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TRADE JUBILEE STARTS FRIDAY

Buck Forest Scene Of Worst Fire Since 1942

SCORES OF ACRES ARE ABLAZE, MANY FIGHTERS ON JOB

Expect Much Of Rich Mountain Section To Be Burned Over

RAINFALL NEEDED

The worst forest fire since the loss of 14,000 acres in April, 1942, in the Pisgah National forest, is now burning on the Frank Cox estate in Buck Forest with several hundred acres already burned over and the blaze still out of control.

Starting Monday morning, the forest fire has been fought by crews of men from Transylvania, Henderson, Buncombe and Haywood counties, but the conflagration continues to roll over hundreds of acres each day, jumping built lines, roads and streams.

Wednesday afternoon a large portion of the Cox estate had been burned over and the fire was headed in the direction of Rich Mountain. Fire fighters see little hope of stopping it until rain falls. The woods are so dry at the present time that even green vegetation is burning.

County fire warden, J. F. Morgan, says that every man available is being recruited to fight the destructive fire. Various industries of the county are sending crews into the forest to build lines in an effort to halt the blaze.

It is reported by Ranger W. W. Huber, of the Pisgah, that it has been 41 days since one-half inch of rain was recorded in Transylvania. "We have had a few showers, but not enough rainfall to register," he reports.

Wednesday morning the fire crossed the Little River road and quickly burned toward Rich Mountain. Burning on the Cox, —Turn To Page Five

BOARD DISCUSSES WATER SITUATION

No Shortage Seen In Next Ten Days. To Collect Delinquent Accounts

Mayor S. E. Varner and the board of aldermen met Tuesday night and thoroughly discussed the water situation in Brevard and the collection of delinquent water bills. It was the consensus that there will be no cause for alarm in the next ten days regarding the water supply here. However, the mayor urges that all the people of the town conserve as much water as possible.

It was decided at the meeting that the new minimum charges for water and sewer tap charges will be \$25.00 for each tap, payable in advance and effective immediately. It is also necessary for persons to secure a permit from the town before water will be turned on. —Turn To Page Four

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, May 20—Wildlife association to have picnic at Camp Sapphire, 6:00. Lions club meets at Bryant House at 7:00.

Friday, May 21—Bargain Jubilee begins at 9:00. Pre-school clinic at 9:00 a. m. Garden club meets with Mrs. Ralph Fisher at 3:30. Scout Camporee begins at Looking Glass in Pisgah National forest at 4:00. Kiwanis club meets at Bryant House at 7:00.

Saturday, May 22—Challenge Day for Democratic primary.

Sunday, May 23—Attend the church of your choice. Shriners leave Galloway's cafe at 1:30 for Greenville.

Monday, May 24—VFW meets in club rooms at 8:00.

Wednesday, May 26—WOW meet at 8:00 in Woodmen hall.

Jews Seize Strategic Hill



MEMBERS OF HAGANAH, the Jewish army, climb Mount Kastel over rubble of the destroyed town after forcing a large Arab force to withdraw. This important point overlooks the highway over which convoys must pass to Jerusalem, from which the Arabs are now making a desperate attempt to oust the Jewish troops. (International)

W. A. Wilson Named To Succeed Ruffy As Democratic Chairman, Convention Held Last Saturday

Other Officers Are Chosen. Delegates Attending The State Convention

At the Transylvania county Democratic convention held here last Saturday W. A. Wilson was elected party chairman succeeding John Ruffy, who has held office for the past four years.

Other officers elected at Saturday's meeting are Mrs. Joe Osborne, vice chairman; Mrs. Annie Douglas, secretary and W. W. Brittain, treasurer.

A motion was passed that members of the nominating committee, Ralph Ramsey, Homer McCall and Flem Glazener, retire for the purpose of preparing a list of qualified delegates to attend the State convention held in Raleigh May 20th.

