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## All Schools of the County to Begin Work Monday Morning, September 1

### BREVARD SCHOOLS TO HAVE PROGRAM

Appropriate To Labor Day—Commercial Course To Prove Popular

With a short program appropriate to Labor Day, the Brevard High students will gather in the auditorium at 8:30 next Monday morning for the beginning of a new year's work, while Grammar and Primary schools will begin work in their respective buildings. The High school will have an additional member of the faculty this year, with Miss Puette devoting her full time to library work. Last year she had the library and class work, but with this double duty she is said to have so managed the library work that students read more during the past year than they had in the three previous years combined.

Following is a list of teachers in the High School, with classification of work:

J. H. Jones, superintendent.  
Hinton McLeod, principal and mathematics.  
J. A. Glazener, agriculture.  
Ernest Tilson, science.  
C. E. Wike, Latin and civics.  
Miss Juanita Puette, library.  
Mrs. Pat Kimzey, home economics.  
Miss Elizabeth Ramsey, English.  
Miss Gladys English, science.  
Miss Mary Frances Biggers, English.

Grammar  
J. E. Rufty, principal and seventh grade.

Mrs. E. W. Blythe, seventh grade.  
Miss Myrtle Barnette, sixth grade.  
Miss Agnes Clayton, sixth grade.  
Mrs. Pearl Brittain, fifth grade.  
Miss Lois Wike, fifth grade.  
Miss Garnet Lyday, fourth grade.  
Miss Josephine Clayton, fourth grade.  
Miss Eva Call, music.

Primary  
Mrs. F. P. Sledge, third grade.  
Miss Willie Aiken, third grade.  
Miss Bertie Ballard, second grade.  
Miss Geneva Neill, second grade.  
Mrs. J. E. Rufty, first grade.  
Miss Lucielle Wike, first grade.

It is said that a large number of former graduates will enroll for the commercial course. The afternoon period will be set aside for classes to be made up of part time students who want no other work except the commercial course.

### FISHER REUNION ON SEPTEMBER 6TH

Many hundreds of people are planning to attend the Fisher reunion which will be held at Lake Toxaway on Saturday, September 6. This reunion is an annual event, and brings together a large number of relatives and friends each year.

Following is the program as prepared by the committee on arrangements:

Music by band; called to order 10:30 A.M. by vice president; prayer by Rev. E. R. Pendleton; welcome address by Rev. A. L. Vaughn; music by band; principal address by James F. Barrett; music by band.

Business—General report by secretary, Mrs. L. F. Norton; report on plans for 1931 by L. C. Case; offering; election of officers; music by band; formal dismissal.

Refreshments—Thanksgiving by Rev. S. B. McCall; picnic dinner in churchyard (everybody welcome); visit to cemetery with decorations.

J. C. Fisher is president of the reunion, and Mrs. F. L. Norton is secretary.

### ROSMAN SCHOOLS ALL READY TO GO

Prof. G. C. Bush, Principal, Announces List of Faculty Members

Rosman schools will open next Monday, and it is expected that an unusually large enrollment will be recorded. Prof. G. C. Bush, of Lenoir, is in charge of the Rosman schools as principal, with a strong faculty to aid him in his work.

Following is the list of teachers for the High School:

G. C. Bush, Lenoir, principal.  
J. F. Corbin, agriculture.  
S. H. Mingus, Connelly Springs, mathematics.  
Miss Eva Bowden, Rockingham, N. C., English and French.  
Miss Martha Boswell, Brevard, Latin and geography.  
Miss Cleo Jamerson, Spartanburg, S. C., music.  
J. I. Cline, Granite Falls, N. C., science.

Elementary

A. K. Moore, Lenoir, principal.  
Miss Edna White, Rosman, first grade.  
Miss Annie Davies, Honeypath, S. C., second grade.  
Miss Geneva Paxton, Calvert, third grade.  
Miss Iris Wilkerson, Milledgeville, Ga., fourth grade.  
Mrs. T. E. Reid, Brevard, fifth grade.  
Miss Beatrice Sisk, Rosman, sixth grade.

