

VOTE FOR GOOD ROADS—BE PROGRESSIVE

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AMERICA AND THE AMERICANS

The Brevard Wednesday Club has proven itself a very useful institution. There lingers no indifference among the membership.

This year the Brevard Wednesday Club, which is strictly a Book Club, circulated books of recent fiction, and took as its course of study for the season, "America and the Americans." Our material came from the State Library Association.

During the year we sent to Camp Jackson to purchase magazines for the entertainment. We purchased 400 and seventy five cents towards the Entertainment Fund and sent twenty six dollars and seventy five cents to Mrs. Cotton for the four long houses in France.

This year we omitted our annual reception on account of the war and voted to spend that money to get Miss Jamison here to give her lectures on Home Economics, etc. We also simplified our refreshments very much at our regular meetings.

The Brevard Wednesday Club led the town in a drive for the Treasury and Trustee Fund which was most successful. We also had a committee to help in the Post Drive.

Every member of our club is a member or worker in our local Red Cross Chapter.

We have appointed a committee to try to interest all club women in the conservation of wool during the war.

We have twenty members and fifteen of those have subscribed to one or more Liberty Bonds and I believe all have worked or been interested in their sale. Not counting subscriptions taken by their husbands and children, the club members themselves have bought six thousand and two hundred dollars worth of Liberty Bonds and one hundred and twenty one dollars worth of War Saving Stamps.

The entire membership of the club belongs to the Brevard Improvement Association which has civic and school welfare work.

Jessie Chapman Ward.

A GOOD FIGHT WELL FOUGHT

The total report of the Third Liberty Loan up to date, May 10, of the Fifth Federal Reserve District, shows the total sum of \$1,450,000. The grand total will approximate \$150,000,000 against our allotment of \$150,000,000.

All honor to the Liberty Loan workers of the Fifth District, and to the vast army of soldiers who have shown by their magnificent support that they will back the armies of America with all their resources in a fight to the death for liberty and righteousness.

BAPTIST CHURCH TO CALL PASTOR

All members of the Baptist church are requested and urged to be present next Sunday morning, 11 o'clock for the purpose of calling a pastor.

The pulpit committee have in their possession the names of several available men, any of whom will make a good pastor. Come and vote for your choice. Chairman Philip Cox.

REV. W. E. POOVEY AT PISGAH FOREST.

Rev. W. E. Poovey, Pastor of the Brevard Methodist church, will preach at the Union Chapel at Pisgah Forest, at 8:30 p. m. Sunday.

BREVARD OBSERVES DAY OF PRAYER

Monday was observed by citizens of Brevard as a day of prayer for the success of the American Army and Navy and Allies and Navies of her allies.

The prayer services were held in the First Baptist Church at six o'clock in the morning and continued until six P. M.

Short talks were made during each hour of the service by representatives of each church in town. Special music was rendered by a union choir and local soloists.

With few exceptions the entire population of the town spent some part of the day at the services and a large congregation gathered in the evening to hear the closing sermon delivered by Rev. J. C. Seagle.

FOR JUDGE 18TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

We the members of the Bar of Transylvania county and practicing attorneys before the Court, knowing the unanimous sentiment of the people of this county for the nomination and election of Hon. Welch Galloway of Brevard for Judge of the Superior Court for this District to succeed Hon. M. H. Justice, feel that we should acquit the people of the District with the attainments, high character and integrity of our fellow townsman.

Mr. Galloway has constantly practiced law in this county for near 20 years and has attained success in his profession. He is a consistent church member and has always contributed liberally of his time and means to all worthy objects. He is a Mason and takes pride in all matters of civic betterment of things pertaining to the county.

Transylvania county has never had any State officer of any consequence and Mr. Galloway has never asked for any office and is in no sense an office seeker. His friends have advised him to make this run simply because they desire to see a worthy and thoroughly qualified man recognized in the heading of this important office and because they believe Transylvania county is entitled to this consideration.

Mr. Galloway will bring to the bench a trained mind and a generous heart and will uphold the bright and dignified record of our judicial history.

C. B. Deaver,
Allison & Allison,
Gash & Broese,
T. Coleman Galloway,
Clayton & Clayton.

PARENTS DAY AT METHODIST CHURCH

A Parents Day Program will be rendered at the Methodist church Sunday morning by the Sunday school. The exercises will be held in the main auditorium of the church, beginning at 10 o'clock. The exercises will be concluded by the Pastor with an illustrated talk on "The Shadow of the Cross." At 8:15 p. m. the subject of the sermon will be "The Shadow of a Sun."

Roll Asphalt Pavements.
Asphalt pavements are softened and sometimes disintegrated by illuminating gas leaking from mains beneath them.

Expansion of Concrete.
Concrete roads expand most in winter and contract most in summer, according to the United States bureau of standards, because of increases or decreases in the moisture they contain.

