

Hiwassee Lake's Record Clean In 55 TVA 1952 Drownings

Hiwassee Lake has a clean record for the past two years according to the recent report by TVA of accidental drownings in its lakes. The report shows that through 1950 there were six drownings in Hiwassee Lake.

Some 55 persons, 41 of them between the ages of 15 and 45 years of age, were drowned in TVA lakes during 1952, the report says.

The survey further points out that 52 other persons were involved in water mishaps and were rescued. TVA said that, "obviously, without this assistance, the total drownings might have been close to 100 for the year." Some others were able to save their own lives.

The largest number of 1952 drownings occurred in Wheeler Lake, where 17 persons were drowned. The largest number of drowning for all the years of TVA took place at Kentucky Dam where 75 persons have drowned.

One person was drowned at Fontana last year, one the preceding year, and 12 through 1950. Ten persons have been drowned at Nottely Lake in the past several years, and four in Chatuge. One person was drowned at Chatuge Lake last summer.

The report lists as the top cause or factor in drownings last year, boating and having no life preserver on, accounting for 31 drownings. One drowning was caused by cranking, motor trouble, wouldn't start.

Other conditions causing drownings were rough water out on lake; overloaded, to small boat, or overpowered; drinking and other unsafe conduct; inexperienced or unsafe operation of boat; standing up in boat or lost balance; and unsafe boat.

Also, boating in turbulent waters below dams; heart attack or other sudden illness.

Causes for drownings in swimming or wading included: could not swim or poor swimmer; stepping in hole or deep place; swimming alone or inadequate supervision; cramps; unsafe acts or unaware of hazards when play-fishing, fishing, wading, etc., on bank or near shore (includes drinking); tried to swim beyond endurance; and heart attack or other sudden illness.

TVA pointed out that the simple precaution of wearing life preservers could have prevented most of the drownings last year. The report also warned against wading in water when the condition of the bottom is not known.

More than half of the 55 drownings happened Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, and the average age of persons drowned was 27. All except eight of the victims were males.

A total of 550 drownings have taken place in TVA lakes, the report said.

Eight suggested rules for care-free boating include; know your boat's limitations; don't overload; balance your load; keep low and end step in the center when boarding the boat or changing seats; watch the weather; head into the waves; use the right motor; and avoid sharp turns.

PHARMACIST



Clyde J. Duvall of Murphy this year received his B. S. degree in Pharmacy from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Duvall is employed by the Eckerd Drugs Inc. in Chattanooga, Tenn. He was a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association and the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association.

Sam Lovingood Dies At 88 Years Here Fri.

Samuel W. Lovingood, 88 a Murphy Native who had served in every county office except one, during his lifetime, died at 6 p. m. Friday in a Murphy hospital following a long illness.

The retired business man had served as Clerk of the Superior Court, register of deeds, mayor of Murphy and chairman of the board of County Commissioners. He never was in an election for sheriff.

Lovingood had served several terms as Cherokee County representative in the General Assembly and as N. C. Senator from the 33rd district.

Mr. Lovingood was never married. He was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lovingood of Cherokee County, and was a life-long resident of this section. He was beloved by people all over the county and had done a great deal

for his fellow man. A number of years ago he ran the old Hubbard House, and at the time of his death, he was living on Wells St. in Murphy.

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Sunday in the First Baptist Church, with the Rev. J. Alton Morris and the Rev. C. A. Smith officiating. Burial was in Sunset Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Howard Moody Will Rogers, H. A. Mattox, Earl Plemmons, Lawrence Hall, Abe Hembree, M. G. Crawford and Hadley Dekey.

Surviving are two half-brothers, Mitchell Johnson of Englewood, Tenn. and Robert Johnson of Unaka, and several nieces and nephews.

The body lay in state in the church for an hour prior to the service.

Townson Funeral Home was in charge.

4-H Day Contests Set For Tomorrow

Tomorrow county 4-H Club members will compete in a special day of activity and contests for the Annual Four-H Day at Murphy High School.

The day begins with registration at 9 a. m., followed at 9:30 by the dairy foods demonstration and officers contest. At 11 a. m. judging of dresses will take place along with recreation leadership and public speaking.

From 12:30 to 1:30 a picnic lunch will be enjoyed.

The dress review will be at 1:30 p. m., talent division at 2 p. m., crowning of health king and queen at 2:45 and awards at 3 o'clock with the summary of the day's activities.

County winners will be eligible to enter the district contests in Asheville June 30. The county winners who will represent Cherokee County in Raleigh, will receive cash prizes, applicable on their trip to Raleigh. Ribbons will be given other winners.

Biology Teachers Have Meet At Folk School

Some 10 persons representing the National Association of Biology Teachers in the southeast, met in conference at the John C. Campbell Folk School last week.

The conference—a workshop discussed matters of natural conservation, trees, birds, animals and all natural resources. They produced copy for bulletins on conservation of natural resources in elementary schools, high schools and colleges.

