

WILL AID COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM

C. Of C. Buys \$1,000 Foundation Membership

DIRECTORS WANT PUBLICITY GIVEN TO HIGHWAY 276

Varner Heads Committee To Consider Proposals To Benefit Brevard College

ROAD REPORT HEARD

Directors of the Brevard chamber of commerce at a meeting held in the city hall Tuesday evening voted to purchase a charter membership in the Brevard music foundation at a cost of \$1,000. According to Ralph Ramsey, treasurer of the foundation, this is the first charter membership purchased and he praised the directors for their generous support of the enterprise.

The directors agreed to take a page ad in "High Top," a publication advertising the tourist and other advantages of W. N. C. produced by the Biltmore press, of Asheville.

The group voted to join the state chamber of commerce, with which the local chamber has not been affiliated in the past.

Officers of the chamber were instructed to try to arrange a joint meeting of delegations from the chambers of commerce in Waynesville, Laurens, Greenville and other towns in this area to work out plans for advertising the advantages of route 276, the so-called "High Top" road, as a link between South Carolina via Caesar's Head and Pisgah into the great Smokies.

Jerry Jerome, president of the chamber, who presided appointed a committee headed by Mayor S. E. Varner to consider and propose any projects which they felt would promote the development of Brevard college, particularly plans for the erection of a science building on the campus.

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ALBERT BREAKS BOWLING RECORD

Captain of Times Team Rolls 667 Set. Locals Tied For First In League

Buck Albert, captain of the Transylvania Times bowling team, broke his own record of 666 on the Brevard alleys, by rolling a total set score of 667 here Tuesday night and led his team to a 3-0 victory over Carlings of Asheville.

Albert's 666 was the highest score bowled here last season, and the consensus is that his 667 of Tuesday night will be the highest in Brevard for the current season. He also had the best single game Tuesday night with a 237 score, and Frank Israel was seen

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, Dec. 18—Lions club banquet for members of Brevard college football team, Country club, 7:00. B & PW club meets at Country club, 7:00.

Friday, Dec. 19—Garden club meets with Mrs. Matthews, 3:30. Kiwanis club meets at Bryant House, 7:00.

Saturday, Dec. 20—Santa Claus will arrive in town. Stores remain open in evening.

Sunday, Dec. 21—Special Christmas programs at all churches, 11:00. Church representatives to meet, Presbyterian church, 2:30. Pageant at Presbyterian church, 7:30.

Monday, Dec. 22—Stores remain open in the evening for Christmas shoppers.

Tuesday, Dec. 23—Stores remain open in evening.

Wednesday, Dec. 24—Stores remain open in evening.

Christmas Vacation Will Start Friday In Schools And At College, Yule Services At Churches Sun.

Is Re-elected



GEORGE WHEELER, above, was re-elected president of the Brevard Athletic and Recreation association at the annual meeting of the group Monday night in the city hall. Ralph Fisher was re-elected one of the vice-presidents, and Raymond F. Bennett was elected to the other post. (See story for complete details on the meeting.)

GEORGE WHEELER RE-ELECTED HEAD OF ATHLETIC BODY

Other Officers Chosen At Annual Meet. Kimzey Makes Report

George Wheeler was re-elected president of the Brevard Athletic and Recreation association Monday night at the annual meeting of the organization in the city hall.

To conform with the by-laws, two vice presidents were named. Ralph Fisher was re-elected as one and Raymond F. Bennett was chosen as the other. John D. Eversman was re-appointed as secretary and Robert Kimzey was re-elected treasurer. The executive committee chosen is comprised of the officers and Anthony Trantham, "Slim" Bullock and Charlie Russell.

Mr. Kimzey, in his annual report, said the association had enjoyed a successful year in 1947 and was able to carry out its program of softball, organized summer play for children of the community under the direction of a competent supervisor, football, etc., in addition to making several improvements and purchasing new equipment. Included in

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To Feature Christmas Music And Sermons. Holding Special Parties

Christmas observances will mark the traditional holiday season here this week end with all county schools and churches having their annual programs. All Transylvania county schools will begin their holidays on Friday and are not required to return from the vacation until January 5. Christmas programs and parties will be held in both elementary and high schools in the county before leaving for the holidays, Superintendent Jones said.