Good Qualities of Horse.
Part of the stamina, durability and spirit of a horse is inherited and part is produced through proper feeding.

Bad Roads Expensive.
Bad roads are the heaviest expense that production is required to meet.

EVIDENCE FOR GOOD ROADS BONDS CONVINCING

All Must See the Truth of the Statements Made by Parties Who Have Nothing but the Good of Transylvania County at Heart.

The time has come when the people of this county must make up their minds on the question as to whether we shall drift along and let other counties pass us and take from us that which is rightfully ours. A bond election has been set in motion. May 15th will decide whether this county wants highways that will add to the taxable values, or, by defeating the measure, cause that which rightfully belongs to the county to be taken from her.

There are many reasons why, as we see it, the county should register its approval by voting this present bond issue.

First: Many of our neighboring counties—Henderson, Buncombe, Polk, Rutherfordton, McDowell, Macon, Swain, Madison, Cleveland and others—have taken advantage of the opportunity and have gotten or they are getting a system of splendid highways. True we are a small county, but that is an argument for and not against the proposition. We must do something to make the most of our limited boundaries, something that will cause just as much influx of population and wealth as is possible. We cannot rely upon vast land acreage for tax values. We cannot wait for wealth to find its way over logging roads and byways but we must make lasting impressions on the capitalist as he passes through our midst.

Second: The Federal Government is annually appropriating funds to counties in North Carolina that show a willingness to help themselves. An estimate has been given us that this county, if it would take action before July 1, 1918, would get Federal aid to the extent of approximately \$17,000. The Federal Government is anxious to encourage road building, that the annual appropriations will naturally be increased instead of being decreased, and the counties that line up for this appropriation will get more as the yearly increase of appropriations are made, as provided in the Federal Aid Road Act.

Third: If we vote bond issue we get not only the Federal aid, but we have the assurance of the State of North Carolina becoming responsible for the upkeep of the roads which are constructed under the supervision of the State Highway Commission, of which the Federal Aid is used. Who would dare say that this feature alone is one that should not appeal to the taxpayer?

Fourth: If we vote the bonds, all the material for building the road must be gotten in the county. It is not like building a railroad, where the material must be purchased elsewhere. The sand and top soil for building the road is here and those who have it can sell. Besides, teams will be necessary to haul it and our people will find a good opportunity to utilize their teams during the entire construction of the road at remunerative prices.

Fifth: Between the Henderson county line and Rosman about \$2,000 is now expended to keep up

the present imperfect road. If you vote the bonds the state of North Carolina will maintain the new road and that \$2,000 now required for upkeep can be distributed among the other townships to maintain and rebuild their roads.

It is no use to construct roads if you neglect to repair them. The constant upkeep is as essential as the original construction.

What becomes of the tax that we are annually paying into the county treasury? Most of it, generally speaking, is applied to the maintenance of the roads as they now exist.

Let the State assume the burden of doing what we are doing now with our present road tax. Why not do that which will give us the benefit of the Federal aid and the State maintenance at the same time? Surely everyone knows the advantage of well graded roads. There are a hundred arguments in favor of good roads and not one against. Our people are intelligent. They are conservative. They like to see the end before they begin, but this is not possible. Shall we not play for that which means most to us.

Those who are opposed to this measure say: Let us wait until the war is over. If we had nothing to gain on account of the Federal aid, we might consider this as an argument of merit at this time. The county would, in all probability, by the defeat of this issue, lose many valuable citizens, and her progress retarded for many years to come. Don't miss this auspicious opportunity.

Some are saying that the incorporated towns within the county—Brevard and Rosman—will not be subject to pay tax for interest on the bond issue. This cannot be where the bond issue is county wide.

There has been much discussion of the question pro and con and doubtless some have sought to make capital out of the question and have injected into it arguments that are groundless. What is needed is true light on the subject. It should be shorn of everything that would tend to shadow the public mind and leave the voter untrammeled by misrepresentations and prejudices.

We have to make this question as plain as we could and we would not knowingly mislead any man. As we see it, it is an opportunity for Transylvania county to think so seriously and vote wisely and secure for her inhabitants the greatest good that can be had.

If we vote the bond issue we are assured that we will get the United States Government interested in Transylvania county road-making.

If we vote the bond issue it means that another great road mauler or maintainer takes a hand in North Carolina. Shall we neglect so great an opportunity and prosper? Let us listen:

"To him that hath shall be given, but from him that hath not shall be taken away that which he hath." Let us be wise in our own day and make the most of our opportunity. Vote the Bonds. Let the State build and maintain the road that will be built from the funds raised by the Bond sale and Government Aid.

REV. JOHN R. HAY HIGHLY APPRECIATED

Rev. John R. Hay, who held the pastorate of Brevard and Pisgah Forest Presbyterian churches, was moved by patriotic impulses the first of this year to offer himself wholly to the United States Government, regardless of where he had to go. His services were accepted and he was sent to Camp Gordon to enter the Y. M. C. A. Field, but later he was transferred to Camp Wadsworth, Spartanburg, where he has demonstrated the fact that he is a very efficient worker as is reported from headquarters in Atlanta.

