

T. V. A. Carpenters Strike; Hiwassee Dam Sees Tie-up

Walkout Spreads To Murphy Project From Watts Bar, In Tenn.

The TVA has been hit today by its first strike.

A total of 88 carpenters, 13 employed in the Murphy division of Construction and Maintenance, and 75 at Hiwassee Dam have joined a walk-out which began at Watts Bar, in Tennessee.

The local forces decided to strike at the end of their shifts. The day shift ended at three o'clock this (Thursday) afternoon, and the night shift was to end at 11:30 P. M.

The trouble, according to Gordon Chapp, TVA Personnel Director is a "purely jurisdictional dispute" between two A. F. of L. craft unions, the carpenters and the iron workers, as to which shall be the source of labor supply.

The strike at Hiwassee Dam, unless settled, may tie up all the work, as well as the other laborers "catch up" with the carpenters.

The walkout also is an open defiance of the recent Federal declaration that "no man can strike against the Government."

American Federation of Labor's construction of trades division recently ruled that the carpenters should have jurisdiction, but TVA announced it would abide by that ruling only so long as the union was able to supply a sufficient number of qualified men.

The TVA Personnel department said it had been forced to draw on the iron workers' union for men to work on piling jobs at TVA dams at Chickamauga, Watts Bar, Gilbertsville, and Hiwassee.

To Personnel department in Knoxville said today it had no field reports from Gilbertsville today, but that yesterday no trouble existed there.

TVA officials, asked what policy would be followed, replied that it was not concerned, and that the matter was one for the unions to decide between themselves.

C. E. Blee, Project Engineer here declared there was absolutely no dispute or dissatisfaction among the men at Hiwassee dam. They walked out, he declared solely in obedience to orders from Union headquarters.

Lions Plan To Set Out Signs Boosting Town

The Lions Club of Murphy held its second meeting for July Tuesday evening in the basement of the Methodist church. Following the usual supper by the Ladies Missionary Society, a full hour was devoted to discussion of plans for the new year's work of the Club.

Among other projects discussed was the purchase of three or more large, metal signs to be purchased immediately and placed on the leading highways entering town as part of the general program of advertising Murphy.

It was also decided to send five delegates to the charter night meeting of the new Franklin Lions Club July 27th. Those selected as delegates were H. G. Elkins, Frank Colvard, W. A. Sherrill, Park Fisher, and Joe Ray.

Mauney, Christopher Save Alf Penland From Drowning

Messrs George Mauney and Fred Christopher proved themselves joint heroes Sunday when they hauled the unconscious form of Alfred Penland, colored, from the bottom of a 12 foot pool in Fryer's Creek, near Hayesville.

Under the direction of Dr. J. N. Hill, the two worked half an hour before Penland was resuscitated, and he still is confined to his bed.

Messrs Mauney, Christopher and Hill had gone to the creek fishing, and had taken Penland along to cook their catch. After the meal Mauney and Christopher decided to take a plunge, and Penland, unable to swim, went farther up-stream to go wading. There, unwittingly, he stepped off into the deep pool.

Not knowing Penland was unable to swim, his cries for help were

BULK OF ESTATE OF CALLIE HALL GOES TO SISTER

Husband Is Willed \$50 To Be Paid Monthly In \$10 Installments

Property and cash to the value of a goodly number of thousands of dollars were left by Mrs. Carolyn ("Callie") Hall, who died last week. The bulk of the estate, the total value of which has not yet been estimated, goes to her sister Miss Ada Harshaw.

Mr. John Hall, husband of the deceased is left \$50 to be paid in monthly installments of \$10 each.

The will, signed December 16, 1936 follows:

ITEM I

I take this occasion upon executing this instrument which will be effective only after my death, to express my deep and abiding trust in the promises of our Heavenly Father and my belief in a life hereafter.

ITEM II

I direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christian-like manner, suitable to my circumstances and condition in life.

ITEM III

I direct my Executrix hereinafter named, to pay all my debts, if any there be, as promptly as is consistent with good business practice.

ITEM IV

I bequeath to my brother, A. E. Harshaw, \$200.00 in cash; to my brother, Henry Harshaw, \$200.00 in cash; to my sister, Miss Helen Harshaw, \$200.00 in cash; my sister, Mrs. Annie Richardson, is not remembered with a bequest owing to a settlement with her interest in our father's estate; and I now refer to her only with affectionate remembrance.

ITEM V

To my husband, John Hall, I bequeath and devise the sum of \$50.00 in cash; payable \$10.00 per month, the first payment to be made at the convenience of my Executrix. The amount of this bequest has been fully considered and decided upon by me and I now give as my reason for not bequeathing more to my said husband, that he has not aided me in acquiring or husbanding my estate, and has shown no disposition to be a helpmate to me in that regard; I having supported him continually for the past number of years.

