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ARTHUR LEDFORD HELD OFFICERS AT BAY WITH SHOTGUN

State Men Look Into Business End of Sawed-Off Shotgun and Keep Still

AUTO INSPECTORS TELL OF THEIR EXPERIENCE

Say Ledford Declares He Has No Tag, Will Buy No Tag, Nor Be Bored

With a sawed-off shotgun, Arthur Ledford, resident of the Etowah section, is said to have held J. C. Champion and W. C. Martin at bay for about one hour Monday on Highway 28. Messrs. Champion and Martin are automobile inspectors, in the State Department of Revenue at Raleigh, and were in this section checking up on cars being driven without license. According to the account as given by the officers, Mr. Champion passed the car in which Ledford was riding, and seeing no tag on the latter's car, stopped to see about the matter. Ledford also stopped, it is said, and was on the ground when Mr. Champion turned to go back to the Ledford car. As he turned, Mr. Champion said, he looked straight into the dangerous end of the sawed-off shotgun, which Ledford had pointed directly at that particular spot in Champion's breast where his heart was wont to beat with regularity, but which immediately began beating with pronounced irregularity.

The officer told Ledford that he was an automobile inspector for the state, and only wanted to see him about the car on which there was no tag, whereupon, Mr. Champion says, Ledford informed him that he had no tag, did not propose to buy any tag; furthermore, Ledford is said to have asserted, that he intended to drive his car anywhere he wanted to drive it, at any time, and did not intend to ever buy a tag for it; still and yet furthermore, Ledford is quoted as having said, he did not intend to be bothered with any officers, and was ready to kill any officer that tried to interfere with him.

At this time, it is said, Mr. Martin, who was following Mr. Champion, arrived on the scene, saw his fellow-officer standing at the receiving end of the artillery, stopped as quickly as he could alighted from his car, and started toward Ledford. Then, it is said, Ledford turned the sawed-off shotgun until it pointed directly at Mr. Martin, who stopped, it is said quite readily, and stood quite still. Then, it is said, Ledford kept the gun on first one officer and then on the other until he had the two standing close together, just across the road from him. Mr. Martin thought, he says, that he had a chance once to get his gun from the holster while Mr. Champion was talking to Ledford, and succeeded in drawing his revolver almost clear of the holster. Ledford caught the movement, began pulling back on the hammer of his shotgun now pointed straight at Martin, and told him to drop it. He did. It is said Mr. Martin's gun slipped quietly and quickly back into place in his holster, clear to the bottom of it.

While the officers were talking with Ledford, they say, trying to reason with him, they made other efforts to gain a little advantage, but the slightest movement on the part of either of them was all sufficient to bring Ledford into action, pulling the hammer of his gun back, pointing the barrel straight at them, too, and they say that this always caused the barrel of the gun to expand, and grow larger, large as a man's leg, sometimes even larger

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WWNC FARM HOUR IS APPRECIATED

Farmers Asked To Give Preference for Day Program Should Be Given

Many farmers in Transylvania county have expressed appreciation of the farm program being broadcast each week over W W N C, by Dale Thrash, county farm agent in Buncombe county. Some suggestion has been made that the time of this broadcasting should be changed. At present Mr. Thrash is on the air every Saturday night. On account of the fact that many farmers are in town on that night causes several who would be interested in the program to miss Mr. Thrash's talk.

It is believed that the date could be changed should there be an appreciable number of farmers make such suggestion. The Brevard News would like for the farmers and other people interested in this farm broadcasting to make known their preference of the night. C. C. Yongue, one of the best known farmers in the county, says he would prefer any other night in the week to that of Saturday night. What do you think about it? Please give your opinion as to the best night for this farm broadcasting and the information will be transmitted to W W N C.

CHEVROLET COACH SOON TO BE GIVEN TO ITS NEW OWNER

Is Your Name Entered on the List of Those Fortunate News Subscribers?

IF NOT, BETTER ACT AT ONCE, FOR YOU MAY WIN

Time Flies, So Does Opportunity—Get In Now and Make a Try

Well, do you want the new Chevrolet Six Coach?

Go down to the Whitmire Motor Sales company, on East Main street and look at it, and think just how you would feel driving it home!

