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By FRED REITER

Temperature averages during the past week were 54 and 38 in the Brevard area, with some rainfall nearly every day. Highest temperature reading was a 66 on Sunday, while the week's low was 24 on Tuesday morning.

Long-range forecast for North Carolina for the period Wednesday through Friday: chance of showers Thursday, with more general precipitation in the latter part of the period. Highs in the 40s and 50, with lows in the upper 20s to middle 30s in the mountains.

Total rainfall at Brevard during December was a nearly unbelievable 14.36 inches. That made the total for the year 1973 at Brevard 82.09 inches.

Weather data at Brevard during the past week was as follows:

Date	High	Low	Prec.
Jan. 2	40	34	0.50
Jan. 3	56	39	0.14
Jan. 4	54	45	0.46
Jan. 5	51	42	0.00
Jan. 6	66	37	0.05
Jan. 7	59	45	0.20
Jan. 8	55	24	0.00

Chamber Of Commerce Membership Elects 40-Man Board Of Directors

New Officers To Be Named Next Tuesday

A 40-man Board of Directors of the Brevard Chamber of Commerce was elected at the Chamber's regular meeting Tuesday night at the library.

High man in the balloting was Bill P. Norris, who served as President of the Chamber during 1973. He received 84 votes. Local real estate and insurance executive Gil Coan, Sr. was second high with 80 votes.

Ballots for the election were mailed out in December to the Chamber's membership of 220, representing 247 eligible for election to the Board. All ballots were tabulated during Tuesday night's meeting.

New officers for 1974 will be elected from the 40 man Board at a meeting next Tuesday night, since this week's meeting was recessed until that time.

The meeting next Tuesday will be reconvened in the library at 7:30 p.m., and President Norris urges all members of the newly elected Board to attend. He also reminds all Chamber members and persons interested in the work of the Chamber to attend, as there will still be several brief, but important items of business, other than the election to attend to.

Members of the 1974 Board, in alphabetical order, are as follows:

- John I. Anderson
- John W. Bailey
- Raymond F. Bennett
- Don R. Blankinship
- Ben E. Burgess
- Charles H. Campbell
- Walter Cantrell
- Lloyd F. Cash
- Gil Coan, Sr.
- Harry Corbin
- Dr. Robert A. Davis
- Dr. Wilburn A. Davis
- Jack C. Dense
- Clyde Duvell
- James M. Felty
- Vernon Fullbright
- Judge Robert T. Gash
- Dr. Carol Grahl
- Cecil J. Hill
- Charles F. Himes
- William M. Ives
- Don M. Jenkins
- Jerry Hart Jerome
- Chester Kilpatrick
- Dr. Milton V. Massey
- Robert W. Melton
- John R. Mitchell
- Eugene Morris
- Bill P. Norris
- Paul Owenby
- Ben Patterson
- Charles W. Picklesimer, Jr.
- Jerry Pursler
- Ralph H. Ramsey, Jr.
- Charles L. Russell
- Ray N. Simmons
- Hale Siniard, Jr.
- John K. Smart, Jr.
- George Turner
- Robert Whitley.



TRANSYLVANIA'S NEW YEAR BABY — Amy Mellisa Shelton is shown in the arms of her mother, Mrs. Wanda Bernice (Owen) Shelton, in a maternity room at the new Transylvania Community Hospital. Amy Mellisa arrived at 6:00 a. m., January 3rd. She weighed in at six pounds, 15½ ounces; and measured 20½ inches. The father

is Leon Dexter Shelton; the family lives at Lake Toxaway. As the first baby born in Transylvania in 1974, Ann Mellisa and her parents will be the winners of a long list of prizes offered annually to the first-born in the county by The Times, WPNF and Brevard businesses. At Mrs. Shelton's right is Mrs. Sharon McLendon, R. N. (Times Staff Photo)

New School Schedule

No Problem Noted In Switch To Daylight Savings Time

Transylvanians seem to be adjusting to Daylight Savings time without fuss or fury.

Schools began operating on a new schedule of 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Monday, and according to Supt. Harry C. Corbin, "the 30-minute adjustment helped us".

Of course, there are many students walking or catching buses to school in early morning darkness, but so far, no complaints have been received.

