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## SPECIAL SESSION OF LEGISLATURE ENDS

### Unemployment Insurance Act Passes Both Houses In Minimum Time

The special session of the North Carolina General Assembly adjourned sine die Wednesday, after passing the act enabling the state to participate in the federal unemployment insurance act.

Only one other bill was taken up during the session, that of allowing the University of North Carolina to issue bonds for its share of the money needed to match PWA grants for an athletic building and women's dormitory at Chapel Hill.

Representative Pat Kimzey from Transylvania county is expected to return to Brevard Thursday after attending the six day session which convened last Thursday, and made a record for its brevity.

Under provisions of the bill North Carolina will come under the provisions of the federal act, and the moneys collected from state businesses will go into the state insurance fund instead of to the federal government.

The new law provides—

1. A tax of .9 per cent on the 1936 pay rolls of employers of eight or more persons.
2. No tax on salaries of employes.
3. A three-man commission to administer the act, composed of two persons appointed by the Governor and the State Commissioner of Labor serving ex-officio. (Salaries of the appointive members would be fixed by the Governor with the approval of the council of state.
4. Payments ranging from \$5 to \$15 a week.
5. A tax of 1.8 per cent on the 1937 pay rolls of employers of eight or more persons and 2.7 per cent for the year 1938 and each year thereafter.
6. The establishments of a special fund to handle unemployment compensation payments.

### Few 1937 Tags Sold To Transylvania Car Owners on First Day

Only 18 auto license plates were sold by the local branch of the Carolina Motor Club on Tuesday, first day the new tags went on sale. Mrs. Mary Jane McCrary reports.

All automobiles and trucks must have the new 1937 tags after December 31, the state department has ruled, and they may be used at any time before then.

Each person purchasing an automobile license is being handed a card designed to help the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads and the North Carolina State Highway and Public Works commission in making a broad planning survey in the interest of all motorists.

The success of the survey depends largely upon the interest and cooperation of the general public, it was said. The state has printed 500,000 of the cards, and they are simple to fill out.

When filled out, the cards, mailed postage free, go to the Bureau of Public Roads of the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Raleigh.

The survey consists simply of assembling facts about highway income, highway conditions, highway service and highway costs, and attempting to do the logical things which these facts indicate to be most advisable in the public interest. It is directed to the end that a definite and economically advisable long range highway improvement program may be established.

### Bennett At Kiwanis

John Bennett, head of the Bible department at Brevard College, will be guest speaker at the Thursday meeting of Brevard Kiwanis club, which meets at the England home at noon. An added extra feature will be a turkey dinner which Mrs. Harris has planned.

### Episcopal Services

"Preparation for Christmas" will be sermon topic of St. Philips Episcopal church Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour. Holy Communion will be observed at 8, and Church School at 10.

### Christmas Lights Not Be Loaned To Anyone

Multi-colored lights which were strung in the uptown section last week are adding considerable to the general feeling of "Christmas Cheer" in Brevard, and several of the stores have joined in making the evenings uptown a gala affair.

The lights were strung last week from the Clemson Theatre, up Main street, and on Broad, and added to this is the complete whittaway lights burning nightly.

Business men of the town underwrote the expense of lighting the colored strands, and the purchase of additional equipment necessary. The Brevard Kiwanis club took the lead in bringing about the lighting, and a committee composed of Jerry Jerome and W. D. Gash report that there was no trouble in securing the proper cooperation of the business houses.

It is plan of the committee for the Kiwanis club to store the lights and fixtures after the holiday seasons are over, and an order will be made by the club at the meeting this week, prohibiting the loan of the lights, which accounted for much breakage and loss.

### Paper To Be Issued Monday Afternoon

The Times will be printed Monday afternoon of next week, December 21, and distributed through the mails on Tuesday.

This moving up of scheduled date of publication is being made in order that members of The Times staff may enjoy a few days' vacation.

All correspondents are asked to have their news letters in by Sunday, and not later than Monday morning in any event. Advertisers are asked to have their copy in Friday and Saturday of this week, and no advertising will be accepted for the Christmas edition after Monday morning.

### Christmas Greens On Sale For Needy

A wide assortment of Christmas greenery and decorative material is on hand at the "Cheer Fund Agency" on Main street, next door to the Canteen, and people who desire to purchase such material may do so at their "own price" and at the same time assist in providing cheer for needy families of the county.

The evergreens, including holly, mistletoe, turkey brush, balsam, and Christmas trees, are being furnished by NYA students, and citizens interested in the work, and funds derived from the sale will be used in the basket fund.

### Ashworth Rites Held Saturday Afternoon

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon from Brevard Baptist church for Edward Ashworth, 15-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Ashworth, of Brevard.

