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## CONGRESSIONAL BEE IS HUMMING LOUDLY

### JUDGE JUSTICE THROWS HIS HAT IN THE RING

#### Several Names Mentioned in Connection With Race to Re- tire Congressman Britt.

Politics is warming up in the Tenth Congressional district.

The Democrats are casting around for congressional timber.

The losses are clamoring for harmony but the congressional bees are getting too thick to guarantee absolute harmony.

Judge M. H. Justice of Lutherfordton has announced that his



Congressman J. J. Britt.

candidate is altogether in the hands of his friends.

Zebulon Weaver of Asheville is an avowed candidate for the nomination.

The names of Solomon Gallert of Rutherfordton, J. W. Haynes and Robert R. Williams of Asheville, have been discussed in this connection.

MR. BRITTS SAWING WOOD

Congressman Britt, whose scalp the Democrats are seeking, is sawing wood. He has introduced a bill to appropriate \$200,000 for plans in the French Broad river, at Buck Shoals. The work is to blast out a channel or by other proper engineering projects to remove obstructions hitherto placed in the river by the United States government and to take such other steps as may be necessary at that point to drain the lands located between Asheville and Brevard.

WANTS FISH HATCHERY.

Representative Britt is endeavoring to have a fish hatchery and fish cannery established in the Tenth District. He introduced a bill that would provide \$75,000 for the purchase of a site, construction of buildings and ponds and equipment at some suitable point to be determined by the United States commissioner of fish and fisheries.

It has been contended for many years that a fish hatchery in western North Carolina would do well because of the very excellent water furnished by the mountain streams. Former Representative Gudgeon introduced a bill for the same purpose several years ago.

## EARTHQUAKE FELT IN BREVARD

A general earth tremor over the Southern states east of the Mississippi river late Monday afternoon was distinctly felt in Brevard, where it lasted for about a minute. Some of the buildings trembled to such an extent that the occupants vacated them for safety.

No damage is reported from any source. The center of the disturbance has not been located.

The shock is reported as having been the worst since the Charleston earthquake in 1886.

## COUNTY TEACHERS TO MEET FEBRUARY 26.

### Supt. Henderson Urges good At- tendance; Highly Compliments Work of Teachers; Program.

Prof. T. C. Henderson has mailed to the public school teachers of the county an urgent call for a good attendance at the teachers' meeting to be held on Feb. 26, which will be the last meeting of the present school year.

The following program has been arranged for the teachers' meeting to be held on February 26, which will be the last meeting for the present school term:

10:00 a. m.—Opening exercises, Rev. W. E. Poovey.

10:20 a. m.—Explanation of the medal given by U. D. C., Miss Annie Gash.

10:40 a. m.—Fifteen minute talks on the following subjects taken from Dodge & Hichway's "The Teaching of Geography in Elementary Schools."

"Scope and Purposes of Geography," J. C. Jones.

"Relation of Geography to Other Subjects," Miss McIntosh.

"Preparation, Organization and Conduct of Lesson," A. E. Mitchell.

"Home Geography and the World Whole," Miss Cantrell.

"Geography in the Intermediate Grades," Clyde McCall.

"Commercial and Industrial Geography," C. J. Ashworth.

"Use and Misuse of Maps," Miss Poole.

12:25 p. m.—Noon recess.

1:30 p. m.—Betterment Association.

"What Has Been Accomplished in This State Through Betterment Organization," Miss Goode.

"Ten of Some Decimate Work That Has Been Accomplished in Our Neighboring Counties," Miss Cannon.

"Specific Needs That May Be Accomplished Through a Live Betterment," A. P. Bell.

"The Advantages of Organized Work," Noah C. Miller.

2:15 p. m.—Benefits of Summer Schools," W. E. Poovey.

2:35 p. m.—Plans for county commencement.

## BREVARD INSTITUTE NOTES

A number of our students went to Davidson River last Saturday night to assist in the program given at Davidson River school. There were two wagon loads.

