

The Toxaway Dam Secure.

The Anderson Daily Mail says: Dr. S. M. Orr and family have returned from a ten days' camping tour, in Sapphire country. They took the route by Walhalla to Clayton, down Tennessee valley and then went up Mud creek to "The Flats," where they camped a couple of days, and then to Cashier's Valley.

While in the mountains Dr. Orr visited the much talked of dam at Lake Toxaway and examined it. When asked as to the probable durability of the dam he replied:

"The dam is built of clay and rock, and is very much the shape of a 'V.' The top of the 'V,' or dam is about 485 feet long. The bottom of the 'V' is about 100 feet. The width of the dam at the top is 22 feet and at the bottom 260 feet. There is a layer of stone put in on the upper side of the dam 10 feet thick. There is also a layer of stone put on the lower side of the dam 8 feet thick. Over this rock is 18 inches of earth which has been sodded and makes a very pretty green appearance. There is a spillway on the south side of the dam about 100 feet from the dam which is blasted out of solid rock, and is 50 feet wide. This spillway is 12 feet lower than the dam. On the upper side of the dam a break-water has been built to overcome the effects of the waves, as it was found necessary to do this from the experience of last March, as the waves came nearly over the top of the dam at that time. This breakwater consists of locust posts 12 feet long imbedded in the dam with stringers and spiling, and two inch boards driven down in the dam. Since this breakwater has been built it has had the effect of stopping all the force of the waves on the dam. The water over the spillway comes too close to the dam at present, and Dr. Orr recommended to the engineer that a wall of masonry be built 8 feet wide and 50 feet long to carry this waste water entirely away from the foot of the dam which will be done at once as the rock has already been blasted out of spillway and will be used for this purpose."

In examining the bottom of the dam it was discovered that more water was going from this place than came into it from the spillway, which looked as if there was a leak through the dam. But upon investigation it was found that this water was coming from two free stone springs and one sulphur spring. They each have their origin from the lower, or down side of the dam, and were piped into the stream below the dam, and consequently did not come through the dam at all.

Dr. Orr is convinced that there is no leak from the dam at all nor ever has been. When asked as to what effect the bursting of the dam would have on Portman dam he replied:

"If Toxaway lake would burst it would probably raise the water over the Portman dam eighteen inches, or at the most, twenty-four inches. But as our last freshet went over the spillway of

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the dam nine and one half feet this little rise would not bother us much. During the last cloudburst, which occurred about June 6, and caused the water at Portman to rise to the unprecedented level of nine and one-half feet, the large dam at Sapphire, which is on Horse Pasture river, and which is nearly three times as large as Toxaway river, did burst and come down on us. Now if Sapphire dam in addition to a water spout and cloudburst, did not hurt us, I have no dread whatever of the break in Toxaway lake, even if such a thing should happen.

"I had read so much in the newspapers about this lake, and was interested so much from a financial point of view, that I was very anxious to examine it, and the result of my examination is that so far as Portman dam is concerned I don't care a cuss whether Toxaway dam bursts or not."—Oconee News.

Pink Bed News.

Editor Sylvan Valley News:

Rev. Mr. Stevenson preached a very interesting sermon Sunday night.

Mrs. Jenney left the Pink Beds Monday to visit her sister in Massachusetts.

Mr. and Mrs. Cordry have gone to visit relatives at Blitmore.

Mrs. Cornelia Duckett is visiting relatives at Black Mountain.

Miss Loricks Fitts returned to her home near Asheville on Monday.

Will Duckett and Millard Carland have gone to visit friends in Charleston, S. C.

A party from Davidson River visited Pink Beds and the Buck Spring Lodge last week.

Miss Mintie Case spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Fitts.

Millard Carland and Russell Howell spent Sunday afternoon at James Case's.

There is to be an old time singing in the Pink Beds next Sunday (September 6). All are cordially invited—and a special invitation to Blue Eyes.

Hello, Blue Eyes. We hope that young man will be successful in cageing his "Pink Bed dear."

Success to the News and its correspondents. PINK BED PETE.

Lofis Locals.

Editor Sylvan Valley News:

Marshall Burns and little grandson spent Sunday night with relatives here.

Hurrah for our old correspondent Mark. We were pleased to read another one of his interesting letters and hope he will come often.

Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Preno were pleasant visitors of Mrs. J. C. McGaha one day last week.

Several of our citizens are attending court this week.

Mr. & Hattie, Pearl and Zether Hawkins, of Mayfield, S. C., were guests of Leon. Gidney Thursday night.

Mr. Briggs and family, who have been camping at Conestee Falls for several days, returned to their home in Greenville, S. C., Monday.

Totsy has recently heard that some of the good people of Davidson River are going to visit relatives in our vicinity. Come ahead; we gladly welcome all of you.

Mrs. Mary Hooker is visiting relatives at Marietta, S. C.

Several of us Lofis folks have been attending a protracted meeting at Carson Creek, conducted by Rev. Kuykendall.

Mr. Estes and mother and Miss Ward have returned to their home at Buffalo, N. Y., after spending several months here. Totsy.

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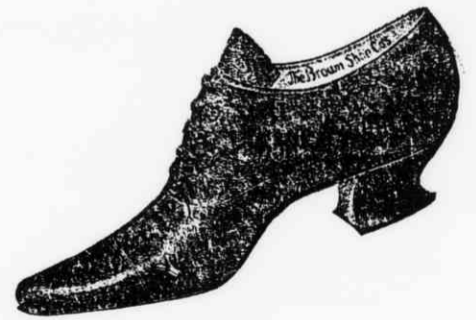
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