

Dr. E. L. Holt Drowns In Hiwassee Lake

TWO MEN FATALLY INJURED BY ROCK SLIDE IN TUNNEL

Other Workers Injured When Rocks Tumble At Apalachia

Two carpenters were killed and several other workmen were injured at Apalachia Dam at 4 p.m. Tuesday when rock, which had previously been reportedly shattered from a dynamite blast, fell, crushing Lyman Higdon, 20, of Franklin, and James P. Holden, 35, of near Copperhill. Young Higdon died 30 minutes after rescuers extracted him from beneath the pile of rock. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Higdon, Sr., of Franklin. He was said to have planned quitting his work this week to enter the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Mr. Higdon had been employed by TVA for the past two and a half months.

The body of Holden was taken to Copperhill where funeral was held. He was killed instantly by the fall of rock.

Officials of the TVA have not given out any details as to the cause of the accident.

MURPHY VICAR IS ADVANCED TO PRIESTHOOD

The Rev. Grant Folmsbee, B. D. vicar of the Episcopal church of the Messiah, Murphy, was advanced to the priesthood by the Rt. Rev. Robert E. Gribbin, of Asheville, bishop of the diocese of Western North Carolina, at Grace Episcopal church, Waynesville in a service Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Folmsbee was presented by the Rev. Raymond MacBain, rector of Grace Episcopal church. The bishop's chaplain was the Rev. Westwall Greenwood, rector of St. James church, Black Mountain.

The sermon was preached by the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, of Franklin. His text was taken from second Timothy, 1-7: "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind." The processional was led by the choir of Grace church.

At the beginning of the service, Mr. Folmsbee was robed in the traditional white which deacons wear. After he was ordained, the chasuble, priest's robe, was put upon him. The Bible was delivered to him signifying his authority to preach. The chalice and pater were given as a symbol of the administering of the sacrament.

A number of Murphy persons attended the service. They were entertained in the homes of members of the Waynesville church.

Miss Parks Attends Library Meeting In Greensboro, Aug. 22

Dora Ruth Parks, second vice-president of the North Carolina Library Association, attended a meeting of the executive committee of the Association in Greensboro, Aug. 22. Hoyt Galvin, Director of the Charlotte Public Library was appointed to fill the unexpired term of the presidency. The vacancy was caused by leave of absence of Guy R. Lyle, Librarian, Woman's College of the University of North Carolina. Mr. Lyle goes to University of Illinois for a year to teach in the school of Library Science.

SEPTEMBER TIRE QUOTA SET AT 3 FOR CHEROKEE

North Carolina's September tire and tube quotas for all counties showed a marked reduction from the August levels, according to announcement by the OPA.

The state will get a total of 900 new tires, 7,793 recaps, and 5,490 tubes for passenger vehicles. A total of 1,849 Grade II passenger tires will be available only for war workers who qualify under a special provision in the regulations.

E. H. Schellenberg, state tire rationing specialist, warned that with a material reduction over August quotas there was "no relief in sight" and that it means "more than ever tires should go to top essentials only."

The official quotas for Cherokee county follows:

Passenger: New tires, 3; Grade II tires 25; Recap tires, 37; Tubes, 28. Truck: New tires 37; Recap tires, 30; Tubes, 30.

MISS CORNWELL NEW ASSISTANT TO HOME AGENT

Miss Mary Myrtle Cornwell of Hartsville, Tenn., has arrived in Murphy to take up her duties as assistant to Mrs. W. D. King, Cherokee county home demonstration agent. Her duties will be working primarily in individual homes of demonstration farmers, in connection with the farm demonstration work.

Citizens in the Bellview section are working on a workshop, sponsored by the Farm Security administration board. The old school building will be used and the home demonstration club women will have a club room in the building.

North Murphy Church To Hold Meeting

A revival meeting will be held at the North Murphy Baptist church, beginning Sunday night, September 20, with the Rev. Thomas Truett doing the preaching.

Here's How To Send Christmas Packages To Men In Service

Santa Claus and Uncle Sam are already making plans for a happy Christmas for the boys in the armed services of the United States all over the world.

This was disclosed in a post office bulletin setting forth rules and regulations governing the sending of cards and packages to soldiers in the armed services. Boiled down to a minimum of words here are the instructions:

1. Time: All cards and packages for soldiers outside the United States should be mailed between October 1 and November 1.

2. Size: It is urged that all packages be limited to the size of a shoebox and a weight of not over six pounds. The limit, however, is 11 pounds in weight, 18 inches in length or 42 inches in length and girth combined.

3. Preparation: Because of the long distances such packages must travel they should be packed in secure containers and wrapped so they will stand plenty of handling and pressure from the weight of similar packages.

Contents: No perishable matter should be included in any pack-

Schedule Is Given For Red Cross Workroom

The Murphy chapter of the American Red Cross announces that surgical dressing material has arrived and that the workroom will be open six times a week. The chapter has a quota of some 30,000 sponges to make for September, and it is necessary that a large number of the women of the town and county volunteer to gather at the workroom to meet this emergency war need.

The workroom is on the first floor of the Library building.

The following is the schedule at present for the workroom and the supervisors in charge:

Monday afternoon: 2:30 to 5 p.m. Supervisors: Mrs. C. W. Savage, Mrs. Frank Ellis, Mrs. W. A. Hoover, Mrs. Frank Justice.

Tuesday morning: 9:30 to 12:00. Supervisors: Mrs. F. A. Patton, Mrs. Maxine Robinson, Mrs. W. H. Griffith, Mrs. Fred Dicke.

Tuesday evening: 7:00 to 9:30. Supervisors: Mrs. J. W. Davidson, Mrs. A. B. Cash, Mrs. J. W. Thompson, Mrs. J. H. Hampton.

