

THINGS POLITICAL GETTING ATTENTION

Prospects Are That Each Office Will Have Several Men Seeking Them

Political things in Transylvania county have begun to warm up considerably, with attention divided between local and national affairs. In the local field there is possibility of at least four men for representative in the general assembly; three for tax collector; six for register of deeds; four or five for sheriff; and at least nine who would like to serve the county on the board of commissioners. The clerk of court office will not be open this fall, as the clerk is elected for four year term.

In the congressional district, two Republicans loom up, with a much larger group of Democrats who would like to fill the place now held by Congressman Weaver, with the possibility of the Townsend Old Age Pension plan group putting their state manager, W. B. Fisher, into the race on an independent ticket.

Democrats are looking with longing eyes toward the governor's chair, with two or more Republicans also asserting their rights to the place.

In the race for president, all styles and types of leaders and would-be leaders are emphatically asserting their right to leadership of the nation. Roosevelt is chief contender for the place in Democratic circles, with the Liberty League, anti-new dealers, share-the-wealth proponents, and on down the line to Governor Talmadge of Georgia who wants the place on a ticket of "shattered Democrats and Republicans" combined. The Republican setup favors such leaders as Hoover, Borah, Fisk, Kew, with other "dark horses" in the offing.

Altogether, politics are holding plenty of attention among all circles, and this section is keeping step with others in interest.

Brevard Collegian Wins State Contest

John Davis of Haywood County has been announced as state champion for 1935 in the annual 4-H club contest and has been awarded a one-year scholarship to North Carolina State College and a gold medal. Davis produced 140 bushels of corn in one acre at a cost of \$29.67. He also won the district prize for the Southwestern district and a \$25.00 scholarship to the annual 4-H short course to be held this summer.

L. R. Harrell, state club leader also has announced that Atas Finch of Wilson County was awarded the district prize for the Northeastern district; Marvin Foyles of Lenoir County, the Southeastern district and Don Gregory, the Northwestern district. Each of these winners will receive a free scholarship to the annual 4-H short course. Mr. Harrell says the one-year scholarship was made possible by the Barrett Company while the gold medal and short course scholarships were donated by the Chilean Natives of Sala Educational Bureau.

Young Reno, a student at Brevard College, had already won a one-year scholarship to State College in the 4-H club contest.

BTU Group Meeting Held At Mt. Moriah

The upper district BTU met with the Calvert Union Sunday afternoon for its regular quarterly meeting.

The meeting was opened by the congregation singing the B.Y.T.U. song, "Devotion to Christ," led by Paul Glazener. Miss Montrose Galloway of the Calvert Union led the devotionals, using as her subject, "His Church the Messenger of Good Will."

Brother "His Church the Messenger of Good Will to All Races," was very ably presented by Rev. J. N. ... of the Rosman Union. Randall ... associate director of association B.T.U., gave an interesting talk, using as his subject, "Visions of a South."

The last number on the program was a playlet, "Two Dollars," presented by Misses Lila Gillespie and Helen Owen of the Cherryfield union.

NEW FORD AGENCY TO OPEN OFFICES HERE

Announcement is being made by the Ford Motor company of Detroit, Mich., of the appointment of the Duckworth Motor Sales as Ford dealer for Transylvania county, with headquarters at Brevard.

Walter Duckworth will be manager of the new company, and already has taken active charge of the sales here. New cars are now available, although the sales room has not been opened.

Fifteen Negroes On Transylvania Farms

There are only 15 negro farmers in Transylvania county, according to the University News Bulletin, published in Raleigh after a check-up of race of farmers throughout the state.

A total of 1,678 farms in the county, the Bulletin shows, 1,063 of which are operated by whites. In Mitchell, Watauga, Clay, Haywood and Dare counties there are fewer colored farmers than in Transylvania.

There are 69,373 negro farmers in the state, largest group—2,706 being in Halifax county.



Dancers from Brevard and Transylvania county have been invited to attend the President's Ball at Hendersonville on Thursday night of this week. There will be no ball given here, and Mayor Al Edwards of Hendersonville invites the people here to attend the one at Hendersonville.

The ball will be given at the American Legion Home, with Rogers' five-piece orchestra furnishing the music for both round and square dancing.

Tickets are on sale at Hendersonville at 75 cents per couple. Seventy per cent of the proceeds of the ball goes for aid to local infantile paralysis cases, while 30 per cent goes into the national infantile paralysis fund.