Some one is going to win this car, and it is not costing any one a single extra cent in money, and but a little time.

Just figure out how many people you think there are living in Transylvania county, and submit your estimate.

This offer is open to every one, everywhere, whose subscription to The Brevard News is paid up for the whole year of 1930—this present year.

If you are behind, then all you have to do is to pay up your back dues, and enough to pay for this full year, and then submit your estimate.

If you are not now a subscriber, then all you have to do is to subscribe to The Brevard News, pay one year in advance, and submit your estimate of the number of people living in this county.

The government will begin taking the census on April 2. There will be two census takers in Brevard township, and one each in the other townships. It will not take these people very long to count the folks in the county. Their figures, as given out by the government, will decide who wins the automobile.

The man or woman who makes the nearest correct estimate of the number of people in the county will be given the car, absolutely free, with extra tire, bumpers, and even filled with gas and oil and ready to ride home.

In case of tie, those tying will settle the prize between them agreeable to their own terms. We give but the one prize.

Last week Pisgah Forest was ahead of any other one postoffice in the number of estimates turned in. This week Rosman takes the lead, with Toxaway a close second. Of course, estimates are being turned in from many points and postoffices. From Boston, Mass., to the state of Washington, the estimates come, and from Detroit, Mich., to New Orleans. If people that far away are interested in the county, and studying the population figures, surely all the citizens of the county will be sufficiently interested to turn in their estimates.

Brevard stands at the bottom of the list, with number of subscribers taken into consideration. Fewer people, according to the number on our list, have submitted estimates in Brevard than from any other postoffice in the county. This, we believe, is because the people right here at home think they can gain something by waiting until nearer the close.

The closing of the event will come with a suddenness some day that will leave Brevard people out of the running. Better come in NOW, and get the matter off your mind. This MUST close long before the census taking is completed. It will be closed the very minute that a certain number of names are placed on the list with subscriptions paid up for the year. Then it will end, with but one announcement, and after that day and date all subscribers whose subscriptions are not paid up in advance will most certainly be dropped from the list. So one might as well come on in and pay up now, while that one can get an opportunity to win a new Chevrolet automobile. We're giving this car away simply to get our subscription list on the paid-in-advance plan, a plan which we most certainly shall maintain in the future. We hope every one will take advantage of this opportunity. We'd hate for you to say: "Well, well, that is the very number I would have estimated," when it is all over, and your opportunity to win the car gone forever.

The safest plan is to do it now. Be in the running. You can figure as closely as the next one on the population of the county. The figures given below show you how the population has increased in the past. Work and win. It won't hurt you to figure on your county, anyway. It is an education to all of us.

It was our intention to publish the names and address of all who have submitted estimates in this week's paper, but on account of lack of room this cannot be done. In next week's paper all the names and addresses will be published. Of course the estimates will not be published, simply the names and addresses, just to show the large number of people in the various sections who are taking part in this worthwhile plan.

Write us about your subscription.

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WWNC BROADCASTS BREVARD PROGRAM AT NOON THURSDAY

Kiwanis Club To Entertain Manager Sheppard and Assistant Manager Smith at Noon Luncheon—Radio in Dining Room To Receive the Broadcast from W W N C—Town Highly Pleased with Program.

G. O. Sheppard, manager of Brevard and Transylvania county people who have radio sets are urged to tune in on WWNC at 12 o'clock, and hear the program that is dedicated to this town.

Messrs. Sheppard and Smith will address the club members at 12:30, and they have some interesting information to give to the men of Brevard. Brevard recognizes the honor that is being bestowed upon it in having these officials here, and having a program broadcast dedicated to this town and to the Brevard Kiwanis club. WWNC is rendering a distinct service to all of Western North Carolina, carrying hourly messages of this wonderful section to people everywhere, and is rapidly becoming the greatest asset in all this section.

R. P. SILVERSTEEN CALLED SUDDENLY

Victim of Heart Attack—Brother of J. S. Silversteen—Prominent Attorney

Robert P. Silversteen, brother of Joseph S. Silversteen of Brevard, died suddenly Monday morning at his home in Scranton, Penna. Mr. J. S. Silversteen was notified of the sudden death of his brother, and left immediately, with his daughter, Mrs. Albert Kyle, for Scranton.

