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**THE PRACTICALLY DEMOLISHED CAR**, above, should serve as a grim reminder to all motorists in Transylvania that accidents do happen at home and emphasizes the wisdom of driving with extreme caution during the approaching extended Fourth of July week end. This vehicle, driven by Crawford Moo-

dy, of Cashiers, crashed into a truck at Enon last Friday afternoon, and the driver is in a serious condition in Asheville's Mission hospital. Patrolman Jack Cabe says the accident was caused by speed, and he urges all motorists to "Slow Down and Live." (Times Staff Photo)

## Annual Ecusta Picnic To Highlight July Fourth Observance In County

### WILL PAY \$40,000 TO MEMBERS OF SAVINGS & LOAN

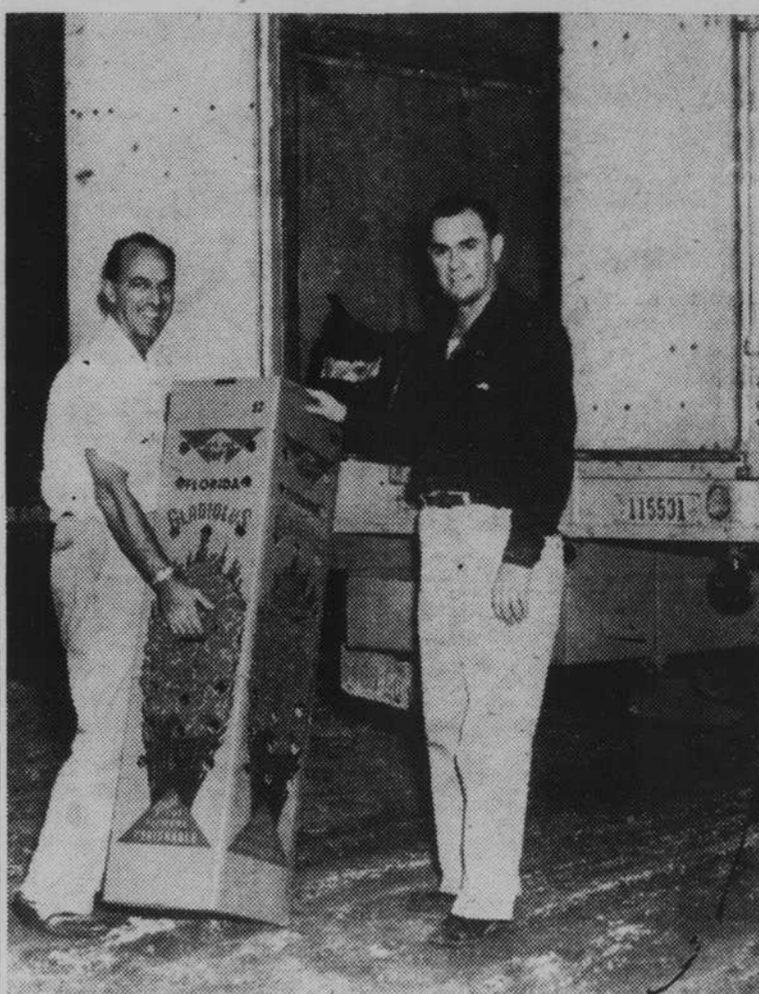
Resources Are Now More Than Three And One Quarter Million

Semi-annual dividend checks, totalling over \$40,000, will be mailed this week to members of the Brevard Federal Savings and Loan association, it is learned today from Jerry Jerome, the executive vice president.

Resources of the association here now total three and one quarter million, the secretary states, and interest is being paid at the rate of three per cent per annum.

In addition to the executive vice-president, who also serves as treasurer, other officers are: Joseph S. Silversteen, president; A. F. Mitchell, vice president, attorney and Mrs. Rowena Summey, secretary and assistant treasurer.

Directors are: President Silversteen, Vice President Mitchell, Exec. Vice President Jerome, H. B. Shiflet, J. I. Ayers, W. L. Mull, R. H. Plummer, who is the assistant secretary, and J. M. Allison, Sr.



