

## CHURCH LOYALTY TO BE STRESSED HERE FOR NEXT 8 WEEKS

### First Union Service Will Be Held In Baptist Auditorium Sunday Night

First service of the "Church Loyalty" drive will be held in each of the Brevard churches Sunday morning, February 4, when pastors of the four churches will use the sermon topic, "The Church in the World Today."

At the evening hour, 7:30 o'clock services will be held at the Baptist church, and will be in the nature of a farewell service honoring the Rev. and Mrs. Yancey C. Elliott, who leave next week to take up their new work at Lincoln.

Morning services will be held each Sunday at the four churches, with union services each Sunday evening at 7:30 during the eight weeks.

On Sunday evening, February 11, services will be held in the Methodist church, with a pastor of another church in charge of the service.

Alternating Sunday evenings, services will be held at the Baptist church, and at the Methodist church.

Attendance records are being kept in the several churches, and effort is being made by workers in the different churches to induce members and non-members to attend church all of, or at least major part of the Sundays during February and March.

## Al Kyle Named Head of Asheville Photogs

Al Kyle of Brevard was elected president of the Asheville Camera club at the meeting Thursday evening of last week.

The Brevard camera fan served as vice president of the Asheville organization the previous year, and during that time had won many first places with his photography.

## Republicans Abandon Convention Plan For Selecting Candidates

(Charlotte News, Jan. 26th)

The North Carolina Republican Party last night burned its bridges of tradition behind it and took a drastic step—abolishing its convention as a means of nominating candidates, and took its cause direct to the mass of its members. Therefore, GOP candidates will fight it out with each other at the polls May 25, the same as the Democrats, and the GOP state convention will not be held in early March, as contemplated, but some time after April 1.

The announcement was made by State Chairman Jake F. Newell after conference with National Committee-men Charles A. Jonas, Secretary Brown Jackson and other leading Tar Heel Republicans at headquarters here.

There will be candidates for Governor, for Congress, for State offices and any number of County and District offices. The practice has long been in vogue with the Democrats but the Republicans have held to the traditional convention method of naming their standard bearers—often bringing the charge that the party was clique-dominated.

Mr. Newell appealed to the candidate to file promptly, by March 15, anyway, since March 16 is the final day for filing. This point being decided, the convention date was postponed until the more favorable period of April or May.

Party leaders, while hesitating to change the time-honored policy, nevertheless viewed with increasing dissatisfaction the tendency of the party to become static in a too-centralized control.

The North Carolina Republicans have an irreducible voting strength of 200,000, a base which at times approaches the 300,000 mark. By infusing the enthusiasm of intra-party contests, the GOP state administration hopes, with other plans in mind, to build the Republican voting strength to a point where it may exert a powerful influence in State politics.

## BASSO NOVEL WINS MERITORIOUS PLACE

### Brevard Man's Novel Regarded Best Southern Story By New York Group

(New York Times, Jan. 28th)

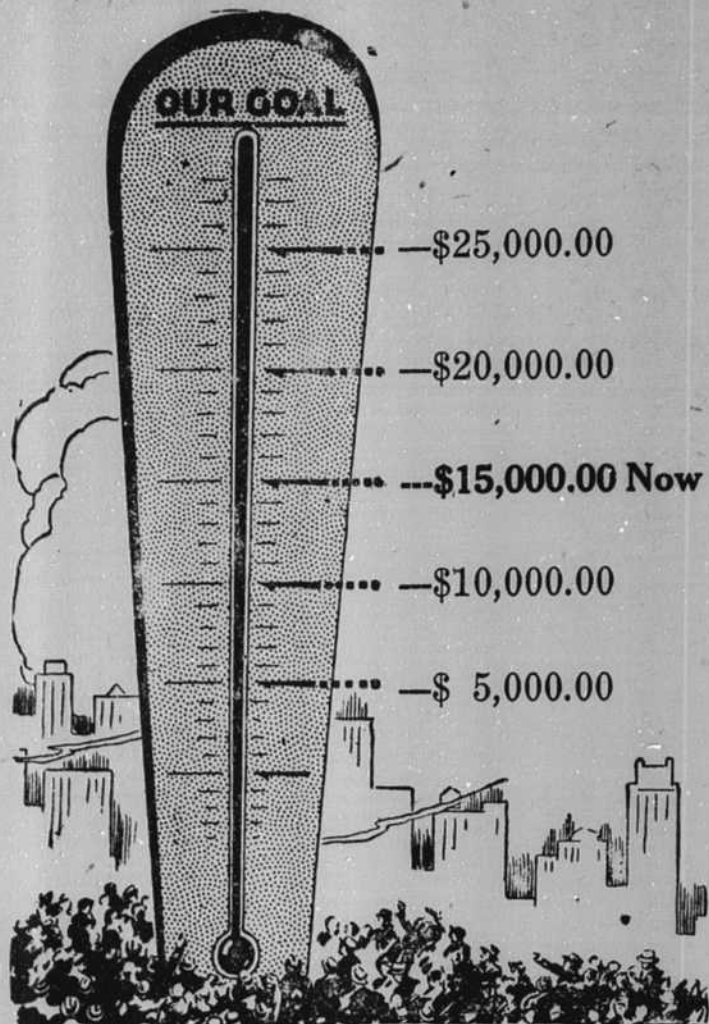
The story of a young bacteriologist's trials in New Orleans during the Mardi Gras Carnival, told in Hamilton Basso's novel, "Days Before Lent," won for the author yesterday the \$100 prize for "the most distinguished book of 1939 on a Southern subject by a living Southern author" awarded annually at the Elisabeth Marbury Southern Authors' luncheon.

