprise a great industry for eastern Tennessee, but it seems that nature is having a hard time to restore the vegetation and trees which were killed by the fumes years ago. Erosion has played, and is still playing, a damaging part on the hills which surround the plant, but in the valleys along the river the people have their gardens, in which vegetation now seems to thrive. The copper basin is always an interesting sight even though when you look at the denuded hills you regret that a method of harnessing the deadly copper fumes was not found long before so much damage was done.

Many of the editors visited on Friday morning the John C. Campbell Folk School a few miles out of Murphy at Brasstown. This school was established in 1925 by the gentleman for whom it is named, but who died some years ago, and it has done a great and useful service to the mountain children of that area, for whom it was primarily established. In crafts and trades the boys and girls have been taught with much patience and care, and the institution is serving a fine and useful purpose. Souvenirs of the handwork of the students were given the visitors. These are much sought after by people from all sections of the country and the revenue derived from their sale amounts no little to the support of the institution.

On Saturday's tour a visit was made to the Joyce Kilmer memorial forest, which consists of a 3,800-acre tract of some of the most magnificent trees in eastern America, a forest of superlative beauty. It is dedicated to the memory of the late Joyce Kilmer, the man who loved trees as few have ever loved them. Kilmer is the author of the poem, "Trees," which has gone around the world in words and music and has thrilled millions. Joyce Kilmer was a New

York newspaper man and a brilliant member of the staff of the New York Times. While serving as a member of the 165th infantry, Rainbow division, he was killed in action in France on July 30, 1918. This forest is a virgin stand of Appalachian hardwoods and some of the finest and largest specimens of poplar and hemlock are within the forest. It is located within the Nantahala National Forest in Graham county, North Carolina, about eighteen miles northwest of Robbinsville.

Perhaps the most interesting part of Saturday's tour was a visit to Fontana dam, which is a notable structure, made so by its size and speed of construction. In size it is the fourth highest and largest concrete dam in the world. It contains 2,800,000 cubic yards of concrete, and is 480 feet high, 376 feet thick at the base, 30 feet at the top, and is 2,662 feet long. It will ultimately contain three turbo-generators with a total capacity of 202,500 k. w. Two units are now installed and in operation. The reservoir is 450 feet deep and extends 30 miles upstream. It contains almost 1,580,000 acre feet of water. Construction was begun in January 1942 and the first unit started power production in January 1945—three years later. The second unit went into service in March 1945. The dam is situated on the little Tennessee river only a few miles from Topococca, some 30 miles northwest of Robbinsville, just off the highway from that city to Maryville, Tenn., where another dam built by the Aluminum Company of America was built and has been in operation for ten or twelve years. Four thousand people were engaged in the construction of the dam and prefabricated three, four and five-room cottages were put up for the families of the employees. Barracks near the dam site housed unmarried men. An auditorium, school building, recreation establishments, hospital, cafeteria, etc., took care of all activities while the dam was building. These facilities have now been leased to Government Industries, Inc., to be operated as a pleasure resort open to the public. Fontana dam is a great sight and it is well worth any one's time to visit this great structure and marvel at what man's ingenuity can bring about.

—A. S. H.

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Pleasant Hill

The Rev. W. A. Hedden filled his regular appointment here Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Posey Garrett and family from Camp Creek were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Deaver and family.

Miss Imogene Allen was Sunday guest of Geneva Deaver.

Bobbie Griffins from Ducktown, Tenn., is spending some time with his uncle, J. D. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Pless Blair and Lacy Garrett of Knoxville spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Garrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Beaver has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Beaver.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Odom were week-end guests of their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Claude L. Love in Asheville. Mrs. Odom returned to Murphy, but Mr. Odom went to Lenoir on business.

Mrs. Eric Lloyd and son, Edward, and Mrs. L. A. Lee of Dalton, Ga., left last Thursday for a visit with relatives in Norwood and Goldsboro.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Curtis and daughter, Barbara of Gilbertsville, Ky., will spend the week-end with Miss Josephine Heighway.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Benton, guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hyde, left Friday for their home in Raleigh.

Mrs. P. R. Cagle and son, Jimmy, of Knoxville, spent the week-end here with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Queen.

A. C. Huber, manager of the Robert E. Lee hotel, Athens, Tenn., spent the week-end here with Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Case.

Nick Seminoff of Stanford, Conn., was the guest last week of Miss Gladys McCleskey.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

My reason for publishing this, there seems to be a number of citizens of the Town of Murphy who think the mayor has the authority to hire and fire the Town employees. The mayor does not have a vote on who is hired or who is fired except in case of a tie vote of the Town Council.
NEIL SNEED, Mayor.

Scouting With The Editor



ABOVE is the proposed Peachtree Memorial Baptist church, of which the Rev. L. P. Smith is pastor. It is the plan of this congregation to build a \$15,000 structure, using native stone, as soon as materials are available.

