

HUDSON IS GIVEN LIFE SENTENCE

AAA Officials Chosen At Convention Friday

WILSON RENAMED CH'RMAN, McCALL ELECTED VICE-CHR.

Community Committeemen Elections Were Held Last Thursday

WESTWOOD RE-ELECTED

T. J. Wilson was re-elected chairman of the Transylvania county Agriculture Conservation Committee at a county convention held here last Friday morning in the court house with delegates from the eight communities attending.

Richard McCall, of Balsam Grove, was chosen as vice-chairman, and J. L. Gillespie, of Brevard, R-1 was chosen a regular member.

Mrs. Julia Westwood, who has served as secretary-treasurer and chief clerk of the AAA committee since it was organized here, was re-elected to this position.

Community committeemen elections were held last Thursday and the outcome of the elections was as follows:

Boyd community — Sam Orr, chairman, H. C. Enloe, vice-chairman, W. T. Simpson, regular member, and J. L. Gash and W. H. Lyday, alternates.

Brevard community — Fred Johnson, chairman, E. O. Shipman, vice-chairman, Harley D. Lyday, regular member, and T. B. Lane and Lyncia Moore, alternates.

Dunn's Rock community — Marvin Whitmire, chairman, V. B. Waldrop, vice-chairman, B. A. Hogsted, regular member, and Madison Allison and G. W. Whitmire, alternates.

Cathey's Creek community — John W. Dale, chairman, R. W. Breedlove, vice-chairman, J. W. Glazener, regular member, and Charles Ziegler and John Canup, alternates.

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OFFICIALS SWORN IN BEFORE JUDGE Commissioners, Tax Collector And Register Of Deeds Take Office

Judge Dan K. Moore, of Sylva, swore in county officials, who were elected in the November election, in the Brevard court house Monday morning.

Those who took the oath of office were: W. W. Brittain, Lewis Osborne and Dewey Burton, commissioners; Frank C. King, tax collector; and Paul Whitmire, register of deeds.

Following the brief ceremony, the county commissioners convened and elected Mr. Brittain chairman, Mr. Osborne was named purchasing agent and Ralph Ramsey was again chosen county attorney.

Other business transacted by the board was as follows: postponing action on a request that Neely road from Gallamore hill to Park View drive be widened and improved until a study of the county road system has been made; and examining and approving the bonds of the tax collector and the register of deeds.

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Largest Bear Killed In Pisgah



HAROLD SINIARD, right, is shown with his 340-pound bear killed in the Pisgah Hunt last week. At left is Assistant Ranger JOHN ELLER, who weighed in the bear. Siniard killed the bruin on Avery's Creek after having been on the stand little more than 20 minutes. Siniard is only one of the many local hunters who killed deer or bears on the hunts which ended Friday. (Times Staff Photo)

Laymen Circulating Petitions Asking For Election On Sale Of Wine And Beer In Transylvania

A. M. Paxton Heads Campaign. Workers Obtained In Churches Of County

Petitions to be circulated in Transylvania county asking the board of commissioners to call an election on the sale of wine and beer were distributed to members of a dry citizens committee at a meeting held in the Sunday school building at the First Baptist church here last Sunday afternoon.

A. M. Paxton, of Rosman, chairman of the group, presided and Melvin Gillespie acted as secretary. Thirty-one people attended the meeting, including the following citizens from the different precincts:

Boyd—Claude Davis. Brevard No. 1—Herman Eaker and N. A. Miller. Brevard No. 2—Rev. Clyde Collins.

Brevard No. 3—Fred Monteith and Clarence Curley. Brevard No. 4—Prof. C. H. Trowbridge.

Cathey's Creek—Hubert Clayton. Cedar Mountain—Rev. S. B. McCall.

Dunn's Rock—G. W. Whitmire. Eastatoe—G. M. Israel and W. R. Galloway. Gloucester No. 2—Richard McCall. Little River—Rev. F. M. Barnes.

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B & PW CLUB BUSY REPAIRING TOYS FOR NEEDY TOTS

To Make Distribution On Saturday, December 18. Appeal Made

Members of the Business and Professional Women's Toy Shop committee, who, along with other members of the club, have been working on their project for needy children at Christmas, announced today that toys will be distributed on Saturday, December 18th.

The method of distribution will be the same as last year, it was decided. Members of the committee will secure from the welfare department, churches and schools the names of needy families. Letters will be sent to the families inviting them to pick up their toys on Saturday at the building formerly occupied by Martin's taxi next to the post office.

