

Scenes Saturday Night While Converting To Dial Telephones



Prior to the conversion from the manual system to dial telephones here last Saturday night, a banquet was held in the new dining hall over Gaither's for officials of the company, Southern Bell and concerns from which equipment was purchased. The above photo shows, left to right: Mayor John A. Ford; C. W. Pickelsimer, general manager and treasurer of the Citizens Telephone company; E. H. McMahon, of the utilities commission; Rhea "Pete" Doyle, secretary of the local company; Lowell J. Smith, district manager of Southern Bell; and L. F. Dixon, general manager of the paper division of Ecusta. Mayor Ford is pictured at the left placing the first call over the new system, and Bob Dunn, assistant manager, and Charles Pickelsimer, Jr., are shown at the right removing insulating strips, cutting new lines into use. (Times Staff Photo)

Saturday Is Last Day In Hospital Drive, Goal Of \$77,360 Short By Some \$20,000

LOCAL CITIZENS NOW USING NEW DIAL TELEPHONES

Conversion Made At 10 Last Saturday Night. Service Reported Good

Citizens of Brevard began using dial telephones about 10 o'clock last Saturday night, and according to officials of the Citizens Telephone company, the system has worked extremely satisfactorily since conversion.

The cut-over from the manual system was started at 9:55 o'clock Saturday night and completed in a five-minute period. E. H. McMahon, of the State Utilities commission threw the switch, and Mayor John Ford called the operator on duty at the new control board of the two-way radio station at the fire department. John Anderson called WPNF and Announcer Mal Wilson interrupted a Mutual show, informing local citizens that they could begin using the dial system.

Within a few seconds after the announcement was made a near-capacity load was registered on the new system. During the next few hours, local citizens made more than 1,667 calls.

Troubles on the new system have been at a minimum since the conversion was made, local telephone officials report.

Prior to the conversion of the system, some 60 persons, representing the local company, Southern Bell, firms from whom the new equipment was purchased, and others attended a banquet in the new dining hall over Gaither's restaurant. Rhea "Pete" Doyle, secretary of the company, presided over the function.

The last call on the old board was made by Mrs. J. M. Bromfield, wife of one of the founders of the local telephone company.

The two-way radio system at the city hall is also working very satisfactorily. Fire Chief Dan Merrill reports, and local citizens are reminded that the fire call is 2-3131, and police is 2-2121.

Recalls Early Days Upon Retiring



A. W. WHEELER, who is this week retiring after 43 years in the manufacture and selling end of the hosiery business, is photographed in his office here as he recalls the beginning of his career in 1908 with Frank L. Chipman, founder of Charles Chipman company, of New York, selling agency that has supervised the sales of some of the largest and best known hosiery mills in the country. Mr. Wheeler was associated with Mr. Chipman, who is pictured, from 1908 to 1927. (Times Staff Photo)

CHAIRMAN FEELS MONEY WILL BE RAISED IN TIME

Ecusta Donation Is Outstanding Contribution Made To Date

CUB SCOUTS THANKED

Saturday is the deadline in the campaign to raise \$77,360 as Transylvania's part of the \$200,000 to build the proposed Harry H. Straus wing to the Transylvania Community hospital.

With three days remaining, Chairman Ralph Ramsey reports that Transylvania is short by some \$20,000.

"Of course, we have many pledges and contributions promised. Naturally, we feel that we are going to raise the money somehow, but we still have a mighty long way to go," the chairman said yesterday.

He urges every citizen to send in his or her contribution immediately. Checks may be made out to the "Hospital Fund" and mailed to "Hospital," Brevard.

Jerry Jerome and C. M. Douglas are completing their canvass of the business section, and they urge all merchants to get in their donations as soon as possible.

Chairman Ramsey said yesterday that he would particularly like to acknowledge one gift—that of Den 5, of the local Cub Scouts.

"These boys decided to take every cent in their treasury and donate it to the hospital fund. We are extremely grateful for the \$2.06 they sent in," Mr. Ramsey stated.

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Many Cases Disposed Of By Court During Busy Term Ending Tuesday

BANGS TO HEAD LOCAL SHRINERS

Other Officers Are Chosen. Clemson-Miami Movie Is Shown

W. C. Bangs, manager of the cafeteria at the Ecusta Paper corporation, was elected president of the Transylvania Shrine club at the regular monthly meeting here this week.

Other officers chosen are as follows: Vernon P. Fullbright, vice president; A. M. Reems, secretary; and A. M. Paxton, treasurer, who was re-elected.

Raymond F. Bennett was named a director for a period of three years, and others on the board include Pete Bikas and Vice President Fullbright.

The newly elected officers will be installed at the regular monthly meeting on the second Monday night in January.

Following the dinner and election of officers, a movie of the 1951 Clemson-Miami Orange Bowl game was shown. This film was secured by Principal Robert T. Kimzey from Freshman Coach A. W. Norman at Clemson.

