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## NOTHING DONE AS YET IN RALEIGH

Time Draws Near For Adjournment—But Little Accomplished

## NO LOCAL LEGISLATION FOR TRANSYLVANIA CO.

Substitute School Bill May Be Against the Smaller Counties

At time of going to press this week, nothing of any importance had been done in the legislature in Raleigh. Bills in which this county is especially interested are still in committee, and as the time of adjournment nears there are many people who fear that no legislation at all will be put through for Transylvania county.

The local bills affecting this county are still "up in the air." The Galloway bill, which provides for combining the offices of tax collector and sheriff, with a salary increase of one thousand dollars a year; reducing the number of county commissioners from five to three; to abolish the office of county treasurer, and to abolish the office of rural policeman, had passed the house, but is held up in the senate committee.

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Senator Galloway has introduced other bills, in which the office of county treasurer be abolished, and the number of county commissioners reduced from five to three members.

None of these bills have been acted upon as yet, at the time this is written Wednesday noon.

The state-wide school bill has not been enacted into law. The McLean bill has been shoved aside for a substitute measure, which, it is said by many, will be detrimental to small counties like Transylvania and good for the bigger, richer counties of the state. It is not known when this measure, if ever, will get through both houses in such shape as to be acceptable to the senate and to the house.

It is said the substitute bill would give a county like Rowan, for instance, \$75,000 from the equalizing fund, whereas that county received only \$1300 last year. It is further pointed out that Wake, another rich county, would get \$95,000 under the substitute bill, while it got nothing last year from the equalizing fund.

The substitute bill, known as the Hancock substitute, is looked upon by many as a bill particularly favoring the more wealthy counties, and doing but little for the small counties.

There seems to be a better chance for enactment of the Workmen's Compensation bill than at any time heretofore. Only the matter of time, it now seems, can prevent the passage of this bill. Time for adjournment may come before final action can be taken on this measure.

Finance bills are in danger. There is serious danger that the finance measures affecting this county and the town of Brevard will "die in committee," or adjournment will come before they are again brought up in the legislature.

**FIREMEN RECEIVE AID FROM THE TOWN BOARD**

At the meeting Monday night of the mayor and board of aldermen, the request of the fire department for needed things was granted, and order was placed for such things.

Among the new equipment will be eight pairs of rubber boots, six pairs of rubber gloves, six raincoats, two nozzles, a drying rack for the hose. It was also ordered that the firemen are to receive one dollar for each fire, and a dollar an hour each for the time spent in fighting fires.

**JOINES ACQUIRES PARTNER'S INTEREST IN FRANKLIN FIRM**

Announcement has been made of the recent transaction taking place in business firms in Franklin, in which deal Joines Motor company of Brevard, has acquired complete control of the Ford Agency in Franklin.

**REV. DR. CHAPMAN GAINING RAPIDLY**

Friends throughout the town and country and readers of The Brevard News in general will rejoice in the good news that the Rev. C. D. Chapman, who has been quite ill the past ten days at his home on East Main street, was reported to be considerably improved Wednesday morning. Dr. Chapman, who is in his 83rd year, has been suffering from a severe attack of the flu, and his many friends hope for his speedy recovery.

Dr. Chapman's weekly contributions to The Brevard News through "The Prayer Corner" have proved for many years an important feature of this paper, as evidenced by statements made from time to time by many readers of the paper.

## SIMS TO ACT AS TRUANT OFFICER

### Ordered To Enforce Compulsory School Attendance Law

Rural Policeman Eck Sims will devote much time during the next two months in rounding up the children who are not attending school regularly, and where cases of flagrant violation of the compulsory school attendance law are found, Sims is authorized to prosecute parents of such children.

This action was taken at the meeting of the school board Monday, in response to a suggestion made by the directors of the Kiwanis club. Officials of the board of road commissioners had agreed to permit Mr. Sims to do this needed work without extra charge to the school board.