### DAVIDSON RIVER SCHOOL TO START

Davidson River school will start work next Monday morning with Prof. Jenkins as principal, succeeding Prof. W. B. Henderson who was principal there last year. Working with Prof. Jenkins as teachers will be Miss Julia Deaver, Miss Annie May Patton and Misses Mamie and Flora Lyday. Next to Brevard and Rosman, the Davidson River school is the largest in the county. Last year more teachers were employed at the Davidson River school, but on account of the fact that the average attendance fell below the number required by law for this many teachers, two were dropped, in accordance with the state law governing the number of teachers for each school.

Enon school at Penrose will begin work also on Monday morning, with Prof. T. M. Sumerel of Gray Court, S. C., as principal and Miss Fleeto Freeman as assistant.

### ZACHARY REUNION SET FOR SATURDAY

People from many sections of the Carolinas and other states will gather at Cashiers next Saturday to attend the 22nd annual reunion of the Zachary family. This reunion is one of the most interesting held in Western North Carolina, and brings together the descendants of the first settler of Cashiers Valley. The reunions are held at the cemetery where lie buried the pioneers whose work was that of laying the foundation for the great community which now is visited annually by tourists from all the southern states.

Wm. E. Breese, president of the Brevard Bar association and one of the outstanding speakers of the state, will deliver the annual address to the association members and their visitors. At the noon hour a dinner will be enjoyed. A large number of Brevard people will attend the meeting.

## Flower Show Pronounced the Most Successful Event In Bureau's History

Demonstrating the fact that Brevard is enriched with an especial wealth of flowers was the annual flower show sponsored by the Woman's Bureau Thursday and Friday in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, which event was generally pronounced the prettiest and most successful show ever held here. Cut flowers, wild flowers, ferns, potted plants, many of beautiful and rare varieties in vari-colored hues, all harmoniously blended to present a veritable bowerland of flowerdom.

A registration of visitors reveals that approximately 500 residents and tourists attended the show during the two days and night of the exhibit, representing a total of 18 states and the District of Columbia. More than 300 people, arriving in an almost constant stream, were in attendance the first day and night, despite the downpour of rain at frequent inter-

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### INSTITUTE OPENS NEXT WEDNESDAY

Only Four New Teachers—Prof. Winton Expects Big Year's Work

School work will begin next Wednesday morning at the Brevard Institute, with the same management and faculty, except two or three changes. Miss Tenille Williams, of Cofield, N. C., is here for her first work, and will be in charge of the department of modern language. Miss Evie Mae Johnston, of Thomaston, Ga., will head the department of home economics. Miss Lena Long, of Atlanta will be in charge of the department of English, and Mrs. J. L. Saltz, of Brevard, is dietitian. With the exception of the foregoing new members, all other members of the faculty have been re-elected.

Prof. J. F. Winton, superintendent, expresses the belief that the coming year's work will be the greatest in the history of the institution. The Brevard Institute is one of the town's greatest assets, and the citizens are deeply concerned in the success of the institution.

### BIG BOX SUPPER THURSDAY NIGHT

Ladies of Brevard are requested to take a rest this Thursday evening, and prepare no supper for "the old man" at home, because the members of the Wesley Bible Class of the Brevard Methodist church are to have a box supper on the court house lawn, and they want the men, young men, middle aged men and old men, to come there and buy boxes and eat supper with the fair owner of the supper which each one buys. The boxes will be auctioned, starting promptly at 6 o'clock in the evening, and those who cannot be on hand at that hour need not remain away, for there will be an abundance of box suppers prepared for all.

In event of rain, the affair will be held in the Masonic Hall, so the weather cannot interfere with the plans of the committee in charge of the supper. The public is invited to attend, and all Methodist women are urged to bring boxes, and all women of other denominations who will do so, are urgently requested to bring boxes and assist the class in its work, with the assurance from the members of the class that they will do a much for the classes of other churches whenever opportunity is presented.

