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### RAILROAD MASS MEETING COURT HOUSE SATURDAY

**A MEETING TO FORMULATE PLANS FOR TRANSYLVANIA'S PART IN THE PROPOSED BREVARD-SENECA RAILROAD—IT IS OF VITAL INTEREST TO EVERY CITIZEN OF TRANSYLVANIA AND THEY ARE URGED TO ATTEND.**

Interest in the proposed Brevard-Seneca R. R. is being displayed on every hand by the citizens of Transylvania County and Pickens and Seneca, S. C.

The proposition for this railroad has been agitated by the citizens of Pickens, Seneca and Brevard for some time, but until now, when a mass meeting has been called to assemble at the Court House in Brevard Saturday, November the 22nd at 4:00 P. M. it has never gone so far.

It is the purpose of this mass meeting to formulate plans for Transylvania's part in the proposed road to appoint committees to confer with the citizens of Pickens and Seneca, S. C., financiers and railroad builders in the East.

Special efforts are being made to make this mass meeting Saturday the most profitable one, and the grandest success for each and every citizen of the county. Therefore it behooves every citizen of the county to attend this meeting Saturday. Your interest in this proposed railroad is vital. Every other date that you may have and that will prevent your presence at this mass meeting, should be cancelled in order that you can be there.

Every one is particularly urged to

bring one or more with them, as this is not, "a one man's" or "the chosen few" proposition. It is for the future welfare and ultimate good of the present and future generations of our entire community. Therefore your presence is of vital interest—let nothing short of death or, sudden illness prevent your attending this mass meeting next Saturday at 4:00 P. M. Prominent speakers will convince the most skeptical of the many advantages, (financial and otherwise) that this railroad will be to you and yours.

Transylvania County's natural advantages and wonderful resources are lying dormant. Our boys are leaving home every day to seek their fortunes elsewhere. Our efforts are not producing the financial results that they should. Our rich tillable lands are selling below the market prices elsewhere. Our enormous virgin forest is standing on the stump, can't get it to the market. And to summarize all facts our wheels of progress are very, very slowly turning. All for the need of transportation facilities. The greatest opportunity we ever had or, will ever have, is knocking at our door. It is a ponderous door and can not be opened by a few of us. It requires the united strength of us all hence our urgent appeal to you to attend this meeting.

#### WESTER UNION TELEGRAM

Received at Brevard, 19  
Fy—Augusta, Ga.—8:39 a. m.—19—19.

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Brevard, N. C.

I stand ready to connect Knoxville, Sevierville and Eastern Railway, Knoxville to Greenville via Canton, Hendersonville and Brevard.

W. J. OLIVER.

#### GETTING READY FOR THE NATION-WIDE CANVASS

The heads of the families and parts of families that belong to St. Philip's Episcopal Church were invited to the rectory Tuesday evening to talk the Nation-Wide Campaign over in which the Episcopal Church is to raise \$42,000,000 to enable the Episcopal Church to do the work the reconstruction after the late war makes necessary.

Two teams were appointed to make the canvass on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 7. Mr. David Ward was appointed Captain of the first team with Messrs Osborne and Kiser as helpers; Dr. Morgan was named as Capt of the second team with Messrs. Band and Doyle and Wallis as members. Messrs. Bromfield and Carrier were asked to take the teams in their cars for the canvass. The evening was helpful and pleasant one—before a open fire with plenty of good cigars in which to indulge. There was lots of enthusiasm and not a doubting Thomas in assembly.

#### NOTED PREACHER TO BE HERE NEXT WEEK

Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, one of the foremost gospel preachers in the State has been secured to fill several engagements in the County during the coming week. Everyone will be pleased and uplifted by hearing this gifted minister. He will preach in Rosman Baptist Church Monday night Nov. 24, at Brevard Baptist Church Tuesday morning, Nov. 25 at 11 A. M., Little River Baptist Church Nov. 25 at 3:30 P. M., Lake Toxaway Baptist Church Tuesday night Nov. 25 at 7:30 P. M.

All the people are urged to come out and hear a good sermon.

#### SUPERIOR COURT

Superior Court will convene next Monday with Judge J. L. Webb, of Shelby presiding. Quite a large docket both, criminal and civil, including murder, divorces and various other cases will be disposed of during the two weeks term.

#### PRESIDENT'S THANKS-GIVING PROCLAMATION

The following is President Wilson's Thanksgiving Proclamation message issued from Washington last week, setting forth Thursday, November 27 as Thanksgiving Day:

"The season of the year has again arrived when the people of the United States are accustomed to unite in giving thanks to Almighty God for the blessings which He has conferred upon our country during the twelve months that have passed. A year ago our people poured out their hearts in praise and thanksgiving that through divine aid the right was victorious and peace had come to nations which had so courageously struggled in defense of human liberty and justice. Now that the stern task is ended and the fruits of achievements are ours, we look forward with confidence to the dawn of an era where the sacrifices of the nation will find recompense in a world at peace.

