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## Ramsey Defeats Veteran Leader Almost 2 to 1 In Monday's Primary Contest for Mayor's Office

### FEW DAYS REMAIN IN WHICH TO COMPLETE WORK FOR THE BANK

Over 90 Per Cent Signed Up for Re-organization of the Institution

DELAY MOST DANGEROUS, AS FATAL DAY ARRIVES

Men Whose Notes Are Held as Collateral Apt to Be Called At Any Time

"If the men of Brevard would work as hard just one day in the banking situation as they worked Monday in the town election, we would have banking facilities here before you could say 'scat,'" said B. W. Trantham Wednesday. Mr. Trantham is chairman of the joint committees working in interest of re-organizing the Brevard Banking company, and re-opening the institution. Mr. Trantham was not discounting the importance of the town election, he said, but pointed out the fact that establishment of banking facilities here is of much greater importance than the town election. He was simply making the point that men will leave their work and labor day and night in an election, but few of them will give an hour to so great and important a task as that of providing banking facilities for the community.

The agreements have been more than 90 per cent signed up, but the big task comes, it is pointed out, in obtaining the signatures of the remaining few, and there are but a few days more in which to complete this work. The agreements must be signed by a certain day, else all the work that has been done will be wasted, and there will be no re-organization of the bank.

Whatever is to be done in the matter must be done at once, and all citizens who are interested in the community are urged to call upon Mr. Trantham, at headquarters in the Joines Motor company's place, and assist in winding up the necessary work. Outside banks, holding notes of Brevard and Transylvania county citizens, are showing much impatience with the delay here, and it is known that these banks will soon make a drive for collection of all paper in their possession. It is pointed out that men who owe notes to the local bank, which have been placed with outside banks as collateral.

### MUSIC LOVERS CLUB PRESENTS CANTATA

Brilliant Performance Marks Close of Musical Season in Brevard

(Contributed)  
Culminating the Brevard musical season was the brilliant performance by the Music Lovers Club of Cowan's Cantata, "The Rose Maiden," on Monday evening. Probably the most ambitious work ever attempted by a Brevard musical organization, it was nevertheless, done with considerable polish and skill. Due to the length of the cantata, several cuts were made, without, however, destroying the continuity of the story.  
The opening number, "The Rose of Love," was sung by Miss Biggers, soprano, and Mr. Boucher, baritone. Miss Biggers has a fine conception of style and her lovely voice was very pleasing in her solo numbers. In the duet, Colonel Boucher's clear baritone blended with Miss Biggers' soprano. Their numbers were sung with great fervor. Miss Long, a newcomer in the club, is a distinct addition to Brevard music. Her voice, in "Bloom on My Rose," was exquisite. In her solos, Mrs. Hartsell, another newcomer in the club, displayed a contralto voice of unusual depth and richness of tone. Mrs. Kizer, always a joy to hear, delighted everyone with her solo, "The Sleep of Even."  
The duet, "I know a Rosebud Shining," sung by Mrs. Kizer and Mrs. Allison, was a number long to be remembered. Mrs. Kizer's velvet voice blended well with Mrs. Allison's crystal clear soprano. Miss Strickland showed a keen sense of dramatic in her beautiful solo, "Far from the Summer Blossom." Mrs. Allison was again most pleasing in her solo with chorus, "Yea, e'en as Die the Roses."  
The chorus, "A Maid More Beautiful than May," "Mid the Waving Rose Tree," and "Tis Thy Wedding Morning," were sung with a subtle nuance of expression seldom heard outside of professional organizations.  
Not a little of the success of the cantata was due to the competent directing of Miss Eva Call. The stage was beautifully decorated, and a large and enthusiastic crowd greeted the singers.

### LARGE MAJORITY IS SURPRISE TO MOST PEOPLE IN BREVARD

Kilpatrick and Waters Also Go Down With Mayor Whitmire—All Strong Men

CLEMENT, GALLOWAY AND WALLIS NEW MEMBERS

Defeated Men Display Fine Spirit, and Urge All To Work for Brevard

Lacking but a few votes of winning a two-to-one victory over his opponent, Ralph H. Ramsey, 31-year-old lawyer, was swept into the mayor's office in Monday's municipal contest, upsetting prophecies and prognostications of Brevard's oldest prophets and prognosticators.  
The contest was in the democratic primary, in which custom has decreed that the high man, when but two candidates are entered, is, in effect, elected, the May election being simply a ratification of the primary action. When republicans put a ticket in the field, then the May election becomes a two-party contest, but the republicans having voted in Monday's primary, eliminates any political contest in the May election.