**THE FINEST CROP EVER** is the description given to his 300 acres of gladioli in lower Transylvania by Alexander P. Thomas, right, the largest grower of glads in the Western Carolinas. At the left putting the first hamper of gladioli into a refrigerated truck bound for Chicago is M. W. Weinburg, who supervises the farm here. Mr. Thomas also operates a huge gladioli farm in Cocoa, Florida, with some 1,200 acres. At the present time over 6,000 dozen glads per day are being cut here. Cutting began the earliest ever—June 20th. (Times Staff Photo)

### GLADIOLUS CROP SAID FINEST YET

Thomas Now Shipping Flowers To All Parts Of Nation By Truck, Railway

Alexander P. Thomas, who operates Western North Carolina's largest gladiolus farm in lower Transylvania county, reports his present crop of glads as the finest he has ever seen.

Shipments are already being made to all parts of the country and this year Mr. Thomas is using refrigerated trucks as well as railway cars to carry his glads to market.

At the present time more than 6,000 dozen glads are being cut daily on the Thomas farm, where more than 100 persons are employed.

Last Friday, a refrigerated truck carrying 5,000 dozen of the finest glads ever raised on the Thomas farm was sent to Chicago, Ill., and today a similar tractor—  
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### MANY ACTIVITIES ARE SLATED OVER COMING WEEK END

Stores, Offices, Bank And Post Office To Close. Dances Planned

#### VISITORS NOTED

Highlighting the Fourth of July observance over the week end in Transylvania will be the annual Ecusta picnic on Monday at beautiful Camp Harry H. Straus, which is expected to be attended by thousands of people.

All stores, town and county offices, the bank and the post office will be closed on Monday, and there will be no rural or city delivery. However, the general delivery window will be open from 11:00 to 12:00 noon.

Inns, rooming houses, motels and guest homes are expected to be filled in Transylvania over the week end, as thousands of people from down in the lowlands come to the mountains to escape the summer heat.

Transylvania's patrolmen, Jack Cabe and Bill Sawyer, make an urgent plea for all motorists to drive with extreme caution over the holidays.

They remind motorists to avoid excessive speed, speed too fast for conditions, following too closely, failing to yield right of way.

#### Dance Saturday

One of the first events of the extended Fourth of July week end will be the annual summer dance Saturday night at the Brevard country club. Music will be furnished by "The Solitaires," and dancing will begin at 9:00 o'clock. Dinner will be served prior to dancing, and Manager E. E. Fraser asks members and their guests to make reservations early.

Concluding the activities of the week end will be a square dance.  
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### NOW BUILDING NEW SCHOOL ADDITIONS

Classrooms At Brevard High And At Straus Will Be Ready By Sept. 1st

Construction is proceeding on schedule on the two classroom addition at Brevard high school and the addition of four rooms to the Harry H. Straus school in North Brevard, Supt. J. B. Jones reports today.

Both of the additions should be completed by Sept. 1st, and they will relieve the overcrowded conditions at the high school and at Brevard elementary school.

The school maintenance crew, under the supervision of Briscoe Whitmore, is building the two classroom addition here, and it is located adjacent to the school on the north side. The building will connect with the high school by a covered walk way. Costs are \$15,000.

Neil Hawkins Construction company is building the addition to the Straus school, and it will cost \$60,000.

### Two Cars Damaged In Calvert Wreck

Two cars were badly damaged, however, the drivers and the occupants of each escaped serious injuries in a collision Monday afternoon on US Highway 64 opposite the prison camp at Calvert, Patrolman Jack Cabe reports.

Dolus Masters, of Rosman, who was driving a '55 Ford, crashed into a '52 Pontiac, which was driven by C. R. Sharp, of Brevard, as he turned left into Hardin's service station.

Two passengers in the Masters' car, Dan McCall and Clarence Brown, were thrown out in the impact, but they suffered only slight cuts and bruises, Patrolman Cabe states. Mr. Masters is being charged with reckless driving.  
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## Welcome Extended Campers, Summer Visitors, Banner Year Is In Offing

The Times Publishes Annual Camping Issue. General Round-Up Made

With all of the organized summer camps in Transylvania reporting capacity enrollment, officials of the town and county and heads of civic organizations join hands in issuing a most cordial welcome to the campers, summer visitors and others here for a vacation this season or a visit over the extended Fourth of July week end.

