

TWO GIRLS WIN ECUSTA NURSES SCHOLARSHIP

Two more Transylvania girls have been selected for Ecusta Scholarships for training as nurses by the Nursing Scholarship Committee. This brings to a total of four the number of Transylvania girls who have been chosen under the program started last year.

The newly-selected girls are Sallie Marie Graveley and Helen Kathleen McCrary.

Both girls have been accepted for training at Charity Hospital, New Orleans, which is connected with Louisiana State University. They will begin the three-year course of

training in September as pre-clinical students. She has prepared herself from an early age for a nursing career, influenced by an aunt whose work as a nurse she greatly admired. Helen concentrated in school on courses that would help—General Science, Biology, Latin. She intends to major in surgical nursing and, like Sallie, hopes to return to Transylvania County to follow her career.

The two previous recipients of Ecusta Nursing Scholarships are Dorothea Jo Price, who entered the Memorial Mission School of Nursing at Asheville, in September, 1950, and Sarah Mull, who entered the same school last March. Miss Price was capped in February and Miss Mull is due for her cap next month. Both are graduates of Brevard High School.

Under the Ecusta program, the Committee of Transylvania County Citizens which selects the scholarship recipients is composed of the Superintendent of Transylvania Schools, the County Health Nurse, the President of Transylvania County Medical Association, and the President of the Transylvania Ministerial Association.

The same members have served on the commit-



Left to right: Miss Helen Kathleen McCrary, Mr. J. B. Jones and Miss Sallie Marie Graveley.

tee since the program was started last year. They are: Mr. J. B. Jones, Mrs. Jessie Lollis, Dr. J. B. Lynch, and Rev. B. W. Thomason.

Officials of the company express the hope that the scholarship program will provide an incentive and needed help for girls of high character and ability who have a desire to prepare themselves for the nursing profession.

The program was undertaken by Ecusta in the belief that the community as a whole, including the Ecusta Paper Corporation and its employees, will benefit as a result. One benefit is seen in the likelihood that more well-qualified and well-trained nurses will become available in the community as the program goes on.

It is pointed out, however, that scholarships are granted without any condition requiring or expecting that recipients necessarily will return to this area to practice nursing.

After next year, when the third pair of girls is selected, there will be six girls attending school each year with the aid of these Ecusta scholarships. After six months they will become uniformed nurses and, upon successful completion of the