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## BREVARD BUSINESS MEN HOLD MEETING

We were pleased to note that the Brevard Club, in its meeting Tuesday night, took up several questions of importance to our town and community.

One question of importance discussed was that of advertising. The business of attracting summer visitors here needs advertising the same as drawing trade to professions or mercantile houses. We must keep our claims before the people if we expect to get them here.

A very heated discussion was brought about by mention of our ever present subject, the telephone service in our county. This question has been discussed for several years and promises of relief made at different times, but so far nothing has been done (except to jump from the frying pan into the fire), and we no longer speak of it as service. A committee was appointed at the Club meeting to get evidence as well as assurance that the system would be improved immediately.

There is quite an undercurrent of real impatience over the rotten service and general way of ignoring the peoples rights by the telephone co. And it is pointed out that it is not a personal question at all, but simply a question of a public utility giving decent service to the people of Transylvania County. When any Corporation or Company takes the position that the people can stand for anything that said company sees fit to hand them, they are playing with the most independent people in the world, a people who when they are once aroused and demand their rights, generally either get them or put said monopoly out of existence. Transylvania County have put up with this lack of any telephone system so long that any excuses that are advanced at this late day are out of order. There are men who are progressive and who would give us a telephone system if the business men of Transylvania County would take this question in hand.

## DISTRICT MEETING OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

The first District Meeting of Federated Women's Clubs met in the parlors of the Hotel Gresham at Black Mountain, N. C., on Saturday, April 10th. The Brevard Clubs were represented as follows:—The Wednesday Book Club by Mesdames Silversteen and Doyle, and the MathatAsian Club by Mrs. J. C. Seagle. All who attended felt the interest and inspiration of the meeting. The report rendered showed the wonderful work that organized women are doing among the 30 clubs in this Western North Carolina section. They have encouraged the reading of the best and most helpful books, they have broadened their minds by able discussion of topics vital to the best interests of home, school, church and State. They have taken care of the sick, given surgical attention to the hungry and built community houses to care for the boys and girls and surround them with wholesome recreation and amusements.

Mesdames Silversteen, Seagle and Doyle attended a meeting of Federated Women's Clubs of district number one which was held in Black Mt. April 10th. Sixty delegates were present. Many notable papers were read on conservation, thrift, state board of public welfare and music. Among the papers that were read, one on conservation, by Mrs. J. W. Whitmire of Hendersonville, a sister of C. B. Deaver, was highly complimented. There are more than seven thousand women's clubs in N. C. All these clubs are co-operating with the state board of public welfare, state board of health and other uplifting agencies for the betterment of the human race. These important facts were brought out at the meeting: That recently the Mt. Mitchell spruce pine forest, the largest spruce pine forest in the world, has been cleared out; that two hundred and fifty million acres of forests in the United States were cut down or burned last year; and also, the houses that were burned last year in the U. S. would line both sides of a street from New York to Chicago; and at every fourth house would represent a person burned.

Mrs. J. S. Silversteen was unanimously elected president of the Federated Clubs of this district for the ensuing year. Brevard is to be honored by entertaining the next meeting of the clubs in October.

### U. D. C. MEETING

The April Meeting of the Transylvania Chapter, U. D. C., will be held at the Library, Saturday afternoon, April 17th, at 4 o'clock. COME! TEA WILL BE SERVED.

### MASONS TO MEET ON FRIDAY

The Ancient and Honorable Order of Free Masons will hold their regular meeting at the Masonic Temple on Friday, April 16th at 8:00 o'clock for work in the First and Second Degree.

## MRS. W. S. PRICE IS CALLED TO REST

Mrs. W. S. Price, Sr., died at the home of her son, our esteemed citizen Mr. W. S. Price, Jr., on Friday morning, April 9 at 5:20 o'clock. Her death was due to a stroke of apoplexy. Mrs. Price had been unconscious off and on for almost a week. The funeral services were performed by Rev. C. E. Puette at the Baptist Church. A long line of automobiles proceeded and followed the hearse to the grave side at the Oak Grove Cemetery where the weary body was laid to rest. Floral tributes from many sorrowing friends and relatives attested to the esteem in which she was held in her church and community. The following citizens officiated as pall-bearers:—Dr. E. S. English, Messrs. C. B. Deaver, J. S. Broomfield, F. E. Shuford, B. W. Trantham and S. C. Yates. The deceased was in her 65th year. The News extends its sympathy to the bereaved family.