Several boys, it is reported, have been staying out of school, and the practice is said to be almost county-wide. The officer will visit every school in the county, ascertain the absences, and make investigation at the homes to see wherein the trouble lies.

It is believed several cases will be prosecuted, and the parents of children who are not attending school will be called upon to either render lawful excuses or pay the penalty attached for violation of the school law.

In cases where children need clothing, and evidence is furnished that the parents are unable to provide such clothing, the school board will supply these needs.

It is believed strict enforcement of the school law will do much to keep certain boys out of trouble.

## FOURTEEN DEEDS FILED IN MARCH

Fourteen deeds have been filed in the register of deed's office since March 1, showing the tremendous activity in real estate circles. Following are the deeds as registered:

J. M. Kilpatrick to Sarah S. Kilpatrick.

J. M. Kilpatrick to Carroll K. Kilpatrick et al.

Jennie Bishop to W. L. Bishop.

W. L. Bishop to J. A. Floyd.

Alonzo Banther to Loonie Banther.

C. J. Johnson and wife to A. G. Shores.

A. G. Shores to S. C. Harvey.

Gemmima Glazener to Eliza Garren.

R. H. Ramsey, commissioner, to T. H. Shipman.

Raymond Bishop and wife to J. A. Floyd.

Castle Valley Land Co., Inc., to Nellie Hoban.

W. W. Lowe to Isaac Holden.

F. E. B. Jenkins to J. L. Whitmore.

Gemmima Glazener to Kate Paxton.

### WOMEN'S BUREAU PLANS COMPLETE FOR BAZAAR

Final arrangements have been made for the Children's Bazaar, sponsored by the Women's Bureau, which will be presented Monday night, April first, in the store room recently vacated by Pushell's store. According to plans the bazaar will continue for several days.

It is expected that this bazaar will be one of the outstanding events of the season, with extensive plans for constantly materializing and present indications point to a most successful outcome. The enterprise is for the benefit of the school ground beautification movement, and is to be a community event.

### KIWANIS DIRECTORS PLAN PROGRAMS FOR THE MONTH

Directors of the Brevard Kiwanis Club met at the home of secretary Rush Whitmire last Tuesday evening and transacted much business, among which was the naming of chairman for the program committee for the month of March. J. M. Allison will have charge of the meeting this week. Rev. W. H. Hartsell will be in charge March 14; Lewis P. Hamlin will arrange the program for Thursday, March 21; T. C. Henderson will be in charge March 28, and Jerry Jeffer will arrange the program for April 4.

The attendance for the month of February averaged 82 percent, and the directors urge that this average be raised during the present month.

### REV. J. H. GRUVER TO PREACH AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. J. H. Gruver, superintendent of the Mountain Orphanage at Black Mountain, will preach at the Brevard Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock hour of worship.

### P-T PROGRAM POSTPONED UNTIL FOURTH MONDAY

The regular meeting of the High School Parent-Teacher association was held Monday afternoon of last week. Due to inclement weather only a few members were present, and the program which had been planned for this meeting was postponed until the next regular meeting, the fourth Monday in March. A short program was given, however, at this meeting, which was greatly enjoyed by those present. The meeting was presided over by the vice-president, Mrs. Gus Gillespie.

## TO BORROW MONEY TO REFUND BONDS

### Act Would Give Relief Until Business Conditions Improve

Leaders in county affairs are interested in proposed legislation that will authorize the county commissioners to borrow money with which to pay all bonds maturing between this date and up to the end of the year 1935. Further provision is made that a relief measure provides for refinancing the interest on bonds during this period of time.

This action is urged, it is said, because of the peculiar conditions existing here, and in an effort to lower the tax rate as much as possible. This section is now recovering from the slump that followed the bursting of the bubble created by the Florida and Western North Carolina real estate boom three years ago. While every one was making money in that period, the county paved roads and built school houses and made progress at a rapid rate. With slowing up of business, however, it was found that payments on these great improvement were larger than could well be cared for by taxation and payment of bonds as they matured; hence this relief measure until the county can "catch up" with its improvements.

