

Work On Dam To Begin Officially Soon

MURPHY UNIT SCHOOLS OPEN SEPTEMBER 2

Record Enrollment Ex- pected; 2 New Teach- ers Added Faculty

All schools in the Murphy Unit will open September 2, H. Bueck, superintendent of the unit, said Monday. Two new teachers, Miss Meredith Whitaker, of Andrews, and Miss Hilda Fuller of Raleigh, will be added to the staff of instructors that were here last year.

"Every indication is that the enrollment will be larger this year than it was last year", Mr. Bueck said. Last year's enrollment was the largest in the history of the unit.

Teachers in this unit are: high school; O. W. Deaton, Biscoe; K. C. Wright, Murphy; B. R. Carroll, Murphy; E. V. Deans, Jr., Chapel Hill; Miss Ruby Courtney, Williston, S. C.; Miss Fannie Hathcock, Norwood; Meredith Whitaker, Andrews; Miss Jessie Lee Morris, Atlantic; Miss Hilda Fuller, Raleigh; Miss Elizabeth Gantt, Raleigh.

Elementary school; Miss Margaret Hall, Newport; Miss Dair McCracken, Hayesville; Miss Estelle Mauney, Mrs. Henry Ayley, Mrs. T. A. Case, Mrs. Evelyn Patton, Miss Addie Leathelwood, Miss Emily Sward, Miss Martha Mayfield and Miss Clara McCombs, all of Murphy. Mrs. J. W. Davidson will be instructor of music.

MURPHY COUPLES BACK FROM VISIT TO MEXICO CITY

Pronouncing a thorough disgust for guts, or any by-product thereof, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Lee and Mr. and Mrs. H. Bueck, who for the past two weeks have been attending the Lions International convention in Mexico City returned Friday evening thrilled with the crowded events and spectacles that they beheld on the trip and in the foreign nation—and with two pair of goat-skin sandals as souvenirs.

Driving through from Murphy, they made the entire trip without mishap. While in Mexico City they were entertained on several occasions by Josephus Daniels, ambassador to Mexico, and a native North Carolinian.

Revival Will Begin At New Hope church of God

A revival meeting will begin at the New Hope Church of God, seven miles west of Murphy, beginning August 12, with the Rev. John R. Harris, of Englewood, Tenn., in charge, according to an announcement Monday.

If I Had A Million Dollars

Each week three persons in town will be asked the question, "What would you do if you had a million dollars?" and the answers forthwith presented. This week's contributions to this corner are:

Walt Mauney—I'd give it to Jack Blagg and Hugh Osborne to buy fish with when they went to San-telab.

Wade Massey—I'd pay for a fine for breaking Thurmond Hamilton's neck. (Thurmond only turned his sneed boat over when it was launched).

Warren Sneed—I'd send Charley Hyatt and Anne Candler to Morgan-son.

COURT WEEK IS BRINGING MANY FOLKS TO TOWN

Court week has brought a lot of people to town and local merchants have been enjoying a large increase in volume of sales.

Judge Warlick is presiding over this term of Superior court that is primarily concerned with criminal docket. No cases of particular importance however, is scheduled to go before the jury this term.

A small docket of civil cases are waiting to be heard by His Honor in the event the criminal docket is cleared up before court adjourns next week.

FARMERS ARE ACTIVE DIGGING TRENCH SILOS

Barns Being Improved To Shelter Cattle This Winter

Out-of-the-ordinary activity has stirred among Cherokee county farmers recently in respect to the building and remodeling of barns and other out-houses and preparations for cattle feed this winter. A. Q. Ketner, Cherokee county agent, reports.

Outstanding of the events taking place is the building of a barn by Carl Townson, local ice and coal merchant on his 407-acre farm near Marble. Lumber is now being cut for the structure which will be 100 by 40 feet and will house over 100 head of cattle.

At present Mr. Townson has five head of pure-bred Angus cattle and an additional high-grade Angus herd. The building will be completed in time to move the cattle in before cold weather, Ketner said.

Mr. Townson is also contemplating the building of either an upright or a trench silo that will hold around 100 tons of silage which he is now growing. He has sown several hundred pounds of lespedeza which Ketner believes to be among the best in the county.

