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SILVERSTEEN INDUSTRIES GIVE TEN PERCENT WAGE RAISE

Observance Of Brevard College Day On Sunday Probably Raise \$10,000

More Than 400 Churches Throughout Conference To Observe Day

CHURCHES HERE HELP

Indications Wednesday, based on interviews with college officials and leaders in the Western North Carolina conference of the Methodist church, were that at least \$10,000, and perhaps much more, will be raised in the official observance of Brevard College Day throughout the conference next Sunday. The funds raised will go into the operating and self-help budget at the college and is expected to go a long way toward off-setting the \$25,000 annual cost of student labor at the institution.

The observance of Brevard College Day, the first annual observance, was voted officially by the Western North Carolina conference in session in Winston-Salem in October, 1941. Heading up direction of the Day is Bishop Clare Purcell, of Charlotte, who will be aided by the eleven district superintendents in the conference and by ministers and laymen at each church. All churches in the conference, totalling better than 400, are expected to observe the Day, but, in a few instances where one minister has charge of a circuit a few small churches may not have sole offerings taken until following Sundays. In this district, Dr. M. T. Smathers is in direct charge of observance of the day.

In Brevard, all churches are to observe College Day on Sunday, regardless of denomination, and a considerable sum is expected to be raised in this county.

Projected by the finance committee at the college, Brevard college students and faculty observed

MERCHANTS HERE HANDLING STAMPS

Committee Reports Around Eighty Percent Merchants Cooperating

Approximately 80 per cent of all retail merchants in Brevard are handling and selling defense savings stamps, according to an announcement this week by members of the special merchandising committee of the county defense savings staff. Customers may obtain change in stamps at practically every business place in town, and many of the rural stores are expected to have them on hand soon.

At a recent meeting of the merchandising committee in the office of E. H. McMahan, county defense savings staff chairman, the members of the committee each took the responsibility of contacting a number of merchants and asking them to handle defense stamps. They also agreed to encourage advertising of defense bonds and stamps in every manner possible.

Members of the merchandising committee are S. E. Varner, chairman, D. T. Abercrombie, Harry Sellers, Lewis Osborne, R. H. Plummer, A. Patterson, T. E. Reid, Anthony Trantham, Harry Patton, Joseph J. Tinsley, and J. E. Smith. Meanwhile, Chairman McMahan announces that the general sale of defense bonds and stamps throughout the county has greatly increased during the recent weeks, and the program of the defense savings staff is completely satisfactory.

BULLETIN

Bill Bridges and Ralph Morris will bowl 5 games, total pins, tonight, Thursday, at 8 o'clock to decide the local bowling champion. The winner will then bowl the victor of a similar match in Asheville to decide the champion of western North Carolina in the very near future.

Citizenship Winner



Miss Frankie Moore, above, daughter of Lewis Moore, of Brevard, was voted Brevard high school's "Best Citizen" in the D. A. R.-sponsored contest. She will represent Brevard in the State D. A. R. Citizenship contest to be held in April. (Photo by Austin).

Friday, The Thirteenth

So help us, it's almost here again. Friday, the 13th, we're talking about. Once again, come tomorrow, Friday and the calendar will have gotten together again to hold a conference over the traditional caldron and to plot against the grievances of humanitarian man. So, unless you're one of those individuals whose lucky days are the supposed unlucky ones, you'd better watch your step Friday. One thing more: Don't forget your automobile tires.

PISGAH FOREST SELLS NUMBER DEFENSE BONDS

Since war was declared on December 8, 1941, the Pisgah Forest post office has sold a total of \$6,500 in defense bonds and \$467.85 in savings stamps, according to figures compiled by Postmaster Dewey Edwards.

Stamps have been on sale at the Pisgah Forest school for the past two weeks, and during that time the pupils have purchased approximately \$75 worth. These stamps are supplied by the Pisgah Forest post office.

