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## FARM LOAN ASS'N FOR TRANSYLVANIA

Enthusiastic Farmers Met in Brevard Tuesday and Expressed Desire to Organize Farm Loan Association.

Transylvania county will most likely have a farm loan association, the object of which will be to obtain long loans of money at low interest by the farmers.

E. S. Millsaps was scheduled to attend the meeting but an engagement here and at Hendersonville conflicted through some oversight. Those in attendance were fortunate in having a number present who had studied the farm loan act, the merits of which were presented by Prof. T. C. Henderson.

Different phases of the act were discussed and the minimum amount of \$20,000 necessary for organization was tentatively subscribed for with a surplus of \$2,800 and with more than the necessary number of applicants, ten being required.

Another meeting for organization will be held on Monday, Dec. 22, hour to be given in an outline of the farm loan act to be presented by Prof. Henderson in next week's News.

Following are the names of those who enlisted with the view to becoming members of the association, others to be admitted at the organization meeting:

P. J. Woodfin, John S. Boggs, C. F. Woodfin, T. C. Henderson, J. T. Justus, R. H. Zachary, E. A. Allison, C. F. Baldwin, E. E. Ledbetter, O. J. Morgan, T. O. Trash, Americus Heath, F. Henderson, M. L. Hamilton, W. R. Kilpatrick, B. W. Henderson.

## CARPENTERS UNION TO HAVE BANQUET

Carpenters Union, Local No. 1614, has issued invitations to a banquet to be held at Hotel Cray at 8:30 o'clock on Friday night of this week.

Among the speakers will be G. H. Lindsey, president of the Central Labor Union of Asheville; J. F. Barrett, recording secretary of the same organization and W. E. Breese of Brevard.

The committee on arrangements is composed of Harold Hardin, chairman; H. M. Miller and T. B. Summey, jr.

## COMMISSIONERS MET; MEET AGAIN MONDAY

The county commissioners met this week and will meet again next Monday in regard to adjustments with the county treasurer and tax collector.

Routine business claimed the attention of the board.

W. A. Brown was re-appointed keeper of the county home. His bid provided for caring for inmates at \$7.00 per month for each individual.

## NEARLY 2,000 RED CROSS SEALS SOLD

Miss Katherine Erwin, who conducted the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals in Transylvania,



reports the sale of 1,459 seals, but this does not represent the total sales since some of the schools have not been heard from.

## KILLED BY GAS

Sheriff Davis and Road Supervisor Foster of Walhalla, S. C., died from asphyxiation last week in New Jersey, where they went to take a man into custody.

## ORA L. JONES WRITES COUNTY'S HISTORY

According to the announcement of the Asheville Citizen elsewhere in the News, Ora L. Jones, of Brevard, is compiling Transylvania's history to be published in serial form in the Sunday Citizen.

The first installment will appear next Sunday. It will touch upon the original settlement of the county soon after the Revolutionary war



ORA L. JONES  
Compiler of Transylvania County History.

when instead of being a country of virgin forests, as would naturally be supposed, it was practically a prairie with the exception of a few wild cherry trees in the present vicinity of Cherryfield.

During his residence of five years in Transylvania, when he was running the Sylvan Valley News until the past year, Mr. Jones gathered items of historical interest and when recently requested by Editor James H. Caine, of the Asheville Citizen, to compile this information for publication in serial form in the Sunday Citizen Mr. Jones dug more diligently into unwritten history by interviewing some of the older citizens of the county with an historical bent of mind. While others in Transylvania have been collecting facts with the view to publishing a history, it is understood that the compilation by Mr. Jones will be the first to see the light of publicity.

## BREVARD METHODIST CHURCH TO BEGIN REVIVAL ON FEB. 4

The Brevard Methodist church will begin a revival on February 4. Rev. W. E. Poovey, the pastor, will conduct the meeting but will have some outside assistance part of the time.

D. Ward Milam, a noted evangelistic singer, who recently conducted the singing at the Central Methodist church at Asheville and at a tabernacle meeting in Gastonia, will conduct the musical end of these meetings, which will last for ten days or two weeks.

