

EDITORIAL

PROBLEM WITHOUT SOLUTION

The TVA report outlining flood problems on the French Broad River in the vicinity of Marshall was presented to approximately 40 interested people Monday afternoon at the REA Building here.

The meeting brought together some of the "top brass" of the TVA, including Colonel Harry E. Brown, director of N. C. Department of Water Resources; James E. Goddard, Joseph E. Enloe, and Marvin S. Shadel, TVA specialists. Also present was John Hampton, Director, WNC Regional Planning Commission. Representatives of CP&L, French Broad Electric Mem. Co-op, and about 20 interested citizens of Marshall made the meeting highly informative and interesting.

Splendid and comprehensive booklets recently published by the Division of Water Control Planning, TVA, were distributed and proved most informative. Data and pictures also make the booklet highly entertaining and valuable to keep.

Much credit for this splendid report is due Reed A. Elliott, Chief Water Control Planning Engineer; Albert S. Frye, James Smallshaw, James W. Beverage, Myron O. Jensen, Joseph S. Enloe, Margaret C. Longmire, Elizabeth G. Breeden, Robert Forbes, and many others.

Mr. Goddard explained the purpose of the data compiled as those present reviewed the booklet.

Other top men spoke briefly and then questions were asked concerning a possible solution to our dangerous location in regard to past and future high waters and floods.

No Immediate Solution

It was agreed that Marshall is situated in a most vulnerable location in regard to floods. Our people are well aware of this, having seen the town destroyed in 1916 and almost washed away in 1940. A high wall along the right edge of the river was one suggested solution which would lessen the chances of the town washing away but would not protect the Island or the far side along the river. This, however, would demand a cost which is prohibitive. Another suggested solution is to build retaining dams upstream above Asheville. This would help, of course, but no immediate plans for such dams are being made. Building a dam on Ivy River would help, but where is the money coming from to build it? More land conservation would help, but would this be sufficient "flood proof?"

All these suggestions were aired but Mr. Goddard just about summed it up by saying the safest way was to "keep man away from water and water away from man." But how? He also suggested that the surest way to protect the business section from washing away was to "move on the hill; perhaps to the by-pass."

Until something more feasible is advanced, we suggest that we continue to pray that the river doesn't wash us away.



LIBRARY PROSPECTS BRIGHT

From all present indications, the main branch of the country library will be moved from Hot Springs to Marshall, probably next month.

This comes as good news to many local citizens who realize the value of a library. It has also been indicated that branch libraries will be maintained at Hot Springs and Mars Hill. This is also encouraging news for citizens of these two towns who have shown unrelenting interest in the library service.

In last week's editorial an appeal was made for a suitable building with low rent so that the main library could return to the county seat. Indications at that time revealed little chance for the transition. However, considerable public spirit has been shown during the past few days which makes it now almost certain that Marshall will have a library.

Major credit belongs to Rex Allen, chairman of the Library Board, and Dr. J. L. McElroy. Dr. McElroy has offered the building on Main Street now housing the ASC offices at a reduced rental for a library. In a talk with Dr. McElroy this week, he stated that he would be glad to reduce the rent in order to have a library here. He is a firm believer, as is his wife, that a library in Marshall could be invaluable. This public-spirited demonstration should be loudly commended and it is hoped that others will be as enthusiastic as Dr. McElroy and Rex Allen, who has been of great assistance in his capacity as commissioner and through his desires for the library.

Members of the newly-formed Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post in Marshall have also shown their public spirit and enthusiasm in the library by offering to install the necessary shelves provided the library returns to Marshall. This group of interested citizens at their last meeting a few days ago, agreed to "do the job, installing absolutely free" when the library is purchased.

We warmly commend the VFW for its action and hope that other groups, organizations and individuals will join in making our county more "reading"

"Old-Timers" Game Will Be Played At Laurel Saturday

Manager J. C. Wallin announced this week that his Laurel team of the Madison County Baseball League would meet the 1949-50 team of Revere in an exhibition game on the Laurel diamond Saturday at two o'clock. Wallin stated that the Revere team would have such renowned players as the Adams boys who starred several years ago. Wayne Adams will manage the "old-timers."

On Sunday the Laurel team will host the Camp Creek team from Tennessee in a game starting at 2:30 o'clock.

Hot Springs Forfeits

Manager Wallin announced that Hot Springs forfeited the scheduled Madison County League game last Saturday at Laurel, failing to arrive for the game. The records will show a 9-0 victory for Laurel. This gives the Laurel team a 7-won, 2-lost record in the county league and an overall record this season of 8 wins and 3 losses.

