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## GREAT ERA OF PROSPERITY IN WESTERN COUNTIES

### GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK TO BRING MILLIONS OF PEOPLE INTO THIS SECTION ANNUALLY, SAYS GOV. GARDNER

Inspiring Address Is Heard by Representatives from 18 Western Counties

TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY MOST HIGHLY FAVORED

Question Now Is Preparation—Every Section To Reap Full Benefits

Declaring that Western North Carolina is just now facing its greatest era of prosperity and expansion, Governor O. Max Gardner thrilled some four hundred delegates from eighteen western counties assembled in the great dining hall of the George Vanderbilt Hotel in Asheville last Friday evening. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Asheville Merchants association, and county commissioners, mayors and members of the board of aldermen, Chambers of Commerce officials and representatives of all civic organizations were in attendance as guests of the association and civic groups in Asheville. The newspapers of the eighteen counties were present as the guests of the Asheville Citizen-Times, and it was to an interested group of this nature that Governor Gardner told of the bigness of the day just ahead, when the Great Smoky Mountain National Park shall be opened, thereby opening to Western North Carolina its greatest era of activity and prosperity.

Governor Gardner expressed hope that no one section would begin to think in terms of selfishness about the movement, as there would be ample business for all towns and all communities. The question is not whether a given community may have its share of the business, the governor said, but rather the question of preparing for business that is coming should be uppermost in the minds of all the people of Western North Carolina.

Delegates from Brevard and Transylvania county greatly enjoyed the address by the Governor, but could not refrain from talking among themselves of the special advantages that Nature has given to this county. The location, the network of highways, the attractions here in the mountains and valleys, all tend to make of Transylvania county one of the most highly favored spots in all Western North Carolina.

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### SCHOOL WORK GETS OFF TO GOOD START

Organization Now Completed and All Schools In Full Operation

The three remaining places on the teaching staff of the schools of Transylvania county were filled last week and all the schools of the county began work Monday morning at 8:50 o'clock. Miss Julia Wood was selected for the vacancy at Little River and Prof. S. P. Verner for the Conestee school. Miss Olga Fortenberry was selected as Home Economics teacher for Rosman High School.

Brevard High School opened in the usual manner with a short introductory speech by Supt. J. B. Jones. Rev. G. C. Brinkman had charge of the devotional services. Approximately 300 students were enrolled for the first year. Supt. Jones announced that contrary to the usual manner, the first day of school was spent with regular lessons in order to do away with the wasted hours of "school opening."

Brevard Grammar School, with Prof. J. E. Ruffy as principal, opened with an enrollment of 450 students, this making a total of 750 students enrolled in the Brevard City schools.

Bus drivers of Transylvania county are:

Bus No. 3, F. Henderson; No. 4, J. Frank Case; No. 5, Joe Tinsley; No. 6, Henry McCall; No. 7, Claude Ray; No. 8, Homer McCall; No. 9, Wallace Gillespie; No. 10, Kenneth McCall; No. 11, Wade Eubanks.

Drivers of private cars for transportation of pupils, are: Walter Fisher, Wilkie McCall, Walter Hinkle, Ben Jones, Harlow McCall, Berlin Owen.

### REV. MACK GROGAN ORDAINED SUNDAY

William McLean Grogan, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Grogan, Jr., known as Mack throughout Brevard and Transylvania County, was examined by a Baptist Presbytery and given the regular Ordination services, Sunday night in the Brevard Baptist church, for services in the Gospel Ministry.

The Presbytery meeting immediately before church services Sunday night, examined Mr. Grogan and then continued the services with an Ordination before the church congregation. This Ordination giving to Mack Grogan the full rights and privileges of the Baptist Ministry, including privilege to fill a charge if called, perform marriage services and master of the Lord's Supper.

Rev. Mr. Grogan was graduated from the Brevard High School with very high honors, graduating in the class of 28 as an "A" student. Two years later he was graduated from Mars Hill college with high honors. He has had one year of work at Wake Forest, completing the year's work with the highest honors. He is planning to return to Wake Forest this year to finish his work there and then go to a Baptist Seminary.

