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**COMMUNITY AWARDS** were made to the winners in the 1958 Rural Development contest in Western North Carolina at the annual luncheon last Saturday in Asheville's City auditorium. Balsam Grove kept Transylvania in the "top three" during the past five years by winning third place. The presidents of the winning communities are pictured above.

Left to right, they are: Hubert Hensley, Buncombe, fourth place winner; L. H. McKap, Tracey Grove community, Henderson county, second place; W. R. Hill, Piedmont - Pleasant Hill, Rutherford county, first; Balsam Grove's John D. Smith, third; and Harrill Hill, Mitchell county, fifth.

(Photo by Clyde K. Osborne)

## Balsam Grove Keeps Transylvania In Top Three Communities For Five Years

### STORES OBSERVE 'FAMILY NIGHTS'

Hours Will Be From 9:00 To 9:00 Thursdays And Fridays

In cooperation with the merchants committee of the Brevard chamber of commerce, most local stores will observe "family shopping nights" Thursday and Friday nights, December 11 and 12 and 18 and 19. These downtown merchants will observe the 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. hours on the four nights. Also, the group has announced that stores will remain open on Wednesday afternoons until Christmas.

Stores will be closed two days for the Christmas holidays, December 25 and 26. They will also be closed on New Year's day.

Jim Smith, chairman of the merchants committee, urges everyone to take advantage of these special hours and "shop as a family". Many stores are offering special bargains for night shoppers and Santa will be on hand to greet the children with candy treats.



**FRANK L. YARBROUGH**, left, who has served as manager of the Brevard branch of Duke Power company since 1956, will transfer to Marion, and J. M. Gaines, right, former manager here, will return from Hendersonville. He will be succeeded there by Keith A. Arledge, of Marion. These managerial changes are effective on January 1st, 1959.



### COUNTY'S UNIQUE AREA IS AWARDED A CHECK FOR \$300

Total Winnings During '58 Now At \$595. Progress Highlighted

#### GROUP AT LUNCHEON

By winning third place in Western North Carolina Rural Development competition last Saturday at Asheville, Balsam Grove kept Transylvania in the "top three" for the past five years.

This unique, scenic community, which is widely recognized for building the Albert Schweitzer hospital in a remote mountainous area, received a prize of \$300.

Previously, Balsam Grove had won \$295 in local competition, so total winnings for 1958 amount to \$595.

President John D. Smith was on hand at the luncheon meeting to receive the prize money. A large delegation of farm leaders, business and professional men and others from Transylvania accompanied the Balsam Grove group.

J. R. Brown, Transylvania farmer, was one of the speakers, and he interestingly told of progress that had been made in Transylvania through the Rural Development program.

Last year Cedar Mountain was runner-up in the WNC contest, and in 1956 the community was in first place.

In previous years Little River has been a first place winner, and Dunn's Rock a runner-up.

Local observers feel that this record is unparalleled in Western North Carolina.

Competition this year among the first place winners this year was —Turn to Page Seven.

## Methodist Higher Education Campaign Successful, Brevard To Get \$850,000

### Three New Buildings Will Be Erected In Near Future On Local Campus

"With a prayer of Thanksgiving we rejoice to report that the Methodist Christian Higher Education campaign of Western North Carolina is over the top."

This statement was made today by Dr. Wilson O. Weldon, pastor of the Mecca Park Methodist church of Charlotte. Dr. Weldon is chairman of the Western North Carolina Commission on Christian Higher Education.

Joining him in a report to the commission's executive committee in Charlotte was Dr. Fletcher Nelson, of Morganton, executive director of the commission.

The total pledged is \$3,301,038. Of this amount, \$3,024,453 came from individual churches while \$276,585 came from advance gifts.

"The expansion and capital improvements of the colleges, Duke Divinity school and Wesley Foundations are now assured," stated Dr. Weldon.

Dr. Emmett K. McLarty announced Wednesday morning that Brevard college would receive at least \$850,000 from the campaign, and that plans were being made to erect the first buildings under the program.

From the funds secured, the following improvements will be made:

- Brevard College:
- New Science building
- New Music and Fine Arts building
- Physical Education building
- Greensboro college:
- Residence Hall for Men
- Renovation of two dormitories for Women
- Physical Education Building

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### CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Thursday, Dec. 11 — CTA Banquet at Ecusta cafeteria, 7 p. m. Mason meet at temple, 8 p. m. Stores open 'til 9 p. m. Annual United Fund meeting at Gaither's, 7:30 p. m.

