

OFFICIALS ARE IN SYMPATHY WITH NEW ROAD

Witherspoon Says FERA And Highway Commission Will Cooperate On Project.

Given assurance of hearty cooperation on the construction of four miles of road from Murphy to the Tellico mountains, Don Witherspoon, local attorney, and W. B. Wessels, owner of the Wessels lumber company, returned from Raleigh Sunday where they had conferred with the State Highway commission heads and FERA authorities.

Last Friday, the delegation met with E. B. Jeffries, chairman of the State Highway and Public Works commission, and Charles B. Ross, attorney for the commission, for the purpose of developing the road that would bring approximately 100 million feet of lumber to Murphy for an outlet rather than Tellico Plains.

"The commission stated itself as being in sympathy with the proposal," Mr. Witherspoon said. "However, the funds of the commission are limited and state funds could not be used altogether, we learned. The commission realized that the construction of this road should be an integral part of the state highway system and it is believed a proposition can be worked out whereby with such instrumentalities, state highway funds could be used under law if working in conjunction with FERA funds."

J. C. Walker, district engineer at Asheville, will be instructed to come to Murphy and work out the situation so construction can be started on the road in the near future. His first move will be to go over the route and select the exact location. Mr. Witherspoon said S. W. Moss, head of the FERA, will come to Murphy next week to confer with local officials and look into the proposition himself. Mr. Moss was said to be impressed and thinks federal aid should be extended in this direction to unemployed men and their families.

Mr. Wessels has made a public statement that he wishes to bring his lumber here and ship it through this point rather than ship it on the other side of the mountains. He already

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ANDREWS CLUB HAS FEAST FOR MURPHY LIONS

Annual Get-Together Of Rotarians And Lions Held In Andrews Tues.

Members of the Murphy Lions club and their wives were entertained at a picnic supper by the Andrews Rotary club at Neal Hay's camp ground Tuesday evening from 7 to 9 o'clock. The Rotarians were assisted in the preparation and serving of the supper by the Rotarians.

A brief program was carried out in which there were short addresses by H. Eneck, president of the Murphy Lions club. R. W. Prevost, president of the Andrews Rotary club, the Rev. Stewart Long of the Murphy club, D. H. Tillit of the Rotary club, and Mercer Fain of the Murphy club. The Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Baucom and Sam Carr of Murphy were introduced as guests of the Lions club; Edwin Whitaker, and S. W. Black of Bryson City, and the Rev. Maurice Blackard of Bullsgap, Tenn. were introduced as guests of the Rotary club. Mr. Black who is a member of the Rotary club of Bryson City made a brief talk.

This event has for some time been carried out by the civic clubs of Murphy and Andrews and it has become a valuable asset in promoting fellowship and cooperation between the two towns.

CHEROKEE BOYS LEAVE FOR CCC CAMP THURSDAY

Eighteen Cherokee county boys left yesterday for an enlistment in one of Uncle Sam's North Carolina CCC camps. They are going first to an army post where they will spend the first two weeks drilling in regular army formation and getting themselves in shape for the work of the next six months.

They are: Buster Murphy, Violet; Fred Kephart, Owl Creek; Virgil Odell, Boiling Springs; H. C. Palmer, Notla; Lee Morrow and Snider Jones, Murphy; Olin Hughes, Bellevue; Bill Palmer, Tomotla; Wilson Radfield, Peachtree; Le Beavers, Suit; Roscoe Sneed, Tomotla; Ellis Guthrie, Ranger; Dan Johnson, Grape Creek; Lloyd Curtis, Letitia; Fred McFee, Hothouse; Waitzell Walker, Ranger; Olin Jones, Unaka; and Bill Roberts, Beaverdam.

SEVEN INJURED AS CARS CRASH MONDAY NIGHT

Cars Demolished But No Serious Injuries Received Three Miles From Here.

Seven persons were injured when two cars crashed on No. 10 Highway about three miles from Murphy Monday night.

The injured were A. R. Stalcup, 45 head lacerations; Horace Stalcup, 20, broken ribs; Glenn Stalcup, 27, cut eye; Lak Stalcup, 13, cut eye and broken nose; and Charles Stalcup, 7, cut eye. Bob Forrester and Paul Kindrell, of Blairsville, Ga., were slightly cut.

According to Glenn Stalcup, driver of the car in which his father and three brothers were riding, the family was running about 30 miles per hour out the highway when they crashed into the car in which Bob Forrester and Paul Kindrell were sitting on the left side of the road. Stalcup said the lights were out on the other car.

The impact drove Kindrell's Chevrolet coupe about 30 yards down the road and turned it over. The Stalcup Ford Roadster was badly mangled by the force of the crash.

Frank Ellis brought the Stalcup family to town where Dr. Hill administered first aid to the injuries none of which proved serious. They returned home.

Sheriff Mason said he went out and got the men from Blairsville but A. R. Stalcup requested that they be freed and an attempt would be made to settle out of court.

COLEMAN SHOALS IS IDEAL SITE FOR DAM TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY SHOWS

BY SAM CARR

"To see is to know." So goes the old adage.

