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Give The United Way

Next Monday the second annual United Appeal campaign will be launched in Brevard and Transylvania counties.

With a total of 17 allocations to support welfare, health and social agencies in the area, the campaign this year has a goal of \$25,000.

The United Fund plan enables one to give to all of these various agencies.

The program of United Appeal is a fair share appeal. Each citizen is asked to give only his just proportion of the total need.

The program is also designed to save time, to save cost of solicitations and campaign expenses. Thus, more out of every dollar given through the United Fund plan goes direct to the purpose for which it's given. In some instances, where campaigns are staged singly, the cost of the campaign goes as high as 40 cents out of

every dollar going for the expenses of raising the money. Under the United Fund, the cost is just a few pennies.

Needless to say, the demands of the agencies are heavy again this year, and the committees in charge of the budget have gone over the needs carefully and allocated what they felt was justified in comparison to others as well as the need.

This is a time to share blessings with others. It is a time to give, and give once, thus saving your time, and the time of your neighbors who will be spared from making numerous campaign drives.

Transylvanians did themselves proud last year in the first annual drive by over-subscribing the goal of \$22,500.

So this year, again share your blessings with the people who need and give generously, remembering that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

Little Theatre Deserves Support

The Brevard Little Theatre is now engaged in selling memberships for its sixth season, which begins with a family comedy on November 13th and 14th. If everybody within driving distance of Brevard could realize the value of this community entertainment, he would rush right out and buy not only tickets for his family, but for friends.

Recently Brooks Atkinson, drama editor of The New York Times, made some profound remarks on the values of community theatres and the great effect they have had on American lives. Quoting Mr. Atkinson: "Why have a theatre at all? The theatre enriches community life. It brings people together for a common emotional experience, and occasionally for an intellectual experience as well. Without a theatre a community is not fully alive. Primitive societies have communal dances and festivals from which, inci-

dentally, the art of a drama is derived."

So the home town theatre goes back many, many years. Brevard was fortunate in having a Little Theatre that produced excellent plays some 20 years ago. The present organization was founded in 1950 and has chalked up five excellent seasons giving a total of 15 well cast and professionally produced plays.

Brevard is fortunate, indeed, that all of its plays have been directed by Robroy Farquhar, whose guiding theatrical hand has no doubt contributed more — much more — than could be measured by his pitiful remuneration.

And so once again Brevard Little Theatre is preparing to give to local audiences a series of three plays. All in all, an investment in a season membership is about as good as could be found in entertainment. In fact Brevard is lucky to have such a fine organization.

A Timely Warning

Transylvania hunters have "taken to the woods," and a story elsewhere in this week's Times reports that a record number of hunting licenses have been sold this season.

The woods are dry and as the leaves begin to fall the fire danger will increase.

Hunters should take special precaution against starting fires, which destroy not only crops and timber, but also the game they have come to hunt.

With more than 80,000 acres of Transylvania in the Pisgah National Forest and with many smaller private forests in our county, the economic value alone should be sufficient incentive for every citizen to take every precaution against forest fires.

October 15 is the official opening date

of the fire season, and the forest ranger reports that the woodlands are dry at this time.

Transylvania is peculiarly blessed with soil and climate for growing trees, which are not only a great economic asset, but contribute much to the natural beauty. Many, many times have we elaborated on the multi-use activities of the Pisgah National Forest.

It has been aptly said that a million matches can be made from one tree and that a million trees can be burned by a forest fire started by one match in careless hands.

So, when you are in or near our woodlands, remember the "ABC's" of safety, "always be careful."

Be Sure To Register

Registration for the November 6th General Election will begin on Saturday, and the books will also be open on the two following Saturdays and November 3rd will be challenge day.

Registrars will be at the precinct polling places from 9:00 a. m. until sunset on these days, and all citizens who are not registered and all those who are uncertain about their registration are urged to register.

Persons must be a resident of their precinct for four months and a resident of North Carolina for one year prior to November 6th to be eligible to register and vote.

Young men and women who will be 21 years of age before November 6th may register and vote in this important election.

Qualified voters who will be absent from the county in which they are registered on election day or who by reason of sickness or other disability are unable to go to the polling place, may vote by absentee ballot. These may be secured from the election board office here in the court house.

This year's election is an important one, and it is the duty of every qualified voter to cast his ballot. However, before you can vote, you must be registered!



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FIRE PREVENTION WEEK - OCTOBER 7-13

Comments From Our Readers . . .

