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### NOW THAT IT'S HERE, WHAT ABOUT IT?

The Scout is among the few that have consistently said that the TVA would build on the Hiwassee river in this vicinity "in the near future."

We had no proof of this matter, of course, but merely based our opinions on the logical situation as it appeared to us. Several so-called "scares" left many of our citizens gasping; and we were not immune to the sensation of feeling that something we had been striving for, building towards and foresaw as a great help to Murphy and Cherokee county, might be slipping.

However we hoped for the best; and preached the best. Many called it misleading and "ruination to our community" if it did not materialize.

How ancient that expression seems now. It is easily forgettable when the clouds have broken, so to speak, and the warmth of the sun is felt.

Of course all these things have been forgotten—and forgotten for good. But the significant point is that the dreams of most of our citizens have been realized.

There are those who have felt all along that the building of the Hiwassee dam would be of no benefit to our community. Few of them have ever pointedly said so; but they are known to exist and if that is their view of the matter, they have a right to their own opinion.

But the vast majority of our citizens and even our neighboring towns and counties have shown an unlimited interest in the TVA's enterprise in this section. Available material on the developments of the Hiwassee project.

Thousands have been looking to it as a momentous event. But why?

Undoubtedly this section is more interested over the growth and development of the Tennessee Valley Authority in this section than they have ever been over any other program designed to benefit the community.

They realize, in the first place, that no matter what part the Fowlers Bend dam plays in TVA circles it is the integral movement that, for the first time, introduces the TVA and its power program to North Carolina, one of the most important states in the Union.

Secondly, it means the expenditure of \$15,000,000 in this immediate area. And that coveted sum of money must be protected. Murphy, of all the interested communities, is the town that has "gone after the dam". When things seemed to be going in reverse, or being "pushed off the track", as it were, Murphy stood up and asked for it.

The town has built much in the past several years in the anticipation of the dam and its business. More stores have been opened; others have remodelled, and others have added to their stock.

Every bit of rental space has been turned into housing and office quarters. Already the benefits of the project are being felt.

Then comes the hiring of workmen. Hundreds will be put on a regular payroll building roads, carpentering and pouring concrete in the mammoth project, working in the offices. For this some \$4,000,000 will be spent in wages alone. It means increased buying in all lines. It means better provision than the "lean years" have afforded. And the increased buying will mean a more immediate demand for the farmers products. Some will find it easier to pay their taxes and their debts. For when money is circulated it means a better living for everyone IF KEPT AT HOME.

After this comes the benefits of the dam itself to this community in two different ways.

Following the principle of the TVA "yardstick", better power should be furnished this section at lower rates than the people have been accustomed to paying. Industry here will have something new to offer. Resources that have lacked economical means of production will find a field open for them.

As an aftermath there should be the lake offering all the advantages of fishing, boating and camping.

With roads approaching the completed dam from Murphy along each side of the river and over the dam's crest, new scenic wonders should be instituted. This,

if properly developed, will be a perpetual source to act as a drawing-card for tourist trade, hitherto unknown to such a large scale in this section.

The TVA, it is understood does nothing haphazardly. The water lines of the lake will be regulated so as to leave no breeding place for mosquitoes and other vermin.

All in all the TVA is beginning in North Carolina a program that is not a profit venture nor a money-making scheme. It is a program that goes far beyond the benefits of its dams as a means of flood controls in the Tennessee valley and the dispenser of cheap power rates.

It is a rehabilitation, soil-conserving program as well. It is erected and maintained for the comfort and the well-being of the people within its realm.

Then, if these things must be; if those who oppose it will take for granted that its advantages will outweigh any disadvantages Murphy will not only profit from the building of the dam but will share the distinction of being the "key noter" at the convention of North Carolina requests for TVA benefits.

But still if these things must be, we as the citizens who fought to bring it here must not be blind to what it requires.

To disregard these is to defeat our purpose.

If the TVA requires recreation it must be provided; if it requires a better class of merchandise it must be supplied, or else the material part of its benefits will be lost.

