

## Council On Aging Convenes

The first meeting of the Land-Of-Sky Regional Council Advisory Committee on aging took place Thursday morning in the Mars Hill United Methodist Church in Mars Hill.

The members of the advisory committee were appointed by the county commissioners from Madison, Buncombe, Henderson, and Transylvania Counties to serve in an advisory capacity to the local elected officials in regard to programs and the needs of persons sixty years of age and older in our four-county area.

Objectives of the Land-Of-Sky Regional Council Advisory Committee are to:

- 1) Serve as an advocate for older adults in Region B.
- 2) Define the needs of the older adults in the four-county area on an ongoing basis.
- 3) Establish priorities in determining the needs of the older adult community;
- 4) Assist in the development of strategies, programs and services to meet the needs of the older adult community;
- 5) Assist in the implementation of service programs;
- 7) Communicate frequently with the Land-Of-Sky Regional Council membership and other local elected officials;
- 8) Serve as a liaison or communications link with other groups or individuals interested in the older adults in Region B.
- 9) Support the regional

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## County Sales Tax Take: \$39,637.53

Transylvania County coffers were enriched by \$39,637.53 from the one per cent local sales tax during October, the N. C. Department of Revenue has announced.

At the same time the Department said that under the one per cent distribution on ad valorem taxes, the county would receive \$93,889.44 for the quarter ending Sept. 30, 1974. This amount is based on assessed valuation in the county.

The City of Brevard will get \$20,164.67, and Rosman's share will be \$419.99.

The N. C. Revenue Dept. also reported the quarterly net income from the sales tax last week. Transylvania received \$114,474.10 for the three-month period ending Sept. 30. Actual collections amounted to \$115,472.94, but the cost of collection came to \$98.84.



Lee Cline calls hogs as Extension Chairman Jerry Purser grins.



Jeannette Austin did coax a few drops of milk from this cow.

## City, County Leaders Show Farming Skills (?)

City and county officials and other leaders tried their hands at a few farm chores Saturday afternoon and found their performance a little less than adequate before returning to their various desks and offices.

It was fun day during the observance of Farm-City Week in Transylvania County. County Extension Chairman Jerry Purser arranged the events to give the city slickers a taste of farm life.

Mayor Charles Campbell showed up for the varied farm-style contests featured during the afternoon by far the best dressed for the occasion.

His corn-cob pipe, denim overalls with real galluses, checkered shirt, and straw hat made a big hit with the 75 to 100 persons gathered on the playground between the middle and elementary schools.

Many looked at him several

times before recognizing Hizzonner in the get up.

Jeannette Austin was also dressed for the part—denims, checkered shirt, and straw hat—with an added touch: freckles, yet.

Lee Cline, accustomed to calling his children, perhaps, showed that he could be a substitute for the city's fire siren, as he bellowed to win the hog-calling contest. It was remarkable that no hogs showed up.

N. C. Senator-Elect Cecil Hill, showing his upbringing, and acting City manager Opal Hahn—where did she grow up?—teamed together and won the corn-shucking contest by a mile.

A few minutes later Mr. Hill was also declared official winner in the milking contest, although he was beaten by an interloper who infiltrated the contest—Jim Powell of Pole

Miller Rd., west of Brevard. Powell brought an end to the contest by draining the cow.

Dr. Robert A. Davis, president of Brevard College, and Judy Matthew, the petite secretary to the County Commissioners, showed everyone up in the corn shucking event.

Then Commission Chairman Bill Ives won the corn-shelling contest, if any significance can be attached to this feat. He bested Mayor Campbell, who rubbed two ears of corn together like a Boy Scout rubs sticks to start a fire.

Then in the stellar event of the day, Schools Superintendent Dr. Harry Corbin showed real prowess at harnessing up a mule. Dr. Davis had drawn the dubious honor of performing this feat first, a position which put him at a severe disadvantage. It took some figuring for the educator to know what to put where and on which end of the long-eared animal. At any rate, it took another educator to top him.

## Post Goes To Hocker

Jimmie C. Hocker, administrator of the Transylvania Community Hospital, had been appointed to the Emergency Medical Service Council of Western North Carolina, as a representative of Region B, according to Mayor Charles H. Campbell of Brevard, chairman of the Land-Of-Sky Regional Council.

"I have met Mr. Hocker, and am impressed with his approach to his new duties and am sure he will be an asset to the EMS Council and to the region," the official said.

Mr. Hocker came to the Transylvania Hospital last week to assume the post of administrator.

## Hurricane-Like Winds Strike Lake Toxaway

### Home Under Construction Demolished

Freakish winds of almost hurricane force hit Lake Toxaway Thursday, tearing the roof from a vacation home under construction and creating waves which battered down two sea walls.

"It was a freakish storm," said R. D. Heinitch, president of Lake Toxaway Development Corp., "caused by a front coming through, the weather bureau people told me."

He estimated the winds at 65 miles an hour. "You couldn't walk against it, or stand against it out on the dam."

A worker on the house which was being built estimated the wind velocity at 100 miles an hour.

