



TWO TWELVE-INCH SNOWS during the past week have heaped tons and tons "of the white stuff" on Brevard and Transylvania county. The above photo-

graph was taken from the square down East Main Street just after the snow plows appeared to have covered up the few parked automobiles. (Times Staff Photo)

Third Snow Of Season Buries County Under Icy Blanket Two Feet Deep

Bank Merger Is Announced Here By Duckworth

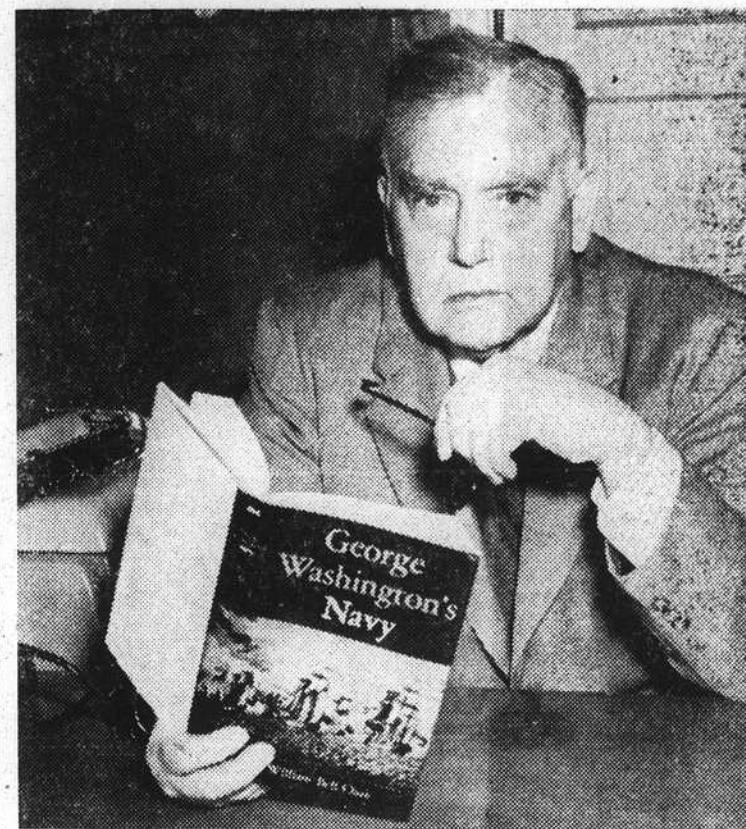
R. J. Duckworth, Vice President of First Union National bank, today announced that the directors of First Union National Bank of North Carolina and the First National Bank of Kings Mountain have approved plans to consolidate the two institutions.

Details of the consolidation will be announced after approval by the Comptroller of the Currency and the shareholders of the two banks.

Mr. Duckworth stated that "under the proposed plan, B. S. Neill would remain the chief executive officer. All other officers and employees will be retained."

The First National Bank of Kings Mountain was organized in 1900 and for many years its affairs were directed by the late Frank R. Summers. Total resources of the Kings Mountain institution are in excess of \$4,400,000.00, and upon consolidation, the addition of the resources of the Kings Mountain institution will bring the resources of First Union National

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WILLIAM BELL CLARK'S BOOK, "George Washington's Navy", was reviewed this week for The Transylvania Times by Ligon B. Ard, Rear Admiral United States Navy, Retired, above, who now lives here in Brevard. Readers of this newspaper will find this review most interesting, and it follows below. (Times Staff Photo)

Jet Bomber To Make Tests In County

A jet bomber will fly over the Brevard-Highlands area on three different days as part of low level measurements of wind gusts and tests of front line combat maintenance needs, the Federal Aviation Agency reports.

The FAA said it has authorized a waiver of air traffic rules for the Air Force to permit the tests by a B66 twin-jet medium bomber on March 21, April 11 and May 23 from Shaw Air Force Base, Sumter, S. C.

The plane will fly from a point seven miles west northwest of Brevard, passing a mile east of Highlands to a point six miles north northeast of Clayton, Ga.