The school at Enon is also purchasing stamps at the Pisgah Forest office, Mr. Edwards says, and they are just getting started with their stamp sale program.

Alex Patterson has returned from a buying trip to New York, where he purchased new spring merchandise for Patterson's Department store, and states that men's clothing is harder to get than in previous seasons.

College And High Schools Are Participating In Naval Plan

Brevard college and the two high schools in Transylvania county came out with wholehearted approval this week for the establishment of the new U. S. Navy reserve class in which students may enroll any time during their school or college career but not report for active duty until completion of their regular scholastic training. College administration officials and J. B. Jones, superintendent of county schools, said that students would be free to enlist in the new V-1 Navy reserve class if they so

Fifteen Firms Change Hours

Regular Weekly Hours Will Be From 9 a.m. Until 6 p.m.

SHORTER WORK HOURS

In keeping with the national defense effort to conserve electricity and to shorten the working hours of employees, majority of the business firms in Brevard, not including grocery stores, drug stores and service stations, next Monday morning will adopt new opening and closing hours. A petition was signed early this week by those desiring to comply with the business hours.

The hours of business, effective Monday, February 16, will be as follows: Monday through Thursday, open at 9 a.m. and close at 6 p.m.; Friday, open at 9 a.m. and close at 6:30 p.m.; Saturday, open at 9 a.m. and close at 9 p.m. The managers and owners of the firms urge the cooperation of the public in observing these new hours.

Firms which will operate on the new hours schedule include Belk's department store, Rose's, Plummer's department store, Brevard Sample store, United Variety stores, McBride's, Trantham's, Western Auto Associate store, Carlton's, Abercrombie Furniture company, Houston Furniture company, Farmers Supply, Winner's, Patterson's department store, and Bradley's.

War Bulletins

COUNTER ATTACKS AT SINGAPORE

LONDON, Feb. 11.—British forces defending Singapore have slashed back at the Japanese invaders in two violent counter-attacks, defying overwhelming numbers of enemy men, guns and planes, British sources announced today, in a desperate effort to save the island.

The counter-attacks were said to have scored "some measure of success" and British commentators declared that the position of the bastion's back-to-the-wall fighters "certainly is no worse and indications are that in some ways it is better."

JAPANESE DRIVE AGAINST DUTCH

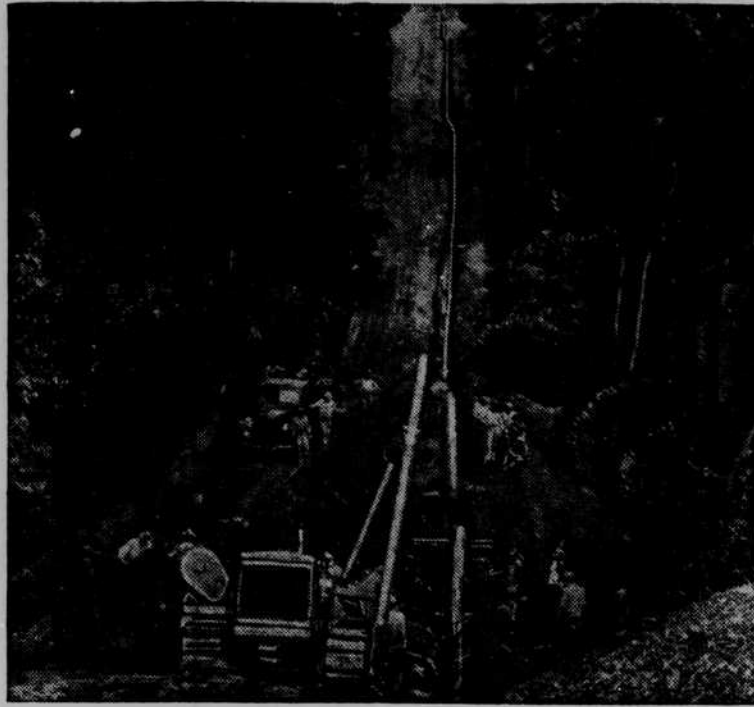
BATAVIA, Feb. 11.—Japanese landing forces drove forward against stubborn Dutch defenders

Clothing Needed For School Kids

The Transylvania county welfare department reports that a number of needy children in the rural areas of the county are badly in need of clothing and shoes in order to continue their regular school work during the winter weather.

