

**BREVARD NEWS**

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If you want to create business try a Diversified advertisement.

Judicious use of vacant lots in Brevard would go a long way toward reducing the cost of living for the town people.

Parents could to splendid advantage encourage their children to enter one or more of the contests outlined in Mr. Poovey's article in the News.

The Canton Observer and the Hendersonville Hustler both want the proposed pulp mill located in their respective towns. Transylvanians know how to chew up the wood, also.

The Pickens Sentinel announces an authorization of \$250,000 in bonds in Pickens county. That will just about mean a good road into Transylvania county, which has been discussed recently.

The Jackson County Journal announces that the new tannery at Sylva will be doubled in capacity so as to work 400 hides daily. Great things doing across the mountain and soon we'll be at it in Brevard.

Last year there was a county Sunday school rally on April 25. It was a big success and it was thought at the time that it should be an annual event. Who will take hold and push it to a successful conclusion?

The Weaver-Britt investigation into illegal practices during the election is going on in various counties and will probably be conducted in Transylvania. Come on, and if there be any dirt uncover it. The sooner the better.

The News is glad that its readers are expressing their opinions with more freedom than formerly through its columns. The editor is human. Naturally he wouldn't be greatly interested in all subjects, therefore if you have something you want said and the News hasn't said it, the columns are always open to you, whether or not you agree with the News.

**Farming and Gardening.**

It has been estimated that a back yard 25x50 feet with a small investment in seed and fertilizer could be made to supply a family of six with fresh vegetables throughout the season or yield produce worth, in cash value, from \$50 to \$100.

In the face of the high cost of living it behooves every man with a family and back yard to convert it into a money value by cultivating a garden. In addition to materially reducing the cost of living it will give wholesome exercise and result in better health and more contented minds.

It appears to the News that there are great possibilities in this respect in and around Brevard, where there is always a good market during the summer season. A few acres of ground under intensive cultivation would work wonders.

Farmers are confronted with great possibilities. Their crops were destroyed last year but the fields for the greater part on the river were covered with rich settlements and the day has come for the two proverbial blades of grass where one used to grow.

**Transylvania County History From Earliest Settlement To Present Date; Weekly Serials**

Graphic History of County Published for First Time; Covers Movements of People From Date of Earliest White Settlements in Upper French Broad Section; Published Weekly in Serial Form.

BY ORA I. JONES

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While the whites and the Indians never had any very serious difficulties in the territory now embraced in Transylvania county, the annual fall hunting trips of the Indians, in which many different tribes engaged, were a constant menace to the settlers of the French Broad valley. These hunts came with such regularity that they could be foretold. The Indians gathered at the head waters of Davidson river, crossed to west fork of French Broad, crossing the river just below the present town of Rosman, and from there through Eastatae into South Carolina, where the party would disband. This route was known as "the Indian path."

As a measure of preparedness John Carson, about the year 1800, built a fort somewhere between the Island Ford section and Conestee creek. This fort was never used. Just before the time for the annual hunt the settlers sent their wives and children over to the section now embraced in Burke county, where they remained until the hunting was over. There were no mills nearer than Burke in those days, and the grain, women and children were always sent underground.

In order to avoid trouble, a treaty was made between Col. Benjamin Hawkins, the Indian commissioner, and the Indians whereby it was agreed that a line be established between the two races, over which neither was to pass. This line was to extend from the Great Iron mountain to "the southerly branch of Little river." Since there were three streams in this section known as Little river much difficulty was found in finding the one intended. In 1797 Gen. Andrew Pickens tried to locate this line by running an extension of the Hawkins line to Mud creek, in Henderson county, which was then called Little river. This left one hundred white families on Indian territory, and so was rejected by the war department. Another effort was made in 1799 by Capt. Butler, who ran the line to a branch of the Keowee river in South Carolina, which was one of the Little rivers of that day. This left ten or twelve Indian villages

on the white side, and so it was rejected.

On June 3, 1802, an order was issued to Return J. Meigs, as commissioner, and Thomas Freeman, as surveyor, to re-survey the line. They extended the Hawkins line from the top of the Great Iron mountain to the most southerly branch of Little river, in this county, and according to the fourth annual report of the Bureau of Ethnology, published in 1882, "not a single white family was cut off or intersected, and but five Indian families were left on the Carolina side of the line." This line was therefore adopted as the line intended in the Indian treaty.

In the early days of the settlement in this county the surveyors were very careless about making and surveying tracts of land, and by reason of the importance of the Indian boundary line, always known as the "Meigs and Freeman line," it soon became the key to almost every survey made in the county. Every survey made anywhere in the neighborhood of this line, which was then well known, depended upon its relation to this line for its location. Unfortunately the record of the original survey was burned, and after many years the recollection of the oldest settlers became conflicting, and so today the title to many acres of valuable land in Transylvania and other counties is clouded by reason of the uncertainty of the location of the Meigs and Freeman line. There have been many suits in the past in which the court has endeavored to locate the line, and did locate it, but from these decisions there have been appeals, and it is quite certain that more suits will consume the time of the courts in the future. The latest decisions from the Supreme court seem to favor the contention of one set of litigants that the line passed near Quebec, "south 52 1/2 east," but while others claim it passed near Selma, and still others place it west of Toxaway, there will doubtless be further contention over the matter.

