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TALK TURNS TO NEW BANK AS TIME LIMIT PASSES ON THE 26TH

Prolonged Session of Legislature Aggravated an Already Hard Situation Here

CHAIRMAN TRANTHAM IS PRAISED FOR HIS EFFORTS

People of Section Recognize Need for Immediate Action Providing Bank Facilities

With arrival of the 26th day of May—time limit set forth in the agreement between the depositors and stockholders of the Brevard Banking company for re-organization of the Brevard bank—the whole matter is "up in the air," and no one seems to be able to say what the outcome will be. The agreement provided that plans as outlined for re-organization and re-opening should be perfected and approved by the state authorities on or before the 26th day of May, said agreement to be null and void unless said bank should be re-opened according to the terms of the agreement.

The Depositors Committee and the Stockholders Committee, working together under direction of B. W. Trantham as chairman, has rendered yeomanry service in an effort to obtain signatures of all depositors to the agreement. Members of these committees have ridden the county over, time and again, and procured hundreds and hundreds of signatures to the agreement. There were more than three thousand depositors, many of whom lived in distant states, and much correspondence has been necessary in reaching all of these out-of-town depositors. Many men have worked day and night, and at great expense to themselves, in the task of procuring the signatures to the agreement. All citizens who have expressed themselves have spoken in highest terms of the devotion to his duty that marked the work of Chairman Trantham.

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PRESIDENT J. JEROME NAMES MANY STRONG COMMITTEES FOR C.C.

Large Gathering Indicates Determination to Carry On with Town's Work

BY-LAWS SUBMITTED BY CHAIRMAN PAT KIMZEY

Woman's Bureau Lends Great Aid—All Business Houses Are Now Members

Despite the many counter attractions and meetings in the town, a goodly number of interested men and women attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting last Thursday evening in the county courthouse. President Jerry Jerome read appointment of various committees, while Pat Kimzey, Brevard lawyer, read the report of the by-laws committee. The suggested by-laws were, in the main, highly satisfactory, but some slight alterations and additions were suggested, whereupon the matter was re-referred to Mr. Kimzey's committee, and will be read and adopted at the next meeting.

Decision was reached that the rooms in the Joines Motor company's place, kindly tendered the Chamber of Commerce as headquarters, were too small for the purpose of the body, and efforts are being made to obtain use of the Weilt building, formerly known as Plummer's corner, for headquarters. Definite announcement will be made at an early date, and formal opening of the place will be observed.

Many people have complimented President Jerome because of the particular ability of each member of the committees to serve in the places designated. Following is a list of the committees and the appointments:

Agriculture—J. A. Glazener, chairman; Fred Johnson and Willis Brittain.

Finance—O. H. Orr, chairman; Mrs. O. L. Erwin and Mrs. John W. Smith.

Tourist—John W. Smith, chairman; S. M. Macfie, Roy Long, Carl Hardin,

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GREAT COUNTY FAIR WILL BE HELD IN BREVARD THIS FALL

That Transylvania county is to have a county fair this year was assured when President Jerry Jerome selected the committee on agriculture for the Brevard Chamber of Commerce. The three men selected are all known as advocates of county fairs, and fully appreciate the great value of such institutions in an agricultural community. As chairman of the committee on agriculture, Mr. Jerome named that pioneer in agricultural development, Julian Glazener, and to serve with him the president selected Willis Brittain and Fred Johnson. Mr. Brittain, manager of the B. & B. Feed and Seed company, is one of the best posted men in Western North Carolina on questions of agriculture, and through his business has been of untold worth to the farmers of this county. Mr. Johnson, an experienced farmer, yet for the past several years engaged in the retail grocery and farm produce business, is a worthy associate of the two first named in working for the promotion of agricultural interests in the county.

With these men working on a committee devoted to agriculture, it is absolutely safe to say that Transylvania county will have a good fair this fall.

Invitations are to be sent to Prof. Corbin, teacher of vocational agriculture in the Rosman schools, to become a member of the Chamber of Commerce, so that his name may be added to the agricultural committee, and those who know of Prof. Corbin's great ability and fine energy are confident that he will readily align himself with the organization, permit his name to be added to the committee, and then, it is pointed out, the machinery will be perfect for the best promotion of agriculture the community has ever enjoyed.

