



# From A Reporter's Notebook

By FRANCES WALKER

This Saturday will go down in history books as one of North Carolina's most important dates to be remembered. We shall vote for or against a constitutional amendment regarding our schools. I know this column is not for the purpose of making any profound statements or weighing any heavy problems. But I would like to give the readers a brief resume of my reaction to the Pearsall plan. At first I was completely negative and my mind was made up to vote against it. This was typical, I fear, of the attitude of many in the Tar Heel state. The reason I was against it was that I did not fully understand the provisions of the plan. After reading the complete text, (I said complete and not someone else's interpretation) of the amendment and analyzing it, I began to see why we should accept it. For those of you who haven't done this, please read it before Saturday. It's carried in complete form in this week's Times. There is also a letter carried in this issue signed by officers of the P-TA in several schools in which they urge that we vote against the amendment. I don't think this is quite fair in that they imply they are representing their membership when no P-TA meetings have yet been held for them to poll opinions. Parents who understand the provisions of this amendment can see that it is designed to save our public school system and not destroy it as a few minority groups have argued.

Now I'll crawl down off the soap box and turn to lighter things. We get lots of chuckles in newspaper offices because people are always calling for information. The other day I answered a call from a woman who wanted advice on how to dress for a wedding. She asked to speak with the "fashion editor". I told her we didn't have any such and thought at first someone was pulling my leg. But she was serious and I tried to answer her questions to the best of my knowledge. It wasn't five minutes after that when the phone rang again. This time it was a woman, also. She wanted to know if Monte Carlo was in Monaco. I told her yes. She then asked, if when addressing a letter, it would be correct to put Monte Carlo, Monaco. Yes, again. She must have been writing to her Highness, the Princess of Monaco. After seeing how beautiful she

looked at her wedding (on in color at a local theatre last week), many of us could have been prompted to do just that. Grace really and truly looked the role of the princess. Don't think I've ever seen more gorgeous color photography.

Sheer pleasure is the only way to describe driving over our new Highway 64 to Hendersonville. It's such a wonderful road that you can't believe it's really true. Sunday I had to sort of pinch myself. The highway is already paved to Blantyre and for a short distance into Transylvania. Judging from the progress made in recent weeks, it shouldn't be too long before all of the road is paved into where it joins N. C. 280. En route home I turned off onto the old route when the paving on the new road ended. Driving on it in comparison seemed like a narrow, winding pig track. Buncombe county should fuss about their road situation. This is the first new road construction in Transylvania in years and believe me, it's time we can appreciate it!

Had a very welcome letter this week from the former Dotty Hamilton, of Brevard, now Mrs. Ray Dillard, of Boise, Idaho. She sent a clipping from the Boise Statesman concerning a teen-age girl from that city, Barbara Shook, who was a scholarship student at the Transylvania Music Camp this summer. The item, taken from the "About Town" column gave the girl's description of playing in "The Castle of the Swan", Biltmore House. Naturally for a teen-ager that was quite a thrill. Dotty went on to write that she is working for the Idaho Press Association. Thanks for the compliments, too, Dotty. She wrote that into her office come the weekly newspapers of Idaho and none of them are as fine as the hometown paper. Maybe she's the least bit prejudiced!

I've never particularly envied the life of a school teacher. They have it pretty rough even under the best of circumstances. Should I ever stretch a point and say I do envy one, it would be the first grade teacher. There is something so adorable and downright stimulating about a child in school for the first time. Here's one that a first grade teacher told me happened last week:  
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## Teachers Group Plans Picnic At Lake Sega Today

Members of the Transylvania county units of the Classroom Teacher association and the NCEA will have a picnic supper Thursday night, Sept. 6, at 6:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. R. E. Lawrence at Lake Sega.

Following the picnic, county superintendent J. B. Jones will speak on the "Pearsall Plan."

Jack Richards, of Rosman high school, is president of the CTA and B. E. Keisler, also of Rosman, is president of the NCEA.

## Homecoming At Selica Church Is Announced Sunday

Homecoming will be observed this Sunday, September 9th, at the Selica Methodist church. Rev. James Allred, a former pastor, will give the message at the morning services. Dinner will be served on the grounds during the noon hour. The pastor, Rev. W. A. Kerr, cordially invites the public to attend.

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## HOME COMING AT OAK GROVE WELL ATTENDED SUNDAY

Dr. Hurt Is Heard. Much Work Reported On Cemetery And Grounds

Several hundred members, former members and friends of the Oak Grove Methodist church and cemetery association joined in celebrating the 109th anniversary of Transylvania's oldest Methodist church at North Brevard Sunday.

During the morning service, conducted by the Rev. W. A. Kerr, pastor, Dr. J. D. Hurt, of Mountain Home, preached, and special music was furnished by the church trio and little Miss Janie Watson. C. M. Douglas made an appeal for financial aid of the cemetery association and \$116.50 was realized during the day for this fund.

The Rev. J. P. Mason, former pastor, pronounced the benediction. A picnic dinner was spread during the noon hour, provided by ladies of the group, and in the afternoon group and special quartet singing was enjoyed, with Mr. Douglas presiding. Group singing was led by Charlie Clayton of English Chapel and Charles Bishop of Cedar Mountain.

Among the special groups heard were the Bishop Family of Cedar Mountain, Church of God trio, English Chapel quartet, Watson Family and Oak Grove trio. Special numbers were rendered by Charles Bishop and Donald Brown.

Announcement was made that over \$800 had been spent on the cemetery and grounds during the past 18 months and that \$300 additional was needed to complete sowing of grass, finishing the roadway and taking water to the top of the cemetery hill. Drive for funds will continue with donations being received by Mrs. Catherine Case Weiss, Miss Lucile Siniard, David Norton, W. O. Siniard, C. M. Douglas, or the Rev. Mr. Kerr.

## BUS COMPANY TO MAKE SAME RUNS

### Smoky Mountain Stages Withdraws Requests. Action Follows Protests

Rosman to Asheville bus line will continue to operate until further notice, according to statement received yesterday by C. M. Douglas, secretary of the bus committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

Original request had been made by Smoky Mountain Stages through its receiver, Queen City Coach company, to discontinue the one round trip daily from Rosman to Asheville via Brevard and N. C. 280 as of Sept. 9.

Objection to the bus stoppage was made in official letters from the Brevard and Rosman chamber of Commerce bus committees last week, with the notation made that objection to stopping the bus would be withheld providing the Smoky Mountain operators would give their franchise over the route.

Effort has been made in the meantime by the bus committees of the two civic groups to secure other service over the route proposed for closing by Smoky, and contacts have been made.

Queen City has asked the Utilities commission at Raleigh to hold up proceedings until after Sept. 19, and the bus company is asking that it be allowed to continue holding the franchise with a possible lease of rights over the Rosman-Asheville section to another operator.

The Queen City officials state that they hope to work out a routing beyond Asheville and Anderson, S. C., through Brevard and Rosman, and on this basis do not wish to relinquish the franchise outright.

## Nurses To Meet Next Wednesday Near Waynesville

District No. 1 of the North Carolina State Nurses' association will meet Wednesday, September 12, at 5:00 P. M. at Camp New Hope, Highway 276, near Waynesville. The program and a picnic will be furnished by the Waynesville Nurses' club.

For those who desire transportation from Asheville there will be a chartered bus to leave the Dixie Home store on College street at 4:00 P. M. All who desire a place on this bus please notify Miss Pauline Powell, Asheville Orthopedic hospital, Asheville, phone 3-2751, before noon September 8.

At this meeting plans will be made for the State Convention to be held in Raleigh October 22-26, 1956.

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