

WARFARE RAGES IN OFFICIAL CIRCLES

School Board Says There Shall Be Nine Months' School Term For County

COMMISSIONERS KEEP ON CUTTING BUDGET

Whole Question To Be Settled in Court, it is Said by Some Authorities.

After a session lasting two days, the county commissioners and county school board failed to agree on the school budget as prepared by the school board, and all indications point to the fact that the courts will be called upon to decide whether or not Transylvania county has a nine months school this year.

The commissioners refused to accept several items contained in the school budget. Among such items as rejected by the commissioners, and which money was refused for payment, included:

The athletic coach of Brevard High School; the vocational agriculture teacher at Fosman; the clerk in the superintendent's office; reductions were made in amounts asked for in the upkeep of buses and in the traveling expenses of the county superintendent; and elimination by the county commissioners of the emergency fund contained in the school budget.

Members of the county school board claimed that under the law the county commissioners must levy sufficient taxes to run the schools nine months, and in the deadlock that has ensued all the facts on both sides will be heard by the clerk of the court.

In the event differences cannot be adjusted, then the matter will be appealed to the judge of the superior court, who will decide upon all the questions at issue.

The school board seems to be determined, if possible, to give a full nine months school term, while the members of the county board of commissioners are faced with the financial situation, and seems to be trying to find some way of cutting down expenses in order to hold down taxes.

Monday and Tuesday all-day sessions were held by the two boards. A recess was taken for Wednesday, and they are in session again today. Members of both boards are giving much of their time and best thought to the proper solution of the questions confronting the county, and differences of opinion only have caused the deadlock.

County commissioners have used the axe on the road and changing budgets, with equal vigor as that felt by the school board. Many items contained in the road and changing budgets were cut squarely in two by the county commissioners. One such item of particular interest was that of the salary of Road Supervisor T. J. Wilson, which was cut exactly in half.

Of course, none of these matters are definitely settled, nor is there any likelihood of such definite settlement until the last court of resort has been appealed to.

QUORUM FINALLY MEETS AT CHAMBER

After a wait of about one hour, a quorum was finally assembled at the meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night, and transacted much important business.

One of the big matters coming before the meeting was that of a proposed creamery for this county. Messrs. J. A. Yarbrough and D. R. Yarbrough, officials of the Y. & B. Corporation, of Charlotte, were at the meeting, and made proposition for the establishment of a creamery here. These gentlemen are thoroughly experienced in the creamery business, having operated the Mecklenburg Dairy Company in Charlotte for many years, and are now owners of the Catawba Creamery in Hickory.

The proposition made by these gentlemen was referred to a committee which met with them Wednesday morning at 9:30 o'clock. At this meeting it was decided to hold a public meeting in the court house Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

PROPERTY TO BE SOLD FOR TAXES

Next Monday, August 1st, at 12 o'clock noon, County Tax Collector W. B. Henderson and City Clerk H. H. Patton will hold the boards at the county court house. A real estate auction sale is to be held, but there will be no brass band, nor giving away of prizes in an effort to bring out a big crowd.

The occasion will be a sale of real estate and all unpaid taxes for the year 1924 and prior to that. It is said that many pieces of property are to be sold for the purpose of clearing titles and in the dissolution of partnership, buying of real estate during the flurry of a year ago.

Under the new law the sale of real estate for taxes means much more than it used to. In fact it is a genuine sale, when at the end of a stipulated period of time, the former owner fails to redeem his land, and the deed, it is said, becomes permanent and will hold the same as a straight out sale.

BIBLE CONFERENCE TOWN'S BIG EVENT

Best Speakers of the Nation Delight Audiences Twice Each Day—Learned Men Speak

ONE WHO REMAINS AWAY IS THE LOSER

Musical Programs Also Enjoyed—Program For The Second Week Announced

People from all sections are enjoying the wonderful lectures and splendid music at the Moody Bible conference now being held in the auditorium of Brevard high school under the auspices of the Moody Bible Institute, of Chicago. Some of the greatest thinkers of the nation are on the program, delivering lectures daily, and it is agreed that those who fail to attend are missing one of the greatest opportunities of a lifetime to learn from really learned men.

Following is the program for next week:

PROGRAM FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY, JULY 31.

Sunday, July 31.

3:00 P. M.—Address, Rev. J. A. Sutherland, of Birmingham, Ala.

7:45 P. M.—Song service. Sermon, Dr. James Rayburn, one of the country's outstanding evangelists.

Monday, August 1.

9:30 A. M.—Boys' and girls' meeting.

3:00 P. M.—Bible hour, Mr. Sutherland.

4:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Rayburn.

7:45 P. M.—Song service. Sermon, Dr. Rayburn.

Tuesday, August 2.

