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## Transylvania Blanketed With 17 Inches Of Snow, Rescue Squads Were Extremely Busy

### Brevard, Rosman Groups Work Around Clock

By - Cal Carpenter

The 16 to 20-inch snowfall that blanketed Transylvania County last weekend might have been pretty to look at through the window, but it was a time of hard work and little rest for the county Rescue Squads.

Both the Brevard and the Rosman squads started receiving calls about 6:30 Friday morning and they kept coming until Sunday evening. According to First Lieutenant J. C. Rowe of the Brevard squad, there were so many calls so fast, "We just lost count of the number."

The largest number of calls to the Brevard squad were for emergency transportation of medical personnel—doctors and nurses to and from the hospital. Other calls included transportation of food to needy families, delivery of prescription medicines to homes, and the transportation of one suspected heart-attack victim to the hospital.

Both rescue squads also assisted the State Highway Patrol in traffic direction at automobile accidents and one funeral. Where regular commercial transportation was not available, the squads delivered stranded motorists to their homes.

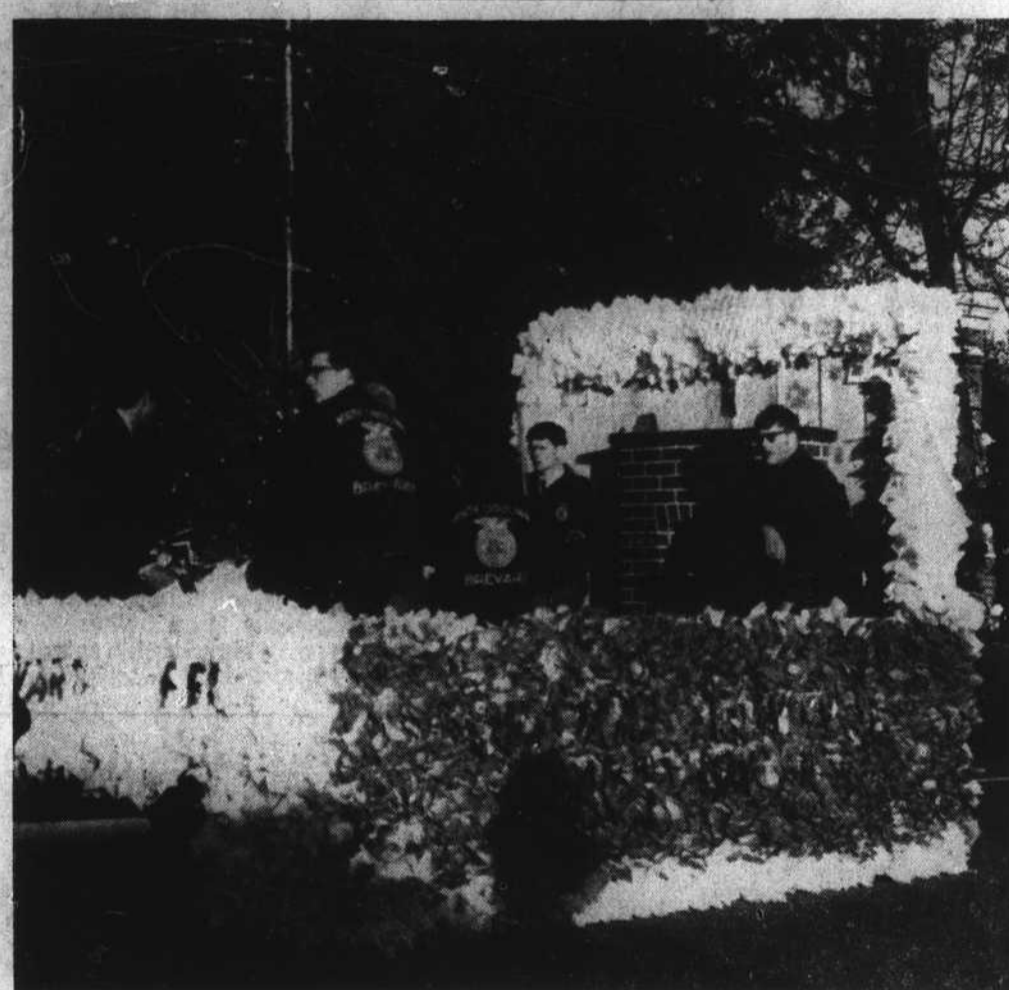
"The calls were continuous" says Lt. Rowe. There were 113 calls at the Police Communications Center from 6:30 a.m. Friday morning until 2:30 p.m. that day—just an eight-hour period.

"But we had no major traffic accidents in Brevard," continued Lt. Rowe who is also Chief of the Brevard Police, "and we're very grateful for that."

The Rosman Rescue Squad was on standby from 5:00 a.m. Friday until 9:00 p.m. Sunday, according to W. O. Galloway, Quartermaster of the unit.

"We ate at the squad house," he said, "with meals prepared and served by the Rosman Rescue Squad Women's Auxiliary."

The Rosman squad also had so many calls they lost count. Among them was a call to take an accident victim to the hospital, transportation of food to a needy family in the Balsam Grove area, and several trips to Round Mountain—a remote area the other side of The Wilds Christian Camp—to take food and transport.