The test flights will be made for the Air Force over 17 tracks at altitudes of 200, 600 and 1,000 feet and at speeds up to 360 knots or 415 miles per hour.

Exact times will be announced later.

Transylvania Farmers Received Total Of \$38,393 Through ASC During 1959

Transylvania county farmers received a total of \$38,393.00, gross assistance through the Agricultural Conservation program in 1959.

This figure and others are contained in the annual statistical ASC report made public this week by the Transylvania county ASC office in Brevard.

In addition to the gross assistance given county farmers, the report pointed out that 800 farmers participated in the program; 41,901 acres of farmland came under the program; 11,734 acres of this farmland was cropland; and 6,995 acres was non-crop land pasture on participating farms.

One of the big items included in the ACP budget for the year was \$6,001.00, for the seeding of 291 acres of permanent pasture or hay. A total of 223 county farmers took part in this practice.

The liming of farmland was another conservation practice which had a large part of the budget. A total 344 farmers limed 1,090 acres of farmland at a cost of \$9,007.00.

Improving permanent vegetative cover for soil and watershed protection took \$14,225.00. A total of 486 farmers improved 1,616 acres of pasture and hay with this practice during 1959.

There were eight farm practices sponsored by the county ASC Committee during 1959. Some of these in addition to the aforementioned, included the planting of forest trees, drainage of pasture and low lands, and the establishment of winter cover crops.

Several other programs in addition to soil conservation were in effect. Burley tobacco and wheat were two under the acreage allotment and marketing quota program. This past year 68 allotments were established for the growing of burley tobacco and 10 allotments for

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CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Thursday, March 10 — Masons meet at Masonic Temple at 8:00 p. m.
Friday, March 11 — Ace of Clubs meets at 8:00 p. m.
Sunday, March 13 — Attend the church of your choice. Organ recital at Brevard Methodist church at 3:00 p. m. Revival services begin at King Street Baptist church.
Monday, March 14 — Rotary meets at Gaither's at 7:00 p. m. Shrine club meets at Berry's at 7:00 p. m. Lutheran meeting at Gaither's at 7:00 p. m. 4-H county council meeting at Junior high school at 7:30 p. m.
Tuesday, March 15 — Eastern Star meets at Masonic Temple at 7:30 p. m. Ace of Clubs meets at 8:00 p. m.
Wednesday, March 16 — Toastmasters club meets at Gaither's at 8:30 p. m.

Du Pont To Speak

Banquet Of Chamber Of Commerce Set For April 8

The annual Brevard Chamber of Commerce banquet will be held in the Brevard senior high cafeteria on Friday, April 8th, it was announced at the meeting of the chamber here Tuesday night.

James Q. DuPont, of Wilmington, Delaware, official of the duPont de Nemours company will be the speaker, and it is expected that 200 or more people from the community, plus visiting officials from other nearby towns, will be in attendance.

During the meeting, James Wulpi, finance chairman, reported that 76 members had already paid their dues for 1960, with \$2,040 in dues on hand.

President Charles Himes named Gil Coan, John Ford, C. M. Douglas, Frank Bridges, Freeman Hayes and Cecil Hill to represent the chamber at the railroad hearing in Hendersonville on April 6th, when plea will be made by the railway officials for closing the Rosman depot and express office.

The move is being opposed by Rosman and Brevard chambers and county officials.

A resolution of thanks was adopted by the chamber members thanking the Town of Brevard workmen for the fine job done during the past week in clearing streets of snow. It was pointed out by several who have visited other areas in Western North Carolina recently that Brevard's crewmen had done a far better job of street work than any other nearby town. State highway crews were also thanked for the excellent work done by them.

The possibility of a "barn theatre" this summer was suggested by Arthur M. Dehon, of Sherwood Forest. The use of the large barn on the estate will be utilized if the

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Brevard's Board Of Aldermen Hold A Busy Session At Its March Meet

The Town board of aldermen held a busy session at its March meeting Monday night at the city hall.

