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## THE TVA IS PRETTY BIG AFTER ALL

The Scout doesn't pose as the stereotype of the black-coated, bespectacled, high-collared individual who sits all day behind his desk, delving deep into his books and matters on "whys and wherefores" that he might go forth and criticize or inform for the sake of the thing. But occasionally we raise the ante on our own belief that we have a fair amount of "horse-sense" and do not hesitate to strike out and inform those that do not know and ask for "enlightenment for those hereabouts."

We refer, in a round-about way, to an editorial appearing Sunday in the Asheville Citizen-Times:

"Dr. H. A. Morgan in his address yesterday before the Southern Conference on Human Relations at Blue Ridge answered very effectively some of the criticisms that have been made of the Tennessee Valley Authority. We could wish, however, that he or some one connected with the TVA would tell us a little more specifically how the benefits which are to be extended beyond a rather narrow area lying immediately within those parts of the Tennessee Valley which are contiguous to the great power developments now under way there.

It is true, as Dr. Morgan says, that theoretically TVA includes parts of Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia. All statements, however, of the planned activities of the TVA have been vague as to most of the communities thus included. We have yet to see any proposals which one could sink one's teeth in as to any major benefits which can be expected by that part of the general area which lies in North Carolina and which provides the watershed for much of the water upon which the TVA will draw. There are many hereabouts, we are sure, who would welcome light on this phase of the TVA program."

In the first place, according to the old sixth grade geography map, the seven states named above represent about one-fifth of these United States. And it is one of the "fifths" that depends mostly on farming. Of course, Dr. Morgan says "part of" and that could throw our figures, or anybody's figures, away off.

But we are under the opinion that the TVA program, if worked out in toto, would include all of those states mentioned as well as parts of Louisiana, and possibly parts of South Carolina, and Ohio. Those states, or parts of states, would receive direct benefit.

Then there is this question too, that we have harped on before, if there are four wheels on a heavily laden wagon and only one of them turn you don't necessarily get to town as quick as if all four are chunkin'. The building of dams to provide low cost electricity and control disastrous floods will help people of this section, whereas they might not do a whole lot to relieve strike situations on the West Coast, aid the drought in the Middle West, or even help catch Dillinger.

The TVA isn't designed to cure the ills of the whole nation. It's to help the people of this section. And where the Authority has functioned it has done so admirably. The whole country is on an upswing, and the TVA is but one of the wheels that's chunkin'. When the TVA decides what they are going to do they will let folks know. That is what they have been doing.

Interference with the program is disaster. The idea is to help all you can, and come what may, the help will boomerang. There is nothing to lose.

### MORE BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

It is indeed gratifying to see the results of the recent drive by the Boy Scouts for donations of used books to the Carnegie library. Miss Josephine Heighway, librarian; Mr. K. C. Wright, local Scout master, and the Cherokee Scout, sponsors of the drive, express their deep appreciation to all who responded.

One hundred and seventy-two books were donated, and it is understood that more have been promised.

The local library offers great benefits to the people of Murphy and Cherokee county, especially to the children who go there to seek and learn more:

Any one who has books lying around the house could do no more for the betterment of civilization than to give those books to the library if there is no more use for them in the home.

Some of the contributions were very large, and some were small. But large or small it is the spirit of the gift that counts.

### A PUBLIC PARK

A number of citizens recently have asked us if we would express their opinion in favor of turning the lot in the center of the square into a public park.

It has been suggested that benches could be placed in the square at a nominal cost and a means of shade could be had making the park not only delightfully cool but more attractive as well.

Some of the residents of town have no porches where they can sit and enjoy the cool breezes of evening. They must sit in the cars at the curb or in the different stores in town which, in a measure, hampers their business.

There is always a breeze sweeping up the streets that meet at the square even on the hottest days. If a means of shade could be had such as putting a roof over the square or adding a few trees, the many people that stand on the street, lounge in doorways, or swelter in the open when they come to town, would find respite.

