

TVA May Complete Dam at Fontana

HIGHWAY OFFICE TO BE MOVED TO ANDREWS SOON

District Headquarters Are Due For Shift From Sylva To Ferebee

Unconfirmed reports reaching the Journal state that the District offices of the State Highway Commission soon will be returned to Andrews. Banker-Commissioner Percy B. Ferebee was out of town, and could not be reached for verification of the report; but the person who informed the Scout of the proposed move usually knows whereof he speaks.

According to this informant, the offices will be housed in Andrews over the Citizens Bank and Trust Co. This, it was pointed out, would be an ideal arrangement; since it would enable Mr. Ferebee to attend to both his bank and his highway duties without unnecessary loss of time.

The Highway offices were located in Andrews for several years, but were removed to Sylva, practically overnight by former Commissioner McKee. The removal to Sylva was made over the protest of practically all the leading residents of this section. McKee is said to have promised not to make any shift until Andrews had been given a hearing, to present its arguments against the step. Removal was made, however, before even a date for a hearing had been set.

McKee is said to have exerted cautious but strong efforts to keep Commissioner Ferebee from bringing the offices back where they belong. When Mr. Ferebee was preparing to go to Raleigh to be sworn in, a couple of weeks back, he received an urgent invitation from Mr. McKee to stop over in Sylva and visit him. Seemingly the invitation was a graceful gesture on the part of the retiring highway official to acquaint his successor with existing conditions, and the hundred and one details incident to the post.

Mr. Ferebee accepted the invitation gladly, and later told the Scout that Mr. McKee really had explained various tentative plans and details.

From other sources, however, it has been learned that Mr. McKee skillfully brought the conversation around to the location of the highway offices, and suggested that it probably would be better if they were left in Sylva.

At any rate, Mr. Ferebee is reported to have decided definitely, to bring the offices 'back home,' and the shift will be made within the near future.

Peachtree Chosen As Site for Annual Singing Convention

The annual Cherokee county singing convention will be held at the Peachtree school auditorium, eight miles southeast of Murphy, on Sunday June 8, Ernest Trantham, secretary, announced this week.

This convention has been an annual and semi-annual event for almost half a century and is attended by singing groups and classes within a radius of hundreds of miles.

Mr. Trantham invites everyone to come out and take part or hear some good music. Quartets are especially urged to attend.

Take Up Our Quarrel...

The following verses may be familiar to you, but the Scout asks you to read them again—and read thoughtfully. Always beautiful, ever appropriate to Memorial Day, the words, in view of our present nearness to a new struggle, are peculiarly significant.

IN FLANDERS FIELD

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place, and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are dead: Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe!
To you from failing hands we throw
The Torch. Be yours to hold it high!
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

John D. McRare

Food Defense Plan Facing Failure In Cherokee County

With barley one fourth of the county's farmers signed up for the National Defense Foods and Feed Program, County Agent, Quay Ketner on Tuesday sent out more than 1,200 letters urging more greater "enlistment," lest Cherokee be listed as a "slaker." The time limit expires June 1.

The program, urged by President Roosevelt and aided by Governor Broughton is designed to make farm families self sustaining. The more food a farmer raises for itself, it was pointed out the more there is to be bought for the army and navy. Also, if the program is followed out, farm families will be in better all-around physical condition, to say nothing of the savings in cold hard cash. With prices going up, this last may be considerable.

When the program was inaugurated, more than 1,600 letters were sent to farmers all over the county explaining the plan and inviting them to join. Only a few more than 400 responded. Mr. Ketner believes, however, that a majority of farmers intended to sign up, but put it off, and the cards became lost. The county Agent has extra cards in his office.

Enlistment in this "Make Your Farm Feed You" campaign is entirely voluntary. Those who sign up, (Continued on Back Page)

How the Teams Stand In Tri-State League

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Isabella	7	0	1000
Sylva	7	1	875
Hayesville	4	3	571
Robbinsville	4	4	500
Andrews	3	3	500
Blue Ridge	4	6	400
Bryson City	2	4	333
Franklin	2	6	250
Hiwassee	0	0	000

Week of Meetings For West Liberty To Open On June 23

The West Liberty Association will hold a week of meetings in five different communities starting Friday, June 23, continuing through Tuesday, June 27. The Rev. Carter Pipes, W. N. C. Missionary, the Rev. E. F. Baker, of Andrews and the Rev. Fred Forrester of Cullowhee will be guest speakers.

Daily services will begin at nine o'clock in the morning and continue until 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon. There also will be evening services and the congregations will be asked to furnish lunch for the visitors.

Programs will be handed out at the first meeting. Pastors will be asked to select a church for the week and speak nightly, beginning at seven o'clock. To insure large attendance, written notices are being sent to Pastors. Sunday school superintendents and laymen by the Rev. Paul Lovingood.

Following is the schedule of meetings:
Monday, June 23, Shoal Creek.
Tuesday, June 24, Friendship.
Wednesday, June 25, Shady Grove.
Thursday, June 26, Hopewell.
Friday, June 27, Unaka.