Friday, Dec. 12 — Ace of Clubs meets, 7:45 p. m. Stores open 'til 9 p. m. Brevard Elementary P-TA meets in Brevard College auditorium, 8 p. m.

Saturday, Dec. 13 — Legion dance at Legion Bldg., 9 p. m. to midnight. Transylvania Historical Association meets at Silversteen center, 8 p. m.

Sunday, Dec. 14 — Attend the church of your choice. Brevard Civic chorus presentation of "The Messiah" at Brevard Methodist church, 4 p. m.

Monday, Dec. 15 — Brevard high school P-TA, 8 p. m. Rotary meets at Gaither's, 7 p. m.

Tuesday, Dec. 16 — Ace of Clubs meets 7:45 p. m. Order Eastern Star meets, 8 p. m.

### No Serious Injuries

## Two Train Collisions Between Brevard-Hendersonville In Week

One man was injured and a truck demolished in a train-truck accident at Forest Hill Tuesday morning about 10:50 o'clock.

Tom Brown, who was driving the truck, is in the Transylvania community hospital and his condition is reported to be satisfactory.

The accident occurred at the crossing at the Carr Lumber company, where a Hendersonville man, Theodore Glenn Netherton, was killed in a similar collision on October 7th of this year.

Tuesday's accident is being investigated by Patrolmen Jack Cabe and Bill Sawyer.

Actually, the train wreck on Tuesday was the second during the past week between Brevard and Hendersonville.

Last Thursday morning the automobile of a young Pisgah Forest soldier, David Sydney White, 23, was struck by a Southern Railway train at the Etowah crossing on US 64. This was at the same crossing where the three members of the Doyle Gillespie family were killed several years ago.

White had been pulled from the road by a train on Tuesday morning about 10:50 o'clock.

White's wife, Jean Cochran White, 21, suffered slight bruises in the accident.

Both the automobile and train were traveling west toward Brevard when the collision occurred.

White told Cpl. Paul P. Ward of —Turn to Page Six

### Missionaries To Speak This Month At First Baptist

With emphasis on foreign missions, members of the First Baptist church of Brevard will hear several prominent speakers in the field of missionary work during December. Rev. Harold Killian, the pastor, announces.

This coming Sunday, December 14th, one of the Southern Baptist missionaries to Kenya in East Africa, will speak at both the morning and evening services.

On December 21st the guest speaker will be Charles Chan, a convert from one of the Southern Baptist missionaries in Singapore.

## December Civil Court Was Adjourned Tuesday

The December term of Superior court in Transylvania was adjourned Tuesday afternoon by Judge J. Frank Huskins, of Burnsville, after several civil cases were settled.

According to clerk of Superior court, Marvin McCall, the next term of court will begin on January 26th, 1959.

The court will be two, one-week terms, with the first being for the hearing of civil cases, followed by the trial of the criminal slate the following week, beginning February 1st.

Judges are to be assigned. After all testimony was heard in the F. L. McCall, Sr., and F. —Turn to Page Seven



**PRIZE MONEY** to the winning Transylvania Community Development clubs in the window decorating contest of the empty stores in Brevard was distributed last Friday morning in the county agent's office. This project has added much to "festive air" in the business area, and it was sponsored by the merchants division of the Brevard chamber of commerce. Seated, left to right, are: Earl Parker, president of Dunn's Rock community,

with a check for \$75 for being first place winner; and, Mrs. Paul K. Jones and Mrs. C. B. Dawsey, of Cedar Mountain, with second place money of \$50. Standing at the left is Jim Smith, the chairman, presenting Merrimon Shuford, of Little River, the third place prize of \$25.00. Looking on is John A. Ford, the co-chairman, and County Agent James Davis is at the right. (Times Staff Photo)

## Duke Power Co. Announces Managerial Changes, Gaines Returns, Yarbrough To Marion

### DR. OLIVER ORR WILL TEACH AT STATE COLLEGE

Three Members Of Local Family Hold Post Graduate Degrees At UNC

Dr. Oliver Hamilton Orr, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver H. Orr, Sr., of Brevard, has accepted a position



to teach history at State College, Raleigh, beginning January 1st, 1959.

