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CHARLES E. ORR'S DEATH IS SHOCK

Passes Away at St. Petersburg Late Tuesday—Brother at Bedside

BODY TO ARRIVE IN BREVARD THURSDAY

Was Postmaster Two Terms and Had Charge of the Jennings Property

Charles E. Orr, one of the most popular and well known citizens of Brevard, died late Tuesday, afternoon in St. Petersburg, Fla., where he had gone in an effort to regain his health. Dr. Chas. L. Newland, the deceased's physician, and A. K. Orr, brother, were with the popular man when the end came.

Mr. Orr had been ill or a long time, and the trip to Florida was taken as a last resort in efforts to rebuild his broken health. Dr. Newland took Mr. Orr to the Florida city some ten days ago and was joined there by the brother, Mr. A. K. Orr.

Charles E. Orr was born in Pittsburg about 48 years ago. He came to Brevard 28 years ago and soon established himself here and made a place in the community which brought many honors to him. For eight years he was postmaster in Brevard, and after that time became the personal representative of Mr. R. G. Jennings, a Pittsburg millionaire and owner of the Fairfield and Lake Toxaway properties.

The widow and three children survive. Mrs. Orr who was, before her marriage, Miss Rowena Cooper, of Statesville. A daughter, Miss Rowena, and two boys, Edmund and Buster, and two brothers, A. K. Orr and Walter Orr, survive.

The body is expected to reach Brevard Thursday. Funeral arrangements had not been made at time of going to press Wednesday night, but interment will be in Gillespie cemetery.

Mr. Orr was a member of St. Philips Episcopal church, a member of Dunn's Rock Masonic lodge, a director of the Brevard Banking company, a member of the board of road commissioners, and one of the most active citizens of the county.

DELIVERING MAIL IN BREVARD NOW

Wednesday, January 2, Gerald Sifton and Leon English began Brevard's first free delivery of mail. It was a red-letter day in the life of Postmaster Roscoe Nicholson, for he had worked many, many years to bring this service to Brevard.

It will be well for patrons of the office to remember, however, that it takes two cents to mail Brevard letters now. This additional cost comes with the free delivery service. But few people will offer objection to this, however, as the fact that Brevard has free mail delivery service is worth much more than this additional cost.

Incidentally, the delivery service costs The Brevard News one cent a pound extra postage, yet it takes The News to homes of the people of the town, and this paper is more than glad to pay the extra charge in order that its subscribers may have The News delivered to the homes of its subscribers.

INTERESTING MEET OF COUNTY BOARD

Will Urge County Dads To Keep Farm Agent At Work

Next Monday will witness an interesting meeting of the board of county commissioners, because of the many important matters to come before the board. One interesting phase of the meeting will be a settlement for former county attorney H. E. Martin, as it is said the board has notified Mr. Martin to be present at the Monday session and make final settlement with the county for his transactions while serving as county attorney.

Another matter of intense interest will be the appearance before the board of a committee from the Chamber of Commerce authorized to urge the board to reconsider its action on the farm agent matter and make possible a continuance of this work. This question seems destined to be the cause of much discussion, if not actual dissent, in the county for sometime to come. There are those who expressed the belief that Transylvania county must have the benefit to be derived from the farm agent, while on the other hand, it is plain that the majority of the farmers are opposed to this work.

Chairman of the board, J. H. Pickens, makes the assertion that each member of the board of commissioners would be heartily in favor of a continuance of the work, providing a majority of the farmers of the county want it, but the board, it is said, must first be convinced that the farmers really desire the farm agent. Many other matters of minor importance will be disposed of at the Monday meeting.

SUB-STATIONS TO BE ERECTED HERE

One at Davidson River and Another in Brevard, It Is Said

MUCH EMPLOYMENT TO BE GIVEN MEN HERE

Several Carloads of Steel Being Unloaded — Means Lots To Brevard

Preparations are being made for erection of a sub-station by the Carolina Power and Light company at Davidson River, and a tract of land has been purchased from O. L. Erwin upon which to build the station. It is on the main line of the big power company that runs from the Waterville plant to Greenville, South Carolina. High tension wires are to carry the current generated from the big plant at Waterville to Greenville, and towers are to be erected clear across Transylvania county. Much material has been unloaded at Pisgah Forest for these towers, and it is expected that work will soon begin on actual construction of the towers and of the sub-station.