WORK BEING RUSHED ON HIGHWAY NO. 28

Soon To Be Paved To Sapphire—Great Scenic Beauty Route

Highlands, May 26.—Placing of a new rock crusher on Highway No. 28 in Jackson county near Cashiers, approximately 11 miles from Highlands, is expected to speed up the work of surfacing No. 28 between Sapphire and Gneiss. The crusher near Cashiers will probably be in operation within two weeks, it is stated by Highlands citizens who have observed the operations.

The link of No. 28 from Highlands to Sapphire is a federal aid project, the surfacing of which, it is understood, must be completed by September 1. The distance covered by this link is approximately 30 miles. It includes all of No. 28 in Jackson county and a few miles in Macon and Transylvania. When it is completed, along with the stretch from here to Gneiss, No. 28 will be surfaced from its eastern extremity at Bat Cave to Franklin.

Three Months Work

Fair progress is being made on the surfacing between Highlands and Gneiss. At the Short creek quarry the highway has been blocked at intervals to clear out blasted granite, but this inconvenience will be eliminated as soon as the granite mass has been quarried further into the mountain.

Road officials estimate that three months will be required to complete the laying of stone to the concrete at Gneiss. The surface will be rolled at intervals for a year, after which tar will be applied.

It is possible that a rock crusher which has been in operation on the Caesar's Head road between Brevard and the South Carolina line will be moved to Highlands and located at the municipal quarry. This is partly dependent on arrangements pending between the highway commission and the town of Highlands by which the town will furnish stone and power for crushing in return for surfacing of the streets, over which No. 28 is to run, to their full widths by the highway commission. If this arrangement is made, the three crushers will greatly speed the surfacing of No. 28.

CAROLINA-VALLEY BASEBALL LEAGUE

Plays Opening Game Next Saturday — Six Teams In New League

Representatives of six baseball clubs met last Tuesday evening with the Mills River club to organize an amateur league. Clubs represented were Fruitland, Valley Hill, Oakley, Mills River, Penrose and Pisgah Forest.

N. L. Ponder of Penrose, was elected president, and Mr. Lance of the Fruitland club, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Covington of the Covington Sport Shop of Asheville was present and gave several good suggestions and volunteered his service in helping to establish the league. Several rules and regulations were discussed and voted upon. Managers of the several teams meet Tuesday evening of this week to schedule games and adopt by-laws for the league. The opening games of the season will begin Saturday of this week. It is suggested that this league be called the Carolina Valley League.

Penrose and Oakley played on the Penrose field Saturday in a seven-inning game. Due to a cold wind and lack of organization, Penrose lost by the score of 24-11.

Pisgah Forest took the winners and won a seven-inning game by the score of 9 to 5.

INSTITUTE COMMENCEMENT CLOSING EXERCISES TODAY

Rev. Dr. R. L. Holroyd, of Greenville, S. C., will deliver the graduating address to the big senior class of the Brevard Institute this Thursday evening at eight o'clock. This address brings to a close the commencement exercises of the Institute and closes one of the most successful years in that institution's history. Under the leadership of Prof. J. F. Winton, with a strong faculty, the Institute is growing in power and influence each year. The public has been attending the commencement, and a cordial invitation is extended to all to attend this evening's adress.

FORTY-TWO MEN AND WOMEN SENTENCED IN FEDERAL COURT

Eighteen Are Given Suspended Sentences By Judge E. Yates Webb

TO BE IMPRISONED IF THEY VIOLATE THE LAW

12 Sent to Atlanta from County and 12 to Chillicothe—General Clean-up

Judge E. Yates Webb sentenced 42 Transylvania county men and women to the penitentiary and the county jail last week in federal court at Asheville. Twelve of these are to be sent to the federal prisons at Atlanta and Chillicothe; twelve are to serve senteces in Transylvania county jail and 18 were given suspended sentences. Never before in the history of the county have there been so many people sentencd to prison, which followed the general "clean-up" of federal officers here a few months ago. It will be recalled that United States officers worked in the county for a few days, and United States Commissioner A. E. Hampton's office in Brevard was a busy place for more than a week, as preliminary hearings were given those arrested.

