

## Improvements On Park Anticipated

If the General Assembly appropriates for Hiwassee Lake State Park the \$118,725 recommended by the Advisory Budget Commission. Much need improvements can be made in the park, which is located at Hiwassee Dam, in this county.

According to Percy B. Ferebee, member of the Board of Conservation and Development, states that it appears an effort will be made by some of the other state agencies to get the appropriation for permanent improvements of state parks materially reduced.

If the full \$118,725 is appropriated, it will be used in the following manner:

Recreation lodge, \$47,500; Recreation lodge equipment, 5,000; Public camping grounds, 17,400; Parking areas, 8,125; Rebuilding roads (3 miles), 10,500; Roads (1 mile), 8,000; Public picnic grounds, 14,000; Sewage disposal system, 4,500; Water supply system, 2,000; Telephone lines, 1,700.

## 130 Persons Get Monthly Benefits In This County

In a year-end statement released today, D. W. Lambert, Manager of the Social Security Administration field office in Asheville, indicated that the greatest benefit, both in number of persons receiving payment and in the amount of benefit paid, under the old-age and survivors insurance program of the Social Security Act, goes to women and children.

"Most people think of Social Security as something that concerns old age alone," Mr. Lambert said, "but approximately 60% of all the benefits paid under this program in the United States as a whole go to the wives, widows and children of deceased wage earners who worked in employment covered by the provisions of the law." In the Western North Carolina area, which includes 17 counties, there are 4343 people receiving monthly payments and of this total, 2392 of them are women and children, or 55% of the total number of persons receiving monthly benefits. Of these 2392 people, 219 are aged widows over 65 years of age; 386 are widows with children under 18 years of age; and 1787 of these monthly benefits are paid to children under age 18.

In Cherokee county, 130 persons receive monthly benefits, 60 of them, or 46.1 percent, being women and children. Of the women and children, 5 are widows over age 65; 12 are widows with children under age 18 in their care, and 43 of the persons receiving monthly benefits are children under age 18.

### LEADERS TO MEET

Girl Scout leaders and those interested in troop leadership will meet in the recreation room of the library at 3:45 on Thursday, February 10, to form a leaders group.

The meeting is for all Scout leaders in Cherokee county.

## 74 Dogwood Trees Reported For Club

The county agent's office has advised the Scout that anytime from now until March 15 will be satisfactory for the transplanting of dogwood trees. Therefore, the paper will continue to accept members in its Dogwood club through that date. Up to Wednesday of this week, a total of 74 trees had been planted, and several new members added to the club since last week.

New members of the club are: Mrs. John Rogers of Tomotla, who planted one tree; Mrs. Robert Earl Rogers of Tomotla, one; Mrs. Lee Collins of Marble, one; Mrs. John Hall of Marble, one; Clyde McNabb of Murphy, Route 2, three; Norman

## Sermon Topics Are Announced

The Rev. J. Alton Morris, pastor of First Baptist church, will preach at 11 o'clock Sunday morning on, "The Foolishness of Preaching". Sunday night at 7:30 he will preach on, "The Power of Trifles".

Sunday School starts at 9:45, Training Union at 6:30, and Wednesday night hour of power service at 7:30. Preview of Sunday School lesson is Wednesday at 6:30.

## Fire Breaks Out In Bates Home

Fire of undetermined origin was discovered in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bates last Thursday afternoon about 4:30 o'clock, no one was at home at the time. The fire seemed to start in the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell which is directly above that of Mr. and Mrs. Bates, and fell down into their bedroom destroying everything therein including their clothing, furniture and a typewriter belonging to Fred, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell also lost their clothing and their bedroom was burned out. Fortunately, the fire was confined to one side of the house, but there was a good deal of damage from smoke and water. The volunteer fire department did good work in saving the house.

The building was partially covered by insurance.

## Arthur C. Beal Is On Air Lift

Pfc. Arthur C. Beal is now serving with the 513th Supply Sq. 60th Troop Carrier Wing, Heavy, based at Fassberg RAF Station in the British occupied zone of northern Germany. The 60th is part of the Combined Air Life Task Force supplying coal to blockade Berlin.

Pfc. Beal is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie C. Beal, who reside in Murphy.

## A. J. Dyer

Andrew Jackson Dyer, age 82, died at Young Harris Clinic on January 27. Funeral services were held at Pinetop Baptist church near Blairsville, Ga., with the Rev. J. J. Hood officiating and Townson funeral home in charge.

Mr. Dyer is survived by six sons and three brothers.

