



LAST FRIDAY was a big day in Transylvania county as the new Du Pont silicon plant in Buck Forest was officially opened. Highlighting the event was a luncheon for civic leaders and others at the Presbyterian church, and the three men pictured at the top were the principal speakers. At the left is Robert L. Hershey, a Du Pont vice president, and Governor Luther Hodges is in the center making the main address. Leslie Grogan, plant manager, is shown at the right, as he presides over the elaborate affair. Dignitaries at the plant in the center photo are shown. From left to right, they are: Plant Manager Grogan; Joseph S. Silversteen, Transylvania's pioneer industrialist; Richard A. Kaiser, Du Pont executive; Harry Buchanan, a WNC civic leader; Mrs. Ed M. Anderson, newspaper publisher from West Jefferson; Governor Luther Hodges; Joseph Shrawder, another Du Pont executive; and Vice President Hershey. An overall view of the modern silicon plant can be seen at the bottom. (Times Staff Photo)

Girl Scouts Attending International Festival Here To Hold "Open House"

REPORT GIVEN ON EXPANSION, PHONE COMPANY

Progress Is Noted. Much Work Being Done With Loan From REA

Some time ago the Citizens Telephone company of Brevard, announced a large expansion program, which was made possible by a long term loan from the Rural Electrification Administration, a government agency established for just such purposes. The loan is repaid over a period of 35 years.

"We are proud to report to our community the progress we are making," said C. W. Pickelsimer, Jr., general manager.

"Prior to now we have not been able to expand as fast as the area has grown but with the completion of our program within a year, we will be in a position to take care of the demands for service for years to come."

The first big step taken was to order two automatic switchboards. These were ordered months ago, and because they are very complicated, it takes months to build them but they should be installed and working by next April.

These units are the heart of a tel-

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NEW POSTAL RATES BEGIN AUGUST 1ST

Fullbright Says Local Office Will Have The Newest Stamps And Cards

Vernon P. Fullbright, Brevard's acting postmaster, said today he expects plenty of stamps and postal cards to be on hand for sale August 1, to meet new postage rates which become effective then.

Mr. Fullbright explained the Post Office department has been issuing new stamps, stamped envelopes and postal cards to post-offices for several weeks in anticipation of the new rate changes.

Large additional supplies of the regular 4c stamp, bearing the likeness of Abraham Lincoln, are being received here to meet the new first-class letter rate of 4c an ounce. In addition, issues of special stamps and commemorative stamps will be available at the local post office in 4c denominations.

A new "Champion of Liberty" stamp, honoring Simon Bolivar, the

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BALSAM LAKE IS NEARER REALITY

Work On The 57-Mile Stretch Of The Parkway To Be Pushed, Weems Says

Plans and designs for Balsam Lake in the "Graveyard Fields" along the Transylvania section of the Blue Ridge Parkway will be made during the fiscal year by private contractors, it was announced Tuesday by Forest Supervisor Hugh Redding.

Core drilling and exploratory work was done during the last fiscal year, the forest supervisor told members of the North Carolina Park Commission in its annual meeting at Waynesville on Tuesday, and while there is not money available to start work on the act-

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Dr. Lombardo Will Speak At Kiwanis Meeting

Dr. Russ J. Lombardo, director of research at Du Pont, will be guest of the Brevard Kiwanis club at its meeting this Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

Dr. Lombardo is expected to go into some of the technical manufacturing and processing of silicon which is being produced at the Cedar Mountain plant near here.

Two members of the Key Club are also expected to be guests of the club at the Friday meet.



NEW OFFICERS of the Transylvania Teen Age center are pictured above. At the left is Jerry Cabe, the vice president, and next in line is Gloria Shook, the treasurer, holding the program of activities with her is Mary Lou Cantrell, the secretary, and at the right is Charles Taylor, the new president. The Teen Age center is having a successful summer program, and many plans are being made for the coming fall.

EVENT WILL BE HELD SUNDAY AT BREVARD COLLEGE

Public Is Invited. Groups Displaying Many Arts And Crafts

CONCERT SLATED

Highlighting the International Summer Arts Festival of Girl Scouts being held at Brevard college will be an "Open House" Sunday afternoon from 3 to 6 p. m.

Mrs. Robert Murphy, the director of the Festival, announces that the girls will act as hostesses and that each of the workshops will be demonstrating what they have learned.

Of special interest is the fact that the Drama workshop will be presenting plays as well as puppetry.

The public is invited to this event and to meet the girls who have come from 36 states and six foreign countries. The countries represented are Ireland, Switzerland, West Germany, the Philippine Islands, Canada and Suriname. There are 95 girls in attendance.

In addition to the workshops in music, dance, drama, arts and crafts, each girl from a foreign country is teaching a native craft to a group of those assembled.

Saturday the Girl Scouts toured Oconoluftee Indian village and went to "Unto These Hills." On Thursday they will attend the play at Flat Rock Playhouse.

A public concert will be given at the Transylvania Music camp Tuesday night at which time the Girl Scouts will sing on the program with the orchestra.