Stores, generally, are opening and closing at the same time as they did before Sunday, when the new Daylight Savings time was started.

Offices in the Court House and in the Municipal building also have the same hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

No one can yet evaluate the saving in energy due to the switch to DST, but Duke Power Company officials say the big saving nationwide will come in the early evening.

The short winter days in the Northern industrial areas prompted the move to Daylight Savings Time.

Program Highlights

WPNF To Resume Senator Ervin's Talks January 27th

The weekly Sunday afternoon broadcast of Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr., will resume over WPNF-Radio 1240 at 1:15 p.m. on January 27th.

The program has not been heard for the past several weeks due to the fact that Congress has not been in session.

Senator Ervin recently commented that his program had

Good News

Social Security Supplemental Checks Are Received Locally

This month many thousands of people in Transylvania County, among over 3.1 million persons nationally, are receiving their first Federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Checks, according to D. W. Rice, manager of the Hendersonville Social Security Office.

"As could be expected, such a massive new program was bound to have a few snags in it at first" said Mr. Rice, but fortunately, only a very small percentage of the total number of persons currently eligible for payments did not receive their first check for various reasons.

"These reasons range from their having moved without notifying us of a change of address to a change in living arrangements and possibly an undetected clerical error which prevented our computers from processing certain checks," he commented.

However, the vast majority, more than 95%, have already received their first SSI check or will receive it soon.

"We are asking all persons whom we've previously advised to expect a gold-colored SSI check in the mail in January 1974, to notify us immediately if the check is not delivered within the next few days. We want everyone previously getting payments under state aid to the aged, blind and disabled programs to receive a January check even if that check arrives late in the month," Mr. Rice continued.

He also said that most of the persons found to be newly eligible based on the SSI claims they filed directly with Social Security Offices through October 1973, had also received a January check or would be receiving one in the next few days. He added, however, that some SSI claims filed later in the year have not been in the system long enough to be processed. "We're processing all recent claims just as quickly as possible".

Mr. Rice said that people who wish to report a non-receipt of check should call 692-0533 in Hendersonville.

Will Discuss Formation Of Arts Council

Mary B. Regan, Community Associate of the Department of Cultural Resources of the State of North Carolina, plans to be in Brevard on Wednesday, January 16th, in order to discuss the possibility of the formation of an arts council for Transylvania County, it is announced today by Helen Hawthorne, President of the Brevard Little Theatre.

Any group or individual who is interested in learning more —Turn to Page Four

State Official Will Inspect Connestee Area

John Rice, representing the Sedimentation Control Division of the State Department of Natural and Economic Resources, will be in Transylvania County on Friday, January 11th, to inspect the sedimentation and siltation caused by construction on the Connestee Falls property.

Arrangements for this inspection were made following a meeting in Raleigh this week of County Commission Chairman Bill Ives and James Harrington, Secretary of the Department of Natural and Economic Resources.

Colonel Dan McDonald and C. B. Shimer of the Sedimentation Control Division of this Department were also in attendance at this meeting.

Teacher Workshops Set

Transylvania Students To Get Vacation On 17th, 18th

Transylvania County Schools will be dismissed at 2:00 p. m. next Wednesday, January 16th, and Thursday and Friday, January 17th and 18th, will be pupil holidays. Teachers will be attending workshops and participating in parent-teacher conferences during this time.

Supt. Harry C. Corbin also reminds the public of the two schedules on which the schools operate.

They are Schedules A and B, and he explains them as follows:

SCHEDULE A - Schools and buses will operate on reg-

"floated" up through the concrete platform, pushing the pumps up in the air. The tanks had been empty for two weeks, and with all the rain, the water beneath pushed them right out of the ground.

(Times Staff Photo)

OUT OF GAS—OUT OF TANKS—Strickland's Grocery on the old Hendersonville highway between Brevard and Pisgah Forest now has two problems: They are out of gasoline, and they are also out of tanks and pumps. Last Friday and that night the two large tanks in the ground

By Col. McDonald

Inspection Is Made Of Dams, Connestee Falls Development

Colonel Dan McDonald, engineer with the State Department of Natural and Economic Resources, was in Brevard last Thursday to make a visual inspection of the dams being built in the Connestee Falls development.

