



ONE OF THE MANY huge trees uprooted in the town of Brevard by the high winds last Friday afternoon is pictured above. Fortunately, the tree was blown to the side of the house at 206 Probart,

and damages to the residence were kept at a minimum. However, many other homes and buildings were badly damaged by fallen trees and limbs. (Times Staff Photo)

Town, County Hit By Worst Wind, Rain Storm In History Last Friday



AN AUTOMOBILE, parked next to the Sinclair service station on East Main street, was practically demolished by a fallen tree during last Friday afternoon's wind and rain storm here. The car belonged to C. R. McNeely, and power and telephone lines were also knocked down, when the tree was uprooted. (Times Staff Photo)

POWER AND PHONE SERVICE KNOCKED OUT MANY HOURS

Damages To Crops Said More Than \$200,000. No One Reported Injured

CREWS CALLED IN

Winds of near-hurricane proportion, created by "Audrey", lashed Brevard and Transylvania county Friday knocking out power and telephone service in all sections and causing damage estimated at more than \$200,000 to crops and gardens. No injuries were reported.

Another freak weather incident was reported at 4:33 Tuesday morning when an earth tremor was felt here and in other sections of Western North Carolina.

During the month of June nearly 15 inches of rainfall was reported in Transylvania. The softness of the earth was considered a major factor in the uprooting of so many trees during Friday's storm.

This storm was considered by old-timers one of the worst in Transylvania in many, many years and the wind velocity was estimated between 50 and 60 miles an hour.

Over half of the 2200 telephones in Transylvania county were knocked out of order by the storm. Outside crews were called in and service was restored over the week end. There were no long distance lines in working order during the afternoon and evening Friday.

Falling trees knocked down electrical and power lines in all sections of the county early Friday afternoon, and auxiliary crews were also called in to make repairs. The heart of Brevard was the only section that escaped power failure.

The concert at Transylvania Music camp Friday night went on as scheduled, but it was necessary for the musicians to play by candlelight and flashlights because the camp was without electricity.

County Agent James Davis estimates damages to crops in Transylvania at \$200,000.

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Local Telephone Company Granted \$638,000 REA Loan, Program Given

Total of 445 Rural Phones To Be Installed, Other Services To Be Improved

The Citizens Telephone company, of Brevard, has been granted an REA loan of \$638,000. Charles Pickelsimer, Jr., local manager, announces today.

This money will be used to add 445 rural telephones and to improve existing service.

Mr. Pickelsimer says the company plans to begin a door-to-door canvass to determine how many persons in rural areas desire telephones and also to discover how many present subscribers would like an upgrade in service.

Mr. Pickelsimer reported that he expects the project to take from six months to a year to complete.

"With the loan, we will be able to keep pace with the progress being made in industry in Transylvania," he declared.

In order to add more free trunk lines between Brevard and Rosman, a new cable will be erected, and this will also provide additional long distance lines from Rosman to Hendersonville.

The local telephone company also expects to build a new cable from Brevard to Cedar Mountain, and the one from Brevard to Pisgah Forest will be replaced.

Lines along the Asheville highway and the Crab Creek road will be continued and improved.

In order that work on the project may be speeded up, it will be contracted to outside concerns, Mr. Pickelsimer states.

Today, the local company has some 2,200 telephones, as compared with 700 in 1950. In 1951, the manual system was converted to automatic.

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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Thursday, July Fourth — Big picnic at Camp Straus. Olin Indians vs. Hazelwood, 3 p. m. Jaycee Jollies, Brevard high school, 8 p. m. Concert at Brevard Music Center, 8:15 p. m.

Friday, July 5th — Jaycee Jollies, Brevard high school, 8 p. m.

Saturday, July 6th — Board of trustees meet at Transylvania Music camp, 3 p. m. Olin vs. Enka, Camp Straus at 3 p. m. Jaycee Jollies, Colored Community center, 8 p. m. Concert at Brevard Music Center, 8:15 p. m.

Sunday, July 7th — Attend the church of your choice. Concert at Brevard Music Center, 4 p. m. Union service at Presbyterian church, 8 p. m.

Monday, July 8th — Rotary club meets at Gaither's, 7 p. m.

Tuesday, July 9th — Chamber of commerce directors meet, 7:30 p. m. Elks and Moose lodges meet, 8 p. m. Concert at Brevard Music Center, 8:15 p. m.