Dr. Orr received his Ph D. degree in history at the University of North Carolina at the end of the past summer session, and his book on the life and education of Governor Charles B. Aycock has been —Turn to Page Six

### Former Brevard Manager Returning From Hendersonville, Background.

Three managerial changes in branch operations on the western end of the Duke Power Co. distribution system were announced today by Thomas F. Hill, of Charlotte, vice president and supervisor of branches.

Effective Jan. 1, J. M. Gaines, Hendersonville district manager, is being transferred to Brevard; Keith A. Arledge, manager in Marion, moves to Hendersonville; and Frank L. Yarbrough, transfers from Brevard to Marion.

Mr. Gaines, who was transferred from Brevard to Hendersonville in 1956, has maintained his home in Brevard and is returning here at his own request.

A native of Texarkana, Ark., and a graduate of Georgia Institute of Technology, Mr. Gaines joined Duke Power Co. in 1928 after service in World War I and College.

He has been active in church, civic, and professional organizations. He is married to the former Miss Kathleen Belcher of Bainbridge, Ga. The Gaineses have three daughters.

Mr. Yarbrough joined Duke Power in Greensboro in 1949 after his graduation from N. C. State College. He is a native of Salisbury, attended Hendersonville high school, and served overseas with the Army Air corps during world War II. Mr. Yarbrough has been active in civic, church, and community life in Brevard. He is married to the former Miss Kathryn Charles, of Greenville, S. C.

Mr. Yarbrough is campaign director of the 1959 United Fund drive, which recently exceeded its —Turn to Page Twelve

### Program Highlights

## Outstanding Christmas Programs Are Now Being Heard Daily Over WPNF

WRNF is now featuring a schedule of Christmas programs designed for both adults and children. Each morning at 7:55 o'clock, Parson's Song of The Day features an outstanding Christmas song, as recorded by German orchestras and choirs. Throughout the day, special Christmas music is now being presented.

Each afternoon at 4:00 o'clock, the Christmas show for Children is heard. Highlighting this program is a broadcast from Santa Claus beginning at 4:15 o'clock. Later in the program, Uncle Frosty tells the interesting program of Ernie Elf.

A special feature to be heard this week is Handel's Messiah, to be aired Sunday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

### Other Programs

The schedule for the Farm and Home hour for the coming week is as follows: Thursday, Rosman home ec dept., Mrs. Martha Hipsher; Friday, station program; Monday, county agent's office; Tuesday, station program; Wednesday, Home demonstration agent.

On the Civic Hour, the following will be heard: Friday, American Legion auxiliary; Monday, Brevard chamber of commerce; Wednesday, Girl Scouts.

Speaking this week on Morning Devotions is Rev. Alfred Rhyne, pastor of the Lutheran church of the Good Shepherd. Rev. F. Valentine, pastor of St. Phillips Episcopal church. —Turn to Page Six

### COMMERCE BODY SEEKS MEMBERS

### Final Drive Of '58 Being Made. Other Action Taken At Meet

The final drive for 1958 memberships in the Brevard chamber of commerce is going on this week by the members of the board of directors under the chairmanship of James C. Gaither.

At the meeting of directors Tuesday night, it was ordered that closing date for the listing on the ballot for election for 1959 would be December 18th. The ballots will be mailed after that time to all paid members of that date.

It is the custom of the commerce body to mail out the ballots during the last week of December.

Vice President Gil Coan presided over the meeting Tuesday night, and he reported that much favorable comment had been heard pertaining to the decorating of the empty store building windows in the business section of Brevard.

This work was done by the Community Development clubs, the home demonstration club and the 4-H council, under the sponsorship of the merchants committee of the Brevard chamber of commerce.

Harry Sellers, of that group, reported that the grocery stores of Brevard would observe only one day for Christmas.

An effort will be made to have the street in front of the snorkel mailbox near the post office marked "No Parking".

### Annual Banquet Of Classroom Group Is Set Thursday Night

The annual Transylvania Classroom Teachers banquet will be held Thursday night at 7:00 o'clock in the Ecusta cafeteria.

Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, president of Mars Hill college, will be the principal speaker.

He will be introduced by Rev. Harold Killian, pastor of the First Baptist church.

Approximately 125 persons are expected to attend, and Henry Smith, president of the local Classroom Teachers, will preside over the banquet meeting.