Delegates named are as follows: Frank King, Verne P. Clement, W. A. Wilson, Frank Duckworth, J. E. Ruffy, W. W. Brittain, Mrs. Joe Osborne, Ralph H. Ramsey, Melvin Gillespie, P. A. Rahn, E. H. Freeman, Otto Alexander, S. E. Varner, Paul Whitmore, M. W. Galloway, Mrs. J. S. Silverstein, T. J. Wilson, M. O. McCall, Dewey Burton and E. A. Reid. There were 20 alternates also appointed. They are Pat Kimzey, Mrs. G. H. Lyday, C. L. Osborne, W. L. Harmon, Frank Shuford, C. Y. Patton, R. F. Bennett, G. D. Shuford, Warren G. Fisher, Charlie Gillespie. —Turn To Page Five

FOUR NEGROES REGISTERED IN BOYD TOWNSHIP

Group Is First To Qualify For Registration In Transylvania County

Four Transylvania county negroes were registered last Saturday for vote in the May 29 primary, it was revealed Monday by Fred Shuford, chairman of the county board of elections.

The quartet, two of them a teacher and his wife, were registered at Enon in Boyd township, Mr. Shuford said. They are the first negroes to qualify for registration in the history of Transylvania.

Two negroes presented themselves for registration in Brevard but both failed to meet qualifications, Mr. Shuford said. It was the last day for registration before the primary election.

An action designed to force the Transylvania county board of elections to register negroes, through the use of a mandamus writ, was filed in superior court last Friday by Charles Meyers of Charlotte, attorney for the CIO.

The suit was brought by Lamar —Turn To Page Eight

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

Local - State - National

DEMOCRATS MEET

Political interest in North Carolina focuses on Raleigh, where the Democrats are today holding their state convention. Among the local people attending are W. A. Wilson, the new county chairman, W. W. Brittain, party treasurer here, Frank Duckworth, Frank King, Jess Galloway, J. B. Jones, Ralph H. Ramsey, Bill Bailey, John Kilpatrick and E. H. McMahan.

URGES REPEAL

Gubernatorial Candidate Mayne Albright has repeated his contention that the state sales tax should be repealed. Albright says the tax was enacted as a temporary measure but still hits the taxpayers for some four million dollars a month. He says it could be dropped without hurting the state's financial structure. He recommends attracting new industry as a means of increasing revenue.

HIGHER SALARIES

Gubernatorial Candidate Kerr Scott has charged that the state's false economy is starving the most efficient employees out of public service. Scott has called for higher salaries to state employees to permit them to meet increased living costs. He also favors a five-day 40-hour week for state workers.

CHALLENGE DAY

This coming Saturday is challenge day, since it is the last Saturday before the primary. This is the day set aside when any voter can formally challenge the registration of any person on the books. The occasion is provided by law. —Turn To Page Four

CAMPOREE TO BE HELD THIS WEEK AT JOHN'S ROCK

More Than 100 Expected To Attend Event. Kiwanians To Meet

More than 100 Boy Scouts are planning to attend the Transylvania District Camporee, which will be held Friday and Saturday at John's Rock camp in Pisgah National forest, W. W. Huber, camping chairman for the district, announces today.

Boys of all troops in Transylvania county will hike from the Looking Glass entrance to John's Rock camp leaving at approximately 4:00 p. m. Friday, according to Ranger Huber. Upon arrival at camp they will be judged on their hiking ability and the neatness of their packs. Verne P. Clement and Fred Arledge will be in charge of judging. Boys will then prepare supper and their abilities will be judged here, also, Huber added.

