



WPNF'S NEW 1,000 WATT TRANSMITTER is now in use, and Leon Southerland, the chief engineer, is pictured putting the finishing touches on it before throwing the

switch at noon last Friday. The tremendous increase in power is giving WPNF much greater coverage and more listeners. (Times Staff Photo)

## "A New Sound"

### Progressive Step Taken, WPNF Goes 1,000 Watts

Another chapter in the story of community service began last Friday, December 10th, at noon when radio station WPNF increased its daytime power from 250 to 1,000 watts.

Chief Engineer Leon Southerland pressed the switch throwing the relay and thereby turning off the 250 watt Gates transmitter installed here in 1950, and turned on the new 1,000 watt RCA unit recently completed.

Mr. Southerland, engineer in chief of technical operations here since 1960, installed the new transmitter, a new transmission line to the base of the 200 foot antenna, various switching and monitoring units, as well as hundreds of feet of wire connecting the main components.

On September 11, 1964, Mrs. Ed M. Anderson, president of the Pisgah Broadcasting Company which owns and operates WPNF, and John Anderson, the executive director, applied to the Federal Communications Commission for permission to increase the sunrise to sunset power of the station to 1,000 watts.

Permission to begin construction was received on August 2nd of this year, and plans were begun for the actual installation.

The RCA BTA-1 transmitter was built in Camden, New Jersey, and was shipped in sections weighing in excess of 2,000 lbs.

## Calendar of Events

Thursday, December 16th: Kiwanis meets at Gaither's at 6:45 p.m. Lions will meet at 7:00 o'clock at the Colonial Inn.

Friday, December 17th: The Ace of Clubs meets at 8:00 p.m. Saturday, December 18th: VFW annual party at 8 o'clock, Moose lodge, party and dance beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 19th: Attend the church of your choice. Christmas parade at Rosman, beginning at 2 o'clock.

Monday, December 20th: Rotary meets at 7:00 p.m. at Gaither's. The American Legion Auxiliary will hold their Christmas party in the Legion building beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 21st: The Ace of Clubs meets at 8:00 p.m. Christmas party for the AARP begins at 10:00 a.m. in the Community Center.

Wednesday, December 22nd: Schools close at the end of classes for the Christmas holidays.

## On Rosman Highway

### Several Injured And Three Cars Damaged In Accident

Four persons were injured and three automobiles were badly damaged in a collision on the Rosman highway near the Brevard city limits about 8:00 o'clock Wednesday morning.

According to Patrolman

## Someone Must Be Trigger Happy Here

(Editor's note: The following letter speaks for itself and deserves front page treatment. We share the grief of the Nicholson family.)

December 14, 1965

John Anderson, Editor Transylvania Times Brevard, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Anderson:

We would like to take this means of calling to the public's attention that firearms are being used either carelessly or maliciously in or near the city limits of Brevard.

Sunday morning, December

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## At Recent Meet

### Masons Name Leaders For New Year, Installation 6th

The annual election of officers for Dunn's Rock Masonic lodge for the incoming year was held at a stated communication held in the temple on East Main street last Thursday night.

The following officers were elected:

Fredrick Marvin McCall, Jr., Worshipful Master

Thomas Earle Payne, Jr., Senior Warden

William Holland Corn, Junior Warden

William Ansel Hart, past master re-elected treasurer and

Henry Robert Henderson, past master re-elected secretary.

Mr. McCall succeeds Waver-

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FRED McCALL, JR.

## Adult Education Program Being Set Up Locally

The Transylvania County Board of Education and the Asheville-Buncombe Technical Institute will jointly sponsor a continuous high school equivalency program for adults who have not received a high school diploma.

The program includes classes in four areas, English, Math, Social Studies and Science and is open to any adults eighteen (18) years of age and older who are not currently enrolled in a public school system.

The program called Adult Basic Education has been running for over a year. One of the aims of the program is to bring a person up to an achievement level in which they can take and pass the state General Education Development test. Upon successful completion of this examination this person will be awarded a high school equivalency diploma, issued by the State Board of Instruction.

Other areas of this program offers special instruction for adults who desire to read and write. This being the extremes of the program, it does offer a well rounded basis for education and can place any adult in a class.

New classes will begin at the Brevard senior high school on Monday night, January 17th, at 6:30 p.m., and will continue each Monday and Thursday night for 10 weeks, from 6:30 until 9:30 p.m.

Any adult desiring to enter —Turn to Page Eight

## Custom Of 55 Years Continued

A Christmastime custom more than 50 years old will be continued at Rosman this weekend.

The management of Gloucester Lumber company will again distribute Christmas bonuses to its employees and present Christmas candy and fruit to all children of the community.

This custom was started back in 1910 by the late Joseph S. Silverstein, the founder, and it has been continued ever since.

The company is recognized as the county's pioneer industry and it is now in its 55th year of operations.

## Weather

By - Al Martin Official Weatherman

After a low reading of 12 degrees on Wednesday morning of last week, the mercury climbed to a spring-like 67 degrees on Monday afternoon of this week.

Average highs and lows for the period were 63 and 26 degrees.

Precipitation for the week totaled .17 of an inch and came on Tuesday.

