

# War Increases Enrollment For All Camps

## MANY WATERFALLS MAKES AN IDEAL CAMPING AREA

**High Altitude And Cool  
Climate In County Of  
Several Scenic Wonders**

"The Land of Waterfalls," as Transylvania county is known, has long been noted as an ideal location for summer camps.

The altitude ranging from 2,500 to 5,500 feet above sea level is conducive to good health. The summer climate is cool and invigorating, and summer nights are particularly cool. There are practically no mosquitoes. The scenic wonders of this mountain country provide inspiring surroundings.

For a parent to choose a camp in this Western North Carolina county to send a child, is to choose wisely. In Transylvania are many thousand acres of the Pisgah National Forest, which is noted for its wildlife and scenic wonders. Also, a section of the famed Blue Ridge Parkway runs through this county.

Probably the outstanding attraction to the county is the scenic sites that give the name "Land of Waterfalls" to Transylvania. Fast-falling mountain streams tumble down steep inclines at several places, causing numerous beautiful waterfalls. Several of the falls are located close to highways. The campers hike to these sites of nature.

Each of the summer camps has its own private lake and recreation facilities. The lakes provide waterfront activities, and the French Broad river is popular for canoes.

## Safety Practiced At Summer Camps

Close medical supervision, expert leadership in athletic activities, the well-balanced diet and the high moral tone of the Transylvania county camps, make these institutions the safest of locations in which a boy or girl may spend the summer.

Water sports are conducted under the eye of trained life-saving squads. All athletic activities are closely supervised. Dietitians oversee the preparation of food. Councilors of high character are associated with the campers through every hour spent in camp.

## School Subjects Taught In Camps

Parents who wish their children to have special training in school subjects will find special tutors provided in the Transylvania camps.

The child may advance his standing in school and still enjoy the advantages of a healthful summer in the out-of-doors.



CONNESTEE FALLS, above, is one of the many beautiful waterfalls in Transylvania county. The fast-falling mountain streams tumble down steep inclines at several places in the county, to give it the name of "Land of Waterfalls."

## Hiking Very Popular Camp Activity As Many Scenic Spots To Visit

Hiking is one of the most popular activities in the summer camps of Transylvania, for there are so many desirable spots to visit best by walking.

Thus, little gasoline is not a worry for the campers.

Picnics to the Pisgah National Forest are ideal for an outing. There are supervised camping areas and picnic grounds are maintained in the Pisgah preserve by the Forest Service for benefit of all.

Pure water, for cooking and drinking; tables and benches for lunchers; shelters for those who may be caught in a sudden mountain shower of rain; and state-approved sewage disposal are some

of the facilities offered.

Lofty mountain peaks in the Pisgah forest soar to over 5,000 feet, and tempt many campers to climb them for panoramic scenes. Many come back from See-Off, where they spend the night and cook suppers and breakfasts. Some climb Pilot mountain, others explore Court House Creek and find the trail to Devils Court House.

Several groups of campers have traveled by bus in the Sapphire country to camping spots, and cook steaks over glowing coals. Then there are the beautiful falls for hiking trips.

Other lesser hikes are taken to points of interest, including movies in Brevard and church on Sunday.

## YOUNG AMERICA IS HERE TO FORGET WORLD AT WAR

**Gas Rationing And Tire  
Shortage Do Not Af-  
fect Camp Operations**

Transylvania county summer camps for girls and boys are having one of their best seasons in years, as the war seems to have increased registration.

Rather than decreasing attendance, war days seem to have caused parents to want their children to have the advantages of a summer camp in the mountains.

Young America has come to swim, boat, play ball, hike, camp, ride horseback, golf and have other recreational activities in Transylvania's summer camps. They will go home refreshed and better fortified to stand the strain of living in a world at war.

The eight summer camps of this county, all near Brevard, have campers from several states. Some of the applications had to be denied because of capacity enrollments.

The gas rationing and tire shortage doesn't bother the camps, for they have a well-rounded program that can continue irrespective of automobiles, for there's horses, canoes and legs to get them places.

The war effort has not been directly connected with camping programs, directors say, for one of the reasons of capacity enrollment is that parents want their children removed from the atmosphere of war in the cities. Thus, the girls and boys find quiet retreats in the camps.

## Tourists Can Find Hotels, Cottages

Tourist accommodations in Brevard and Transylvania county are adequate for the proper care of the visitor, and parents of campers who come here find summer hotels in and near Brevard, in addition to a number of year round hotels and inns.

A complete list of accommodations is furnished upon request by the Brevard Chamber of Commerce, and these include hotels, boarding houses, inns, cottages, apartments and rooms.

## County Was Once Indian Territory

Transylvania county, part of the Cherokee Indian territory until the close of the Revolutionary War in 1783, did not receive its name until 1861.

It is thought the name was taken from the ancient "State of Transylvania" organized by Daniel Boone and Richard Henderson. The county lies in the southwestern part of the state, adjacent to the South Carolina line and surrounding the headwaters of the French Broad river.