In delivering the charge to Mack, Sunday night, Rev. Paul Hartsell stressed the fact that the church was doing something very unusual in placing this responsibility in Mack's hands at his period of life, stating that a man was usually required to be called to a church before being Ordained. He also said that Mack was one of the youngest men ever to be given the advantages of the Gospel Ministry.

Mack has always been known in this community as a steady, brilliant young man with a great career ahead of him. He first attracted the attention of the public with his splendid debating and orations during his career in Brevard High School. He led the student body there in most of its major activities.

Following is a copy of the report of the Baptist Presbytery called to examine Mack Grogan:

Brevard, N. C. August 30th, 1931.

A Presbytery was called by the Brevard Baptist church to examine Brother William McLean Grogan for the Gospel Ministry.

The following brethren constituted the Presbytery: Rev. Paul Hartsell, Rev. E. R. Pendleton, Rev. W. S. Price, Jr., with the following Deacons: D. F. Moore, J. A. Glazener, F. Brown Carr, E. P. Kilpatrick, W. M. Henry. Rev. E. R. Pendleton was elected Chairman and Rev. W. S. Price, Jr., Clerk.

The examination being satisfactory to the Presbytery, the church proceeded with the ordination services.

Rev. E. R. Pendleton presented the Bible and Rev. Paul Hartsell, Pastor, gave the charge to the candidate and W. S. Price, Jr., led the Ordination Prayer.

REV. E. R. PENDLETON, Chm. REV. W. S. PRICE, Jr., Clerk.

### CAROL KILPATRICK MAKING RECOVERY

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kilpatrick wish to express to their friends, relatives and neighbors, sincere thanks and appreciation for the services and sympathy they have offered to their son, Carol Kilpatrick, who suffered two broken legs in a motor accident two weeks ago.

Carol is improving rapidly and he also wishes to thank his friends for their kind attentions during his illness.

Mrs. M. T. Owen

Mrs. M. T. Owen, 78, died at her home in Gloucester township Tuesday night at 12 o'clock. She had been ill for the last few weeks of her life and grew steadily worse until her death.

Mrs. Owen was a great church woman, having been a member of the Baptist church for over fifty years. She held the admiration and love of a large group of friends, relatives and neighbors.

Funeral services will be conducted at Macedonia church this Thursday morning at 11 o'clock. Interment will be made in the cemetery nearby.

NEW ARRIVALS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Glover Sentell, of Pisgah Forest, a son, B. W., on Monday, August 31.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Houston Pressley, of Conestee, a son, J. C., on August 28.

### BREVARD NEWS TO COLLEGE BOYS AND GIRLS AT FIFTY CENTS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

The Brevard News is sensible of the sacrifices being made by parents whose children are going away to college for the year. We want each young man and young woman in the county who are away at school this year to have their Brevard News. So we are making the offer of sending the paper to college boys and girls at fifty cents for the nine months' school term—barely enough to pay the postage.

We also want the names of each boy and girl attending college, so we may publish the list. Please phone or write in and give us the name of your boy or girl and the name of the institution in which the student is enrolled.

### EXTENSION MADE ON BLACK BASS SEASON

Hurrah for the Board! Announcement comes from E. R. Galloway, county game warden, that the board of conservation and development has extended the season for small mouth black bass up to and including September 30.

The board also announces that the season for doves has been changed to include the month of September. Following is the official statement issued by Mr. Galloway:

"The small mouth Black Bass season for mountain counties has been extended by the Board to include September 30th.

"Under a recent ruling of the Biological survey, as requested by the North Carolina Department of Conservation and Development the season to shoot doves in North Carolina is as follows:

"The season opens September 1st and closes September 30th and then again open on November 20th and closes January 31st."