Daily highs and lows were as follows:

	High	Low
Wednesday	62	12
Thursday	64	17
Friday	63	20
Saturday	66	30
Sunday	64	37
Monday	67	39
Tuesday	58	30



THE THANKSGIVING OFFERING from the Union service in Brevard of the churches belonging to the Transylvania Ministerial association is being presented in check form to the institution in the picture above. At the right is the host pastor of the service, Rev. G. Daniel McCall, of the Brevard-Davidson River Presby-

terian church, who made the presentation on behalf of the member churches. At the left is John Bailey, administrator of the Transylvania Community hospital, and Miss Frances Rogers is shown making out a receipt for the money. (Times Staff Photo)

## Benefits To Prove Costly

### New Social Security Tax Hike Might Jolt The Working Man

Residents of Transylvania county will soon become painfully aware of how much they will have to fork up for Medicare and for the more generous pension checks voted by Congress.

Beginning next month, local wage earners and their employers will be hit by a big increase in payroll taxes to finance the new benefits.

As of January 1st, working people who are covered by Social Security will begin paying at the rate of 4.2 percent on the first \$6,600 of earnings. Matching contributions will be made by their employers.

This represents a big hike over the present rate, which is 3.625 percent and is limited to the first \$4,800 of earnings.

As for those who are self-employed, the present tax rate of 5.4 percent on the first \$4,800 will jump to 6.15 percent and will affect income up to \$6,500.

As it applies to Transylvania

county, it boils down to an overall increase of \$307,000 over the amount paid for Social Security last year by local workers and their employers.

The figures are based on data released by the Internal Revenue Service, the Bureau of Labor Statistics and others.

They show that some \$16.7 billion was turned into the Social Security trust fund last year by the nation's jobholders and their

employers. Transylvania county's contribution to that total was an estimated \$1,096,000.

Next year, under the new rates, it will climb to approximately \$1,403,000, based on the same number of workers.

For a person earning \$4,000 a year, the tax will be \$168, or \$23 more than he paid this year. At the \$2,500 level, the new tax will be \$105, a rise of \$14. Those with incomes of \$6,600 or over will pay the maximum, \$277, which is \$103 more than at present.

The increase per worker will be somewhat greater in Transylvania county than in many parts of the country because wages are at a higher level locally.

The frequent extension of benefits provided under Social Security has been accompanied, over the years, by corresponding increases in costs.

As an example, a worker who will be paying \$277 next year was taxed only \$30 in 1945. The rise is 823 percent.

## Police Chief Says "Lock Your Cars"

"Lock your cars while Christmas shopping," warns J. C. Rowe, Chief of Police of Brevard.

"We always have a rash of package stealing at this time of the year," the chief declared, in urging local citizens to be especially cautious at Christmas time.

And again he urges all motorists NOT to leave their keys in the ignition at any time or any where.

## On Mountain Slopes

### Keith Argow Says Large Number Of Ski Patrolmen Are Now Busy

The largest number of Ski Patrolmen ever trained in the southeast will be on duty this winter. According to Keith Argow, southern section chief of the National Ski Patrol system, a total of 31 ski patrolmen (plus 3 women) traveled nearly 7,000 miles to attend a two day training session held at Asheville and Cataloochee.

These good samaritans of the ski slopes volunteer their services to make skiing safer and more enjoyable. They are easily

identified by their rust colored parkas with a gold cross on the back. Each is a competent skier and must complete a tough 12 hour first aid course every year and be trained in slope rescue techniques. Remuneration is mostly the satisfaction of a job well done.

Nationally certified patrols are located at Cataloochee and Blowing Rock ski areas in North Carolina. This winter new patrols will operate at Gatlinburg, Tenn. and Hound Ears, N. C.

## Call Is Issued For Bids, Due On January 5th

Members of the Board of Education hope to build additions to four schools in Transylvania county during early 1966, Supt. Wayne Bradburn announces today.

A call for bids on the four projects has been issued, and they are due on January 5th, 1966, at 2:00 p. m.

The four projects are as follows:

Rosman - two classrooms, vocational shop, offices, store rooms, toilets, corridor and a covered passage

Straus - four classrooms, library, corridor and covered passage to existing buildings

Penrose - six classrooms, offices, toilets, corridor and covered passage to the cafeteria

Brevard senior high school - 11 classrooms, two rest rooms and covered passage.

Supt. Bradburn says that state funds amounting to \$356,000 are available for the projects, and the board hopes that bids will be less than the money on hand.

No county or federal funds are available at the moment for construction purposes.

There is a possibility that some money might be secured from the literary fund at Raleigh.

These projects are "stop gap" measures, and will only answer the school building needs in Transylvania during the next few years, he states.

## Christmas Is Arriving, Vacations Set

Christmas is in the air in Brevard and Transylvania county.

The tempo of shopping has noticeably increased, and many stores are staying open during the evening hours for the convenience of shoppers.

Schools will close at the end of classes next Wednesday, Dec. 22nd, and they will reopen on Monday, Jan. 3rd.

Brevard college will begin the Christmas holidays this weekend. Students are now in the midst of examinations, and the fall semester ends this week.

## WOW Officers Are Elected

Balsam Camp, No. 116, Woodmen of the World, elected new officers at the December meeting.

They are as follows:

President - George Newman

Vice President - Alfred Gallo-way

Treasurer - Arthur Gillespie

Trustee chairman - C. L. Clark

Trustees - J. C. Gaither, Sr., and Eddie McMahan

Escort - Sunday Hedrick

Watchman - Jessie C. Raines

Sentry - Carlyle Whitmire.

J. I. Ayers serves as camp secretary.