

To Open \$15,000 Drive For Community Hospital Building

W. P. A. IMPROVES FARM-TO-MARKET ROADS IN COUNTY

Total of 110 Miles of Roads in County Have Been Improved

Farm-to-market roads in Transylvania county have been greatly improved, and in many cases new ones actually built, through the work of the WPA county unit, according to information available here yesterday at the county WPA supervisor's office.

The records there show that from January 1, 1937, to July 1, 1941, a total of 110 miles of farm-to-market roads have been improved by clearing, grubbing, draining, widening, asphaltizing, stabilizing or surfacing through the WPA effort. Asphalt treatment was given 10.2 miles; 71.7 miles were stabilized and surfaced; 28.5 miles were drained, grubbed, cleared and widened, the records show.

The most recent surface work done by the WPA in this county has been on the Penrose-Crab Creek road in the lower part of the county. More than two miles, leading from the Brevard-Hendersonville highway toward Crab Creek, have already been surfaced, and it is expected that the remainder of the stretch, comprising more than two miles, to the Henderson county line will be surfaced by next spring. Citizens of that section have signed a petition and have sent it to the State highway department, it was learned, asking that the remaining portion of the road be surfaced as early as possible in the interest of better farm-to-market travel.

At present there are 130 men working in the Transylvania county operating division of the WPA, with five units on the farm-to-market roads and the Penrose stone quarry. Beginning Wednesday of this week two other units were placed in operation, one at the site of the Pisgah Forest school building and the other at the Penrose stone quarry.

County WPA supervisor is W. A. Wilson.

MORE THAN 2700 START TO SCHOOL

Initial Enrollment Shows Greater Attendance Than First Of Last Year

The back-to-school bell sounded last Thursday morning for almost 3,000 pupils in Transylvania county as the fifteen elementary and two high schools in the county opened their doors for the 1941-42 term.

J. B. Jones, county superintendent of schools, released initial enrollment figures on the two high schools and a dozen of the elementary schools. Reports were not available on the Lake Toxaway school, Connestee, and Glade Creek.

Initial enrollment figures this year indicate a much greater full-year enrollment than in previous years. Last year, after the first two weeks of school, a total of 2,644 pupils had enrolled in all of the schools in the county. This year, total initial enrollment in fourteen of the seventeen schools is 2,545. Added to this, the enrollment, based on last year's first two weeks enrollment, at the Connestee, Lake Toxaway, and Glade Creek schools, the total figure for initial enrollment this year would be 2,761, more than 100 greater than last year. Total annual enrollment last year was 2,803.

Enrollment figures in the fourteen schools are as follows: Brevard high, 381; Rosman high, 154; Brevard elementary, 745; Rosman elementary, 445; Little River, 92; Pisgah Forest, 180; Rosewood, 125; Silverstein, 68; Balsam Grove, 86; Quebec, 52; Cedar Mountain, 46; Penrose, 82; Selica, 70; Montvale, 19.

Merchant Here Finds It Pays To Advertise

And it does pay to advertise: Last month a local merchant doubled his amount of advertising in The Times, and as a result he did twice as much business within that month as had been true before. He attributes the increase largely to advertising.

Publisher Ed M. Anderson, in a statement relative to advertising, stated that though local merchants were being curtailed on certain regularly advertised goods, they should do as much institutional advertising as possible to keep their name before the public.

Popular Broadcasters To Appear Here Friday

Wade Mainer and his Sons of the Mountaineers, radio broadcasters over WWNC, will appear in person at the Brevard court house Friday night of this week at 8:30 o'clock in a varied program. The event is sponsored by the local Woodmen of the World and the Woodmen Circle.

Mr. Julian Cutler, of Richmond, Va., was guest the past week of Miss Johnnie Dermid.

Fighting for a Free Europe



Intensely interested in a new Bren anti-aircraft machine gun mounted for combat against low flying enemy planes are high-ranking officers of the Allies—Australians, Belgians, Czechoslovaks, Free French, Greeks, Luxemburgers, Dutch, Norwegians, Polish and Yugoslavians—now fighting for the common cause of a free and new order in Europe. The Allies are training side by side and ready to fight side by side for a new world of free men.

