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GREAT POWER LINE TRAVERSING THIS COUNTY JUST NOW

Heads of Concern Are Speakers at Thursday's Kiwanis Meeting

TRANSYLVANIA HOSPITAL MAKING MUCH PROGRESS

Dr. Tom Summey Welcome Visitor at the Club Meeting

Frank B. Moore, of Greenville, chief inspector for the Carolina Power and Light company, and M. A. Pithoud, construction superintendent in charge of building the power line through this county, were guests of honor at the Kiwanis Club last Thursday, and made short talks. While the men were not at liberty to speak publicly of the plans of the power company, they told something however, of the magnitude of the undertaking and of the immense voltage that will be carried through this county when the lines are completed.

Mr. Pithoud stated he had never worked in a section where all the people gave such co-operation as that found in Transylvania county.

The "Philosopher of Fletcher," Hon. Claude Sales, was present and delighted the members with witty talk. Mr. Sales is a member of the Hendersonville Kiwanis club.

Dr. T. J. Summey, former president of the club, but now chief of staff of a big New Jersey hospital, was present, and all the members expressed delight in having him at the meeting. Dr. Summey, after expressing his pleasure in being back in Brevard for a visit, talked of the Transylvania Hospital, which he founded, and said:

"I am delighted with the progress that the hospital has made under the management of Dr. G. B. Lynch and Mrs. Lynch. They have worked wonders with the institution, and I am glad to know that all the doctors of the town and county are co-operating with them. The doors are open to all physicians to take their patients there, and treat them.

"I have heard some word that there is a possibility of the hospital closing. I am glad to inform you that this report is entirely unfounded, and there is no danger whatever of the hospital closing its doors. It could make better progress, however, if you Kiwanians and all other citizens of the town and county would lend your moral support. We do not want your money, but we do want and need your friendship."

Rev. W. H. Hartsell, director of music, and Miss Call, pianist, added much to the enjoyable program, while Secretary Rush Whitmire had a fine report to make.

HONORS GIVEN MEN FROM THIS COUNTY

Unusual committee appointments have been given Transylvania county representatives at the present session of General Assembly at Raleigh. Senator T. Coleman Galloway has been named to serve on 12 different committees, while Representative Lewis P. Hamlin has been appointed to four committees.

Senator Galloway has been named to the following committees: Congressional District, Constitutional Amendment, Counties, Cities and Towns, Education, Fish and Fisheries, Institutions for the Blind, Insurance, Judiciary No. 1, Manufacturing, Pensions and Soldiers Home, Public Health, and Senate Expenditure (chairman).

Representative Hamlin has been appointed to the following committees: Judiciary No. 2, Counties, Cities and Towns, Constitutional Amendments, Finance.

PUSHELL'S TO MOVE TO MAIN ST. STORE

Pushell's Department store will move next week from its present location on Broadway to the building just vacated by Patterson's Department store. Nathan Morris, who was manager of Patterson's store here for several years, has the shoe department in the new Pushell store, and will operate this department separate from the Pushell Department store.

Both these merchants are well known in the county, having been among the leaders in the business world here for a long time. People of the county will be especially pleased to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Morris are to remain in Brevard, where they have made hundreds of friends.

Mr. Pushell announces that he will make every effort to carry a stock of merchandise that will appeal to the people of the town and county, and expresses his pleasure in being able to operate his store on Main street.

Mr. Lem Brooks, formerly clothing manager for Patterson, will have charge of the same department at Pushell's.

WOMAN'S BUREAU GREAT INFLUENCE IN THE COMMUNITY

Review of Work Done Shows Something of Its Importance

CO-OPERATES WITH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Beauty, Health, and Material Growth of Town Are Its Objects

That the Women's Bureau is an important factor in the community life of Brevard is demonstrated by the various accomplishments of this organization during the past year. Not only has this body of women contributed much toward beautification of the town, but it has sponsored many movements for community uplift and has at all times, during the past three years of its existence, been ready to lend a helping hand toward any progressive move promoted by others, as is manifest in its varied activities.

A review of the efforts of the past year reveals the fact that the Women's Bureau is a thriving organization, whose slogan is "town beautification and uplift," and that Brevard has benefited in many ways on account of the existence of this organization.