9:30 A. M.—Boys' and girls' meeting.

3:00 P. M.—Bible hour, Mr. Sutherland.

4:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Rayburn.

7:45 P. M.—Song service. Sermon, Dr. Rayburn.

Wednesday, August 3.

9:30 A. M.—Boys' and girls' meeting.

3:00 P. M.—Bible hour, Mr. Sutherland.

4:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Rayburn.

7:45 P. M.—Song service. Sermon, Dr. Rayburn.

Thursday, August 4.

9:30 A. M.—Boys' and girls' meeting.

3:00 P. M.—Bible hour, Mr. Sutherland.

4:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Rayburn.

7:45 P. M.—Special combination service. First, unique program by the boys and girls. Second, showing of special motion picture of the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, its life and work.

Friday, August 5.

9:30 A. M.—Boys' and girls' meeting.

3:00 P. M.—Bible hour, Mr. Sutherland.

4:00 P. M.—Address, Dr. Rayburn.

7:45 P. M.—Closing service of conference. Song service. Dr. Rayburn.

Committees

Committees having charge of the various phases of the Conference are as follows:

Publicity Committee: W. H. Alexander, James F. Barrett, Mrs. O. H. Orr, Miss Alana Trowbridge, Mayor T. W. Whitire. Responsibility—all publicity.

Finance Committee: Lewis P. Hamlin, Alex. H. Kizer, R. B. Lyon, O. H. Orr, J. H. Shipman. Responsibility—finances of the conference.

House Committee: Rev. W. H. Hartsell, Mrs. Mac Allison, Mrs. T. H. Dodsworth, Mrs. D. L. English, Mrs. T. H. Shipman, with any others they may call upon for assistance. Responsibility—decoration of the meeting school auditorium, where the janitor keeps the place clean, and to return the auditorium in good condition to School Board after the conference.

The House Committee will appreciate contributions of flowers for decorating purposes. Flowers may be delivered to the janitor at the high school building during the day or by notifying any member of the House Committee, they will be called for.

Music Committee: T. H. Dodsworth, Mrs. W. H. Alexander, J. O. Barrett, Mrs. W. O. K. King, Mrs. D. G. Ward. Responsibility—building up a large chorus choir. Advising and assisting music director as needed.

Shells Committee: D. G. Ward, Jerry Jerome, R. E. Lawrence, John Smith, S. C. Yates. Responsibility—ushering and taking up the offerings. Provide "welcomers" for doors of the auditorium.

Boys and Girls Work Committee: R. H. Ramsey, Pat Kinzey, Mrs. R. E. Lawrence, Rev. Wayne Monroe, Mrs. F. P. Sledge. Responsibility—building up the attendance of boys and girls meetings in the mornings, and assisting the director of work as needed.

The Executive Committee is composed of all committees, pastors of the churches, and Rev. Wayne Monroe.

Each committee has an important duty to perform and it is the proper functioning of the committees together that will make the conference a success.

Come To Court House Friday Afternoon At 2

All citizens, men and women, business men, professional men, farmers, and all people interested in the establishment of a creamery and cash produce market for Transylvania county, are urged to meet at the county court house Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, when a plan will be submitted for consideration. All people who are really interested in the future of this town and county are urged to drop other matters, if possible, for one hour Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock and lend their presence and counsel to one of the most important events in the county's history.

"BIG" ELBERT OWEN KNOCKED IN HEAD BY "BIG" TOM WOOD

Thomas Wood, of Gloucester, known as "Big" Tom Wood, is said to have struck Elbert Owen, also known as "Big" Elbert, in the head with a shovel Wednesday afternoon, inflicting serious injury. Mr. Owen is in Transylvania Hospital, and it is said his condition is most serious. According to reports reaching The News, Mr. Wood is contracting for the Gloucester Lumber Company, in the Gloucester section. Wednesday, it is said, Mr. Owen went to the logging operations being carried on by Mr. Wood, and began running the men away from their work. All the

men, it is said, looked upon Mr. Owen as a dangerous man. It is said he took one team away from a driver, in his campaign of terror among the men. "Big Tom" Wood then went to the rescue of his men, and struck Mr. Owen across the side of the head with a shovel, knocking him into unconsciousness. Mr. Wood came to Brevard and surrendered to Sheriff Sitton, telling the officers about the trouble, and then offering to guarantee hospital costs for Owen. Both men are well known and well liked throughout the county.

COMPLAINTS TO BE HEARD SATURDAY

Saturday, next, will be a busy day in Brevard, it is predicted, as that day has been set aside by the county commissioners for the purpose of hearing any complaints that may be made concerning the new rate of taxation. Those who are in position to know, however, state that there will be very little criticism, as the assessors and appraisers have worked hard and studied each property carefully, in an effort to give equal valuation to all holdings.