Mrs. Beulah Carter of Mooresville, N. C., is visiting her daughter Gladys at the Institute.

Miss Mabel Gileland, a former student of the Institute, was a guest of Miss Leatherwood for a few days this week.

The final examinations for the second term are in progress this week. The spring term will begin February 29.

The date for "Twelfth Night" has been set for Monday night, March 6.

## QUEBEC HONOR ROLL

First Grade: Helen Henderson, Vera McCall, Lyle Henderson, Noah Whitmore, Willie Whitmore.

Second: Broadus Henderson, Alvin Smith, Calvin Smith, Mae Smith, Nellie Thomas, Virgie Whitmore, Pauline Young.

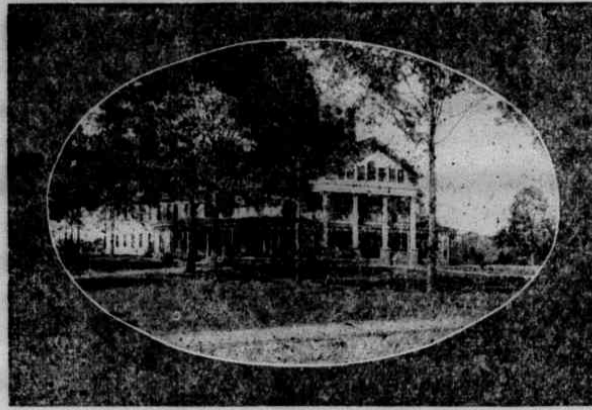
Third: Ruth McCall, Geneva McCall.

Fourth: Annie Thomas, Sonora Smith, Lonnie Young.

Sixth: Wilma Chapman, Beulah Reid, DeWitt McCall.

Seventh: Marvin McCall, Pauline Young.

## Franklin Hotel Sold To Charlotte Interests



THE FRANKLIN

The Southland Trust company of Charlotte has purchased the Franklin hotel of Brevard, according to information received here.

The purchaser of this popular summer hostelry is said to have under contemplation extensive improvements that would give the Franklin a number of modern touches in order to make it more in keeping with the demands made of hotels catering to a tourist patronage.

Fred. W. Symmes, W. D. Parrish and T. C. Cower of Greenville, the late owners, held the property for about two years.

Attorney R. L. Gash has passed upon the title to the property and since it was found satisfactory those having first hand information on the deal do not believe that there will be any hitch.

The Franklin was built by John Franklin Hays several years ago when Transylvania was booming as a result of the building of the railroad into this county.

John Paul Lucas of Charlotte is president of the company taking over the hotel, which is valued in the neighborhood of \$50,000.

## HOW THE BUILDING AND LOAN PLAN HELPS THE SHAREHOLDER

As will be seen elsewhere in the News, the Brevard Building & Loan association opens its fifteenth series of stock on March 18.

In order that the people not acquainted with its methods may know more of them, the following is quoted from the Andrews Sun:

"To show one of the advantages of such an association, we will take for example a man owning a building lot but renting the house in which he lives because he is unable to borrow sufficient money to build, to say nothing of the rate of interest he might have to pay. Say that this man wanted to build a \$1000 house on his property, with the aid of a building and loan association he could do it, and the following is the way it could be done: This man if he is wise will know what he wants and at the time the building and loan association is being organized he will apply for 10 shares of stock which at \$100 each will amount to \$1000 in stock. For each share of stock he will pay \$25 a week or for the 10 shares his weekly payments will be \$250 and as he took out the stock at the organization of the association he would be a member of the first series and would not be compelled to wait the customary six months for the opening of the second series. At his first opportunity after applying for his stock this man applies for a loan, hence he is one of the first to be considered when the association is in a position to make loans. After he has carried his stock for say four months he is granted a loan of \$1000 at 6 per cent interest, and the house is immediately built. A house that costs \$1000, built on a lot worth \$250, should rent for, according to the rate charged here, at least \$15.00 a month. The man will then move into his new home and the \$15.00 a month he saves in rent, will keep up his \$10.00 a month payments to the building and loan association and pay the interest on his loan and at the end of 6 or 7 years his stock becomes fully paid up and he has a home of his own.