The Meigs and Freeman line, as a boundary line between the whites and Indians, lost its importance when most of the Indians were taken to the west in 1838. A company of volunteers, under Capt. J. W. Killian, was raised in this section to assist in this removal.

**DID QUEBEC MOONSHINERS ROB RAILROAD OF SHEET-IRON?**

**For What Was Sheet-Iron Taken From Railroad Trestle?—The Pound and Half Infant Died Last Week.**

QUEBEC.—Walter Reece returned home Saturday night, his school at Bollston having closed for the year. For the closing exercises the school had an excellent sermon preached by Rev. A. W. McDaniel of Brevard.

Coy Whitmore, who was seriously hurt while working on a railroad trestle near Quebec, is improving slowly, being able now to walk about the house by means of crutches.

Mrs. T. C. McCall, who has been seriously ill for some time, while improving a little, is still unable to use one arm in any way.

The little pound and a half baby of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller died on Wednesday afternoon of last week and was buried Friday morning at Rosman.

On Thursday night of last week some parties—doubtless moonshiners—pried up the ties on a railroad trestle between Quebec and Reid's siding and took from the trestle chords five tier of the sheet-iron which is used by the railroad company as a covering for the chords. It is the general opinion that those who filched this sheet-iron trestle chord protection intended to use it in the manufacture of a moonshine distilling plant. The signs about Reid's siding Saturday night seem to confirm this opinion.

EXWIZE.

**DRY BOARD MEETING**

The special and regular meeting of the town council was void of any interesting developments on Monday night, when those holding receipts for taxes advertised as due were requested to present same. Very few tax receipts were presented, the showing being much more favorable than complaints had indicated.

**HARRY PATTON IS NEW POSTMASTER AT P. FOREST**

Harry H. Patton succeeded in winning the postmastership of Pisgah Forest and he assumed his new duties on March 1, succeeding Miss Mallie English, who had been postmaster since the establishment of the office about ten years ago. After a satisfactory service of several years Miss English sent in her resignation a few months ago.

A. B. Jones and Ed. P. McCoy were also applicants for the postmastership.

Miss English is now enjoying her first vacation in several years.

**CIVILIZATION VS. BARBARISM**

Editor, Brevard News:

We have a national flag, although some people don't seem to know it to judge by their attitude, and now is the very best time to show that all true Americans are behind our president in whatever steps he thinks best to uphold the dignity of our country and protect the rights of our people on sea and land. It hardly seems possible that war with Germany can be averted, certainly not if Germany can bring it about, and we should all be ready to do our part and show our patriotism and loyalty to our country in these days, now and to come. I would like to see every one who has a flag (and get one if you don't have one) display it as long as relations with Germany are such as they are today. And before this is in print we may be at actual war with Germany. "Assume a virtue if you have it not." Even if you don't feel patriotic show that you are in touch with the rest of the country, and thereby show the president that you are backing him up even if some cowards and pro-Germans in congress are trying to hamper him.

Goethe wrote: "The Prussians are savages; civilization makes them ferocious." Do you stand for humanity and civilization, or ferocious barbarity? The lines are clean cut; put up your flag and show that you stand for civilization.

P. NOBLE SIMONS.

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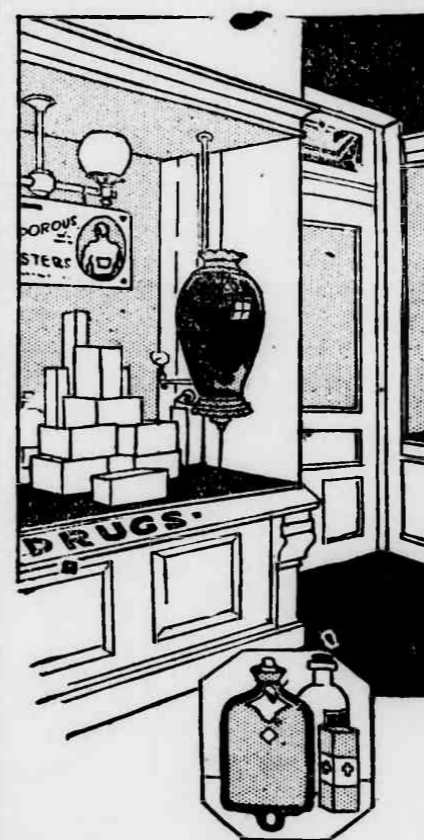
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