It is expected that twenty or more couples from Transylvania will attend the ball at Hendersonville tonight.

Mrs. Patton Named Certification Head

Mrs. Charles Y. Patton has been appointed certification officer for Transylvania county and will be the recognized agency for certifying people for work on the WPA who have for various reasons been taken from the relief rolls before November first of last year.

Mrs. Patton has been active in welfare and betterment work for a number of years in this county and is especially fitted for the position to which she has been appointed by the state department of welfare, under which setting the certification officer was appointed for work in the WPA.

In addition to her work as certification officer, Mrs. Patton will also be assistant welfare officer. Under the plan Mrs. Patton will have charge of case work, investigating and other work attending to the office of welfare officer. Her salary and expenses will be paid by state and federal funds.

An office has been fitted up for the new work in the upstairs section of the court house, and clerical help is being furnished through the WPA.

Hospital To Conduct Registry For Nurses

For the convenience of doctors, nurses, and the public, a registry for nurses will be conducted by the Lyday Memorial hospital. It was announced following a meeting of the board of trustees of the local Duke Endowment institution on Tuesday evening.

All nurses, both trained and practical, are asked to register with the hospital superintendent, Miss Dillard, and then when there is call for a nurse by either a doctor or a patient, the hospital will be enabled to furnish names from which the selection of a nurse for the particular case may be made.

There will be no charge for this registry. It was announced, the idea being to assist doctors, nurses, and patients in making contacts.

Boylston Highway In Good Condition

Boylston highway, closed following the heavy snow and resultant bad weather, has again been opened to the public, and is in fair condition.

Repairs in the worst places have been effected by District Engineer Ernest Webb, and the road is again being traveled considerably. Work on the road to Hendersonville is progressing very good, and promises to be in fair order before the summer season.

Driver License Revoked

Revocation of automobile driving license came into Transylvania last week when announcement was made that a local person, Halley Zachary, had his license revoked.

Women's Work Here Faces Possibility Of Being Shut Off

There is grave possibility that sewing rooms under the WPA in this county will have to be discontinued within a short while, and thereby throw many deserving women out of employment.

Check-up reveals that there are several women now employed in the women's projects whose husbands should be on the WPA work rolls instead of the wives, and as there is only a specific sum allotted to Transylvania county for women's projects under the WPA, when these funds are exhausted, the work will stop, and those women who are the sole support of their families will be out of work.

Then there are women working in the sewing rooms whose husbands have part-time employment, and this, too, is depleting the funds without serving the real purpose of the women's work projects.

There are ample funds provided for employment of needy unemployed men, but the funds for women's work is limited.

BONUS APPLICATION PAPERS TO BE SENT TO VETERANS SOON

Transylvania Veterans Will Receive Over Hundred Thousand Dollars

Application blanks to be used for filing claims for "baby bonds" are expected to be received by soldiers of this county by the last of this week or the first of next.

The senate in a 76 to 19 ballot Monday afternoon overrode the president's veto of the bonus payment bill. The house had previously gone over the president's wishes by a count of 324 to 61.

Orders were immediately sent out by the president that the sum of nearly two and a half billion dollars should be paid as quickly as possible. Government printing presses at Washington were reported to have already started Monday afternoon, getting out the application forms for veterans to use in applying for the bonus bonds.

The Treasury chief indicated, however, that the bonds themselves might not be handed to veterans before June 15. In fact, in reply to inquiries, he questioned the legality of distributing them before that date.

Those who keep the bonds or any part of them not only can get ready cash at any time if necessary but while they hold these non-transferable bonds they will receive 3 per cent interest on the safest imaginable investment. They are true "thrill bonds."

Specifically, the bill provides for full payment, nine years in advance, of the 1914 maturity value of the 20-year adjusted war service certificates.

"The 'baby bonds' can be cashed in full or in part any time after June 15, next, or held for nine years for 3 per cent interest annually. If cashed the first year no interest would be paid. Loans against certificates would be deducted at all unpaid interest since October 1, 1931—about \$263,000,000—would be forgiven.

The bonds, designs for which have yet to be determined, will not be marketable or redeemable at banks, local post offices, or any other places which the treasury may designate with their terms.

Administration leaders at the capital insisted that not more than \$1,000,000,000 would be needed immediately to discharge the soldier debt. They based this on the belief that thousands of the 3,500,000 bonus certificate holders would hold their bonds for a "nest egg."