### WORK STARTED ON BREVARD HIGHWAY

The Asheville Construction company has just completed its camp near Davidson river and started construction on the highway between the Henderson county line and Brevard, known as the state aid project 69.

The Transylvania county highway commission is now making arrangements to start construction at an early date on the proposed improved highway between Brevard and Lake Toxaway. This road has been talked of for a long time and its final construction will end protracted controversy.

### "CHARLEY" SAYS A MOUTH FULL — THANKS!

Allow me to compliment you upon your praiseworthy efforts promoting the construction of a railroad from Rocman through Maple Gap and connecting with some point in South Carolina. Continue the good work till success crowns your efforts. "Where there's a Will there's a Way."

If the people of our section and those interested in South Carolina will do their part by voting the proper amount in railroad bonds, the money, men and material can be found to put the road through.

I would be delighted to see sleepers running direct from Atlanta to Toxaway. To see the coal fields brought ninety to one hundred miles nearer to the South. To see new homes and towns built by the coming of this road. We should consult experts and see which under the circumstances is the best a road with steam power or an electric road.

When this comes Brevard, Rosman and the Toxaway section will boom. Our beautiful French Broad Valley, surrounded by the grandeur of the Blue Ridge and the mysteries of the Great Smokies, will blossom like the rose. Our towering mountain peaks will hold forth the banners of prosperity and progress. Tourists and home builders will fill our borders. C. E. ORR.

### LITTLE VIRGIE WHITMIRE IMPROVING.

A telegram from Dr. Hugh A. Thompson, on Monday, to Miss Lula stated that the final operation on little Virgie Whitmire had been successfully performed and the patient was doing splendidly. He stated however that it would be several weeks before he would be able to release her. The withered limb, since treatment, has attained size equal to the well limb. It will be remembered that this is the little girl who is being supported in the hospital by the public spirited citizens throughout the County and State.

The members of the Junior Red Cross society will be interested to know that the balance of their funds amounting to \$24.00 has been donated to this cause.

## HEALTH SUGGESTIONS THAT ARE IN ORDER

Some suggestion that are apparently in order—

Now that influenza has as far as we can decide spent its force and that we have from that standpoint a clean bill of health it is well to take one's reckoning and ascertain our whereabouts. In this we are to an extent like a mariner, but probably we have not as yet as well tried methods of determining our position. One thing though is positive viz.; that it is in order at all times to clean up, clean out and keep clean. The traditional time of the year for that very important work is begin and it behooves every householders to clean his premises outdoor and indoors of every possible source or breeding ground of danger. Also to use every method known to try to put his body in good condition, yards, stables, corners of houses and clothing should as far as may be rendered, be cleaned out.

This is of course a self evident fact but we are so constituted for some reason that the same warning needs to be sounded over and over again so engrossed are we with what seems at the time to be pressing, losing sight of the importance of "Keeping our powder dry."

A high authority states that in his belief influenza is always in the eastern hemisphere and travels with the lines of trade westward. Health authorities have not yet sufficient police powers to carry out his suggestion to isolate such sections of the world. Because of increased facilities for transportation the world is in effect smaller than it was a century ago, a thing to be reckoned with from every standpoint.

No nation can now assume the power or wish to live altogether to itself alone. It may be that some time in the not distant future the world at large will grasp the supreme importance of health and that nations will consent, what individuals are slow to do now, to suffer for time some local inconvenience for the good of others. Then too we have an increasing number of faithful investigators who are recognizing as rapidly as they can the cause of diseases and learning specific methods of exterminating or controlling them.

And remember that physicians as a body are at all times looking out for and using the reports of each man.

Very Sincerely,  
W. J. WALLIS.

### MATHATASIAN CLUB MEETS

The MathatAsian Club met at the Rectory with Mrs. Seagle last Thursday. The attendance of members was good and there were a number of visitors. The program on "Immigration and the Labor Problem" was in charge of Miss Maude and Mrs. Eugene Allison. Miss Ellen Pike of the Institute favored the gathering with delightful music. The hostess served a salad course. The next meeting is with Mrs. Norwood, April 22nd.

### MISS GRACE GILLESPIE

We, the members of the Rosman Baptist Sunday School sadly and tenderly pay this last tribute of respect to the memory of our beloved sister Grace Gillespie who peacefully fell asleep in the evening hours of Friday, April the 9th, 1920. Her life of faithful service to the Master has, and will continue to be an inspiration to those who know her best. Her example of whole hearted unselfish service in Sunday School and whatever she considered to be her duty was unsurpassed.