Brevard college students will leave on noon Friday for their Christmas vacation and they are not required to return until January 5, the same date the county schools re-open. "A Feast of Carols", a program composed of favorite Christmas carols from many foreign lands, was presented at the college Tuesday night. Townspeople as well as students attended the program. The Christmas dance for college students will be given in the college gym Thursday night.

All churches in Brevard have planned special Christmas programs. The most noted of these was the presentation of "The Messiah", which was given in the Brevard Methodist church last Sunday evening, and was well received by an enthusiastic audience. College students and townspeople combined to give this great musical program.

Many individual church organizations have been holding their Christmas parties all week. The Yuletide observance will begin at the First Baptist church in Brevard Sunday morning when each department of the Sunday school

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FOUR AUTOS AND TRUCK COLLIDE ON ICY HIGHWAY

Accident Occurred Near Pisgah Forest Tuesday. 2 Cars Overtaken Sat.

Icy highways in Transylvania county Tuesday morning caused one bad accident involving four automobiles and one truck, Sheriff Bert Freeman reports today.

Shortly after 7:30 o'clock, the sheriff said, a taxi of Corn's Taxi concern here, stopped to pick up a passenger on the Pisgah Forest highway in front of the residence of Sid Barnett. When the driver of the car behind applied his brakes to stop, the sheriff states, the ice on the highway caused the car to slide right into the rear of

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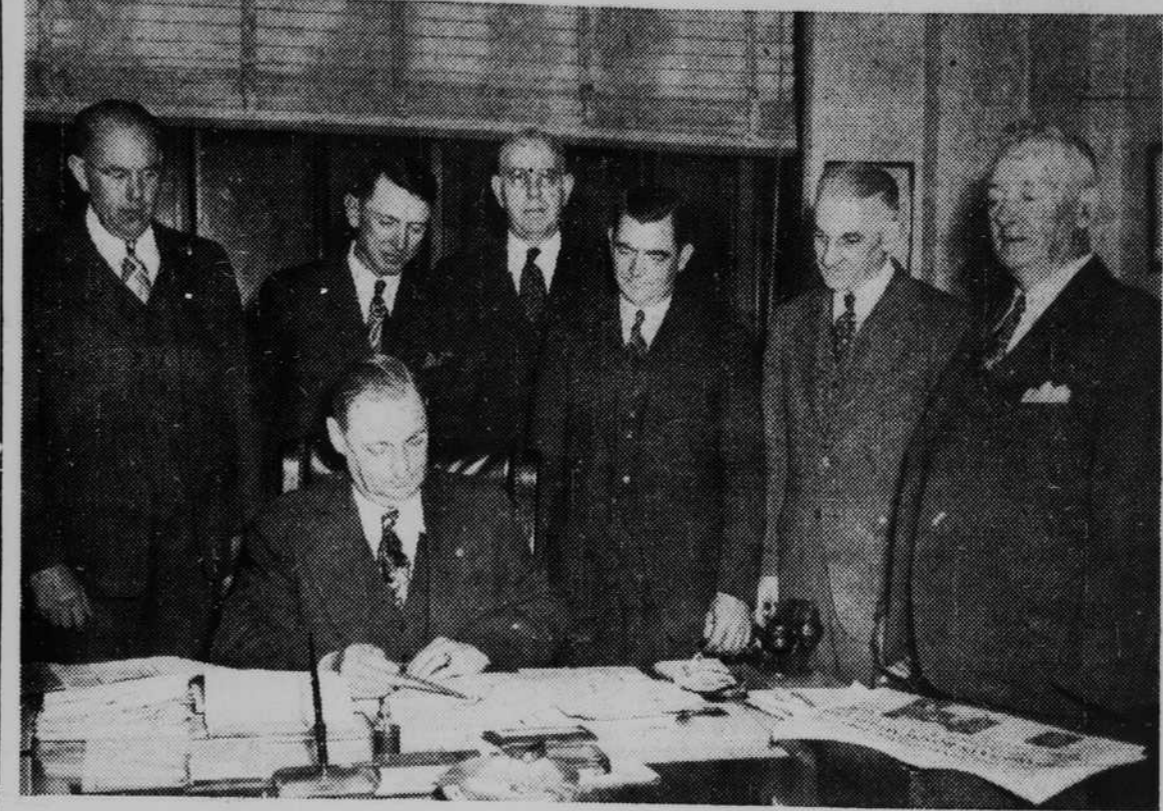
Franklin Park Equipment Is Arriving, To Be Installed By Spring, Jaycees Report