### HUNDREDS ATTEND THE SINGING AFFAIR

Hundreds of people attended the Transylvania County Singing Convention, Sunday which is held in the County Court House every fifth Sunday.

President R. E. Mackey expressed his appreciation for the wonderful way in which the people were continuing to attend and help with the singing. The Court House was packed and a large number of those present were visitors.

The following men were leaders in the congregational singing: W. A. Lee, J. W. Burns, J. R. King, E. D. Randolph, T. B. Allison, George Simpson, McKinley Ross, J. A. Simpson, E. R. Lewis, R. L. Henderson.

There were six wonderful quartets on the program, both local and visiting. The Majestic Quartet, Greer Quartet, Rosman Quartet, Bishop Quartet, Cedar Mountain Quartet and Simpson Quartet. In addition, there was a Double Quartet from Hendersonville and duet by Misses Giles and Burnett.

### ERWIN TO SING OVER AIR THIS FRIDAY AFTERNOON

H. E. Erwin Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Erwin of Brevard, will sing over station WWNC, Asheville, this Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Miss Eva Call, music director in the Brevard City schools, will play his piano accompaniment. This is not Mr. Erwin's initial performance over the radio for he has sung several times over station BSC, Spartanburg. He has also made his voice popular in various circles in Brevard by singing at the hearty request of the people in several public entertainments.

### TO OBSERVE "HAMLIN" DAY IN ASHEVILLE NEXT WEEK

J. Marvin Glance, district deputy, has called a special meeting for next Tuesday night in the hall of French Broad Council, in Asheville, to honor Lewis P. Hamlin, newly elected state vice councillor of the Junior Order. Members of the order from all points in the district are expected to attend.

### NEWS AND VIEWS OF SCOUTS

Miss Violet Henry entertained the Boy Scouts of America, Troop No. 1 of Brevard with a Watermelon feast at her home on Probert Street following the regular Scout meeting last Friday night.

Sam Grey and his two sons rendered various numbers of music on their string instruments, violin, banjo and guitar. They played several pieces of olden time music and also several of the modern popular pieces.

This is the second time that Miss Henry has given the Boy Scouts a Watermelon feast and she has entertained them in other manners on many occasions.

### ECK L. SIMS MAKES HIS ANNOUNCEMENT

Eck L. Sims, prominent in official circles of the county and one of the leading democrats here, has announced that he will be a candidate in the June primaries for nomination on the Democratic ticket for the office of sheriff-tax collector. Mr. Sims makes interesting statements in his official announcements when he asserts that this early announcement is for the purpose of letting his friends know that he is a candidate, and "to give my enemies something for which to 'knock me,'" quoting the statement as issued, which is as follows:

TO THE PUBLIC  
I should like to say to the voters of Transylvania county that, to meet the wishes and requests of my friends and to give my enemies something for which to knock me, I expect to be a candidate before the Democratic primary for the nomination for Sheriff in 1932. I have been asked by both men and women from every section of the county to again make this race and after carefully considering the matter I have decided to do so.  
ECK L. SIMS.

### ROSMAN SCHOOLS CELEBRATE OPENING

The Rosman City schools opened Monday morning at 8:50 o'clock with a lengthy program of speeches by several prominent men of the town.

Mrs. Sam McCullough, Mr. Lee R. Fisher, J. W. Glazener and Joe Galloway made the principal addresses.

Immediately following the program, plans and schedules for the school year were worked out by the pupils and teachers in an effort to get to their studies as soon as possible.

The only vacancy on the teaching staff being filled by Miss Olga Fortenberry, Home Economics teacher, classes were able to begin regular work with a complete faculty.

D. W. Hollingsworth

D. W. Hollingsworth, 76, farmer and carpenter of Pisgah Forest, N. C., passed away Sunday morning at 2:30 o'clock. To his many friends throughout Transylvania County he was known as "Uncle Dave." He had suffered from paralysis for some time and though his death was not unexpected it spread a gloom over the community of Pisgah Forest, where he spent most of his life. He suffered a stroke Monday, August 24, and grew steadily worse until his death.

