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**NEW YEAR BEGINS** — As the new year at Brevard College, new faculty members are greeted by President Robert A. Davis, left, and Dean Ben Frank Wade, right. Shown above, left to right, are: President Davis, Dr. Howard Walter Boyd, Assistant Professor of Biology; Wade Hampton Long, Assistant Professor of Physics; Miss Neva Ann Corbin, Instructor in German and English; William B. Waterson, Instructor in English, Miss Irene Ann

Brychcin, Instructor in Music; Mrs. Jo Ann Pace Bryson, Assistant Librarian; Dr. James Douglas Tyson, Visiting Professor of Special Education; and Dr. Wade, Dean of the College and Registrar, also Professor of Religion. Not present when the picture was made were: Edward Bennett, Instructor in Engineering Drawing, and Eric Wiechert, Assistant Professor of Chemistry.

(Times Staff Photo)

## President Pleased

### Brevard College Begins New Year With Some 600 Students

Dr. Robert A. Davis, President of Brevard College, says that registration was completed on Wednesday and he is well pleased with the number and quality of the students. "I am also pleased with our fine faculty and staff," Dr. Davis continued.

Some 50 sophomores returned to the campus last week to work with the faculty and staff in welcoming the new students to Brevard College. Nearly 350 freshmen arrived on campus on Sunday for the beginning of the orientation program, and registered on Wednesday. Returning students arrived on Tuesday, and also registered Wednesday.

The first formal convocation will be held on Thursday evening at 7:30 in the Boshamer Gymnasium. The highlight of the program will be an address by President Robert A. Davis.

The new students this year will be from 20 or more states and several from foreign countries.

Several events are being planned this weekend as the new year begins, and among them is a reception by President and Mrs. Davis honoring the new faculty and staff at their home on the college campus.

The Times joins with merchants and the officials of the town and county in welcoming the students to Brevard College which it recognizes as one of the finest two-year liberal colleges in the nation.

## Program Highlights

### Stevenson To Be Heard On "A Citizen Speaks" Friday

"A Citizen Speaks", a public affairs program of Radio WPNF is heard each Friday morning at 11:30 o'clock, and citizens of the community are invited to discuss current and popular issues on the program.

Rev. A. L. Stevenson, a retired Methodist minister who now resides during the summer in Brevard, will be the speaker on Friday morning of this week.

He will be heard in a series of talks over WPNF with the theme "Spanning Two Centuries". His topic Friday

## Will Answer Questions

### Economic Actions Information Center Is County ASCS Office

All residents of Transylvania County may obtain answers to questions on operation and interpretation of the Presidential order of Aug. 15 on prices, rents, wages and salaries from the Transylvania County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) Office, according to Glenn A. Whitmire, Chairman of the County ASCS Committee.

County ASCS Offices throughout the United States have been chosen as information centers to answer questions from all citizens on President Nixon's Executive Order which is designed to stem inflation and strengthen the national economy.

The Transylvania County ASCS Office is receiving official answers to questions concerning the President's action, and any person in Transylvania County who wants or needs precise information should get in touch with the County Office, Whitmire said.

The Transylvania County ASCS Office is located at 102 E. Main St. Bryant Building, Brevard, N. C. The mailing address is Box 708, the telephone number is 883-3317. In charge of the office is A. Smokie Greene, County Executive Director. The office has a staff of 3 persons.

Mary Conley, Freda Case, and Smokie Greene.

"Ours and all ASCS offices throughout the nation, will function as information centers in location outside of highly urbanized areas," Whitmire said.

County ASCS offices are not to handle complaints or appeals, he said.

They will serve only to provide official information. Persons with complaints will register them with the most convenient district or sub-district office of the Internal Revenue Service.

"Neither will interpretations or guesses be made by ASCS county office people. They will answer only those questions for which they have been supplied answers. If they don't know the answer to a specific question, they will say so. If a member of the public wants the county

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## Business Activity

### Transylvania Is Said A Sturdy Market

The final figures for the past year show that, for Transylvania County, it was neither the best of times nor the worst, in terms of business activity.

Although the year was not conducive to record-breaking, what with the recession, inflation and unemployment to contend with, the local market was stronger than most.

Personal incomes and consumer buying in the area, compared with corresponding figures from other communities, were good.

The findings are contained in a new, copyrighted study released by Sales Management, the marketing publication, entitled "Survey of Buying Power."

For the Transylvania County population as a whole, it shows, incomes were at a high level in the year. The total amount available to lo-

cal residents for discretionary spending, after payment of their taxes, came to \$52,574,000, as against the previous year's \$47,689,000.