The body of the young lad was found Friday afternoon near the Standard Oil company plant in the Depot section, by Joberry McKinjekin. A part of the head had been shot away, presumably on Tuesday afternoon, when the young lad was last seen.

A coroner's inquest, after hearing evidence in the case Monday morning, rendered a verdict that the youth had died from effects of a shotgun wound, inflicted by his own hand.

A gun which he had borrowed from Walter Ledbetter to go rabbit hunting with, was lying beside the body when it was found.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Ashworth, one sister, Ruth Elaine, and one brother, Earl.

The Rev. J. H. Brencall had charge of the funeral services at the church following which the body was interred at Oak Grove cemetery, North Brevard. Fred Johnson, A. B. Zachary, N. A. Miller, Homer Israel, Albert Lawrence, and M. D. Holden acted as pallbearers, and Paul Bowen, W. L. Hollingsworth, Coy Compton, J. E. Waters, W. H. Bentley, Bill Bradley, John Green, and John Fanning as honorary.

The following had charge of the flowers: Rachel Hamlin, Helen Fullbright, Beatrice Moore, Juanita Ward, Christine Miller, and Mrs. A. J. Beddingfield. Osborne-Simpson Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

### Christmas Dinners To Be Served At Schools

Numerous donations have been made during the past week for the Christmas dinners and party to be given the children at the three school lunch rooms in the county, operated at Brevard, Rosman and Pisgah Forest.

The following have contributed in cash or supplies: Mrs. J. T. McGehee, generous cash donation, Mrs. H. J. Bradley, Mrs. C. L. Newland, Mrs. Avery Case, Mrs. T. J. Wilson, Mrs. H. M. Miller, Mrs. O. Duclos, Mrs. George Shuford, Mrs. Ervin Galloway, Mrs. J. B. Pettit, Mrs. Gus Gillespie, Mr. and Mrs. Futtrell, Lewis Osborne, Mrs. John Hudson, Mayor A. H. Harris, Mrs. Jesse Pickelsimer, Mrs. Beverly Trantham, W. C. Austin, Mrs. Eck Sims, Otto Alexander, Mrs. A. O. Kitchen, Lem Brooks, Mrs. Roscoe Nicholson, Orville Simpson, C. M. Douglas, R. F. Tharp, Mrs. Mac Allison, Will Hunt, Miss Alma Trowbridge, Mrs. Allie Wilson, Louis Vaselou.

Around 300 children in the three schools will be served Christmas dinners on Friday of this week, for which occasions plans are being made by Miss Clayton, supervisor, and her helpers for elaborate celebrations, with bountiful chicken dinners, place cards, candles, Christmas trees and little gifts for each child.

### Christmas Fund Needs Donations

Christmas cheer will spread to the folk in Transylvania county who could most enjoy it, and for a certainty to the ones who most need it, only to the extent that the more fortunate people feel it their duty and privilege to give.

A central agency has been set up in Brevard through which it is hoped many families will be reached who would otherwise not have even a hint that there is a Santa Claus, and that Christmas is supposed to be a joyful and cheerful occasion.

People who have any surplus, and those who can give by denying themselves elaborate pleasures at the Yule Season, are given the opportunity to help spread Christmas cheer by cooperating with the groups that are already interested, and are working to give the underprivileged at least a semblance of Christmas.

The central bureau, located in the old plumbing shop next door to the Canteen cafe is being run by representative citizens, and members of the several welfare agencies in operation here, and

every dime, dollar, gift of food, supplies, or toys, will find its way into a worthy home. An urgent request is made for old toys to be brought to the center where they will be repaired.

People who plan to give a basket of food or toys to any particular family, may make their contributions through the central agency, and for a certainty, anyone who plans to assist a family is requested to let the agency know what family they will take care of and to what extent.

It is necessary that the central bureau have any donations that are to be given not later than Tuesday morning of next week, or know where and when the donations may be counted on in order that the work of preparing the baskets may get under way as early as possible.

It is the aim of the central agency, which has the support of the churches and clubs in town to reach as many families in all sections as possible, and any assistance given will help swell the scope of the work that can be done.

## Warden Case Takes Queer Turn Whitaker Shot By His Own Gun

Warden Joe Whitaker, of the Mills River section, died from a shot that was fired from his own pistol, according to a statement issued by officers in Hendersonville, Saturday.

Ballistic experts in Washington, who examined the bullet which caused Whitaker's death early Sunday morning, November 15, state emphatically that the game warden's death was dealt from his own pistol.

There had been reports circulating here and elsewhere to the effect that a prominent local man's gun had been used in the killing, and one arrest had been made in Transylvania in the matter, although the man arrested was being held temporarily on another charge—that of carrying a concealed weapon.

