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SUPERIOR COURT OPENS MONDAY

Brevard College's New Accelerated War-Time Program Attracts Attention

INQUIRIES BEING RECEIVED FROM A LARGE AREA

Four-Year Pre-College And Junior College Program Offers Opportunity

ADVERTISING THE PLAN

A great deal of interest is being shown throughout the state and south in the new four-year pre-college and junior college program that has recently been inaugurated at Brevard College, President E. J. Coltrane stated today.

Because of the extensive delay in securing an army or navy aviation cadet unit, the college has worked out an accelerated program of education for high school boys and girls, as well as for college students.

"In keeping with the trend of these critical times, Brevard college will present young men an opportunity of completing a greater part of their education before being drafted into the armed forces," Dr. Coltrane said.

"One unique feature of the Brevard plan is that it offers a four-year college program on the junior college level. It extends down through the last two years of high school and a student now in high school will be able to shorten the actual calendar time spent in high school without losing credit units," he explained.

The college is now receiving many inquiries from parents of high school children who live in congested camp and war areas and

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AN ARMY PLANE IS FORCED DOWN

Landed In Field Near Prison Camp. Took Off Again Wednesday

A small army plane, while on a military mission from the Aiken, S. C., air base to Dayton, Ohio, Tuesday afternoon landed at the Robertson farm near Rosman, after encountering a thunderhead storm over the Smokies and turning back to land at the open field near Rosman.

Austin Hogsd, who is chief air warning observer for Rosman, heard the plane go over and return, and fearing a crash of some nature, and in compliance with his official air duties, rushed to the scene to be ready for any assistance necessary. On being informed as to the cause of the landing, Mr. Hogsd brought in to Rosman in his car the two occupants of the plane, Lt. I. Roshal and Pilot W. Bowman.

The two flyers spent the night at the Hogsd home, and continued on their mission Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, after receiving official reports on favorable weather conditions for flying.

The flyers highly commended Mr. Hogsd for "being on the job" and for taking care of them. Mr. Robertson cut a run-way in his field for the plane to take off.

Nine Men Entered Navy Training Mon.

Nine Transylvania men left last Monday morning for Camp Croft and were assigned there for training in the Navy.

These nine were: James Joe Walden, Walter Mack Hamilton, Joseph Asbury Gillespie, John Everett Sorrells, Alfred James Cheek, Clarence Eugene Matthews, George William Bryson, William L. McCall and Jess L. Cash.

Men accepted for service in the army are given 21-day furloughs now and 10 will leave here on Monday, August 2, for Fort Jackson. They are:

Edward M. Watson, John C. Whitmire, Christie P. Costanza, Edwin A. Morgan, Floyd W. Callahan, Joe Fleming Tinsley, James Leroy Banks, Howard P. Shepard, Floyd Hensley (transferred) and Lawrence O. Ray.

Home Folks Are Thrilled By Radio Broadcast From North Africa Featuring Lt. Allison

Featured On Radio



LT. JOHN MACK ALLISON, JR., bombardier, who has been on 40 bombing missions in North Africa and Sicily, was featured on a CBS broadcast last Sunday from Algiers.

COUNTY BEHIND ON ITS SURGICAL DRESSING QUOTA

A Large Shipment Is Made. More Workers Are Badly Needed

A total of 48,600 surgical dressings to be used by the army and navy were shipped to Red Cross headquarters from Brevard a few days ago by the two work shops in the county.

Although this was a large shipment, the county is still behind on its quota due to lack of volunteer workers. Both shops have ample supplies of materials on hand and urgently request that more people help make dressings.

The work shop here is located over the city hall and is open every morning during the week from 9:30 until 12 and is open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights.

Approximately 50 persons could work at one time in the shop, but there are usually not over 15 workers on the job at one time.

The military authorities have issued a request for more dressings and local women are expected to respond to this patriotic call.

It is understood that more workers are also solicited for the shop at Rockbrook.