A summary of the year's work includes many accomplishments toward town betterment, some of the outstanding of which may be mentioned as follows:

The main objective undertaken by the Bureau during the past year was the second annual flower show staged in August, a summer entertainment feature sponsored annually by this organization for the benefit of tourists and residents. This form of summer diversion is generally accorded a pleasure and benefit to residents and guests, and also reveals the ability of Brevard women along the lines of varied and successful flower culture.

Among the outstanding benevolences toward community welfare rendered by this organization the past year was the donation of \$100 to the Transylvania Hospital, the amount to be used for any purpose most needed by hospital authorities. The inmates of the county home were remembered by the Bureau with generous donations of Christmas baskets for each occupant of the home. Active participation in the sale of Christmas seals and in the Red Cross drive was taken by this organization.

Response to outside calls for assistance was not overlooked by the Bureau, since two large boxes of clothing were sent to the flood sufferers in Porto Rico at their time of great need.

During the three-day tonsil and adenoid clinic held in Brevard the past summer, the Bureau sponsored the project to serve hot coffee and sandwiches to mothers who found it necessary to remain overnight in the clinic with their children.

The Bureau agreed to work in co-operation with the town authorities in the annual clean-up campaign, and to add further interest in this movement the women offered a prize of five dollars to the child who would accumulate the largest pile of trash in front of his residence. A first and second prize was later awarded to two young boys living in different sections of the town.

In connection with the town beautification program, this organization offers each year a prize of a five dollar gold piece to the filling station operator who presents the most attractive appearance in the way of planting flowers and otherwise around his place of business, at the expiration of a stated period.

A movement was sponsored by the Bureau to present resolutions to the mayor and board of aldermen, requesting that they take action in the matter of barring cheap carnivals and traveling shows from the town during the summer months. In view of the fact that this form of amusement has not been in Brevard in the past several months, it is assumed that action on these resolutions was taken by town authorities. Another movement toward community betterment was a request put before the mayor and board of aldermen that the city water line be extended to Gillespie cemetery.

Arbor Day was fittingly observed by this organization with appropriate exercises held in the Brevard Elementary school on that day, after which two spruce trees were planted on the grounds surrounding the school buildings.

To demonstrate their interest in and desire to cooperate with the Chamber of Commerce, the Bureau entertained at dinner the directors of the Chamber of Commerce on the occasion of one of their regular meetings.

To facilitate the operation of this organization and to lend variety and interest to the various meetings, the Bureau membership has been divided into six groups, with one of the directors at the head of each group. Each group has had charge of the program at the different meetings, and has otherwise assisted in promoting interest and enthusiasm among the members. Many interesting and informative programs have been presented by these groups along a varied line of study.

In addition to these outstanding

BIG REAL ESTATE DEAL IS MADE HERE

Harry Clarke Purchases Fine Farm From Dr. R. L. Stokes

What is said to be the biggest real estate deal made this year was the transfer of the Dr. R. L. Stokes farm to Harry P. Clarke. The farm embraces 133 acres, with splendid buildings, and one of the most successful poultry farms in the county has been operated in connection with the general farming. Dr. Stokes has owned the farm for about ten years, and has made many improvements on it.

It is understood that Mr. Clarke will make extensive improvements and will devote much of the place to stock raising.

The farm has its own water system, with city power and lights and telephone service. In fact, it has all modern conveniences enjoyed by any town property.

The sale was made through Brevard Realty and Insurance company, which is owned by Judson McCrary and Alex Kizer. This firm has also closed several smaller deals since organization of the company.

The Stokes-Clarke deal involved approximately \$20,000.

BATTERIES BEING MADE HERE NOW

With great promise for a real big business for Brevard, is the announcement of the Brevard Battery company that a complete battery manufacturing plant has been installed in that place. It is the intention of this enterprising concern to make batteries that will compete, both in quality and price, with the batteries offered by mail order houses. Automobile owners of the county who are interested in home production are urged to see these batteries before making purchases elsewhere.

The plant for making the batteries has cost the local concern several hundreds of dollars, and means the addition of many mechanics to the plant of the Brevard Battery company.

Announcement of prices, with a year's absolute guarantee, is made on another page in an advertisement of the Brevard Battery company. This concern has been in business here for seven years, with Walter Hart and Nat Townsend as managers.

