

Spanish Foresters Study Area Logging Operations

Murphy Calender

Thursday, August 10
 1:00 p.m. Cancer Clinic at Health Office.
 7:30 p.m. Murphy Chapter No. 10 Order of the Eastern Star will meet in the Masonic Hall
 7:30 p.m. Rescue Squad will meet at the Murphy Power Board Building.
 7:30 p.m. Community Prayer Service at Free Methodist Church.
 7:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship choir practice at First Methodist Church.
 Sunday August 13
 6:15 a.m. Mass at Providence Hospital Chapel
 11:00 a.m. Holy Mass at St. Williams Catholic Chapel
 6:00 p.m. MYF meeting at the First Methodist Church
 6:30 p.m. Training Union at First Baptist Church
 8:00 p.m. Joint services of Methodist and Presbyterian Churches at First Methodist Church.
 Monday August 14
 6:30 p.m. Rotary Club at Family Restaurant
 6:30 p.m. Ruth Bagwell Circle of First Baptist Church will have their annual picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Gill.
 7:00 p.m. B&PW Club will meet at Hiwassee Resort Village. All members are urged to be present.
 7:30 p.m. Town Council Meeting at Murphy Power Board Building.
 7:30 p.m. Confraternity of Christian Doctrine Officer and Committee meeting at St. William Catholic Church

Tuesday, August 15
 10:00 a.m. Circle No. 4 of First Methodist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Vance Wilson
 1:30 p.m. Bellview Home Demonstration Club to meet. Place to be announced later.
 2:30 p.m. Circle No. 3 of the First Methodist Church will meet in the Men's Bible Class Room of the Church. Mrs. F. L. Asbury and Mrs. Helen Lochaby will be joint hostesses.
 8:00 p.m. Alcoholic Anonymous to meet at New Regal Hotel.
 8:00 p.m. Circle No. 1 of the First Methodist Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Guy Brittain.

Wednesday, August 16
 7:20 p.m. Midweek services at Presbyterian Church
 7:30 p.m. Midweek services at First Methodist Church
 8:00 p.m. Hour of Power at First Baptist Church
 8:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal at First Methodist Church
 8:45 p.m. Choir rehearsal at First Baptist Church

Thursday August 17
 1:30 p.m. Grape Creek Home Demonstration Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Rollin Taylor.



MEMBERS OF ICA "LOGGING STUDY" TEAM from Spanish Forest Service are shown above with several members of various WNC Forest Services. Front Row (L-R): Donald Peterson, Dr. Mariano Me'endo, Dr. Jose Joaquin Pena, and Dr. Jesus-Maria Pena. Back Row (L-R): Dr. Jose Ferrando, Dr. Fernando Nicholas, Bunch Nugent, E. L. Demmon, Dr. Antonio Gonzalez, and Adolfo Paez.

Six forest engineers from Spain are visiting logging operations in the Murphy area this week to help them improve the forestry situation in their home country. While in this area they will visit the operations of the Georgia-Pacific Corporation in Hayesville, the Bemis Hardwood Lumber Company of Robbinsville and the Timber Products Company of Murphy.

The study is sponsored by the International Cooperation Administration with technical advice by the Forest Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

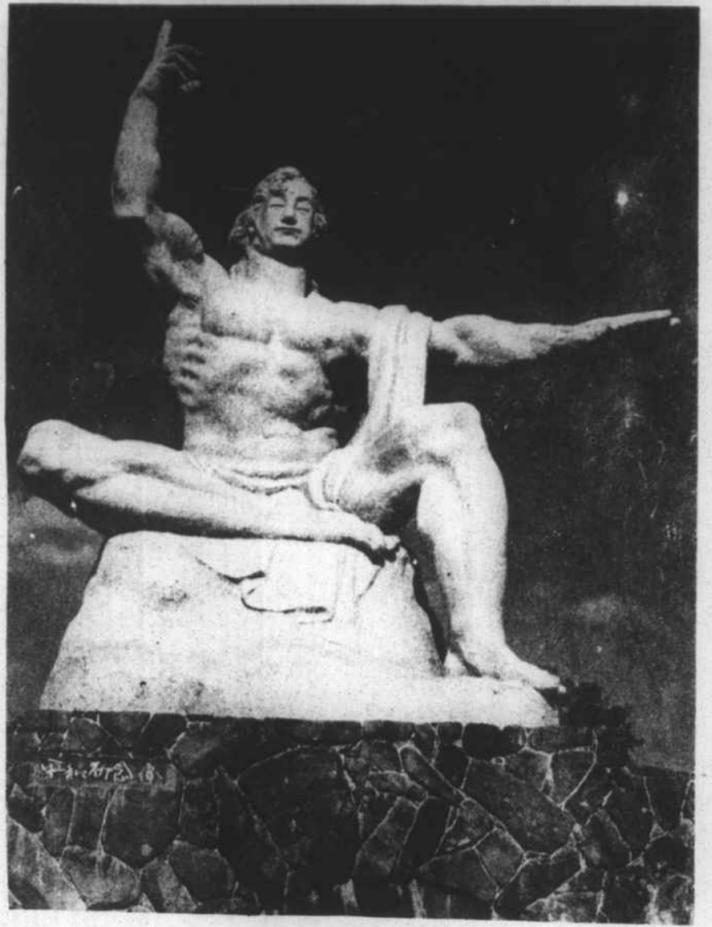
The group is studying various logging operations in the Appalachian Mountain region and the southern states followed by a visit to a few operations in California. They will also visit the Forest Service Equipment Service Depot at Arcadia, California, and the Forest Products Laboratory at Madison, Wisconsin. Information obtained through these visits should prove useful in furthering the forestry program in Spain.

