



DuPont's Purchase Of Land For Plant Site In County Was Top Story Of '56

TAX LISTERS ARE BUSY, BOOKS IN TOWNSHIPS NOW

Will Be Brought To Court House Next Week. Osborne Cites Law

Tax listing will be continued in the various townships of Transylvania through Thursday of next week, and afterwards, the books will be here in the court house, Lewis Osborne, tax supervisor, reports.

Tax listing began on Wednesday, and the listers had a busy day, Mr. Osborne says.

During the month of January, all county property and farm reports must be listed, and penalty for failure to do so is required by law.

The tax listers for the various townships are as follows:

- Mrs. Betty Compton — Dunn's Rock.
- Allen McCall — Gloucester.
- Herbert Fisher — Hogback.
- Mrs. Ruth Williams — Boyd.
- Mrs. Lawrence Whitmire — East-atoe.
- George Shuford — Little River.
- E. Carl Allison — Cathey's Creek.
- Miss Avarie Glazener — Brevard.

NEW YEAR'S IS QUIET IN COUNTY

Transylvania Leads State In Record Of No Fatalities On The Highways

New Year's was quietly observed in Brevard and Transylvania county with a "Sunday-like" hush being noted.

There were no traffic accidents on the last day and night of '56, and Transylvania, for the third straight year, had a perfect record of no fatalities on the highways.

Actually, Transylvania leads the state, with only one other county, Graham, having no fatalities on the highways during the past three years. Transylvania's last fatality was in June, 1953, while Graham's was in December of that year.

Stores, town and county offices were closed on Tuesday for five

Auto, Pick-Up Are Demolished In Wreck Sunday

Two persons were injured, a pick-up truck and an automobile were practically demolished in a head-on collision Sunday evening near the Rocky Hill bridge on Highway 64 between Brevard and Rosman.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Earl Sanders, of Hendersonville, were riding in the pick-up truck and both were taken to the local hospital, suffering with cuts and bruises about the head. Mr. Sanders was transferred to a Greenville hospital, and Mrs. Sanders was released on Monday. Their conditions were said to be good.

According to Highway Patrolman Jack Cabe, who investigated, Fred Garfield Barton was the driver of the vehicle that crashed into the pickup, and Barton is being charged with driving under the influence of liquor and reckless driving.

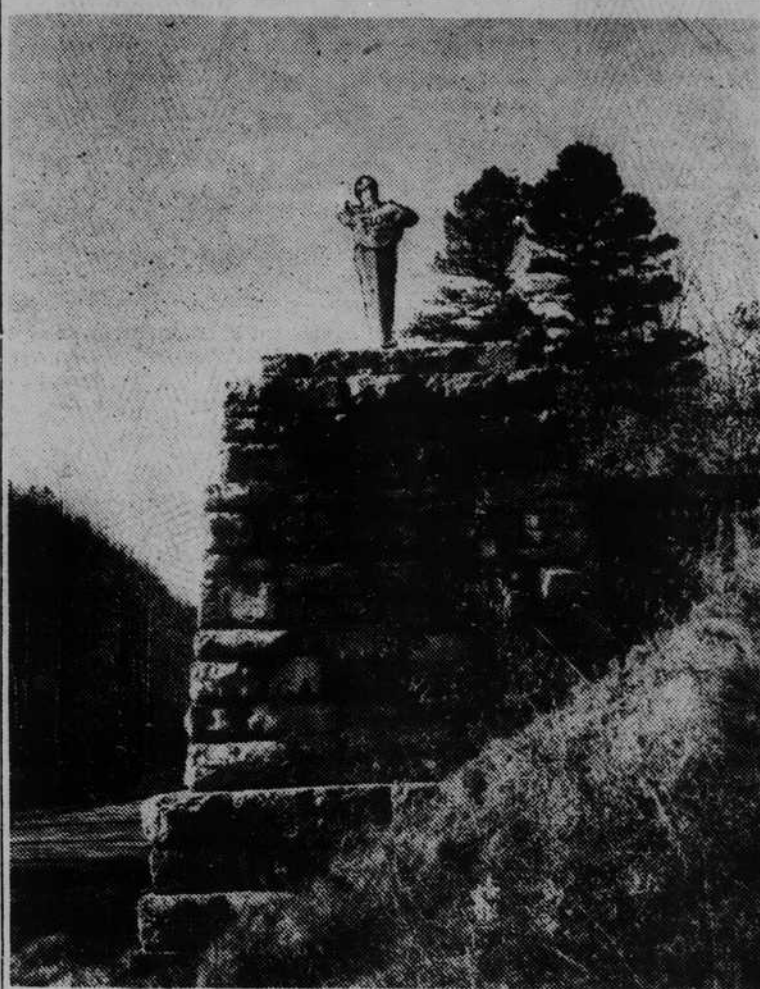
Training School For Officers Of P-TA Groups Set

A training school for all P-TA officers in Transylvania county will be held on Monday night, January 7th, at Gaither's, beginning at 6:30 o'clock.

It will be a supper meeting, and all P-TA officers of the county are urged to attend. Reservations can be made made through Friday, January 4th, by calling Mrs. Ralph H. Ramsey, Jr., and the cost will be \$1.25 per plate.

Mrs. Olin S. Dillard, of Candler, who is director of district one, of the state P-TA organization, will attend the meeting and speak on

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SOME PRANKSTER, thinking possibly that it was Halloween instead of Christmas, went to a lot of trouble placing a school safety sign atop the huge monument at the entrance of the Pisgah National forest. It was taken from the Straus school in North Brevard or from Pisgah Forest and was placed in the spot from where the large bronze eagle was stolen several months ago.