Several thousands of dollars could be kept in Transylvania county each year through patronage of this plant, it is believed, and many leading men and women who have purchased these batteries are emphatic in their assertions that they are not only just as good batteries as can be purchased for the same money, but that they offer a real saving, with the company's offer to install the batteries in the cars of those making purchases.

Omega T. Ellerbe

Miss Omega T. Ellerbe, who made Brevard her summer home for many years, died Wednesday, January 9, at the home of her sister in Latta, S. C., following a lingering illness.

Miss Ellerbe made many friends during the years of her residence in Brevard, and her annual visits will be sorely missed by her friends here. She was a woman of strong personality, largely endowed intellectually, and was keenly interested in all affairs of church, state and nation. She was a graduate of Columbia University, where she took her A. B. and A. M. degrees. She at one time taught at Brevard Institute.

Of a large family of brothers and sisters, Miss Ellerbe is survived by six sisters, two of whom are well known here, Mrs. Ida E. Rogers, of Blenheim, S. C., and Miss Eva Ellerbe, of Columbia, who have their summer home in Brevard.

DO TRAINS STOP AT PISGAH FOREST NOW?

This question will be answered by Brown Carr, chairman of the program committee of the Kiwanis Club, at the meeting to be held at noon today (Thursday) at the Waltermire Grill. Other important and interesting features will be discussed at the club, and Wallace Hartwell, with Miss Call at the piano, have some new musical numbers to render, such as "Old Black Joe," and "Working on de Railroad." The Kiwanian who fails to be at this meeting will be "Standing in the Light That Failed."

projects undertaken by the Women's Bureau during the past year, others of more or less importance have been put into effect or endorsed as of benefit to the community, and plans as outlined for the present year call for even greater and more beneficial results in the life and future progress of the town.

The officers recently elected for the current year include: President, Mrs. O. L. Erwin; vice president, Mrs. T. H. Shipman; secretary, Miss Martha Boswell; treasurer, Mrs. H. E. Erwin.

CASH MARKET FOR CHICKENS AT B. & B.

Brittain Brothers Announce Important Addition To Their Business

Brittain Brothers, operating as the B. & B. Feed and Seed company, announce that they have perfected arrangements whereby a cash market for poultry will be operated at their place all the time. Prices are given in an advertisement in this issue of The Brevard News, and hereafter a weekly report will be given, showing the prices paid each week for poultry. By February first the company will be in position to handle eggs also, and it may be that the project will develop into a cash market for farm produce.

It is believed the farmers and poultry raisers will co-operate with the B. & B., as this county has long felt the need of a cash market. Relief came about a year ago when the Farmers Federation started operating its poultry car once a month, during seasons. The B. & B. will operate its cash market every day in the week.

It is suggested that farmers watch the column conducted by the B. & B. each week, in which prices for the coming week will be quoted.

P.-T. ASSOCIATION FOR THE CHILDREN

(Mrs. R. W. Everett, Pub. Chmn.)

In the absence of Mrs. Oliver Orr, the vice president, Mrs. J. T. Gheen, presided over the Elementary Parent-Teacher meeting Monday afternoon.

The meeting was opened by singing "Work for the Night is Coming," followed with prayer by Mr. Henderson. There was no regular program given at this meeting, the time was given over to talks given by Mrs. B. F. Beasley and Mrs. O. L. Erwin who gave the outline and plans for the school children's bazaar, which is to be given early in April. This bazaar is to be sponsored by the Women's Bureau and P.-T.-A. with the view of raising \$500 to beautify the school grounds. A landscape gardener will be in Brevard at an early date to make a blue print of grounds for this work. Several committees were appointed and we hope to give a full report at an early date.

Nothing new on Connestee wreck

J. A. Forsythe, Jr., manager of the Southern Adjustment Bureau at Charlotte, spent last Saturday in Brevard, investigating the truck that went off Connestee Falls three weeks ago, and according to Officer Eck Sims, who handled the case, declared only a fifty per cent loss on the truck. This small loss was largely contributed to the manner in which the K. & M. Auto company handled the truck with its wrecking crew.