PRIZE-WINNING FLOAT — Pictured above is the float of the Future Farmers of America Chapter at Brevard high school which won first place, or the Mayor's Award, in the big Christmas parade here last Wednesday. The parade was sponsored by the Merchants Committee

of the Brevard Chamber of Commerce, and the annual Christmas parade at Rosman will be held Sunday afternoon. Full details are carried in a story on the front page of the fourth section.

(Times Staff Photo)

### Fair Weather Ends Threat Of Floods Tuesday

Sunny skies Tuesday morning ended the threat of a serious flood along the French Broad River in Transylvania County on Tuesday, however high water closed several country roads and flooded the bottomlands.

The heavy rains on Saturday, Sunday and Monday on top of the 17-inch snowfall of last Friday caused the flooding, and schools were closed both Monday and Tuesday.

They reopened on Wednesday.

They were also closed last Friday because of the heaviest snowfall that Transylvania has experienced in many years. Some observers say that it was the heaviest since 1942.

According to Harry C. Corbin, Superintendent of Schools, the three days that have been missed will be made up on the following days:

Saturday, December 11th  
Thursday, December 30th  
Friday, December 31st.

This Saturday, the buses will leave the school at 12:30 p.m., and lunches will not be served on this day.

### River Out Of Banks

The French Broad River crested at Rosman at 9.58 feet Tuesday morning and began to subside as fair weather and sunshine returned to Western North Carolina.

Although the river reached flood stage of 8 feet as heavy rains fell on the remains of last weekend's heavy snow, bringing the evacuation of about 15 families in low lying areas south of Rosman, the Transylvania sheriff's department said Tuesday night there had been no serious damage reported.

Among the roads that were closed Tuesday because of high water were Barclay road, Hannah Ford road, Island Ford road and Wilson road.

There was high water in places on US Highway 276 during the day, but it was passable most of the time.

### Traffic Snarled

Traffic was at a near standstill on Friday and Saturday, because it was impossible to move without snow tires or chains or both.

Over the weekend many minor vehicular accidents were reported to the Police department, the Sheriff's department.

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MARQUEE FALLS — The marquee in front of Harper's and Gaither's caved in during the early morning hours last Saturday because of the heavy snow covering it. There were no injuries since no one was

walking along the street at time of the morning. Snowfall here at the local weather station was officially set at 17 inches.

(Photo by Tom Osteen)

### Wheeler's Will Lease

## Plans Being Made To Open Hospital At Balsam Grove

The Board of Trustees of the empty Albert Schweitzer Memorial Hospital at Balsam Grove is about ready to sign a long-term lease on the institution, according to Chairman Donald McCall.

Mr. McCall said the board will lease the building to Dr. J. T. Wheeler, a 77-year-old retired neuropath from Huntsville, for use as a medical clinic and nursing home. Dr. Wheeler is a native of Asheville.

Dr. Wheeler's son, Dr. G. E. Wheeler of Wheeling, W. Va. who is completing a one-year residency at a hospital in Wheeling, plans to operate the clinic with the older Dr. Wheeler acting as adviser.

Mr. McCall said excavation was started on the institution in 1956 "with \$5.28 in the treasury" because the community, nine miles from Rosman in Transylvania County, badly needed a hospital. . . . the nearest is 20 winding miles away in Brevard.

He said, "Sixteen years later we have a 40-bed building with furniture for 41 patients including 20 new mattresses, some X-ray and operating equipment, office equipment and other items all free and clear of debt."

The building is 260-by-80 feet and is located in the heart of the community about 200 yards off N. C. 215.

Mr. McCall said various news stories through the years have brought in contributions "from just about everywhere but Russia and we wouldn't expect that." He said coins and currency from foreign countries have been exchanged and used right along with "American money."

The late Dr. Gaine Cannon, —Turn to Page Three

### On Local Scene

## Christmas Mailing Is Heavy, Patton Cites Delivery Deadlines

Christmas mailing at the Brevard Post Office is heavier than usual, Postmaster Charlie Patton reports.

He urges all citizens to mail their cards, letters and packages early to insure delivery before the 25th.

Deadlines are as follows:  
Dec. 10th — Mail all packages and out-of-town cards

Dec. 15th — Mail all local cards.

He says that Christmas means more when people receive their mail on time.

Postmaster Patton says that

local and out-of-town Christmas mail should be separated.

"This will speed up delivery," he comments.

It is also announced that the Brevard Post Office will be open later than usual on Saturday for the convenience of the public.

Usually, the Post Office closes at 12:00 noon on Saturday, but it will be open as long as there is a rush this week.

Mr. Patton and his staff says thanks to all for doing their Christmas mailing early!

### Results By Townships

## ASC Community Elections Held, Results Are Announced

Results of the election of ASC community committeemen for 1972 in all communities were announced today by Glenn A. Whitmire, Chairman of the Transylvania County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee.