13th Field Artillery Of Ft. Bragg Coming To Pisgah

Kills Snakes Galore Near His Back Door

There's no end of snake stories it seems, and for Paul Roberts, of the Little River section, there seemed to be no end of snakes—and rattlesnakes at that.

Mr. Roberts reports that he has killed no less than eleven rattlesnakes this summer right in the vicinity of his home. Something happened to the one that would have made an even dozen, but the record is rather substantial in any way. Not many people can report a summer's record of rattlesnake killing like that. Furthermore, not many people would want to.

SCOUT GROUP WILL PLAN HONOR COURT

Scout Committee To Hear Reports at Committee Meeting Tonight

C. E. Buckner, chairman of the Transylvania county district scout committee, has announced a meeting of the committee for this evening at eight o'clock, daylight saving time, at the Methodist church.

Mr. Buckner said that at the meeting business matters would be taken up, reports from the scoutmasters received, and a court of honor for members of Brevard Troop No. 1 planned. The court of honor will be held on Friday evening, September 12, at the Methodist church, he said.

Comprising the Transylvania district scout committee are, besides Mr. Buckner, R. T. Kimzey, Rev. B. W. Thomason, Rev. E. P. Billups, Roland Wilbur, Ralph Wedge, Don Jenkins, H. E. Newbury, Randal Lyday, Dr. E. O. Roland, W. C. Bangs, Harold Norwood, E. H. McMahan, Pete Eberle, John Smith, Lewis P. Hamlin, Edwin Wike.

Horseshoe Tournery Set For Park Here

A horseshoe pitching tournament, popularly known as barnyard golf, will be staged on the grounds at the Jordan street recreation center Friday afternoon, beginning at 3:15, daylight saving time, J. C. Brewington, leader at the park, has announced. The tournament will be waged between a team from the Ecusta Paper corporation at Pisgah Forest and a group of Brevard people, he said.

Mr. Brewington reports that activity at the Jordan street recreation park has been especially heavy during July and August, and many local people as well as visitors have taken part in the outdoor games provided for there. He said a total of 2,887 people had participated in the recreational activity in the park during the past two months.

Some 13,000 Troops Will Be Encamped Two Nights In Pisgah Forest

The full strength of the 13th Field Artillery of Fort Bragg, comprising some 13,000 men, together with all arms and equipment except tractor-drawn guns, will spend at least two days in Pisgah National forest near here next week, according to information available here from press dispatches out of Fort Bragg. The nature of their trip into the mountains was not disclosed, and it could not be learned here whether this short trip into the mountain area is in lieu of an earlier projected 60-day encampment in the forest area by the 4th and 9th battalions at Fort Bragg. Neither could the exact days of the week which the brigade will be in the forest be learned, but it is expected that the troops will arrive at the Pink Beds camp grounds for their first night's encampment on Tuesday night.

It is understood that the outfit will camp the first night out of Fort Bragg at or near Hickory, the next day continuing the trip to Pisgah Forest by way of Asheville and Candler, making their entrance into the national forest area on the Candler-Mount Pisgah forest roadway. After the first night's encampment they will continue down the trans-forest highway to the Davidson

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Varnier Removes His Headquarters Here

S. E. Varnier, deputy collector of internal revenue in Western North Carolina, has moved his headquarters from Asheville to Brevard. Here he will have three counties under his supervision—Transylvania, Henderson, and Jackson.

Mr. Varnier will observe office days here on Mondays and Saturdays. Office, located at the Post Office building will be closed after noon on Saturday, he said.

College Officials Say Alumni Of Institute Plan Memorial Library

Report Substantial Sums Promised For Memorial to C. H. Trowbridge

Brevard College officials made it known here this week that there is under way at the present time a definite movement among alumni of the old Brevard Institute to raise funds for the erection of a \$50,000 memorial library building on the campus of Brevard College in honor of C. H. Trowbridge, president of Brevard Institute from 1907 to 1923, and present vice president and professor of chemistry at Brevard College.

Brevard College is now on the site of and occupies some of the same buildings used by Brevard Institute. Dr. E. J. Coltrane, president of Brevard College, said that a group of alumni of Brevard Institute is behind the

COUNTER ATTACKS OF RUSSIANS SAID BACKING GERMANS

Russians Reported Mopping Up Germans On 175-Mile Front in Counter Attack

Sledge-hammer Russian blows which have forced Adolf Hitler to shift whole divisions of troops across Europe from his "invasion front" facing Britain were reported Wednesday as the high command admitted the abandonment of Tallinn, capital of Estonia.