Reports are to the effect that it will be at least 18 months before the current will be sent through this county into Greenville. Surveys have been made, however, it is said, from Hendersonville to the Davidson River sub-station, and it is said power will be sent from Hendersonville to the plant here, pending completion of the Waterville plant.

Steel is being unloaded at the Brevard station by another power company, presumably the Duke company, and it is said a sub-station is to be erected in Brevard. Some say the operations of the two companies are really the same and one thing, as officials who have made negotiations for land and rights of way have represented both concerns.

Men who seem to be in a position to know what they are talking about, say that tens of thousands of dollars will be spent here during the next few months on the work building sub-stations, erecting towers and stringing wires throughout the county. Some business men are making arrangements to care for the additional business to come to this section from the large amount to be expended in erection of these power lines.

DAL MORGAN DIED IN ATLANTA, DEC. 20

Mr. Dal Morgan, son of D. Morgan of the Middle Fork section, died of diabetes in a government hospital in Atlanta on December 20. Mr. Morgan was a World War veteran and had been in the hospital for the past five years.

Funeral services were held at the Old Toxaway Baptist church Saturday, Dec. 22, conducted by Rev. Nathan Chapman.

Deceased is survived by his wife, who was before her marriage, Miss Beulah Hendricks, daughter of Ed Hendricks of the Old Toxaway section and two children; also his father, D. Morgan; brother, Lee Morgan and sister, Mrs. Norma Murphy, all of Rosman.

WINNERS IN THE ESSAY CONTEST

Whitmire Motor Sales company's prizes, offered for the best essays written by school children on the subjects of "Why Sixes Are Better than Fours," and "Why Father Should Buy a Chevrolet," created much interest and friendly rivalry among the boys and girls in the schools.

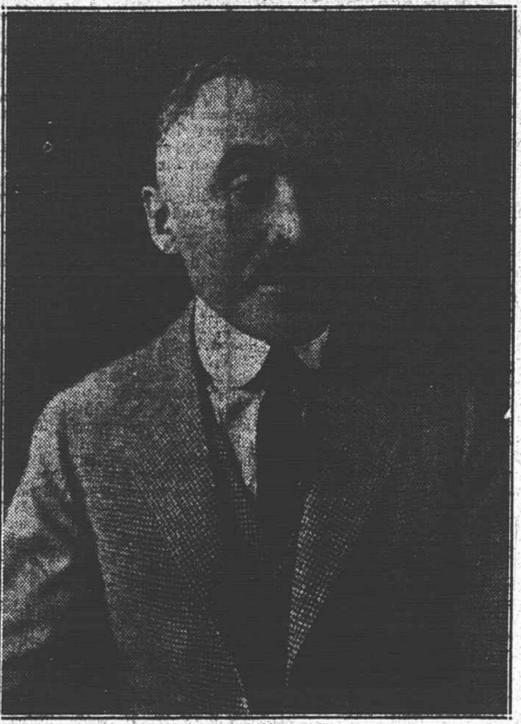
Winner of the first prize, \$15.00, went to Weldon Galloway of the Rosman High School, while the second prize, \$10.00, was won by Miss Lucile Kiddy of the Brevard Grammar School. Messrs. Oliver H. Orr, T. F. Middleton and Otto Alexander acted as judges in declaring the winners of the prizes.

The prizes were awarded Saturday night, at the close of the day's opening, during which the Whitmire boys displayed the new Chevrolet Six. Big crowds attended the display throughout the day until late in the evening, and many hundreds of people called to inspect the new Chevrolet.

BREVARD BABY WINS NEW YEAR PRIZE

Little Miss Nancy Jane Loftis, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Goode Loftis, has the distinction of being the first baby born in Transylvania county in 1929, since she made her advent into this world at 3 o'clock in the morning of January 1, New Year's day. For this distinction of being one of the first five babies born in Western North Carolina in 1929, the little miss will receive a prize of a \$5 bank account, awarded by The Asheville Citizen according to previous announcement of last paper.

H. Patterson, Popular Merchant



BREVARD MERCHANT LEAVING CAUSES MUCH REGRET HERE

H. Patterson, owner of Patterson's local manager, and his uniform courtesy has made many friends and patrons for the Patterson establishment.

Mr. Patterson is not only a merchant of the finest kind but is also a man of sterling qualities, whose influence for good is felt wherever the man moves and has his interests. The people of Transylvania county, generally speaking, regret Mr. Patterson's leaving here, and are unanimous in wishing for him continued success in his endeavors wherever they may be made.