Logging in Spain is generally handled on a small scale, with heavy reliance on hand tools and human labor instead of machines. The forests contain relatively small sized timber, and the trees are felled with axes,

backed with saws, and skidded with animals. There is a need to introduce faster, cheaper, and more efficient methods in order to reduce costs. Present costs are rising due to an increased demand for forest products and to the use of costly logging practices.

The study group is made up of six field leaders in the Spanish Forest Service, graduates of the forestry engineering course at the national forestry school in Madrid. Technical leader for the study is E. L. Demmon, for 33 years a member of the U. S. Forest Service, until his retirement in 1957. He is now a forestry consultant at Asheville, N. C. Donald Peterson of the Forest Service here in Murphy is

accompanying the group while visiting this section of the United States. Also accompanying the group is Adolfo Paez, interpreter from Washington, D. C.



STATUE BUILT TO PEACE Now Stands At Nagasaki

Hog, Buried 16 Years Ago, Found Well Preserved

A Cherokee farmer has uncovered -- literally -- a nearly perfectly preserved 400 pound hog which he buried almost 16 years ago.

Will Stalcup told John S. Smith, Cherokee County conservation agent, that earlier this year he had drained an acre of boggy land to increase his pasture, and while he was digging a ditch to drain the area his shovel hit what he thought was a buried log.

Further digging turned up the hog's carcass, almost perfectly preserved, Stalcup told Smith.

The hog had been buried in December 1945, after it had died from some unknown cause Stalcup recalled, and he had buried it in the boggy ground and forgotten it.

Some sections of the carcass have been exposed to air and sunlight for more than a month and still show no signs of deterioration, according to Smith.

The reason for the hog's preservation is still a mystery. Dr. Wilkes, Veterinarian, has sent a piece of the hog to State Diagnostic Laboratory in Raleigh, according to Mr. Smith.

16 Years Ago

August 6, 1945; Day Of First A-Bomb

Phyllis Babb
A few short days ago the world observed the most tragic anniversaries in the history of man. On August 6, 1945 an atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima, Japan and three days later another fell on the city of Nagasaki.

Horrible as these bombings were they brought an end to World War II.

While in Japan two years ago it was my privilege to interview two distinguished Japanese men who were eye witnesses to the excruciation that the atomic bombs brought. As you read their incredible stories, utter a silent prayer that mankind will never again inflict such destruction on itself.

Mr. Yoshiro Ikeuchi, chief of the Tokyo Branch of the Hiroshima Bank, was born in Hiroshima and educated at Tokyo University and the Imperial University.

At the time of the bombing of Hiroshima Mr. Ikeuchi was a captain attached to the Army Food Supply Division in Hiroshima.

"It was a lovely August day and as a result there were many people outside, which perhaps added to the enormous number of casualties. I was working at a desk in a wooden school building which the army had occupied.

"First I was conscious of a yellow flash, then the sound of rumbling, then a crash. I fell to the floor and as I got up I realized that my shirt was covered with blood. Fearing that more bombs would fall I searched for shelter but nothing else happened. All was quiet.

"When I went outside all of the houses were burning and the end of the school was blown off. About five minutes after the bomb a black rain fell which lasted for 10 or 15 minutes. Clothes even turned black from the rain."