### MOTTSMAN SUING FOR LARGE AMOUNT

Harry Mottsmann, formerly of Brevard, has entered suit in Henderson county court against Max Brenner in the sum of \$15,000 damages, alleging that Brenner slapped Edward Mottsmann, the plaintiff's son, and called him "a liar, thief and crook." It seems that young Mottsmann was working for Brenner, and in taking the money to the cashier for a sale that had been made, the cashier returned change as from a one dollar bill, while young Mottsmann is said to have declared that the money was a five dollar bill. In the argument that followed, it is charged, Brenner slapped the boy, and called him "a thief, a liar and a crook."

### DONALD LEE MOORE'S SONG TO BE ON AIR NEXT WEEK

On Thursday morning of next week, at 9:45 o'clock, WWNC will broadcast a song that was written, both words and music, by Donald Lee Moore, popular Brevard boy. The new song is a negro spiritual, entitled, "Lord, I am Helpless, Poor and Needy." Brevard friends and admirers of young Mr. Moore will be at their radio on the morning when this new song is to be heard here for the first time.

### REV. R. L. ALEXANDER FROM WINNSBORO MEETING

Rev. R. L. Alexander, pastor of the Brevard Presbyterian church, has returned home after conducting a week's meeting in Winnsboro, S. C. Mr. Alexander reports a very successful meeting in the South Carolina town.

### HOLIDAY WILL BE OBSERVED IN BREVARD NEXT MONDAY

Next Monday, Labor Day, being a holiday, the banks will be closed, and the regular monthly meeting of the Board of County Commissioners will be held on Tuesday instead of Monday. General County court will convene Tuesday morning instead of Monday, on account of the holiday. Cases set for Monday will be heard Tuesday.

### TEXAN BUYS TRACT OF EAST FORK LAND

Construction Already Started On Dwelling House and Dam for Lake

### BELIEVED THAT OTHER TEXANS ARE COMING

Hospitality of East Fork People Helped To Close the Big Deal

A. E. Cooper, of Austin, Texas, has purchased 37 acres of land from T. H. Shipman and associates, lying in East Fork township, adjoining the lake recently constructed by the Brevard men. Mr. Cooper has already started work in the construction of a dam in creating a lake on his property, and is doing much repair work on the house. Extensive improvements, it is said, will be made, and Mr. Cooper expressed intention of making his newly acquired place into an ideal summer home.

Mr. Cooper came here a few weeks ago, spending some time at the Franklin Hotel. He was delighted with the community, he said, and decided to purchase a place and be ready to spend the next season here in his own summer home. Placing an advertisement in The Brevard News, in which he stated that he wanted to purchase a few acres on which there was a stream of sufficient size from which to have a lake, or swimming pool, Mr. Cooper was shown over the county by some of those who answered his advertisement. When he reached East Fork and saw the lake on the Shipman property, and was then shown the adjoining property he expressed belief that he had found about what he wanted. He made no decision, however, until one day later, when he ate dinner at the home of Mrs. W. E. Head. After that dinner, Mr. Cooper said he was ready to trade and go to work. Mrs. Head served the visitor with one of her famous dinners, including hot biscuits, such as she is noted for making.

This dinner is not mentioned in any light vein, but simply to prove that the hospitality of the people of Transylvania county is a great factor in the community's development, for the splendid manner in which Mr. Cooper was treated at the home of Mrs. Head and other citizens of East Fork, was largely responsible for his purchase of that place.

Mr. Cooper will, it is believed, be instrumental in bringing other families from his home state to the mountains of Transylvania county. Announcements that cannot be made at this time, but which will appear later, will give evidence of the fact that new activity is to be experienced here within the coming months. This sale is welcomed by all interested citizens, as it is significant of early revival of summer home expansion in the county. Activity of the Chamber of Commerce just now would, it is believed, be most beneficial.

### OLD FIDDLERS TO FIDDLE ONCE MORE

Friday night, September 12, will witness another great Old Fiddlers Convention in the county court house, with Frank Wilson and R. E. Mackey as managers of the interesting event. The convention held two weeks ago was so thoroughly enjoyed that the men in charge were implored to stage another of similar kind. The following prizes will be awarded:

- For the best one-piece number, \$2.
- For the best two-piece number, \$4.
- For the best three-piece number \$6.

