

**Lake Toxaway News**

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Raines and little granddaughter, Freda Jean Hall, spent last Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Ford Reid at Sapphire.

Mrs. Arrowood Lee and little son, Boyd, spent last Thursday with her mother, Mrs. Fannie McCoy.

Mrs. Henry Arrowood was a Brevard visitor Monday.

Chris Fisher made a business trip to Brevard last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gilliam moved to Waynesville last week.

Mrs. Crate McCall of Cashiers, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Cope Lee, last week.

Misses Agnes and Lora Bell and Lee Miller and Helen and Herbert Fisher spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. James Nicholson, at Sapphire.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Whitmire of Reid's Siding, a daughter, on May 2.

Lyle McCoy was a Selma visitor last Sunday.

Miss May Johnson spent last Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Inez Owen.

Miss Randolph of Rosman, spent the week-end with Miss Willie Mae Owen.

Mrs. Grady Scruggs and little son Billie, of West Asheville, spent last week with Mrs. D. C. Scruggs.

Mrs. Carl J. Moltz is spending a few days in Savannah, Ga.

H. G. Rogers is spending several days at Home this week with his family.

Little Bettie Fay Rogers spent last Sunday with Lucy Hall.

Mrs. W. P. Croom and son, Billie, of Danville, Va., spent last Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter McNeely.

Mrs. C. R. McNeely and Miss Carrie McNeely of Brevard, Mrs. Grady Scruggs of West Asheville and Mrs. D. C. Scruggs were guests of Mrs. W. W. Ray last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Fisher and children were guests of Mrs. Fisher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, last week.

Miss Mabel McNeely, who has been attending school in Brevard, is home for the vacation.

L. C. Case was a Brevard visitor Monday.

Henry McCall made a business trip to Brevard last week.

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**Interesting Chapters in W. N. C. History  
BREVARD-DAVIDSON RIVER CHURCH  
OLD PRESBYTERIAN INSTITUTION**

By  
(JUDGE ROBERT L. GASH)

**PERIOD, 1828 TO 1841**

The work of the church had been dormant for several years and when Dr. H. M. Kerr became the evangelist of the Synod of North Carolina he found the work at Davidson River as one of the items that claimed his attention. Dr. Kerr was both a powerful preacher and a wonderful organizer, two very vital requisites for an evangelist.

The work of reorganizing the church probably started during the camp meeting season of 1826. It is certain that the committee to erect a new building was in existence that year and they received a deed from Benjamin Davidson to the land where the church was erected. During the next year and a half the church was built, and for many years afterward the "Free Meeting House" was used as its name implies, as a "Free Meeting House," one Sunday of the month set aside for the Presbyterians, one for the Baptists and one for the Methodists; the fourth Sunday being open for such services as might be available from time to time by either of the denominations.

In June 1828 the Rev. Christopher Bradshaw and the three ruling elders, John Murray, G. D. Davis and Ethan Davis, requested Dr. Kerr to come to Davidson River and organize the church, (ready to re-organize the church).

Dr. Kerr complied with the request and the church was organized with the following members—chiefly old members:

Daniel Bryson, G. D. Davis, Susannah Clayton, Sarah Weese, Ann Davis, Sophie Davis, Samuel Johnson, Selina Johnson, Ann Hadden, Polly Davis, Sally Trammel, Ethan Davis, Margaret Patton, Margaret Whitzel, Hannah Rhodes, Harriet Miller, Lydia Lyndzey, Martha Bryson, Catherine Frasier, Mary Shuford, John Murray, Betsy Murray, Rebecca Murray, Elizabeth Gash, Rhoda Davis, Selina Davis, Rebecca Hefner, Rev. Daniel Davis.

On the completion of the organization Rev. Christopher Bradshaw was called as pastor and took charge and supplied the church for the succeeding thirteen years until September, 1841, when he removed to Cherokee County.

The wording in the old records is as follows: "The Rev. C. Bradshaw, by request of the aforesaid eldership and members, took charge of and supplied the church." Mr. Bradshaw also supplied other churches and part of the time he taught school.