Stores To Close

Fourth Of July Picnic At Camp Straus To Highlight Observance

Highlighting the Fourth of July observance in Transylvania county on Thursday will be the annual Olin Mathieson Chemical corporation picnic at Camp Harry H. Straus, which is usually attended by more than 5,000 persons.

All stores, town and county offices, the bank and the post office will be closed on Thursday, and there will be no rural or city delivery of mail. However, the general delivery window at the post office will be open from 11:30 a. m., until noon.

Inns, rooming houses, motels are expected to be filled over the Fourth of July week end, and a

Sprott To Direct '57 United Appeal Fund This October

Gordon Sprott, insurance executive of Brevard, and owner of Camp Deerwoode, has been appointed campaign director for the '57 United Appeal campaign in Transylvania, Art Loeb, the president, announces today.

Because of the excellent work that he did last year, Mr. Sprott was renamed to head the drive, which is scheduled during October, the president stated.

Mr. Sprott is also the executive director of the United fund in Transylvania county.

JAYCEES HOLD TWO BIG SHOWS

Annual Production Of "Jollies" Set For Thursday And Friday Nights

The 1957 version of the Jaycee Jollies will be presented here three nights this week. The performance Thursday and Friday nights at 8 o'clock will be given in the Brevard high school, and Saturday night it will be at the Colored Community center to benefit their swimming pool fund.

This year's Jollies will feature three big acts. The first act is composed of a chorus and songs by the quartet in anticipation of the show boat's arrival. The second act is all comedy, as members of the Jaycees give an all male performance of Romeo and Juliet. The third act is loaded with local talent, comedy.

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Girl Scouts Are Camping On The East Fork Site

Camping on the permanent camp site of the Pisgah Girl Scout council at East Fork near here began on Monday and will continue through August 3rd.

The first contingent of girls went out Monday morning from Brevard and remained until Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. J. D. Jones serving as their leader. They came from troops led by Mrs. Mazie Brittain and Mrs. Becky Huggins.

Other Brevard Girl Scouts will use the camp at later dates during the summer.

Miss Nancy Campbell, executive director of the council, will be in charge of the camp, and announces that reservations have been received from all areas in the Pisgah council.

Others on the camp staff are Miss Betty Brinson, of Columbus, Ga., graduate of Wesleyan college, and Miss Elizabeth Futtelle, rising senior at Wesleyan from Guyton, Ga.

Activities at camp will include swimming, tool craft, lashing, campfire program, nature games.

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Commissioners And Board Of Aldermen Approve New Budgets

Increases Noted In Appropriations, Largest Amount To Go For Schools

An annual budget estimate of \$1,266,515.00 for Transylvania county for the year 1957-'58 was presented to the commissioners on Monday by C. Lewis Osborne, the county accountant.

The new budget was accepted and ordered filed with the register of deeds for public inspection for a period of 21 days before adoption.

The tax rate of \$1.55 remains the same.

The new budget is based on an estimated property valuation of \$22,500,000, which is approximately a half million dollars higher than it was last year.

The financial statement of Transylvania reveals that the county is in good financial condition, with a surplus in all funds and all bills paid at the end of the fiscal year.

The largest appropriation in the new budget is for schools in the amount of \$746,986, which is in capital outlay and includes the \$637,000 bond issue passed by Transylvania voters last fall.

A total of \$126,631 is in the budget for school current expense, and \$34,357 is set aside for school debt service.

Appropriations for public welfare and welfare administration total \$172,217.00.

In the county general fund the appropriation is \$95,161, and other appropriations are as follows: health department — \$8,360; accountant — \$8,367; forest fire protection — \$3,387; farm agent — \$6,000.

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Estimated Expenditures For Town Set At \$200,127. Tax Rate The Same

The town board of aldermen approved a budget of \$200,127.29 for the ensuing year at the regular July meeting Monday night.

The new budget will be open for public inspection for 21 days prior to adoption, and it was increased from \$181,135.74. Appropriations for practically all departments are up, and salary raises, as authorized in the last legislature, are included. The same is true for the county officials.

The tax rate for the town of Brevard will remain unchanged at \$1.45.

According to the town's financial statement, assessed valuation is set at \$5,000,000, a slight increase over last year.

In order to meet the budget of \$200,127, the aldermen will collect \$66,000 from the tax levy and \$134,127.29 from other sources, such as water, garbage collection, parking meters, etc.

Expenditures in the general fund are estimated at \$156,540.50, and debt service is \$43,586.79.

The summary of the budget estimate and the town's financial statement are carried elsewhere in this week's newspaper.

In other action of the board Monday night, the property opposite the Brevard high school, known as the Clayton property, was converted from residential to business.

