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## ECONOMY BUDGET IS PROPOSED

### To Discuss Plans Here Tonight For Organizing Community Chest

#### MEETING OF ALL AGENCIES TO BE HELD CITY HALL

Lions Club Invites Representatives To Meet And Map Out A Program

#### ORGANIZATION NEEDED

Plans to organize a community chest for Brevard and Transylvania county will be discussed at a meeting tonight at 8 o'clock at the city hall here of representatives of practically all organizations and clubs.

The Brevard Lions club has taken the lead in the movement to establish a community chest to replace the various individual drives that are conducted here at different times throughout the year.

This plan is in effect in most cities and larger towns in the state. The Times advocated the adoption of the community chest plan here and the Lions club approved the idea a short time ago and agreed to take the leadership in perfecting an organization.

The community chest program provides for consolidation of all charitable and other worthy drives into one campaign and thereby saves time of solicitors and contributors.

E. H. McMahan and John Ford were appointed by the Lions club to promote the movement and representatives from all organizations here have been asked to attend the meeting tonight.

#### JULY WAR BOND QUOTA \$35,829

Public Urged To Cooperate. June Sales Exceeded High Quota

The county's war bond quota for July is \$35,829.00, Chairman E. H. McMahan announces.

"This is slightly higher than the average monthly quota and I urge that you do not allow vacations to interfere with your bond-buying program," Mr. McMahan said.

True to its long established record, the county went over the top in June with sales totalling \$46,687.50, or \$1,462.50 in excess of quota.

The June quota was \$30,150 and then the Treasury increased it by one-half in order to reach the annual goal.

June sales were as follows: Pisgah Forest post office, \$21,450; Brevard Federal Savings and Loan, \$13,387.50; Transylvania Trust company, \$7,987.50; Brevard post office, \$2,787.50; Transylvania Tanning company, \$587.50 and Rosman post office, \$487.50.

A meeting of the county war savings staff will be held at the courthouse here next Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

#### COLLECTOR HERE 2 DAYS

S. E. Varner, U. S. deputy collector of internal revenue, again reminded the public that his office hours here are from 9 to 5 on Saturdays and Mondays. He spends the other days of the week in other sections of the district.

#### Few Arrests Made Here During Fourth

The week end of the Fourth was quietly observed here and behavior was exceptionally good, judging by the small number of persons arrested.

Three public drunks were arrested on Sunday and only one on Monday.

In addition to the public drunk cases, Bill Volrath, of Rosman, charged with stealing a 1943 license tab off a stored car was bound over to superior court, and James Dillon Hall was bound over on a charge of drunk driving.

"Yes, it was one of the quietest Fourth's we've had here in years," one of the officers said.

#### Every Person In County Is Urged To Work Or Fight At Patriotic Meeting Here Mon.

##### Gets A Commission



EDDIE VARNER, popular local business man, has received a commission in the Navy and will report for duty within the next two weeks' time.

#### LOCAL DRUGGIST GETS COMMISSION

Eddie Varner To Report For Service Soon. Sworn In Here Tuesday

S. E. Varner, Jr., joint owner and manager of Varner's Drug store here, received his commission as an ensign in the Navy Tuesday and was sworn in by Henry Henderson, notary public. He is now awaiting orders to report and after taking officer's course lasting six weeks he will be eligible to serve as deck officer.

Management of the store upon the departure of Mr. Varner will devolve upon his brother Tom Varner, who returned here some weeks ago. He will be assisted by Mrs. S. E. Varner, Jr., who will remain here a part of the time after her husband's departure, possibly about two weeks hence. The prescription department will be in charge of Dr. Clarence Mitchell, an experienced druggist now residing in Highlands.

S. E. Varner, Jr., has been in business here for the past two and a half years. A graduate of the University of South Carolina with a B.S. degree in pharmacy, Mr. Varner was the first president of the local Jaycee chapter and served last year as a vice president of the Lions club. He is an alert, progressive business man and has always evinced a lively interest in the welfare of the town and county, where he has a host of friends.

Mrs. S. E. Varner, Jr., is a local girl, the former Miss Nell Duckworth.

#### Jury List For July Term Superior Court Is Announced, Starts 26th

A jury list for the July-August term of Transylvania county superior court, which will convene here on Monday, July 26th, with Judge Felix Alley presiding, has been drawn by the board of commissioners and was released yesterday for publication.

A total of 36 jurors were selected to serve the first week and 18 the second week.

Lawyers are expected to meet immediately and draw up a calendar. According to present indications, the term will not last over one week, if that long.

The jurors drawn are as follows:

First Week  
C. Y. Patton, C. L. Gant, Cleo Brittain, A. H. Harris, Mickler Lusk, Fred King, H. B. Glazener, Alney McCall, M. G. Garren, J.

#### Courthouse Filled To Capacity For Rally. Harry Straus In Charge

"Americans ought to be happy to work, since we have been in this war 18 months and yet no bombs have fallen on our country and no invader has set foot on our soil," Ralph Ramsey said at a "N. C. Day of Dedication" meeting held at the instance of Governor J. M. Broughton in the courthouse here Monday evening. The meeting was called and presided over by Harry H. Straus, who was appointed by the governor to head a movement in the county to cope with idleness.

