

## HOPES OF BUILDING TVA DAM HERE RISE

### CHEROKEE COUNTY FAIR TO BE HERE OCTOBER 3-6

List Of Premiums, Program Of Fun For All That Attend Being Formulated By Committee Of Fair Association.

October 3, 4, 5, and 6 were the dates set for the Cherokee county fair to be held here this year it was decided at a committee meeting of the Fair Association in A. Q. Ketner's office Friday night.

The price of admission was fixed at 15 cents per person along with other important plans that were discussed at the meeting.

Those present at the discussion were W. M. Fain, Ernest Hawkins, A. Q. Ketner, Tom Axley, R. W. Gray, and representatives of the Scout.

Discussions were first held as to the possibility of a fair this year. One had been held every year up to last year, and Mr. Hawkins and Mr. Ketner said that reports all over the county showed that the people were disappointed at not having the annual fair last year. The current feeling that it will be revived again this year is unusually optimistic. Mr. Hawkins said it was of especial benefit to the children of the county and Murphy. Practically everyone, those present reported, would back up the event this year.

Several angles were approached at setting the definite date. So that the date of the Cherokee county fair and that of the Indian reservation fair would not conflict, it was decided to hold the local fair two weeks later than the other. Also by holding it at that time the annual fall equinoctial storm could be dodged. The weather at that date is usually warm, it was said.

An extensive premium list is being revised by members of the committee and will be officially announced in the near future.

Mr. Fain suggested that heretofore the details of the fair have been announced at a date too late for the best interests of the fair, and this year ample time will be taken in the preparation assuring a more enjoyable time for the thousands of people that will attend from all over this section of the country.

Mr. Ketner said that one idea of announcing it at an early date is that it would enable the farmers to have the prizes in mind when they set out their crops. It was suggested that fertilizer companies might send out booklets to the farmers with helpful hints toward that end.

Discussing the financial end of the fair, Mr. Axley said heretofore a great deal of money had to be spent on repairing the house that holds the exhibits but that it was in pretty good shape this year. Means of financing the fair were discussed then at length. A first class carnival will be present all four days of the fair. Plans for the details were set up for final (Continued on page 8)

### Catches Two Catfish Weighing 63 Pounds

Two of the largest catfish ever seen in this section, one weighing 35 pounds, and the other 29, were displayed in town by Marshall Ramsey, who lives in the Cove Creek settlement.

Mr. Ramsey said he caught the fish at Lake Topoco on the Tennessee river between Graham and Swain counties.

### GIRL IS RESCUED FROM DROWNING

Dorothy Hampton 8-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Hampton was saved from possible drowning in the local pool here Saturday when the child got in over her head.

Cooper who was standing at the other end of the pool, dove in and rescued her after she had gone under the first time.

A group of children were at the pool at a party given by Mrs. Stewart H. Long.

### CITY FATHERS MEET HERE IN BUSY SESSION

Local Projects Discussed At Regular Meeting Of City Councilmen.

Calling a special pool-room election, adopting a motion to seek a second walkway on the bridge across Valley river on No. 10, contracting for a new survey of Sunset cemetery, naming of a new alderman and endorsement of the Lions club bridge opening celebration featured a meeting of the Murphy city fathers Thursday night, according to the minutes of the meeting prepared by E. O. Christopher, city clerk.

Harry P. Cooper and Henry Hickman, a committee from the Joe Miller Elkins Post of the American Legion, presented a petition to the board asking that a special election be called to pass upon the proposition of a Legion pool room in the town. The petition was signed by A. W. Lovin-good, post commander and W. E. Studstill, post adjutant.

Under the present status quo pool rooms in Murphy are taboo. About fifteen years ago the citizens voted them out of town. The North Carolina General Assembly in 1929 added another blow by outlawing pool rooms in Cherokee and several other counties. However, in 1931, local Legionnaires succeeded in having the act of 1929 amended to read: "Provided that the town of Murphy be allowed to operate pool rooms, supervised by and under the direction of the American Legion Post."

The matter of an election was taken up with the town council in 1931, shortly after the act was amended. However, local attorneys held that since pool rooms were voted out, if the American Legion or any other club of fraternal organization established a pool room in Murphy, the matter must be approved by the voters. Several factors entered into the abandonment of the proposition at that (Continued on page 8)

### THREE ACCIDENTS INJURE TWO HERE SINCE LAST WEEK

A series of unusual accidents resulted in two painful injuries last week in this community.

Lowry Moore, 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Moore of Topton, was struck by an automobile, according to reports reaching this office, and was treated at the local hospital for lacerations.