After examining his body more closely Mr. Ikeuchi discovered that he had not been seriously injured. He had only been cut by bits and splinters of glass. It had been prearranged that in the event of an attack people in the surrounding area were to come to the school. In a matter of minutes the schoolyard was full of 300 or more suffering, stunned human beings.

"What I saw was unbelievable horror. Being a hot August day, many people had short sleeved garments on and all of the exposed skin was so severely burned that it fell from the bones. I stayed at the school for two days. Helpless. There were no doctors, no medical equipment or materials. People seemed to wander around in a fog. Others simply sat down and died. Eventually relatives came and took their dead and half dead away."

Mr. Ikeuchi's family lived five or six miles away from the blast area and fortunately no one was injured. For three days the city burned.



Mr. Yoshiro Fukuda, an adviser with Mitsubishi Shipbuilding and Engineering Co., tells Mrs. Phyllis Babb, editor of the Scout, about his ordeal during and after the Hiroshima bombing in August 1945. Mrs. Babb interviewed Mr. Fukuda during her visit to Japan two years ago.

Continued Mr. Ikeuchi, "All of the food in Hiroshima was destroyed but so many people died that there was little need for food. Many people had gone in underground shelters and died in there. Many were so severely burned that they only thought of comfort and jumped in the many rivers around Hiroshima. The rivers were filled with the dead. I noticed a peculiar thing. There were no tears."

In 1945 Hiroshima was a city of 450,000. As a direct result of the bombing 200,000 people died.

And in Nagasaki on August 9, 1945 was Mr. Yoshiro Fukuda, who was connected with Mitsubishi Arms Works Factory.

"It was 11:02 when the bomb hit. I was in a consulting room with six other people. There was a flash and then the noise. The building collapsed. I was badly cut around the face and head by glass from a window immediately behind me. None of the people in the room with me were killed but they all died later."

Mr. Fukuda was so severely injured that after walking several blocks he collapsed. As soon as the initial shock was over all of the men who had been in the room with Mr. Fukuda hurried away from the factory. He feels that he was indeed blessed by collapsing and that if his colleagues had not rushed away, they too might be alive today.

"That evening several of my subordinates found me and moved me on a sliding door from a demolished house to a train. They took me to Omura where I was able to receive medical treatment at a hospital. I stayed with an uncle who is a doctor. He nurtured me back to health."

People were deposited at all train stations where they might receive hospital care. As Mr. Fukuda's family resided in Omura, he was allowed to embark there.

Mr. Fukuda recalls that it was very curious that there were no shades at the window

which was behind him, yet his skin was not burned. His clothing was badly burned but not his skin.

About the beginning of September some radioactivity set in and Mr. Fukuda was not able to eat or drink. During Mr. Fukuda's serious illness his fever reached 104 degrees and he became delirious. He noted that during this radio sickness his white blood cell count went down to 800. (A normal healthy person has between 6,000 and 7,000 count.)

"It was a living hell. So much suffering and so many people killed," reflected Fukuda.

In Nagasaki 60,000 people died of a population of 300,000.

About two years ago Mr. Fukuda went to the Atomic Museum at Oak Ridge, Tenn.

A doctor of engineering, Mr. Fukuda is now an adviser of the Mitsubishi Shipbuilding and Engineering Co. of Japan.

With tongue in cheek Mr. Fukuda claims that he sees one real benefit from being a victim of the atomic blast. He said that he had suffered from an ulcerated stomach before the bombing but soon afterward he recovered. His doctor finds this hard to believe but Mr. Fukuda swears it's true.

AUNT HET



It ain't her bereavement that makes men sorry for a good-lookin' widow. Each one thinks it's a shame she ain't got a wonder like him.



DO YOU KNOW THEM? This fine looking group posed for this picture back in 1933, name the occasion for the picture, where it occurred, and as many of the people as possible. Mail your entry to Box 190 Murphy, N. C. The First person correctly identifying the picture will receive a year's subscription to THE CHEROKEE SCOUT. Last week's winner was Mrs. John L. Savage, Box 276, Murphy, N. C.

Don't Be So Complacent

Have you built a fallout shelter yet for the protection of your family? Have you written to the Office of Civil Defense in Raleigh (and that is the address in case you're interested) for information about saving your skin in the event of a nuclear attack? Have you made any effort to store any canned foods or medical supplies for yourself and your family? If you haven't done any of these things and aren't even planning to, then you just aren't using your little head!

