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THE LEADING WEEKLY NEWSPAPER IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA, COVERING A LARGE AND POTENTIALLY RICH TERRITORY

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SITES CHOSEN FOR DAMS IN W. N. C .- The Tennessee Valley Authority is making plans to construct four new hydroelectric projects on the Hiwassee river and its tributaries. The above map shows the below Hiwassee Dam, and the Chatuge, near Hayesville. The Applachia sites selected. Two are in western North Carolina: The Appalachia, is to be a power dam and will cost about \$20,000,000. The Chatuge is to be a storage reservior and will cost approximately \$5,000,000. Also shown on the map are sites elected for the Nottley, in North Georgia, which is to be a storage reservoir and will cost about \$5,000,000, and Ococe No. 3, in East Eennessee, which is to be a power dam and will cost about \$6.600.000.

SLAYTON OUSTED AT PRISON CAMP; WELLS GETS JOB

Removal Follows Close On Letter of Praise For His Fine Record

After eight years of service, Captain Thomas O. Slayton has been suddenly removed from his post as Superintendent of the Prison Camp at Peachtree. He was succeeded, the same day, by Nolan Wells, owner of a dairy farm just oustide Murphy.

So far as can be learned, Mr. Wells has had no previous experience in such work. His new post pays a salary of \$125 per month, with room and board furnished free.

Removal of Capt. Slayton came close on the heels of a letter of congratulation from the State Prison Department, in Raleigh, on the record made by the Peachtree camp during the past year.

This record is said to have been the best in the State. aptain Slayton is said to have fed his men better (Continued on Back Page.)

Reed Mallonee Wrecks His Car in Crash With Rogers, at Peachtree

Reed Mallonee, a teacher in the Murphy Schools wrecked his car in a collision with an auto driven by Wayne Rogers, of the Peachtree section, Wednesday morning. Roger's car also was damaged, and Rogers himself was locked up by Chief of Police Fred Johnson, charged with reckless driving.

Given a hearing before Magistrate D. M. Reese Thursday morning, Rogers was ordered held for court and released under \$200 bond. He is the son of Lem Rogers, Peachtree farmer.

The crash occured near the prison camp. Mallonee was driving out the highway when Rogers is said to have cut out into the main thoroughfare from a side road. He came so fast. Mr. Mallonee said, that there was no time to swerve out of his way. Seeing a collision was inevitable, the school teacher jammed home his brakes. But for this, it is possible that the crash might have been fatal to one, or both drivers.

The wiser editor has stopped predicting what will happen in this war. at less cost per man than any other He isn't even sure of what has already.

13th DRAFT SET **NYA Trade School** FOR "JINX" DAY, **Planned** for Those FRIDAY, THE 13th. Rejected by Draft

Larger Number Likely To Be Called as Army Of 2,800,000 is Seen

If you are superstitious, and are listed in the draft, what follows may be unhappy reading for you. The thirteenth call has been issued

for that notorious jinx day. Friday. the 13th.

Wayne Walker, secretary of the Cherokee County Draft Board was unable to say just how many will be called. He pointed out, however, that the list may be larger than heretofore because of the rapid strides made in arranging housing facalities at camps, and also because Cherokee county has been passed by in so many calls. Of the swelve draft summons already, this section has teen passed over in six:---the 4th, 8th, 9th, 10th and 12th.

The fateful Friday the 13th is not likely to cast an evil spell over local patriots, however. Regardless of the size of the call, Mr. Walker believes the county will be able to meet it with volunteers. Thus far, he said, volunteers have met every call and he still has a sizable list of those

Youths of Cherokee County who are rejected by the draft because they are physically unfit will have a chance to build themselves up, and at the same time be taught a well paying trade. Also they will be paid while learning.

The opportunity is offered at the which will open June 16.

The Durham camp will be the first of its type in the United States for was discharged from a CCC camp. the rehabilitation of men rejected by j Selective Boards for physical reasons. Applications for enrollment in the Durham camp are being accepted through the local NYA Office from thing about the others. young men between the ages of 16 and 24 inclusive

cash, with \$23 being paid the center gia Sheriff said the case was "too for board and living quarters. Me- nasty to talk about." Stamey was dical and dental services, and the taken back to Georgia Wednesday. opportunity to learn a skilled trade will be provided free. Work experience will be provided in woodwork. sheet metal, machine shop, auto mechanics, and radio repair.

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WIFE FINDS 'DEAD' **HUSBAND IN CELL** IN MURPHY JAIL

Ga. Forger Sends Wire Inviting Her To His **Own** Funeral Here

Accompanied by her father, and her infant child, Mrs. Sarah Stomey, of Ball Ground, Ga., came to Murphy Tue day expecting to attend the funeral of her 20 year old husband, Melvin Stamey. Instead, she found him in the County Jail, held for the Georgia authorities on charges of forgery, and also on a morals charge.