To Present Charter To Club Here Tonight

Dr. Irma Henderson-Smathers, first vice president of the state organization of Business and Professional Women's clubs, will present a charter to the Brevard club at a meeting to be held tonight at 7 o'clock at the Bryant house.

To Organize A Community Chest For Brevard And County Tuesday

A Community Chest for Brevard and Transylvania county will be organized next Tuesday night at a meeting to be held at the city hall.

Presidents of all organizations here and one member from each club or organization appointed by the presidents, as well as all other citizens who are interested in the health and social welfare of the town and county are invited to attend. Representatives of churches and welfare agencies are also asked to attend.

A steering committee met Tuesday night and mapped out plans for perfecting the organization. This committee is to recommend that the chest have 15 trustees, a

Well Known Brevard Man Tells About Bombing Raids Over Sicily

The folks back home here in Brevard and Transylvania county were thrilled last Sunday afternoon when they heard their own Lt. John Mack Allison, Jr., describe his experiences in the invasion of Sicily and North Africa over the Columbia Broadcasting System from Algiers.

"It was a great thrill to hear his voice over the air," his mother declared, and said that Mr. Allison was almost speechless with delight.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Allison received a telegram Sunday morning stating that their son would appear on the afternoon broadcast for an interview and the message was spread over the entire community. It is quite likely that more people here heard the broadcast than any other radio program that has been on the air in years.

In introducing Lt. Allison, the announcer explained that he was a bombardier from Brevard, N. C., and that he is with the U. S. air forces stationed in North Africa. "He is a member of a fighter squadron attached to a B-25 and has been on approximately 40 bombing missions," the announcer said.

Questioning Lt. Allison, the announcer asked: "John, would you tell us just when you realized that something was afoot?"

"Just about one week before the invasion I realized something unusual was on hand, but I did not know that it was an invasion of Sicily," Allison explained. "We got up around 5 o'clock on the particular morning of the invasion and went across to Sicily. We usually dropped our bombs and headed for home, but on this particular occasion we circled back over our target and realized that we had done considerable damage. We could see clouds of smoke rising from everywhere and as we started back we could see the landing barges unloading 20 to 30 men at one time."

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Two Illicit Stills Destroyed In County

Two illicit stills have been destroyed in Transylvania county, Sheriff Freeman Hayes announced today.

Neither one of the moonshine manufacturing outfits was in operation when the officers found them and no arrests were made.

One of the stills was located on Frozen Creek above Rosman and was captured last Saturday. It was a 30-gallon capacity unit with about 500 gallons of beer. The other one was located on Diamonds Creek, not far from Rosman and was a steam-boiler type with a copper worm. Over 300 gallons of beer were destroyed there, too. It was found last Sunday.

full set of officers, and several committees. A proposed constitution and by-laws have also been drafted.

The chest proposes to include in its solicitation funds for Boy and Girl Scouts, Red Cross, Tuberculosis Association, Salvation army and perhaps a good deal for child care and old age assistance.

Members of the steering committee who met Tuesday night are Ed McMahan, Jerry Jerome, Keith Pooser, Jack Trantham, Rev. Ashby Johnson and Ed Anderson.

Mr. Johnson is now making a survey of the health and child welfare needs of the county.

Other drives may also be merged in with the chest campaign.

TERRAIN WHERE ALLIED TROOPS BATTLE AXIS



THIS SICILIAN VILLAGE, Santa Elia, located east of Palermo, is typical of many of the areas in which Allied troops are now fighting Axis defenders on the Italian island. Mountains run right down to the sea and landings had to be made through reef-infested, heavily-mined waters and beaches. (International)

MISS KELLER IS NEW MANAGER OF ROSE STORE HERE

W. A. Balcomb Gets Promotion. Transferred To Lebanon, Tennessee

Miss Frances Keller, of Martinsville, Va., has succeeded W. A. Balcomb as manager of Rose's 5, 10 and 25c store here. Miss Keller operated a five and ten cent store in Martinsville for five years before joining the Rose organization four months ago. She is the fourteenth woman manager in the Rose chain.