What with all the talk in town lately about the dam, we decided to see what we could do about supplying definite information on the subject. Nobody outside of the Authority itself knows where the dam will be. We figured if we could see just what was going on down at the Coleman Shoals site, we could at least pass on that much authentic information to the public that is interested.

As the old saying goes it might be built anywhere between hell and Belfast, but we aimed to see and to know as much as we could about the only site we're particularly interested in. Well, we saw. We don't know exactly (we're sorry to say) but we have a pretty good idea.

Minus poles, tripods, compasses, and snake anti-toxin, with a heart full of hope, a shoe-box full of lunch, and a loaded camera, C. W. Bailey and the unfortunate writer cranked up and lit out for the site.

It's about sixteen miles down there and after you turn off the road to Unaka, the going gets pretty bad. Big rocks and streams in the road make them almost unpassable. Much of the road right down to the site has been built up so the TVA cars can pass over them.

Suddenly you turn out on the south side of the Fowler Bend, then turn west and follow about three-quarters of a mile back down the river toward the west.

At the Coleman Shoals where the

NEW UNIT CHIEF OF TVA ARRIVED HERE THIS WEEK

J. D. Blagg To Conduct Survey Of Coleman Basin; Shallibo Leaving

J. D. Blagg, unit chief of the engineering service division of the Tennessee Valley Authority, arrived in Murphy Wednesday morning and said he would be located here permanently to survey the basin of the Coleman Shoals site that is being considered as a possibility for a \$13,000,000 TVA dam.

At the same time it was announced that C. F. Shallibo, unit chief, who has been here for some months surveying the topography of the site will leave to take up work on the Pickwick project at Sheffield. Mr. Shallibo said he may take one or two of his outfits with him, but the other engineers that have been staying here will remain.

Mr. Blagg was unable to comment authoritatively on the ever present question, to be or not to be, but said he supposed his work would take about one year for completion. He said he intended to rent a house here and his wife and two children will join him later. He has been working on other TVA projects.

George D. Whitmore, of Knoxville, director of surveys for the Tennessee Valley authority, is expected in town again about Friday.

Folk School Holds Big Annual Meeting

More than 150 people attended the annual get-together meeting held at the Folk School at Brasstown Wednesday, according to G. W. Candler, local merchant.

The annual affair was said to have drawn its usual large crowd of visitors from all over the county.

The Women's club of Brasstown were in charge of the meeting and gave a dinner to the many people that attended.

Several talks were made in the form of comparison of the school of the old days and its new features showing the improvement of the people in that community and the subsequent progress they have made.

Those speaking on the program were: Mrs. John C. Campbell, Fred Scroggs, Julius Martin and Mr. Candler, of Murphy.

Mr. Candler reported that the meeting was very delightful and that it was enjoyed by everyone.

local site is being considered, the Hiawasse runs a little less than 100 yards wide. It is shallow, having a maximum depth of about five feet and the bed is practically all rock.

Two mountains rise very high and steep on either side. Sloping at such an angle that it requires a great deal of labor to walk up them (and forced in some places to crawl) they rise about 400 feet and the top of the mountain is 1690 feet according to the surveyor's stakes. This would be about 70 feet higher than Murphy above sea level. The river in its 31-mile course to Appalachia falls 360 feet or a little over 11 feet per mile. A narrow trail has been cleared up both mountains from the site.

On the far side of the river at that point, a drill had been installed, but apparently no drilling had been started at that time. The drill will be used to study the rock bed of the river at that particular location. While fording the river a long pole was dragged over the bottom and it was practically all rock. However, there was no way to determine the depth of the rock.

About a half a mile west and approximately 100 yards inland on the opposite side of the river, the beginning of the tunnel, that is to run through the mountain to the place where the river cuts back after it bends, was located.

There is another clearing there that runs for almost a mile over the mountain to the power house. The width and mountainous approach of the river on that side of the bend is

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OXFORD ORPHANS WILL SING HERE MONDAY EVENING

The appearance of the singing class of the Oxford Masonic Orphanage next Monday night, July 9th, in Murphy will be more than ordinary interest because June Davis, a Murphy girl, is a member of the class this year.

June is 8 years old, the daughter of E. E. Davis a former clerk of superior court, and a grand daughter of Mrs. Dixie Palmer. She has been in the orphanage for about two years. Two brothers, Jimmie, 13 and Robert, 10, are also in the orphanage but are not members of the singing class.

Local Masons are expecting a full house when the class appears at the school auditorium next Monday night, July 9. The program of solos, duets, quartets and recitations have always been interesting and entertaining. E. J. Palmer, secretary of the local Masonic lodge said this week, and advance information is to be the effect that this year's class is the best ever presented.

FOURTH OF JULY IS CELEBRATED BY HUGE CROWD

Many Attractions Held All Over County For Holiday Celebrators.

Hundreds of people came in to town Wednesday for the big Fourth of July celebration here and attended the two ball games and the dance that was sponsored by the Joe Miller Elkins post of the American Legion.