The Shriners voted to have another fish supper in the dining room of the Masonic temple on the second Friday night in February and proceeds will go to help complete construction of the temple.

Start Delayed By Judge's Absence; Recess Taken Over Week End

The December term of superior court adjourned Tuesday afternoon after a busy session. The opening of court was delayed from Monday until Wednesday morning by the enforced absence of Judge William H. Bobbitt. Solicitor Clarence O. Kidding represented the state. A recess was taken from Friday afternoon until Monday morning.

The following cases were disposed of:

Driving drunk, fined \$100.00 and costs: Carlos J. McCall, Clay Edwards, Joe A. Burke, Frank Sisk, Ralph W. Russell, Monroe Patterson, Frank Rupe, Bernard Hocutt, Garland D. Chapman, Earl D. Hall, George Bikas, J. McMinn, Ralph Whitmore, James D. Brewer, Henry J. Glaze, Emma M. Font, Wade Bagwell, Max Gillespie, Clarence Collins, George V. McCall.

Driving drunk, fined \$150.00 and costs: Claude Stepp and John H. Anders.

The following, accused of driving drunk, were called and failed and their bonds of \$150.00 each were forfeited: Grady Lee Stroud, William A. Jones and Ralph Alexander.

Carl M. Towe, carrying concealed weapons, \$25.00 and costs.

Henry T. Long, driving without license, \$200.00 and costs.

Robert Hunter, speeding, costs.

Frank Sisk, public drunkenness, \$25.00 and costs.

Monroe Patterson, driving after license revoked, \$200.00 and costs.

Marshall H. Holcombe, reckless driving, \$25.00 and costs.

Charles A. Jones, Ernest Gilliam and Calvin Justus, forcible trespass, suspended sentences.

James Kanipe, reckless driving, \$25.00 and costs.

Glenn Dickerson, assault with deadly weapon, suspended sentence.

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LAST WEEKLY PRIZE AWARDS THIS SATURDAY

Issue Annual Christmas Number Next Week; Early Copy Requested

The final weekly awarding of prizes in the Holiday Trade Festival will take place on the Brevard high school athletic field Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock. The following prizes will be awarded at that time:

Philo table model radio, purchased from Houston Furniture Co.; General Mills electric iron, purchased from Reid Furniture Co.; Dormer electric juicer and mixer, purchased from Western Auto Associate store and a \$25.00

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WINTRY BLAST SLATED

Ole Man Winter is slated to usher in Christmas weather on Thursday. Variable cloudiness with light snow and low temperatures continue to be on the menu for Transylvania and Western North Carolina. High temperature on Thursday will be around 36 degrees and another hard freeze is predicted for Thursday night.

Brevard College Is In Group Of Three To Receive Foundation Money

Something more than one-third of the goal, or \$545,614, in the educational expansion program by the North Carolina Methodists has been raised and will be divided among Brevard and two other colleges, it was revealed this week.

The North Carolina Methodist College Foundation in a meeting in Greensboro Monday said that facilities and opportunities at Brevard, High Point and Greensboro colleges show more need for the money.

Duke university and Louisburg colleges are also under the jurisdiction of the Methodist church, but do not have as great needs as the three mentioned.

The goal of \$1,500,000 in the

project is expected to be reached during 1952, under the supervision of Dr. B. Joseph Martin. The \$500,000 was secured in 11 months from High Point and the church districts of Gastonia, Statesville, Charlotte and Thomasville. Campaigns next year will reach into Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Asheville, Marion and Waynesville districts.

When the Methodist Foundation announced plans for their drives to aid the colleges, it was stipulated that all assistance must be used in campus improvements and buildings. Brevard's share is expected to go into a fund for a new men's dormitory.

Special Program By Youth Of Methodist Church Is Planned

Young people of the Brevard Methodist church will have charge of the evening service this Sunday night at 7:30, when they present "The Story of the Christ Child" by slides, narration and music.

The program is directed by Misses Martha Sellers and Lillian Zachary and special music is being prepared by the youth choir and members of the children's division.

Mrs. George Spicer is musical director. Soloists will be Agnes Catherine Hamilton, Tina Sellers and Janice Brown, with Mrs. Leon English and Mrs. E. O. Bryant as accompanists.

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Commerce Group Meets

Support Of Brevard Country Club Urged, Memberships Now Offered

Support of the Brevard country club by local citizens and organizations that have been made to the golf course, and stated that portions of the links would be remed-

Memberships in the country club are now being solicited, the new manager reported, and the different classifications were announced.