Mrs. Stamey had received a telegram Tuesday morning, stating that ner husband had died in Murphy. and was to be buried at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Stamey at first denied having any knowledge of the telegram, but later admitted that he had sent it himself. He was unable to explain why.

There was a hot scene in the Jail when the wife found her husband a prisoner instead of a corpse. According to Jailer Patton Coleman, the husband was "blessed out, plenty,"

Stamey was arrested in Murphy Tuesday morning by Chief of Police Fred Johnson, following a telephoned request from Sheriff Lee Spears, at Canton, Ga. for his apprehension. Spears said Stamey had forged the name" of his father in law to half a dozen checks, totaling about \$60 and had disappeared several days ago. When captured, near the residence of "Beau" Brumby, knitting mill owner, Stamey was in an old car which he said he had purchased in Marrietta, Ga., paying \$15 down. Since leaving home, he said, he had been to Atlanta and varoius Georgia towns, had been in Asheville, and then decided to come to this section "to get away from the heat."

With Stamey, and at the wheel of the car, was Frank Freeman, who lives near Hayesville, where he said he had "met up with Stamey." The two went to Asheville together, and new NYA center in Durham, N. C., then drove back to Murphy. Freeman is held on charges of driving without a license. He said he only recently Stamey had been employed on the

farm of his father-in-law near Ball Ground. He admitted forging one check, but said he did not know any-

No details of the morals charge which is lodged against the young Each youth will receive \$12 in husband are known here. The Geor-

> It is the financial rather than the physical condition of the patient that determines the amount of the surgeon's fee

Tom Mauney Tries His Hand At Painting But Gets Most of Mixture On Himself

Colored Azalea Near Bloom Atop Waya vaval:

Mountains Ablaze With Wild Flowers;

has been unusual for the heavy bloom of flowers on trees and shrubs according to Charles Melichar Supervisor, of the Nantahala National Forrest. A luxuriant flowering and seed crop of the maples, both red maple and sugar maple, came first, then the silverbell and the service berry made white patches on the mountain sides. These were followed by the black locust and dogwood which gave an unusually fine display this year.

The bees worked overtime on the sourwood, basswood, and tulip poplar, all of which bloomed at the same slopes took on a flower graden appearance with the trees loaded with their flowers, and bees. In the early June 10 to 15. morning the fragrance of the black locust was very pronounced in driving along the forest roads.

People brought to the Forest office ful scene.

In spite of dry weather, this spring branches of unusual blooming shrubs such as Yellow Wood (Cladrastis) and Cherokee Rose (Stewartia) for identification. During usual spring seasons, such plants bloom unnoticed but the extra large flowers this year catch the eve.

> The azalea at lower elevations is already out and the white, fragrant azalea on Wayah Bald is now in bloom. The colored azales on top of Wavah will be at its best on the week end of June 14.

The purple rhododendron on Standing Indian will be at its best time. On the higher elevations, the at the same time. The Pisgah National Forest reports that Craggy Gardens will be at their best around

People are asked not to pick flowers within sight of the road so that all may drive by and enjoy the colorwaiting and eager to go. This list, he said, is being added to every week. Secretary Miller said that while some of the volunteers are availing themselves of the privelege of sign-(Continued on Back Page) The Weather Vane Listed below are maximum and minimum temperatures and precipitation for the past week compared with similar data for last year: 1940 1941 Temperatures Max. Min. Max. Min. May 29 76 54 94 57 70 55 98 63 30 75 47 94 63 31 76 50 78 63 June 1 77 50 87 61 83 49 86 61 59 88 65 88 Precipitation 1940 1941 0.42 1.16 Total for eek Total for May 2.77 0.52 Total for June 0.00 0.83 Total for year 20.26 13.83

State in tax matters in this section is generally accounted a brave man. but he will run like a turkey if you show him a paint brush. The reason is to be found in a little surprise that he recently planned for his wife-a surprise that back-fired, and how! Mrs. Mauney went out of town on a visit. Before leaving she asked her husband to hire someone to freshen up an arch over the entrance to their front yard. Tom looked at the arch, thought about the cost of hiring a painter and decided he'd save money by doing the work him- himself, and sent his clothes to the self. Accordingly he purchased one gal-

lon of white paint, and a big brush. He started to buy a suit of overalls, but decided that wouldn' be necessary. Incidentally, young H. A. Mat- the work himself.

Tom Mauney, who represents the | tox, who sold him the paint, told Tom that one quart should be more than enough, but Tom said it would be better to have plenty.

The first trouble came when Tom stirred the paint. He got it all over his shoes. Then, when he finally got around to the job, the brush dripped paint down on his hair, his face and his clothes. It also dripped elsewhere. Tom got more paint on the walk than he did on the arch.

After using about half a gallon of paint but getting very little of it on the arch. Tom went in the house and got some turpentine and scrubbed cleaners.

Then he went out and hired a professional painter.

When Mrs. Mauney came home, however, he told her he had done