Arriving in the early morning, the festive spirit of the crowd bid fair to the dampened by the storm clouds that came up later in the day, but celebration was spared a drenching. After booming in the morning business came practically to a stand-still as time for the two baseball games tolled around.

Everywhere there was evidence of a holiday. Everybody was all dressed up and happy. Some of the local people took the day off and headed out for the mountains to fish or picnic.

A huge crowd had assembled at the ball ground in time to see the first game start at 2 o'clock. Murphy won the first game rather easily from Tellico Plains 15-2. Lloyd King was the star of the game letting the Tellico Plains team down with five well-scattered hits.

The other game with Aquone at 3:15 was forfeited in the first half of the sixth inning. According to manager Hickman, Murphy gets credit for the game 9-0 although the score was tied up at 2 and 2 at the time of forfeiture. J. N. Hill had pitched five innings of good ball and weakened. When pitchers were changed the visiting team forfeited.

A big round and square dance was held in the New Gym Wednesday night that not only attracted the large crowd that attended the ball games but many out-of-town frolicers as well. The dance lasted late and everybody went home tired.

From reports received almost every town in this part of the country had a big affair of some kind on the Fourth.

Marble reports the biggest event ever held there. It was estimated that well over three thousand people attended the spectacle they provided. A series of prize-winning events attracted the crowd. Boxing matches were held.

According to word from Andrews there was no celebration there on Wednesday. Although quiet most of the people were reported to have come to Murphy or Marble for the festivities or else gone off to the mountains on hikes, swims, fishing trips, or picnics.

The national press said more big Fourth of July celebrations were held Wednesday all over the country than ever before and the list of fatal accidents had been cut in half.

As far as fire-works were concerned, the local communities were comparatively free of noise. There were no reports of any serious accidents of any nature in this part of the county.

MAN DIES WITH BROKEN NECK IN ACCIDENT HERE

Driver And Baby Unhurt As Truck Smashes Into Ditch Mile From Here Sunday.

Thrown from a truck in which he was riding, Joe Crow, 49-year-old Shoal Creek farmer, died with a broken neck en route to the hospital here Sunday afternoon. The accident happened about a mile west of Murphy on Highway No. 28.

Bill Crow, son of the victim, was driving the truck at the time of the accident, according to investigators. Crow was holding a baby in his lap, and is said to have suddenly grabbed the steering wheel and pulled the truck over in a ditch. The truck ran down the ditch nearly 100 yds. before Joe Crow and the baby were thrown out. Crow's neck was broken, and the baby's leg slightly injured. The car was not hurt.

A passing CCC truck picked up the victims and brought them to the Petrie hospital here. Crow was dead upon arrival and was conveyed to his home near Suit.

Sheriff Mason, who investigated the accident, said Monday no arrests would be made.

Many people of this section remember Crow as the brother of Jim Crow, who was chief of police in Murphy about 15 years ago.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Shady Grove church, near Suit. Crow is survived by a wife and 11 children; Bill, Bossie, Tiny, Ernest, Lorine, Hayden, Pearl, Faye, Frank, Polly and Martha, all of Suit; his father J. G. Crow, of Unaka; two brothers, W. T. Crow, Madisonville, Tenn., and J. C. Crow Unaka; five sisters, Mrs. A. S. Moss, Mrs. George Crawford and Miss Kate Crow, Unaka; Mrs. George Moore, Martins Creek, and Mrs. A. R. Burrell, Kennesaw, Ga.

C. B. Hill, of Murphy, was in charge of funeral arrangements.

Hampton Memorial Revival To Be Held

On Monday evening, July 9, at 7:30 o'clock a revival will begin at Hampton Memorial M. E. church. The Rev. C. C. Benton who will assist in the services is expected to arrive with Mrs. Benton and his son, Paul, on Monday. The Rev. Br. Benton is pastor of the First M. E. church of Canton where he is in his fourth year of service. He has had wide experience in evangelism, and we are expecting a genuine revival. Everyone is heartily welcomed at all services.

Sunday morning, July 8, at eleven o'clock the semi-annual installation of Epworth League officers will be held. Plans are under way for an impressive service, and everyone is invited to attend. Those taking office will be:

Mrs. L. P. Hampton, President; Margie McDonald, 1st. Vice president, Ruth Hampton, 2nd, vice-president; Hazel Hampton, 3rd, vice president, Ruby Holland, 4th vice-president; Juanita Dyer, Secretary and Treasurer; Dewey Johnson, Choiter, Ruby Bailey, Organist, Mrs. L. P. Hampton, Reporter.

The League has regular meetings each Sunday evening under the direction of several leaders. It is hoped that several delegates will attend the Epworth League Institute at Epworth, Ga. July 30 to August 5.

Mr. W. D. Townson Recovering Rapidly

Mr. W. D. Townson was up and around town Wednesday on the road to recovery from a recent serious illness.

Mr. Townson has been sick for the past four weeks and returned only several days ago from the Fort Sanders Hospital in Knoxville, Tenn., where he was confined for treatment for 12 days.

NOTICE

The County Commissioners of Cherokee County decided to extend the date of advertising taxes from June 30, 1934, to August 1, 1934.