What this represented, for the individual family, was determined by dividing the total income by the number of households. The average was \$8,911, an increase over the prior \$8,831.

What did local residents do with their bigger incomes? To a considerable extent, inflation took care of that matter.

That was the involuntary part. Voluntarily consumers in the area, as those elsewhere, were more restrained than usual in their spending. They put the surplus into savings.

However, they were in the market place in sufficient strength to make it a good year for retail merchants.

As a result, local stores ac-

counted for gross sales of \$21,992,000, as against the previous year's \$20,758,000.

The gain, 5.9 percent, was greater than elsewhere in the United States, 3.7 percent. In the South Atlantic States, it was 5.1 percent.

The survey rates each community on the amount of money actually spent in its retail stores as compared with the estimated amount, based upon several factors, that might have been spent. It is called the "index of buying power."

The index rating for Transylvania County is .0077, indicating that it is capable of producing that percentage of the nation's retail business.

Because it accounted for less than that last year, .0061 percent, the determination is that some of the local business potential has not yet been realized.

**Weather**

By FRED REITER

Area temperatures during the past week averaged 85 and 61, and there was only a smattering of rain.

Highest temperature of the week was 86, while the lowest reading was 57 on Tuesday morning.

Extended forecast for Thursday through Saturday: A chance of showers over the state Thursday through Saturday. High daytime temperatures will average in the upper 70s, while nighttime lows will average in the upper 50s in the mountains.

	High	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	85	62	0.00
Thursday	86	62	0.00
Friday	86	62	0.00
Saturday	86	60	0.00
Sunday	83	60	0.03
Monday	85	66	0.08
Tuesday	83	57	0.00

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# Cooks Slain In Double Murder In North Brevard This Week

## Suspect Turns Himself In At Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roscoe Cook were found shot to death about noon on Tuesday at their home at 122 Allison road in North Brevard, and Tuesday evening, the Transylvania Sheriff's Department reported that Mr. Cook's brother had been arrested in Nashville, Tennessee, in connection with the shooting.

The husband, who was an industrial engineer at Olin Corporation at Pisgah Forest, was 29 years of age, and his wife, Sandra Lee Cook, who taught school, was 25.

Officers believe the shooting took place between 7:00 and 9:00 o'clock Monday evening since the supper dishes were still on the table.

Charged with the double murder is Billy James Cook, 27, of Brevard, who was arrested by the Metropolitan police about 7:00 o'clock Tuesday evening in Nashville, Tennessee.

Chief Deputy Charles Pettit and Lt. Hubert Brown and SBI agent Lloyd J. Crisco went to Nashville to get Cook.

## Discovered Bodies

When Mrs. Cook did not report for school on Tuesday, the first teacher day of the new year, Principal Bill Stanley and Mrs. Eugene Baker, chairman of the English department in which Mrs. Cook taught, went to the home to see if Mrs. Cook was well.

Upon discovering the bodies, they immediately called the Sheriff's department.

A full investigation was started by the department, the Brevard Police department and the State Bureau of Investigation. The crime lab of that department was brought to the scene.

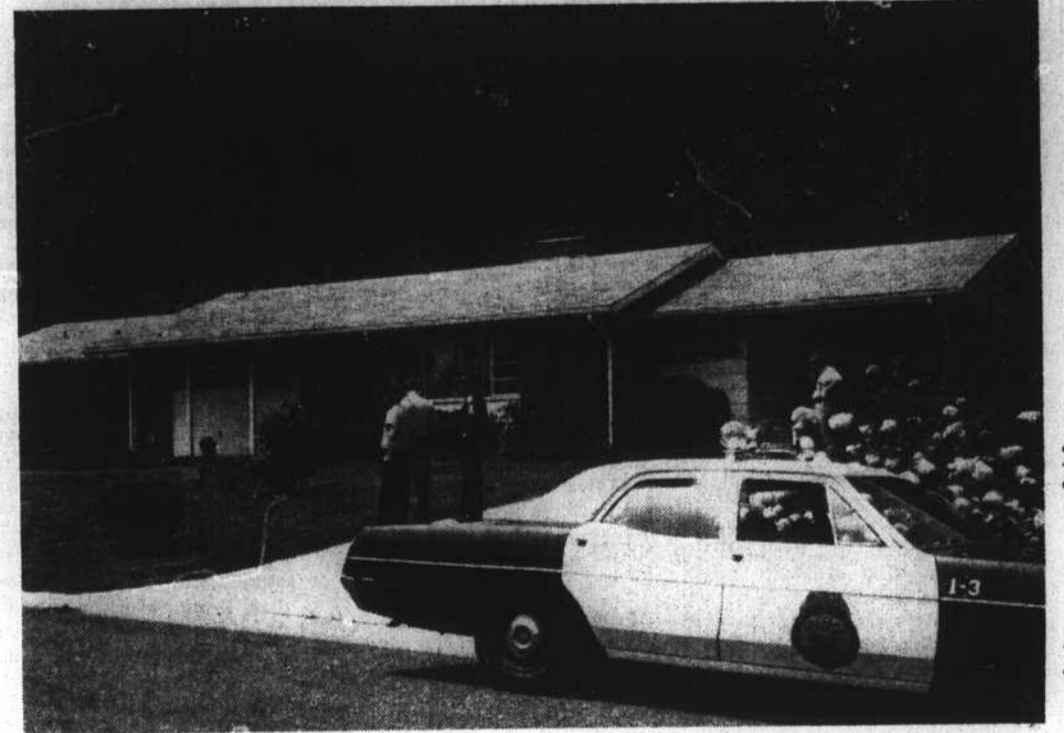
The house was sealed off Tuesday night from all persons except law enforcement officers.

