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Left to right, Dr. Kelly Bennett of Bryson City, and two men from the North Carolina State Highway Commission. Dr. Kelly Bennett is driving the first stake for the highway from Bryson City to Fontana Village.

Dr. Kelly Bennett is a pharmacist, and owner of Bennett's Bryson City Drug Store. He is a leading citizen of Swain County, and has an interesting background. His father was a doctor, and practiced medicine on the Cherokee Indian Reservation all his adult life.

Mr. John Randolph, lawyer of Bryson City, says that Dr. Bennett knows more about North Carolina than any other person living; that he "hoofed" it from one end of the Smoky Mountain Park to the other; was with three different Secretaries of the Interior during negotiations for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

This picture was taken in 1930.