After F. S. Best had read the Governor's proclamation, Mr. Straus expressed the belief that there were but few loafers in Transylvania county. Since there are more jobs than people to fill them, he said, there was no excuse for anyone to be unemployed. "Not to work today is to show an unpatriotic attitude," he said. Transylvania county, he stated, has no war industries but there are other essential activities, particularly farming, where additional labor could be used. "On this occasion," Mr. Straus said, "all of us should take a solemn pledge not to let the boys in the service down."

War For Survival  
Attorney Ramsey, presented next, expressed gratification at the

#### Organ Generator At Baptist Church Here Removed From Bldg

Officers are still puzzled by an unusual incident that occurred here last Saturday night at the First Baptist church and are continuing to make an extensive investigation to get at the bottom of it.

One or more unknown persons entered the basement of the church after choir practice last Saturday evening, removed the generator to the pipe organ and left it out on the lawn of the church. The removal was not discovered until Sunday morning just before Sunday school convened and caused a good deal of excitement.

Officers this week said their investigation disclosed that the generator can only be used in a limited number of places and thought that might have been the reason why it was left on the church lawn.

#### AT THE HOSPITAL

Patients reported yesterday afternoon to be in Transylvania Community hospital were Mrs. Harry Johnson and infant son, born July 3, Mrs. Henry Gardner and infant daughter, born July 7, Van Tinsley, Ernest Ball and Lawrence McCall.

L. Kilpatrick, A. O. Kitchen, H. P. Whitmore, J. W. Glazener, Martin Turbyfill, Vergil Merrill, Dean Whitlock, Lynch Moore, C. H. Lamance, H. M. Miller, Wallace Foster, Henry Garner, E. C. Harrison, David W. Orr, T. J. Wilson, W. M. George, Henry Pearson, J. W. Blackwell, T. C. McCall, J. C. McCall, Arnold Brown, J. F. Fanning, Homer Lance, E. O. McCall, Allen Sisk, C. M. Douglas, Palmer McCrary.

Second Week  
Scott Dillingham, Ralph Paxton, Arlin Reece, Mitch Gillespie, Glen Shipman, J. H. Tinsley, Jeff Lance, James L. Hawkins, Karl T. Bosse, Alfred G. Galbraith, J. B. Petit, Perry Gravelly, Ernest Tilton, L. V. Gosnell, Vergil Galloway, Jr., R. H. Plummer, Albert Meece, Walter A. Weilt.

#### FLYING FORTRESS CREW DONS NEW ARMORED VESTS



BEFORE LEAVING ON A BOMBING MISSION over Germany, crew members of the Flying Fortress Oklahoma Okie help each other put on the manganese steel armored flying vests at a U. S. bomber base in England. Left to right are: Flight officer Farrell Evans, Centerburg, O.; Lieuts. L. L. Cox, Tulsa, Okla.; J. T. Lundy, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; W. S. Scovell, Portland, Conn.; Sergts. W. G. Dickson, Selma, Ark.; E. L. Lawlor, Camden, Ark.; A. B. Musim, Spokane, Wash.; W. C. Radcliffe, Kansas City, Mo.; Elmer Frederick, Norwalk, Connecticut; John Fawcett, East Orange, New Jersey.

#### FARMERS CAN GET CRIMSON CLOVER SEED THRU A A A

Must Apply At AAA Office And Secure Order Under Grant-of-aid Program

Farmers of Transylvania county can now get crimson clover seed under the grant-of-aid program of the 1943 and 1944 conservation program.

The county now has a total of 19,000 pounds of the clover seed at the B & B Feed and Seed store here and farmers may obtain their supplies by first applying at the AAA office here on the second floor of the courthouse and getting an order. After obtaining the order the seed can be secured at the B & B store. Mrs. Julia Westwood is in charge of the AAA office.

If a farmer has taken up his grant-of-aid allotment for 1943, he

#### Mrs. Balcomb Wins \$100 In National Newspaper Contest

Brevard and Transylvania county have again won national recognition by one of its citizens having won a first prize of \$100.00 and another a prize of \$100 in a contest staged by Grit, a leading weekly publication of national-wide repute.

Mrs. Katherine Balcomb, of Brevard, was winner of the first prize of \$100.00 for her entry in the contest, "I Like Grit Because . . . ." She was first of five major cash prize winners in more than 20,000 entries that were submitted.

Preston A. Rahn, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Rahn, of Brevard, Route 2, was winner of one of the \$100 prizes offered in 100 additional prizes in the contest.

Mrs. Balcomb is the wife of W. A. Balcomb, manager of Rose's 5-10-25c store in Brevard, and is well known here. She has had newspaper experience in New York City and other places, and has made her home in Brevard for several years.

#### Ruffy Is Serving On Police Force While Chief Is Vacationing

Prof J. E. Ruffy is serving as special officer on the police force here this week while Chief Freeman is taking a 10-day vacation.