Bob Bolt, chairman of the Jaycees committee for the development of Franklin Park, announced that part of the children's playground equipment has arrived and installation will begin in the early spring. The Jaycees have bought playground devices at a cost of more than \$600, and the devices which have been on order since last summer should all be here within the next few months, Mr. Bolt continued.

The three sets of swings, which the committee chairman said arrived last week, are one double set with a triple set for small children, one nursery size and one combination set with trapeze bar and rings. The mechanisms which are still on order but should arrive in time for spring installation are one merry-go-round, one double see-saw board and one stainless steel slide.

Mr. Bolt also said that when this playground equipment is installed shuffleboards and sand boxes will also be built. "We hope to have everything completed by spring in order that the children may enjoy this park all during the summer," the chairman concluded.

Local Delegation Confers With Chairman Of Highway Commission



A delegation of local citizens is pictured above in conference with A. H. "Sandy" Graham, chairman of State Highway and Public Works Commission in Raleigh Monday morning at which time Mr. Graham promised to give his personal attention to the deplorable road conditions in Transylvania county. Members of the group who are gathered around the commissioner as he studies the requests presented for road improve-

ments in the town and county are, from left to right, John Rufty, chairman of the Democratic executive committee here, Lewis Osborne, county commissioner, Willis Brittain, chairman of the county board of commissioners, Frank King, tax collector, Ralph Ramsey, county attorney, and T. J. Wilson, head of AAA in Transylvania. John Anderson, editor of The Times, snapped the photo. (Staff Photo)

NAME McFARLAND HEAD OF COUNTY SCOUT COUNCIL

Will Succeed Best As Chairman Of Transylvania Chapter Of Council

Rev. W. G. McFarland, pastor of the Brevard Methodist church, was installed as district chairman of the Scout council for this county by Field Executive Avery Means at the annual Court of Honor held at the Methodist church here last Friday night at 7:30. Rev. McFarland succeeds F. S. Best. Other district officers installed were F. S. Best, vice chairman; C. F. Moore, county commissioner; and Lloyd Burhans, L. P. Hamlin and Elmer Bryant, neighborhood commissioners.

At the Court of Honor seven boys were given the Tenderfoot Investiture ceremony by Field Scout Fred Arledge. Chairman of Advancement, Jack Trantham, presided at the court. Boys who advanced from the Cub Scout rating were James G. Primm, Troop 2, Brevard; George W. White, Roy H. McCall, Jr., and Mark P. Osborne, all of Troop 1, Brevard; Donald Talmadge Troop 5, Pisgah Forest and Charles A. Cog-

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Prevent Fires At Yuletide, Chief Merrill Stresses

To protect the lives of children, and grownups also, Chief Dan Merrill recommends these safety precautions for the holidays:

1. Set up the Christmas tree away from stairs and heating and lighting fixtures and anchor it securely with the butt in a pan of water. Discard all evergreens promptly after Christmas.
2. Use non-burning ornaments on trees, and room decorations and costumes that have been treated to make them fire resistive. The solution used for this purpose contains nine ounces of borax and four ounces of boric acid to one gallon of water. Application by stepping in a warm solution is preferable, but dipping, brushing and spraying can also be used. The fabric then should be drained and hung up to dry.
3. Avoid all use of lighted candles.

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Merchants Expect Large Sales As Christmas Nears; Stores To Remain Open Four Evenings

Scout Chairman



REV. W. G. McFARLAND, pastor of the Brevard Methodist church, was elected chairman last Friday night of the Transylvania chapter of Boy Scouts of the Daniel Boone council. The Rev. McFarland succeeds F. S. Best and was installed by Avery Means, council representative.