Eight other works by Southerners and about the South received honorable mention at the luncheon, held at the Hotel Park Lane, under the auspices of the Southern women's National Democratic Organization in New York, of which Mrs. Winifred Kettredge Nonde is president and founder. Nearly 200 authors and book-lovers were present. Mrs. Oliver Harriman was chairman.

The late Thomas Wolfe's novel, "The Web and the Rock," received "premier recognition of merit," but as the purpose of the cash award is to encourage living writers, the prize went to Mr. Basso, whose book was ranked by the judges as second in merit to Mr. Wolfe's. The jury was composed of Dr.

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## Thermometer Goes To \$15,000



The New Community Hospital Thermometer on the court house lawn moved up to the \$15,000 mark Wednesday afternoon, denoting three-fifths of the actual cash on hand.

Climbing of the mercury was made possible by two nice donations received during the week—

One sum was for \$971.37, deposited by employees of Ecusta, who, in addition to the cash donation made this week are continuing to make donations, and pledges to be paid over a period of weeks.

It is not known at this time just what the total amount the Ecusta employees will contribute, but enthusiasm for building of the community hospital is high among the employees and officials there, and it is felt certain that a very neat sum will be given by the Ecusta group.

Another noticeable sum received during the week was that of Farmers Federation officials and em-

ployees of the Brevard warehouse in the amount of \$100. This neat sum was added to the total already on hand, and was a material factor in bringing the total up to the \$15,000 mark.

Contributions such as the Ecusta group have made, and will make in the future, and that of the Farmers Federation, plus donations by other groups and individuals, is assuring the community hospital.

Effort will be made in the near future to contact every person in the county, and those who are not called upon will be doing themselves and the community a favor by calling on a member of the committee and leaving a donation, large or small.

The hospital committee will not meet on Thursday night of this week, as had been announced previously, due to weather conditions. The meeting will be held Thursday night of next week.

### Civic Club Meeting

The February meeting of the Women's Civic club will be held in the city hall building Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. All members and visitors are cordially invited to attend.

## Booth Price Funeral Will Be Held Thursday

Booth Price, 65, Lake Toxaway mail carrier, died at his home near Quebec early Tuesday night from a heart attack.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 12 o'clock from the home, and interment will be made in the family burying ground near the residence.

Mr. Price had been mail carrier on the Lake Toxaway rural route for the past 25 years, and was widely known throughout the county. He had been a member of Dunn's Rock Masonic lodge for a long period of years, and was one of the several to receive certificates of membership here last week denoting more than 25 years as active members.

Surviving are the widow and two daughters, Miss Mildred Price, and Mrs. Clarence McCall, both of the Quebec section.

Masonic rites will be observed at the grave. Masons are requested to meet at the lodge hall at 10 o'clock and go from there to the Price home.

## City Clerk's Father Dies While Sleeping

Word was received here Tuesday morning of the death of George W. Kizer, 79, of Lincoln, who died while sleeping sometime during Monday night.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from St. Luke's Episcopal church, and interment was made in the church cemetery.