It has been brought to the attention of the Scout that a few, a mighty few, citizens of Murphy are putting forth the effort to build fallout shelters. The Scout has also learned that a prominent citizen plans to go before the Town Board in the near future to discuss the possibility of forming a committee to inform the public about the dangers of a nuclear attack.

Americans are all too complacent. The general attitude about fallout shelters is, "Why should I go to the trouble to build all that stuff when probably everybody else will be dead. Besides, it would cost too much money." Is your life and the lives of your children not worth something?

Other people say, "Well even if I had a shelter at home I might not be there or if I were, I might not have time to get to it."

This is a hopeless attitude. And without faith and hope where are we. We all might just as well lie down and die. But it is the will to live that carries us on.

Let us not be typical of ourselves. Let us not sit on our porches until a bomb falls and we have no place to go and no idea what to do. Let's get busy and educate ourselves so that if, God forbid, a war does come there will be enough of us left to continue our American way of life.

Sherman said, "War is hell". If he thought that about the War Between the States, what would he think of a nuclear war?

Youth Baseball

On Thursday, August 3, the Braves defeated the Cardinals 3-1. Donald Morris pitched a no hitter for the Braves. Rex Stewart and Billy O'Dell pitched for the Cardinals.

The Dodgers defeated the Giants 5-4. Roger Stiles pitched for the Dodgers and Jerry Palmer pitched for the Giants and struck out 16 boys. Johnny Moore hit a home run for the Giants.

Hiwassee Dam Site For Ski Show

"Water Skiing: Biggest Splash in The Sports World" is the title of an article in the August issue of the Reader's Digest. The appearance of the story in the Digest at this particular time is very appropriate since the Chattanooga Ski Club of Chattanooga, Tennessee will present their Aqua-Batic Ski show at Hiwassee Dam on August 13 at 2:30 p.m.

This is a group of amateurs that perform with superb professional skill. One former member of this group is now performing professionally at Cypress Gardens, a tourist attraction near Winter Haven Florida, which is generally regarded as the home of Water Skiing. The Gardens employ 40 young men and women who put on four elaborate water ski shows daily. In view of the fact that every year some 5,000 job applications come to Cypress Gardens from girls and boys all over the world to join this professional group and the fact that a former member of the Chattanooga Ski Club made the grade there certainly speaks well for this particular team of amateurs.

The Digest article stated that in 1948 there were only 12 water skiing clubs in the U. S., and today there are about 700. And there are millions more who are not members of a club but just have a pair of skis and the leisure to whoosh around a body of water yelling "WHEE!"

This group has more than 20 different acts which they perform with breath taking proficiency. Among them are the bare foot boys-no skis, the pyramid-single and 5 man, Damsel on a Disc, the man carrying kite, Hobo the Clown, and others. From advance reports on Hobo it is gathered that, with his antics he usually comes close to stealing the show.

Toby Ayre, the son of one of the Hiwassee Dam operators, is a member of the team. It is said that he can do more at the end of a rope on one ski than a monkey could have on a hundred feet of grapevine.

The public is invited to attend the show which will be held in the area immediately above the dam - Admission Free.

COUNTRY HAM BUSINESS A NATURAL FOR WNC

According to John Christian, meat extension specialist North Carolina State College, Western North Carolina is just on the threshold of really getting into the country ham business on a big scale.

Western North Carolina is a natural for curing country hams for high quality and flavor. The market for these hams is here and more ham operations of this type could bring more income into Western North Carolina and make living more worthwhile by having good country hams available to everyone.

The house Mrs. M. G. Crawford has built has forced air ventilation and is constructed so as to produce the finest flavor possible in a country ham and is insect proof.

The need for more quality country hams is indicated by the request for hams at Crawford's ham house. This demand exists throughout the Western part of North Carolina.

The ham market can be expanded by building ham curing houses and giving the hams the care and protection needed to give high quality demanded in Western North Carolina.

Mrs. Crawford built this ham house during the summer of 1960, and started curing hams last fall. The hams are sugar cured and the amount of cure regulated to get the desired salt content. These hams were selected from good meat-type hogs and of the weight range demanded by the consuming public.



HERE IS A COUNTRY HAM BUSINESS started in the right way in Murphy. Mrs. M. G. Crawford has built a modern ham house with a capacity of 1500 hams. Paul Nave, County Agricultural Agent of Cherokee County, is shown above with Mrs. Crawford. He has been working with her in building the ham house.