Mr. Hollingsworth was known as a fine, upright, steady man and he was highly admired by his friends in this county.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Ella and Lola. Three sons, Kie of Pisgah Forest; Walter of Waynesville and Harter of Stanley, N. C.

Mr. Hollingsworth was a native of Transylvania County and had been a member of the Turkey Creek Church for fifty years. Funeral services were conducted in the Boylston Church by Rev. Holtzclaw. Interment was made in the cemetery of Boylston Baptist church.

P. T. A. MEETING

The first meeting of the Brevard Parent-Teacher Association will be held the third Monday in September which is the 21st. Officers for this school year are: President, Mrs. S. P. Verner; vice president, Mrs. Roy Long; secretary, Mrs. Herschel Wilson.

Mrs. Jane Meece

Mrs. Jane Meece, 95, died August 13 at her home in Brevard Park. She was a member of the Presbyterian church of Brevard. She is survived by six children: Three sons and three daughters, Mrs. W. A. Brown, Mrs. Luther Galloway, Miss Martha Meece and Jim, George and Joe Meece.

Mrs. Meece was buried at Mt. Moriah Cemetery, Calvert, N. C. The abundant flowers and large crowd of friends and relatives attested as to the place she held in their hearts.

### COMMISSIONERS TO SET TAX RATE AT MEET ON MONDAY

Many Problems Facing Board Members In Planning County's Finances

EFFORTS TO RE-FINANCE COUNTY INDEBTEDNESS

School Costs, Larger Than Had Been Expected, Adds to the Tax Rate

At the regular meeting of the county commissioners next Monday it is believed that the budget will be adopted and the 1931 tax rate set. The officials have been poring over the matter for several days, delayed a long while because of the necessity of waiting upon Raleigh for information necessary before the school budget could be adopted. With the school matters out of the way, the only thing left for the county to do is to complete the budget and set the tax rate.

The commissioners have been making every effort to sell the county's security for re-financing purposes, to the end that the tax rate could be lowered as much as possible. If it is necessary to name a rate sufficient to care for full amount of notes, bonds and interest due and coming due during the year, this feature of the budget, that of debt service, will hist the tax rate to pretty high figures.

Failure of the state to send an amount of money here on the six month school term as was expected has caused the county officials to have to name a higher rate of tax for school purposes than had been planned. The state sent a sum of money for the county's six months' school term which was \$30,000 less than the six months' term cost last year, and this difference had to be reflected in some manner in the school budget. Much of the difference was cared for in the economies effected in operation of the schools, through reduction of salaries, elimination of schools through consolidations, and so on. Yet it was necessary, despite these economies, to place a rate higher than the fifteen cents provided in the state-wide school law, which is to be placed upon taxable property for operation of the six months' school. Then, of course, the county taxes must support the extended term of two months.

Citizens of the county are interested in the action of the county commissioners next Monday, when the new tax rate will be named.

### MANY OPERATED ON AT TONSIL CLINIC

The Transylvania County Tonsil Clinic got under way Tuesday morning at the Brevard Institute. The clinic lasts for four days; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Children of the ages five and one-half years to twelve years inclusive are receiving treatment at the clinic.

Twenty-five children were operated upon Tuesday and all took the operation splendidly. They were taken home Wednesday morning. The officials in charge are very careful with the applicants for operation, as to their physical condition. Two children were refused since they had heart trouble and the clinic officials suggested that they be taken to a regular hospital for treatment.

The State of North Carolina is conducting the clinic while the Parent-Teachers Association and Dr. C. L. Newland, county health officer, are lending every possible assistance to assure its success.

Miss Cora Beam of the State Department of Health is in charge of the work. Dr. W. E. Brackett of Hendersonville is doing the operating and Dr. Louis Gaw gives anesthetics and examines the applicants for operation. Other members of the staff are: Misses Flora Ray, Catherine Livingstone, Geneva Sykes, Ruth Wells, Minnie Morris and Mrs. H. F. Guffey, Mr. Draper Rhodes and Bill Cowan.