LETTERS TO THE TIMES

Mr. John Anderson,
Editor, Transylvania Times,
Brevard, North Carolina.

Dear Mr. Anderson:

The Transylvania County Humane Society is deeply appreciative of the support which you have given us in this, our first year.

We feel that we have had a most successful year, and know that we could not have carried out our very active program without your fine support and cooperation.

Sincerely,
Margaret Knoth
(Mrs. E. A. Knoth, Publicity)

PICK OF THE PRESS IN THE CAROLINAS

DARE TO BE EDUCATED

(Brevard College Clarion)

You were born sometime between 1933 and 1938. You aren't very old but you have already alienated yourself from home and familiar surroundings by coming to college. You have heard all the oratory, met all the VIPs, and are very sure that you are on the proper road to obtaining an education.

Have you ever toyed with the real conception of education? Does a certificate of completion fulfill the definition? Or would it be good grades and a place on the Dean's list? Perhaps it is a well rounded personality. Social adeptness is certainly a requirement. We could search forever and would never find a satisfactory definition of education.

Education, like God and man, is infinite, for it is the search of the latter for the former. It falls within the realm of no definition; yet each definition is a part of the whole. Can God be defined? Can he be patented and sold from the pulpit of yonder church? As God is, so is education! No man owns it. No man can show you the best route to follow. To obtain an education, you must grope along — in complete darkness at first — stumbling into unseen pitfalls, getting covered with slime and mud; but always retaining your direction toward knowledge. If you would be educated, you must stay well off the beaten path and run the gauntlet of ridicule.

American educators and students have given to knowledge, a definition and are acting on this premise. They are, in this point, suffering from insanity. Instructors implant when they should suggest, they scorn the query with skillfully elusive answers concerning the real essence of —
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FROM OUR FILES

GLANCING BACKWARD AT "THE GOOD OLD DAYS"

13 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ray, of Lake Toxaway, were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. McNeely.

Decision of the Brevard P-TA to adopt the school lunch room as its major project for the year was the main matter of business transacted at the October meeting of this organization, which was held in the high school hut Tuesday evening.

Two large stills were destroyed in the Cane Brake section of the county last Thursday and Friday by officers.

Miss Lucy Irene Tinsley, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Tinsley, of Lake Toxaway, tied for first place in the 4-H club district contest girls' dress review, held in Asheville last Friday.

Pfc. Walter Clayton, of Atlanta Dental college, and Pvt. Harry Clayton, of Fort Jackson, were week-end visitors here.

Major and Mrs. H. J. Bradley, of Magnolia, Miss., announce the birth of a daughter, Mary Elizabeth, on October 11. The parents are former residents of Brevard, where Major Bradley was a popular practicing physician.

A football team is now being organized at the Brevard high school with Slim Bullock, well known local man as coach and with William Thomason as manager.

Members of the Brevard Methodist church school presented resolutions before the Sunday school body last Sunday, expressing appreciation for the services of J. E. Rufty, retiring superintendent, who served as general superintendent the past 15 years.

The Transylvania Times bowling team defeated the Army air forces Tuesday night 3 to 0 in the Tri-City league and Bruce Reynolds rolled the highest score of the season, 644. Bridges also made over 600. Dunne scored 507, Kappers 445 and Straus, 546. Total team score, 2,757.

A total of 79 hunters participated in the first two days of supervised squirrel hunting in the Davidson river area of the Pisgah National Forest and bagged around 350 squirrels, or an average of about 4 and a half each. The limit is 6 per day.

Bill and Jack Crary, young demonstration farmers in the North Brevard neighborhood, are —
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BEHIND THE NEWS . . .

From Washington

By GEORGE E. SOKOLSKY



THE FUNDAMENTAL ISSUE

The "Beaumont, Texas, Enterprise" has stated the issues of the campaign better than I have seen it elsewhere:

"Just what is the one big issue of this year's presidential and congressional campaigns? It is an 'issue' neither Republican nor Democratic politicians care to discuss. The one big 'issue' of the 1956 struggle between the Democratic and Republican Parties is this: The Republicans want to stay in power, the Democrats want to get back into power."

No matter what Adlai Stevenson, Estes Kefauver or Harry Truman say for the Democrats, what it all comes down to is that they want to get back into the White House; and no matter what Dwight D. Eisenhower or Richard Nixon say about great issues, what they want is to stay in the White House and all that pertains thereto.

But there is more to the election than a President and a Vice President. The whole of the House of Representatives has to be elected and about one-third of the Senate. In most states, many local officials have to be elected.