## BREVARD INSTITUTE NOTES

Most of the students, who went home for the holidays returned Tuesday night. A few were detained at home by illness in their families.

School re-opened Wednesday morning with the usual chapel exercises and classes were resumed at the usual periods.

Quite a number of new students have entered school since the holidays and others are coming in later on. Among new students registered already are the following: May and Carrie Quielt, of Whittier, Willie Best of Clyde, Eugene Smith of Gastonia, Miles Hamrick of Shelby, Oba Wilson of Spartanburg, Effie Brown of Argura, May Gillespie of Brevard.

Misses Poindexter and Kirk went to Asheville on Tuesday returning at night.

Cecil Sheffield and John Hamrick spent a day in Asheville during the vacation.

New or renewal subscriptions (beginning January 1) will cost \$1.00 for one year, 60 cents 6 months, 35 cents 3 months, 25 cents for 2 months.

## BREVARD WILL NEED MANY NEW HOMES TO CARE FOR THE INCREASED POPULATION

The population of Brevard, it is confidently expected, will practically double within a year. A great amount of skilled labor will be necessary for the operation of the new plant. The vacant houses for rent or sale are not here in sufficient number to take care of the expected influx in population and this is claiming the attention of Joseph S. Silverstein. He fears that there will not be sufficient accommodations in Brevard to comfortably take care of his help and he is anxious to see many buildings erected.

He is having trouble of this kind at Rosman, where he is building three new homes and has others under contemplation.

Mr. Silverstein says that homes ranging in prices from \$1,500 to \$2,500 will be in great demand and he is anxious to see a large number of these erected immediately. The owners of the plant do not wish to erect any dwellings and will not do so unless forced to it in order to take care of employees.

Brevard should be equal to the demand for buildings.

## NEWSPAPERS TALK OF BREVARD'S FORTUNE

TRANSYLVANIA TANNING CO. GETS WIDE PUBLICITY.

Brevard Praised for Public-spirit-ness; Tannery and Belt Plant Forerunners

Brevard is receiving valuable publicity as the result of the decision to locate the Transylvania Tanning company here with the expectation of beginning operations about July.

While considerable news publicity has been given, the following clippings in addition to those given last week, show something of what the outside world is thinking about this section:

(Jackson County Journal)

Brevard is exulting over having landed a half million dollar tannery and belt factory. The plant is supposed to be in operation by the first of July and will have a payroll of \$25,000 monthly. The factories and industrial enterprises that are being established in Western North Carolina are just a beginning of what is to come in the next few years.

(Waynesville Mountaineer)

Brevard and The News are justly proud of securing a large tannery and belting plant for that town, which means a large and regular pay roll. Waynesville should be looking for such things and when they offer to come do like Brevard citizens. They raised between \$5,000 and \$6,000, in one day to pay for a site. (It required only 30 minutes.)

(Asheville Times)

Brevard is happy over the location of a mammoth tannery. This means a tremendous boost to the town—those hustlers who went after this industry deserve the thanks of the citizenship.

(Marshall News-Record)

And now comes the Sylvan Valley News with a front page all covered up with the report under big headlines that Brevard is to have a million dollar tannery and a great belt factory which will effectually put Brevard on the map and make it a commercial center with a monthly payroll of \$25,000. The News carries the statement that the thriving little town of Brevard donates \$6,500 for a location for these big industries of which it tells. The News is exultant over the glowing prospects of the beautiful little city and foretells the certain prosperity that will follow these developments in Brevard. There is also the prophecy that the population of Brevard will quickly double its present number. The plants are expected to be in operation by July, 1917.

We rejoice in the good news from Brevard and Marshall won't envy the little city one bit if its population increases fourfold and its people all get rich, we congratulate Brevard, that magnificent little city of the hills, upon the vim and hustle of its business-like and progressive people. Evidently they know a good thing when they see it passing around and having eyes to see with and ears to hear with, they were on the job when opportunity came.