Robert P. Silversteen was only 37 years of age, but had already won fame as an orator and lawyer, being district attorney in Lackawanna county. His pleasing personality coupled with a great oratorical ability made him much sought after as a speaker, and much of his time was devoted to the platform. He was married and there were two children left with the widow in the stricken home. Mr. Silversteen had announced his intention of spending the summer in Brevard with his brother at the latter's home here in Silvermont. He was a graduate of Cornell, and took post graduate work at Columbia University.

The deceased was a director of the four Transylvania county industrial plants, the Transylvania Tanning company, the Toxaway Tanning company, the Rosman Tanning Extract company and the Gloucester Lumber company, all of which plants closed Wednesday afternoon as a mark of respect for the beloved man.

Brevard friends of J. S. Silversteen, knowing of the unusual strong ties that bound him to his younger brother, sympathized deeply with him in the anguish that came to him in the sudden death of his brother.

P.-T. ASSOCIATION IN REGULAR MEET

Opening the meeting of the Parent-Teacher association held Monday afternoon was an enjoyable program presented by children of Mrs. John McLean's kindergarten class, after which devotional were led by Rev. J. H. West, pastor of the Methodist church.

Miss Martha Boswell was speaker of the afternoon, telling interesting and instructive facts regarding proposed legislative measures, with particular reference to educational laws at the next session of the legislature. Some of the measures stressed by Miss Boswell were the 8-months school term for the entire state, compulsory school attendance laws and child labor laws.

The president, Mrs. H. L. Wilson, appointed a nominating committee for the election of officers, as follows: Mrs. J. E. Loftis, Mrs. F. P. Sledge and Mrs. Duckworth.

At the April meeting, which will be the last meeting of the school year, election of officers will take place and other matters of business transacted, followed by a social feature.

BLYTHE ENTERS IN REGISTER'S RACE

Clyde Blythe, well known young man of the Penrose section, makes announcement this week of his candidacy for nomination on the democratic ticket for the office of register of deeds. Mr. Blythe was a candidate for this nomination four years ago, making a fine showing in a three-cornered race in which Prof. J. E. Ruffy was successful. He is an adopted son of the late Dr. A. E. Lydey, and has many friends throughout the county who express themselves as being confident that Mr. Blythe will if nominated and elected, fill the office acceptably, declaring him to be especially fitted for the work.

NOTED SPEAKER IS HEARD IN BREVARD

J. B. Matthews, at the Institute, Speaks on "The Adventurous Life"

J. B. Matthews, general secretary for the Fellowship of Reconciliation, traveler and educator, spoke to the students of Brevard Institute and to a few of their friends Saturday morning.

Mr. Matthews' subject was, "The Adventurous Life." It is true, he said, that many young people today depend on thrills to make life interesting, and having tasted all the thrills, feel that life is boring and monotonous. These people should try the never ending thrill of contacts in human relationships. If one becomes a world citizen, he will not find life dull. If one becomes a world citizen he will find himself more sensitive to things everywhere. The time should come when instead of replying to the usual "How are you?" with "I am well, thank you," one will answer, "I am starving to death on the Yangtze, I am feeling the thrill of a new experiment in government in Moscow, I am oppressed by a fascist strut on the Tiber, or I am walking the streets of Chicago and Detroit hunting a job." To feel this way about the world will open up never ending avenues of adventure, and life will never become repetitions.

Mr. Matthews illustrated his talk with personal experiences in Russia, Turkey and in the United States. He emphasized the fact that we do not need to go far abroad to seek oppression. Certain groups of textile workers in North Carolina are suffering terribly for lack of food and have received injustice at the hands of both their employers and the courts.

Mr. Matthews was ably fitted to talk about world citizenship. He has worked and taught school in Java, China and India. He has traveled widely in Palestine and Europe, studying particularly the political troubles of England, Russia and the Germanic countries. He has been a leader in the youth movement both in this country and Europe and has directed all his efforts toward bringing about peaceful relations between nations, different races and different industrial groups.

DRAMATIC CLUB MAKES GREAT HIT

As an additional feature of the regular program at Clemson Theatre, the Brevard Dramatic club presented a varied program on Wednesday and Thursday of last week, which proved highly enjoyable.