### REENLISTS

Charles L. Crawford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Crawford of Andrews, has recently reenlisted in the Regular Army in Detroit, Mich., where he was employed prior to his enlistment. Mr. Crawford is now spending a three-day pass with his sister, Mrs. R. S. Bell of Royal Oak, Mich. After the pass he is to report to Camp Breckinridge, Ky., where he will be assigned. He was discharged in 1946 from the Air Force.



**SYMPHONY TYMPANIST PLAYS VARIETY OF INSTRUMENTS**—The tympnist of the North Carolina Little Symphony is a busy man. Not only does he play the drums, but also the xylophone and other instruments. The tympnist and 21 other players of the North Carolina Little Symphony will appear in concert here on March 18 at 8 o'clock. The North Carolina Little Symphony is directed by Dr. Benjamin Swain.

## Club Council Plans For Year's Work

The Cherokee County Council of Home Demonstration clubs met Monday, in the Home Agent's office in Murphy. The meeting was opened by the singing of the club song "Hail Club Women Crowned Through Service" and the reading of the Collect of club women.

Mrs. Clyde McNabb of Bellview, president of the Council, welcomed the new members. The roll call by the secretary, Mrs. Ben Warner showed eight of the 14 clubs were represented as follows: Ranger, Mrs. J. L. Hall; Murphy, Mrs. Harold Wells; Peachtree, Mrs. Noah Hembree, Mrs. Paul Sudderth, Mrs. Brown Caldwell; Slow Creek, Mrs. Velma Parker; Tomotla, Mrs. Jack Lemons, Mrs. Sheridan Johnson; Bellview, Mrs. Clyde McNabb; Mrs. Guy Hill; Martin's Creek, Mrs. Ben Warner; Mrs. Roy Lee; Grape Creek, Mrs. Luther Cornwell, Mrs. Bailey Coleman, Mrs. Mattie Baker.

A report on the county program was heard from Miss Mary Cornwell, home agent. A letter from Mrs. George Apperson, president of the State Federation of Home Demonstration Clubs was read by the secretary. Mrs. Apperson asked the full cooperation of each county in promoting the efforts of Home Demonstration club women.

Plans for the year's work in the county were discussed and the following dates for meetings were selected:

February 28, 1 o'clock—Program Planning meeting for District No. 1 in Murphy. This will include County Council officers from Clay, Cherokee and Graham counties.

March 21, 1 o'clock—Second quarterly meeting of Cherokee County Council of Home Demonstration clubs.

April 28, 1 o'clock—Spring Federation For Cherokee County with Mrs. Corrine Grimsley, State Family Life Specialist being invited as guest speaker.

May 25, 1 o'clock—District No. 1 Federation of Home Demonstration clubs in Murphy for Cherokee, Clay and Graham counties.

October 17, 1 o'clock—Fall County Council meeting.

November 3, 10 o'clock—County Achievement Day.

A committee composed of Mrs. Noah Hembree, Peachtree; Mrs. J. L. Hall, Ranger; Mrs. Luther Cornwell, Grape Creek was appointed to make arrangements for the County Exhibit on "Home Lighting" which will be displayed at the District Federation.

The county council voted dues of \$1 per club should be asked this year so as to maintain funds for the operation of the county council.

A committee headed by Mrs. J. W. Dyer was appointed to investigate the possibilities of remodeling or rebuilding the Roadside Market. Others named to serve on this committee were Mrs. Paul Sudderth, Mrs. Ben Warner, Mrs. Ernest Hughes, Mrs. Lucius Lochaby and Mrs. Clyde McNabb. It was voted that a request be

## Enchantment Covers Earth

Described as one of the prettiest snows in history, the almost three inches that fell here Sunday in the four hours between 1:30 and 5:30 p. m. brought the children out to play and make snow men. Adults watched with wonder as the ground, rooftops, trees and shrubs were quickly covered. It was the first real snow of the season here.

Rain coming late in the afternoon and evening soon melted the snow, and by Monday morning there was little left. The remainder of the week has been fair and moderate, much colder than the spring-like weather of the past few weeks.

## J. M. Roberson Taken By Death

Funeral services were held in Ivie funeral chapel Sunday at 10 a. m. for John Milton Roberson, 68, who died of a heart attack in a local hospital Friday at 3:45 p. m. The Rev. W. H. Hampton officiated, and burial was in the Methodist cemetery.

Nephews served as pallbearers. He is survived by three brothers, T. W. Roberson of Murphy with whom he made his home for the past few years; Hayse and Wheeler Roberson of Kennedy, Texas; two sisters, Mrs. Laura Hunt of Kennedy, Tex., and Mrs. James Stewart of Copperhill, Tenn.

Mr. Roberson had spent most of his life in the west having moved here a few years ago to make his home with his brother.