(Wilmington Star)

It is announced that work will begin in a few weeks on a half million dollar manufacturing plant, to be located just outside the incorporate limits of the town of Brevard, Trans-

## ANOTHER CAMP SCHOOL FOR GIRLS MAY COME TO BREVARD; PROSPECTIVE SIGHTS VISITED

Brevard has been visited by educational workers interested in the establishment of a summer camp school for girls in Western Carolina and the town and nearby points have been looked over with the view to selecting a desirable location.

For the past few months Miss Katherine Erwin has been corresponding with members of the faculty of the State Normal at Greensboro, whom she learned while in school there, and as a result Miss Laura C. McAllister, head of the physical training department of this institution, and Miss Edith Haight of the same department, visited Brevard last week.

Upon the arrival of the ladies Miss Erwin took them to Conestee, See-Oh, Rock Brook Farm, Davidson River, Lake Elvira, Camp Sapphire, French Broad Camp and Camp Joy for the inspection of prospective camp sites and the grounds of the local camps.

The ladies who visited Brevard will have Miss Rhoda Paster, also of the State Normal, associated with them in their enterprise. While they were well impressed with local conditions they will not make a definite decision as to location until Bat Cave, Asheville and probably other points are visited, but the location will be determined within the next few days.

Miss Erwin had enlisted the cooperation of Major H. E. Raines of the French Broad Camp, (who sees great possibilities for camp schools for girls in this section) in presenting the local desirability for such an institution.

sylvania county. That is way up in the mountains, but the whole of North Carolina is on the eve of a wonderful development and the potential elements are at work to bring it about.

Brevard's new industry, when established, will represent a capital of probably \$500,000 and a pay roll of \$25,000 a month. This announcement is made by Mr. Joseph S. Silverstein, who is associated with northern and western capitalists in the project. The enterprise is nothing less than a large tannery. The tannery is coming where tanning material is produced in large quantities, and of course, it is depending upon the increased interest in cattle-raising in the mountains. The tannery expects to get a large supply of hides in the mountain country, but possibly it may seek the opportunity to import South American hides through the port of Wilmington.

When the matter was laid before the business men of Brevard, they subscribed \$6,500 on the spot to buy a site for the tannery. Their interest was so great that the parties promoting the industry decided to locate at Brevard. They intend to construct a belt line railway and make the location suitable for other industries.

Mr. Silverstein already is largely interested in Western North Carolina. He made a great success in business at Rosman, where he is president of the Rosman Tanning Extract company, the Toxaway Tanning company and the Gloucester Lumber company. The offices of all three of these concerns will be moved to Brevard and the business of all four will be conducted there under Mr. Silverstein's management.

Cattle raising, cheese-making, creamery enterprises, tanneries and packing houses go hand in hand.

## REVIVAL SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Dr. W. D. Nowlin of Knoxville and E. L. Wolslagel, Singing Evangelist, to Begin Revival at Brevard Baptist Church.

Revival services will begin at the Brevard Baptist church on Sunday, January 14. The preaching will be done by Dr. W. D. Nowlin, who is fairly well known to Brevard people, who heard him deliver the



BAPTIST CHURCH

Institute commencement sermon at the Methodist church and another sermon at the Baptist church last spring. Dr. Nowlin has resigned his pastorate in Knoxville to accept the pastorate of the largest Baptist church in Louisville, with a membership of about 2,000.

E. L. Wolslagel of Asheville has been with the evangelistic department of the Baptist Home Mission Board for a number of years and is



E. L. WOLSLAGEL

a good soloist as well as a strong leader of congregational singing. He conducted the singing for the Southern Baptist convention at Asheville in May.

A broad invitation to attend the services is extended to all and efforts will be made to accommodate those who attend.

## GLADE CREEK PEBBLES

Mr. Perry Merrell spent Xmas with his daughters, Mesdames Capps and Shuford.

Mrs. Edith Mackey Calendar gave a family Christmas dinner.

Robert Mackey's little daughter has pneumonia fever.