One of the most interesting events that was held in connection with the Arts Festival was the "International Night", at which time each girl from a foreign country gave a skit or a native song or dance. The Irish girls presented a play.

The International Arts Festival

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MERGER OF BANKS GIVEN APPROVAL

Stockholders Take Action At Meeting Tuesday. Back ground Is Cited

Shareholders of the First National Bank and Trust Company in Asheville and the Union National Bank in Charlotte voted Tuesday to consolidate the two banks to operate under the new name of First Union National Bank of North Carolina.

Action by the shareholders is now subject to final approval by the Comptroller of Currency, and it has been proposed the actual coalition take place at the close of business Friday.

The consolidation includes First National offices in Asheville, Brevard, Canton, Clyde, Hendersonville and Waynesville. The merged institutions will have resources of more than \$110,000,000.

Charles D. Parker, president of First National told shareholders here that "Your bank . . . simply becomes more versatile, more use-

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Costumed Dolls Are On Display In The Library

A collection of 38 foreign dolls in their native costumes is on display in the Transylvania County library. The collection is a part of the one belonging to 11-year old Becky Burhans, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Burhans.

Becky's godmother, the former Miss Rose Wolfe, of Pisgah Forest, helped start her collection before she had finished kindergarten. Meantime Miss Wolfe became Mrs. Al Ruer, whose husband is in the foreign service of the U. S. State department. His assignments took him to many parts of Europe and neighboring countries. Accompanying her husband on some of

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Governor Lauds Du Pont At Opening Of Silicon Plant, Executive Heard

Hodges Predicts Bright Future. Tribute Paid To Late Publisher

A bright future for the electronics industry in North Carolina was forecast by Gov. Luther Hodges here last Friday.

The governor told the Du Pont officials and the 150 civic, business and industrial leaders attending the luncheon at the Presbyterian church: "It is entirely possible that North Carolina would well become one of the major markets for silicon in the years to come."

He pointed out that "the electronics industry has shown a faster rate of growth in this state than any other major industry in recent years. And there is every indication that this rate will increase rather than decline."

"The fact that silicon is daily becoming a more and more important component in the field of electronics would certainly indicate that your future and the future of this area is bright," Hodges added.

The new plant, Gov. Hodges

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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Thursday, July 17 — Story Hour to begin at the library, 9:30 a. m. Lions club meets at Gaither's, 7 p. m. Masonic meeting in the temple at 8 p. m.

Friday, July 18 — Brevard garden club meets with Mrs. MacRoy Gasque, 3:30 p. m. Kiwanis club meets at Gaither's at 7 p. m. Concert at Brevard Music Center, 8:15 p. m.

Saturday, July 19 — Concert at Brevard Music Center, 8:15 p. m.

Sunday, July 20 — Attend the church of your choice. Girl Scouts Open House at college, 5 to 6 p. m. Concert at Brevard Music Center, 4 p. m.

Monday, July 21 — Rotary club meets at Gaither's, 7 p. m. Shrine club Ladies Night, Camp Straus, 7

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The Weather

Rain every day was the week's weather news headline. Total precipitation for the week was 2.42 inches. Daily readings were as follows:

	High	Low	Pre.
Wednesday	75	63	.27
Thursday	81	64	.48
Friday	79	65	.06
Saturday	82	64	.84
Sunday	81	59	.13
Monday	80	65	.03
Tuesday	85	61	.61

Teen Center To Hold Square Dance

The Transylvania Teen Age Center will sponsor a square dance for all teen agers at the Winn-Dixie parking lot on Monday, July 21. The dance will start at 8:30 and all teen agers are urged to attend.

GOLD STAR MEETS

The Transylvania chapter of Gold Star Mothers will meet Tuesday at 2 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Henry Garren on Maple street.

WPNF Program Highlights

'58 Baseball Season Passes The Mid-Way Mark, Log Is Reviewed

With the '58 baseball season just passing the mid-way, WPNF reminds fans of the "Game of the Day", which is heard each afternoon over the local radio station.

The National league race is extremely close this year, and Bobby Hoyle, station manager, says that Mutual selects the best game each day.

"For the daily schedule, note the ad on the sports page each week of The Times," he states.

Other Programs

The schedule for the Farm and Home hour for the coming week

Vice President Hershey Welcomes Civic Leaders Attending Luncheon

A spirit of co-operation between government and industry is a vital element in business expansion and the creation of new jobs, Robert L. Hershey, a vice president, director, and member of the executive committee of the Du Pont company, said here last Friday at opening ceremonies for Du Pont's new silicon plant. This is the first full scale plant for manufacturing extremely pure silicon, an element vital to electronics.

Speaking to an audience of business and civic leaders headed by North Carolina Gov. Luther H. Hodges, Mr. Hershey praised the spirit of co-operation that exists between government and industry in North Carolina which, he said, "offers the possibility of a richer life for all the citizens of the state."

"Once established," he added, "this attitude strengthens the chances of attracting new industrial enterprises and of encouraging expansion projects at existing plant locations."

Mr. Hershey pointed out that when choosing new plant locations,

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