(Times Staff Photo)

BEST STORIES OF YEAR REVIEWED, SURVEY IS TAKEN

Month-By-Month Headlines Given. Staff Lists Important Ones

TRAGEDY IN NEWS

The announcement by the DuPont Company on July 4 that 10,000 acres of land had been purchased near Cedar Mountain in Transylvania and Henderson counties as a possible site for the further production expansion of its Silicon production was the biggest story in Transylvania county during 1956.

Running a close second was the announcement of the Ecusta Paper corporation this fall that facilities there would be expanded for increased paper production.

Other leading stories also dealt with construction. Dormitories at Brevard College were built and construction was started on the Campus Center building. The new First Baptist church was completed in January and the Presbyterians held their first service in their new church in December. Just recently the congregation of the Brevard Methodist church announced plans for a new edifice opposite Brevard College and construction was started on it last month.

Tragedy was also noted in the top stories. Last week the three members of the Doyle Gillespie family were wiped out in an auto-train collision in Henderson County.

Each year the Transylvania Times staff takes stock of the headlines during the past year and makes a review of them from which are picked the top ten stories.

The month-by-month survey of these important headlines follows:

- JANUARY**
- Brevard high school band has largest number and best scores in Western Band Clinic.
- Coleman Galloway retires as Postmaster at Brevard. Vernon Fullbright named acting Postmaster.
- Teen-Age Center has successful grand opening.
- James C. Gaither named president.

WORK BEGUN ON MEDICAL OFFICES

Dr. Sader and Stricker Erecting New, Modern Building On East Main

Construction has been started on the new medical offices of Drs. Sader and Stricker on the lot on East Main street between the Walnut Inn and the Masonic temple.

Riley Merrill is the contractor on this new and modern building, and McDonald and Daniels are the architects.

Completely modern throughout, the building will be air conditioned and will contain reception rooms, examining and consulting rooms, labs, rooms for surgery and X-ray, a lounge for the staff and a heating plant.

Adding a touch to the modern design will be continuous window walls on two sides of the building, which will contain some 3,600 square feet.

There will be parking areas in the front and in the rear.

Barber Shops To Change Hour Of Closing Saturdays

The barber shops in Brevard have changed their hour of closing on Saturdays, it is announced today.

Effective immediately, the three shops will close at 6:00 p. m., instead of at 7:00 o'clock.

The week day schedule of 8:00 in the mornings until 6:00 o'clock in the evenings will remain the same.

The three local shops are: Gray's, Hart's and Talley's.



AN ENTIRE FAMILY, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Gillespie and their 13-year old daughter, Joan, were killed last Thursday afternoon in the automobile above, which crashed into a Southern Railway train at the Etowah crossing on the new stretch of Highway 64 in Henderson county. Sarah Varner, a fourth passenger in the car, was seriously injured in the crash, however, her condition was reported to be much improved yesterday by authorities at the Asheville Mission hospital. In the three photos below the crash picture, Mr. Gillespie is at the left, Mrs. Gillespie in the center, and their daughter, Joan, is pictured at the right.

All Three Members Of Doyle Gillespie Family Killed In Auto-Train Collision

Tragedy Occurred Last Thursday Afternoon At Etowah Crossing

Combined funeral services for the Gillespie family were held last Saturday afternoon in the First Baptist church of Brevard.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Gillespie and their 13-year old daughter, Joan Doris, were fatally injured late last Thursday afternoon in an auto-train collision on the new Highway 64 at Etowah in Henderson county.

Officiating at the triple funeral were Rev. B. W. Thomason, First Baptist minister, and Rev. Douglas Corriher, pastor of the Brevard Methodist church. The bodies were taken to the church two hours prior to the services, and burial

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Program Highlights

Comar Baby Is Winner Of '57 Derby Of Times And WPNF

Cynthia Marie Comar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Comar, of route 2, Brevard, is the county's first baby and winner of the 1957 baby derby, sponsored by The Transylvania Times and WPNF.

Many Brevard merchants awarded prizes in the contest, and little Miss Comar was born at 1:59 on New Year's morning.

The infant weighed seven pounds, one ounce, the exact weight of the first baby born in 1956. She was Wanda Sue Norris,

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NO FATALITIES in Transylvania county during 1956 won the county recognition from the N. C. Automobile association. Freeman Hayes, chairman of the county board of commissioners, is shown above receiving the certificate from A. Cox, the motor club's representative in Transylvania. Others participating in the ceremony are, left to right: Hugh Cranford, Charlotte division manager of N. C. State A. A., Transylvania county sheriff, E. V. Dillingham, and state highway patrolman, Bill Sawyer.

(Times Staff Photo)

10 Top Stories In Transylvania In '56

- 1—DuPont company purchases 10,500 acres of land near Cedar mountain in Transylvania and Henderson counties for silicon plant site.
- 2—Ecusta announces expansion program to cost several million dollars.
- 3—The Doyle Gillespie family of three wiped out in auto-train crash at Etowah.
- 4—Over \$500,000 to be spent immediately on new buildings on the campus of Brevard college.
- 5—Presbyterians complete beautiful new church and celebrate its opening.
- 6—Methodists begin construction of new church opposite Brevard college. Initial costs over \$216,000.
- 7—Cedar Mountain community, after winning first in Transylvania's Rural Progress program, goes on to tie for first place in WNC competition.
- 8—Squabble between WNC football officials and Brevard high school and civic officers over alleged incidents at the Hendersonville Brevard game, when the local school was placed on a year's probation.
- 9—Transylvania citizens approved school bond issue of \$647,000 by big vote.
- 10—Large number seized in liquor raids in town and county.