The Y. M. C. A. is a field white unto the harvest and more laborers are needed. Cannot Transylvania county add a few more to the list?

The Y. M. C. A. is a battle field, as the missiles of the enemy never cease to be hurled. We must not only stop the ravages of the cruel Huns who destroy the body only but after that can do no more, but we must ward off the darts of his Satanic Majesty the enemy that seeks to destroy both soul and body. The sword of the spirit is the only safe weapon of defense.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

The County Board of Health met in the office of the county superintendent on the date of May 1st and transacted some very important business relative to contagious diseases and sanitary privies. Several very necessary rules were made in regard to public health in the county. The rules and orders of the Board will appear in the next issue of the News. Please be on the look-out for them as it is keenly desired that every citizen of the county know them.

A. F. Mitchell.

Secretary To County Board of Health.

CANVASSING TRIP FOR BENEFIT OF RECRUITS

A canvassing trip from Asheville to Brevard, for recruits for war service in various branches, from cook to fighter, will take effect from May 10 to 16. This arrangement is made to save expense of going so far for information needed. The eligible range from 18 to 41 years.

Many men beside actual fighters are in demand and if you do not fit in one place perhaps you will in another.

AN APPRECIATION

Editor, Brevard News:
I wish to voice the appreciation of our community for the work done by the various committees on the Third Liberty Loan. Brevard wears her honors proudly, and must not forget how much is due to the unflinching zeal of Colonel Hodges, chairman of the men's committee. He has given unparagonably, his time and energy to place Brevard in her present proud position. Also to Mrs. C. B. Deaver, chairman of the woman's committee, this community owes a debt of gratitude for her enthusiastic and able support of the cause.

I am,
Very truly yours,
A resident of Brevard.

MRS. BLYTHE PREPARES REPORT

Mrs. E. W. Blythe has prepared an extended report of the war work of Transylvania women which we hope to publish as soon as space allows. Mrs. Blythe requests all women who have done anything whatever to further the prosecution of the war either in organization or as individuals to give her a full report of their activities.

MRS. E. T. HENNING DIES SUDDENLY

Citizens of Brevard sustained a distinct loss on Tuesday morning when death came to Mrs. E. T. Henning at 10:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Henning was seemingly in the best of health and those nearest her did not dream that the time of parting was at hand.

The funeral service was conducted on Wednesday morning by Rev. W. E. Poovey in the Methodist church, of which Mrs. Henning was a charter member. Interment was made in Oak Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Henning was in her 65th year. She is survived by her husband, one brother and many relatives.

OBSERVATION OF A VISITOR

Perhaps you people here in Brevard will not like this bit of criticism coming as it does from a visitor, but let me assure you that it is a most interested one. And I am sure after reading the following, the Patriotic men and women of Brevard will agree with me.

Last week I attended the raising of the Third Liberty Loan Flag, and was standing opposite the Court House when I first saw the parade coming down Main St. led by the Boy Scouts bearing the lovely Stars and Stripes, next came the women of that most noble organization, the Red Cross. To me it was a beautiful sight to see those women who are working daily for such a noble cause, some bearing small flags, all marked with little Red Crosses that stand for comfort and happiness to our boys at the front, as well as to all suffering mankind in this World Conflict. Then came the little patriots of the school. As I looked at the people standing on the streets to watch the parade, I saw but few hats removed to honor our flag. If the men do not respect the flag, then surely they should have had due respect for those noble women, who as I said are working daily for the comfort of "Our Brave Lads."

The parade then turned into the Court House Square, where the Liberty Loan Flag was raised, while the ministers of the several churches were delivering their patriotic addresses. I saw two men standing with their hats on, those two men kept their hats on during the entire service, a third one lit and smoked a cigarette while the minister was offering a prayer, do you not now agree with me, does it not seem, if they have no respect, as I said before, for their beautiful flag, they would show some respect for the Minister of the Gospel, and the women of their town?

Very truly yours
A. L. Huicks.

LADIES APPRECIATE HELP FOR LOAN

The members of the Transylvania Woman's Committee for the Third Liberty Loan wish to most sincerely thank the patriotic people throughout the county for their loyal support of the work undertaken by the Woman's Committee.

Especially does the committee feel grateful for the unerring service rendered by Mrs. E. B. Norwood, Chm. C. C. Hodges, chm. of men's Liberty Loan Committee, and the ministers of the town.

Mrs. C. B. Deaver, chm.
Mrs. J. S. Bromfield, vice chm.

TO GRADUATE

Invitations have been received in Brevard by friends of Misses Mary Jane King and Marguerite Robertson to attend their graduation in Voice and Diction of Arts respectively, at Bessie Pitt College, Forsyth, Ga.