First:—Therefore be it resolved that we extend to her father, mother and sisters our sincere sympathy in their time of deepest sorrow, and pray that they may find comfort in the assurance that there is a place where sorrow is never known, and eyes are never dimmed with tears. Second:—That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Brevard News for publication. (Signed)—L. V. SIGMON, B. B. REECE, HASSIE WHITMIRE.

## THE PRAYER CORNER

It is in prayer that God shows His Face to His children, that they have visions of His Beauty and of His Glory; that the sweet things of His Love, come down as gifts into their hearts, and that they are transformed into His Likeness.

### A Prayer

Our Father, we remember with sadness our want of faith in Thee. What might have been a garden we have turned into a desert by our sin and wilfulness. This beautiful life which Thou hast given us we have wasted in futile worries and in vain regrets and empty fears.

Instead of opening our eyes to the Joy of Life, the Joy that shines in the leaf, the flower, the face of an innocent child, and rejoicing in it as in a sacrament, we have sunk back into the complainings of our narrow and blinded souls.

O deliver us from the bondage of unchastened desires and unwholesome thoughts. Help us to conquer hopeless, brooding and faithless reflection of irritable weakness. To this end increase our faith, O Lord. Fill us with a completer trust in Thee and the desire for a more whole-hearted surrender to Thy will.

Then every sorrow will become a Joy. Then shall we say to the mountain that lie heavy on our souls. Remove and be cast hence and they shall remove and nothing shall be impossible to us. Then shall we renew our strength and mount up with wings as eagles we shall run, and not be weary; we shall walk and not faint.

We offer this prayer in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.  
C. D. C.

### REPORT OF THE GRAND JURY:

Term, 1920—State of North Carolina, Transylvania County: Honor, B. F. Long, Judge

The Grand Jury, respectfully following report: Examined and passed on presented to us by the solicitor for our consideration. But few cases however have been brought before us. We are thus impressed with the fact that good order and general obedience to law prevades the citizenship of our County.

By Committee we visited our County Home and find everything in excellent condition. The farm well tilled, garden and grounds in first class condition. The Home in a sanitary condition, with beds and linen kept nice and clean, food for the inmates bountiful and well prepared. All inmates seem to be well contented.

By committee we examined our chain gang and found everything in first class condition.

The committee examining the court House finds the building inadequate for the present needs, but the various county offices well kept and efficiently administered.

The committee examining the County Jail finds, as all former Grand Jury have found, the building almost uninhabitable.

We are glad to report that our County Commissioners have the foundation laid and are now erecting a jail equipped with all modern conveniences, and installing a steam heat plant that will be sufficient to heat both jail and Court House. They are also making extensive improvements to the Court House, which, we think, will meet the needs of the County for some time.

We want to congratulate the people of Transylvania County, and highly commend the Commissioners of the County for their forward step and efficient management of their affairs.

We hereby commend His Honor, B. F. Long, the presiding Judge, for his able and interesting charge and instructions to the Grand Jury; and also the solicitor, J. E. Shipman, for his courteous, prompt and gentlemanly consideration and diligence in performing his duties.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. M. ZACHARY, Foreman

### SHIPMAN MADE ZONE OFFICER

District of Columbia and Five States Will Clear Employment Work Through Him.

Mr. M. L. Shipman, commissioner of labor and printing and Federal director United States Employment Service in North Carolina, has accepted appointment as zone clearance officer for Zone No. 5, comprising the states of Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and District of Columbia. The work will be handled with the present force in the employment office, now operated in connection with the State department of labor and printing.

The duties of the zone clearance officer are executive, involving the coordination of the activities of the Federal directors for the various states within their zones and do not extend to soliciting opportunities for employment.

The object of the zone system of clearance, inaugurated by the employment service is to effect a more speedy and economical adjustment of the labor supply and demand in the U. S. By means of this national system it is hoped to widen the field of opportunities for employment and sources of labor supply from the limited communities and sources in the country at large. The country has been divided into thirteen zones.

Under the system now to be used the local placement officers report direct to the Federal director of the State. Any balances of opportunities or applicants remaining within the State after the State's needs are met will be reported to the zone clearance officer, and if undisposed of there, eventually will be reported to the National Clearance House at Washington.

"Your readiness to co-operate in this manner is appreciated and it is trusted that the benefits accruing to your State from the operation of the proposed system will compensate you therefor," reads a letter from the director general to Mr. Shipman of the appointment. The fact that the Washington office and the states of Maryland, Virginia, District of Columbia, North and South Carolina are comprised in the zone is regarded as a high compliment to the efficiency of the North Carolina Office.

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