A high command communique describing a "stubborn" Red army stand along the entire 1,800-mile front indicated that the German war machine was being halted in its tracks in the key sector for the sixth straight day.

Tallinn, ancient Baltic city of 300,000 population on the Gulf of Finland opposite Helsinki and west of Leningrad, was said to have been given up by the Russians after "severe fighting" and incessant aerial siege.

Authoritative quarters in London said that the Red army in its first big counter-offensive of the 73-day-old war is sweeping up tiring German forces on a 175-mile front between Smolensk and Gomel, inflicting heavy losses and threatening the Germans' entire position on the central front.

The Soviet high command, describing the heavy Russian blows west of Moscow, said that the Nazi high command is withdrawing divisions from France, Belgium and Holland to fill gaps resulting from the wehrmacht's terrific losses, estimated at more than 2,000,000 men in dead and wounded alone.

An American-built fortress aircraft bombed Bremen in the second raid upon the big German port in three days by these speedy, high-flying planes during a widespread dawn-to-dusk RAF offensive against the German-held continental coast and against Nazi shipping by torpedo-carrying Beauforts in the North sea.

Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Bradley and son, John, of Fayetteville, spent several days in Brevard the past week.

Tax Land Available Wasn't So Salable

Delinquent tax property went a-begging here last Monday at noon when Edwin A. Morgan, county tax collector, proclaimed to the public from the courthouse steps that some 600 parcels or tracts of land were thereby offered for sale to the highest bidder. Only there wasn't any public.

According to Tax Collector Morgan, there wasn't a single bidder on any of the property listed for sale because of unpaid taxes. It must be that the appeal of tax-sale property is falling off, he says. And badly, too, because last year three persons were on hand to turn in their bids.

DEFENSE BONDS SALES REACH A \$21,000 MARK

Survey of Four Months Sales Show Transylvanians Buying Defense

During the past four months a total of \$21,393.75 worth of defense bonds have been sold at the three major places for which they have been offered for sale in Transylvania county, it was learned here yesterday. Some \$273 worth of defense savings stamps have been sold in that time.

The places reporting the total sales of defense bonds and savings stamps were the Brevard post office, the Transylvania Trust company, and the post office at Pisgah Forest. The post office at Rosman has had bonds on sale only since Monday of this week, and therefore had no sales figures to report.

Highest sales of all three places were made at the Pisgah Forest post office. Postmaster Dewey Edwards reported that a total of \$8,437.50 worth of defense bonds had been sold the public within the past four months at Pisgah Forest. T. Coleman Galloway, Brevard postmaster, reported bond sales amounting to \$7,125.00 within that period, and officials of the Transylvania Trust company reported sales of bonds there had amounted to \$5,831.25 in that period. All sales figures are based on actual cash paid in for bonds and stamps and do not represent the maturity value of them.

The Brevard post office sold a total of \$227 worth of defense savings stamps, while the post office at Pisgah Forest reported sales on stamps amounting to \$46.25.

Postmasters Galloway and Edwards as well as officials at the Transylvania Trust company were optimistic about the sales of bonds and stamps during the past four months. Sales have gradually increased since they were placed on sale, they said, and they look for the sales record of the next four months to go far beyond that made in the first four months.

TWELVE DRAFTEES CALLED NEXT WEEK

Seventeenth Call White Boys Will Leave Brevard Thursday, September 11

Eleven white boys from Transylvania county will go to Fort Bragg on Thursday, September 11, to answer the 17th selective service draft call. Mrs. Allie B. Harlike, clerk to the local board, has announced. This group will be selected from the twelve boys listed below, she said.

Veter Harold Hinkle, Sapphire; Roy Edward Carter, Pisgah Forest; Homer Cleve Bowen, Rosman; James B. Picklesimer, Brevard; John Galloway Owen, R-1, Lake Toxaway; Clarence Sylvester Fowler, Brevard; William Hall Fisher, R-1, Rosman; Coleman Eugene Hogsed, R-1, Brevard; Homer Lyons Batson, R-1, Brevard; Riley Ephriam Beddingfield, and Claude Edward Melton, Brevard, Edgar Russell Ramsey, Brevard, Melton is a volunteer.