No one will be eligible to contest for the prizes except citizens of Transylvania county, as the purpose of these conventions is to promote keener interest in Transylvania county in the old time music that used to be so thoroughly enjoyed here.

The court house was well filled two weeks ago, and it is believed that an even larger crowd will attend the coming event.

### SINGERS WILL MEET IN BREVARD SUNDAY

Hundreds of people will be in Brevard next Sunday for the all-day singing of the Transylvania County Singing Convention, and President Simpson, for many years head of the great aggregation of singers, says this will be the most interesting day ever held here. A new piano has been purchased, and will be in the court room, where the convention is to be held, and will add greatly to the enjoyment of the fine singing.

The best singers of the whole section always attend the meetings, on the Fifth Sundays in Brevard, and visitors from South Carolina will be here, as will many classes from surrounding counties, with the addition of the new piano, there is every indication that the convention will draw many more singers and classes than ever before.

## Death Claims Two of the County's Oldest Citizens

### CAPT. J. M. THRASH DIES AT AGE OF 86

Was One of County's Wealthiest Citizens—Had Lived Here Since 1886

Capt. John Milton Thrash, for many years one of Transylvania county's foremost citizens, died last Saturday morning at the Thrash home, Pisgah Forest, at the age of 86 years. The deceased was born in the Hominy section of Buncombe county, and came to Transylvania in 1886, and made his home on the fine estate now known as the Everett Farm. This place he later sold to Capt. Everett, father of the present owner, and then it was that Capt. Thrash purchased the farm where he had lived since.

The deceased had been active up until a few months ago, when he suffered a breakdown. In the very midst of this suffering, his wife passed away, and from the time of her death Capt. Thrash continued growing worse, and last Saturday morning he quietly went to sleep, death coming without any apparent suffering.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at the Brevard Methodist church, with the Rev. J. H. West and Rev. J. F. Winton conducting the rites. A large number of friends gathered at the church, and accompanied the remains to the family burying grounds on the brow of the hill overlooking the Thrash estate, where the body was laid to rest. Kilpatrick & Sons had charge of the funeral arrangements.

When but 16 years of age, Capt. Thrash entered the Confederate Army, as a drummer boy, later serving as a soldier. His war record will be given at a later date, as members of the family have requested this portion of the story to be written by Judge Robert L. Gash.

The deceased was a large property owner, having acquired some 1800 acres of land in this county. He had holdings in many other sections, and was known as one of the county's wealthiest citizens. Testimony has been given that Capt. Thrash had contributed much relief in his quiet and unassuming manner to the sick and distressed of the community, and when he was lying ill at home it is said that many colored people whom he had assisted congregated about the Thrash home, standing for hours hoping against hope that their friend and benefactor might recover.

Surviving are the following: P. H. Thrash, of Asheville, and T. O. Thrash, of Ocala, Fla., sons; Mrs. Carolyn T. Dorsett, a daughter; Mrs. J. L. Wolfe, a granddaughter who lives here, and several other grandsons and granddaughters. The deceased had a host of friends that had been closely drawn to him throughout the period of his long life.

## C. R. Sharpe Reports on Convention Of Junior Order; Much Work Done

C. R. Sharpe, for many years prominent in Junior Order circles here, has returned from Greensboro where he represented the local council in the state convention held at Greensboro last week. Mr. Sharpe is enthusiastic over the growth and accomplishments of the order.

Edgar V. Harris, of Tarboro, was elected to the office of the office of state councilor, while Rev. S. F. Nicks, of Roxboro, was named as vice councilor. Charlotte was selected as the convention city for 1931.

While many councils in Western North Carolina were represented, Mr. Sharpe said, numerous others had no representation, and the local man urged all councils in this section to send strong delegations next year.

Important among business matters transacted at the final session was adoption of a resolution placing the minimum age for membership in the Junior order at 16 instead of 18 years. State organizers plan to prosecute a vigorous "enlist-the-youth" campaign to continue through December this year. Charles W. Snyder of Winston-Salem, will again head up the organizing forces.