"But to attain the consummation of the great work to which the American people devoted their manhood and the vast resources of the country they should, as they gave thanks to God, reconsecrate themselves to those principles of right which triumphed through His merciful goodness. Our gratitude can find no more perfect expression than to bulwark with loyalty and patriotism those principles for which the free peoples on the earth fought and died.

"During the past year we have had much to make us grateful. In spite of the confusion in our economic life resulting from the war we have prospered. Our harvest has been plentiful and out of our abundance we have been able to render succor to less favored nations. Our democracy remains unshaken in a world torn with political and social unrest. Our traditional ideals are still our guides in the path of progress and civilization.

"These great blessings thus vouchsafe to us, for which we devoutly give thanks, should arouse us to a fuller sense of our duty to ourselves and to mankind to see to it that nothing we may do shall mar the completeness of the victory we helped to win. No selfish purpose animated us in becoming participants in the World War, and with a like spirit of unselfishness we should strive to aid by our example and by our co-operation in realizing the enduring welfare of all peoples and in bringing into bearing a world ruled by friendship and good will.

"Wherefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, hereby designate Thursday, the 27th day of November next, for observance of a day of thanksgiving and prayer by my fellow countrymen, inviting them to cease on that day from their ordinary tasks and to unite in their homes and in their several places of worship in ascribing praise and thanksgiving to God, the Author of all blessings and the Master of our destinies.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done in the District of Columbia, this fifth day of November in the year of our Lord, 1919, and of the independence of the United States the 144th.

WOODROW WILSON."

#### OYSTER SUPPER

Supper Sale at Davidson River school house, Saturday, November 22 at 6:30 p. m. Hot oysters, cocoa, cake, and all sorts of good things to eat Given for the benefit of the Junior Circle of the Davidson River Church. Everybody invited.

#### THE HAND WRITING ON THE WALL

All who read the signs of the times and understand the necessities of our County realize that the time has come for the people of Transylvania County to get a rail road connecting our county with a southern point; either Greenville or Seneca, S. C.

The people are aroused and demand as a vital necessity to business and future prosperity that such a connection be obtained as soon as possible.

It is my humble opinion and the opinion of all whom I have heard express themselves that the road to Seneca, S. C. would best develop our resources, handle our ever increasing business and double the prosperity of Brevard and Transylvania County in two years.

The ideal road is one from Asheville, N. C. thru Mill's River, Brevard, Rosman, and on to Seneca, S. C.

I hope that the Buncombe people will join us. If they fail to grasp this great business opportunity then we should take definite steps at once to build the road from a point above Rosman to Seneca.

This road would be the greatest thing that ever happened to Seneca which would soon become one of the best business places in the State of South Carolina, therefore there is no doubt but that Seneca will be with us.

Allow me to suggest that a Brevard-Rosman rail road committee should be appointed at our coming Mass Meeting on the 22nd.

This committee, in my humble opinion, estimate roughly the cost of our part of the road, and the amount in bonds that the county should vote, then get a petition for a bond vote, which will undoubtedly carry, then take some steps to get some existing railroad company for the bonds to take charge of the construction and operation of the road. Failing in this we have men in our county who can form a company and finance the road and operate it, much to said companies benefit.

Think of the wonderful opportunity. This county will only have to build from above Rosman seven miles of road thru Maple Gap to the South Carolina line, a two per cent grade.

For this small outlay, comparatively speaking we will get a direct connection thru Seneca with Atlanta, Ga.

Now is the time to start and get this road, there is no chance of failure if each man, each progressive citizen will do his duty to his county, himself and the rising generation.

Attend the Mass Meeting, pull together and get the road. It can be done.

Yours truly,

C. W. HUNT.

#### DEATH OF MILAS DUNN

Milas Dunn of Cherryfield was found dead one morning last week on the Cherryfield creek, railway fill near Cherryfield. Cause of death supposed to be heart failure. Mr. Dunn was a member of Dunn's Rock F. and A. M. lodge of Brevard. Internment was at Cathey's Creek Cemetery and conducted by members of the above mentioned Lodge.

#### SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT

The citizens of East Main Street are very much gratified to see the contractors laying a brick sidewalk from the Cray hotel to Johnson St. This sidewalk was torn up in the early summer and remained in an impassible condition during the entire summer which was a source of annoyance to both, citizens and visitors.