T. W. Whitmire, present mayor and many times mayor of the town, polled 189 votes, while Ramsey received 369. The race developed into something akin to a contest between age and youth, the older citizens who have long had charge of affairs here, and the younger citizens of the town, lining up as if for real battle. Going down with Mayor Whitmire were two members of the present board of aldermen, both of whom have long been close co-workers with and allies of Mr. Whitmire. These were R. P. Kilpatrick and J. E. Waters, both strong men in local affairs. S. M. Macfie and Clyde Ashworth were the only members of the present board to be re-nominated in Monday's hot contest. The other three successful candidates were T. H. Galloway, Frank D. Clement and William J. Wallis.

T. H. Galloway, Transylvania's Grand Old Man, led the ticket with a vote of 485, continuing his unbroken record of signal victories in every contest in his long and useful life. He has filled many important positions in the county, and served in the North Carolina legislature. He has never been defeated for public office. The vote on the aldermanic ticket ran from this high vote of 485 for Mr. Galloway, down to 210 for J. E. Waters.

Discussions on the streets since the count was made give many and varying reasons for the results of the primary race. The town's failure to obtain security for \$80,000 deposited in the bank was one reason given as having had bearing on the case. Recent action of the board in raising the water rents in the town was given emphasis in the campaign and on pri-

### BREVARD MEN TO ATTEND HENDERSONVILLE MEETING

Brevard Kivansians are to attend a meeting of the Hendersonville Kivans club next Monday night, May fourth, when the Hendersonville club will stage an All-Kivans Night. President Alexander, of the Brevard club, announces that this will take place of the regular meeting scheduled for Thursday of next week, and expresses hope that every member of the local club will attend.

### J. E. RUFFY NAMED TO HEAD SCHOOLS

Succeeds S. P. Verner as Superintendent of Public Instruction in County

Prof. John E. Ruffy was elected to the office of superintendent of public instruction in Transylvania county at a special meeting of the school board, last Friday. It is not known how many applications had been made for the position, as the board had advertised that the special meeting would be held on that date, and election made, advising any one desiring to make application for the position to do so, in writing, before that date.  
Prof. Ruffy succeeds Prof. S. P. Verner, who has held the position of superintendent for the past two years. Mr. Verner has made no announcement as to his plans for the future. The newly elected superintendent has been serving as principal of the Grammar school in Brevard, and prior to holding that position, was principal of the Davidson River school. He is well known in the county, having been here for several years in one capacity or another in educational work.

### WINNER IN PRIMARY



RALPH H. RAMSEY  
Young attorney who was nominated for Mayor in the Primary Election held in Brevard Monday.

### TO RE-ORGANIZE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AT COURT HOUSE MASS MEETING THURSDAY

Citizens of Brevard and the community who are interested in the welfare of this section, and more especially in the re-organization of the Chamber of Commerce, will meet this Thursday evening at the court house at 8 o'clock sharp to complete plans and perfect the organization of that body. Action to this effect was taken at a meeting held in the court house Thursday night of last week when a large group of Brevard people, both ladies and men, met and discussed pro and con the situation facing Brevard.

At the meeting this Thursday by-laws and constitution of the newly organized body will be brought before the members and prospective members by the committee appointed last Thursday. The committee is composed of J. W. Smith, Pat Kimzey and A. H. Houston.