Of the \$2,212,000,000 ultimate cost only \$1,254,000,000 is estimated as due the veterans—\$1,336,217,955, in bonds and \$87,786,050 in cash to take care of old annuities over \$50 monthly.

American Legion officials at Brevard urge that all veterans in this county who have not made application for adjusted compensation certificates make such application immediately. Any World War veteran who served over sixty days is entitled to payment under the bill just passed, and provision was made in the bill that those who had served over sixty days and had not made application were entitled to do so now.

Transylvania county veterans will receive an estimated amount totaling \$165,000.00.

Lettermen Honored At Chapel Program Of Brevard College

The chapel program at the college Monday morning was sponsored by the athletic committee of the college and was under the leadership of Coach Ralph James, athletic director.

Professor Traylorbridge opened the program with prayer. Coach James followed with remarks about the football season just past. Those players who won their awards were then called to the front and presented with their block "B's."

Mr. Williams, dean of men and assistant football coach, spoke of the 1935 basketball and baseball teams and of their records. Special mention was given to those lettermen in these sports who are at present enrolled in the college.

The requirements for eligibility to receive a block "B" are as follows: participation in games, proper attitude, hard work, sacrifice, and scholastic eligibility.

In addition to the football men receiving awards, Coach James presented a block "B" to President Coltrane which automatically makes him an honorary member of the Block "B" Club, an organization composed of the men who have made their monograms.

Those receiving letters are as follows: Ends: Pruett*, Edwards, and Gaston*. Tackles: Captain Harmon*, Ashworth, Gray. Guards: Ferguson*, Lail, and Odom. Centers: Henry*, and Brooks*. Backs: Thompson*, Davis*, E. Clayton*, W. Clayton*, Frady*, and Huggins.

Manager: Williams. Assistant Managers: Scott and Harrison (both "B" team letters).

Note: * denotes player is sophomore in college.

AT LYDAY HOSPITAL Patients reported at Lyday Memorial hospital on Wednesday were: Baby Crate McCall, Jr., Zack Williams, Margaret George, Lucile Allen, Macle Hubbard, Lawrence Cordeile and Elree Mull.

Transylvania County Industrial Plants All Running Full Time

All industrial plants in Transylvania county are going full swing, with all regular employees on the payroll.

The Pisgah Mills resumed operations Monday, after being closed for several weeks. The close down here was effective as it was in other sections following the federal court decision against the AAA which disrupted the yarn markets. Superintendent Fred Hayes said Wednesday that business outlook for the Pisgah Mills is very good. The plant employs around one hundred people.

The Transylvania Tanning company is on regular schedule, after part of the plant had been closed for a few days while raw material was being processed. The Brevard plant employs two hundred people, and Jos. B. Silverstein, president and manager of the plants, said Wednesday that prospects for continued business were fair.

Carr Lumber company is running full time, with prospects very good—a new boundary of timber having recently been purchased by the company for cutting and finishing at the local mill. Around 100 people are given regular employment at the Pisgah Forest plant. W. W. Croushorn, manager of the Carr plant is looking forward to a good year's business.

Other three plants at Rosman—Gloucester Lumber company, Rosman Tanning Extract company, and the Tosa-way Tanning company, are running full time. Between three and four hundred people are employed at the Rosman plants.

LETHAL GAS DEATH SAID TO BE AWFUL

Takes Eleven Minutes To End Life of Negro Prisoner At Raleigh

RALEIGH, Jan. 29.—The State of North Carolina last Friday inaugurated the career of its new lethal gas chamber before more than 30 sickened witnesses.

For three full minutes and possibly more, Allen Foster, 20-year-old victim of the new chamber suffered obviously and consciously before he was overcome by the fumes of the hydrocyanic gas which rose from beneath his chair to flood the tiny white cell. Eight minutes more elapsed before physicians signified his heart had stopped.

"That's just hell," breathed one witness, one who had seen half a hundred executions—as Foster writhed and stretched in the straps which held him in the death chair. A chorus of assent, in which no voice of dissent mingled, greeted the remark.

It appeared to witnesses that Foster remained fully conscious for minutes after the first deep inhalation of the deadly gas. He proved that himself with a deliberate action following on the heels of a deliberate exhalation of the fumes.

"Good-bye," The Negro's lips framed the words so clearly that no man in the witness room could doubt what he had said. As he said it, he winked and then for a split second of the faces beaming at him.

Then he began to suffer. No man could look squarely into his eyes and fail to perceive that they were registering pain. The Negro fought for breath, knowing he was going to die and fighting to get it over with as quickly as possible.