Judge Webb announced, when passing sentence and suspending same on the eighteen men and women released in this manner, that if reports reached him from any reputable citizens of the county that any one of those people now free under suspended sentence were drinking whiskey, dealing in whiskey, or carousing with those who do drink or deal in whiskey, that such person would be taken into custoday and made to work the full term.

Those convicted and sentenced, being given suspended sentences during good behaviour, are as follows:

J. B. Owen, Claude Owen, Roy King, Mrs. Dick Pettit, Mrs. Brad Smith, Mrs. Robert Wilson, Mrs. Bertha Chapman, Mrs. Judd Plott, Bobbie Fisher, John Banks, Mrs. Lua Perry, Burt McJuncken, R. V. Allison,

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15 CENT AD VALOREM TAX ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

No Sales Tax of Any Kind To Be Adopted—Salaries Reduced, Including Teachers

LONG SESSION ABOUT TO COME TO FINAL END

Teacher Load Increased--Principals Must Also Teach, Reducing Number of Teachers

Raleigh, May 26—A miracle, little less, will be required to prevent the North Carolina General Assembly from passing the 1931-33 Revenue Bill this week, best predictions being that the measure will pass its third and final reading about 1 o'clock Wednesday morning, after which that body will adjourn after a record session of 141 days.

The House amendment adopted Tuesday night by a vote of 41 to 22 reduced the emergency school fund from $200,000 a year to $150,000. Both houses approved the bill on oral votes.

The House Tuesday night killed an amendment offered by Representative Seawell of Lee to abolish the state board of equalization and transfer its duties to the department of education.

Under the school bill the equalization board will distribute the school money to the counties.

The bill will require an appropriation of $16,500,00 annually. In addition it calls for the expenditure of $1,250,000, partly for state aid in extended terms.

It limits cuts in the salaries of teachers, superintendents, and principals to 10 per cent and also denies increases for the years 1931-32, and 1932-33.

By increasing the teacher load and requiring principals of schools with less than 40 teachers to do teaching, the bill reduces the numer of teachers by 1,320.

All possible economies are required before any salary reduction is en-

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HALSELL COMING TO BREVARD BY PLANE

Wealthy Summer Resident To Reach Brevard About First of July

E. L. Halsell, Muskogee, Oklahoma capitalist, will arrive in Brevard about the first of July, with Mrs. Halsell and nurse to spend the summer at the beautiful Halsell Summer home, at Davidson River. Word was received by Mr. T. A. English, master farmer of Transylvania county whose fine farm adjoins the Halsell property, that Mr. and Mrs. Halsell will come to Brevard in a hospital plane, and will make landing in the river bottom lands of Mr. English.

Mr. Halsell is well known here, having spent many summers at the Davidson River estate, one of the most beautiful summer homes in all the mountain section. He and Mr. English are close personal friends, and Mr. Halsell always expresses pleasure in being able to leave his business cares in the Oklahoma section to spend the summer months in this section, which he declares to be the most beautiful in all of North America.

The Brevard Kiwanis club always looks with pleasure to the arrival of Mr. Halsell, as he attends the meetings while here and adds much to the enjoyment of the programs. It is expected that a large number of Brevard people will gather at the English farm to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Halsell as they swoop down from the sky in their plane to take up their summer residence here.

BREVARD LAWYER ATTENDS GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION

Judge Robert L. Gash, prominent lawyer of Brevard and active in Presbyterian church work, is in Montreat, attending sessions of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian church. Judge Gash represents the Asheville Presbytery in the General Assembly.

NEW COMMITTEE TO BEGIN ACTIVE WORK

While the committee is working under a handicap having a late start, members of the Chamber of Commerce are confident that the tourist committee, appointed last Thursday night by President Jerry Jerome, will bring many people to Brevard for this season, and great crowds are expected in July and August, with a goodly number in June. The committee named to have charge of the tourist business of the Chamber of Commerce is made up of the following active men and women: John W. Smith, chairman; S. M. Macfie, Roy Long, Carl Hardin, Miss Florence Kern and Miss Katherine Griffin.