Anyway Murphy is definitely facing a change. It can either be met or disregarded as the people wish, and in no event can any one man say that any thing has been lost.

The dam is here and it will have natural consequences. What they will mean to the community at large depends on the consideration they are given.

### AN ENVIABLE PUBLICATION

Mr. Luther Cobb, publisher in our sister city of Blue Ridge, Ga., recently produced an excellent special edition of the Fannin County Times portraying picture-sequely all the advantages of that section.

Mr. Cobb is well-known here. He is equally well-known among his fellow publishers as a man of much enterprise who through his own industrious nature promotes and publicizes that which is good in his community.

The Fannin county publisher, largely through his own inventions, has built a modern up-to-date printing nearby creek, and when he gets his paper out, he and his brother Lewin, go out in the garden and "work a spell".

Mr. Cobb's genius is heralded in his edition—something that can be pointed at with pride by every one in the Fannin county community.

### THE FUNCTIONS OF ADVICE

Advice is a good thing, in its place, when judiciously handled; and especially when sought. Many people just love to give advice free, on all occasions, and a great many more do not act on the advice given them.

Many people are adverse to following advice given them for their good. They want to follow out the trend of their own judgment, which may not always be the correct thing to do.

The giving of advice should be done discreetly. This thought brings to mind the fact that no one liveth to himself. He must be an Abel, who by his immortal righteousness, being dead yet speaketh, or an Achan the sad continuance of whose otherwise forgotten name is the proof that man perishes not alone in his iniquity. Every human being is a center of influence for good or ill. No man can live unto himself. The meshes of a net are not more surely knit together than man to man.

We men forget this secret, silent influence. But we are exerting it by our deeds; we are exerting by our words; we are exerting by our thoughts—and he is wise with a wisdom more than that of earth who seeks to put forth the highest powers for good, be his home a hut or hall, a cabin or a palace.—Ex.

### WOULD DO AWAY WITH HANDSHAKE

A young army officer down in San Salvador has started an anti-handshaking campaign. He claims the practice, a relic of feudalism, is "unsanitary and unnecessary."

He goes on to explain that handshaking came into vogue in ancient times when enemies, meeting on the way clasped hands, each to prevent the other from knifing him in the back. Which moves the Statesville Daily to observe: "If that is a fact the custom has lost some of its effectiveness, because many a hearty handshake has been followed by an under-hand wallop when the back was turned.

"The Chinese do not shake hands and they are said to be the friendliest and politest people on earth—but who wants to be a Chinaman? Handshaking is more than a mere friendly salutation: As an evidence of friendship and even affection it is exceeded only by the Frenchman's kiss.

## TURNING BACK HISTORY'S PAGES

### 10 YEARS AGO

Friday, July 23, 1926.

Mr. T. S. Evans and Mr. Fred Johnson were business visitors in Atlanta last week.

Mrs. G. W. Fleming is visiting friends and relatives in Asheville and Columbia, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sneed and little daughter, Ruth motored to Atlanta and spent the week-end.

Mr. J. F. Palmer, of Franklin, spent Sunday with his niece, Mrs. E. E. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Darnell and sons, of Marietta, Ga., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wofford.

Miss Hattie Palmer, Jake Palmer, Frank Davis, and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Palmer motored to Tallulah Falls, Cornelia and other points of interest on that route, Sunday.

Mrs. Emmaline Sneed accompanied by her daughter, and son, Miss Margaret and Max Sneed arrived Tuesday from Lemon City, Fla., for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. A. A. Fain is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Butt, in Blue Ridge, Ga.

### 20 YEARS AGO

Friday, July 21, 1916

Col. M. W. Bell was in New York City last week on business.

Miss Lynda Tuberville, of Atlanta, is the attractive guest of Mrs. Edgar Darnell.

C. M. Wofford left Wednesday for a business trip to Nelson, Ball Ground and Atlanta.

P. E. Nelson returned last Friday from an extended business visit to Knoxville and other points.

Miss Nan Tucker, of Atlanta, is the attractive guest of Mrs. Nora White at her home near here.