Mixing profits with a hobby, Dr. J. H. Crawford, of Robbinsville, who owns a 200-acre farm on Copper Creek in the Unaka section, is planning a trench silo that will hold 250 tons of ensilage with which he will feed his cattle this winter.

The huge silo will be dug 100 feet long 14 feet wide and 10 feet deep, and is believed by the county agent to be one of the largest in the state. One large shed is being added to the barn.

The farm is run by the doctor's two sons-in-law, Fred White and Jewel Johnson, and is a model for a modern machinery-equipped plantation.

Four other Cherokee farmers are planning trench silos that will hold about 50 tons of ensilage. They are: Will and Jim Luther, of Andrews; E. A. Woods, of Andrews; A. Z. Roberts and Ross Lovingsgood, both of the Beaverdam township.

With 25 trench silos already in this county, Ketner expects about 45 more to be started which will hold more tonnage in his opinion than any other county in the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Davidson, and Mrs. Davidson's mother, Mrs. Stansberry spent Sunday with relatives at Ellijay, Ga.

Mrs. George Phillips is spending her vacation this week with relatives and friends at Canton.

Miss Bethel Crisp, of Highlands, N. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. G. Crawford.

SPECIAL EDITION CARRYING NEWS OF DAM PRINTED

Extra! Extra!
The Scout Friday was the first to carry the AUTHENTIC news of the senate and house conferees' decision to include the Hiwassee dam in the TVA program.

It is, as far as can be learned, the second special edition ever put on the streets in Murphy; the first in 1930 when a local bank closed its doors.

And with the second, the proud and joyful announcement of the building of the dam, a project that has been uppermost in the minds of local citizens for 15 months, the Scout feels justly proud that it was the FIRST to bring the local angle of the news to the town.

The editor can hardly keep from expressing a regret that several inquiries came to him asking if the news was authentic because it had not appeared in the Asheville Citizen.

The news WAS authentic or else it would never had been printed. It is the policy of the Scout to bring accurate news as soon as possible at all times. Naturally we make mistakes but on an occasion like that—never.

The news of the conferees report was first carried in Friday afternoon's Knoxville Journal and was later verified in a wire from W. E. McDonald, secretary to Bob Reynolds.

Dubious persons are invited to inspect both sources of information at any time.

Moreover the profits realized from the special edition were far below the actual cost of putting the edition on the street but the knowledge that the Scout could bring a truthful and accurate picture of the situation to the people of Cherokee county first was gratifying and shall long be a move that we are proud of.

—The Editor.

HICKMAN HOPES TO CLEAR DEBTS IN COMING GAME

Murphy's czar of baseball, Manager Henry Hickman, has scheduled another game with Copperhill to be played here Sunday in an effort to wipe out some of the team's debts before the season, which is slowly drawing to a close, ends.

This makes the sixth game to be played between these two teams with Murphy now holding a one-game edge. The Copperhill boys, always a serious threat to a local victory, are headed this way to do or die for the dear old Basin, and one of the best games of the season is anticipated. Lefty Nichols will probably perform for the Bodmers on the mound.

The Bodmer team, successful from every other angle so far this season, unfortunately finds itself in a cross-wise financial position due to the purchase of new uniforms and equipment and a new grandstand. Hickman is extremely anxious to clear all the debts before old man Cold Weather rings the curtain bell on Murphy's first love, and urges the best support of every fan.

A good turn-out he feels, will go a long way in paying off some of the stalwarts who have generously donated or the cause that has given unlimited enjoyment to hundreds of rabid fans.

Upper Peachtree Revival

Revival services will begin at the Upper Peachtree church August 25 by the pastor, the Rev. James Truett.

Everybody is invited to attend.

FIRE BURNS HOME TO GROUND NEAR HERE ON MONDAY

Fire Monday afternoon swept the home and every means of living from the family of wife and six children of A. Carroll, preacher and farmer, two and one-half miles out on the Copehill road.

The family was forced to flee with no more than clothing when a flue from a kitchen stove set the frame house on fire and quickly razed it to the ground. They are being sheltered by neighbors.

Tuesday friends of the family were collecting donations from crowds that jammed the town for court week and local merchants.