Donations for these children will be received at the welfare department in the courthouse here, including cash donations for the purchase of shoes and donations of used clothing such as coats, jackets, dresses and trousers.

Petroleum Pipe Line Be Dedicated



The above photograph shows work on a section of the new 1261-mile Plantation Pipe Line which will be formally opened next month in ceremonies at Greensboro, its northern terminus. The line will have a capacity of 60,000 barrels of refined petroleum products. It runs from Baton Rouge, La.

Many Enroll In First Aid Classes At Defense School

Transylvanians Register Monday

This week the Transylvania county draft board urged all prospective registrants for the third draft registration to be held next Monday from 7 a.m. until 9 p.m., to make plans for registering on that day.

Registration centers were announced last week in The Times, and men between the ages of 20 and 45, not registered in previous registrations, are required to register Monday.

Persons may register at the courthouse, the draft office, the city hall, Patton's store, East Fork voting booth, Cash's store, Bohoney school, McNeely's store, Cedar Mountain school, Rosman elementary school, Talley's store, Little River school, Silversteen school, Balsam Grove post office.

RED CROSS DRIVE IS OVER THE TOP

Drive Committee Reported Wednesday That \$3,500 Is Subscribed

The Red Cross War Relief funds drive in Transylvania county had passed \$3,500 Wednesday, it was reported by the drive committee. The quota was \$3,000.

Enabling the committee to "go over the top" was a contribution of \$1,000 made by the Ecusta Corporation office in name of its employees; \$300 from the Silversteen industries, also given by the office in name of its employees; \$100 from Carr Lumber company office and \$94.50 from employees; and \$100 from Transylvania Pipe company in name of its employees.

Several large contributions were made by individuals who did not wish their names publicized, and the day's wages from practically all employees in the town of Brevard plus school contributions made the task of reaching the \$3,000 goal much easier, the committee reported. Scrap metal gathered by the agricultural committee of the Defense Council was an extra donation over ordinary drives.

Raising Transylvania Chapter's quota was the last official act of the retiring chapter chairman, Joseph S. Silversteen, who has rounded out 25 years of service, with each quota always oversubscribed for every emergency.

Will Increase The Annual Payroll By About \$150,000

OBSERVING SCOUT WEEK; SET COURT OF HONOR FRIDAY

Large Group From Troop No. 1 Will Receive Awards Tomorrow

ALLEN TO BE HERE

Boy Scouts in the Transylvania District of the Daniel Boone Council of the Boy Scouts of America are this week celebrating the thirty-second anniversary of the birth of scouting.

Last Sunday, in observance of the anniversary, the Boy Scouts here attended en masse a service at the Brevard Methodist church. The scouts were in full uniform. Official observance of Scout Week included the week from February 6-12.

An honor court for Boy Scouts of the Transylvania District of the Daniel Boone Council will be held at the Brevard Methodist church on Friday evening of this week, according to announcement by C. E. Buckner, chairman of the executive committee. A. W. Allen, of Asheville, scout executive of the Daniel Boone Council, will be on hand to assist in the making of awards.

At the honor court two members of Brevard Troop No. 1, of which Dr. E. O. Roland is scoutmaster, will come up for Life scout awards. They are Gene Franklin and Buddy Tankersley.

Other members of Troop No. 1 who will receive awards include

WARNS CITIZENS TO BE PREPARED FOR A BLACKOUT

The Transylvania county blackout committee of the civilian defense council warns citizens of Brevard that a 15-minute blackout will be staged in this area soon, on order of Army headquarters at Charleston, S. C.