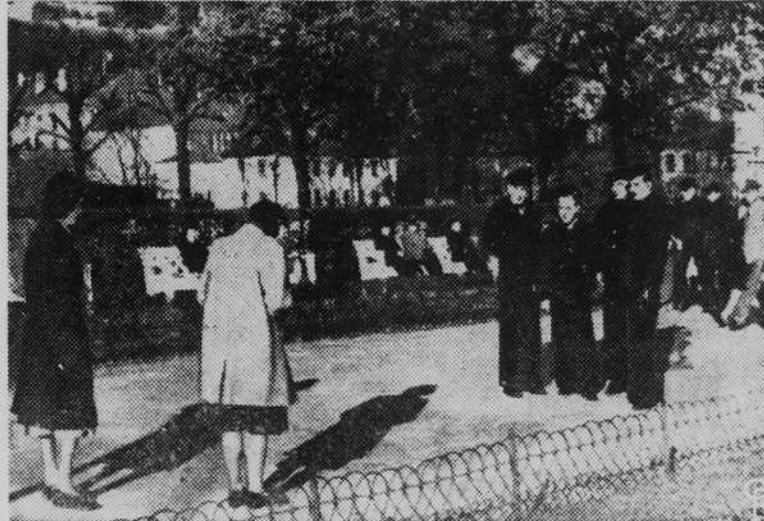
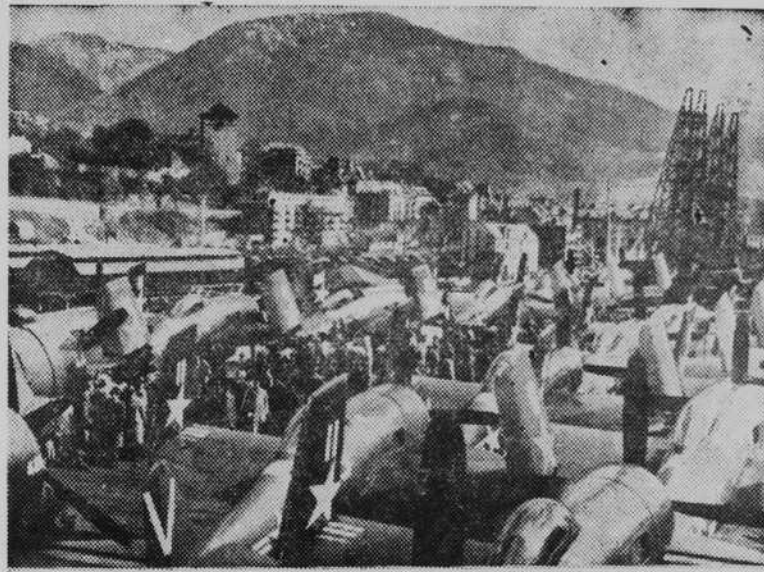
The climax of Friday's program —Turn To Page Four

Many Shriners To Visit Children's Hospital Sunday

More than 75 Shriners and their wives will leave Galloway's cafe at 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon for a visit at the Shrine hospital for crippled children in Greenville, S. C. Plans for this visit were completed at the last meeting of the Transylvania Shriners.

Any members of the Shrine club who have not been contacted and wish to make the trip should contact A. H. Harris, president, or a member of the arrangements committee composed of A. M. Paxton, Jr., E. V. Dillingham and Gill Thomas.

U. S. 'Fleet's In' At Norway



HUNDREDS OF NORWEGIANS inspect planes on the flight deck of the 27,000-ton USS Valley Forge during the ship's recent visit to Bergen. Below, a quartet of American sailors poses for a pretty Norse photographer in one of the city's parks. The Valley Forge and five other warships made a stop at the Norwegian port as Soviet Russia was pressuring nearby Finland for a mutual defense pact which she got. (International)

Community Council Hears Reports On Success Of Clean-Up Drive, Analysis Of Work To Be Made

KIWANIANS TO HOLD AMATEUR NIGHT JUNE 12

Auditions For The Annual Event To Be Held June 5. Eversman In Charge

Plans are now being completed for the annual Kiwanis amateur night to be staged here in the Brevard high school auditorium on June 12th at 8:00 o'clock and Ed Garrett, in charge of arrangements, urges all persons interested in entering the various contests to make application for audition immediately.