Mayor B. H. Freeman presided, and the aldermen attending were Jack Bryant, Roy Head, W. M. Melton, R. M. Neely and Mark Osborne. Others attending the meeting were Town Manager Tom Henry, City Clerk, Mrs. Opal King, and John Smart, representing the city attorney.

Dan Merrill, Brevard fire chief, appeared before the board and requested five extra men for the fire department. Mr. Merrill was asked by the board what the cost of five additional men would be, and if the money would be

available in this year's budget before a new budget is adopted in July. Mr. Merrill was also asked how Brevard's department compared numerically to other towns of similar population, area and occupant classification.

The board instructed the town manager to make a study of the anticipated revenue in comparison to actual budget expenditures, and the anticipated budget expenditures for the remainder of the fiscal year through June 30th. They also instructed him to make a comparative study of Brevard's department complement with other similar towns.

Mr. Henry related to the board plans for using a bulldozer at the garbage dump one-half hour every other day to push down the garbage placed at the dump. —Turn to Page Five

Local Students To Be Heard In One Of Two College Concerts

Two musical events are open to the public this week at Brevard college. On Saturday at 2:00 p. m. there will be a recital in the auditorium of the College Center building by the junior members of the music department. 15 students will appear on the program.

These are local boys and girls and are the pupils of Louise P. Miller, Nelson F. Adams, and M. Thomas Cousins. On Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock the music department will present Clair F. Hardenstine in an organ recital at the Methodist

church. Mr. Hardenstine is head of the music department at Montreat Anderson college. He is organist and choirmaster at All Souls Parish in Biltmore and Dean of the Asheville chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

After graduating from the Westminster Choir college in 1950, Mr. Hardenstine became Minister of Music of the First Methodist church in Huntsville, Alabama. He held the same position at Trinity Presbyterian church in Montgomery, Alabama, before taking his present appointment at Montreat college.

Officers Will Speak At P-TA Meet Monday

The next meeting of the Brevard elementary P-TA will be held on Monday, March 14, at 8:00 p. m., in the Brevard elementary school cafeteria.

Mrs. L. F. Nerlinger, chairman and Mr. J. D. Willis, vice-chairman, states that Sheriff Laurence Brown, —Turn to Page Eight

Schools Remain Closed, Many Meets Cancelled

A 12-inch blanket of snow fell on ice-capped Brevard and Transylvania county on Wednesday.

As The Times went to press, it was still snowing and the weatherman predicted that it would continue to do so for several hours.

Although snow plows had been busy since before dawn on the streets and highways in the town and county, traffic is at a near standstill, and the highways are in a most hazardous condition.

The State Highway patrol urges motorists not to travel without chains and then only in case of emergency.

Several minor accidents were reported Wednesday morning, but there were no serious injuries, since the third snowfall of the season began.

Schools which have been closed since last Wednesday, will remain closed in all probability all this week.

The Citizens Telephone company reports that the telephone lines are again overloaded, and Charles Pickelsimer, the manager, requests the public to keep their conversations as brief as possible in the interest of fire safety.

Practically all meetings on Thursday and Friday in the community have been cancelled, among them being: home demonstration clubs at Little River and Dunn's Rock; Week of Prayer on Thursday and Friday at the First Baptist church; and the Bloodmobile on Thursday at Brevard College.

The Explorer scout meeting scheduled for this week was also cancelled.

Cancellations on Wednesday night included the revival services at Boylston Baptist church, choir rehearsal at Brevard Methodist church, prayer meeting at the Church of God, prayer service and choir rehearsal at Pisgah Forest Baptist church, and services at the First Baptist church.

Other cancellations on Wednesday included the unemployment

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Court Adjourned Wednesday Morn

Judge J. B. Craven, Jr., of Morganton, who has been presiding over the special two-weeks term of civil court in Transylvania, adjourned the court on Wednesday morning because of the snow storm.

It was impossible for lawyers, witnesses and others concerned with the court who lived outside of Brevard to attend the court, so Judge Craven ordered the adjournment.