## W. M. Anderson Dies In Lincolnton

Willie Martin Anderson, 50, died Monday in a Lincolnton hospital after a long illness.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lola Grindstaff Anderson of Andrews; two sons, Dillard of Topton and Martin of Seagoville, Texas; six daughters, Mrs. Azilee West of Stanley, Mrs. Nellie Jane Morgan of Alexandria, Va., Misses Ollie, Birdell, Joyce, and Reba Mae all of Stanley, and seven grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements under direction of Townson funeral home are incomplete.

Mrs. W. A. Barber and Arthur Barber, Jr., of Charlotte spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dickey.

sent to the Cherokee County Fair Association for provisions be made for as many clubs as wished to participate in the Home Demonstration exhibits at the County Fair.

## County Meets First Quota, Polio Funds Still Needed

Cherokee County's quota in the March of Dimes campaign for infantile paralysis which originally was \$3,600 was raised to \$5,400 after the drive started. Dr. Chas. O. Van Gorder, county chairman, states that the original quota will have been reached when all reports are in. However, contributions toward the remainder of the goal will still be accepted, and he requests that anyone who has failed to make a contribution do so within the next two weeks.

This county has responded enthusiastically to the call for funds, practically every school, civic organization and other groups assuming some responsibility and making a definite contribution to the drive.

## All Retail Dairies Now Pasteurizing

The grades of milk supplies of Cherokee, Clay, and Graham counties have been determined by the District Health Department in accordance with the U. S. Public Health Service Milk Code.

Senior Sanitarian D. H. Moody says: "For the first time all retail dairies in this district are pasteurizing their milk. We can regard this as a great step in guarding the health of our people, for it is generally recognized all over the world that pasteurized milk is the safest."

The grade A pasteurizing milk plants selling in this district are: Hall's and Wells of Murphy, Mountain Valley of Brasstown and Southern Dairies of Asheville who supplies Fontana.

The Dairy industry is growing in this section as shown by the opening of eleven new Grade A raw-to-Plant dairies during the year 1948. They are: H. M. Alexander, Jerome Smith, Fred Waldroup and Don Waldroup of Hayesville, W. G. Cornwell of Brasstown, Dillard McCombs of Peachtree, A. Q. Ketter, Bill Hembree and G. D. Nix of Murphy and Claude Day and Bill Russell of Marble.

Other Grade A Raw-to-Plant dairies are: E. A. Wood and C. H. Townson of Andrews, Gilbert Stiles of Marble, Franklin Smith of Murphy, Folk School and W. G. Holland of Brasstown, and Harley Thompson, R. L. McGlamory, G. R. Ford, C. L. Ford, Max Waldroup, W. C. Anderson, Fred Green, Cline McClure, Hoke McClure, Frank Groves, Ed Murray and Frank Coleman of Hayesville.

## Mrs. Alice Hogan Taken At Age 83

Funeral services for Mrs. Alice Hogan 83, who died in her home at Topton Saturday at 9 p. m. were held Monday afternoon in Andrews funeral Building with the Rev. B. Ledford officiating. Burial was in Andrews cemetery with Ivie funeral home in charge.

Pallbearers were Vincent Derreberry, Garland Hogan, Floyd Hogan, Claude McClain, Wayne Lunsford, and J. D. Derreberry, grandsons.

Flower bearers were granddaughters: Evelyn Hogan, Gladys Hogan, Alma Raxter, Sue Derreberry, Mae Lunsford, and Pauline Anderson.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Oma McClain of Topton, Mrs. Mattie Belle Lunsford and Mrs. Minnie Derreberry of Andrews, and Mrs. Lola Tramel of High Point; five sons, Fred, Harve and John Hogan of Andrews, Virge Hogan of Hayesville, and Rice Hogan of Dallas, Tex., and 42 grandchildren.

Veterans, practically all of them of World War II, numbering 34,806, of whom almost 10 percent, or 3,359, were disabled or handicapped veterans, were placed in non-agricultural jobs through the Veterans Employment Service and its affiliate, the North Carolina State Employment Service Division of the Employment Security Commission, during the year 1948.

## McClure Preaches Here Sunday

The Rev. R. E. McClure, executive secretary of Asheville Presbytery, will preach at the Presbyterian church here Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. Sunday school will meet at 10 a. m. and Youth Fellowship at 6:30 p. m.

## County Schools Donate \$346 To Polio Campaign

The Cherokee County School unit has contributed \$346.31 to the Cherokee County polio drive which has been under way for the past two weeks.

School Supt. L. W. Hendrix announces that the following amounts were received from the individual schools:

Ranger School \$40.10, Macedonia \$3.65, Shields School \$16.18, Culberson \$6.10, Wolf Creek \$12.00, Johnson School \$8.55, Wolf Creek A \$15.00, Hiwassee Dam \$74.18, Friendship \$19.10, Buck Knob \$7.21, Unaka \$15.35, White Church \$48.92, Peachtree \$43.16, Martins Creek \$26.81, Office of Supt. \$10.00.

