

HIGHWAY EVENT IS HAPPY OCCASION ON NEW YEAR DAY

Nearly Two Hundred People Gather to Celebrate Completion of Highway

GREENVILLE IS HOST TO NORTH CAROLINA GROUP

Highway 284 Becomes This Section's Most Valuable Asset, Leaders Say

Brevard-Greenville's New Year's party, held last Friday at Caesar's Head, was pronounced one of the most successful and important events in this section's history, as nearly two hundred people gathered to celebrate the completion and opening of the highway connecting Brevard and Greenville. President Jerry Jerome and Chairman Duncan MacDougal, of the Brevard Chamber of Commerce, have asserted that the event marked a new day in Transylvania county's history, and means more to the advancement of the tourist business in this section than has ever been witnessed before.

Greenville Chamber of Commerce officials and business leaders, equally enthusiastic over the opening of the highway, and predict greatly increased business transactions between the two sections.

The celebration was held in Caesar's Head hotel, and Major G. Howard Mahon, Jr., a past master in the art, served as toastmaster. Dr. Frank Pool, professor at Furman

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MUST BUY AUTO TAG NOW, SAY OFFICIALS

"There is positively no extension of time for automobile owners to buy their licenses and all persons operating cars without licenses or with the 1931 tags are violating the law," Sergeant E. S. Guthrie of the North Carolina Highway Patrol declared here Tuesday in an interview with a member of *The Brevard News* reporting staff.

Sergeant Guthrie and H. R. Frymyer were in town Tuesday checking up on cars without licenses and, in discussing the matter, Guthrie said that though he realized the depression existing in the state today, the law firmly commanded him to arrest and have punished all the violators.

"I realize that many people cannot buy their tags now, simply because they do not have the money," the sergeant said, "however, I do know that many people who can buy them are not doing so, for the reason that they are relying upon the other fellow's hard luck to excuse them."

"The Highway Patrol will extend leniency to all operators for a few days more and then we will close down upon them strictly," he further said, "and then the owner will have to buy a license and in addition pay a large fine."

Sergeant Guthrie also said that he desired the car owners of the district to realize that the driver of the car must have the registration card at all times. He announced that if the driver is halted for some minor detail by a member of the highway patrol, they will be requested to show their registration card, and unable to do so, the owner will be severely prosecuted. He suggested that if different members of a family or a business firm used the same car, that the card be hidden in the car where only members of the family or the customary drivers could find it.

Former Bankers and Officials May Know Their Fate by Friday Night

(The Asheville Times)

The state supreme court is expected to hand down its opinions in the various Brevard and Transylvania bank cases in the near future. Attorneys look for them to be included in the batch due Friday.

The cases were tried in Transylvania county superior court in August and the appeals were argued before the supreme court last month.

Following conviction of the eight bank and county officials, Judge H. Hoyle Sink of Lexington, presiding, sentenced four to the state's prison at Raleigh for from two to five years, and fined the other four defendants.

Thomas H. Shipman, president of the closed Brevard Banking company; J. H. Pickelsimer, former chairman of Transylvania county board of commissioners; C. R. McNeely, former county commissioner and county accountant for Transylvania, and Ralph Fisher, former county attorney, were given two to five years each in the state's prison and fined \$5,000 and costs.

Joseph S. Silversteen, chairman of board of directors of the closed Brevard Banking company, was fined \$5,000 and costs; and three other defendants—A. M. White, S. R. Owen, and W. L. Talley, former county

BIRTHDAY PARTY IS GIVEN NEW MEANING

Little Miss Pickelsimer to Celebrate Day by Serving Undernourished

Little Miss Ethelyn Pickelsimer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Pickelsimer has decided that she will furnish the undernourished children of the Brevard Grammar and Primary grades with lunches on Friday, January 22, which is her eighth birthday, celebrating the day in this splendid manner, instead of having a birthday party.

The little lady's mother, ask her recently if she wanted to have a birthday party and she answered in the negative, saying that she thought it would be much better to furnish lunches for the children who were in need of food.

Prof. J. B. Jones was very proud of the little girl's (deas in the matter, for the sentiment which she expressed in this instance, if emphasized as strongly by all the citizens of Transylvania county by this spirit of sacrifice, the needy would be amply cared for.

GLAZENER CHOSEN W. N. C. CHAIRMAN

Heads Sub-Committee of 5-10 Year Plan Movement for Farmers

Prof. Julius A. Glazener, agricultural instructor in Brevard High School, and farm leader of Transylvania county, was appointed chairman of the sub-committee of the Western North Carolina 5-10 Year Organized Farm Program at a meeting held in Asheville Monday night.