It will be recalled that a two-ton truck was driven over Connestee Falls. A man by the name of Moore is owner of the vehicle, it is said. The driver of the truck had spent Christmas in Brevard, and was supposed to have been on his way back to Greenville, where the owner of the truck lived, when the accident occurred.

ROSMAN SCHOOL IN GREAT PROGRAM

(By J. F. CORBIN)

A community improvement contest is being carried on by the Young Tar Heel Farmers in Rosman High School. So far as the writer knows there has not been a similar contest carried on in his part of the state before. The beginning of the contest was similar to a group of school boys choosing out to play a game of "Two-Eyed Cat" ball like so many of us older folks played years ago.

The class at large elected two boys to be the leaders of the two groups, Girtha Watkins was elected leader of Group One, and Weldon Galloway the leader Group Two. Both boys are natural leaders and outstanding boys of the classes.

The two leaders alternately selected the other members of the class to help them in their group, every member of the classes being engaged in the contest and the groups are of equal number. A list of the things to be done by the boys at home was then made and posted in the classroom. This list is composed of a hundred different things to be done on the home farm by the pupil which will improve the living conditions of the home and the earning capacity of the farm, such as screening the home, putting water in the home, making useful tools, repairing and painting the home buildings, pruning orchards, etc. Each job done is given a rating in the contest according to its usefulness and work required to accomplish. The contest was on and the work given to go on a certain day—the contest ends at the close of the present school term.

TO REDUCE TAXES ON LAND IS HOPE OF LEGISLATURE

Increase on Gasoline Is Certain To Pass, It is Understood

GALLOWAY AND HAMLIN IN BREVARD SUNDAY

No Hope For Having State Take Over the 6-Months' School Term

Word from Raleigh is to the effect that but few really important bills have been introduced, and it is said no real legislation will be proposed or acted upon until later in the session.

The proposal to add one cent additional gasoline tax to the four cents already levied, the extra one cent to go to the county roads, is one of the most popular measures so far introduced. It is believed that this measure would reduce the tax rate in Transylvania county about 17 cents on the hundred. With a few more like provisions, with reductions, this county's rate would be materially reduced.

There is but little hope that the state will take over the 6-months county school operations. Several bills have been introduced, looking to this end, but the fact that no place can be found where this additional tax can be levied, caused some of the friends of the movement to have serious doubts of its passage.

One thing that causes much joy in the state is the fact that practically all members of the legislature are determined, if possible, to reduce the rate on farm property. Certain it is that no measure will be enacted that will increase the tax burden on the farmer.

There may be a sales tax placed on luxuries, it is said, and an additional increase may be placed against power and light companies. Some talk is heard about increasing the taxes on telephone and telegraph companies, but none of these measures have so far reached any place in the legislative channels where any certainty can be placed upon their final disposal.

Senator Coleman Galloway and Representative Lewis P. Hamlin, it is said, will be in Brevard during the week-end, and will meet with interested citizens, discussing legislation of interest to this county. Senator Galloway has introduced many bills in the senate, while the representative, Mr. Hamlin, has introduced no measures at all. Senator Galloway's bills have all been of local measure, dealing mostly with county government and county officers.

It is said many people will endeavor to converse with the two law-makers when they visit Brevard, and in this way the gentlemen of the legislature may be fully informed of the wishes of the people of the county concerning local legislation.

ADOPT GIRL SCOUTS AS THE YEAR'S WORK

Outstanding among the projects to be undertaken by the Brevard Business and Professional Women's club in its program of community service for 1929 is the decision of this organization of young business women to adopt the Girl Scouts as their "little sisters" and to sponsor this organization during the present year. This decision was reached at a largely attended and enthusiastic meeting of the club held Monday night at Central Cafe, at which time were discussed many other matters of importance to the club and to the community.

Guests of honor at the meeting were leaders of the Girl Scouts and Boy scouts, each one of whom made talks relative to their work in the local organizations. The Girl Scout troops were represented by Mrs. Hinton McLeod and Miss Christine Snelson, and the Boy Scouts by Mr. Fred Miller and Mr. Charles Moore. The club agreed to sponsor National Scout week, February 8-14, and to present the program arranged by the national organization. It was recommended that a picture be sponsored by the club for benefit of the Scouts early in February.