It is an accepted fact that the valuation this year must be considerably higher than that of last year, and this fact being generally known, and the reasons therefore being common knowledge, it is thought there will be but little complaint heard at the meeting.

GREAT CROWDS GO TO BREVARD BANK

It is estimated that fully fifteen hundred people visited the Brevard Bank last Saturday and witnessed a demonstration of the workings of the new burglar alarm system just installed. It was really an interesting treat to people who are unfamiliar with the workings of safety systems to see just how far science had advanced in an effort to guard valuables against the thieves.

The touch of the finger on the vault starts the alarm that can be heard throughout the business district of the town. Even one's voice, raised moderately, will start the alarm. Should the officers of the bank fail to lock the doors at night, when the clock strikes ten the alarm starts.

It was a remarkable demonstration, and doubtless caused many people to determine to rent a safety deposit box in the big vault and place their valuable papers and other valuables therein, where it would seem to the layman that perfection in safety had been reached.

AUTO LAWS MUST BE OBEYED, SAYS SIMS

Highway Patrolman Eck Sims calls attention of the public to the fact that the new automobile laws are to be strictly enforced in this county. Among the new provisions are one that calls for testing of lights and their adjustment, when necessary.

"One-eyed" cars and cars with improper lighting arrangements, more especially the glaring kind, will not be tolerated, according to the officer. Speed laws are to be enforced, and special attention is to be given to reckless drivers. Patrolman Sims says he cannot show any partiality in the discharge of his duty, and trusts that drivers will cooperate with the officers in obeying the automobile laws.

SPECIAL TAXES MUST BE PAID NOW

Special taxes on a statement made by Tax Collector W. B. Henderson, a result of 20 months' work, are now being collected. The taxes are on property owned by individuals, and on property owned by corporations, and on property owned by partnerships. The taxes are on property owned by individuals, and on property owned by corporations, and on property owned by partnerships. The taxes are on property owned by individuals, and on property owned by corporations, and on property owned by partnerships.

CHAIN STORE TAX COMING UP HERE

Asheville and Hendersonville have put a tax of \$250 each on the chain stores in their respective cities. The matter has been taken to the courts, and will be decided in Brevard next week by Judge Moore. The case is of especial interest to Brevard, as it has long been felt here that chain stores do not contribute their proportionate part in the building of a town. In event the cities win their rights to place this extra tax on chain stores, it is believed Brevard will place such tax on chain stores operating here. The A. & P. stores are the ones taking the case to the courts.

S. S. CONVENTION DREW BIG CROWDS

Toxaway's correspondent sends the following interesting account of the Transylvania county Sunday School convention which was held last week at the Lake Toxaway church:

On Tuesday and Wednesday of last week the county Sunday School Convention held its annual services at the Toxaway Methodist church. The Tuesday evening services began at 8:00. After the devotional services, Miss Flora Davis, of Raleigh, associate superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, gave a very interesting talk on "The Duties of a Four-Square Sunday School Teacher."

Another very interesting talk was "The Sunday School that Measures Up," by Mr. W. J. Vaughn, of Ashland, Ky., former field secretary of the Kentucky Sunday School association. Wednesday morning was enjoyed with the devotional services, songs and talks. Dinner was served at the noon hour under the trees at the church and enjoyed very much by all.

At the close of the afternoon session a nice felt pennant was presented to the Sunday School that had in this convention the largest number of representatives, sixteen years of age and over, according to the number of miles traveled. This pennant was deserved and presented to the Pisgah Forest Sunday School, at which Sunday School the convention will be held next year. The evening services were very much like the services Tuesday evening, with Miss Davis speaking about "Effective Ways of Using Stores in Teaching," and Mr. Vaughn speaking about "The Invested Life." Both speeches were enjoyed by every one present.

MR. YARBROUGH BOOSTS BREVARD

Mr. J. A. Yarbrough, president of the Y & B corporation, Charlotte, one of the biggest business concerns in the Piedmont section of Carolina, has been in town for several days visiting this section of Transylvania county, and when asked for an expression of his views on the section here, said:

"This is my first visit to Brevard. I have made quite a good many trips through Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and New York state and have never been in a section that impressed me so thoroughly. The lands are fertile in the extreme, the best crop that one can imagine; the altitudes of the country is perfect and the scenery is as excellent as in any section with which I am acquainted."

The valley of Virginia from Roanoke north is one of the show sections of the country, but I do not think it is comparable to Brevard and Transylvania county. The city of Brevard is most attractive in every way, the homes are beautiful and grounds well kept. I am also very much impressed with the cordiality of the citizens, and to my mind this section is one of the most beautiful on God's earth."