"There is still a lot of work to be done on the toys," Dot Poole, chairman, points out. She urged all B & PW club members to volunteer for work at the shop every possible night between now and Saturday, December 18th.

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HUNTS IN FOREST ENDED SATURDAY 244 DEER KILLED

Local Hunters Have Good Luck. Season Highly Successful

Hunters in the Pisgah National forest killed 244 deer and 11 bears during the recent hunts which ended last Saturday, according to a report by Assistant Ranger John Eller. This number does not include 40 deer and one bear bagged on the Sherwood hunt, he said.

In commenting on the success of this year's organized hunt, Mr. Eller was quick to point out that the tremendous rainfall and bad weather hampered the hunts considerably. "Although this year's kill was considerably more than last year's, I believe hunters could have killed a great many more had weather conditions been more favorable," the official added.

Local men continued to meet with success during the last days of the hunt. George Massey, Brevard, bagged a 120 pound buck, while Fred King, Pisgah Forest, killed a 140 pound buck.

An oddity in the kills was reported by Mr. Eller, who said that three bucks were tied for first place according to size. They were a 200 pound, nine-point buck with a 21 inch spread, killed by Horace Bailes, Burlington; a 200 pound, 10-point buck with a 19 inch spread bagged by Bill R. Darlton, Jr., of Greensboro; and a 200 pound 8-point buck with a 16 inch spread killed by Dr. C. A. Thompson, of Sparta.

The best head found by ranger officials in the kills brought in was that of a 162 pound buck which had 12 points and a spread of 22 1/2 inches. This buck was killed by Jack Alexander, of Marshall.

Harold Siniard, of Brevard, killed the largest bear, a 340 pounder, and set a record for the Pisgah.

Rainfall reports from the Pisgah during November set an all-time high, the ranger reported, with a total of 23.44 inches reported on Big East Fork during the month. The last 15 days of the month. —Turn To Page Five

RESPONSE IS GOOD TO SALE OF SEALS

Johnson Reports That \$373 Has Been Raised To Date In Campaign

The total amount received from the sale of Christmas seals by the Transylvania tuberculosis association to date is \$373.28, according to a report today from the secretary, Dorothy Johnson.

In comparison with the total amount raised by the 1947 campaign, this is little more than half the amount. Miss Johnson points out, since \$642.15 was raised last year. Officials urge that all who received the seals contribute as soon as possible.

"More than 75% of these funds remain in our county," one of the officials pointed out. In describing the work of the TB association, it was further learned that a portion of this money goes to the State sanatorium at Black Mountain, which serves the people of this section.

Public To Inspect Duke's Plant

The new addition to the Duke steam generating plant at Cliffside will be energized tomorrow and the general public has been invited to inspect the huge \$20,000,000 establishment between the hours of 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. Approximately 100 distinguished guests are expected for the event, including Charles E. Wilson, president of the General Electric Co.

The Cliffside plant, with the new addition, will generate nearly 300,000 horsepower and is the largest of its kind in the southeast. It is the largest unit in the Duke generating system.

"Choo Choo" Makes Hit With Brevard Kids



ALL-AMERICAN CHARLIE "CHOO CHOO" JUSTICE, of the University of North Carolina, made a big hit at the Brevard-Canton Paper Bowl preliminary game last Saturday afternoon, and he is pictured above autographing a program for little "Choo Choo" Grant of the Brevard Midget team. At the left is Dottie Kizer. Before and after the contest, which he officiated, Justice was kept busy signing hundreds of programs for the boys and girls. (Times Staff Photo)

Chamber Of Commerce Directors Chosen, Officers To Be Elected At Meeting Next Tuesday Night

Given Life Sentence



J. DOVER HUDSON, above, was given life sentence at hard labor in prison Wednesday morning by Judge Dan K. Moore. The defendant pled guilty to accessory before the fact of first degree murder of his wife at her home at Penrose last Saturday morning.

Fisher Receives Highest Vote For Fifth Straight Year. Douglas, Ayers Second

Ballots were tabulated and directors for the Brevard chamber of commerce were elected at a special meeting of the organization in the room over the city hall Tuesday night.

Officers will be elected from the list of the board of directors next Tuesday night at the regular meeting, which will begin promptly at 7:30 o'clock, Jerry Jerome, the outgoing president, announces.

The local chamber of commerce now has a paid up membership of 151 members.