It is with the glad hand of friend-ship that they roll out the welcoming mat to this beautiful land of lakes and waterfalls, which is also recognized as a "mecca for summer camps."

Through the columns of the Transylvania Times this week many merchants and others are welcoming the campers and other visitors to town. Publisher Ed M. Anderson urges all readers to especially note the write-ups on the various camps.

From all indications, this summer will be a peak year in tourist business, and already thousands of cars are seen in the great Pisgah National Forest, as people from the lowlands come up to the mountains in an effort to escape the heat and to see this famed wonderland of nature.

Drug stores, eating establishments, hotels, inns, etc., in the county, report a sharp increase in the tourist business.

Freeman Hayes, chairman of the Transylvania county board of commissioners, John A. Ford, mayor of Brevard, and Vernon Fricks, president of the chamber of com-  
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### CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Thursday, June 30 — Masons meet in Masonic temple at 7:30 p. m.

Friday, July 1 — Ace of Clubs meets at 7:45 p. m. Concert at Transylvania Music camp, 8:15 p. m.

Saturday, July 2 — Ecusta vs. Enka at Camp Straus, 3 p. m. Dance at Brevard country club, 9 p. m.

Sunday, July 3 — Attend the church of your choice. Concert at Transylvania Music camp at 4 p. m.

Monday, July 4 — Holiday with all stores, offices, etc., closed. Ecusta picnic begins at 9:30 a. m., Camp Straus. Ecusta vs. Martel Mills, 3 p. m. Square dance in front of high school, 8 p. m. American Legion meets at 8 p. m. Concert at Transylvania Music camp, 8:15, followed by fireworks.

Tuesday, July 5 — Eastern Star meets at 8 p. m. Concert at Transylvania Music camp, 8:15 p. m.

### Planning Drive

## Jaycees Seeking New Members, Folk Festival Is Called Off

The Brevard Jaycees are now engaged in an extensive membership campaign which President Bill Norris says should result in doubling the number of young men in the organization.

Gerald Owen, general chairman of the membership drive, has divided the Jaycees into two teams with Bobby Joe Nicholson and Elton Lewis as captains. It is reported that both groups are already hard at work with six prospective members in attendance at last Wednesday night's meeting.

Mr. Owen stated that the prime objective of the drive is not just to build up the membership for the sake of having a large number on the roll, but to have a large working group which can better serve  
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### Talley's Beauty Shop Opens Here

Holland Talley has opened up a beauty shop adjoining his barber shop downstairs on West Main street. Mrs. Betty Walker, of Canton, is in charge of the shop.

Mrs. Walker has had seven years experience as a beautician. She is a graduate of Pack Square Beauty school, in Asheville, and attended the recent session of the N. C. Hairdressers' and Cosmeticians' association in Asheville.

An announcement regarding the opening of the new beauty shop appears in another part of this paper.

The Brevard Jaycees have called off their annual Sylvan Valley Folk Festival, which is usually held during the Fourth of July week end.

In a letter to contestants in the festival in past years, President Bill Norris pointed out that this summer the Brevard athletic field, where the event is staged, is being improved and all activity on the field this summer has been cancelled.

President Norris said the Jaycees were in full accord with the improvement work and consider it necessary for the field to rest this summer in order to have an ade-  
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## Demand For Teachers Is Greater Than Supply

Transylvania, like the majority of the other counties in North Carolina, has a greater demand for school teachers than the county is producing.

From the current issue of State School Facts, Transylvania has a new teacher demand for 14 teachers.

During the term 1954-'55, the county produced four teachers, and the number the year before was exactly the same.

In other words, only about 33 per cent of the local demand is

being produced, the fact sheet of the State Department of Public Instruction reported.

For the state as a whole, it was pointed out that only 61 per cent white teachers and 31 per cent negro teachers, who are trained, actually teach in North Carolina.

### To Report On Work At Oak Grove This Thursday Night

Workers and friends of the Oak Grove Methodist church and cemetery association will meet at the church Thursday night of this week at 8 o'clock.