Farmers elected to the committees include:

Boyd

Randall Lankford, Chairman  
Arnold Williams, Vice Chair-

Member  
Max G. Wilson, First Alter-

nate  
Andrew Boggs, Second Alter-

nate

### Brevard

Randall Lyday, Chairman

G. Carl Bryson, Vice Chair-

man  
C. G. Jones, (Speedy) Regu-

lar Member  
Edgar M. Meace, First Alter-

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By FRED REITER

Weather made unusual news during the past week with the greatest one-day snowfall in several years occurring on Friday. 17 inches of snow was measured at the Brevard weather station.

Temperatures for the past week averaged 44 and 27 high and low, with a total of over six inches of precipitation.

Long-range forecast from the National Weather Service: Possible showers Thursday and Friday. Mild temperatures with highs in the upper 40s each day. Overnight lows should be in the 30s for this period.

Date	High	Low	Prec.
Dec. 1	42	26	0.00
Dec. 2	47	19	0.00
Dec. 3	29	23	2.52
			(17" snow)
Dec. 4	40	23	0.00
Dec. 5	39	31	0.00
Dec. 6	41	34	1.95
Dec. 7	47	35	1.70

### Program Highlights

## "Children's Theater" Will Again Be Heard On WPNF Each Friday

The Friday WPNF-Radio will resume broadcasting a popular children's series of programs which were formerly heard on the station.

"Children's Theater" will be heard on WPNF each Friday morning at 10:30 a.m. beginning this Friday.

The series will again be presented in cooperation with the Children's department of the Transylvania County Library. This will be a new series of programs, never broadcast locally before and should be a popular feature with the younger children, especially pre-schoolers.

Tune 1240 radio for this series Friday mornings at 10:30 a.m.

Other Programs  
The schedule for the Farm

### Baker Chairman

## Jaycees Seeking Nominations For Local "Man Of The Year"

The Brevard Jaycees today formed a committee to seek nominations for Transylvania County's outstanding young man of the year, according to Stanley Tucker, President of the Brevard Jaycees.

The Distinguished Service Award, presented annually since 1947 by the Jaycees, is given to that young man in the community who is adjudged to have contributed most to the welfare of the community and who has given evidence of outstanding leadership ability and business or professional growth.

Mr. Tucker emphasized that the young man does not need to be a member of the Jaycees in order to be eligible for the award. He points out that the

Several well known archi-

### Tax Listers Are Named

The Transylvania County Board of Commissioners, meeting December 6th in the court house here, approved the tax listers for 1972.

Listers named are:  
Floyd Township, Mrs. Celia S. Hutchins  
Cathay's Creek Township, Mrs. Frances Whitmire  
Dunn's Rock Township, Mrs. Betty Compton  
Eastatoe, Mrs. Lawrence Whitmire  
Gloucester Township, Mrs. Nola Mae McCall  
Hogback Township, Mrs. Ruth Fisher  
Little River Township, Mrs. Gladys Shufford  
Brevard Inside Township and Brevard Outside Township, Lawrence Hipp, Mrs. Ethel Owen, Mrs. Oia Hooper and Mrs. Mary Stiles.

This announcement comes from L. R. Hipp, the Tax Supervisor for Transylvania county.

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### At Brevard, Rosman

## Measles Vaccination Clinics Scheduled Sunday Afternoon

### "Un-City" Is Building

## Home Building At Connestee Said Year Ahead Of Schedule

Home construction at the Connestee Falls recreational-residential community is a year ahead of schedule, according to Daniel J. Salisbury, Director of Construction and Chairman of the Environmental Control Committee for the "Un-city".

"We had not expected building to be so far along at this early date," says Mr. Salisbury. "We had estimated it would be the Spring of next year before people began building; but we already have 13 residences under construction."

Architects and builders are among those now constructing homes in the 3900-acre Connestee Falls community four miles south of Brevard. Among them are Henry C. McDonald of Brevard; the C. E. Cochran Construction Co. of Brevard; Logan Construction, Inc., of Asheville; Randell Bryson of Pisgah Forest; Real Log Home Builders of

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Combination Measles - Rubella vaccinations will be given this Sunday afternoon, December 12th; between 2:00 and 5:00 p.m. at the Brevard High School cafeteria and the Rosman Elementary School lunch room.

The clinics were first set last Sunday, but were postponed because of the heavy snowfall.

Parents are reminded that the new state law requires Measles vaccination by age two and that all children enrolling in grades one through six next fall must have certification of vaccination.

In Transylvania County, it is estimated that 1,330 children ages one through 12 have not been vaccinated against measles, while an even larger number have not been immunized against ru-

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### He's Rev. Harry W. Phillips

## Presbyterians Call New Senior Minister, McPhail Is Assistant

The Brevard - Davidson River Presbyterian Church has recently called a new Senior Minister, the Reverend Harry W. Phillips. Mr. Phillips preached his first sermon on Sunday, December 5th, which was "My Letter of Introduction."

Mr. Phillips moved to Brevard from a Pastorate in Chattanooga, Tennessee, the Rivermont Presbyterian Church, where he served for over 13 years. The Rivermont Church was a newly organized Church when he went there as a recent graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary in June, 1958.

The membership grew under his leadership from 30 charter members to its present membership.

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