"There are many other advantages. For instance, a man not desiring to build a home is given an excellent opportunity to save a certain proportion of his earnings each week that will earn for him a rate of interest practically double the rate he would get at a savings bank and he has the privilege of withdrawing his money upon 30 days' notice."

## TENTATIVE PROGRAM; C'NTY COMMENCEMENT

The committee appointed by Superintendent T. C. Henderson at the last teachers' meeting to assist in arranging a program for the county commencement, met Saturday and agreed on the following program, subject to amendments:

Commencement to be held April 14 in the court house.

County schools assemble in front of Brevard graded school building.

Schools march through various streets of Brevard and assemble in the court house.

Devotional exercise by Rev. W. E. Poovey.

Declamation contest, seventh grade, one boy admitted from every school.

Recitation contest, seventh grade, one girl from each school.

Address (speaker to be secured.)

Contests in English composition, two prizes given by Row, Peterson & Co.

Contest for U. D. C. medal, high school pupils.

Spelling contest, sixth and seventh grades, four pupils from each school.

Athletic contest directed by J. Clyde Jones.

Recitation and Declamation contest between high school pupils.

Awarding of diplomas, prizes, etc.

Music to be furnished by classes from various schools.

## P. N. SMITH FATALLY SCALDED IN EXPLOSION AT ROSMAN

As a result of an explosion of an autoclave at the Rosman extract plant Saturday night P. N. Smith of Salem, S. C., was fatally scalded and Dock Galloway and Jack Sease sustained painful but not critical injuries.

The explosion is said to have enveloped Mr. Smith in steam and hot water until he was burned so badly that the flesh could be rubbed from the bones. The explosion happened about 10 o'clock at night and Mr. Smith survived until about 3. All possible medical attention was given him, but to but little avail.

Dock Galloway is said to have rushed in to rescue Mr. Smith and suffered injuries to his leg. Jack Sease is understood to have then rushed in to rescue Mr. Galloway or Mr. Smith and was badly scalded. It is not believed that his burns will prove serious.

Mr. Smith was about twenty years old. The remains were shipped to Waltham on Sunday.

## BREVARD AGAIN HAS BIG RAILROAD VISION

### Farsighted Greenville People Enjoy the Vision of Possible Developments of Proposed Railroad From Knoxville Through Transylvania.

Transylvania county a few years ago voted bonds for the construction of a railroad over which it has periodically dreamed and beheld visions.

Greenville has been subject to similar hallucinations and the following is reproduced from the Greenville Piedmont for what readers may take it to be worth:

"In the great aluminum development in east Tennessee farsighted citizens have visions of great possibilities for Greenville, inasmuch as the Southern Railway is now making preparations to extend its line from Maryville in this direction, over the route which several years ago the Southern proposed to build an extension with the Greenville, S. C., district as the ultimate terminus of the line.

"Prospects of this great development are clearly stated in the following story culled from the Appalachian Trade Journal:

"The second step in what promises to be a vast development in the aluminum industry in Blount county, Tennessee, will soon be taken by the Aluminum Company of America, as it is announced that it will soon begin the construction of the first of a series of hydroelectric plants on the Little Tennessee river 58 miles south of Knoxville.

"The Aluminum company already has a smelting plant, employing at present about 500 men, at Maryville, Tenn.

"On December 15th, the Southern Railway, at its offices in Washington, let a contract to Oliver & Hill Construction company of Knoxville to grade a three-mile extension of its Tennessee and Carolina line, which at present runs from Maryville to Chilhowee, Tenn. Twelve miles are already graded beyond Chilhowee. This additional three miles is already under construction.

"After acquiring the rights of this company, the aluminum interests secured the riparian rights for 40 miles up the Little Tennessee river, along which it is said they can develop four hundred thousand horse power. In so doing, however, they will overflow the right of way of the Southern Railway, over which several years ago Southern Railway proposed to build an extension to its line to Fontana, N. C., with the Greenville, S. C., district as the ultimate terminus of the extension.