A letter signed by the club's president, Mrs. H. R. Walker, and members of the legislative committee was read and later sent to Senator Galloway and Representative Hamlin, at Raleigh, requesting that these legislators support certain reform bills. Other members of this committee include: Miss Martha Boswell, Miss Jeannette Talley, Mrs. Luther Pushell, Miss Odell Nicholson.

It was announced that resolutions protesting the abolition of the offices of home and farm agents had been presented to the county commissioners for their action.

An interesting and instructive program on the meaning of the club emblem was given by the following members: Miss Nelle Aiken, Miss Juanita Sprinkle, Mrs. W. H. Underwood, Miss Launa Clayton, Miss Alma Trowbridge, Mrs. A. H. Hous-ton.

BOARDING HOUSES BECOME MEMBERS OF CENTRAL BODY

Enthusiastic Meeting Tuesday Evening Plans For Great Year In Brevard

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ENTERTAINS THE LADIES

Believe 1929 Will Be Greatest Tourist Year Experienced In Transylvania County

Enthusiasm reigned supreme in the meeting held at the Waltermire Grill Tuesday evening, when the directors of the Chamber of Commerce entertained the ladies who run boarding houses in Brevard and vicinity. While many suggestions as to best methods to pursue in making this community a still greater tourist center, all were agreed, however, that the future of this section is assured.

Thos. H. Shipman acted as toastmaster, and stated the purpose of the meeting. It had been called and the ladies invited for the purpose of explaining to the boarding house people the great program of expansion planned by the Chamber of Commerce. The ladies were delighted with the plans as outlined, and joined the Chamber of Commerce nearly one hundred per cent strong.

The best booklet that has ever been prepared by this town will be mailed to all centers where tourists may be attracted to this section; is one of the big results of the meeting. Work on the booklet has already been started and it is safe to say that Brevard will be presented to the tourist world this year as never before in the town's history.

Preparatory to the coming of the visitors was the expressed determination to make Brevard the cleanest and most attractive tourist center in all the mountain region. Those places that have been "eye-sores," because of their ugliness, are to be made into grass plots, and all old relics that might be repulsive to the visitor will be removed ere the springtime comes, and when summer arrives and brings its thousands of visitors there will be a town beautiful here that will make the tourists glad they decided upon this beauty spot in which to spend their vacation days.

Each of the many ladies were called upon to express their opinion of the work that is being done by the Chamber of Commerce, and expressed pleasure and gratification for the work the central body is doing. Many of the directors made short talks, expressing the desire of the Chamber of Commerce to be of benefit to all boarding houses that will co-operate with the body and allow this assistance to be given.

President T. W. Whitmire, of the Chamber of Commerce, declares the meeting one of the most important gatherings in the town's history, and believes that great good will come from the session.

POOL ROOM CLOSED BY BOARD'S ORDER

By order of the mayor and board of aldermen, the Pickwick Club, operating here for the past several weeks, has been closed. Two pool tables were operated in the club, and it was this part of the club's activities, it is said, that the town officials objected to. It is said many members had joined the club, the majority of whom were young men.

It is not known whether the management of the club will contest the action of the board and try to reopen.

TRANHAM'S JOINS PLUMMER'S STORE

Announcement of extraordinary interest is made in this issue of the paper, wherein Trantham's Store, owned by Beverly and Anthony Trantham is now merged with the Plummer company, and with the beginning of next week, these two well known concerns will begin business in the old Plummer store, in the Erwin building. Announcement has already been made that Plummer would move back to their old stand, retaining their present location on the corner of News Arcade and Main street for Plummer's Bargain Annex. Now that Trantham's is to be merged with the Plummer company, makes this new move a still greater magnitude and importance.

Messrs. Trantham were connected for a long time with Plummer's Store, and sold their interests there a little more than a year ago to Mr. H. L. Wilson. Then Trantham's purchased the business of Walter Cobble, and have enjoyed a good business there.

The new concern will be owned by H. A. Plummer, H. L. Wilson and the Messrs. Trantham. They are considered among the leading business men of the town, and with this consolidation in the old Plummer stand, while operating Plummer's Bargain Annex in the Weilt building, the firm will be in position to give genuine service to Brevard and Transylvania county.