## Club Schedule Is Announced

Home Demonstration club schedule for February, as announced by Miss Mary Cornwell, home Agent, is as follows:

Wednesday, February 2, Postell, Mrs. E. R. Swain, 1 o'clock; Thursday, February 3, Peachtree, Mrs. Lawson Lunsford, 1 o'clock; Friday, February 4, Violet, Mrs. Willard Graham, 1 o'clock; Saturday, February 5, Cherokee County Crafters, 10 o'clock, in Home Agents Office; Wednesday, February 9, Bellview, Mrs. Jeff Dalrymple, 1 o'clock; Thursday, February 10, Slow Creek, Mrs. John Queen, 1 o'clock; Friday, February 11, Sunny Point, Mrs. Earl Payne, 1 o'clock; Tuesday, February 15, Upper Peachtree, Eunnie Lunsford, 1 o'clock; Wednesday, February 16, Unaka, Mrs. J. G. Bryson, 1 o'clock; Thursday, February 17, Tomotla, School Building, 2 o'clock; Friday, February 18, Murphy, Mrs. Harold Wells, 7 o'clock P. M.; Monday, February 21, Grape Creek, Mrs. Ray B. Lovingood, 1 o'clock; Tuesday, February 22, Martin's Creek, School Building, 1:30 o'clock; Wednesday, February 23, Valleytown, Mrs. Lonnie Early, Thursday, February 24, Ranger, Mrs. J. L. Hall, 1:30 o'clock.

## Taylor Serves In Otsu, Japan

With The Eighth Army In Otsu, Japan: Private Frank R. Taylor, son of Mrs. Ella Taylor of 106 Wilson St., Murphy, N. C., is now on duty with the 35th Infantry Regiment. The 35th Infantry is stationed at Otsu, Japan and is part of the Pacific famed 25th Infantry (Tropic Lightning) Division which is commanded by Major General William B. Keane.

His present duty is that of Military police in Headquarter Company.

## Symphony To Play Here On March 18

Mrs. B. W. Whitfield, county chairman of the North Carolina Symphony Society, announces that only about \$300 has been contributed thus far in the current campaign for funds with which to bring the orchestra back to the county this year. Anticipating the securing of

## Preparedness Aided Hospitals In Polio Epidemic

It took a miracle - the Miracle of Hickory - to carry North Carolina through its record polio epidemic of 1944.

But this year - with an epidemic three times more severe - no miracles were necessary.

"It's a matter of pride with us," says E. T. McKeithan, president of the North Carolina Hospital Association "that miracles were not necessary. Miracles take the place of preparation. We were ready this year, although none, certainly, could have predicted the scope of the 1948 polio outbreak."

A report by McKeithan, superintendent of Moore County Hospital at Pinehurst, was issued today by George Laycock of Asheville, chairman of the Hospital Association's Public Education Council.

Up to November 30, the report showed 21 hospitals had cared for 2,272 patients for a grand total of 106,075 patient days.

"The phenomenal scope of this job," Mr. McKeithan said, "can more readily be seen when you realize that in 1944 only one hospital was properly equipped to care for polio patients. The bulk of the state's 878 cases were treated at an emergency hospital hurriedly constructed in Hickory."

Mr. McKeithan attributed much of the hospitals' success to "intelligent hindsight and a willingness to evaluate a situation and learn from it."

"It came about," he said, "through careful planning over the past four years - through the initiative of our hospitals and through the cooperation of our March of Dimes organization - the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. I cannot commend the Foundation too highly for its magnificent part in coordinating the various elements fighting the epidemic."

## Ben W. Wyke Serves In Kyoto

With The Eighth Army In Kyoto, Japan, December 29, 1948—Private Ben W. Wyke of Andrews, North Carolina, is now serving with the 35th Medical Station Hospital, in Kyoto, Japan.

The men of this organization are engaged in operating one of the most modern and best equipped Army hospitals in Japan.

Duties here cover a wide field ranging from the maintenance of an efficient communication system within the hospital, and the operation of a complete Post Exchange for the troops stationed with the unit, to highly technical duties with the surgical sections and in the wards.

Pvt. Wyke entered the Army on June 26, 1945 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina and completed his quarter-master basic training at Camp Lee, Virginia. He has been serving with this present unit since July 5, 1948 shortly after his arrival in Japan.

Willie K. Barnett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Barnett of Marble, Route 1, who enlisted in the U. S. Army December 26, 1948, is now stationed in Fort Jackson, S. C.