ITEM VI

All the residue and remainder of my estate, real, personal and mixed wherever located, which is now in my ownership and possession, and which I may hereafter acquire, I devise and bequeath to my beloved sister, Miss Ada Harshaw, she to enter upon and own same in fee simple, with no other formality than the probate of this my will.

Having legned through long acquaintance and by reason of a great number of business transactions with him, that S. H. McGuire, of Atlanta, Georgia, my friend of long standing, is reliable and trustworthy in his dealings, I recommend to my said sister, I hereafter appoint as the Executrix.

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GAL WRITES BOY ALL ABOUT FAIR; HERE 'S THE DOPE

New Buildings, Larger Prize List And Finer Midway On Program

Dear Jim:

The County Commissioners have asked me to write and warn you not to make any engagements for the last five days in September, or you'll be good and sorry. You see Jim, we are going to hold the County Fair on those days, beginning on Tuesday, September 26, and lasting through Saturday.

And Jim, it's going to be the very best Fair this county has ever had. The cash prize list will be more than \$1,200—and there are going to be a lot of additional awards, such as for the most outstanding man exhibitor, the outstanding woman, and the outstanding 4-H boy and girl.

And then that midway! Bring a little money with you when you come, Jim; because there are going to be some real sights to see—and I mean SIGHTS! Of course I don't abide with such things myself, but they tell me they have a muscle dancer—hoochy-koochy I believe they call it, or some such terrible thing—who is shaped like Bette Davis, only more so, and who doesn't seem to have a bone in her whole body. And the way she shows that body, they do say, is just downright scandalous!

I look for the police to stop such goings on, so I guess you'd better be there the first day if you want to see it.

Of course I hope you WONT want to see it. Disgraceful, I call it—but I hear there are some that like it.

Of course the men with beards, red caps, and hams, and ten pound bags of sugar that you can win by paying the paddle wheel will be there too. And I guess they'll be huge games and probably a lot of other tomfoolery. You know how it is, Jim, far away you can't forget the crookes and play like kids at least once a year—and I reckon the Fair is the very best place to do it.

Of course there will be plenty of serious stuff too. The fair isn't all whoopee, Jim. It does a grand lot of good, because it lets farmers and their wives get together from all over the county and compare notes. They see the best produce and live stock, and handiwork that their neighbors can put out; and that gives them something to shoot at, so to speak.

I do believe, Jim, that our farms wouldn't be half as good if it weren't for the rivalry that the Fair creates. And don't forget it's all FRIENDLY rivalry too.

You know, Jim a lot of people thought we weren't going to have any Fair this year. That was because the TVA had been working on the grounds, piling up dirt and removing trees from the river banks.

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BALL TEAM "FIRES" HAPPY CONSTABLE; BIG GAME SUNDAY

Mister Sheridan (the Happy Constable) Stiles is no longer manager of the Murphy All Stars baseball team. Last Monday The Happy Constable announced that he and Catcher Ray Barton had taken over the reins, and were "going places".

Ordinarily the manager fires the players. Tonight, T. W. Kindley, Coca Cola man, and former manager announced that the payers had fired the manager.

"There were just a few little things that the team didn't like" Kindley explained. "Mr. Stiles said the team was going to play Enka this coming Sunday. We aren't. We're going to play Asheville."

"Mr. Stiles had posters printed saying the game would be played on the Fair grounds."

"In the first place, the TVA is going to work on the grounds and they won't be payable. In the second place, the town won't let us use the grounds anyhow."

"So we're going to play in Marble."

Therefore, dearly beloved, the latest dope is that the Murphy All Stars and the Asheville nine will do things to each other on the Marble diamond, Sunday afternoon at two o'clock Central time.

The Happy constable when interviewed about this said:

"I have nothing to say."

Power Rates Sliced; To Average 3 Cents

TREES AVENUE WORK TO START EARLY THIS FALL

Formal Request Made To Washington For \$10,000 Allotment

Formal request for \$10,000 appropriation to create a sixteen mile Avenue of Trees between Murphy and Andrews has been made to the National Youth Administration in Washington, D. C. by Mrs. Willa Bell Pessey, County representative. Work on the project is expected to start in October.

Approval by the Federal authorities had already been practically assured, provided the three towns to benefit, and the County Commissioners would accept sponsorship.

Nearly 4,000 flowering trees, of fourteen varieties will be transplanted from the mountains to the highway, from the farside of Andrews into the heart of Murphy. They will line the road on both sides, fifty feet apart. Some of them will be in bloom all through the summer.