A roof could be built at small cost, or even several large trees could be transplanted there by city workers. There are various ways to raise the money. If appropriations could not be had, perhaps a method of a benefit or popular subscription could be worked out.

The Scout is merely reflecting the voice of the people in this matter. If there are any serious objections, we are unaware of them.

It has always been comforting to us to drive into a town and see people sitting in the cool park enjoying the breezes. It gives a town a more attractive appearance than to see the folks sitting on the curb, on soap boxes, and leaning against store windows.

It has also been brought to our attention that occasional social functions, such as ice cream suppers, could be held in the park rather than making everyone go out in the country.

### THE NEW KNITTING MILL

Wednesday the first "dusting off" touches were put on the old knitting mill across from the Post Office.

It is the addition of another business to Murphy, and the people of this section will reap the benefits of it many, many times. When opened full blast by fall over one hundred girls should be hired there, outside of regular help, and an approximate pay roll of \$1500 will be distributed here every week. This is, of course, irrespective of the natural upswing in general business that accompanies an additional enterprise.

Mr. G. B. Brumby, Jr., of Marietta, Ga., will be the new operator. He has had twelve years experience in the stocking business and appears to be ideally fitted for taking over the business and becoming a resident of Murphy.

But one thing that is not generally known and which should add a feather in the cap of Murphy is the conditions under which the mill was brought here.

The mill was practically complete for operation except for a dye machine. Mr. Brumby asked for a loan in this matter that he might have his plant up to full-time operation and output by fall.

A group of Murphy citizens met in front of the mill last Friday afternoon.

"Gentlemen, we need \$500 for a loan, backed by security, to be paid off in full in one year. We will meet in one hour and a half"

At the end of that time, the group met again and Mr. Brumby was told to get the equipment and set it up.

Is there need for compliments when civic action, such as was exemplified in the above editorial, is evident.

## LET'S TURN BACK HISTORY'S PAGES...

### 40 YEARS AGO

(In The Cherokee Scout)

Gus Parker arrived from the Indian Territory last week to visit relatives.

Miss Sallie Cooper visited her sister, Mrs. W. A. Bryson, at Coalville last week.

Capt. R. L. Porter and daughter, Miss Hallie of Franklin, spent last Friday in town.

Mrs. C. B. Hill, of McCays, Tenn., is visiting her parents, M. C. King and wife, Sunday.

Hon. Ben Posey returned home Wednesday from Greensboro where he has been sometime on business.

W. H. Woodbury of Ellijay, after spending several days here looking after business returned home Friday.

Dr. W. G. Bristol and wife spent Thursday night in town on their way home to Hayesville from a visit to friends at Franklin.

Miss Hettie Wackenheim of Vicksburg, Miss., who has been visiting relatives at Hayesville is now guest of Miss Gertrude Patton.

Miss Nellie Fain after spending several weeks with relatives in Murphy, has returned to her home in Atlanta.

A reception was tendered Miss Annie Pruden, of Dalton, Ga., last Saturday by Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Cooper.

Mrs. V. H. Olmsted, of Washington, D. C., is at Alexander and will reach here this week to pay a visit to her parents, Doctor and Mrs. J. W. Patton.

### 30 YEARS AGO

(In The Cherokee Scout)

Congressman Gudger and wife were here Saturday.

F. A. Gennett made a business trip Friday to Waynesville.

Mrs. E. B. Norvell, and daughter Mary visited Franklin last week.

Mrs. M. P. Glass and little son, of Atlanta, are here visiting relatives.

Capt. J. P. Robinson left Sunday for Bristol, Tenn., to be absent several weeks.

Sheriff Ramsey and Dr. E. B. Meroney spent a few hours Friday in Andrews on business.

Jelly Sam Bryson, S. E. Cover and J. McWhitaker came down from Andrews Thursday afternoon.

Miss Abbie Barnett opened her school yesterday at Hangingdog, which will make the fourth session she has taught at this place.

Miss Claud Starnes, after a pleasant visit to our town, left Wednesday to spend a few days with her sister at Ducktown before returning to Knoxville.