The Republicans believe that Ike Eisenhower will be elected. They also recognize that he is in a little trouble; that he will not have anything like the vote that he gained in 1952. The Democrats

on the other hand, are surprised that Stevenson is running so much better than he did in 1952. He is less the quipster and more the politician. The Democrats who six months ago thought that they had no chance at all, now believe that the presidential election, in terms of electoral votes, will be tight and that if California or New York go Democratic, Stevenson might make it. The Democrats believe that they have made unexpected strides in Pennsylvania and Michigan and they think that they can make progress in Massachusetts.

When it comes to the Congress, the Democrats are almost certain that they will hold the seats they have and may even do better. The Republicans are worried about the Congress. Their trouble is that during the whole of the Eisen-

hower Administration, too little attention has been paid to state organizations and even to the levels of politics. What count are patronage and honors. President Eisenhower, accustomed to the West Point career conceptions of the Army, has refused consistently to fire Democrats and to give their jobs to Republicans. He had no desire to institute the spoils system after 20 years of Roosevelt and Truman. That may be a wonderful ideal, but it did not build organization. The competition between the Republican Clubs and the Eisenhower Clubs has done no good, because whereas the Republicans have for 20 years kept the Party alive and going, the Eisenhower Clubs included many ex-Democrats and opportunists who were New Dealers when the New Deal was popular and who later hooked on to the Eisenhower bandwagon.

Eisenhower has attracted new elements to the Republican Party, but not enough of them. The Republican Congressional candidates are therefore having a very tough time. Also the inexperienced geniuses from Madison Avenue who are spending much of the campaign money do not seem to realize that the best way to spend money in a political campaign is to have the local candidates do the spending. This is a very old experience.

The Democrats, on the other hand, have not only retained the strength of their local organizations but they have built powerful bridges with other organizations, the Liberal Party in New York, the A. F. L.-C. I. O., the A. D. A., the Farmers' Union, and there are others. It is true that some of these organizations, such as the A. D. A., may be as unpopular with Democrats as with Republicans, but they have an effective propaganda operation that can make votes in particular areas. To a Republican, the A. D. A. is reprehensible.

The Republicans had similar allied groups among the various anti-Communist and Right Wing organizations, many of whom centered about the leadership of Senator Joe McCarthy. The strength —
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THE EVERYDAY COUNSELLOR

By REV. HERBERT SPAUGH, D. D.



There are many people who are naive enough to think they can have their cake and eat it. At least they try to do so. One such is Alexander J. Brady and family of Cleveland.

In 1949 Brady sold his 17-room house to the government for \$31,350. The government planned to build a Veterans Hospital on Brady's property and 12 adjacent lots. The people who lived in the 13 other houses also sold to the government and moved out.

Brady wanted to stay on. So he induced a government official to sign an agreement, renting him the house at \$1 a year "until such time as the premises are . . . actually needed for the purpose for which purchased." That day never came, as plans for the hospital were cancelled.

Eighteen months ago the government ordered Brady to move. He refused and displayed his agreement. Asst. U. S. Atty. Russell Ake argued in court that the agreement was invalid because the government officer who signed it had no such authority. Judge Paul Jones agreed, and ordered Brady to move out and pay the government \$1,800 in back rent — \$100 a month for the last 18 months. "I don't think there is any rhyme or reason to his position," the judge said. "What if the hospital were never built?"

There are other people just as foolish and selfish, and their name is legion. In our marriage counseling experience I've encountered cases where husbands have wanted to retain their wife and children while carrying on an affair with another woman on the outside.

There are many women who wish to retain all the special privileges and respect which have been accorded women for generations, while at the same time clamoring for all the privileges of men and competing against them with both.

There is the familiar picture of teen-agers drawing money from the family till while resenting and rejecting the authority and pattern of the homes in which they live.

There is the employee who works his 8 hours a day, but grumbles because he does not have the things his employer has, all the while being unwilling to assume responsibilities which will enable him to climb the ladder.

I might add that there are church members who are unwilling for their minister to have a greater income than they, although he spent many more years on his education, handles problems they wouldn't and couldn't touch, and, furthermore, works many more hours a day.

We all must learn that the companion of privilege is responsibility. There's no place where this unwillingness is more apparent than in the carelessness of the citizens of this great country of ours to assume the responsibility of the ballot box and to take their proper share of public service.

This leads me to ask you this question: As a citizen of this country, are you a registered voter? Did you vote intelligently in the last election? Are you going to vote in the next election? How much time have you given to public service in your community, in your church?