The roof came apart during the noon hour when none of the construction personnel were on the job. The A-Frame type roof which was put together with bolts and with heavy nails separated and was blown to each side of the building.

Mr. Heinitch said the winds were steady. "They were not gusting as such freak winds usually are. This one was blowing strong all day long. That was really the funny part of it."

Power was knocked out in portions of the Lake Toxaway Oakland-Sapphire Area, Mrs.

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**WIND DESTRUCTION** — 65 to 100 miles an hour. That's This nearly-completed home at Lake Toxaway was shattered in Thursday's winds estimated from portion of picture. (Times Staff Photo)

## Ballots Are Mailed For ASCS Election

The ballots for the election of community committeemen for the Agricultural Conservation and Stabilization Service have been mailed, it has been announced by Charles J. Bryson, county executive director.

The ASCS is the agency which aids farmers financially with conservation practices such as planting trees, seeding pastures, and other moves to preserve farm land. It also is in charge of price support programs.

Freeman, Tommy Hooper, Harold Paxton, Reid Plemmons, Clyde Summey, and L. C. Wison.

Dunn's Rock — James L. Cantrell, Quentin Cantrell, Arthur Gillespie, Lewis Gravelly, Orville Mull, and Everett Norris.

Eastatoe — E. M. Collins, Charlie Gillespie, Sherrill Hubbard, Gertha Nicholson, Fields Powell, Calvin Raxter.

Gloucester — Paul Aiken, Mervin Anders, Mary Jane McCall, Ralph Owen, and Tony Stamey.

Hogback — Herbert Fisher, John L. Fisher, Eugene King Sr., J. Bert McCall, Gertha Shipman, and Willie Wilson.

The ballots must be returned to the county ASCS office by Dec. 2, according by Mr. Bryson. Farmers who do not receive a ballot may obtain one by visiting the ASCS office, Room 218, in the Bryant Building.

Community committeemen, after election will convene in December to elect county committeemen.

Following is the slate of nominees for the 1975 officers:

Boyd — Andrew Boggs, Randall Lankford, Arnold Wells, Arnold Williams. Max Wilson, and Sidney Wilson.

Brevard — G. Carl Bryson, Eddie Carter, Clyde G. Jones, Edgar Meece, Jack Tabor, and Robert Young.

Cathey's Creek — Crawford

## Editorial Feature Begins

In today's Transylvania Times, we are beginning a new cartoon feature, "Old Transylvania News," which we are sure readers will enjoy.

Earle Kersh, former art director of Life Magazine, and now a semi-retired citizen of Transylvania County, has been talking to our leading historians and is depicting important events in the county's past with clever drawings for The Times.

The first one, running today, goes back to the days when Transylvania was a wilderness and buffalo made the first trails which were later widened for use by man. Turn to the editorial page for a look. It will be a regular feature on The Times' editorial page.

## Cat, Two Puppies Starved To Death

A cat starved to death along with two of 13 puppies penned away from their mother on a farm off Crab Tree Rd. last week. Mrs. Ruth Hill, humanitarian for the Transylvania Humane Society has reported.

The cat was found dead in the house, the Chihuahua in an emaciated condition, and two of the month-old puppies died from starvation, she said.

A home was found for the little dog, "but we're going to have 11 puppies for adoption real soon," she said. "They'll be bathed and given distemper shots, and will become fine pets."

The telephone number is 883-2577.

The owner, Mrs. Hill said, had the puppies in a shed and closed the mother away from them, then locked a cat and a small Chihuahua in the farm home, and left, she said her investigation showed.

Neighbors, realizing that there were animals on the farm and that there was no one around, finally went to the farm, and began feeding the animals left alive.

## 22 Traffic Deaths Forecast

CHARLOTTE— The N. C. State Motor Club estimates that 22 persons will lose their lives in traffic accidents on North Carolina highways during the long Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

The traffic toll will be taken during a 102-hour period beginning at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27, and lasting until midnight Sunday, Dec. 1. Last year 29 persons died on Tar Heel highways during a similar period.

"We continue to be encouraged by the lower fatality rate this year," Paul B. Marion, president of the motor club said. "Deaths are down more than 340 from 1973, but we must still be alert."

Marion said that reduced speeds have played a major role in the improved safety record. "We urge drivers to maintain safe speeds at all times," he remarked, "especially during heavy traffic and when visibility is limited. Most accidents occur at these times."

The motor club executive said he was hopeful that the state would record less than a thousand accidents this Thanksgiving. Last year there were 1,466 mishaps during the holiday weekend, including 22 fatal accidents that claimed the 29 victims.



**OPEN HOUSE** — Hundreds of Transylvania citizens took time Sunday afternoon to look at the colorful, spacious new Rosman Elementary School which recently opened. School Boards Chairman Eugene Morris and Veteran Board Member Ed Matheson snipped a

ribbon and the crowd, some of which is shown here registering, began to file in. Principal Mrs. Vera Taylor, and school's teachers, county commissioners, and other officials took part in activities of the day.



Humane Investigator Harvey Smith holds Chihuahua dog, found emaciated after being without food for a week. Behind him is the brick house in which 13 puppies were locked away from their mother.