The case is far from solved, officers in Hendersonville stated the first of this week, and they expect to continue to work until they have reached a satisfactory answer to the query: "Who killed Joe Whitaker?" or run down every possible clue.

Ex-Sheriff Tom Wood was active in the investigation which seemed near culmination just a few days before he went out of office, and he too, expects to continue working with the Henderson officers in effort to clear up the crime. Sheriff Wood has a very good record of "getting his man" during the

eight years he was in the office of deputy and sheriff, and the Henderson officials solicited his aid in the case. Sheriff George Shuford and Chief of Police Freeman are also extremely interested in the case, and are lending whatever assistance possible.

Late Saturday, after a two-hour consultation, and after a telegram from J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the federal bureau of investigation, had identified the bullet taken from Whitaker's body as one from his own gun, Solicitor Ridings and Henderson county officers made this statement for those concerned with the case:

"I am satisfied that Joe Whitaker came to his death through the discharge of his own gun, either accidentally, or from outside force from the parties in the automobile from which he was previously believed shot."

The telegram from the department of investigation was as follows: "Re shooting of Joe Whitaker. Evidence bullet from same gun as sample bullet marked from .22 calibre woodsman automatic pistol number 87648. Hoover." The bullet referred to in this telegram was one of four sample bullets, sent to the bureau of investigation and identified by numbers only. It was the same bullet, fired from Whitaker's gun by officers under the supervision of a department of justice agent.

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There are several widows of the War Between the States in the county, but the Grim is the last of the soldiers away when J. M. Blythe, of the Pension passed on to join his com-

Checks are being received this from a state that remembers in a way, those who fought for the Cause," and while none of the war drawn on the State of North Carolina are of large amounts, yet they suffice in many instances to provide the difference between want and comfort to the widows of veterans.

Five of the checks in this county are for \$150, and 15 are for \$50.00.

### Rev. Charles Jones Accepts Presbyterian Church Pastorate

The Rev. Charles M. Jones, of Gordonsville, Va., has accepted the call to the pastorate of the Brevard-Davidson River church, and will assume his duties as pastor here around the first of January.

Mr. Jones is a graduate of the Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., and is a native of Nashville, Tenn. Mr. and Mrs. Jones have two small children.

### Attend School Banquets

Professor and Mrs. Randal Lyday were guests at a father-son, and mother-daughter banquet given by the Edneyville high school Future Farmers chapter on Thursday night of last week.

On Friday night, Mr. Lyday and Roy Carter, president of the Brevard chapter PFA, attended the father-son banquet at Etowah.

### Pickelsimer Named On All-Star Eleven

James Pickelsimer, a member of the Christ School football eleven, and a son of Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Pickelsimer, of Brevard, was named as halfback on the All-Western high school team.

Pickelsimer has played excellent ball for Coach Fayssoux this year, and has been a mainstay in the fine offensive aggregation that Christ School put out. He played two years on Brevard high's eleven and was regarded as one of the most valuable players.

### Trowbridge To Speak

Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, vice president of Brevard College, will preach at the Brevard Presbyterian church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Mr. Trowbridge is widely known throughout the community through his many years of residence here as head of the Brevard Institute, and later in his connection with Brevard College since its establishment here.

A cordial invitation is extended the public to attend this service Sunday morning.

### Negro Minstrel at Little River Friday

A negro minstrel will be given at the Little River school Friday night of this week. A play entitled, "Oh, Doctor," will also be presented. Jokes and songs will be other entertainment features. Music will be furnished by the Blue Ridge Ramblers. A small admission will be charged.

### MICKIE SAYS—



### I. S. Fisher Buried At Toxaway on Friday

Isiah S. Fisher, aged 85 years, died suddenly at his home in the upper end of the county last Thursday morning from a heart attack.

Mr. Fisher, who was known to his many friends in the county as "Slick," was born and reared in this county and engaged in farming for years until he became too feeble to work.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon from Lake Toxaway Baptist church with the Rev. Clyde S. McCall officiating. Interment was made in the cemetery nearby. Pallbearers were friends of the aged man who had known him for years, including O. L. Erwin, W. H. Duckworth, C. C. Kilpatrick, C. W. Henderson, W. M. Henry, Eck L. Sims. Kilpatrick Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

He is survived by his wife, three daughters and three sons—Mrs. Walter McNeely and Mrs. Leo Case, of Lake Toxaway, and Mrs. Spaulding McIntosh, of Brevard; the sons are Warren, Granville and Louis Fisher, all of Lake Toxaway. Two brothers, John Fisher, of Lake Toxaway, and Tom Fisher, of Penrose, also survive.