With increased farming, and ever growing business as a summer resort, the coming industrial plants and the general increase in wealth, the payment of these bonds will be a comparatively easy matter five years hence, it is said.

### BAZAAR TO START MONDAY, APRIL 1

The Woman's Bureau met Monday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce rooms with 14 members present. A very encouraging report was made by the committee for the Children's Bazaar.

Superintendent T. C. Henderson made a brief address on the plans for beautifying the school grounds, reporting that a survey will be made and plans provided whereby a competent architect will be secured, to be paid for by the board of education.

These plans will be turned over to the Woman's Bureau, which has undertaken the work of further beautifying the grounds.

The Bureau also voted to put on a home talent play to be directed by Miss Lucile Smith, of the Martha Mason Production company, and the profits to go toward the school grounds work.

Miss Katherine Griffith was unanimously elected to the office of treasurer, taking the place of Mrs. H. E. Erwin, who resigned.

### BOX SUPPER WAS ENJOYED; LARGE SUM REALIZED

Generally pronounced an unusually successful event was the box supper given Saturday night in the Tinsley building by the Elementary Parent-Teacher organization for the benefit of the school grounds beautification movement.

In addition to the pleasure afforded by the auctioning off of the boxes by Mayor T. W. Whitmire, other features of entertainment included a spelling bee, participated in by Brevard's most distinguished spellers, with W. E. Breeze as spelling master. Musical features added to the pleasures of the occasion. A neat sum was realized by the Parent-Teacher body to assist in beautifying the school grounds.

### EASTERN STAR CHAPTER TO MEET ON MARCH 14

Organization of the Eastern Star chapter for Brevard is now an assured thing. The list is complete and a chapter will be organized on Thursday, March 14. All who have signed petitions for membership are requested to be at the Masonic Hall at 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon March 14.

### IN KIDDY LAND TO BE PRESENTED MARCH 22

A play entitled, "In Kiddy Land," will be presented in Brevard on the evening of March 22, sponsored by the Women's Bureau and given for the benefit of beautifying the school grounds. The participants will be entirely local talent, the cast including about 40 men and women of the town. Rehearsals for the play will begin March 12.

### MAC ALLISON IN CHARGE OF KIWANIS MEET TODAY

J. M. Allison has charge of the Kiwanis meeting, to be held at noon today at the Waltermire Grill. Club officials are anxious to increase attendance over last month, and it is expected all members who are in town will attend the meeting.

### NELSON LECTURING EACH NIGHT AT MASONIC HALL

Jeff Nelson, lecturer for the Grand Lodge of Masons in North Carolina, is spending the week in Brevard, lecturing each day and night to members of Dunn's Rock Lodge. Big crowds are attending the lectures and it is expected that practically all members of the lodge will attend during the latter part of the week.

## BOYS BOUND OVER NEXT TERM COURT

### Charged With Damaging Lake Toxaway School House and Equipment

Walter McKinney and Louie Jones, young men living in the upper end of the county, were bound over to court under bonds of \$500 each in Magistrate Shuford's court Monday, on the charge of damaging the Lake Toxaway school house and furnishings.

The young men were arrested last week by officers and given preliminary hearing Monday. The state put up only one witness of the many summoned. The evidence was that McKinney and Jones were found in the school building. The doors were locked, the witness said, and he and his companions climbed a ladder that had been placed against the building, found the screen over the window had been torn loose, and they entered the building through the window and found the two young men inside the building.

The witness testified that the organ had been turned over, many dishes belonging to the home economics class broken, benches and desks turned over, and desk drawers scattered about the building.

To add to the seriousness of the offense against the young men, it was testified that a half gallon fruit jar, partially filled with whiskey, was on the desk, and one of the boys stated the whiskey belonged to them, and took it away upon leaving the school house. The liquor charge was then added to the other charges against the boys.