Other plans for the future that Mr. Mitchell outlined were: Reviving of interest in tennis; giving of free group instructions in golfing; storing and cleaning service

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After 43 Years In Hosiery Business, Wheeler Turns To Fishing, Other Diversions

Research Manager



EDWARD HARTSHORNE, above, has been named manager of the Research and Development department of Olin Cellophane division at Pisgah Forest. Mr. Hartshorne is a native of Pottstown, Pa., and a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Affiliated with Olin Industries since 1934, Mr. Hartshorne before being named to the new position was assistant director of research for Winchester Repeating Arms company, also an Olin division.

Career Began In New York In 1908: Saw Evolution Of Nickel Hose To Nylons

By STAFF WRITER

With his retirement effective this week A. W. Wheeler is now turning to fishing and other hobbies rather than hosiery after 43 years in the manufacture and selling end of this business. In announcing the merger of his Brevard plant, it terminated a career which began in 1908 with Charles Chipman & Sons, of New York.

Entering first the selling end of the hosiery business by taking a job with this growing concern, Mr. Wheeler has seen the hosiery business grow from the 60-cent-a-dozen cotton stocking into the maze of a sheer nylon that is thinner than a cloud.

Mr. Wheeler's son, George W., will remain as president of the A. W. Wheeler and Son plant in Brevard, while his father turns his interests to winters in Florida, visits in New York with his daughters, and summers at their lovely home here on Park avenue. Mr. Wheeler declares that his working days are over, although he will remain on the advisory board of the mill here, and in his words "drop by occasionally to check my mail."

Mr. Wheeler decided more than 20 years ago that he would retire, and although he did not carry through with his plans, it was this

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LEGION PARTIES SET NEXT WEEK

Annual Event For Children Planned On Thursday. Program Outlined

Brevard Legionnaires are planning a number of special events during the holiday season.

Next Thursday night, Dec. 20, a Christmas party for the boys and girls of Transylvania county will be held.

This annual event is expected to be attended by some 500 children and games and square dancing will be featured. Prizes will be awarded.

A special feature will be the reading of the first Christmas story by Rev. Julian Holmes, pastor of the Brevard Methodist church. Santa will attend the party and will have candy for the children. Refreshments will also be served and members of the Legion auxiliary will serve as chaperones. Adult spectators are invited.

Burder Teague is in charge of arrangements.

Next Saturday night the annual Christmas party for legionnaires, auxiliary members and their friends, will be held in the memorial hall.

Enlisting In Air Force? Regulation Changes Are Made

Sgt. Willie W. Phillips, recruiting officer for the army, who is in the sheriff's office in the courthouse here every Tuesday, today announces recent changes in the air force regulations regarding applications.

All applicants that apply for enlistment must go to Charlotte for mental and physical exams, and if they meet requirements are then put on a waiting list. They are notified when they may be returned for enlistment.

Sgt. Phillips says that quotas are now filled for December and men found acceptable will be placed on the list for January. Local applicants are Glenn L. Breedlove, Denis E. Barton and Clifford Baynard.

Cpl. Grace Hill, WAC and WAF recruiter is in Hendersonville at the recruiting station, where she will interview women applicants between 8 and 4 p. m. each Wednesday.

WPNF Program Highlights

Transylvania Boys And Girls Writing Many Letters To Santa, Heard Daily

Santa Claus, heard each afternoon at 4:15 o'clock over WPNF, is proving to be popular with the kiddies of Transylvania, when he reads their letters and talks about the happenings at the North Pole. Each Saturday afternoon at the same time, he is heard direct from Plummer's toyland, where he meets his little friends and talks with them.

Special Christmas music programs will be heard over WPNF through the facilities of the Mutual Broadcasting system at various times from now until Christmas. Thursday night from 10:30 to 11:00 o'clock a special "Christmas in the Sun Country" program will be heard. On Friday night, the Stevens college, Columbia, Mo., Bur-

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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

- Thursday, Dec. 13 — Rotary club meets at 7 p. m. at Gaither's clubroom. Eugenia Mock circle, home of Mrs. Tom Ramsey, 8 o'clock. Masonic meeting in temple, 8 o'clock. Brevard college Glee club concert, Methodist church, 8:30 p. m.
- Friday, Dec. 14 — Navy and Marine recruiters at post office. 10 a. m. to 3 p. m. Dorcas class to have party with Mrs. J. T. Hollis, 8 p. m.
- Saturday, Dec. 15 — Gold Star mothers meeting at American Legion, 11 a. m. Awarding of prizes, high school field, 2 p. m.
- Sunday, Dec. 16 — Attend the church of your choice. Hikers to leave from elementary school, 1:30 p. m. Special young people's program at Methodist church, 7:30.
- Monday, Dec. 16 — Women of Presbyterian church meet, 8 p. m. American Legion auxiliary, Legion building, 8 p. m.
- Tuesday, Dec. 17 — OES meeting in Masonic temple, 7:30 p. m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 18 — WOW meets in hall at 8 o'clock.