John Eversman, who will act as —Turn To Page Four

To Adjourn Until Fall. Calendar Of Events Is Planned

At the regular meeting of the Transylvania Community council last Thursday night in the court house, reports were made on the success of the recent clean-up campaign sponsored by the council and its supporting organizations.

M. G. Pangle reported on the survey made from the questionnaires and stated that the work has not yet been completed. When the final tabulation is done, the survey committee is instructed to give the information to Ed M. Anderson, publisher of The Times, for analysis. This analysis will be published in this paper and copies of it will be given to the town board of aldermen and filed —Turn To Page Four

Value Of Ecusta To Nation Is Cited In Talk By Publisher From Minnesota

(Editor's note: The following is the text of an address made by Alan McIntosh, from Luverne, Minn., at the National Editorial association luncheon at the Ecusta Paper corporation at the Ecusta Paper corporation in the nation's economy.)

Ladies and gentlemen—speaking on behalf of the National Editorial Association we want to voice our sincere appreciation to Mr. Straus for that warm and friendly welcome.

It goes without saying that the hospitality that he is extending today will be long remembered—and always appreciated.

You may not know it, Mr. Straus, but the name Ecusta is more widely known throughout the country than you realize. I can remember a few years back when one of the paper company salesmen called on us. He showed us a sample of the paper called Ecusta, it was just coming on the market. We thought it was a little high in price but it was so distinctive that we bought it and stocked it. As a matter of fact we use it for what we are apt to call our —Turn To Page Four

\$300 CASH, OTHER PRIZES OFFERED IN BIG ANNUAL EVENT

More Than 75 Firms Participating; Spectacular Values Listed By Stores

SUCCESS PREDICTED

Offering prizes in cash and merchandise worth approximately \$1,500, the second Brevard Bargain Jubilee with over 75 local business men participating will begin tomorrow morning, May 21, and last through May 29. The event is being sponsored by the Brevard Merchants association and the primary purpose, according to Alex Patterson, the president, is to give the people of this entire area unmatched values and to impress on them the advantages of Brevard as a trading center.

"Our first Bargain Jubilee a year ago," Mr. Patterson said "as a distinct success. With more merchants participating and really spectacular values in addition to the prizes, we expect this event to attract even more shoppers. In many instances desirable and hard-to-get merchandise has been bought expressly for this event and bargain priced; other items have been reduced with a view to giving shoppers a bonus on every dollar they spend during these eight days.

"Speaking for the association, I want to thank every participating merchant. They have given us admirable support in arranging for the event and I believe the results will be very gratifying both to them and to the thousands we expect to trade here during the Jubilee, which we hope to build up to the place where it will be the outstanding annual trade event in Western North Carolina." —Turn To Page Five

OVER 200 ATTEND DISTRICT HD MEET

Four Counties Were Represented In All-Day Session Here On Tuesday

More than 200 Home Demonstration club members from Buncombe, Henderson, Madison and Transylvania counties registered for the all-day district meeting held at the Co-Ed theatre and First Baptist church here Tuesday. Miss Mary Margaret Robinson, Transylvania agent, was in charge of all arrangements.

An illustrated talk by Mrs. Walter Pike, district chairman of Henderson county, was the feature of the morning session. The group met in the theatre in order that Mrs. Pike could show colored slides taken in Holland, Belgium, France and England when she attended the convention of the Associated Country Women of the World held in Holland last fall. Mrs. Pike, since she is district chairman, presided over the meeting, also. —Turn To Page Four

Fishing Luck Is Good In Pisgah, Ranger Reports

A total of 3,000 fishermen have caught approximately 12,000 fish in the Pisgah National forest for the two-week period ending Wednesday night, Ranger W. W. Huber stated.

"This is good fishing considering the cool weather and the low streams," Ranger Huber says, "and we expect to improve with warmer weather and some rain," he continued.

The largest number of fish have been reported caught in the Davidson River area, on the West Fork of Pigeon River and the Big East Fork of Pigeon River.