Mayer B. H. Freeman presided over the meeting, and all five of the aldermen attended.

Dr. Crossley Morgan Will Conduct Bible Conference For Presbyterians

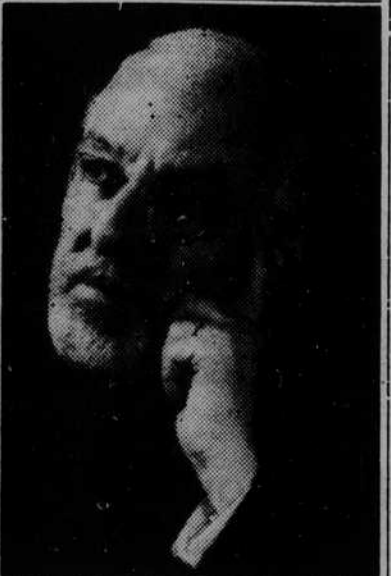
A Bible Conference, conducted by the outstanding minister, Dr. F. Crossley Morgan, will be held in the Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian church from July 14th through July 19th.

The Rev. Ben F. Ormand, pastor, announces that services will be held daily in both the mornings and evenings.

His morning sermons, all based on Psalms, will have as their theme, "The Charge of Christ to the Church." The general theme of the evening messages will be "The Central Person of the Christian Faith, the Lord Jesus Christ."

The Rev. Ormand said that the feeling of the church officers in engaging Dr. Morgan was, "If you cannot take your whole church to a Bible Conference, why not bring a Bible conference to your church."

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DR. CROSSLEY MORGAN

Times Is Being Published Ahead Of Its Schedule

In order that readers of the Transylvania Times might have this week's issue to read over the Fourth of July, the edition is being published on Tuesday night.

The Times office, like the other businesses in the community, will be closed on Thursday in order that the staff may enjoy a holiday.

On Thursday Transylvanians will join with other Americans across the country in observing the 181st birthday of the Declaration of Independence.

"We hold these truths to be self evident . . ."

With these words, our founding fathers stated our right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. On Thursday as we remember those who made this right a glorious reality, let's pledge ourselves ever to preserve it!

Program Highlights

WPNF Will Observe Seventh Birthday This Saturday, Public Service Stressed

On Saturday of this week, WPNF will celebrate its seventh birthday, and President Ed M. Anderson says that this is an appropriate time to rededicate the station to serving Brevard and Transylvania county.

The president also extends thanks to listeners and advertisers for their fine cooperation and support.

The station endeavors at all times to furnish the best in radio entertainment. Mr. Anderson states, and he calls particular attention to the complete log that can be found on the back page of this week's newspaper.

WPNF has one of the finest and most modern buildings in the Carolinas, and its equipment is also of the highest quality obtainable. The music library has been expanded, and during the baseball season, the station is affiliated with the Brooklyn Dodger network.

The station is owned and operated by the Pisgah Broadcasting company, of which Ed M. Anderson is president; John D. Eversman, vice president; and John I. Anderson, secretary and treasurer.

Members of the staff include Bobby Hoyle, station manager; —Turn to Page Eight

BRADBURN TAKES EDUCATION POST

Newly Elected Superintendent Of Schools Sworn In Office On Monday

Wayne Bradburn was sworn in as superintendent of schools in Transylvania county by Eddie Varner, chairman of the board of education, Monday morning here in the Brevard court house.

Marvin McCall, clerk of court, was the witness at the ceremony.

Mr. Bradburn succeeds J. B. Jones, who retired on June 30th, after 30 years as superintendent of schools here.

In a brief statement, Mr. Bradburn pledged to continue to seek to improve the school system of Transylvania county.

"The welfare of our schools is my basic concern," he declared. Architects McDonald and Daniels are busy preparing the plans for the new high school building here, and they should be sent to Raleigh for final approval before very long, Mr. Bradburn reported.

Churches State Sunday Evening Union Services

The Presbyterian, Methodist and First Baptist churches of Brevard will combine in a series of Sunday evening union services from July 7th through September 1st.

All services will be at 8 p. m., and the first one Sunday night will be at the Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian church. Rev. Douglas Corriher, pastor of the Brevard Methodist church, will preach.

The remainder of the summer schedule is as follows:

July 14 — Presbyterian church, Dr. Crossley Morgan, guest minister.

July 21 — Presbyterian church, Rev. B. W. Thomason, First Baptist church, preacher.

July 28 — Methodist church, Rev. —Turn to Page Eight