The next court in Transylvania will begin on April 4, when a week of criminal court is on tap. It will be followed by a week's term of civil court.

Most of the court's time this week was spent on the case, Jessie Gaither vs. J. C. Gaither. It was settled out of court late Tuesday afternoon.

Last week the court's time was spent in hearing the E. I. Du Pont de Nemours vs. Charlie Justice case. The case was instituted by

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Dog Clinics Are Postponed

The series of dog clinics in Transylvania has been postponed because of weather conditions.

The first clinic was slated to have been held at Little River on Tuesday of this week, and the second on Thursday at Blantyre.

According to Walter F. Hart, director of sanitation, these clinics and the others during the month of March are being rescheduled.

The first clinic, according to the new schedule, will be held on April 5th at Calvert. Dates for the postponed clinics will be announced at a later date. A schedule of the others can be found in this week's Times.

Book By Brevard's William Bell Clark Reviewed By Ard



BREVARD AUTHOR, William Bell Clark, is pictured above, and his new book, "George Washington's Navy," has just been reviewed in this week's Times. Mr. Clark is also the author of five books dealing with men and events of the Revolutionary War period, including "Ben Franklin's Privateers," "The First Saratoga," and "Captain Dauntless," all published by the Louisiana State University Press. He is a contributor, on naval subjects and biography, to the Encyclopedia Britannica, and has been named editor of the four-volume documentary naval history of the American Revolution, which will be published by the Department of the Navy.

Ligon B. Ard, Rear Admiral, United States Navy, retired, who now resides here in Brevard, this week reviewed "George Washington's Navy" by William Bell Clark, also of Brevard, for The Transylvania Times.

The book was recently released by the Louisiana State Press, and Admiral Ard is highly qualified to review this outstanding work.

Following the review is a biographical sketch of the reviewer, "Our Rascally Privateersmen." "There were rich prizes to be had in Massachusetts Bay and other nearby New England waters. In the "richly laden transports" enroute to the beleaguered British forces in Boston were military supplies and clothing sorely needed by Washington for his Army.

"To get at these was his immediate idea and he finally won the approval of Congress "to hire and convert small seaway schooners into armed vessels strong enough to raid British supply lines, yet fleet enough to elude his Majesty's cruisers." This he proceeded forthwith to do through his appointed agents whom he admonished "the only chance there is of taking any prize is being out at this time." But the carpenters at Beverly wouldn't work on the Sabbath. "Religious rascals" the agent called them in his report to headquarters at Cambridge, and he further complained that they were "the idlest scoundrels in nature." But in time Washington's little navy did get to sea, ship by ship, and that several weeks before the Continental navy just

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Program Highlights

WPNF To Air NCAA Basketball Tournament From Charlotte

The Eastern regional NCAA basketball tournament, scheduled in Charlotte Friday and Saturday nights, will be aired over WPNF, Bobby Hoyle, station manager, announces.

On Friday, at 7:30, Duke meets St. Joseph's of Pennsylvania, and at 9:30, West Virginia meets New York University.

Saturday night, the winners will meet for the chance to represent the region in the semifinals and finals at San Francisco. Air times Saturday night are 6:55 and 8:55 o'clock, Mr. Hoyle states, and all sports fans are urged to hear these classic games.

Other Programs
The schedule for the Farm and Home hour is as follows: Thursday,

Rosman home ec. dept., Mrs. Sallie Wallace; Friday, U. S. Forest service, Ted Seely; Monday, county agent; Tuesday, station program; Wednesday, home agent.

The following will be heard on the Civic Hour: Friday, DAR; Monday, Wednesday club; Wednesday, Transylvania garden club.

Speaking this week on Morning Devotions is Rev. M. M. Armstrong, pastor of the Ecusta circuit. Rev. Ben Ormand, pastor of Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian church, will be heard next week.

The Sunday morning church service will be broadcast through the remote facilities of WPNF from the Sacred Heart Catholic church. Rev. John O'Brien is pastor.