The session held meetings whenever members were to be received into the church and whenever there might be special business for them to attend to. This being the case, most of the records of the meetings of the session (or the "eldership" as it is sometimes called in the old records) were held at the camp meetings at Mills River or at the Sacramental Meetings at Davidson River. This period also includes the record of meetings held at Cane Creek (now Fletcher), which would seem to indicate that the Davidson River field originally included the Cane Creek section as well as the Mills River section.

During this period the sessional records are silent as to Deacons. Of course this omission can readily be accounted for by the fact that the election of the Deacons was a matter to be done by the congregation, and not by the session. The records of congregational meetings were usually kept on such papers as might be found convenient, and, in the course of time, most of them have been lost.

The various records of Camp Meeting show that Mr. Bradshaw was assisted by a number of visiting preachers. In 1828 he was assisted by Mr. Lockheart, in April, 1829, by Dr. H. M. Kerr, in June and August of 1829 by Mr. Chapman. By Dr. Kerr again in October 1829. Mr. Davis assisted in June 1830, Mr. Silleman, assisted in June, 1830, Mr. Silleman, Mr. Kerr and Mr. Dixon assisted in 1831, Mr. Rankin in 1833, Mr. Burrows and Mr. Hood in 1833. Mr. Lovingsworth and Mr. Robinson in 1834, Mr. William Harrison, Mr. G. W. Mathews in 1838, Mr. Mathews, John Paisley and George Dunahow in 1839. In 1841 Mr. G. W. Mathews and Mr. J. B. Lay assisted Mr. Brad-

shaw in his final camp meeting held at Mills River just before he moved, with his family, to Cherokee County.

More than one hundred members united with the church during Mr. Bradshaw's pastorate and these members include a large proportion of, and many of the best citizens of those living in and near the valleys of French Broad, Davidson River and Mills River, and also include four or five slaves. In October, 1835, John Clayton, Jr., was elected and ordained a ruling elder.

One of the side lights in this period is of interest to all the people of this section. The church was reorganized and Mr. Bradshaw installed as pastor in June, 1828. John Clayton was one of the early members of the church. The following Christmas Day, his son Ephraim Bradshaw Clayton, was born. He was named Bradshaw for Rev. Christopher Bradshaw, and Ephraim for his uncle, Ephraim Clayton. E. B. Clayton united with the Davidson River Church in 1859 and a few years later united with the Enon Baptist Church, organized near the present station of Penrose. Mr. Clayton, for many years, was a frequent attendant at Davidson River, and it was a very unusual thing for him to miss Davidson River Day. He lived to be a few months more than one hundred years old and died in 1929.

Mr. Clayton was born in Buncombe County, lived in Henderson County at the time of his first marriage, and spent the last sixty-eight years of his life in Transylvania County, and all of his life lived within about a mile of the place of his birth and also the place of his death. This is accounted for by the fact that this section was part of Buncombe County from 1791 to 1838, part of Henderson County from 1838 until 1861 and Transylvania County since 1861. Mr. Clayton, or "Uncle Doc," as he was familiarly called, was known and loved by the people of this section of the country through three or four generations. It was a proud day in his life when he attended the Centennial Celebration of Davidson River Church held in 1828. The people at that time dating the organization of the church from the reorganization in June, 1828; then believing that prior to that date it had merely been a preaching point under the jurisdiction of Swannanoa Church.

The original deed from Benjamin Davidson was made to the trustees of the "free meeting house" and did not specify any denomination. A year and a half after this deed was delivered the Davidson River Presbyterian Church was reorganized, and continued the organization that had been made about twenty-eight years before.

While the Methodists and Baptists held meetings regularly in this church for many years, so far as I can learn, they organized no churches at this point. From all the information I can gather the members of the Davidson River Church who were inclined to the Methodists joined with the brethren in the organization of the Oak Grove Church and in like manner when the Baptists organized the Enon Church.