Mr. Balcomb, who established the Rose store here in July, 1939, operating it continuously since that time, has been transferred to Lebanon, Tenn. He left Monday night to assume his new duties.

The new assignment is said to be a promotion for Mr. Balcomb, since the Lebanon store is the fifth largest store in the Rose chain of 125 units operating in the south.

Mr. Balcomb was active in business and civic circles here. He was governor of the local order of Moose and an enthusiastic member of the Lions club and the W.O.W. The Rose store under his management enjoyed a steady gain in business.

Mrs. Balcomb and two daughters will remain in Brevard for two weeks, or until such time as Mr. Balcomb can procure a home and moving facilities can be arranged.

Lt. R. F. Johnston Is Killed In Action

Mrs. Robert F. Johnston, of Brevard, received notification from the war department last Friday morning that her husband, Lt. Johnston, was killed in action in the Southwest Pacific on July 11.

Lt. Johnston, who had been in foreign service one month, was a bomber pilot. He was the only son of Mrs. Robert A. Johnston and the late Mr. Johnston, of Columbus, Ohio, and Miami, Fla. One sister also survives.

Mrs. Johnston is the former Miss Christine Yonque, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Yonque, of Brevard, where she has been residing the greater part of the time since her husband entered military service 14 months ago.

Herbert Promotes A 'Street Bench' Drive

For the benefit of tourists, aged and children, as well as the public generally, Dad Herbert, well known Brevard sign painter, is promoting a "street bench" campaign here now.

In his shop he has made a number of street benches and has already sold several to local merchants.

Farmers Federation Will Hold Annual County-Wide Picnic Here Next Wednesday

FATHER AND SON BURNED SUNDAY

Neither Seriously Injured. Caught On Fire Starting A Ford Car

Fred McCall, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin McCall, of Maple extension, Brevard, is still in the Transylvania hospital, suffering from severe burns about the face, chest and abdomen sustained last Sunday afternoon when he and his father were trying to start their car on the street in front of the home.

Mr. McCall also sustained severe burns on his right hand, but he left the hospital immediately after receiving treatment.

The father and son, it is reported, were pouring some gasoline into the V-8 Ford carburetor when the engine backfired, ignited the gasoline and threw it on Fred. The boy's clothing immediately caught fire and he was said to have started running with his father in pursuit.

Finally the father, it is stated, managed to tear all of the boy's clothing off and in so doing suffered burns on his hand.

The boy is said to have been taught in scout work to lie down and wrap up in case of personal fire. "I was so excited that I forgot about that," he told his scout leader.

Public Invited To Attend All Day Program. To Be Here At High School

Next Wednesday, July 28th, at the Brevard high school the Farmers Federation will hold an agricultural war rally and its 1943 picnic for Transylvania county. It was announced today. The program will begin at ten o'clock in the morning and last until mid-afternoon. "Agriculture's Part in War Production" will be the theme of the day's activities.

However, plenty of fun, singing, string music, and other entertainment will be included. All members of the Federation and other citizens of Transylvania county are cordially invited to attend and bring their families and friends, it is stated.

James G. K. McClure will be in charge of the program and will discuss the farmer's part in the war effort. Also, reports will be made by the various departments of the Federation as to accomplishments of the past and plans for the future. Several officials of local government and farm agency offices have been asked to give a brief greeting to the crowd from their offices.

One of the main features of the day's activities will be the sale of war bonds and stamps from a booth which the Farmers Federation will erect and decorate. The bonds and stamps sold will be obtained either from the local post office or bank, so that the total

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Town's Budget Requirements Are Little Higher, Rate To Be Same

Total budget requirements for operating expenses and debt service payments for the town of Brevard for this fiscal year will be \$75,801.49, an increase of \$5,738.93 over last year, according to a budget estimate published elsewhere in this issue.