A charge of \$12.50 is being made for each operation including removal of tonsils, adenoids and other treatments of the throat and nose that may be necessary. Those persons unable to pay have arranged to secure the work free by making plans through, Miss Beam, Prof. Jones and Dr. Newland.

Every convenience has been arranged at the Brevard Institute for the patients and the success of all the operations performed is assured.

### WOMAN'S BUREAU TO MEET NEXT MONDAY AFTERNOON

The Woman's Bureau of Commerce will meet in the Chamber of Commerce Rooms next Monday afternoon at 3:30 p. m.

### FOUR GROUPS INTO WHICH TAXPAYERS FORM ASSOCIATIONS

There Is the Purely Political Group, Useless as an Ab-scessed Tooth

SPECIAL INTERESTS FORM ANOTHER ASSOCIATION

While Another Group Looks for Santa Claus—Then the Patriotic Group

RALEIGH, Sept. 2.—Four general groups of taxpayers' associations were described by A. J. Maxwell, commissioner of revenue, chairman of the State Board of Assessment and of the Local Government Commission, in an address at the organization of a taxpayers association at Henderson last week. The groups follow:

Those that are inspired and promoted with a personal political motive. They are about as useful as an abscessed tooth.

Those that are sponsored and financed for some special interest to promoted theories of taxation that are advantageous to such interest. They never amount to much.

Those whose sponsors haven't found that the day of miracles has passed, and that they can perform miracles with our tax problem. They have a lot of energy to lose before they learn.

Those that are sponsored by patriotic private citizens for a community or public purpose. There is a definite field of usefulness and helpfulness for this organization.

Such an association will start out with a fair mind to learn facts. It will develop an intelligent opinion as to the kind of public service that should be maintained, and as to the amount of revenue necessary to maintain them, and that the community can afford to spend on them. It will insist upon, and as far as possible, live up to an attitude of cooperation with public officials, and will equally insist that this cooperative attitude be mutual. If it has measured up to these qualifications it can be helpful to its public officials, particularly in determining the kind and extent of public service that should be maintained, and as to its reasonable cost. It can be helpful in the matter of listing and valuing property, in promoting the right kind of community attitude toward it, and in preventing injustices, favoritism and evasions. It can see to it that public business is handled with that high regard for security and savings that should inhere in every fiduciary relationship.

In our partially socialized state, public business has come to be a great cooperative business enterprise, and the exercise of our intelligent interest in it by the citizenship that constitutes its shareholders should be very helpful to the success of the enterprise.

### TO PUBLISH NAMES IN POLICE COURT

Suggestions Made to Mayor That Full Records Be Published Weekly

Mayor Ralph H. Ramsey has been requested by many citizens to suggest to The Brevard News that publication be made of all trials held in the Mayor's court, with sentences and fines imposed on each defendant. Citizens advising the Mayor in the matter express belief that regular publication of all names, with sentences imposed, of people tried in the Mayor's court, would act as a deterrent influence, believing that most people would prefer almost anything else to that of having their names published when arrested for being drunk, or fighting, or other violations.

Mayor Ramsey adopted the policy of working violators on the streets rather than turning them loose with fines. This, it is said, has had good effect upon the community behavior.

The Brevard News has persistently and consistently followed the policy in the past of not running accounts of cases tried in the Mayor's court actuated by a desire to spare parents and members of the family the embarrassment of seeing names of their sons in the Mayor's court proceedings on charges of misdemeanors. The News is anxious, however, to co-operate with the Mayor in whatever is considered best for the town.

An expression of opinion by citizens of the town and county on the advisability of publishing all proceedings of the Mayor's court would be welcomed. Letters for publication are, therefore, sought in order to gain some knowledge of the community's wishes in the matter. If the plan is adopted, all names of people tried in the Mayor's court will be published. There will be no favoritism shown.