Executioner R. L. Bridges pushed the switch, and pellets fell into a solution of hydrochloric acid beneath Foster's chair.

When the fumes began to rise around him, the Negro watched them carefully and they were nostril high. Then he took a deep breath, exhaled the greyish vapor as if it had been cigarette smoke. After that breath, he sucked the gas deliberately until his head rolled back three minutes later, indicating to physicians that the man finally had lost consciousness.

But after a period of quiescence, his small, but powerfully built torso began to twitch and jerk, throwing his head forward on his chest, where witness could see his eyes slowly close. To those who could see his eyes, he appeared still to be at least semi-conscious. The tortuous, convulsive retching continued spasmodically for a full four minutes.

Even after those seven minutes, the Negro's heart was beating normally and continued to do so. One minute before Dr. Kemp P. Neal, Raleigh surgeon, raised his hand to signal that the ordeal was over, Foster's heart was beating at a rate of 72 times per minute, the normal rate. Dr. George S. Coleman, the prison physician, said:

"That was ten minutes after the gas had begun to rise. Witnesses breathed sighs of relief as Dr. Neal raised his hand, but even then the physicians were not completely satisfied and listened for two minutes more to their stethoscopes on the chance that another heartbeat might be recorded.

General opinion here among witnesses, with the exception of Dr. Peterson, was that the death was one of prolonged agony.

There is talk on Capitol Hill of having the Governor call a special session of the legislature to repeal the law.

Rosman vs. Flat Rock

ROSMAN, Jan. 29.—On Monday night, February 3, Rosman high school boys and girls will play Flat Rock boys and girls in basketball. The game will be called at 7:30 o'clock. Doors will be open at 7:10.

First Aid Classes Taught By E. Tilson

Classes in first aid are being taught by Coach Ernest Tilson on Monday and Thursday nights of each week, the classes being held in the jury room of the county court house.

Coach Tilson is an examiner under the Red Cross and will give certificates at the end of the four week session to those passing grades. Anyone interested in taking the work is invited to attend the classes.

Beef Cattle Expert Visits Transylvania

J. A. Glazener, County Agent

Mr. L. E. Case, extension beef cattle specialist for North Carolina, spent Tuesday in the county. He and the county agent visited several farmers in various parts of the county in the interest of the fat cattle show which is to be held again this year in Asheville. The show will be about the 20th of November and will be held at the Asheville stock yards.

It will be recalled by those from the county who attended the cattle show last year that Transylvania county was not represented with entries in the show. Very good excuses might be given for such a thing happening last year, but instead of excuses this coming fall we want to deliver the goods by having several head of good fat animals to exhibit at the show and help to make it a success. Some few have already caught the show spirit and have selected their animals and started to feeding them a special ration that will grow and finish the calves as they should be by fall.

This county seems as a whole a little more interested in beef cattle than dairy cattle, if such is the case, let us prove it by feeding out as many head of good young stock as are suited and can be found in the county. It cannot be young cattle cannot be had in the county that will qualify as good feeders for the show, here is buying and raising that a few of our beef cattle raisers and feeders will come to the rescue by bringing into the county a few head of much needed quality stock.

Any one having a good fat animal will be eligible to enter the show and exhibit in the individual classes, but when it comes to the county entry as a representative exhibit it has been ruled that only 4-H Club members are eligible.

I shall deeply appreciate the assistance of the farmers and business men in helping with the 4-H Club activities in order that our county may make a creditable showing at the fat cattle show this fall.

Little Theatre Cast Selected For Play

Cast selected for "The Red Lamp" which will be the first public performance of the Little Theatre group, was announced at a meeting of the new entertainment association last Monday night.

Hilliard Booth's play was selected because of the fact that Mr. Booth was a Brevard man, and the further fact that it is believed to be one that will be highly enjoyable.

Cast as announced by Professor J. A. Carlisle, who will direct the play, follows: Matilda Deering, Mrs. J. B. Picklesimer, Harold Deering, Hinton McLeod, Alice Deering, Louise Gillespie, Bill Worth, Ernest McPaul, Annie O'Shane, Becky Macfie. Announcement of date the play will be given will be made at an early date.

Realty Transfers

Three realty transfers were recorded in the office of Register of Deeds Jess Galloway during the past week, as follows: Mr and Mrs. A. J. Gash to Pearl Brown Scott; May Wiegts to R. T. Kimzey and wife; R. J. Orr and wife to Angeline H. Anawalt.