FEAR MURDER IN CONNECTION WITH ACME TRUCK ACCIDENT

Intense excitement prevailed in Brevard Saturday night when report was made to Special Officer Eck Sims that a two-ton Acme truck had been found at the foot of Connessee Falls, turned turtle. Many people went with the officer to the Falls last Saturday night, and search was made for a victim of the accident as it was very naturally expected one would be found underneath the truck.

On Sunday many hundreds of people gathered at the Falls, and watched with interest the removal of the truck, as the K. & M. Auto company, with crane and block and tackle, began the huge task of raising the truck to level ground.

Investigations disclosed the fact that the truck had been purchased by a man by the name of Moore, living near Greenville. A younger Moore had the truck, it is said, in Brevard during the Christmas holidays and left here on Wednesday of last week for the South Carolina city.

Neither of the Moores have been located as yet, and it is the theory of some officers that the driver of the truck may have been murdered, the body thrown into some recess of the mountains and the truck driven over the Falls in an effort to throw suspicion away from the scene of the crime.

Officer Sims is still investigating the case, and until the owner of the truck is located the manner of its disastrous trip over Connessee Falls will remain a mystery.

This is said to be the first tragedy that has occurred at Connessee Falls since the days of Indian lore, when an Indian girl dashed herself to death over the Falls because her father would not permit her to marry the "pale face" who had come into that community, and with whom she had fallen in love. Her name was Connessee, and this gave the name to the Falls.

Uncle Dan Hyatt Fighting Death In Lonely Cabin Home on See-Off

"Where is Sheriff Patton?" an irate citizen asked Monday, when trying to find the sheriff.

"He is over at the jail, wrapping up some blankets," was the reply. Wrapping up blankets! The sheriff of the county over at the jail wrapping up blankets? What for? This is the answer, as The Brevard News found.

"Uncle" Dan Hyatt, an aged citizen living on Black Knob in the See-Off Mountain section, had been reported as being very ill, with not sufficient cover to keep him warm. Jimmie Holden, of that section, had reported Uncle Dan's plight to the sheriff, so the sheriff had agreed to send a couple of warm blankets to Uncle Dan, that he might be kept warm during the few remaining weeks he has to remain in the neighborhood in which he was born and reared.

ELECT OFFICERS TUESDAY NIGHT

Chamber of Commerce To Name New President and Directors

MAYOR WHITMIRE TO BE NAMED, IT IS EXPECTED

New Plan To Be Tried Out—All Members To Work for Body

Tuesday evening of next week members of the Chamber of Commerce will meet for the purpose of electing officers for the year 1929. James S. Bromfield, considered one of Brevard's most successful business men, is the present president, having served throughout the year of 1928. Under his leadership the Chamber of Commerce has done much for Brevard and Transylvania county, and because of his direction it is generally conceded that Brevard had more summer tourists in 1928 than any other town in Western North Carolina.

Mayor T. W. Whitmire is vice president of the organization, and it is generally believed that he will be selected next Tuesday evening to head the Chamber of Commerce during 1929. Mayor Whitmire is one of the most progressive citizens of the town, and many citizens feel that he will be a worthy successor to President Bromfield.

A new board of directors will be elected, or instead of the board an amendment to the constitution and by-laws will be adopted, whereby all members of the Chamber of Commerce will be entitled to voice and vote in the meetings, acting as the board of directors.

Plans are made for reception of an unusually large crowd at the Chamber meeting Tuesday evening, as it is expected all citizens of the town, both men and women who are interested in Brevard's growth, will be present.

ALL HOPEFUL FOR GREAT NEW YEAR

Continuing the optimistic views as expressed by many Brevard business men last week, others are looking for the greatest year in the town's history during 1929. Trantham's, the men's and young men's store, is of the opinion that 1929 will be unusually good. A new business in town is that of the B. and B. Feed and Seed Store, which has been in business about one year, and according to statements made by the Brittan Brothers, of this firm, Transylvania county is making great strides along agricultural lines.

Ed McCoy, magistrate, postmaster and merchant of Pisgah Forest, says he is looking for the biggest year's business this year that he has ever enjoyed. Sid Barnett's place, the big machine shop works of this community, is likewise optimistic about 1929. Barnett's is also located at Pisgah Forest. Brown Carr, manager of the big store of the Carr Lumber company at Pisgah Forest, says Brevard is just now beginning to grow, and he looks for the best year's business, generally speaking, this section has ever known.

Hamilton-Case company, successors to the Thompson Millworks company, is making preparations for adding many dozens of employees to their force. This firm is the one big furniture and woodworking concern of the community, and their success is freely predicted by all who know them.