Santa To Make Final Visit On Christmas Eve; County Offices Closed 3 Days

Christmas business in Brevard continues at a lively tempo and local merchants expect it to increase in volume as Christmas day nears.

With only six more shopping days left, local stores are still well stocked with Christmas merchandise, although gift items are selling at an accelerated rate.

Santa Claus will return to Brevard again Saturday and will mingle with shoppers on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week.

All local stores, except grocers, will be open Thursday afternoon. They will also be open Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. As previously announced, local stores will be closed Christmas and the day after.

The post office will again be open on this Saturday afternoon but will be closed Christmas day. The local bank will be closed on Christmas and the day after, while county offices and the city hall will close at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon and will not reopen until Monday morning.

Sanitarian Clarifies Remarks About City's Water And Sewerage Systems

The water and sewerage systems of Brevard present a problem that will necessitate considerable planning, vast sum of money and public support," Walter F. Hart, the county sanitarian said yesterday.

"The town board of Brevard realized this some time ago and has had engineers make surveys of the situation, but it is a problem that will take time to work out," Mr. Hart declared.

"While the town of Brevard is continuously repairing and enlarging present sewer lines as fast as possible, the needs cannot be

met," he continued. Clarifying a statement Mr. Hart made to the Kiwanis club recently which was quoted in last week's paper, the county sanitarian said that his remarks were not directed at the collection of garbage by the city, for in this work the town is doing an excellent job. Frequent inspections are made of the city dump, which is being maintained in a good condition, he reported. "The problem of creating a larger water supply and extension of the present sewerage disposal system has been brought about

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COMMISSIONER TO MAKE A PERSONAL VISIT TO COUNTY

State Maintenance Engineer To Survey Roads. Prison Camp To Reopen

CORDIAL TO GROUP

Transylvania county's roads will get the immediate attention of A. H. "Sandy" Graham, chairman of the State Highway and Public Works Commission, a delegation of local citizens learned in a conference with Mr. Graham in Raleigh Monday morning.

After the group, which was headed by Ralph H. Ramsey, county attorney, and Willis Brittain, chairman of the county board of commissioners, presented complaints and recommendations with regard to the county road system, Mr. Graham stated that he would have the chief maintenance engineer of the state make a complete survey of Transylvania's roads and report to him. He also said that he planned to make a personal visit to the county shortly after the first of the year and inspect the road system as well as to talk with local authorities.

The prison camp at Calvert, Mr. Graham continued, would be reopened by spring. He explained that Transylvania's and other prison camps were closed just prior to and during the war because of the sharp decline in prison population, but that now the number of convicts had increased to 7,300, making it possible to reopen a number of these camps.

Keenly Interested

Mr. Graham showed a very keen interest in Transylvania's road system and gave the delegation a cordial hearing. The conference

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OIL SITUATION HERE IS ACUTE

Dealers Only Able To Take Care Of Old Customers. Coal Is Available

The fuel oil situation in Brevard and Transylvania county is steadily getting worse with no immediate relief in sight, a survey Tuesday reveals.

Local wholesale dealers say so far they are able to take care of their old customers (persons who used oil heat last year), but that they are unable to take care of persons who have recently installed oil heaters and furnaces.

The shortage is laid to two factors:

1. Lack of transportation — a problem which can be solved only in Washington.

2. An enormous increase in oil-burning installations in and near Asheville is causing an unanticipated shortage.

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Times To Publish Christmas Edition Next Tuesday P. M.

Next week's issue of The Times will be published Tuesday afternoon instead of Wednesday afternoon, as usual.

This issue will be known as the "Christmas Greetings Edition" and will feature appropriate messages from business firms, industries and individuals.

The deadline for the Christmas ads is Monday noon and all firms are urged to cooperate with The Times' representative in preparing and getting copy in early. The paper will go on the news stands and in the mails on Tuesday night.

Deadline for news will be 1:00 p. m. Tuesday, the editor says, and all want ads must be turned in by 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.