The Weather Vane

Listed below are maximum and minimum temperatures and precipitation for the past week compared with similar data for last year:

Temperatures	1940		1941	
	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.
May 22	89	53	95	50
23	88	58	95	56
24	79	62	91	53
25	73	45	87	48
26	74	49	84	50
27	74	53	89	53
28	75	54	91	57
Precipitation	1940		1941	
Total for week	1.28		0.00	
Total for month	2.35		0.19	
Total for year	19.84		12.67	

Fifth Dam Being Sought In Addition to Four Assured

TEACHERS' LIST IN COUNTY UNITS CHOSEN, IN PART

Some Delays Caused By Tentative Proposals For Consolidations

An almost complete list of County unit teachers has just been announced by County Superintendent of Schools Lloyd Hendrix.

No selections have yet been made for the Culberson, Clark, Hill, Long Ridge Ogreeta, Tellico, Davis Creek and Boiling Springs schools, at each of which there will be one teacher. Delay is due to the fact that some of these schools are considering consolidation.

The same matter of consolidation is holding back selection of a faculty for Hiwassee Dam. Plans have been made for a high school, and consolidated grammar school there, but these plans have not yet been given final approval. The granting of State aid requires that sanction be received from Raleigh. It is expected that this will be forthcoming; but meanwhile the naming of teachers has been held up.

If the consolidation goes through, Hiwassee Dam will have a staff of twelve teachers. Otherwise there will be only seven.

The present status of the County Unit teachers follows:

Ranger: Mrs. Kate Shields, principal. Teachers: Maggie Bell Kisselburg, Ruth McNabb, Mrs. Vesta King, and one yet to be chosen.

Macedonia: Mrs. Minnie Tatham.
Culberson: One teacher, yet to be selected.

Wolf Creek: Elsa McNabb, principal. Teachers: Irene Kisselburg and Truman McNabb.

Wolf Creek "A": Thelma Keenum, Sunny Point: James C. Evans and Mrs. Myrtle Moore.

Johnson School: Luella Jenkins and Mrs. B. R. Carroll.

Friendship: Walter Anderson and Mrs. Lois McNabb.

Clark: One teacher not yet selected.

Hill: One teacher, not yet selected.
Hiwassee Dam: List not yet completed.

River Hill: John Hogan.

Long Ridge One teacher, not yet selected.

Buck Knob: Mrs. Lelia Raper Hughes.

Unaka: Porter Raper, principal. Teachers: Mrs. Ruby Wilcox and Lucille Matheson.

Ogreeta: One teacher, not yet selected.

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Mrs. Cager Walker, 90, Is Buried at Culberson

Mrs. Cager Walker, age 90, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. T. J. Little in Culberson Monday. Funeral services were held at the Bethany Baptist church at 9 o'clock Wednesday with the Rev. Allen Thompson officiating. Interment was in the church yard. Townson Funeral Home was in charge.

She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Little; one son, Alonzo Walker of Epworth, Georgia; two sisters, Mrs. Doshia Davis of Bellview and Mrs. J. B. Cobb of Culberson. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren and two great great grandchildren.

Special Appropriation Of \$40,000,000 Asked For Work By F. D. R.

Immediate construction of four new dams in this section became practically a certainty this week when President Roosevelt asked Congress for a special appropriation of \$40,000,000 for the work. This sum has nothing to do with the \$79,800,000 already appropriated for the TVA program. The \$40,000,000 is expected to be voted as a special measure.

Meanwhile there are reports that the Government may take over and complete the dam at Fontana. This was started by the Aluminum Company of America, but was abandoned when the Government required a Federal license which would have allowed the United States to reclaim the development after a period of years.

David E. Lillenthal, TVA Director in Knoxville has proposed construction of fifth dam in this section, to be located on the Little Tennessee river. Although Lillenthal did not go into details, it is considered that he had the Fontana in mind. Whether his proposal will be acted upon is not known.

Of the four dams definitely decided upon, one will be near Hayesville; one at Appalachia below the Hiwassee dam; one on the Notley river, in nearby North Georgia and one on the Ocee river just across the Tennessee line. All are defense projects, more power being needed for the manufacture of aluminum.

Action in Washington is expected to be speeded. Workmen already are busy with core drills at the proposed sites of Appalachia and Notley river dams, and drilling is expected to start within a few days on the proposed site near Hayesville. Men also are at work improving roads leading to the projects. A total of about 75 are on the job, not counting the TVA engineers, who have already set up headquarters in Murphy.

Meanwhile TVA agents are busy interviewing landowners in the territories affected, arranging for purchase by the Government. The same procedure will be followed as in the case of the Hiwassee dam. Federal experts will place what they consider fair valuation on the lands. If the offer is rejected, the Government will institute condemnation proceedings.

A force of about 60 men of the (Continued on Back Page.)

Lions Club Elects Officers at Meeting Tuesday Evening

New officers and directors for the local Lions club were elected at their regular meeting Tuesday night in the Methodist church.

Plans were also discussed for the annual Lions carnival but no definite date was selected for the affair. The carnival will probably be staged early in August.

Officers elected are: W. A. Sherrill president; W. M. Palmer, first vice-president; T. W. Kindley, second vice-president; H. G. Elkins, third vice-president; K. C. Wright, secretary; W. A. Hoover, treasurer; A. Q. Ketner, Lion tamer; and Wade Massey, tail-twister.

Directors chosen are W. M. Fain, Frank Forsyth and H. Bueck.

Peyton G. Ivie is the retiring president of the club.