Report of work done during the week, and plans for further improvements on the church building and grounds will be made by special committees.

The Rev. W. A. Kerr, pastor, and Bud Siniard, chairman of the board, invites any persons having relatives or close friends buried in the cemetery to attend and help make the final plans for the work to go forward.

Mrs. Catherine Case Weiss is treasurer of the work project and states that donations of materials and money are being received from a wide circle. The officials hope to collect several hundred dollars for the improvements, much of which has already been done by volunteers.  
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### WPNF Program Highlights

## "What's My Number" Show Will Be Heard At New Time After This Week

The "What's My Number?" show on WPNF is proving highly popular, and the program will be heard at a new time, beginning on Monday, Bobby Hoyle, the station manager, announces today.

At the present time, the program is heard at 1:15 o'clock, but beginning on July Fourth, the new time is 5:30 in the afternoons.

Mr. Hoyle says more people will be able to hear the program at this new time, and he urges all listeners to pick up new "What's My Number?" sheets from the various sponsors on Saturday.

Cash prizes are being awarded daily on this show, and on Tuesday of this week Mrs. Alfred Cheek was awarded \$11.00.

#### Other Programs

The schedule for the Farm and Home hour for the coming week is as follows: Thursday, Carolina features; Friday, Carolina farm features; Monday, Carolina farm features; Tuesday, Carolina farm features; Wednesday, home agent's office.

On the civic hour the following will be heard: Friday, Brevard Gar-  
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## Several Concerts Are Slated At Music Camp Over Week End

### STATE ADJUTANT TO INSTALL NEW LEGION OFFICERS

Dinner And Meeting Set For Monday Night. Misenheimer Will Preside

Newly elected officers of the Monroe Wilson post of the American Legion will be installed at a special meeting on Monday night, July 4th.

Weldon Misenheimer, past commander and commander of the 33rd district, will preside over the meeting and Nash McKee, of Raleigh, and state department adjutant, will be in charge of the installation ceremony.

Supper will be served from 6:30 until 7:30 o'clock, and the installation program will begin promptly at 8:00 o'clock.

Commander Misenheimer was installed as 33rd district commander at special ceremonies at Chapel Hill last Sunday.

The new state commander reappointed Charles B. Disher, of Bre-  
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Band Will Be Heard Friday Night. Symphony, Guest Artists Sunday, Monday

The Transylvania Music camp concert band, under the direction of Allan H. Bone, will present its first concert of the 1955 summer season in the Brevard Music Center auditorium at Transylvania Music camp Friday night at 8:15 o'clock.

The program will begin with the introduction, allegro and musette from "The Gods Go A-Begging" ballet suite by Handel. The Allegro from Handel's "Royal Fireworks Music" will follow.

Mr. Bone is conductor of the Duke University Symphony orchestra, Durham Civic Choral society, and is associate professor of music at Duke university. He is well known throughout the southeast and midwest as conductor of band and orchestra clinics and adjudicator of music contest festivals.

The Transylvania Symphony orchestra, composed of students, faculty, and staff members of the camp and conducted by James Christian Pfohl; will be heard Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m. with guest artists Beverly Wolff, contralto, and Nel-  
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## Elks' Camp At Cedar Mountain Is Said Unique, Many Are Attending

By STAFF WRITER

Although there are 12 other summer camps for boys and girls in Transylvania county, there is none similar to the Greenville Elks club camp at Cedar Mountain — and probably few others like it in the whole country.

This camp, offering a summer program to around 300 boys, is unique in that it is sponsored and operated by the one Elks lodge. The 1200 members offer the sole support of this camping program that is annually meaning so much to so many.

Coach Forest (Whitey) Kendall,

from Parker high school in Greenville, is directing the camp for its fifth year at Cedar Mountain. What the plant lacks in facilities, Coach Kendall makes up for in enthusiasm for the marvelous work being done there.

The Elks camp can accommodate from 75 to 100 boys or girls for a session. Three are being held this year with the first to be concluded Saturday, July 2. Two are for boys and the third two-week period is designed for girls.

Coach Kendall points out that the  
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