Persons attending the meet were Dr. Richard Weaver, leader, of Ann Arbor, Mich.; John H. Bailey, Johnson City, Tenn.; George W. Jeffers, Farmville, Va.; J. W. Burdette, Spartanburg, S. C.; S. E. Duncan, Raleigh; Mrs. M. Gordon rown, Atlanta, Ga.; Mrs. Cleo Sampson, Atlanta, Ga. Miss Malvina Trussel, Tallahassee, Fla.; Miss May Derrick, Boone; and Miss Alma Dean Fuller, Washington, D. C.

The Folk School encourages such conferences between its own scheduled programs, and provides retreat, free from disturbances.

Curtis Joins Gallon Club

Wayne Curtis became a member of the Red Cross Gallon Club last week, when he donated his eighth pint of blood to the Red Cross Bloodmobile program, at the unit's stop in Andrews.

Some 37 pints were collected at the stop

5 Year Old Truett Daughter Dies

Shirley Katherine Truett, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Giles Truett of Murphy, Route 1, died at 5:15 p. m. Friday June 5 in an Andrews hospital, after a short illness.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Sunday June 7 in Harmony Tabernacle Baptist Church, with the Rev. Colvin Thompson and the Rev. Oliver Cornwell officiating. Burial was in Andrews cemetery.

Surviving, in addition to the parents, are three brothers, Johnnie of Charlotte, Harold and Charles of the home; six sisters, Sue, Dorothy, Doris, Martha, Wanda and Vickie of the home.

Townson Funeral Home was in charge.

RETURNS HOME



J. C. Townson returned home last week after graduating from Cincinnati College of Embalming May 29. While in Ohio he was a member and vice-president of the Pi Sigma Eta Fraternity. He was also member of the Aracis Club, composed of Masons. Mr. Townson is the son of Mrs. Elizabeth Townson Raper of Marble and the late Carl Townson. He is employed by his uncle, W. D. Townson at Townson Funeral Home.

TVA VISITORS



Six Tennessee Valley Authority visitors were guests of several Murphy businessmen last week when the TVA officials were in the area on an inspection tour. Shown after lunch and a talk fest were, front row, left to right, A. D. Reiger, TVA manager of properties, Chattanooga branch; C. E. Blee, TVA chief engineer and builder of Hiwassee Dam; Mayor L. L. Mason of Murphy; John Oliver, TVA general manager; Frank Forsyth, local Banker and chairman of Town of Murphy Power Board.

Second row, left to right, Walter Arrants, TVA assistant manager of properties; Merle Davis, local businessman and supporter of the Chamber of Commerce; Jim Franklin, local businessman and C of C worker; J. Ed Campbell, TVA director of division reservoir properties; Noah Lovingood, businessman and member of the Murphy Power Board, and Lee Allbaugh, TVA director of division agriculture.

(Scout Photo)

FLAG OF NATIONS



Miss Glenda Ivie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peyton G. Ivie, represented the Murphy Lions Club Sunday at the Flag of Nations program which opened the N. C. Lions Club Convention in Asheville. Some 40 Murphy Lions and their wives registered at the convention Sunday vying for the attendance cup awarded for the club with the most mileage at the convention. Miss Ivie, wearing a Belgium costume, carried the Belgian flag at the program. Miss Dorcas Ann McGuire of Andrews, dressed in an Alaska costume, represented the Andrews Lions Club at the convention.

Mrs. Whitaker Succumbs Mon.

Mrs. Rhoda Elizabeth Whitaker, 77, died at 6 p. m. Monday June 8 in an Andrews hospital after two weeks' illness.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Wednesday June 10 in Valley River Baptist Church with the Rev. Robert Barker, the Rev. John C. Corbitt and the Rev. W. M. Chapman of Franklin officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. The body lay in state in the church one hour prior to the service.

Pallbearers were Carroll Brown, John Tatham, Mark Elliott, Jack Herbert, Roy Hyde and Walter Waldroup.

Mrs. Whitaker was a native of Polk County, S. C., moved to Bryson City as a child, and a few years later moved to Andrews where she lived ever since.

She was married to the Rev. Clay Whitaker, Dec. 18, 1895; she had been a member of the Valley River Baptist Church for 58 years, and was active in Sunday School and other church work.

Surviving are one son, Edgar J. Whitaker of Franklin, five daughters, Miss Ollie Whitaker, Mrs. Carrie Wilson, Mrs. Vesta Wood of Andrews, Mrs. Lelia Hay of Boynton, Fla., Mrs. Hattie Orr of Biltmore, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; also two brothers, Tom of Atlanta and Hampton G. Seay of Ellenwood.

Ivie Funeral Home was in charge.

Farm Families To See Demonstrations

COMMISSIONER



Harry Eugene Buchanan of Hendersonville will direct the State's road program for the next four years in Division 14, comprised of Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Polk, Transylvania and Swain Counties, after appointment by Gov. W. W. Umstead. Headquarters for the division will be located in Sylva and G. G. Page is the division engineer with C. W. Lee as assistant.