KIWANIANS TO BE BOYS ONCE MORE

On account of the fact that some of the very fellows that Wm. E. Breece needed in his program could not be present last Friday evening, "stunt night" was postponed for one week, and the program will be organized at next Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Stunt night is always one of the most interesting nights of Kiwanis meetings, and because of this fact it is expected that all members will be present at the meeting Friday to see just what it is that "Bill" Breece has in store for them.

MONTCLOVE HOMES BEING BUILT

Several stone, brick and gravel streets and electric highway line are being placed in Montclove residential community overlooking the golf course. Montclove is considered one of the most attractive sections in the county, and a plan to build a great beauty of a community in the proximity of the golf course, which is proving a big inducement to the county, has been announced. The plan is to build a great beauty of a community in the proximity of the golf course, which is proving a big inducement to the county, has been announced. The plan is to build a great beauty of a community in the proximity of the golf course, which is proving a big inducement to the county, has been announced.

FREEMAN SHOOT NEGRO IN STRUGGLE

Popular Policeman Wrestled With Negro for Some Time Before Using Gun.

JAMES WALKER, NEGRO, WAS ON WAR-PATH

Timely Operation All That Saved Negro's Life—Freeman Being Praised.

B. H. Freeman, Brevard policeman, shot James Walker, 21-year-old negro, early Sunday morning as the negro was drawing his gun to fire at the officer. Walker is in the hospital, and it is thought, although seriously wounded, that he will live.

Walker engaged in a fight with Bill Marshbanks, a negro on Greasy Corner, Saturday night, and it is said that Marshbanks with his pistol into insensibility, and then fired several shots at his fallen foe. Another negro came up town and notified Policemen Freeman and Ruffy of the fight, and they went in company with these colored men to Greasy Corner in search of Walker. They were notified that he had started out the Hendersonville highway and the officers pursued him. At Gallamore Hill they overtook Walker and a companion, who were having car trouble. When the officers stopped, the negroes ran, Mr. Freeman pursuing Walker, and Mr. Ruffy trying to overtake Walker's companion. Mr. Freeman finally overtook Walker, and according to the report, as he grabbed Walker they both fell into the branch and tussled and fought for something like five minutes. The negro finally succeeded in breaking the hold of Mr. Freeman and pulled his gun, whereupon Mr. Freeman fired at the negro with his 38 special gun. Mr. Freeman said that Walker then surrendered his gun and said to him, "Captain, will you take me to the hospital?" Walker then walked back to the car and went up town to the Transylvania hospital, where Dr. T. J. Summey operated on Walker. Officers expressed the belief that the negro would die before relief could be given. It was found that the bullet entered the right breast and ranged downward, tearing through the stomach and taking a tip off the negro's kidneys. Physicians who witnessed the operation pronounced its success almost miraculous, on account of the extreme seriousness of the wound.

Citizens of the town have spoken in praise of Mr. Freeman, who is known to be one of the quietest, most courteous and kind hearted officers the town has ever employed. The very fact that he tussled with the negro for five minutes in an effort to subdue him without resorting to use of his gun, and then only when the negro was trying to shoot him, is pointed out as a fine example of an officer's clear conception of his duty.

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COUNTY ASKED TO KEEP ITS PROMISE

Bishop Finley, in charge of Camp See Off on top of See Off Mountain, entertained at luncheon last Monday, at which people from South Carolina, Hendersonville and Brevard met with the camp officials and the citizens living in the section where the camp operates. The object of the meeting was to discuss the road situation from the Caesar's Head highway to the camp site. There is about two and one-half miles of county road through this section that is almost impassable, and the importance of putting this road in shape was stressed by several speakers. Citizens in the community were emphatic in their assertions that Transylvania ought to keep its promise to time to put the road in good shape.

Bishop Finley and his associates made when Dr. J. R. Brown donated the land to the Episcopal diocese for the establishment of a camp. It is said that the agreement was made by the county commissioner at that time to put the road in good shape. It is expected that interested citizens in Brevard, especially, and road officials will take note of the existing conditions and give relief at an early date.

MRS. J. W. BARRETT IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Mrs. J. W. Barrett, mother of J. O. Barrett and James F. Barrett, is seriously ill at the home of Mrs. Barrett's daughter, Mrs. J. A. Moore, Charlotte. Last word from the bedside of Mrs. Barrett said that hope was held out for her recovery. J. O. Barrett left Tuesday evening to be with his mother.

TAXES PAID THIS WEEK ACCEPTED

Money for county taxes accepted up to Saturday of this week, according to statement of W. B. Henderson, county tax collector. Quite a number of taxes were paid. Attention is called to the fact that all taxes are to be paid in this county by the 1st of August.