The bodies were found in the front room, Mr. Cook's body on the floor and Mrs. Cook's on the sofa. There were no signs of a struggle and no gun could be found anywhere.

The lights in the home were burning and the tv set was still on.

Lt. Brown said the victims had been shot at least one time each through the head. It had not been determined

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## SCENE OF DOUBLE MURDER

—In the house above at 122 Allison road in North Brevard Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Cook were found slain about noon on Tuesday of this week. Mr.

Cook's brother was arrested Tuesday evening in Nashville, Tennessee, and is being charged with murder in connection with the slaying.

(Times Staff Photo)

## Smooth Operation

### Schools Opened On Schedule, First Full Day Set Thursday

## This Thursday

### Council Of Community Services Will Hold Evaluation Meeting

On Thursday evening, August 26th, at 7:30 p. m. in the Faculty Lounge of Brevard College, the Transylvania Council of Community Services will hold an evaluation session. The Council was suggested four years ago by the County Commissioners who appointed a committee to study the need and make recommendations.

Out of this study came a private organization which actually promotes no program of its own, has no paid staff and only a nominal budget.

This meeting will review critically the past four years and make special recommendations for the priorities of 1972.

One of the most appreciated developments of this council has been the publishing of a handbook of all types of social services in the county and the faithful up-dating of the manual each year for the February

## Quarterly Meeting.

All council meetings are open to the interested public. Its leadership is drawn from the paid staffs of government agencies, churches, schools, employment, recreation and health programs.

The Council serves as a channel of understanding, interpretation

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### To Hold Public Hearing On The Rezoning Of Local Airport

The Brevard Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Tuesday night, August 31st, at 7:30 o'clock in the County Court House.

The purpose of the hearing is to decide whether or not to rezone the area around the present Airport just off the Greenville highway.

The request for the rezoning was made by John F. Ritter, —Turn to Page Six

Schools in Brevard and Transylvania opened Wednesday which was "Pupil Assignment Day".

Thursday will be the first full day of classes, and registration is being continued.

From all reports, things ran smoothly the first day, and, according to officials, students seemed glad to get back to school.

Buses ran pretty much on schedule Wednesday, and all lunchrooms will be open on Thursday.

A story on lunchrooms elsewhere in The Times tells about the prices of lunches, free lunches, etc. The price will remain the same as last year at 35 cents.

Registration the first day was 4,407, but at least another 100 students are expected to register during the coming week.

Enrollment figures for Wednesday, by schools, were as follows:

Brevard Elementary	761
Brevard Junior High	535
Brevard Senior High	1,053
T. C. Henderson	207
Penrose Elementary	329
Pisgah Forest Elementary	252
Rosman Elementary	534
Rosman High School	286
Straus Elementary	441

Holidays for the new term —Turn to Page Six

## Sellers To Manage

### Teen Center To Reopen On Saturday Night For Season

The Transylvania Youth Association announces that the Teen Center will reopen on Saturday night, August 28, at 8:00, under the new directors Ted and Norma Sellers. The center has been closed since June for lack of personnel. It will now be open on a regular basis on Tuesday nights from 8:00 p. m. to 10:00 p. m. and on Friday and Saturday nights from 8:00 p. m. to 11:00 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Sellers have lived in Brevard for three years. Mr. Sellers is with the RCA

Tracking Station. They have three sons ages 5, 14, and 15 and the family resides on Allison road.

The sellers plan to work on memberships and a back to school dance in the first few weeks. Also under consideration is a new game room to promote interest in cards, chess, checkers and indoor horseshoes. Mr. and Mrs. Sellers will also require the teenagers to sign in and sign out recording their time of arrival and departure.