Clarence Hampton, of Ranger, had his right leg broken above the ankle, several minor face lacerations, and a shoulder injury when he fell off an inbound L. & N. train at Old Murphy Saturday. Hampton, who was on his way here from Culberson, said he was standing on the platform of the moving train and his hand slipped hurling him to the ground.

Walter Morrow, of Baltimore, Md., miraculously escaped injury when a car he was driving ran off the end of the pavement where it crosses the Valley river bridge on No. 10 detour Morrow, a nephew of W. B. Wessels, local lumber dealer, was driving Mr. Wessels' new Essex when he catapulted over into the river on the Murphy end of the bridge. He was going out the No. 10 detour at the time of accident. The car jumped out over the steep 20 foot embankment and turned over in the river. The car was demolished and Morrow was not scathed. He climbed out of the car himself.

### MISS BERRY IS IN MURPHY ON OFFICIAL DUTY

Audits Savings And Loan Association Books In Brasstown This Week.

Miss Harriet M. Berry, superintendent of the Savings and loans associations of North Carolina, department of Agriculture, spent several days in Murphy and this section this week auditing the books of the Brasstown Savings and Loan association, the only state supervised co-operative organization for farmers in this immediate section.

Miss Berry was a former co-owner of The Cherokee Scout, weekly newspaper at Murphy. She is secretary of the North Carolina Good Roads association and played a large part in the formulation of the early highway program of this state, and was at one time prominently mentioned in political circles as a candidate for governor.

The Brasstown savings and loan association is a pioneer co-operative organization of farmers in that community and has been of outstanding value in demonstrating the possibilities of co-operation in this section. Besides purchasing seeds and fertilizers for the participating members and saving them money it provides a market for the products grown by them, and has been instrumental in placing several car loads of purebred cattle and livestock in Cherokee and (Continued on page 8)

### MANY RESPOND TO LOCAL DRIVE FOR USED BOOKS

Total Of 172 Books Donated To Murphy Library In Canvass Tuesday

A total of 172 books were donated to the Murphy Carnegie library in a drive sponsored by the local library, the Murphy Boy Scouts, and the Cherokee Scout last Tuesday.

The Boy Scouts made a direct canvass of the town to collect the books and report that more have been promised.

Miss Josephine Heighway, librarian, and K. C. Wright, head of the Boy Scouts, as sponsors of the drive, thank the people of Murphy for their cooperation and support.

The majority of the books collected, Mr. Wright said, were fictional stories. About one fourth of the books collected were children's books. Two complete sets comprising 22 volumes were given, and in a number of instances many books were collected from one house.

The donors were: Mrs. W. W. Hyde, Miss Bertha Mayfield, Mrs. Willard Axley, Mr. Joe Axley, Mrs. Dennis Barnett, Charles Penland, Lorien Lovingood, Luther Gentry, Mrs. Ella Brittain.

Mrs. M. Miller, Vaul Adams, W. O. Adams, Idoras Adams, Mrs. Howell, Mrs. Ed Barnett, Pruden Davidson, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Derreberry, Gladys Palmer, Dorothy Carrol, Mrs. G. W. Townson, Mrs. Warner, Mrs. Carl Townson, Mary Beal.

Miss Ada Harshaw, Miss Emily Sword, Arthur Akin, Felix Palmer, J. O. McCurdy, H. Bueck, Miss Adella Meroney, Mrs. E. A. Davidson, George Tate Williamson, Robbie Williamson, Harry Dickey.

Mrs. John Axley, Mrs. Deweese, Mrs. K. C. Wright, Mrs. Pauline M. Stalcup, Elizabeth Franklin, Nick Posey, Mrs. D. Witherspoon, Mrs. Cwenby, Mrs. H. G. Elkins, Mrs. Thelma Dickey, Mrs. Mattox, and Mrs. William Ramsey.

One anonymous appeared on the list.

### TVA Declares French Broad Project "Not Economically Justified At Present"; Local Site Has Best Features of Tennessee Valley Flood Control.

### CANNERY OPENS HERE BUYING 300 GALLON BERRIES

TVAC Pleased With Quality Of Berries; Merchants Back Up Project.

Close to 2500 gallons of blackberries had been canned during the first three days of the season, according to unofficial statements, Thursday evening. Close to \$600 has been paid out by Murphy Cannery officials for the berries.

Around 300 gallons of blackberries were canned the first day the Murphy Cannery opened its doors for the season Tuesday, according to A. Q. Ketner.

In most instances an exceptionally fine grade of berries was being delivered to the cannery and each gallon brought twenty-five cents to the owner.