COUNTY FAIR IS TOPIC OF LOCAL CONVERSATION

Fair Officials Preparing For Biggest Event In Cherokee

From every corner of the county this week came reports of extravagant preparations for the Tenth Annual Cherokee County fair which will be held in Murphy September 25-28 on the part of farmers and housewives and general discussion of the fall exhibition mingled with news of the dam.

A. Q. Ketner, Cherokee county agent, remarked that a large number of exhibits, which he believed to be the best in years in the different classifications of the program were being fostered carefully assuring closest competition in all fields of the premium list which will amount to more than a thousand dollars.

W. M. Fain, president of the fair association, and his board have arranged an unusually brilliant program from the gayest part of the event by contracting for the Greater Krause shows, a midway attraction that won acclaim here last year and which promises to outdo its previous performances that have delighted attendants of the fair with its numerous concessions and entertaining features.

General Farm Exhibits

It is the wish of the officials, however, to clear up one point that seems to have caused some confusion to would-be exhibitors. It is relevant to the general county exhibit that holds chief interest among the displays.

Due to a recent change in the premium list, the general county exhibit, which has proved one of the fair's most interesting drawing cards, listed as item number 2 in the catalog recently distributed, was changed to include 10 prizes totaling \$92 with the top prize being \$25, the second prize being \$20, and diminishing to \$1.

To be eligible for this premium, each exhibit must include at least 100 different articles either raised on the farm or prepared in the home and it will be judged one-third on quality, one-third on appearance, and one-third on variety. It must be entered on Tuesday, the day before the fair begins.

Thus the general county exhibit will take the place of item number 2 in the fair book which calls for only three prizes totaling \$30. Many persons planning to put on exhibitions at the fair have gotten the idea that the two prizes were separate, according to Mr. Ketner.

Urge Early Entry

All persons intending to put exhibitions on display are asked to get in touch with the superintendent of the corresponding department, as mentioned in the fair book, at the

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CONFEREES ARE IN AGREEMENT ON LOCAL SITE

Word Is Enthusiastically Received Here Last Friday

Local TVA forces were literally "standing-by" this week awaiting word from Knoxville that would send them into the work of actual construction on the Hiwassee dam which will be built on the Fowler Bend site 18 miles below here following an agreement Friday of senate and house conferees to include the local appropriation in the TVA program.

Long expected, the word came here to anxious ears and the decision to appropriate the first million of 12 for local construction was received with enthusiasm. Norris machinery, now laying in tarpaulins in Tennessee, will be moved here immediately.

The work of the local forces now is centering around the building of a road from Farmer, Tenn., directly into the dam site, over which the huge bulk of the Norris machinery will be moved.

Just how long it will take to move the machinery and set it up here when the first draft for local TVA hire will be made, could not be learned this week, but it is expected some time within the next week or so.

Although terse, the word as received here Friday said the appropriation had been agreed upon which makes final passage of the measure now merely a matter of routine. Conference reports are invariably accepted in the house and senate without debate, but in event a ballot is called it is usually for the purpose of making the ballot a matter of record along strict party lines. Matters similar to that of the conference report on the Hiwassee dam situation are usually accepted by viva voce vote which leaves only the official signature of the President, which is expected momentarily, outstanding against immediate construction.

Through efforts of local citizens and support of Senator Bailey and Reynolds, Congressman Weaver and other Washington officials the TVA will be inaugurated into North Carolina, a signal victory for this section.

Coming at this time the conferees' action ends 15 hectic months of suspense over the question of "where and when will the dam be built?" TVA surveys, in all divisions, have gone to the limit here, and officials have continually pointed out the Fowler Bend site as ideal for a dam to control floods in the Tennessee Valley area and generate power.

Late Saturday word was received that \$2,000,000 had been whacked off an appropriation of \$34,675,000 for the three dams—Hiwassee, Chicamauga and Gunterville—but this will in no wise affect the local situation as sites have not yet been selected for the latter two dams.

Alleviating dubious beliefs, came assurances this week that Murphy would become the primary dam "town" with the nucleus of expenditures and help being consummated and drawn from here.

The appropriation assures continuation of the work for one year. Before the expiration of that time Congress will have met again and had an opportunity to arrange for additional funds.

Even should the next Congress fail to make a new appropriation, the work will be continued; for the measure approved by the Conferees

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