#### FORMAL OPENING HIGH SCHOOL BLDG.

The Brevard High School building had its informal opening last Monday and the first floor only was occupied by the high school faculty and students. County Supt. Mitchell of Transylvania and County Supt. Robertson of Cabarras county also, officials of the Transylvania County Board of Education were in attendance and made suitable, as well as profitable and encouraging talks.

It is to be hoped that the difficulties under which the building committee, architect and contractor have been laboring will be eliminated at an early date and the entire building be accepted by the building committee. In the meantime, is there any good and valid reasons why sidewalks should not be put down from Broad street to the entrance of the building? If not concrete or brick common river sand would be quite an improvement over the present red clay mud thru which the teachers and students are now wading. Do something gentlemen.

#### SIMMONS NOT SEEKING MINORITY LEADERSHIP

Washington, Nov. 17.—Despite published statements to the contrary, particularly in his home state, Senator Simmons has had no thought of aspiring to the minority leadership, made vacant by the death of Senator Martin. In a statement today, Senator Simmons said that while he did not know what would be his chances for obtaining the preferment, he wished to say that Senator Hitchcock, as vice-chairman of the democratic caucus and acting minority leader during Senator Martin's illness, has performed the duties of leader with great satisfaction, and the senator assumed there would be no choice of a successor to Senator Martin at this special session. "It goes without saying," said Senator Simmons, "that the position of leader is one of great honor and dignity, but it also is a position of great responsibility, requiring constant attendance upon the sessions of the senate and close attention to the details of legislation and procedure. No man ought to accept it who is not ready to give its duties all his time and energies. Largely because of confinement and overwork, my health is in an unsatisfactory condition, and I would not, unless necessary, wish to incur any duties that might impair it. Under the circumstances, as much as I might under different conditions covet the honor, "I shall not be a candidate and cannot consent to the use of my name in this connection."

As already forecast in The Citizen the leader will be Hitchcock or Underwood, with the chances favoring the Nabaskan.—Asheville Citizen.

#### ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Betterment Association will meet in the graded school building on Tuesday, Nov. 25, at 4:00 P. M. This will be a very important meeting and all the members are urged to attend.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

The News is authorized to announce that the post office, bank and stores will be closed Thursday, Nov. 27, account of Thanksgiving.

The News wishes to announce to its advertisers that next week's issue will be published and mailed to subscribers one day earlier, Wednesday, Nov. 26th.

#### THE ROSMAN SCHOOL BUILDING

The School Board of Education met in Supt. Mitchell's office last Monday morning for the purpose of opening bids and awarding the contract for the new school building to be erected at Rosman.

Upon opening the bids it was found that Mr. P. E. McGuire of Brevard R. F. D. was the lowest and best bidder as per plans and specifications. His bid being \$15,300.00.

The contract and stipulations with reference the contractors bond, and the specified time in which the building to be completed is under course of preparations and will be executed shortly.

The building will be a two story brick with a metal roof, and equipped with all modern improvements. It will have nine class rooms, a large auditorium and concrete basement. The building will be very much on the same order of the new High School building here; only a slight difference in size. The aggregate total cost of the building and furnishings will amount to approximately \$20,300.00.

Mr. McGuire will commence work on the building just as soon as the state superintendent of Public Instruction approves the contractors bond etc.

In connection with the new building the committee is arranging to purchase additional land on which is now located a house and this house will be used for teaching.

The good people of Rosman, as well as each and every man, woman and child of Transylvania County should be justly proud of this new building as it will be in keeping with the policy of both state and county officials to advance the great cause of education in the good old state of North Carolina.

#### THE NATION MILITANT & CHURCH MILITANT

##### What is the Nation-Wide Campaign?

It is a movement thru which it is hoped, God willing, that the Church, learning all the truth about herself, her condition, her short comings, her needs, realizing her whole duty and glorious opportunity awakened and repentant, will equip her self adequately with workers and means and with renewed spirit will undertake to do her full share of the mission given to the Church by her Lord and Master. The spiritual revival of the Church is the aim and hope of the Campaign. Revive Thy work, O Lord,

Thy mighty arm make bare; Speak with the voice that wakes the dead,

And make Thy people hear.

Revive Thy work, O Lord,

Dastur this sleep of death;

Quicken the smoldering ember now,

By Thine Almighty breath.

If this is a spiritual movement why ask for money at all?

Because the mere stirring of the conscience and heart, would do more harm than good unless an outlet in giving self and money be afforded for the expression of the awakened spirit of sacrifice; and because if the Church thus revived is to attempt her task in an adequate way, she must have sufficient workers and means with which to do it.

In the war mere arousing of patriotic fervor would have accomplished nothing toward bringing victory, if it had not produced the practical fruits of military service, tax paying, and generous giving of time and of money.

Faith without works is dead.

P. E. C.