Flowering and evergreen shrubbery will be planted between them, and the unsightly dirt banks, recently cut back and sloped by the WPA will be planted with a green blanket of vines.

The State Highway authorities have promised permission to use their right-of-way, and the U. S. Forestry Service has promised the service of an expert to supervise the transplanting.

Only trees with a maximum height of 20 feet will be transplanted, so that the motorist will have a view of the mountains as a background.

The project will give employment to several score of young men, and will create a tourist lure that will be unique.

Claude Day Named On Committee For County FSA Work

Claude S. Day, Marble, N. C. has been appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture to become a member of the Cherokee County Tenant Purchase Advisory Committee, according to word received here today by John S. Shields Cherokee Farm Security Administration Supervisor, from State Director Vance E. Swift.

The new committeeman was appointed to succeed Julie W. Hatchett, Rt. 2, Murphy, N. C. whose term expired June 30, 1939.

Claude S. Day is a well known farmer in Cherokee County who has the ability to manage his farm in such a way as to realize a livelihood exclusively from the farm. His duties will be to assist other members of the committee in helping with operations of the Farm Security Administration Tenant Purchase Program in the County.

Other members of the committee are Burton H. McNabb Letitia, and Lawson Lunsford, Rt. 1, Murphy.

Charges In Homes Can Drop to Minimum Of Four Mills Per KWH

Electric power is going to be even cheaper than had been hoped. The exact rates, fixed by the TVA and just received by Mayor J. B. Gray will give the average Murphy householder a rate of about three cents.

The minimum monthly charge will be \$1, regardless of how little power is used.

"Small power" and commercial users, such as stores, and lesser business plants will pay about the same.

The rate for both householders and for places of business will depend entirely on how much current is used. The more the current, the smaller the rate.

Early this month, it had been estimated that the rate for residences would be four and one half cents. That meant more than a 50 percent reduction under the charges levied by the Southern States Power Co.

Now, however, it has been found that an even lower rate can be fixed.

Householders will pay four cents for the first 50 kilowatt hours. For the next 50 they will pay three cents. For the next 100 they will pay two cents; and for the next 200 only one cent.

If you want to keep your home ablaze with lights all the time, the next 1,000 kilowatt hours will cost you only four mills. Any power used over that however, will be considered "wasteful", and so you will be charged the staggering rate of seven and one half mills per kilowatt hour.

The new rates are expected to result in a huge increase in use of electric irons, stoves, washing machines and other appliances.

Rates for "small power" users, and commercial establishments also start at four cents per kilowatt hour, and slide downward as follows.

First 100 KWH, four cents; next 50 KWH, three cents; next 350 KWH, two cents; next, 1,500 KWH, one cent; excess over 2,000 eight mills.

All power users in this class, however, will be required to pay an amortization charge to ten percent of the monthly bill. That is to say, if your power bill is \$10, the total charge, including amortization, will be \$11.

Discussing the new rates, Mayor Gray said:

"These rates can be made even lower, in time, if the residents will cooperate, and use electricity freely. If they do NOT use power freely, there may have to be a revision of these rates—and that revision will be UPWARDS."

"So, in the final analysis, the people have the rate making power in their own hands. I believe they will co-operate."

5,000 More "Rainbows" In Cherokee Streams

Listen, you trout fishermen! County Warden D. M. Birenfield has just finished distributing 5,000 more rainbows in Valley river and its tributaries; making a total of 10,000 speckled beauties that have been placed this year.

Practically all the streams in Cherokee have now been restocked. The few remaining will get additional thousands of rainbows within the near future.

Joe McClure Shot Trying To Save Youth From Thief

Playing the good samaritan nearly cost young Joe McClure, his life outside the Playhouse last Saturday night, but he has the satisfaction of knowing that he may have saved another youth's life.

As it was, the son of former Deputy Sheriff Jules McClure received a bullet wound through his right cheek. Had the shot struck an inch higher it would have cost him an eye. Had it gone two inches higher it would have pierced his brain.

His assailant is now being sought in three States—North Carolina, Tennessee and Georgia—but the police are handicapped by the fact that they do not know his name, and have only a meager description of him, and the rattle-trap car he was driving. He had been around town several days posing—between drinks—as an ex-

perft stove repair man. He, his wife and a small child were camped in a tent off the old Culberson road, near the Big Cut.

He shot at young McClure with a 22 rifle, from a distance of only a few feet. Only the fact that he was drunk could have caused him to miss at such short range.

Following the shooting, which was witnessed by his wife and child, he jumped in his car, and drove toward Asheville. He was out of sight before police arrived, and Chief Fred Johnson believes he must have turned off some country road, for no one in Andrews remembers seeing him drive through that town.

He is being sought on charges of driving while drunk, larceny, and assault with intent to kill with a deadly

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