Sleepy Valley 4-H Club Met July 5 With Mrs. O'steen

The Sleepy Valley Community 4-H Club met Tuesday night, July 5, at the home of Mrs. Max O'steen. Emma Kate O'steen, club president, called the meeting to order. The club then stood and said the 4-H Club Pledge. Hilda Rathbone had devotions after which the club repeated the Lord's Prayer. Junior Lovin, club secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting. A business session was held and a discussion of painting mail boxes of the Antioch, Sleepy Valley, and Fairview communities was held. We met Thursday, July 7 and cleaned up church grounds at the Salvation Army Center.

We then practiced some singing, led by Mrs. Mae Clapp with Emma Kate O'steen at the piano.

We had as visitors Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lovin and Brenda Elswick.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. O'steen to the 24 members present.

We again want to invite all the boys and girls in this community to come to our meetings. We are sure you will enjoy them.

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ALLANSTAND

Mrs. BIRCHARD SHELTON
Correspondent
Only a few attended Sunday School at Allanstand last Sunday due to the rain which lasted all day. Mr. John Gabagan taught the adult Bible Class, as their regular teacher was absent.

Mr. Walter Gonnell was taken to a Greenville, Tenn. hospital last week for surgery. He is improving and is expected home by this weekend.

Mr. Woodrow Wallin's small son, who was struck by a car last week, is able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Styles of Candier spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Birchard Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Hunycutt and Mr. John Gabagan were in Marshall last Saturday on business.

PAINT FORK

KENNETH RAY, Correspondent

We have been having some rains for the past week.

Work is now being done on the Paint Rock Road.

Jim Ward, Johnny Ricker, Alma and Kay Lamb and the Rev. Marvin Wall attended one week of Bible Camp in Pennsylvania. They reported a nice trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ward and children have returned to Plant City, Fla., after spending 2 weeks with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ward. Agnes Ward returned home with them to spend the remainder of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Clell Ridley and children are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lamb. The Ridelys are from Pennsylvania.

BRIGMAN CHAPEL

DORIS GOSNELL, Correspondent

Rev. Bill Foulks will preach at Brigman Chapel Friday night.

Mr. Walter Gonnell, who was a patient at a Greenville hospital for the past week, returned home Tuesday.

The young people of the Belva Bible Church and Grace Chapel Church enjoyed a week at the Menonite Bible Camp in Pennsylvania. We are all thankful to the Rev. Marvin Wall who made it possible for us to attend camp. Those attending camp were: Kay and Alma Lamb, Wanda Thomas, Frances and Doris Gonnell, Jim Ward, Johnny Ricker, Douglas Hammit and the Rev. Mr. Wall. They returned home Sunday.

Leon Williams is recovering from a head injury.

Dianna Kay Gonnell has been on the sick list for the last few days.

Landing gear for jets among patents.

Sleepy Valley CD Meeting Held At Antioch Church

The Sleepy Valley Development Meeting was held July 7th at 7:30 p. m. at the Antioch Methodist Church.

The meeting was opened by the Congregational Song. Devotions were given by Mrs. Elbert Goode. Minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. Manley Holt.

Business discussions of this meeting was the agreement of our Development Club furnishing paint and paint brushes for the 4-H Club to paint the mail boxes and posts in the Antioch, Sleepy Valley, and Fairview communities.

Mr. James Stuart, Assistant County Agent, showed a short movie about various insects that attack gardens and other crops and recommended different materials to dust and spray for control of these insects. There were 33 present at this meeting. The next meeting will be held at the Salvation Army Center, August 4th, 7:30 o'clock. Everybody is welcome.

GETS OFF WITH A BANG

Muncie, Ind. — Quick results were obtained in a new traffic safety campaign being conducted in Muncie.

Two policemen were suspended for three days without pay by Police Chief James Carey. They were involved in minor traffic collisions.

BIB BABY!

Kankakee, Ill. — Gigi, a Mexican Chihuahua, won't go to bed at night until she has her baby pacifier. Gigi was only six weeks old when she found a home with the Rene Raymonds, and she whined for her mother at night. To keep her calm and happy, the Raymonds gave her a pacifier to chew on.

Walnut L. L. Defeats Hot Springs, 15-12

The Little Leaguers of Walnut outscored Hot Springs, 15-12 in a game played at Walnut Tuesday. Micky Tweed had 4 for 4 for Walnut. Ronnie Meadows pitched all the way for Walnut while Shelton and Tolley toiled for Hot Springs.



Wool being spun at the high wheel just as in pioneer days. The spinning lady always draws a big crowd at the Craftsman's Fair in Asheville, which opens Monday. Other old-time handicrafts which fascinate visitors are vegetable dyeing, weaving, pottery, basketry, whittling, mountain chair making, shuckery, metalwork and quilting. —Photo by Fred Maroon.

Marshall Department Store's July

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