Prof. Glazener heads the important committee of farm crops, vegetables and live stock, one of the three main divisions of the farm movement being sponsored in Western North Carolina by The Asheville Citizen and Times.

Working with Prof. Glazener in the organization program are representatives from the 18 counties in which the movement will be carried on.

Plans were made at the meeting Monday night for launching at once a survey to determine for each

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GALLOWAY WANTS TO CUT SALARIES

Register of Deeds Jess A. Galloway records on the minutes of the board of county commissioners show, made a proposition last Monday to take a ten per cent cut in salary, providing all other county officers would do likewise. No action was taken on the proposition by the board, according to the minutes.

Mr. Galloway's proposition would result in saving quite a sum of money to the taxpayers of the county, should all officers agree to put the decreased salaries into effect. It is not known what attitude other county officials have taken on the matter, or whether they have been informed of Mr. Galloway's action.

The last session of the legislature effected a ten per cent decrease in the salaries of all teachers and school officials of the state, but the measure did not include county officers. Should Mr. Galloway's proposition meet favorable action, the county officers would then be taking the same cut in pay as that made on the teachers through legislative enactment.

W. C. Bobo, of Greenville, To Manage Pisgah Cotton Mill; Work to Begin Soon

Announcement was made late Wednesday by officials of the Pisgah Mill that Mr. W. C. Bobo, formerly of the Judson Mills in Greenville, and one of the best known mill men of the South, had been placed in charge of the Pisgah Mill here as general manager and one of its principal officers.

Mr. B. E. Geer, president of the mill, and associates were in Brevard Wednesday afternoon, when, it is said, plans were perfected for placing Mr. Bobo in charge of the plant and for resuming operations of the mill within the next few days. The mill has been closed down for several weeks.

Mr. Bobo will move to Brevard at once, it is said, and his many Greenville friends have stated to *The Brevard News* that Mr. Bobo will be a great addition to the community as a citizen of Brevard. Mr. Geer stated that Mr. Bobo is a splendid citizen and a man of wide experience in both the management of industry and in merchandising the products of the mill.

The Pisgah Mills employs about 125 people and its resumption of activity here will mean a tremendous boon to the community.

Announcement of actual date of opening will be made soon.

CHAIRMAN TELLS OF ROAD WORK DONE IN NORTH CAROLINA

School Bus Routes Given First Attention by the State Force

NEARLY FIVE THOUSAND PRISONERS BEING USED

State Assumed Full Control of All State and County Roads July 1

(By E. B. JEFFRESS) Chairman, State Highway Commission

Raleigh, Jan. 6.—Outstanding development in highway work in North Carolina during 1931 was the taking over on July 1 of all the county roads, and all of the county prisoners whose terms were 60 days or more, and the inauguration of a program of maintaining the 57,000 miles of state and county roads in North Carolina out of revenue derived from automobile registration and gasoline taxes.

North Carolina was the first state to expand its highway organization to include all of the roads, and to prohibit levying of any taxes on real and personal property for road work. Other states are watching the progress of the North Carolina program with indications that it will be followed by some of the other states shortly.

To do this job of maintenance the general assembly, after providing for debt service requirements of about \$8,000,000, set aside \$10,000,000 for state and county road maintenance work, and then appropriated a surplus for construction purposes.

Federal Aid Funds

In other words, maintenance of state and county roads was placed ahead of new construction due to more than \$5,000,000 federal aid funds, of which \$1,926,000 was emergency federal aid not required to be matched, being used by the highway commission to construct roads and bridges at a cost of \$8,400,000. During 1932, unless there is another emergency fund from the federal government, the construction program will, of course, be very largely

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CONDITION BETTER AS TO EMPLOYMENT

Farm Labor, Women Workers Constitute Bulk of Unemployed

Raleigh, Jan. 6.—Unemployment conditions were better in the State on January 1 than on last September 1, although 13 per cent, or 148,347 persons out of the 1,141,120 normally employed were out of work at the start of the year, an estimate made by the State Department of Labor shows. An estimate September 1 placed the number of unemployed at 178,016. Another January 1, 1931, placed the number at 70,596, and U. S. Census figures for April 1, 1930, showed 44,122 unemployed.

Of eight classifications, agricultural wage earners showed a greater increase in unemployment, partly seasonal, from 7 to 24.7 per cent; factory workers had increased from 13 to 19.5 per cent unemployed, while building and construction, common laborers and domestics decreased in number unemployed; mechanical trades about held their own and business, clerical and professional, and all other unclassified trades showed considerable improvement. Of the unemployed, 32 per cent are women, who comprise 40 per cent of the unemployed factory workers, 44 per cent of business, clerical and professional workers, and 90 per cent of the domestic servants.