BECAUSE the whole community deserves credit for the success of our press meeting held here June 28-29, I am printing below some excerpts from letters that have been received since the visitors returned home:

JOHNNY ANDERSON, Brevard: "Congratulations on a swell meeting. We enjoyed every minute of it. . . . Sorry I don't have time to go more into detail about what a marvelous time we had, but we really did, and it is thanks to you."

CURTIS RUSS, Waynesville: "We certainly enjoyed the day. . . . You put on a grand program and everything clicked to precision clockwork."

MRS. ALBERT HARDY, Gainesville, Ga.: "We had such a good time. . . . We enjoyed it to the fullest. You were the perfect hostess, leaving nothing undone that would add to our pleasure. . . . The memory will always be one of the brightest pages in my memory book of happy press trips."

MRS. HARVEY LAFFOON, Elkin: "I want you to know that we enjoyed your party all the way through. . . . Harvey joins me in

best wishes. Give our regards to all who made our visit so nice, both in your town and your home."

KITTY ANDERSON, Brevard: "John and I want to express our appreciation of the wonderful time and warm welcome we received in Murphy. We enjoyed every minute of the trip and in being given an opportunity of seeing the many places we had always heard about. It was indeed a pleasant week-end. We wish to extend to you and the friendly citizens of Murphy our sincerest thanks."

ALBERT S. HARDY, Gainesville, Ga.: "May I again express my very great pleasure at being your guest at the meeting of the Western North Carolina Press association. It so happens that I know many of the North Carolina press people and it was a joy to meet them again under such pleasant conditions. Mrs. Hardy and Charles, too, greatly enjoyed our visit with you."

JOHN ARCH McMILLAN, Thomasville: "I wish to thank you and through you all who made our stay in Murphy so delightful. I have never seen such hospitality and such beautiful cooperation that the people of Murphy and Cherokee county showed in entertaining us. . . . I am sorry for the individual and the community that undertakes to entertain the Western North Carolina Press association in the future. It is bound to be a terrible let-down. Thank you most sincerely for the delightful and instructive time you gave us."

Parish Picnic To Be Held At Cliffside Lake

HIGHLANDS — Next Sunday, July 14, the annual Field Mass and parish picnic of St. John's church will be held at Cliffside Lake five miles south of Highlands on U. S. 64. Holy Mass will be offered in the Cliffside amphitheatre at 11 a. m. The sermon will be given by the Rev. John A. O'Brien, Ph. D., Professor of Religion, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Ind. Delegations to the Field Mass are expected from Canton, Brevard, Waynesville, Sylva, Cherokee, Bryson City, Franklin, Fontana, Murphy, Highlands, and Clayton, Ga. In case of rain the services will be held in the Highlands auditorium.

Upper Peachtree

Mrs. Dora Lunsford and three daughters of Gastonia spent the week-end with Calvin Lunsford and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Thomasson and children of Kings Mountain spent the past week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Thomasson.

Mrs. Neia Lunsford and daughter Freddie of Gastonia spent the week here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wilson and son of Canton visited C. W. Thomasson the past week.

Miss Joan Thomasson of Kings Mountain spent one night last week with Mr. and Mrs. Loy Lunsford.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Vandiver and daughter of Murphy visited Mr. and Mrs. Fird Moore Sunday afternoon.

Patrick

Hershel Picklesimer of Pennsylvania, Noah Picklesimer of Tennessee,

Honored With Birthday Dinner

Sam Barnett was honored at a 3 o'clock birthday dinner July 5, by Mrs. Barnett and daughter Ruth. Mrs. Barnett's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Swaim, Miami, Fla., also celebrated their wedding anniversary.

The room was decorated with various colors of gladiolus. Invited guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Scroggs, Brasstown, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Barnett.

STREET TEACHING IN ANDREWS NEXT WEEK

The Catholic evidence guild of Rosary college, River Forest, Ill., is conducting street teaching tours in St. Johns Parish in Western North Carolina again this summer. Three undergraduate girl students, accompanied by two Dominican nuns, faculty members of Rosary college, are delivering public addresses one week in each of the following towns: Sylva, Bryson City, Franklin and Andrews. The girls will speak in Andrews on Main Street, starting next Monday and continuing through Friday, each night at 7:30 o'clock and Saturday, July 20, at 2:30 p. m.

see, Charlie Picklesimer of Georgia, Mrs. Lilly Coleman and Lula Hamby of Tennessee have returned to their homes after being called to the bedside of their father, Tom Picklesimer, who is seriously ill. Lum Crain of Gastonia was guest of his sister, Mrs. Mary Hamby, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Junior Croft and children of Fanner, Tenn., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Horton Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Patton Williams of California have returned to their home after visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Picklesimer for sometime.