Mr. Kizer, who had visited in Brevard on numerous occasions, is survived by five sons—Alex H. Kizer, Brevard city clerk; Vernon of North Wilkesboro; T. L. of Granite Falls; Fred and George W. Jr., both of Lincoln, and ten grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Kizer left here Tuesday to attend the funeral services.

### At Lyday Hospital

Patients reported at Lyday Memorial hospital on Wednesday include: Mrs. L. F. Cooper, Mrs. Macks Jackson, Fred Garvin, Fleet Holden and Spencer Chapman.

## Five Papers In Shortest Month

Readers of The Transylvania Times will receive this publication five times in February, the shortest month of the year.

There won't be an extra copy printed, either, as it only happens that February this year will have five Thursdays. This could only be possible on a leap year, as there are 29 days in the month this year.

## NEW P. O. BUILDING PLANS BEING DRAWN

### Bids Will Be Asked On Federal Structure By Last of This Month

Brevard's new postoffice building prospectus is in the hands of the Specifications Division, according to a letter from Congressman Zeb Weaver, and it is expected that bids will be asked on the project by the end of February.

Congressman Weaver's letter to The Times editor follows:

"I have contacted the Procurement Division of the Treasury, dealing with the construction of buildings where appropriations have been provided, and find that the Brevard situation is progressing nicely.

"I find that the working plans have been completed within the past few days and that they will go to the Specifications Division immediately. It is their purpose to have the work on the market by the end of February. I do not know just what length of time will be devoted to submitting bids for construction, letting of the contract, etc., but it would appear that they are now ready to go ahead with this at an early date."

Sincerely yours,  
ZEBULON WEAVER.

## Elliotts Leaving To Take Up New Charge

The Rev. and Mrs. Yancey C. Elliott are leaving Brevard next week for Lincoln where Mr. Elliott has accepted pastorate of the First Baptist church.

The popular pastor and his family have made Brevard their home for three years, and during that time have been material factors in the growth and strength of the Brevard Baptist church, and have taken active part in affairs of the Transylvania Baptist association.

Mr. Elliott has served two terms as moderator of the county association, and has also been active in district church affairs, as well as in affairs of the community.

No announcement has been made as to the possible successor to Mr. Elliott, but selection of a candidate has been placed in the hands of a pulpit committee.

## George Bromfield Is Promoted To Higher Post In Radio Field

George Bromfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Bromfield, of Brevard, has been promoted to the position of assistant radio operator at the Atlanta airport. His new duties will become effective early in February.

Mr. and Mrs. Bromfield, who have been making their home in Columbia, S. C., will leave for their new home in Atlanta the first of February. Mr. Bromfield has been radio technician in Columbia with the federal government.

## Oldest Mason



THOMAS S. GASH, aged 91, of Brevard, was presented a certificate of membership in the Dunn's Rock Masonic lodge Friday evening, in recognition of his 50-year continuous membership. He has been a member of the local lodge for 67 successive years. He is said by Masonic officials to be the oldest living Mason in North Carolina. The presentation of the certificate was made by J. Edward Allen, grand master of North Carolina. Mr. Gash was born in Penrose, Transylvania county, on August 10, 1848.

## Schools Still Closed Account of Weather

All Transylvania county schools will remain closed during the remainder of this week, opening Monday, provided weather permits.

Original intention of school officials was to open all units on Monday but weather conditions, plus the slick roads over which some of the buses would have to travel, caused the opening to be delayed until Wednesday... and again, Tuesday, when snow began falling here, authorities deemed it wise to delay opening until Monday.

Radio Station WFBC Greenville, and WWNC Asheville, assisted in getting word to the school pupils and patrons regarding the opening date, and have been officially thanked by school officials.

## INFANTILE BENEFIT DANCE BE GIVEN IN BREVARD ON FRIDAY

### Social Event Is Expected To Raise Funds — Tag Day Set For Saturday

Infantile Paralysis benefit dance will be held here Friday evening of this week, beginning at 9:00 o'clock.

The dance will be held in the Picklesimer building on Main street, formerly the Belk Department store, and all arrangements have been made to have good heating and lighting for the occasion. Admission will be by ticket, which may be procured at any time from members of the steering committee, or at the door.