Building Approved  
The council's approval was placed upon proposed erection of a cottage for the superintendent of the Junior Orphans' home at Lexington. The house will cost \$8,000. A proposal was made in the form of a resolution providing for erection of a home for aged and indigent Juniors and their wives in this state, with definite action on the project to be taken at next year's council session.

The following, together with the councilor and vice councilor, constitute the officers for the coming year: J. D. Bobbitt, Durham, assistant recording secretary; W. E.

### W. S. ASHWORTH IS VICTIM OF STROKE

Farmer, Banker and Pioneer Merchant—Active In Public Life

Death claimed one of Transylvania county's grand old men last Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock, when William Sylvester Ashworth answered the summons of the Grim Reaper. More than a month ago Mr. Ashworth suffered a stroke, and fear was felt at that time, but the strong constitution resulting from an active and clean life enabled the stricken man to rally for a while, and hope was expressed for his recovery. But during the past few weeks his condition grew gradually worse, and last week his relatives were notified to come to his bedside.

Mr. Ashworth was 74 years of age, and nearly fifty years ago he was married to Miss Celia Orr. The couple would have celebrated their golden wedding anniversary had Mr. Ashworth lived until next January. Mr. Ashworth, a native of this county, has had much to do with its development and progress. He was interested in farming and stock raising, and for many years had been engaged in the lumber and feed business here. He was a director of the Brevard Banking company, the Pisgah Industrial Bank, and financially interested in other business enterprises here, giving his active work, however, to the lumber and building material business. Directors of the bank acted as honorary pall bearers at the funeral, which was held at the Brevard Baptist church Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock. As a mark of high esteem in which the pioneer business man was held here, all the business houses of the town were closed during the funeral hour.

The deceased had always taken a keen interest in public affairs, and had served many terms as a member of the board of county commissioners, and as a member of the board of aldermen of the town of Brevard.

A great throng of people attended the funeral services, attesting by their presence and the immense floral offerings the high regard which the community had for the man who worked so long and so faithfully in the section where he had spent his entire life. Rev. Paul Hartsell, assisted by Rev. J. H. West, conducted the funeral services, after which burial was made at the Gillespie cemetery, with Kilpatrick & Son in charge of the arrangements.

Surviving are the widow and the following children: Mrs. R. E. Williams, of San Francisco; Mrs. George Shuford, Miss Louise Ashworth, Mrs. G. H. Paxton, Miss Reba Ashworth, and Messrs. Clyde, John and Charles Ashworth, all of Brevard. All members of the family were present when death came, except Mrs. Williams, who arrived late Sunday afternoon.

## C. R. Sharpe Reports on Convention Of Junior Order; Much Work Done

Hobbs, Clinton, conductor; W. C. York, Asheboro, inside sentinel; Martin Causey, Greensboro, outside sentinel; Sam F. Vance, Kernersville, secretary; Gurney P. Hood, Goldsboro, treasurer; Rev. R. Paul Caudill, Wake county, chaplain; and N. W. Johnson, Statesville, warden. National representatives are Charles E. Hamilton, Monroe; D. W. Sorrell, Durham; Fred O. Sink, Lexington; and Edgar Weaver, Greensboro.

Mr. Hamilton, retiring state councilor, was presented a set of silver as a token of appreciation for the service he has rendered the organization, and was also given a past councilor's jewel. Another recognition of faithful service was the reelection of Sam F. Vance to the office of secretary, a place he has filled admirably for more than 30 years. Mr. Vance is given much credit for the fact that the convention came to Greensboro this year, and for the harmony that prevailed throughout the sessions.

National Council Members  
Three members of the National Junior council appeared on the closing programs yesterday. Dr. Charles E. Brewer, national vice councilor and president of Meredith college, Raleigh; J. M. Sharpe, Reidsville, member of the national legislative council; and Dr. R. M. Kendall, Louisville, Ky., national council deputy.

Dr. Brewer particularly stressed the unselfishness of North Carolina Juniors in providing a home at Lexington for orphans. He mentioned that \$250,000 was set aside for its establishment, and that \$100,000 was subscribed for a dormitory already completed. The cottage to be erected

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