His inspection consisted of a review of the plans and construction logs of the dams and also a visual inspection of the three dams which are nearly complete and the one under construction near the Walnut Hollow Road. This inspection was a result of numerous calls to the State of North Carolina by citizens who were concerned for their safety because they live on the stream below the dams.

Col. McDonald said, after reviewing the work with the engineers in charge, Quible and Associates, he felt secure enough that he would be willing to pitch a tent at the foot of any dam and stay through the largest rainfall. The three large dams have all been constructed to withstand a rainfall of 29.5" in a six-hour period. The storm of last Memorial Day, which so devastated Transylvania County, consisted of less than a 12" rain over more than six hours. This gives the layman some idea of the design capacity of these dams.

Marvin Crutchfield, chief engineer on the project, believes that these dams will reduce flooding on the lower portions of the Connestee Creek. He explained at great length to Col. McDonald, County Commission Chairman Bill Ives and County Planner Mike Epley all of the work.

Next Monday Night

Commissioners May Name Emergency Board At Meet

Transylvania County Planner Mike Epley will propose to the Commissioners, at their meeting on Monday night, January 14th, the creation of a board to deal with emergencies.

This Board will help in allocation of scarce fuels and devise a plan of action in other types of disasters that would require the coordination of several agencies.

Due to the unusual warm winter, there appears to be little likelihood that there will be a fuel crisis of any kind except the supplies of gasoline, and these are not expected to be critical this winter. Nevertheless, the Commissioners want the county to be prepared to face any problem.

County Attorney Bill White is drawing up a litter ordinance

Monday Night

Many Scouts Receive Awards, Troop 703's Court Of Honor

Scout Troop 703 held Parent's Night and a big Court of Honor Monday night at Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian Church, with a large number of troop members receiving awards during the ceremonies.

Troop Committee Chairman Glenn Winston presided over the meeting, which was well attended by a large number of Scouts and parents.

Mr. Winston also took the occasion to announce the retire-

ment from active service of Scoutmaster Richard Gustafson, who has led Troop 703 for a number of years.

"We'll really never know the tremendous influence for good that Dick has had on the hundreds of young men who have come under his guidance and counseling during the years that he has served 703 as Scoutmaster," Mr. Winston stated, "But we do know that any who have come under his leadership

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Planning Awards Banquet

Jaycees Seek Nomination For "Young Man Of Year"

The Brevard Jaycees are now seeking nominations for Transylvania County's outstanding young man of the year, according to Darrell R. Hooper, Jaycee President.

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 out-

standing leadership ability and business or professional growth.

President Hooper emphasizes that the young man does not have to be a member of the Jaycees in order to be eligible for the award. He points out that the only limitations are that he be a resident of Transylvania County, be at least 21 years of age and have not reached the age of 36 before June 1, 1973. All nominations must be made on the forms provided and should be delivered or sent by mail to Scott Peterson, this year's project chairman, P. O. Box 427 is the mailing address for mailed nominations, and these must be turned in no later than 5:00 p. m., Monday, January 14, 1974.

Nomination forms are available at the Nationwide Insurance office on South Broad Street, the Chamber of Commerce, Cambridge Square Men's Shop on East Main Street or may be obtained through the mail by calling Mr. Peterson, who is Chairman of the 1974 Awards Banquet.

This year's recipient of the Distinguished Service Award, along with this year's Outstanding Young Educator, Outstanding Young Law Enforcement Officer and this year's Jaycee "Boss of the Year" will be honored at the annual Awards Banquet, to be held on February 1st, 1974.

Further details on the procedure for the selecting of finalists for all of these awards and for the time and place of the Awards Banquet will be forthcoming in next week's edition of The Transylvania Times.

Complaints have been received again of the Lions Mountain Road (Secondary Road No. 1129) being impassable during the recent flash flooding in the Rosman area. This is a dead end road and these conditions isolate several families on the south side of the French Broad River. The situation could result in tragedy in a medical emergency. Plans for raising the low part of the road above the usual high water mark will be discussed.

Several appointments to boards and commissions will occur.