### "Security Numbers" Being Received Here

"Number cards" are being received here by employes in various lines who sent their registration cards in during the last of November and the first of December.

Data that has been gathered by the Brevard post office is being sent to Washington, and will very probably be re-sent to a western district office which will be set up in Asheville.

Postmaster Coleman Galloway said that around 500 employes had registered through the Brevard office.

### Rosman Boy Heard In Broadcast Over WFBC

A. M. White, Jr., of Rosman, was on the air for the first time over station WFBC, Greenville, S. C., Sunday night in a piano recital. The broadcast was for his friend, Richard Rhane, who was ill at the time.

The first number was dedicated to one of his best pupils, E. H. Winchester, Jr., who was one of Mr. White's music pupils at the Rosman high school last year. Four selections were played by Mr. White, who is a student of Furman University this year.

### Al Barnes Succumbs After Long Illness

Al W. Barnes, husband of Mrs. Margaret Bryant Barnes, formerly of Brevard, died in Tampa, Fla., on Sunday. Interment was at Tampa on Monday.

Mr. Barnes was gassed in the World War and for the past eight months had been in a hospital in Chicago and was growing worse the past several months. He was a member of the First Baptist church in Tampa, was a member of the Shriners and for many years was city manager of Wilson and Company Packers.

Mrs. Barnes is a niece of the Misses Shipman and T. H. Shipman, and a sister of Miss Roberta Bryant, of Brevard, and she and Mr. Barnes had frequently visited here.

### Low Lynching Record For North Carolina

During the last 45 years sixty-six lynchings are reported to have occurred in North Carolina. Of this total fifty-seven were Negroes and nine were whites. The rate is slightly more than two lynchings per 100,000 population for the forty-five year period.

Compared with the other southern states, North Carolina's low rate is rather commendable but only relatively so. Our rate is less than one-tenth the rate of Mississippi and considerably below the rate of all the other southern states unless Maryland and West Virginia are to be classed as southern.

## 432 DEER TAKEN IN PISGAH FOREST

### Over Thousand Men Taken In Annual Affair—No Accidents Reported

Sunday saw the last of the Pisgah National Forest deer hunters moving out of Brevard, and the familiar sight of hunting clothes and caps will now be replaced by Santa Claus suits.

A total of 432 buck deer were killed during the hunt which started November 16 and closed Saturday, Ranger W. P. Duncan reports, and several extra nice bucks were taken. Lewis Osborne of Brevard made one of the better kills, his buck topping the scales at 186 pounds.

No one was seriously injured during the hunt, Ranger Duncan reports, with the exception of a few scratched faces, and a few bruised bodies from falls.

Twenty states were represented in the hunt, and many of the men made Brevard their headquarters during the period. Largest number of deer killed in any one day was 42, and the smallest, four.

The hunts are conducted by the forest for the purpose of thinning out the herds so that the does will have sufficient forage during the winter months and the spring yield of fawns will not be curtailed, forest officials state.

### Enon School Group Meets Thursday Eve

The Enon Parent-Teacher association will meet on Thursday evening of this week at 7:30 o'clock in the auditorium of the school which has been fitted up for community and school gatherings.

Transportation will be furnished any patrons of the school who do not have ways of getting to the Thursday meeting, and it is expected that a large group of parents and citizens of the community will be present.

Christmas seal sale for the Enon community is under the supervision of Mrs. T. J. Treadwell, who was appointed as a committee to have charge.

### At Lyday Hospital

Patients reported at Lyday Memorial hospital on Wednesday were: Mrs. Scott Dillingham and infant daughter, born on Sunday, December 13, Annie Owen and Clyde Sitton.

### Mrs. Martha E. McCall Buried December Ninth

PENROSE, Dec. 14.—Funeral services were held at Little River Baptist church on December 9, for Mrs. Martha Eleena McCall, who died at Lyday Hospital on Monday of last week.

Mrs. McCall was the widow of the late Nick McCall, and until a short while ago had made her home in the Little River section, later moving to Greenville, and then returning to her old home here before her death.

She is survived by four daughters and one son—Mrs. Carrie Brillheart, Greenville; Mrs. Minnie Thornhill, Laurens; Mrs. Mae Eddleman, Millbourne, Fla.; Mrs. Myrtle Merrill, Hendersonville; Dewey McCall, Greenville, N. C.

Two sisters—Mrs. Jane McCrary, of Little River, and Mrs. Kate McCrary, of West Asheville, and four brothers—Wade, Willie, and Seldon Kilpatrick, of Little River, and Leo Kilpatrick, of Hendersonville, also survive.

The Rev. C. W. Hillemon had charge of the funeral services, and the body was interred in the Little River cemetery. Kilpatrick Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.