In addition to the task of directing the advertising work to be done in an effort to bring people here, this committee will also be responsible for the entertainment of the summer people while they are here. Forms of recreation and places of amusement are to be major portions of the planning by this committee. It will direct the publicity work to be done for tourists, and suggestion has been made that special efforts be made to get people of the Mid-west.

"KNOT HOLE GANG" TO SEE BALL GAME FREE SATURDAY

Lawrence Holt, manager of the Brevard baseball team, makes the announcement of a "knot hole gang" for the coming Saturday's game here with Waynesville. To be eligible for membership in the gang, any youngster thirteen or under will be admitted to the field without charge, provided he has a certificate of attendance at Sunday School last Sunday, or the Sunday School teacher can bring the class in a group. This rule is to be in effect at all games played in Brevard this summer, Mr. Holt announces. Waynesville is expected to bring a strong aggregation here for Saturday's affair, while Brevard with two straight wins can be expected to give the fans full value for their money. Game starts three-thirty.

TRANSYLVANIA LOW IN ITS POPULATION

Raleigh, May 26 — Transylvania county had a population density of 25.3 persons to the square mile, according to the 1930 census, which gave the county a population of 9-589 living in the 379 square miles of its land area, a report of the Development shows.

The average density of population in the State is 65 persons per square mile, or 3,170,276 persons living in the 48,740 square mile of land area. The range is from 287.8 persons per square mile in Forsyth to 13.2 persons per square mile in Tyrrell. Forysth, Durham, Gaston and Mecklenburg have more than 200 persons per square mile, and more than 100 persons live to the square mile in New Hanover, Guilford, Buncombe, Wilson, Rowan, Wake, Cabarrus and Cleveland counties. Forty-four counties have less than 50 persons per square mile.

Government lands in this county account for low density.

REV. R. L. ALEXANDER TO MAKE FASSIFERN ADDRESS

Rev. R. L. Alexander, pastor of the Brevard-Davidson River Presbyterian church, will deliver the commencement sermon to the students of Fassifern school, Hendersonville, next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The services will be held in the Methodist church in Hendersonville.

Fassifern is closing an unusually successful year, under the leadersh of Rev. Dr. Jos. R. Sevier, a standing educator of the S of the

Rev. J. H. West, p will fill Brevard Methodist Sunday morn- the Presbyteri Elder Lita ing, while the Methodist ch will

JUDGE HYATT HEARD AT BREVARD CHURCH

Judge Carl B. Hyatt, of the Asheville Juvenile court, delivered an inspiring address to a large congregation at the Brevard Methodist church last Sunday evening. "The Seven Sentences of the Cross," was the subject of the address, and the manner in which the Asheville jurist made application of each of the sentences to present day life and problems was an inspiration to the large number of people who heard him.

Judge Hyatt is one of the outstanding men of the country, having become famous in his judicious handling of juvenile cases and his masterful manner of solving juvenile delinquencies. Because of his great experience with young people who have erred, Judge Hyatt very naturally selected the words of the Master, "Forgive them," as being the greatest of the seven sentences of the cross. His work as juvenile judge has been that of forgiveness of these erring youths, and the giving of a new chance with greater encouragement and finer protection, resulting oftentimes in splendid manhood and excellent womanhood developed from the boy or girl who, in the days of their youth, made grevious mistakes.

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P. O. CLOSED SATURDAY

Saturday is holiday. P. O. window open 8 to 9 A. M., 2 to 3 P. M. No rural or city delivery will be made.

BAND BOYS PLAN FOR SUMMER CONCERTS

Plans are being rushed to completion for presentation of a minstrel by Brevard's band boys, proceeds from which are to defray the expenses of Prof. Cutter's services in conducting band concerts during the summer season. The band boys are not to make any charge for their services in the band during the summer, and now that they are assuming the additional work of preparing and staging a minstrel for the purpose of raising necessary expenses, it is believed that people from all over the county will attend the minstrel and help in raising the needed funds.