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SEAWELL TELLS OF SOCO GAP ENTRANCE TO NATIONAL FOREST

Importance of Highway 284 Is Stressed—Need for Paving Pisgah Road

60 MILES FROM BREVARD TO VERY HEART OF PARK

Completion of Brevard-Greenville Link Only First Step In the Work

(Editor Seawell, of Waynesville, writing in *The Sunday Citizen-Times*, gives important information as to the real meaning to this territory of Highway No. 284, and points out the necessary work to be done on the Western end of this great route. Following is the statement in full.)

With the completion of the South Carolina link in the interstate highway from Greenville to Brevard, road enthusiasts in Western North Carolina are turning to the task of improving that portion of State Highway No. 284 from Brevard across a portion of the Pisgah National Forest to the top of Mount Pisgah where the Haywood county line is met. From the top to Waynesville the road is already hard surfaced and in good shape.

But the task of improving the link from Brevard to the top of Pisgah is not the most important link in this road. The movement on foot to build a road from Waynesville to Cherokee by way of Soco Gap is the most important step in road construction that now demands the attention of Western North Carolina leaders. The tremendous commercial advantages of the road just paved from Greenville, S. C., to the North Carolina line near Brevard, opening up a new market for the products of a vast expanse of mountain country, sinks into insignificance in comparison with the value of this road as a highway from the South into the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Only the building that link of a few miles in Haywood county, which will give access to the park at Soco gap, remains to be accom-

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BETTING 2 TO 1 THAT DANIELS COMES IN

Raleigh Editor Believed To Be Ready to Enter Governorship Race

Raleigh, Jan. 6.—A few two-to-one offers to bet have been made—and covered—that Josephus Daniels will be a candidate for Governor this year. This may not be an indication of the general view. The known bets of this nature are few and small, but it does show how some Raleigh folks feel.

While many believe Mr. Daniels would prefer having A. D. MacLean, Beaufort county representative, as a candidate, they doubt that Mr. MacLean will be forced into the race, and feel that Mr. Daniels, if he does enter, will do so because Mr. MacLean will not and he finds no candidates in the list to whom he could give whole-hearted support.

Kinston folks are trying to help show him his "duty" to run, taking up his statement to the Pitt county delegation recently that he would not delay if he is shown it is his duty. He gave no satisfaction to Washington reporters, suggesting facetiously that he may be a candidate for President. Whatever he will have to say may be expected soon, and his statement may serve as the spark to set off the dormant but waiting announcements of candidates for other State, district and county offices.

SCHOOLS RESUME WORK OVER COUNTY

2000 Boys and Girls Go Back to School Work After Christmas

Two thousand students and 72 teachers gathered in the Transylvania County Schools Monday morning, January 4, to resume their school duties after a 12 day Christmas holiday.

Both the teachers and pupils have enjoyed ideal Christmas weather and events, the majority of the teachers having spent the holidays in their own homes, in Brevard and other sections.

Prof. J. B. Jones, County Superintendent and Superintendent of Brevard Public School is looking forward to an unusually successful semester's work, and all the teachers and students are prepared for four months of study and work together.

Colleagues spending their holidays in Brevard and Transylvania County with relatives and friends are returning to their prep schools and colleges this week to their scholastic duties. Transylvania County has over sixty boys and girls in many of the larger colleges and universities of the country.

MUCH WORK DONE BY COMMISSIONERS

Many Matters of General Interest Acted Upon by the Board Monday

The Board of County Commissioners in regular meeting Monday advised the county officials to transfer all county funds from the State Trust Co. at Hendersonville where they have been deposited since the closing of the Brevard Banking Co. in December, 1930, to the Transylvania Trust Co. The Commissioners appointed the Transylvania Trust Co. as official depository for all funds of Transylvania County.

The Board appointed O. L. Erwin, L. V. Sigmon and A. H. Kizer to audit the tax books of T. E. Patton for settlement of taxes for year 1930 and advised this committee to call a meeting immediately after they have completed the audit and turn over taxes of 1931 to Sheriff and Tax collector.

It was deemed advisable by the Board to have a list of parties which are supplied with permanent relief each month given to Professor J. B.

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PISGAH FOREST S. S. HAS FINE OFFICIALS

With election of an efficient corps of officers and teachers last Sunday the Pisgah Forest Baptist Sunday School is looking forward to a prosperous and profitable year.

Officers are as follows:

D. H. Orr, superintendent; H. L. Souther, assistant superintendent; Carlos Morris, secretary-treasurer; R. E. Mackey, choir leader, and Miss Dorothy Souther, organist.