Mayor T. W. Whitmire, president of the old Chamber of Commerce, presided at the meeting last week. Mrs. O. L. Erwin, president of the Woman's Bureau, which organization called the meeting, in speaking of the situation, stressed the fact that the Summer Season is now here, that there has been practically nothing done in the way of an effort to attract visitors to Brevard for the season, and that unless concentrated

### Simon Says Up--Simon Says Down Simon Says Wigwag--At Raleigh

Raleigh, April 27—The North Carolina General Assembly is deadlocked, apparently hopelessly.  
However, since it is darkest before the dawn, the light may break through and the deadlock may be broken, but it will be the unexpected. That is just what has been happening in the present session, and it may again in the one big problem before the law making body.  
Rays of light have come through the maze several times during the week past, but before hopes got too high, they were cut off and the darkness was blacker than ever. Other rays may break through, and may end as abruptly, and some day, or night, the clouds may clear and order come out of the chaos that envelops the General Assembly at the end of its 16th week and 106th day.  
The House appears fixed in its determination to make effective the State support of the sixth months school term, and by means in large part by the general sales tax of one per cent on gross sales. The Senate seems just determined, even with a smaller majority, to have the Folger-Grier plan of a \$10,000,000 equalizing

## Commencement Exercises End Year's School Work

### GRADUATING CLASS OF ROSMAN HIGH IS GIVEN HIGH PRAISE

Fine Group of Young Men and Women Source of Pride to Professor Bush

EXCELLENT WORK DONE IS STRESSED BY SPEAKER

All Programs Largely Attended By Proud and Interested Patrons and Friends

Twenty of Transylvania county's fine young men and women were given their diplomas in the Rosman High School Wednesday evening by Prof. G. C. Bush, principal, whose pride in the year's accomplishments of the school reached its highest plane in Wednesday's evening exercises. Prof. Oscar E. Sams delivered the commencement address, and throughout his great appeal to the class swayed the large crowd with his eloquence and clear logic. School patrons joined with the principal in expression of pride in the work done by faculty and student body.

Following is the program of the graduating exercises:

Invocation ..... Rev. J. M. Green  
Salutatory ..... Mildred Watkins  
Valedictory ..... Truett Henderson  
Baccalaureate Address

Presentation of Diplomas  
..... Prof. Oscar E. Sams  
Benediction ..... Rev. J. E. Burt

The Graduates  
Following is a list of the names of the young men and young women who received their diplomas Wednesday evening:

Helen Allison, Jessie Fisher, Dorene Lee, Edna McCall, Irena McCall, Louise McCall, Emma Jane McClean, Lennie Manly, Lula Manly, Nora Meece, Ruth Morgan, Bessie Owen, Mildred Watkins, Lilly Mae Whitmire, Mary Whitmire, Truett Henderson, Homer Manly, Harry Owen, Glenn Whitmire, Francis Moore.

Marshals for the Class Day exercises: Ruth Jordan, Beulah Moore, Bettie Nelson, Glaxton Henderson, Irene Pharr, LaVerne Whitmire, with Elsie White as chief.

Senior Play  
Commencement got well under way last Friday evening with presentation of the Senior Play, it being a comedy in three acts, and proved to be one of the most interesting and enjoyable affairs ever held in Rosman.

Baccalaureate Sermon  
Rev. Dr. Hoyt Blackwell, professor of Bible in Mars Hill College, preached the baccalaureate sermon last Sunday evening, and the noted educator won the hearts of his hearers as he held up to the young men and women of the class the great importance of the Christian religion in affairs of

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### METHODISTS TO MEET IN BREVARD NEXT MONTH

Members of the Brevard Methodist church are looking forward to May 19-20 when the District Conference will hold a two-day session here.

While here, the two hundred or more visitors from all churches in the district, will be entertained in the home of Brevard people, the meetings of the conference to be held in the Methodist church auditorium.

### PRIZES AWARDED TO WINNERS IN CLASS

Miss Eva Call, Music Instructor, Rewards Pupils for Their Work

Miss Eva Call, instructor in public school music in the Brevard schools, gave prizes and awards to many of her pupils last Friday. These were in recognition of work done during the year. Miss Call was high in her praise of the interest and cooperation of the students and of the elementary teachers.

Music Memory contest prizes were given to the following elementary students who made 100—Ruth Fulton, Anita Galloway, Mark Ball, Essie Mull, Edwin Hunt, Yvonne Robinson, Ora Holt Long, Robert Everett, Annie Neill, Martha Kate Moore, Gwendolyn Morgan, Emma Lou Loftis, Cornelia Winton, Harriet Winton, Violet Spruone.