There are the camps and the hotels, all of which make statement that each expects a larger business in 1929 than ever before.

Taken all in all, this New Year witnesses great enthusiasm in this community.

TO HONOR HAMLIN ON HIS DEPARTURE

Members of the Junior Order will hold a jubilee meeting this Saturday night, at which time a supper will be served, honoring the Councillor of the Juniors, the Hon. L. P. Hamlin, who is to leave the following week to take his seat in the North Carolina legislature. Mr. Hamlin has been councillor of the Juniors for the past year, and was elected to the legislature in the November election. He will leave here January 7 for Raleigh, to take his seat. Cards are being sent out to all members to attend the meeting Saturday night and do honor to the head of the organization who is to be a member of the coming general assembly.

SON OF FORMER RESIDENTS DIES IN SOUTH CAROLINA

C. L. Wingo, Jr., age 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Wingo, of Inman, S. C., died Friday, December 21st, of flu and pneumonia at the home of his parents at Inman.

Mr. Wingo was a student at Tigerville School and was home for the Christmas vacation at the time of his death.

The Wingo's lived in Rosman for a number of years. Mr. Wingo being manager of the Gloucester Lumber company store.

VOLUNTEERS ASSIST FLU

Business and Professional Women and Kiwanians Are Sponsoring Work

TO AID THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED IS PLAN

Young Men and Women Urged To Offer Their Services To the Sick

Appeal is being made for assistance in caring for people suffering from influenza in this community. There are but few nurses in Transylvania county, and these are all busy during the widespread illness of the community, hence the call for volunteers to assist those who are sick.

The Business and Professional Women's Club, working in conjunction with the Brevard Kiwanis Club, has assumed the responsibility of furnishing nurses and assistance to those who need it. The office of the H. R. Walker Insurance company has been designated as headquarters for receiving offers of volunteer assistance, and it is to this place that those needing nurses may telephone their demands.

There will be many cases where such services must be gratis, and those offering their services need expect no pay. On the other hand, there are many people who are willing and anxious to pay liberally for services during the illness in the homes.

Any young man or young woman of the community who is not engaged can find plenty to do if they will but volunteer their services now. Perhaps there will be no other time when the young people could be of so much assistance as just now, if they would but offer their services.

There are people in this community suffering from flu who cannot get a drink of water for themselves, nor have food, unless it is brought to them. Many of these people must depend upon members of their families to make these services. Often there are no members of the family except those suffering from the flu. Any man or woman who will volunteer to serve the community by waiting upon the sick is urged to telephone 67 and find out just where their services are most greatly needed.

Many families are suffering not only from flu, but from the lack of proper nourishment. Soup is needed in many homes, and those who are willing to make soup and send it to the homes of the needy may also call No. 67.

It is not the intention of this paper to alarm the people of the community, but to call attention to the fact that the services of all able bodied people are needed just now, and The Brevard News is of the opinion that all who are able to serve their fellow beings will make immediate offer of their services.

Phone 67 and full information will be given.

Frank D. Clement, Rev. Wallace Hartsell and Mrs. Mary Jane Walker, officers of the Kiwanis club and the Business and Professional Women's club, are the ones who will give full information as to the needs of the community.

FLU EPIDEMIC IS CAUSING CONCERN

Physicians Urge Public To Use Caution — Situation Not Bad

Physicians are urging greater care on the part of the people concerning the spread of the flu epidemic which has been raging generally for the past several weeks. Health authorities in Washington have issued notice that a second wave of the contagious disease will be experienced throughout the country and will be more violent than the one now in its last stages. Another danger that is pointed out by physicians is that of pneumonia following flu. It is reported that there are several cases of pneumonia in the county at present, and in each instance the victims had first been sufferers from influenza. Health authorities in Washington urge that when one experiences the first effects of a cold to go to bed and call the family physician immediately. It is also urged that cases wherever possible be isolated, and that any member of a family, showing symptoms of the disease be put into a room by themselves and kept away from the balance of the family.

Transylvania county has been exceedingly fortunate both from a standpoint of a mild form of the flu experienced here, and also in the small number of people contracting the disease. This good fortune, however, is not to be considered a license to lower the plan of the prevention of the disease. It should on the other hand, cause the citizens to be all the more careful that the county may escape the intense suffering and ravages of the disease that have been made on other counties.

A few cases of measles have been reported, and this, too, will serve to make the people of the county more careful.