Following was the program presented: "Waltz Clog," by the Sunshine Chorus; "He's So Unusual," by Miss Sue Garren; "Moonlight Ballet," by Miss Emily Schenck; song and dance by Mrs. Rush Whitmire and Mrs. Frank Carr; Jazz toe dance by Miss Millicent Livingston; "If I Had a Talking Picture of You," by Sarah Jane Whitmire and Sonny Carr; "Old Fashioned Yesterdays," by Miss Sue Garren followed by "Minuet in G" by the Misses Sue Garren and Emily Schenck; Acrobatic solo by Miss Martine Pearce; "Keep Your Sunny Side Up," by Miss Emmy Lou Wilkins; "The One That I Love Loves Me," by Miss Sue Garren; "The Breakaway," by the Sunshine Chorus.

SHERIFF T. E. PATTON ILL FOR SEVERAL DAYS

T. E. Patton, Jr., sheriff-tax collector of Transylvania county, has been ill for the past several days. Last week he was in Asheville for treatment, returning to Brevard Monday. On Wednesday morning the sheriff returned to Asheville for further treatment.

GREAT CROWDS TO GATHER NEXT WEEK FOR ROAD MEETING

Stikeleather To Be Principal Speaker at Big Dinner-Meeting Here

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PLANNING CAMPAIGN

Woman's Bureau To Serve Dinner for Meeting in the Masonic Hall

Arrangements are being made for a great meeting of the business men of Brevard and farmers from the county, to be held one night next week, at which time James G. Stikeleather, highway commissioner, will be the principal speaker. The meeting is to be held in the Masonic Hall, and the Woman's Bureau of the Chamber of Commerce will serve the dinner to the members of the Chamber of Commerce and all business men, professional men and farmers who care to attend. Mr. Stikeleather will talk on a question that is of vital importance to the people of the community—the highways and their improvement.

Wires have been sent to J. Paul Lucas, vice president of the Southern Public Utilities company, and it is believed he too will be present.

This meeting was planned at a meeting of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce held Tuesday evening in the private dining room of the Waltermire Hotel. The directors had gathered at the Chamber of Commerce rooms for the regular weekly meeting, then invited to talk the sessions of the Waltermire, where a surprise awaited the directors in the form of refreshments served by President T. W. Whitmire, head of the Chamber of Commerce.

Miss Mattie E. Lewis, secretary of the organization, made splendid reports of the numbers of inquiries being received now for houses, boarding places for the summer, indicating that Brevard will have an unusually fine summer. Other reports made at the meeting, some concerning the industrial end of the work, combined to make the meeting Tuesday evening one of the most interesting ever held by the board of directors of the Brevard Chamber of Commerce. With the proper work and activity, it is an assured thing that Brevard can have the greatest season this year in its history.

Tickets will be on sale soon to those who desire to attend the dinner-meeting next week. It is believed there will be at least one hundred men at the meeting. Much depends upon this meeting, and all who have the interest of the community at heart will make every effort to be present, and take a progressive citizen's part in carrying on the work without which the community cannot make its proper progress. Nothing is of greater importance to this section than the matter of highways, and all citizens will be interested in hearing Mr. Stikeleather.

The following men have charge of (Continued on page seven)

LEGION TO MEET FRIDAY EVENING

Monroe Wilson Post, No. 88, of the America Legion, will meet Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, to hear an address by Division Vice Commander C. A. Pennington, of Oteen. All World War Veterans, whether members of the Legion or not, are urged to attend this meeting and hear the distinguished Legion official.

There are many matters of importance to all ex-service men to be discussed by the vice commander, matters pertaining to the welfare of the men who were in the service, and officers of the local post urge all ex-service men, those belonging to the Legion and those who do not belong, to be on hand promptly at 8 o'clock, as the meeting is to start on the dot.

After the speaking, the Legion will elect officers for the next year.

CORBIN CLASSES DRAW BIG CROWDS

Evening class meetings conducted by Prof. J. F. Corbin at Rosman are reported to be progressing in fine shape, with the attendance and interest increasing beyond expectations. Motion pictures on the growing of potatoes were shown at the last meeting, and the meeting this week will feature pictures on the raising of hogs.