Those making between 95 and 100 were given Reward cards: Dorothy Schachner, Charles Allen, Lucian Deaver, Clifford Grant, Dorothy Allison, Marshall Loftis, Annie Mae McCall, Clarence Poole Jr., Max Ashworth, Nell Scruggs.

Class 7-A, Mr. Ruffy's room, won a plaque of Schubert for having highest average, 78.5. Miss Lyday's highest average, 78.5. Miss Lyday's 4-A class ranked next to highest with

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### LARGE GRADUATING CLASS OF BREVARD HIGH MAKES RECORD

Noted Men Deliver Addresses—Packed Houses Enjoyed Each Program

CLASS DAY EXERCISES OUTSTANDING FEATURE

Prof. Hunter's Address to Class Wednesday Night Was Powerful Appeal

Forty-three young men and women received their diplomas Wednesday evening in the concluding chapter of the Brevard High School commencement, and brought to an end what is declared to be one of the most successful years in the school's history. Prof. H. T. Hunter, president of Western Carolina Teachers College, Cullowhee, delivered a powerful address to the graduating class, and Prof. J. B. Jones, superintendent of schools in Brevard, presented the diplomas. The school auditorium was packed to capacity with patrons of the schools and friends of the students. All exercises in connection with the commencement drew large crowds.

The following received diplomas:

Sara Louise Andrees, Hubert Batson, William Wallace Bridges, Margaret Bryson, Ruth Bryson, Paul Black, Clarence Bowen, Ruth Cunningham, Marie Case, Olga Dermid, Carol Davis, Henry Erwin, Jean English, Freeman Gillespie, Nola A. Gillespie, Sue Hunt, Mildred Hamilton, Faye Hollingsworth, James Jones, Dixie Jones, John Halsell Lyday, Mary Aileen Neill, Hinton McLeod, Jr., Roy McCall.

Ashe Macfie, Emma Lee Merrill, Jack Miller, Glenn Miller, Craig Misenheimer, Thelma Lorein Moffitt, Clifford Monteith, Eliza Nicholson, Ruth Perry, Flora Reid, Bess Reid, Edith Sellers, John R. Sledge, Dorothy Souther, Rebecca Summey, Willie Snelson, Paul Schachner, Rachel Williams, Marjorie Young.

Following is the program rendered at the graduating exercises Wednesday evening:

Music ..... By Orchestra  
Invocation ..... Rev. J. H. West  
Salutatory ..... Jack Miller  
Valedictory ..... Marie Case  
Address ..... Dr. H. T. Hunter  
Presentation of Diplomas

..... Mr. J. B. Jones  
School Song ..... By Seniors  
Benediction ..... Rev. Harry Perry

Commencement Sermon  
Dr. Melton Clark, acting president of Columbia Theological Seminary, Atlanta, preached the baccalaureate sermon Sunday evening, which made a deep impression upon the members of the class and the large number of people who heard him. No services

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### BREVARD YOUNG LADIES IN MAY DAY PROGRAM

Two young ladies of Brevard are taking prominent parts in the May Day celebration at Salem College. It is held May 2. The young ladies are Miss Adelaide Silversteen and Miss Ethel McMinn, students at the Winston-Salem institution. Miss Silversteen and Miss McMinn are members of the Junior and Sophomore class respectively.

### PROF. L. B. HAYNES DIED LAST SUNDAY

Great Educator and Church Leader—Body Carried to Former Home for Burial

(By S. P. VERNER)

Funeral services for Lawson B. Haynes, 80, known as the "grand old man" of education in South Carolina before he returned to spend his last years in the mountains of North Carolina, who died Sunday night at 8:20 o'clock at his home in Brevard following an illness of six weeks, was held at the residence here at 1 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Following the funeral service, the body was taken to Leesville, S. C., the old home, where burial took place Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock.

Professor Haynes began as a teacher in the mountains of Rutherford county, North Carolina, and he came back after half a century of service to end his days in the country he learned to love as a young schoolmaster.

Professor Haynes attained State-wide prominence in South Carolina about 40 years ago because of his espousal of the cause of Benjamin R. Tillman, when that redoubtable figure was first running for Governor. Relatively few educators were on Tillman's side then, but Professor Haynes stoutly took up the cudgels

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