Ralph R. Fisher, prominent Brevard lawyer, received the highest number of votes cast in the balloting. This was the fifth straight year that Mr. Fisher has been high man in the election of the directors. C. M. Douglas, well-known civic leader, and J. I. Ayers, commander of the WOW, tied for second place in the election.

Other directors elected are as follows: Jerry Jerome, John Anderson, Verne Clement, Lewis P. Hamlin, J. M. Allison, Don Jen-

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PLED GUILTY IN HOMICIDE CASE, ACTION ON WED.

Wife Of Defendant Found Dead Last Saturday At Home Near Penrose

OTHERS MAKE PLEAS

J. Dover Hudson, 49, was sentenced by Judge Dan K. Moore, of Sylva, in superior court here Wednesday morning to serve the balance of his life at hard labor in prison after the defendant had pleaded guilty to accessory before the fact of first degree murder as a sequel to the violent death at Penrose early Saturday morning of his wife, Mae Mary Hudson, 45.

Ralph Fisher submitted the plea for the accused man and it was accepted for the state by Ralph Ramsey, acting for Solicitor Clarence Ridings. Hudson after receiving sentence was remanded to the custody of the sheriff and will be taken to Raleigh soon to begin sentence. He showed no emotion when sentence was passed but seemed to be ill at ease during the proceedings. Every seat in the court room was filled and the crowd listened with rapt attention.

The state put up several witnesses, the first being Sheriff Bert Freeman, who told of going to the home early Saturday morning and finding the woman dead. He said that at first Hudson denied any connection with the crime, but later stated to him that after she attempted to shoot him, he threw a quilt over her face and later held her nose and mouth until she quit struggling.

Weldon, a young son, testified as to the incidents at the home on the evening of the tragedy. About 3 o'clock he said he heard his mother scream and the sound of struggling on the bed. Witness went back to sleep and was aroused by his father, fully dressed, who —Turn To Page Five

WILDLIFE GROUP SEEKS SUPPORT

Jack Brown Is Named Game Protector. President Appoints Committees

An intensive membership drive is being planned by the Transylvania wildlife club in effort to secure support from residents of the county in fish and game propagation and protection program here, it was announced by Kenneth McDarris, president of the local group, following their monthly meeting at the city hall Wednesday.

A game protector has been named by the state for this county, President McDarris reported at the meeting, and he introduced Jack Brown, of Penrose, as the new official. Mr. Brown has already assumed his duties and will assist county residents in stocking streams, lakes and in carrying out other phases of the production work, the president stated.

Committees to serve during the year were suggested by the president and approved by the large group of members present as follows: —Turn To Page Four

Court Of Honor To Be Held At Baptist Church Friday, 7:30

The regular monthly court of honor for the Boy Scout troops in the Transylvania district is slated to be held at the First Baptist church here Friday night, at 7:30 o'clock, according to Jack Trantham, chairman of advancements.

In addition to the usual advancements and presentation of merit badge awards, a technicolor movie on Scouting will be shown. Mr. Trantham issued a special invitation to Girl Scouts to attend and see the Scouting movie. All parents and friends of Scouting are cordially invited to attend this program.

Will Hold Special Election Here On Dec. 18, To Name McKee Successor

There will be a special election in Transylvania and the four other counties in this district on Saturday, December 18th, to choose a successor to the late Mrs. E. L. McKee as senator-elect from the 32nd district, Frank Duckworth, chairman of the county board of elections announces today.

Governor R. Gregg Cherry, Saturday set December 18th as the date for the special election, and candidates to the office will be nominated this week.

Mr. Duckworth announces that all the voting places in the county will be open on Saturday week. Mrs. McKee had served three terms in the state senate and was

BEEKEEPERS TO MEET

There will be a meeting of the Transylvania Beekeepers association next Tuesday night, December 14, at 7:00 o'clock in the NYA building. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the FFA group and colored slides pertaining to bee culture will be shown.

There will also be an election of officers and all beekeepers and interested persons are urged to attend. Gerald Sitton is chairman of the group and Dr. Verne Hill is secretary.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, Dec. 9 — Masonic meeting at 8:00. Friday, Dec. 10 — Boy Scout Court of Honor at First Baptist church at 7:30. Classroom teachers meeting at elementary school at 8:00. Square dance at American Legion building at 8:30. Saturday, Dec. 11 — Santa returns to Brevard. Post office opens in afternoon. Music club meets with Mrs. W. G. McFarland, 3:30. Exhibition bowling match at Centennial Center between Ecusta team and Rutherford county All-Stars, 7:30. Sunday, Dec. 12 — Attend the —Turn To Page Four