Proceeds from the dance will go toward Transylvania county's quota for treatment and study of infantile paralysis, with half of the funds to be used locally for buying of special shoes and braces for crippled children.

"March of Dimes" tag day will be observed Saturday of this week, when Mrs. Ernest Tilson and a group of high school girls will have charge of selling the tiny stickers denoting contributions to the infantile paralysis cause.

Committee members who have been named by Chairman Harold Kilpatrick and Co-Chairman Mrs. Joe Osborne to assist with the dance Friday evening include Mrs. Ashe Macfie, Mrs. H. J. Bradley, Ernest McFaul, Mrs. Al Kyle, Mrs. C. L. Newland, Miss Elizabeth McCoy and Mrs. Walter K. Straus.

## Miss Shipman Passes State Nursing Board

Miss Gladys Shipman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Shipman, of Pisgah Forest, has been notified that she passed the state board examination for nurses. Miss Shipman trained at the Baptist hospital in Winston-Salem.

## Bookmobile Resumes Route Here Monday

According to present plans, the Transylvania county bookmobile will resume Monday morning at 9 o'clock, its second trip over the county, announcement has been made by Miss Annie Jean Gash, supervisor for this county, and Miss Katherine E. Case, bookmobile operator.

It is the plan to repeat the schedule of the last trip, going to the different localities on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, weather conditions permitting.

## World Day of Prayer Be Observed Feb. 9th

World Day of Prayer will be observed at St. Phillip's Episcopal church Friday afternoon, February 9, from 4 to 5 o'clock. The annual event is sponsored by all of the churches of Brevard cooperating.

The program will be in charge of the presidents of the four women's auxiliaries, including Mrs. David Ward, Mrs. T. K. Chamberlain, Mrs. Julian Glazener and Mrs. J. S. Nicholson. Other members of the different denominations will take part on the program.

## Eck Sims Will Run For Register Deeds

Eck L. Sims, register of deeds for the past four years, announces that he will be a candidate to succeed himself, subject to the Democratic primary in May.

Mr. Sims has been active in political circles here for a number of years, and prior to being elected register of deeds in 1936, was with the state highway department.

A veteran of the World War, Mr. Sims was chief of police at Rosman after his discharge from the army in 1919, and was also chief at Brevard for a short while before resigning to become chief deputy under Sheriff Cos Paxton.

He was later rural policeman under the road board, and has served later as special officer.

## BASKETBALL GAME AT COLLEGE TONIGHT

### Christenbury Quint Will Be Hosts To Lees-McRae Conference Crew

Brevard College Basketball team will meet the Lees-McRae quint here Thursday night of this week, the game to start at 8 o'clock.

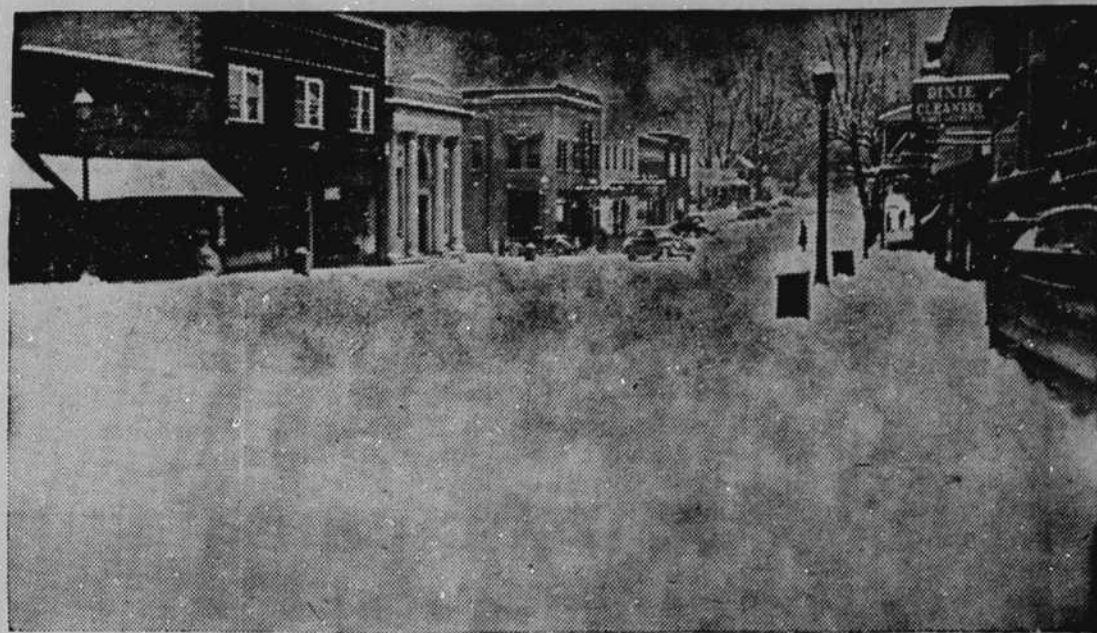
Preceding the first squad go, the College "B" team will play an all-star aggregation from the college, this game to start at 7 o'clock.