This increase is due in a large measure to the fact that the town will have to pay a good deal more for common labor this year on work on the streets, sewer lines and in the water department, Clerk Alex Kizer states.

The budget estimate for the general expense fund is \$46,293.24, an increase of \$4,939.18 and the debt service fund is up \$799.75.

Mr. Kizer estimates that revenue that the town will receive other than through the tax levy will be \$40,000, the most of which comes from the water department.

A tax levy necessary to balance the budget is \$35,801.49, and estimates of income from uncollected taxes to date is \$3,058.65, making the total levy \$38,860.14.

The budget estimate is based on a valuation of \$2,300,000, about the same as of last year, and provides that the tax rate shall be the same, \$1.45.

The aldermen are expected to adopt the budget next Monday night.

A financial statement also published in this issue shows that the town's bonded debt is now \$435,169.40, a decrease of around \$17,000 for the past year.

In the debt service fund, the town had on hand in cash the first of July a total of \$14,953.80 and in the general fund, \$627.39. Including last year's uncollected taxes, the town has nearly \$50, —Turn To Page Six

SHORT SESSION IS EXPECTED DUE TO LIGHT DOCKET

Bell-Gardner Assault Case To Attract Most Attention. 11 Divorces

ALLEY TO PRESIDE

The July-August term of Transylvania county superior court will convene next Monday morning with Judge Felix Alley, of Waynesville, expected to preside and C. O. Ridings, of Forest City, as solicitor.

Both the civil calendar and criminal docket are unusually light and court may not last over three or four days.

Only 30 new cases have been added to the criminal docket since the last term when around 35 other cases were continued, and on the civil calendar there are only 11 divorce cases.

The most outstanding criminal case will probably be the trial of Charlie Gardner, young Mitchell county man, charged with slashing the throat of Ernest Ball, 18-year-old Conestee boy here on the street last month.

Ball's condition has improved somewhat. For several days after the assault his condition was extremely critical.

All of the other cases involve more or less minor violations, including drunk driving, simple assault, larceny and violation of the probation law.

Listed on the civil calendar are the following divorce cases:

Duncan vs. Duncan, Oliver vs. Oliver, Harkins vs. Harkins, Merrill vs. Merrill, Feaster vs. Feaster, Morris vs. Morris, Singletary vs. Singletary, Conley vs. Conley, Owenby vs. Owenby, Kyle vs. Kyle.

TIMES IS PRAISED AT PRESS MEETING

Lauded For Winning N E A Prize. Anderson And Armfield Attend Meeting

Ed M. Anderson and Ira E. Armfield represented The Times at a postwar planning conference of the North Carolina Press Association held in Winston-Salem last week end. During the conference, this paper was highly praised for winning second place in the National Editorial Association general excellence contest this year.

Mr. Anderson spoke on newspaper rationing, presided over the non-daily session and served as chairman of the nominating committee. Last Thursday he attended a meeting of the task committee of the Printing and Publishing division of the WPB in Washington, D. C.

Newly elected officers of the state organization are John Harris, of Albemarle, president; Frank Daniels, Raleigh, vice president; Miss Beatrice Cobb, Morganton, secretary and treasurer and Clarence

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Three Teachers Are On Retirement List

Three former Transylvania county teachers are eligible to receive retirement pay under the state's new teacher retirement law, Supt. J. B. Jones announced today.

These teachers have not been active in the profession during the past year, but the new law provides that a teacher who has reached the age of 65 and who has taught as long as 20 years is eligible for retirement benefits. The three teachers are:

Miss Janie Gillespie, of Brevard, who taught in various schools of the county for 35 years.

H. P. Nicholson, of Little River, who taught 28 years in Henderson and Transylvania counties.

Rev. A. J. Manly, of Rosman, taught in this county for 25 years.