Demonstrations of electric equipment will be held throughout Blue Ridge Electric Association's area June 23-30, Manager E. C. Nicholson said here today.

Mr. Nicholson said the demonstrations are designed to inform farm people of the uses of electricity in the home and on the farm. The programs are sponsored by the Blue Ridge Electric Association, along with the local county agents and the electrical appliance dealers.

Miss Barbara Means, TVA home economist, will conduct the demonstrations in homemaking, giving electric cooking and frozen foods demonstrations, and in addition, will answer questions on kitchen planning and care and cleaning of home appliances.

Charles Brumfield, TVA agricultural engineer, will discuss and demonstrate farm equipment, including water systems, motor table, brooders and other equipment.

All farm families in the area are invited to attend the demonstrations.

Cherokee County demonstration schedules are: Martin's Creek, Tuesday, June 23, 7:30 p. m., school; White Church, Wednesday, June 24, 7:30 p. m., school.

Also Unaka, Thursday, June 25, 7:30 p. m., school; Suit, Friday, June 26, 7:30 p. m., school; and Ranger, Tuesday, June 30, 7:30 p. m., school.

Champ Flier Be In Local Show

A special feature of the air show to be held at the Andrews-Murphy Air Park July 5 will be the spectacular flying of "Woody" Edmondson, of Washington, D. C.

Edmondson, the present international high speed aerobatics champion, does the greatest portion of his routine from an inverted position at extremely low altitude. He flies a Monocoupe Clipped Wing Special, modified for aerobatics and inverted flying.

He has participated in air shows throughout the United States, and in Canada and Mexico for the past ten years, and recently won the championship title at the International Aerobatics Championship contest held at Miami, Fla.

His appearance at the local show will be made possible largely through the cooperation of Dickey Chevrolet Co.

As aviation circles the world over are this year celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of powered flight the members of the Konaheeta Flying Club wished to sec-



EDMONDSON NO. 1 AEROBAT

ure the best talent possible for this year's show, and said that the performances of Edmondson and of Ben Huntley, champion last year, will represent the best in precision and showmanship.

Civic Leaders Invited To 'Unto These Hills'

Civic leaders of Murphy and Cherokee county who attend the quarterly meeting of Western North Carolina Associated Communities, at Cherokee on the afternoon of June 26, will be invited as guests to attend the premiere performance of the famed Cherokee drama "Unto These Hills", according to C. M. Douglas, secretary of the 11 county organization.

Sessions of the WNCAC organization will begin at one o'clock with a "dutch" luncheon in the student dining hall at the Indian Reservation with Supt., Joe Jennings in charge, and the business meeting will follow immediately.

President Paul Reid of Cullowhee has announced that business session will be over by four o'clock, and those attending will have ample time to visit the reconstructed Indian Village and the Pioneer exhibit, both of which newly opened tourist attractions are nearby the reservation.

Local Nurses Attend TB Institute In Bryson City

Miss Willie Lovingood and Mrs. Alice A. Swain of the Cherokee County Health Department returned this week from a two day institute on Tuberculosis at Bryson City.

Leaders in the institute were W. A. Smith, director of the TB section of the TB division of the State Board of Health who spoke on the diagnosis, treatment and control of the disease. Miss Mary-Is Porter, R. N. and consultant nurse, a member of the staff of the National office of Tuberculosis Control in Washington, D. C. spoke on the Nursing Duties in the Control of TB.

Institute themes were "This is TB" and "Goodby, Mr. Germ." W. D. Braswell, health educator of the TB Association and Mrs. Louise P. East, consultant nurse of the Western District of the State Board of Health, were also on the program.

Barnett On WCC Faculty For Fall

Jack Barnett has resigned as teacher of Murphy High School to accept a position at Western Carolina College, Cullowhee, in the Bookkeeping department as instructor.

Mr. Barnett will receive his Masters Degree at Peabody in Nashville this summer. He is a graduate of WCC and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Barnett of Murphy.

AUXILIARY SUPPER

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held tomorrow at 7 p. m. with a pot luck supper at the home of Mrs. Bob Cheney.

Clerk-Typist Recruits Needed

The Navy Department's campaign for the recruitment of civilian stenographers for positions in Navy Headquarters in Washington, D. C., now being conducted in the Asheville area, has been extended to June 25, according to Mrs. R. E. Moore, civilian representative from the office of the Secretary of the Navy.

Beginning salaries range from \$2950 to \$3175 per year and minimum requirements call for a typing speed of 40 words per minute and a shorthand speed of 80 words per minute.

Appointments are made under Civil Service regulations and carry the privileges granted by that commission.

The Navy Department makes housing arrangements for all new employees during their first week in Washington.

Mrs. Moore is interviewing and testing applicants in the Navy Recruiting Station in the Post Office Building in Asheville.

Story Hour Tomorrow Mrs. Forsyth Teller

A story hour is held at the Carnegie Library each Friday, 2 p. m. Tomorrow Mrs. Forsyth will tell the story.