Mrs. Florence Hagan who spent a few days here with her sister, Mrs. Neil Davidson, returned to her home at Comer, Ga., last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Cooper who have been visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Grace Cooper, in this city left for their home in Miami, Fla.

J. M. Vaughn left Tuesday for

John Hopkins hospital, Baltimore, accompanied by Dr. N. B. Adams.

### 30 YEARS ACO

Tuesday, July 24, 1906

E. A. Davidson, of Atlanta, arrived Saturday for a short visit.

Miss Lily Deweese returned Saturday night from a visit to Asheville.

Miss Winnie Sneed left Saturday to visit relatives at Andrews and Robbinsville.

B. Y. Dickson, of Atlanta, arrived Saturday to spend a couple of weeks with his family.

W. B. Pass, of Atlanta, arrived Friday to spend a while with his wife, who is here for the summer.

Mrs. R. L. Williams and little son, of Macon, Ga., and Fred Hall, of Atlanta, are here visiting their brother, J. H. Hall.

Mrs. L. E. Bayless left yesterday to visit relatives at Jonesboro, Tenn. Her two daughters, Catherine and Virginia will return home with her.

W. T. Forsyth, O. W. Lowe and John Hartness left Thursday for Waynesville, where they will manipulate the merry-go-round.

### 43 YEARS AGO

Tuesday, July 25, 1893

W. G. Payne, of Hot House was in town yesterday.

W. T. S. Dickey, of Mineral Bluff, Ga., came in yesterday evening.

Mrs. W. A. Bryson and little daughter, Lillian, are down from Coalville on a visit to her parents, Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Cooper.

F. J. Axley, who has been here for two weeks with his wife and little son, left last Friday for his home in Statesville.

Miss Pearl Sanders, an amiable young lady from Knoxville, Tenn., arrived Saturday evening to pay a visit to her college mate, Miss Edith Dickey.

Miss Laura A. Siler, with her little niece, Rebe Arthur, who have been visiting the Beals and Morgans for several weeks, left last Thursday for their home in Macon county.

## OAK PARK

Carmel Baptist church Sunday.

A large crowd from here attended the reunion at Mineral Bluff Sunday.

Miss Irene Standridge and Mr. Leonard Standridge spent Saturday night with their aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Raper.

Mr. Fred Kilpatrick, of Liberty, spent Wednesday here.

Miss Vaul Hamby, who has been spending some time in Ducktown, Tenn., spent a week with her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hamby, and returned Ducktown Sunday.

Miss Virginia Blackwell was the dinner guest of Miss Delsie and Pearl Hamby Sunday.

Doc Hensley and wife and mother and father of Ducktown, Tenn., were in Oak Park Sunday.

Mr. Lon Raper has had another fish pond built.

A Davis boy of Mineral Bluff is spending a few days with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Stiles, and attending the meeting at Mt. Carmel.

Mr. Author Payne and wife are spending the week with Mrs. Payne's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Horton.

Mrs. Bob Beaver is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Thompson.

### FOR SALE

9 Lots, Nice House, modern conveniences, Six rooms completed, two rooms upstairs not yet ceiled. About one quarter mile from Western Carolina Teachers college, Sacrifice price, Terms can be arranged. Write D. H. Brown, Cullowhee, N. C.

### [ QUESTIONS THAT ARE ASKED ABOUT BANKING ]

*"How can I build up my credit at a Bank?"*

**SIMPLY** stated, bank credit is the faith a bank has in a given individual, or business firm, to repay a loan at a specified time.

Character is the foundation of every good credit rating. Reputation for good business management, for paying bills promptly, and for "making your word good" is essential.

It is desirable to be a depositor in the bank where you wish to establish or build up your credit. An adequate balance should be maintained, and your account should not be overdrawn. Good credit references are helpful. Loans should be met promptly on due date.

These are some of the essentials we recommend to any person wishing to establish or build up his credit rating at our bank. •

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