Mr and Mrs. Jas. T. McDonald, accompanied by Mrs. Mary Yates, all of Atwood, Ill., are here visiting relatives. Mr. McDonald is a brother of Register of Deeds, T. C. McDonald and this is his first visit to his old home since 1868.

### 20 YEARS AGO

(In The Cherokee Scout)

Frank Conley spent Sunday at Almond.

A. L. Martin visited the Junaluska Creek section Sunday.

Dr. H. N. Wells, of Andrews, was a business visitor here one day last week.

W. H. Woodbury, of Asheville, was transacting business here Saturday.

J. T. Hayes one of Tomotia's leading citizens, was in town on business Saturday.

Mrs. Nettie Dickey was called to Chatanooga, Saturday on account of the serious illness of her sister.

T. J. Christy, of the Andrews Sun, was a business visitor here Saturday.

Dr. Kimsey, of Copperhill, one of the leading surgeons of the Ducktown Basin, was a visitor here Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Woods left Wednesday for Tellico Plains, and other points

in Tennessee, where she will spend a month visiting her parents, and other relatives.

J. N. Elliott of Andrews, was a visitor to the City Monday.

Misses Irene Johnson, Lillian and Beryl Bryson, Messrs. John Russell, Earl Crye and James Jones, chapbooked by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Morgan, left Tuesday morning for Nantahala, to enjoy the rest of the week on a fishing expedition.

### TURNING BACK HISTORY'S CON 10 YEARS AGO

(In The Cherokee Scout)  
Miss Myrtle Dickey, of Washington, Ga., is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. O. Christopher.

Mrs. H. G. Elkins and two children are visiting relatives in Cartersville, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. James Palmer and children, Miss Hattie, Jake and Bob motored to Franklin to visit Mr. Palmer's brother, Mr. J. F. Palmer.

Mrs. J. A. Hawkins of Culbertson is visiting her sister, Mrs. P. E. Nelson.

Miss Dot Hensley is spending the week in Ducktown, Tenn., with relatives.

Mrs. Butler Nelson and small son, Billie of Asheville are visiting Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Nelson.

Mr. W. V. N. Powleson, president of The Carolina-Tennessee Power Co., spent several days here last week in the interest of his company.

Miss Louise Haighler returned to her home at Hayesville Wednesday morning after having spent several days with her sister, Mrs. T. J. Manney.

Mrs. E. H. Hyatt, returned Tuesday after having spent several weeks with her parents at Warne.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Brown of Andrews, and their guest, Miss Nell Smith of Texas, were the guests of Mrs. Brown's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hyatt this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Rector of Lenoir are visiting Mrs. Rector's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Posey.

Mrs. J. H. Phaup was a visitor in Copperhill, Tenn., Thursday.

Mr. Bob Barclay of Copperhill, Tenn., is spending his vacation here.

## Club Short Course Is Held This Week

The 25th anniversary of 4-H club work in North Carolina is being celebrated this week at the short course at State College with delegates present from practically every county in the State.

The program has been designed to give the club boys and girls a pleasant time while here and also train them in the fundamentals of leadership and better farming and home-making.

The course this year, July 25 to 30, is the first in this State to be held over a week-end. This change was made in order to give the members opportunity to be in the capital city over Sunday, said L. R. Harrill, club leader at State College.

The style show Friday has been included on the program to give the girls a chance to show what they have been doing in clothing projects during the past year and to learn what their renew members in other parts of the State have accomplished.

The selection Saturday evening of the State King and Queen of Health will be one of the high lights of the short course. Entering the contest will be boys and girls who won the various district championships of their superior physician and health qualifications.

The classes and demonstrations are held in the mornings, with sight-seeing tours, rest periods, and recreation featuring the afternoons. The evenings are enlivened with entertainments, singing, plays, and other social activities.

A picnic, band concert, community sing, and the awarding of certificates of merit to deserving club members will round out Sunday afternoon. The vesper services and candle-lighting ceremony Sunday evening will bring the short course to a close.