The band concerts are the town's greatest offering of entertainment to the visitors and to the home-folks. People from all over the county attend the concerts, and it is believed that they will attend the minstrel in large numbers and assist in making certain a continuation of these concerts during this summer season.

Full announcement of details of the minstrel will be given next week.

SPECIAL MEETING OF TOURIST COMMITTEE THURSDAY NIGHT

To the Boarding House Keepers and Hotel Proprietors:

The Tourist Committee of the Chamber of Commerce will hold a meeting this Thursday evening, eight o'clock, in the County Court House, and all Boarding House Keepers and Hotel Proprietors are urged to attend, as matters of vast importance are to be discussed and acted upon. We have information that you ought to have, and you have some information that we need in our work of bringing tourists to Brevard. If you want a good season this summer, be sure to attend this meeting.

JOHN W. SMITH
Chmn. Tourist Committee.

THIS COUNTY SAVED $40,000 ON SCHOOLS

New Law Reduces Tax Cost from $54,000 to $14,000 for 6-Month School

Raleigh, May 26—Tax reduction of nearly $10,000,000, or, to be exact, $9,667,186, will result to the property owners of North Carolina for each of the next two years under the Revenue Bill which is about through the General Assembly, according to a table of figures prepared by the State Tax Commission.

This table shows that on the assessed valuation of $3,978,710,226 for the year 1930 in the whole State, the 100 counties had a total tax levy of $14,135,244 for current expenses of the six months school term. On the same assessed valuation at the proposed 15-cents tax rate the total levy will be $4,469,058, by which it is seen that the levy for the next two years will be $9,667,186 less than in 1930.

Transylvania county, the report shows, had an assessed valuation in 1930 of $9,286,955, on which the tax rate was 59 cents for current expenses of the six months school term, which made the total tax levy for this county $54,739. The proposed 15-cent levy on the same valuation basis will mean $13,930 in taxes in 1931 and 1932, or a reduction in the county of $40,863.

This amount, it is pointed out, will be felt appreciably in the tax bill of the individual taxpayer in every county in the State.

MRS. RAMSEY'S FATHER DIED TUESDAY NIGHT

Mayor Raph F. Ramsey left Brevard early Wednesday to go to his wife, whose father died Tuesday night. Mrs. Ramsey has been with her father during the past several days at the latter's home in Dillon, S. C., attending him in his illness. Mayor Ramsey will return to Brevard Saturday, it is announced.

Industrial Committee Planning For Great County Industrial Expansion

Mayor Ramsey was named to head the industrial committee, named by President Jerry Jerome at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce last Thursday evening. With Chairman Ramsey on the committee there are T. G. Miller, of the Southern Railway company; E. P. McCoy, former president of the Chamber of Commerce, and a man thoroughly versed in the work of obtaining new industries; J. M. Gaines, manager of the local plant of the Southern Public Utilities company; and R. H. Morrow, civil engineer, who is already in close touch with the industrial situation of the South.

With these men as the industrial committee, members of the Chamber of Commerce feel most confident that many new plants will be added to the industrial list of this county within the next two years. President Jerome gave much thought to the selection of the members of this committee, and each one of the men named on it are in peculiar position to be of great value to the Chamber of Commerce and through it to the county as a whole.

McDougald as Head of Road Group, Will Work for Completion of 284

It is the belief of many men of the town that President Jerry Jerome made a ten-stroke in the selection of the committee on roads when he named Duncan MacDougald as chairman, and then placed Messrs. William J. Wallis, S. R. Joines and Alex Kizer on the committee to work with Chairman MacDougald. All of these men are known as good roads enthusiasts, and Chairman MacDougald is noted for his belief in Brevard's future just as soon as one or two additional links of highway are completed.

This committee will strive to have highway 284, now being completed on the Caesar's Head side, carried on through Pisgah National Forest, to Waynesville. Another project that this committee will push is the paving of Boylston road from Brevard to the Henderson county line.

With this committee working for completion of highways, members of the Chamber of Commerce are confident that this town's network of roads will be completed, in short time, and with their completion will come an enhanced valuation of property in Transylvania county of double or treble nature.