The old church roll of Davidson River Church contains many names who belonged to the Oak Grove and Enon Churches a couple of generations ago.

(To Be Continued)

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a deed in trust executed on the 25th day of January A. D. 1926 by Emily Upshaw to Judson McCrary, trustee, which said deed in trust is duly recorded in the office of the Register of deeds of Transylvania County in Book 24 page 287 and indexed in said office and to which said index and record reference is hereby made and the same made a part hereof for the purpose of description, and default having been made in the payment of both principal and interest on the notes secured by the said deed in trust and legal demand having been made for the payment of same by the holder of said notes, and all other legal notices having been duly given, the undersigned Trustee will, on the 16 day of May, 1931 at 12:00 o'clock M. offer for sale at public auction and sell to the highest bidder FOR CASH at the Court House door in the town of Brevard, County of Transylvania, State of North Carolina, the following piece, parcel or lot of land, and all interests therein as described in said deed in trust and said land being more particularly described as follows:

Lying and being in the town of Brevard, on the corner of Cascade Avenue and Hill Street, and more particularly described in a deed from Zero W. Nichols and wife, Leslie A. Nichols to Miss Emily Upshaw. Deed dated January 25th 1926 and registered in Book 57 at page 234 of the deed records of Transylvania county.

Said sale being made for the purpose of satisfying said debt, interest, cost and expenses of said sale.

This 16 day of April 1931  
JUDSON McCRARY, Trustee.  
April 16-23-30 May 7

**Pleasant Grove News**

The children and grandchildren of J. M. Grey gave him a surprise birthday dinner at his home here Sunday, April 26. Mr. Grey was seventy-eight years old on that date. Those present at the dinner were: Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Grey, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Grey, Mrs. Ida Rushton, Mrs. J. M. Grey, Miss Rosa Grey, Misses Mildred, Ethel, Eula and Florence Grey, Arrie Rushton; Messrs. Earl and Alvin Grey all of this place; Rev. John Sentelle, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Sentelle, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Sentelle, Miss Una and Fred Sentelle of Underwood Mountain, and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Grey and small sons, J. W. and Harold, of Pisgah Forest.

Mr. and Mrs. Egerton Fletcher are the proud possessors of a new boy, born April 27.

Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Miller of Fairview, were guests of Mrs. Ida Rushton, Saturday.

Miss Nancy Bell and Miss Florence Blythe of Balfour, were weekend guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blythe.

Alvin Grey visited his sister, Mrs. Carl Killian of Brevard, Wednesday.

Misses Florence, Kate, and Jewel Blythe, Sue Hamilton and Arrie Rushton, Mr. and Mrs. Creed Banks and Messrs Alvin Grey and Alden Drake attended a party given at the home of Mrs. Robert Wilson, of Beulah, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Banks of West Asheville, visited Mr. and Mrs. S. Hamilton Wednesday.

A number of Pleasant Grove people attended the singing at Blantyre on Sunday.

J. H. Drake, who has been employed in Washington, D. C., has returned to his home here.

Rev. J. E. Osteen and family of Crab Creek, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Grey, of this place.

**ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE**

State of North Carolina  
Transylvania County  
In The Superior Court

Having qualified as administrator of the estate of Perry Merrill, deceased, late of Transylvania County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased, to exhibit them to the undersigned at his home in Little River Township, on or before the 6th day of May 1932, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 6th day of May 1931.  
Frank P. Shuford, Administrator.  
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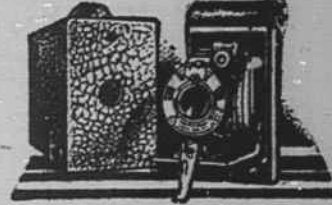
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A caravan of Ford Trucks and Commercial Cars will arrive in Brevard Tuesday, May 12th, which will include express bodies of different sizes, panel bodies for varied uses, rack bodies, coal bodies, ice truck, police patrol, service body, complete line of dump bodies and full range of specially built Ford bodies for light commercial delivery.

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