Probable starting lineup for Thursday night's game will be Peterson and Roberts, forwards; Dalton, center; Young and York, guards. Peterson is suffering from a badly swollen ankle and may not be able to play, and in such event, Green will take over one of the forward positions, Coach Christenbury said Wednesday.

The local quint has won both conference starts—Bolling Springs and Pfeiffer, and also have won from the Canton "T" team. At this date the Christenbury-coached squad is leading the conference.

Brevard will play at Mars Hill on February 7th, and a return game with the same team here on the 13th—Coach Christenbury's birthday.

## Coldest Weather In Many Years Hit Brevard



West Main Street in Brevard as it looked to a Transylvania Times photographer Tuesday afternoon, January 23. The snow reached a depth of eight to 12 inches in many parts of the county, and was followed by extremely cold weather—reaching 15 below zero last Friday morning. Above cut courtesy of Greenville Piedmont.

Low temperature records of the past 20 years were broken here last week when the extreme low of 15 below zero was registered at the official station checked by Phillip Price at the city hall.

Friday morning, citizens of this county awoke to find a wind that literally "cut one in two" added to by several inches of snow that had lain on the ground since the previous Tuesday.

Most people were skeptical of the report that the temperature had tumbled during the night to the 15-below mark, and not until radio reports were heard during the day from other sections of Western North Carolina giving even lower readings, did people here really think that winter of the worst sort was at hand.

Sylvia reported 18 below, Bryson City 14, and Canton 12 below. As far south as Birmingham a low reading of three below was recorded, and reports from Florida were to effect that millions of dollars damage to citrus fruits and truck farms had been suffered.

Many people throughout the nation froze to death, two of these being reported from Greenville, S. C., on Sunday. Schools in all Western Carolina counties were closed, with notations that they would open again when weather conditions permit.

Opening of schools in Transylvania county which had been closed during last week, was postponed until Wednesday, and again the announcement was made Tuesday morning after school officials had visited several sections of the county that no units would open until Monday, February 5, or later, depending upon the weather.

One-third or more of water pipes in Brevard were reported frozen and clogged by Sunday morning, and plumbers here have been unable to cope with the situation, with extra crews working day and night.

Saturday morning's low was 10 below; Sunday, 11 below; Monday, 9 below; Tuesday 21 above; and Wednesday morning at 7 o'clock, one below.

Tuesday saw more snow in Brevard, with approximately an inch fall being recorded. The flurries started early in the morning and continued throughout the day, making streets and roads very slick.

Town and Duke Power company workers have been co-operating in using an electric heating apparatus to thaw water pipes under stress to the city mains, and this has been a material aid in preventing the digging up of streets to get at frozen water lines from the main to property.

The French Broad river was frozen

solid Saturday and Sunday, as was Looking Glass, Connettee, Glen Canon, and many of the waterfalls throughout the county.

Small streams were clogged with ice, and the flow into the city reservoir was retarded some. Added to the slow flow was the fact that many residents persisted in letting spigots run continuously to avoid freezing of pipes, and this made a water shortage.

Streets were put in fairly good shape by the town crews last Wednesday and Thursday, and East Main, and Broad streets were cleared by state highway workers. Side walks were dragged, and while walking is dangerous in some places, and driving of cars is slowed considerable, the streets are regarded as being in good shape considering the snow and cold.

Some county roads are traveled at peril, but for the most part the highway system is in fair shape.

Business in Brevard has been at slow ebb since Tuesday of last week, with galoshes and overshoes stocks completely depleted, coal and wood dealers doing rush business.

Older residents here recall four degrees below zero seven or eight years ago, but at that time the cold snap was only of a couple days duration.