Commissioners Meet

The Transylvania county board of commissioners met in regular session here last Monday morning for a brief meeting of about two hours.

Discussion at the meeting centered around routine business matters of the county. Disbursements for the previous month were approved by the group.

Prize-Winning Guest, The Host's Big Test

Believe it or not for Ripley: Margaret Beachum, of Asheville, was being visited Dr. and Mrs. C. G. Lasley during the past week. During the street dance Monday night Dr. Lasley bought his guest a ticket to put her in line for one of the many prizes offered. When the prize winners were read out, Miss Beachum had won the \$150 prize offered by that guest is right, the Brevard Drug company, where Dr. Lasley is co-manager.

FINANCE GROUP LAYS PLANS FOR FUND CAMPAIGN

Report Deficit of Approximately \$30,000 in Total Cost of Building

TO RAISE HALF HERE

A whirlwind drive to raise \$15,000 for the Transylvania community hospital will be launched here within the next few days, Ralph H. Ramsey, Jr., chairman of the board of trustees, announced Wednesday after a meeting of the hospital finance committee in the City Hall where final plans were laid for the drive. The \$15,000 will partially offset the deficit in the \$75,000 hospital building now being erected on Broad street near the present community hospital, Mr. Ramsey said.

Mr. Ramsey pointed out that the campaign for funds at this period was necessitated because of a deficit arising from change of original hospital building plans, including the addition of an elevator, an emergency operating room, a delivery room, extra laboratory and X-ray space facilities, and the continually rising costs of material and labor over what had been approximated in 1939 when the initial drive was launched to raise funds for a \$50,000 hospital building.

Financial figures released Wednesday by Mr. Ramsey show that the present cash on hand, including a commitment for \$28,000 from the Duke Foundation, amounts to \$48,535, while pledges now due bring the total to \$50,759.10. An anonymous donor has pledged \$5,000 for a nurses' home, making the total cash available \$55,759.10. Figures on costs of the buildings and equipment reveal that the total cost of the hospital building will be \$75,872.68, including architects' fees. Equipment cost is listed as approximately \$5,000, and an equal amount will be needed to erect the home for nurses. This brings the total cost of the buildings and equipment to \$85,872.68, leaving a deficit of approximately \$30,000. Mr. Ramsey indicated that if half of this amount can be raised in Transylvania county the remainder can be obtained elsewhere.

Although detailed plans of the new

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MOOSE LODGE TO STAGE MINSTREL

Proceeds of October 3 Event To Help Furnish Hospital Nursery

The Brevard lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose, organized here some months ago, is planning its first major entertainment event since it was chartered. It will be an all-local talent minstrel show to be staged in the Brevard high school auditorium at eight o'clock on Friday night, October 3, according to announcement by John A. Ford, secretary of the Brevard lodge.

The minstrel will be given purely for the benefit of the community hospital. Mr. Ford said, and the proceeds will be used to help defray the expense of furnishing the hospital nursery. Mr. Ford pointed out that the minstrel, besides being presented for a worthy cause, will provide at least an hour and a half of good entertainment at a purely different type of minstrel show.

Chairman in charge of the minstrel show is Philip Price. Rev. E. P. Billups is assistant chairman, and Leonard Simpson is in charge of music.

Mr. Ford also announced that the Moose lodge had voted to meet every first and third Monday nights instead of every Monday night. Next meeting will be held at White Pine Camp on September 15.

Tinsley To Join The U. S. Marines

C. E. Tinsley, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tinsley, of Brevard, is volunteering for the Marine service at Parris Island, S. C., it has been learned here.

Mr. Tinsley will join the Marines at Parris Island on September 9 and will enlist for a 4-year period. He plans to take a course in diesel engineering. For the past several months he has been employed at the Cash and Carry super market here.

AQUATIC SCHOOL CLOSES SESSION

The nineteenth session of the American National Red Cross aquatic and first aid school came to a close Monday morning at Camp Carolina near here, after ten days of rigorous study for more than 120 students from 12 South-eastern states.

Certificates for completion of courses at the school were awarded Sunday night at a special ceremony by Harry A. Kenning, school director, and field representative of the National Red Cross.

The next session of the aquatic school will be held at Camp Carolina in June, 1942.