Teachers in the school are: R. E. Mackey, ladies class; Charles Orr, men's class; W. A. Lyday, young men's class; Mrs. Alceva McCall, young ladies' class; Mrs. Duncan, intermediate girls; Henry Mackey, intermediate boys; Miss Dorothy Souther, junior girls; Mrs. H. O. Parker, junior boys; Mrs. C. E. Campbell, children's class; Mrs. Belle Corn, beginners.

Sunday School is held each Sunday morning at ten o'clock. A large and loyal enrollment is reported by officers of the school.

Miss Kern Sets Forth Imperative Need Of Transylvania County Welfare Board

The County Welfare work, under the able direction of Miss Florence Kern, is supplying many families of the county with food and clothing. During the past week many needy families have applied to Miss Kern for assistance and after investigating the cases carefully she has given them the necessities of life according to their condition and need of immediate attention.

Office of the Welfare board, where all applications for help are received is located four doors below The News office, and Miss Kern may be found there from one until four o'clock each afternoon.

Miss Kern stated Tuesday that J. S. Silversteen and the B. & B. Feed company have rendered very valuable services to the work. Mr. Silversteen donated a large quantity of wood to be distributed among the families who have no fuel. The cash valuation of the wood has been estimated at over \$60. Six unemployed men worked one week to cut the wood. The B. & B. store ground the corn given by citizens of the county, into meal.

"We have received many calls for children's clothing, especially shoes for children between the ages of 6 and 15," Miss Kern said. "We do not have any shoes for women or children at present and many children are being kept out of school for lack of proper apparel. This should be given immediate attention."

Miss Kern is confident that this appeal will bring many pairs of shoes and a quantity of coats and dresses to be used in the work.

Vegetables are needed at this time, Miss Kern said, for a large number of families. Cabbage, turnips and potatoes will be gladly accepted and used where the need is greatest.

Citizens of Transylvania county are urged to enter into this work with spirit. Leaders in the welfare work urge each individual to give freely of any food or clothing they may have, though it may call for a little sacrifice in so doing. Some families in the county are in desperate straits for food. Any person having something that can be used in this work is urged to take it to the Welfare office on News Arcade, and Miss Kern will see that it is placed where it will do the most good.

TRANSYLVANIA CO. ADOPTS FARM PLAN AND NAMES LEADERS

J. A. Glazener and Mrs. Bates Patton Selected To Head Two Groups Here

URGES EMPLOYMENT OF A FARM AGENT

To Develop Greater Use of Lime—Many Deposits in Transylvania County

Much enthusiasm was shown in the 5-10 Year Plan being advocated by The Asheville Citizen and Times by members of the Transylvania Farm Committee which held its initial meeting at the court house last Saturday afternoon.

Lady members of the committee who attended the meeting entered into the general round table discussion of the movement which was led by Prof. J. F. Corbin of Rosman, and Prof. J. A. Glazener of Brevard. Business men of the town who were invited guests at the meeting also entered into the discussion, and every angle of the question was thoroughly gone over from all viewpoints.

Unanimous vote of the committee members to adopt the plan for Transylvania, was followed by the election of general working chairmen. Prof. Glazener was chosen general chairman for the men's organization, while Mrs. Bates Patton of Davidson River, was selected by the ladies. These chairmen with the committee members will have charge of the general organization program.

Decision was made to hold a mass meeting of all farmers, farm ladies and business men of the county at an early date, at which time the plan will be gone over and a county-wide organization perfected. Local precinct organizations will in all probability follow the general organization, with each community having a working organization. Date for the mass meeting will be announced later.

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BANK STATEMENT SHOWS BIG GROWTH

Officers and directors of the Transylvania Trust company, in making their first statement of condition, express genuine pleasure in the splendid showing made by the bank. The statement shows deposits of \$92,225.55, at the close of business on December 31. The bank opened for business on November 24, and the fact that deposits have climbed to the great figure shown in the statement in little more than 30 days speaks volumes for the support being given the new institution.

The bank now has total resources of \$117,233.92, with only \$2,710 loaned out. H. B. Kelly is president of the institution, while S. R. Joines is vice president. M. B. McDaniel is cashier and in active charge of the bank. The directors are, in addition to the officers, as follows:

J. H. Pickelsimer, H. A. Plummer, C. R. McNeely, Lewis P. Hamlin, Judson McCrary, Jos. S. Silversteen, Otto Alexander, Frank D. Clement and A. H. Heuston.

Deposits to be made by the county of Transylvania, in accordance with action taken by the board of county commissioners last Monday, will add a considerable sum to the deposit item.

Among the resources listed the largest item is that of State of North Carolina bonds, which the statement shows to be \$55,000, and \$4,175 in United States government securities, and cash on hand and due from banks, \$46,212.37. The bank is capitalized at \$25,000.