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SURVEY REVEALS COUNTY SCHOOLS OVERCROWDED

**Condition Is A Result Of The
Recent Growth And De-
velopment Here**

By **STAFF WRITER**

Today more than ever before there is a greater need for larger and better schools in Transylvania County, for the capacity of the present school buildings was made to accommodate the needs here 10 and 20 years ago, and the county has grown by leaps and bounds in the past eight years.

The Brevard elementary school was erected about 30 years ago, and at that time there was an enrollment of between 300 and 400, while today 985 children are attending school in the same amount of classroom space. In 1940 there was an enrollment of 596, according to Principal John E. Ruffy, and in order to take care of the large number today the auditorium and the basement lunchroom had to be converted into classrooms.

This makes it impossible for the elementary school to be able to assemble all of the children at one time, and an outdoor shed, which was used for recreational purposes on rainy days now serves as

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ECUSTA MOVIE TO BE SHOWN THURS.

**Story Of Ecusta Told In Col-
or Film Just Completed.
Employees Invited**

The recently completed color-movie "ECUSTA—The Romance Of Paper Making", will be shown here for the first time next Thursday night, November 21st., at 8:00 o'clock in the Ecusta Cafeteria. In addition to the movie there will be a short musical program featuring the Ecusta Concert Band and the Ecusta Girls Quintette. All employees of the Companies and their families are cordially invited to attend and see this new color-movie of Ecusta. The picture is complete with sound and tells the story of Ecusta. Most of the photography was done by Walter Glass of C. Huyck Co. of New York. It required many months since

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President's Message

In this issue of THE ECHO, I want to talk to you about a subject of vital interest to you, your families and the community in which you live. That subject is the EDUCATION, WELFARE, FUTURE TRAINING, SUCCESS AND HEALTH OF YOUR CHILDREN. To me, and I am sure to you, no subject is of greater importance.

All of you who live in Transylvania County know and must recognize the fact that the public school buildings of our County are wholly inadequate to provide the facilities for the proper training, care and education of the students who attend them. Since 1938 the population of Transylvania County has greatly increased, but we all must admit that the school facilities have not been increased in the same proportion.

Your children should not be required to spend their school hours in cramped quarters, crowded rooms, unsanitary conditions and obsolete buildings. There can be only one result from this condition: Your children are going to be backward in their schooling and education, will be at a disadvantage when compared with children of other communities, and this may, and often does, retard them in their future prosperity, health and happiness.

Since I built and operated Ecusta, your interests and the interests of your families and children have been uppermost in my thoughts and actions, because your people are our people.

In an effort to help and improve the intolerable condition of our school buildings, I voluntarily caused Ecusta to carry a very large share of the future tax burden of Transylvania County so that the money might be secured from a bond issue to build new, up-to-date and modern school buildings for the children of this County.

I consider it the duty of every one of you who has a vote in this County to do your part in getting the school improvement program into operation. What you should do, and all you will be required to do, is the following:

- FIRST:** Go to your registration headquarters and register for this election. (Your superintendent or foreman will be glad to tell you where to register.)
- SECOND:** Take your family and other eligible voters in your family with you and have them register.
- THIRD:** Get your friends and neighbors to register and vote.
REGISTRATION DATES ARE NOVEMBER 16, 23 AND 30, 1946.
- FOURTH:** You and the voting members of your family, your friends and neighbors, should go to the polls and vote "YES" for the bond issue on December 10, 1946.

I want to especially impress upon you that not only those who have children attending the schools at this time, or who expect to send their children to schools in the near future, should register and vote in favor of this

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PUBLIC IS URGED TO REGISTER FOR SCHOOL ELECTION

**Polling Places Open Three
More Saturdays, Novem-
ber 16, 23, 30**

Registration for the special school bond election has been very light so far, according to election board and school officials, and yesterday civic leaders, businessmen and industrialists throughout the county made an urgent plea for all persons in Transylvania who are interested in education to go to the polling places on one of the three days remaining, Nov. 16, 23 and 30, and register.

Citizens who do not find it convenient to register on these days may do so by contacting the registration officials on intervening days.

The voting on the school bond issue will take place on Dec. 10, and only those persons who register will be eligible to vote. It will be necessary for a majority of those voting to carry the election if the bonds are to be issued, it is reported.

Officials of the Ecusta Paper corporation, having a special interest in the progress of education in Transylvania county, recently

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CITIZENS OVER 21 ELIGIBLE TO VOTE

**All Are Urged To Register
For School Bond Election.
Registrars Listed**

All citizens of Transylvania county, whether property owners or otherwise, are eligible to vote in the school bond election providing they are over 21 years of age and are residents of the county for as long as four months and a resident of the state for one year prior to Dec. 10th., 1946, and are urged to register on the three following Saturdays or at the registrars homes on intervening days. A complete list of registrars and the precincts is given below.

The school bond election was authorized by the county commissioners on October 21, and makes the following provisions:

Erect new school buildings at the

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**For Our Children's Sake---Be Sure To
Register and Vote for School Bond Issue**