Citizens Asked For Support Of Program At Meeting Friday

People interested in a supervised recreational program for Brevard are urged to attend a meeting of interested citizens to be held in the county agent's office on Friday afternoon of this week at 3:30 o'clock.

Provision has already been made to take care of the expense of a supervisor for recreational activities for young folk in the plan which will be discussed at the meeting Friday afternoon, and real purpose of the meeting is to gather the sentiment of the community leaders toward an undertaking of this kind.

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The belief among many people that when snow lies on the ground over ten days "it is waiting on more" has been strengthened here.

One month ago there was a heavy snow in the county, a little over ten inches being recorded. In several places there was still snow to be seen last Saturday, and Sunday approximately an inch more snow fell, adding to the cold wave that had swept southward from the western states.

POST OFFICE NEED STRESSED BY CLUB

Kiwanis Directors Will Join In Movement For Better Facilities In Town

Consensus of opinion as expressed at the meeting of directors of Brevard Kiwanis club last Thursday evening was that Brevard is being treated as a step-child in the matter of a post office building, and decision was made to ask the club members to join in the movement to secure a more suitable post office for the town.

Fact was stressed that Brevard is on the eligible list for an adequate post office, according to announcement from Washington several months ago, but it seems that the announcement that the community is eligible is as far as the matter has gone.

Another hour of the club was changed from 12 o'clock noon to 12:15 in order to accommodate several members who are unable to leave their places of business strictly at twelve on meeting days.

Ralph H. Ramsey, Jr., was elected secretary of the club to serve during the ensuing year, and Harry P. Sellers was named as treasurer. Committees to serve during the year as announced by President C. L. Newland, are as follows:

Agriculture: J. A. Glazener and Willis Brittain; attendance and house: J. M. Gaines, C. M. Douglas and C. O. Cathey; business managers: Harry Patton and Brown Carr; inter-club relations: Brown Carr; Kiwanis education: E. J. Coltrane; laws and regulations: Ed Kimzey and Lewis Harrell; program: J. B. Jones, C. O. Cathey, Roy, J. H. Brendall; public affairs: W. D. Gash and Lewis E. Hamilton; under-privileged child: Dr. R. L. Hendley; Rev. J. P. Simmons and Ralph James; vocational guidance: Jerry Jerome; The Rev. Paul Hartsell, as vice president of the club is chairman ex-officio of all committees.

The directors voted to assist Mrs. J. E. Hamilton in the recreational program which is being instituted here. A vote of thanks was extended to Dr. and Mrs. Newland for the delicious dinner that was served the afternoon prior to the business session, and an invitation accepted from Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Ramsey to hold the next meeting at the Ramsey home.

President for the dinner and business session included: President Newland, Vice President Hartsell, E. Brown Carr, Dr. E. L. Coltrane, W. D. Gash, Harry T. Patton, Ralph H. Ramsey, and C. L. Douglas.

Airport Assured For Western N. Carolina

A federal airport in Western North Carolina was assured last week when Fentimore and Henderson counties combined their resources to purchase the 130 acre tract of land near Fletcher that has been used as a private landing field for several years.

Over a hundred thousand dollars will be spent on the Fletcher airport through the War Relocation Administration. District Director W. E. Reese announced following a meeting with Henderson and Fentimore county officials that the federal funds were available immediately and that actual construction would be started as soon as the \$20,000 purchase price for the land was in kind, or the deeds turned over to the WPA.

Vesper Services Holding Attention

Last Sunday the first of a new series of services was presented to a full church at five o'clock at the Brevard Methodist church. Several of the young people together with Dean C. E. Buckner of Brevard College and an augmented choir provided a program of great value.

This service is the only afternoon or evening service at college or the Methodist church. It is adapted to the needs of the entire membership and general public. There have been hearty endorsements expressed by both young and old folk.

A great variety of types of programs will be provided at the afternoon services. Next Sunday, February 2, a full presentation of films from the Memphis Young Peoples conference will be given. A special group will have charge of the February 9th services. On February 16th, "The Neighbors," by Zona Gale, will be presented on the college auditorium stage. About once each month plans call for some speaker of prominence brought to Brevard to give either an address or a sermon.

Presiding Elder W. A. Rollins will preach at Brevard Methodist church Sunday morning at the eleven o'clock service. On the following Sunday, the pastor, the Rev. J. H. Brendall, Jr., will preach. His sermon will be, "Some results which one may necessarily expect from prayer—or the benefit of prayer."

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