Announcement will be made in advance of the blackout, but the local committee wishes to impress upon the citizenry the necessity of learning the signals for the blackout and all-clear in order that the blackout may be completely successful when it is ordered.

The signal for the blackout will be short fluctuating blasts by steam whistles and by the fire alarm siren. The signal for all clear, when lights may be resumed, will be a two-minute steady blast by the whistles and siren.

Polio Drive Goes Beyond Its Quota

Ernest McFaul, chairman of the Infantile Paralysis drive in Transylvania and chairman of arrangements for the recent President's Birthday Ball, has announced that the quota assigned to the county was surpassed and that a total of \$337.28 was sent to headquarters of the foundation. The quota had been set at \$335.

Transylvania Youths Inducted Into Army In Recent Quota

This week a group of 22 Transylvania selective service draftees left Brevard for induction at an army center, according to announcement by Mrs. Allie B. Harlie, clerk to the local draft board. Recent selective service legislation prevents publishing the date of movement and the center at which the youths were inducted.

Included in the group which left here this week were Ralph W. Chappell, of Rosman; James A. Holden, of Sunset, S. C.; Roy J. Beddingfield, of Oakland; Luther M. Holden, of Brevard; W. Austin

Fifteen Percent Wage Raise Was Voted By Industries Last October

COUNTY PAYROLL UP

The approximately 1200 employees of the Silversteen Industries in Transylvania county have received a blanket wage raise of 10 per cent according to Joseph S. Silversteen, president and general manager of the Transylvania Tanning company, Toxaway Tanning company, Rosman Tanning and Extract company and the Gloucester Lumber company. The wage raise went into effect on January 1, Mr. Silversteen said, but had not been publicly announced until this week. The raise was entirely unsolicited and followed upon the heels of a 15 per cent blanket raise in October of last year.

The annual payroll of the four industries will be increased by approximately \$150,000, Mr. Silversteen said. The industries manufacture leather, tanning extract, and hardwood lumber.

Mr. Silversteen said that the companies had tried to keep stride with the rising costs of living in voting the wage raise for employees and also was voted as a measure of confidence and appreciation for the workers, some of whom have been employed by the Silversteen Industries for more than a third of a century.

The Silversteen Industries is the oldest major industries in Transylvania county, having been established here shortly after the turn of the last century. The Transylvania Tanning company is located at Brevard, the other three at Rosman.

With the increase in wages in the above industries, Transylvania's annual payroll has been increased some \$350,000. Last week officials of the Ecusta Paper corporation announced a 10 per cent blanket wage increase for their 1600 employees. Both raises were entirely unsolicited.

EASTER SEAL SALE STARTS THIS WEEK

Jerry Jerome Is Chairman For The Transylvania Committee

Participation of the Transylvania County Committee of the North Carolina Society for Crippled Children in the ninth annual Easter seal sale for crippled children was announced Wednesday by Jerry Jerome, chairman of the local committee.

The sale, which is sponsored nationally by the National Society for Crippled Children, will open officially in the nation on March 10 and will close on Easter Day, but the committee here is starting early in order to thoroughly work the town and county in the interest of crippled children aid, it was pointed out. The sale will open officially here Thursday morning of this week. Proceeds from the sale of Easter seals help to support the program for crippled children in the community, the state, and the nation.

Pointing out that although a complete program for the physically handicapped cannot be entirely supported by any single agency, private or public, Mr. Jerome em-

MISS NESBITT ON FSA STAFF

Miss Rose Edna Nesbitt, a recent graduate of the University of Kentucky in the field of home economics, has been appointed assistant home management supervisor for the Farm Security Administration in Transylvania.

Miss Nesbitt, who holds a B. S. degree in home economics, will assist Mrs. Elma Goodell, who recently came to take over the home management supervisor's post. A native of Fairview, Miss Nesbitt replaces Miss Helen Ridenbour as assistant supervisor.

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