Fourth of July behavior here was exceptionally good and only one person was arrested in Brevard during the Fourth.

#### Around 2,500 Ecusta Workers And Their Families Enjoyed Big Picnic At Sapphire Mon.

#### BANK DEPOSITS OVER A MILLION

Transylvania Trust Company Assets And Deposits Continue To Climb

For the first time a published statement of the Transylvania Trust company shows deposits in excess of a million dollars, the exact figure being \$1,011,791.43, as of June 30, 1943. Deposits in the local institution have reached this level before, according to Ralph Duckworth, vice president and cashier but not at the time of a call.

Deposits in the bank a year ago were \$754,596.44 and on Dec. 31, 1942, they amounted to \$899,073.36.

A comparison of the current statement with that of a year ago shows that the bank has made substantial progress during that interval. Investments in U. S. Bonds rose from \$72,553.69 to \$283,084.94, indicating that a greatly increased ratio of the wealth of this county is going to finance the war and other government activities. Loans declined from \$231,885.57 to \$166,158.86, a drop of \$65,726.71. Investment in state bonds and other listed bonds remained the same, but there was

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#### Bids To Haul Garbage And Trash For Town Rejected; New Call Given

The board of alderman Tuesday night rejected bids that had been submitted by A. J. Williams and E. N. Norton to collect, haul and dispose of garbage and trash for the next twelve months and authorized the clerk to advertise for more bids.

William's bid was \$350 per month and Norton's was \$295.00 per month. Williams has had the contract this year and has been doing the work for \$242 a month.

This is a seven-day-a-week job and Williams stated that the cost of labor had increased substantially and that he could not continue to operate on the same basis.

At the meeting Tuesday night, the board appropriated \$100 to be

#### President H. Straus Stressed The Importance Of Independence Day

Approximately 2,500 employees and members of their families attended the big annual Ecusta picnic at Camp Sapphire Monday and a large percentage of them participated in the many contests that were held, and enjoyed the free refreshments that were served.

The event, like the one last year, was an overwhelming success and it was not interrupted by rain. Strange as it might seem, rain fell in Brevard and Pisgah Forest, but not at Camp Sapphire.

In a brief address, President Harry Straus told the picnickers that he was not only delighted for them to work together, but also to play together and expressed the belief that this would promote a greater feeling of understanding and friendship.

Mr. Straus said that he hoped the picnic program would become an annual event.

Stressing the significance of Independence day, Mr. Straus declared that our nation is fighting to preserve the freedom and liberty that it won 167 years ago and urged every one on the home front to continue to do his or her part to win the war. He paid tribute to the company's men in service

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#### COUNTY TO HAVE SAME TAX RATE THIS YEAR, 1.55

Budget Estimate Is Tentatively Adopted By County Commissioners

#### WILL MEET TODAY

During the fiscal year of 1943-44, the Transylvania county commissioners plan to save around \$6000 in operating expenses over the past fiscal year and to apply the savings effected to payment of county bonded debts, as provided for in the refunding program, it was revealed Tuesday when the commissioners tentatively adopted an estimated budget submitted by Mrs. Dorothy Mitchell.

The new budget estimate, which is published elsewhere in this issue and which will not be finally adopted until the latter part of this month, calls for a savings of \$3,839 in general operating expenses.

Because the commissioners plan to sell the county home property, they are setting up a saving of \$1,598 in the "upkeep of county buildings and property fund." The appropriation for the welfare department has been cut \$180.

The estimated school fund appropriation is \$6,900 more than it was last year, but this is due, commissioners state, to the fact that the county has to make a debt service payment due the state school fund during the next twelve months and to the fact that the nine months term will cost a little more.

In accordance with provisions of the refunding program, the county's debt service requirements this year are \$770 higher than during 1942-43.

The county's valuation remains the same, \$6,000,000 and the budget estimate calls for the same tax rate, 1.55.

The total budget requirement this year is \$151,310 and the estimated revenue to be available

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#### PRESS OF STATE LAUDS THE TIMES

Number Of Editorials Written. Many Of Them Reprinted In This Issue

The Transylvania Times continues to receive praise from its readers, state officials and newspaper editors for winning second place in the general excellence contest of the National Editorial association.

A number of letters and editorials are reprinted elsewhere in this issue and they include comments from W. K. Hoyt, of Winston-Salem, president of the North Carolina Press Association and other officials of the state press.

"Of course we are proud of this award and have been amazed by the large number of fine statements made by our readers and friends," Editor Ed Anderson declared.

"We are delighted to share this honor with our readers and advertisers because it was their excellent co-operation and support that made it possible."

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#### Lt. Miller Promoted To Rank Of Lt. Com.

Lt. J. D. Miller has just been promoted to a Lieutenant Commander in the Navy, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller of Brevard, have been advised.

Lt. Com. Miller graduated from Annapolis several years ago and has been in service since that time. He has been in foreign service and is now back in the States for a brief stay.

He hopes to visit his family here, but no information was available yesterday as to his plans.

His brother, J. A. Miller, Jr., is a Lieutenant Colonel in the army.