The meeting next week, March 25 will begin at 7:30 o'clock, and will feature celery growing. It is requested that every farmer in the county interested in this matter be present at this meeting, and it is urged especially that the men who made the trip to Florida in the interest of celery culture be present and tell of their experiences.

ANNUAL JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET DECIDED SUCCESS

Fifty-Three Juniors Entertain 37 Seniors—Blue Moon Scene of Festivities

CLASS COLORS MINGLE IN BIG BANQUET HALL

Paul Schachner as Toastmaster Kept Things Humming—Faculty Present

Generally pronounced one of the most delightful junior-senior banquets ever held, was that of last Friday night, when the junior class of the Brevard High School entertained the senior class with a banquet at the Blue Moon. More than one hundred juniors, seniors and faculty members comprised the number of those enjoying this annual High School occasion.

The large banquet room was effectively decorated in the class colors, pink and green of the senior class, and lavender and green of the junior class, all combining to reflect a charming scene. Sherwood Forest was cleverly imitated in the room and wall decorations of green branches and vines, causing one to feel on entering the room that he was actually in a beautiful natural green forest. The forest note and predominating colors were further emphasized in the hand painted place cards on which appeared the Jester of Sherwood Forest, each card bearing the words, "Eat, Drink and Be Merry." The favors of mint cups containing pink and green mints were in the shape of Robinhood caps, and leading further to the effective scene were the tall pink tapers in green candle holders, the miniature pine trees adorning the pink ice cream and the confetti bags of pink and lavender. The ten young ladies serving at the long tables were attractively dressed in Robinhood costumes.

The following interesting program was rendered: Toastmaster, Robin Hood; Paul Schachner; Welcome to Sherwood Forest, Robin Hood; song, "To King Richard and his Knights," by Jean English; "To Ye Lords and Ladies," by Mollie Snelson; song, "To Maid Marion" (High Ideals), by Glenn Miller; school song; responses to toast by Julius Hinton, senior class president, and Mark Taylor Orr.

The highly enjoyable menu was as follows: Fruit cocktail, creamed chicken, rice, cranberries, green peas, celery, rolls, fruit salad, ice cream, cake, iced tea, mints.

The 37 seniors present included: Jack Ashworth, George Bryson, Julius Hinton, Samuel Henderson, Harold Kilpatrick, Alexander Lance, Albert Lyday, Wilson Lyday, Joseph Alfred Miller, Charles Morgan, Thomas McCall, Mark Taylor Orr, Robert Reid, Garland Sledge, Hays Shipman, Joe Tinsley, Holland Talley, Agnes Anne Bowen, Edith Marie Burnette, Frances Dalton, June Grogan, Bessie Lily Gravely, Tina Hedrick, Mary Elizabeth Hamilton, Ada Hedrick, B. J. Hampton, Mary Jenkins, Elizabeth Mills, Edith Mull, Mary Nicholson, Pauline Powell, Leslie Reid, Laura Verner, Martha Vaughn, Almata Waters, Gladys Wood.

The junior class comprises 53 members, as follows: Paul Schachner, Dixie Jones, Ruth Perry, Sue Hunt, Margaret Bryson, Bess Reid, Mildred Hamilton, Flora Reid, Agnes Jones, Jean English, Sara Louise

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OLD FIDDLERS TO FIDDLE FURIOUSLY

Contest To Be Staged at High School Building Friday Evening, March 28

Coach Tilson is planning an Old Fiddlers Convention, only the program includes numbers by string bands, banjo solos, and all kinds of string music. The affair is to be held at the Brevard High School on Friday evening, March 28, and a small admission is to be charged. Prizes are to be awarded to the best number, the second best and the third best, whether it be the fiddle, banjo or string band. All musicians of the county desiring to enter the contest are urged to communicate with Coach Tilson at the Brevard High School, at once.

Judges for the event are to be selected as follows: one from the upper end of the county, one from Brevard and one from the lower end of the county.

The proceeds are to go toward wiping out the indebtedness of the Athletic association. The boys in purchasing their basketball, baseball and football outfits, and in the expenses of the games played, find themselves in debt, and this form of entertainment is being given for the purpose of clearing these debts.

It is believed that a large crowd will witness the musical contest, as this county has some of the finest string instrument performers to be found in the country.