Miss Rena Sentell and brothers from Hendersonville have been visiting friends in Glade Creek section.

Horace Lyday of Penrose took dinner with his aunt, Mrs. Sam Orr, Sunday.

Harrison Rhodes has just completed a nice barn.

Mrs. Cleveland Morgan of Greenville is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. E. Norton, at the Everett farm.

Pearl Lyday spent a few days with her grandfather, J. M. Orr, at Selma.

Edd Norton is to move to Collo- wies this week.

Miss Mary Bell Orr is visiting in Hendersonville.

William Collins, jr., is working at the saw mill at Pisgah Forest through the holidays.

## MANY HEARD MR. TUTTLE

Rev. Robert G. Tuttle preached to a large congregation at the Methodist church Sunday night, coming as the presiding elder of this district. He was formerly pastor here.

## MINISTERS TO MEET

A ministers meeting will be held on Monday at 10 o'clock at the home of Rev. John R. Hav. Mr. Hav will read the principal paper at this meeting.

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## FARM DEMONSTRATION FOR TRANSYLVANIA

E. S. Millsaps of Agriculture Extension Work Appears Before County Commissioners, will Decide Upon Demonstration or Monday.

E. S. Millsaps of Statesville is in charge of the farm demonstration or agricultural extension work in Western Carolina, and before the board of county commissioners Monday and on the advantages of this work urged the appointment of a demonstration worker in Transylvania.

This work is being carried on in 76 counties in North Carolina in each county the federal government is paying half the cost which is about \$1,200. The county and its organizers make up the other half.

Mr. Millsaps explained the necessity of better farming in the face of high prices and high cost of living and the scientific knowledge could be applied by the demonstrator to improved methods of farming, growing, poultry and stock raising, etc., adding that great results are being accomplished.

The government would request that an office be provided for the demonstrator to be occupied by him one day in each week, the other five work days to be spent in visiting the farmers and giving them information desired or needed. Hundreds of tracts of literature would be in the office for free distribution among the callers, these pamphlets dealing in a practical and scientific way with all subjects in which farmers, stock, poultry and fruit growers are interested.

Prof. T. C. Henderson explained to the board that when the matter was brought before the old board more than a year ago the board of education, the farmers union, the Brevard Banking company and the Brevard club agreed to contribute \$50 each toward making up the salary of the demonstrator. He thought he could have all the promises renewed.

Mr. Millsaps thinks that next July would be the practical time to begin this work and the commissioners stated that they would meet again next Monday, at which time they would come to a decision in this matter.

## MASONS OF BREVARD HOLD ANNUAL FEAST

Dunn's Rock Lodge No. 267, A. F. & A. M., gave its annual holiday get-together feast on last Friday afternoon and night. A large number of Masons with their invited friends gathered in the Masonic hall in the afternoon for a treat as to the good work this order is doing, its origin, etc.

Worshipful Master C. M. Dorle presided over the meeting, which was opened with prayer by Rev. W. E. Poovey. W. E. Breese delivered the address of welcome, the principal address of the afternoon being delivered by Curtis Bynum of Asheville, senior warden and a member of the Scottish rite degree team.

After a short talk by T. H. Gallo- way the meeting adjourned for refreshments, which were served in the old News building, thanks being returned by Rev. A. W. McDaniel before the gratification of appetites was proceeded with. After refreshments had been served adjournment was taken until 7:30 o'clock, when the master's degree was conferred upon U. C. Harwell.

H. C. Allen of Asheville accompanied Mr. Bynum to Brevard. Mr. Bynum is a good student and imparts his storehouse of information in a fascinating way, as a result of which his address on Masonry was heard with deep interest.

## MR. MOORE ACCEPTS POSITION

D. F. Moore, who with his wife and three children recently moved to Brevard from Mooresville, has accepted a position with the Brevard Hardware company. Mr. Moore comes highly recommended as a salesman, having been with one store for 13 years. Although not familiar with the hardware business he will doubtless adapt himself to it within a few days.