All machinery was set up in fine working order, and a crew of workers under J. H. Hampton handled the berries as they came in. J. A. Barr, head the TVAC in this section, was in charge of the opening.

Prices for the berries were not paid outright. Receipts were given for the amounts brought. The receipts are negotiable in nearly every store in Murphy.

People arrived at the cannery with berries a day ahead of the scheduled opening, and there was no delay in starting the canning at once. The berries were put up in gallon cans.

The merchants of this section have lined up in cooperation with the cannery in wishing it success. Some of the merchants and business men have contributed outright sums to put the cannery in working order.

Mr. Barr Tuesday morning expressed his satisfaction at the grade of produce that was coming in. As soon as the berries run out, they will start canning tomatoes. The cannery entered a little late to get all the berries but, according to reports there are still plenty good blackberries around.

### Man Injured When Stolen Car Wrecks

Charged with having stolen a car belonging to Sheridan Stiles, at a Canal Lake dance Saturday night, Lisha Burch was turned over to Georgia officers. He was found at his home badly hurt by Henry Rose.

According to investigators, Burch took the car, a Ford roadster, and started toward Murphy. About two miles from the lake it ran off the road and turned over.

### Young Harris Wins From Local Golfers

The local golf team lost to Young Harris players on the local golf course here last Saturday by two points.

Playing on the Murphy team were: T. A. Case, Fred Swaim, H. Bueck, Dennis Hampton, Fred Hampton, Avon Martin, Luther Hampton and Ernest Ashe.

The Young Harris team was represented by: J. P. Hampton, Doctor Coleman, Dr. Downey, of Gainsville, Ga., J. W. Sharp, Professor Mann, six holes, Mr. Bueck was called back and Professor Lance.

After playing about five or six to town and his place was taken by Peyton G. Ivie.

With the official announcement by TVA authorities last week that a dam in the French Broad river above Asheville, was "not economically justified at present," many local people are prone to look on the situation as a hopeful sign of receiving definite information soon that a dam will be built at the Coleman site.

The TVA program as applied to building dams is not considering the lowering of power costs alone. Such benefit would go directly to the people. The element of flood control in the Tennessee valley figures a large part of the entire TVA construction.

Had a decision been made to build the dam in the French Broad river, there would have been \$30,000,000 expended on the project. That was the appropriation made by Congress to that section.

In event the dam was to be built there, miles of highways and railroad beds that follow the French Broad until it empties into the Tennessee would have to be changed at a cost that would practically eat up the appropriation itself. Rich farmlands would have been drowned out. The tax rate on those lands runs high.

Asheville has fought the building of the dam there to a certain extent for that reason.

Considering that the floods of the Nolichucky, the Valley and the Hiwassee are as great as those of the French Broad; that the area that would be flooded by the dam if it were built at the Coleman site would in no way cause roads or railroads lines to be changed and the fact that the land that would naturally be flooded by back water of the local dam is worthless in value than those flooded by the French Broad river dam, it stands to reason that the construction of the dam on the Hiwassee would be much more beneficial to both the people of this section, of the Asheville section, and of the Authority itself since it will take only \$13,000,000 to build the dam at the Coleman site.

The floods that ravage the farmlands along the Tennessee valley during spring freshets, heavy rains and thaws costs the people of that section millions of dollars every year.

The TVA is trying to eliminate that destruction as well as to lower power rates for the mass of the people.

The Hiwassee and its tributaries and its thousands of mountain springs carry as much water into the Tennessee (Continued on page 8)

### DAILY NEWS IN BRIEF

West Coast labor union troubles were slowly being ironed out late this week in an effort to end the strikes that have gripped San Francisco, Cal., Portland, Ore., and Houston, Texas. Government labor officials were arbitrating with the unions for the return of normal labor operations that have held the people of those cities at its mercy for nearly two weeks.

It all begun when longshoremen in the Golden Gate city struck, seriously impairing the supply of food to millions of people in that section. Reports said that the people of San Francisco were near a panic, some of them having actually moved out of the city. Later it spread to Houston. About 200 "Reds" were jailed in the threat. Troopers were out; and blood was shed.

When President Roosevelt received news of the strike on his way to Hawaii he "withheld comment."

Baby Bobby Connor, 21-month-old son of a wealthy Hartsdale, N. Y., engineer, was found alive in the woods near the mansion Tuesday after he had been missing for five days. He was suffering from hunger and exposure, and the doctors said the tot's condition was serious.

It was first believed that Bobby had been kidnapped by an "eccentric peddler" who had been wandering (Continued on page 8)