Thursday afternoon, 2:30 to 5:00. Supervisors: Mrs. T. J. Mauney, Mrs. M. W. Bell, Mrs. H. A. Mattox, Mrs. A. J. Burnes.

Thursday evening: 7:00 to 9:30. Supervisors: Mrs. J. H. Wilson, Mrs. Frank Forsythe, Mrs. W. P. Odom, Mrs. George Vestal.

Friday morning, 9:30 to 12:00. Supervisors: Mrs. R. S. Parker, Mrs. Don Witherspoon, Mrs. W. M. Axley.

Red Cross Nutrition Meeting Monday Night

Ladies of Murphy and Cherokee county interested in taking nutrition instruction given through the Murphy chapter of the American Red Cross are urged to attend the meeting Monday night at 7:30 at the school building, as plans for these classes will be made at this time. The meeting will be held in the home economics building.

PLEASURE BOATING PARTY OF EIGHT HAS TRAGIC ENDING AS TWO LOSE LIVES WHEN MOTORBOAT IS CAPSIZED

Removal of TVA Houses Here Are Completed

Work of removing the building erected here by the TVA has been completed it has been announced by the information bureau of TVA. Also included in this work was several house at Hayesville. These portable buildings were moved by truck to Fontana to be used for the housing of workers on the huge government project now in progress there.

MASS ENLISTMENT CEREMONIES FOR U. S. S. ASHEVILLE

Men from all over Western North Carolina will be honored on Labor Day, when a mass enlistment ceremony will be held in the Asheville City Auditorium to replace the crew of the U. S. S. Asheville, sunk in the Java Sea, March 3, 1942.

These men are volunteers from every community in Western North Carolina. They will be sworn in by Lt. Charles B. Neely, Officer-in-charge of Navy Recruiting for North Carolina, and will be sent immediately to their training station to become the future guardians of the sea.

Over 160 men are needed in this district are urged to come at once to the Navy Recruiting office in the basement of the Post Office building in Asheville and find out the interesting facts about service with the Navy.

Brasstown Hatcheryman Returns From State College At Raleigh

Gwen Cornwell, manager of the Brasstown Hatchery, has returned from State College, Raleigh, where he has been attending a short course for the hatcherymen of North Carolina.

The purpose of this course was to discuss the different ways in which the poultry industry can help supply the much needed food for war; also the latest developments in the hatchery and poultry business. The speakers included such outstanding men as Dr. Dearstyne, Head Poultry Science, C. F. Parrish, Extension Poultryman, and many others.

Farm And Home Agents Attend Conference

A. Q. Ketner, Carl Whiteside, Mrs. W. D. King and Miss Mary Cornwell, Cherokee county farm and home agents, attended the Western District Conference for Extension Workers at the 4-H club camp in Swannanoa last week.

I. O. Schaub, director of the North Carolina Extension Department, led the group discussion on community organization. He pointed out the need for active community leaders to help with the present war emergency programs in our all out for Victory efforts.

Applications For Hayesville Postmastership To Be Received

The Civil Service commission has announced it would receive applications until close of business September 11 for postmastership at Hayesville.

BODIES RECOVERED SEVERAL HOURS LATER

Body of Miss Collins Is Sent To Cleveland Home

Stark tragedy rode the murky waters of Hiwassee Lake Tuesday night resulting in the drowning of Dr. Elmer L. Holt, 44, prominent Murphy dentist, and Miss Inez Collins, of Cleveland, Tenn., a nurse in Murphy General hospital, who were among a party of eight on a boating trip on the lake.

The boating party included Mr. and Mrs. Porter Mason, Miss Clara Dale, nurse in Murphy General hospital; David Jennings, Medical Aide at Fontana Dam; Miss Cleo Harper, of Blue Ridge, Ga.; Hazel Lowe, nurse at Petrie hospital; Miss Collins and Dr. Holt.

The body of Miss Collins was taken from the lake waters by a party of searchers around 4:30 Wednesday morning, and that of Dr. Holt was not recovered until 8 o'clock, both bodies being recovered within 50 feet of the place where one of the two motorboats used by the party, capsized. The bodies of Miss Collins and Dr. Holt were removed to Townson Funeral Home.

Other members of the party were taken to local hospitals for treatment for near-drowning and shock, all later being released.

The scene of the drownings was just below the L. and N. railway bridge and back of the H. T. Hackney Wholesale Grocery company.

Four members of the party were in one boat and four were in another boat. In the boat with Dr. Holt and Miss Collins were Miss Dale and Miss Harper.

In an attempt to make a turn in the lake, the boat in which Dr. Holt and party were riding overturned and all occupants were thrown into the water. It has been surmised that the boat struck a submerged log and that this was the cause of the overturn. The boat was of the outboard motor type.

Two of the occupants of the overturned boat reached the other boat and in attempting to get into it, it too, was overturned and all eight persons were struggling in the water in the middle of the lake. All but Dr. Holt and Miss Collins were rescued within a short time by several persons who had been attracted by their cries for help.

Dr. Holt had been practicing dentistry in Murphy for the past 17 years, having offices in the Hill building until recently when he moved his offices to the Murphy General hospital. Dr. Holt had an extensive clientele in Cherokee and neighboring counties and took an active part in civic affairs of the town and county.

Dr. Holt was graduated from Princeton high school, Princeton, N. C., and received his preliminary education at Mars Hill College, with two years schooling which prepared him for Southern Dental College, from which he was graduated in 1923. He practiced dentistry in Atlanta for some time before opening offices in Murphy.

Dr. Holt is survived by his widow, the former Miss Neva Ward, of Andrews, and three children, Johnny, (Continued on back page)