Recently much damage had been done the same school building, it is said, and repairs had just been completed from that attack on the school house, when this case came up.

The boys are to be tried at the April term of criminal court. They offered no evidence at the preliminary hearing. Bond was made for both young men.

### MISS WILLIAMS MAKING RECORDS

That Transylvania county young people are making good in the various schools and colleges represented in different sections of the country is again demonstrated by the fact that Mary Ethel Williams, of Penrose, who is attending the Asheville Normal, made the highest record on the honor roll for the first semester not only of the freshman class, but also of the entire student body of 365 girls. Miss Williams' name also appears as one of the debating squad, a distinction seldom accorded a freshman.

Miss Williams graduated at Brevard Institute last spring with high honors, and much of the credit for her present success is said to be due to the thorough training given by that institution. Miss Williams is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Williams, of Brevard R-2.

Efforts are being made to have the time extended for payment of 1928 state and county taxes to the first of September. The law now is that these taxes must be paid in May, with advertisement of property on which the taxes have not been paid in June following. The change would give the citizens until September first to pay last year's taxes.

This action is being taken, it is said, because of the damage done by the flood last summer, which ruined many crops and left the farmers in unusual tight place. It is believed the citizens of the county will appreciate this extension of time in payment of their taxes, and many tax-payers have been heard to express the wish that such action will be taken before the legislature adjourns.

### COUNTY GOOD FOR FRUIT GROWING

(By J. F. CORBIN)

This is the last call for the dormant spray for our fruit trees that are rough and diseased, that have never had a good spraying, pruning, fertilizing, cultivation, and cleaning up in their whole lives, ad yet those are the very old trees that bore the good luscious fruit last summer that we are now sitting around the fire at night enjoying. It is said that in this world that we cannot get something for nothing and that holds true for an apple tree as well as for anything else and yet in this wonderful apple climate of ours we can come the nearest getting good crops of apples without any work I ever saw.

It is said that a new country is first discovered, then explored, then people hunt and fish until the game is all gone; next they cut all the timber that God put on the land, after which they must go to farming or perish. I am wondering just what stage of development we are in.

Corn is considered by farmers and agriculturists as one of the poorest money crops a man can grow and yet corn and potatoes are about the only crops we are trying to grow here. We must find some other cash crop from which to pay taxes and buy automobiles. The government survey of this county 25 years ago said that the rolling land was admirably adapted to growing apples. I'll admit that last fall we had more apples here than you could give away—such as they were. Many of those apples are still here but you can't sell them.

At the same time nice fruit trees from other sections of the country that were sprayed, pruned, fertilized, cultivated and graded are being shipped into this country and sold for 5c each in the stores.

This county will produce just as nice fruit as any other part of the country. Growing an apple orchard is a long time proposition, but nevertheless you have got to start sometime.

Good commercial apples are being grown across the mountain in the cotton belt and I know it can be done here. An acre of this good rich loamy soil, located in the right

## COMMITTEE NAMED TO RELIEVE BOARD

### County Commissioners Will Hear No More Appeals For Aid

At the meeting of the board of county commissioners held Monday, C. R. McNeely was appointed to represent the board, and meet with a representative from the board of education, and a representative from the Associated Charities, to hear appeals of those seeking present relief or aid from the county. The meetings will be held on the second Monday in each month.

This action is taken for several reasons, according to the commissioners. In the past, it has taken half the day and some times more than half the day, for the county commissioners to hear the pleas of those seeking aid from the county.

President Hoover was inaugurated president of the United States last Monday in what was pronounced one of the most spectacular events ever witnessed in Washington. Despite the rains that fell throughout the day, the great throngs of people who had come from every section of the country lined the streets and packed the area about the Capitol Building.

President Hoover's inaugural address was heard throughout the world, the radio hook-ups carrying his message to