"In order to overflow the original right of way the Southern Railway, the aluminum company paid \$500,000 to the Southern Railway and agreed to pay an additional amount of \$500,000 whenever the Southern Railway decided to build the extension to Fontana."

## CEDAR MT. MUSICAL CONCERT

The Cedar Mountain choir under the leadership of Prof. H. M. Eagle of Virginia will give a musical concert at the Brevard auditorium on Monday night at 7:30 o'clock.

Prof. Eagle has been conducting a musical institute at Cedar Mountain for several weeks and the choir is said to be in excellent shape to render a musical treat since Cedar Mountain singers have an enviable reputation for good music.

As will be seen by the announcement elsewhere in the News, a concert will be given by the choir at Rosman on Tuesday night.

## 113 NEWS READERS SINCE JANUARY 1

### NEW SUBSCRIBERS GAINED DAILY—THEIR NAMES

#### Red Danger Signals Attracted Attention—Notice to Delin- quent Subscribers.

Those red reminders and expiration notices pasted in last week's News caused some people to hurry up with the price of renewal. Others promised to settle within a few days, but there are others who have not replied. That means that the News will do what it said—quit its regular weekly visit.

Some man who pays great big taxes and who says his credit is good may bellow about this decision, but let him bellow, his big credit does not help our pay roll unless he says "let the news come along and I will pay you." That's what we call an "arrangement" and unless such is made or payment is forthcoming, the News will not thrust itself upon anybody. All it seeks is an invitation. But the "arrangement" has to be made definitely for we will think that delinquent subscribers do not want to renew. Silence is dangerous for the delinquent subscriber.

Materials are too high to risk any loss in poor-paying subscribers. At the low price of \$1 per year we are not on the safe side until we jingle the dollar.

The News has succeeded in passing the 100 mark in new subscriptions since the first of the year. The new list now numbers 113 and the renewals 135.

The firm of Kilpatrick & Galloway was listed as a renewal last week when it should have been in the list of new subscriptions.

New and renewal subscriptions received since last week follow:

### New Subscribers.

Mrs. W. R. Hackney	Charlotte
W. H. Smith	Wolf Mountain
Jerome Moltz	Williamsport, Pa.
A. P. Bell	Salsburg
J. L. Waldrop	Cherryfield
E. E. Lewis	Brevard
C. L. Morris	Lake Toxaway
W. H. Summey	Rosman
L. A. Kilgore, (col.)	Brevard
M. L. Hamilton	Etowah, R. I.
C. Green	Rosman
W. A. Mauck	Selma
E. C. Hamlin	Burban, Missouri

### Renewals.

John H. Owen	Brevard
D. L. English	Brevard
C. D. Davenport	Brevard, R. 2
M. N. Moore	Lake Toxaway
W. A. Whitmore	Calvert
Mrs. Joe McGuire	Hendersonville
Mrs. B. L. Cunningham	Fletcher
C. H. Frowbridge	Brevard
Miss Clessie Whitmore	Rosman
Rev. A. W. McDaniel	Brevard
R. H. Zachary	Brevard
Miss Grace Johnson	Walnut Grove, Ala.
S. O. Gillespie	Marshall

## GRAVE YARD AND FOREST FIRES

The Brevard fire department was called out Sunday afternoon to fight what appeared would be a costly blaze in the old Brevard cemetery and the surrounding woods.

The fire is said to have started from a match at the hands of a little boy. The wind was strong and for a while it was feared that the fire would reach the buildings to the rear of the residence of Dr. W. J. Wallis.

The grave yard was thoroughly cleaned off by the blaze.

There were big forest fires in the mountains Sunday to the left of the Brevard-Hendersonville road and the blazes were fanned by a high wind. Smoke from another fire to the south of Brevard was seen.

The mountain fires were quite spectacular at night. Large areas of land were burned over.