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SUPERIOR COURT OPENS MONDAY

Health Board Ask Parents To Keep Children Home

BOARD OF HEALTH ISSUES REQUESTS; REASON IS GIVEN

No Cases In County Reported To Health Department. Other Action Taken.

STATEMENT PUBLISHED

There are no cases of infantile paralysis in Brevard or Transylvania county, but as a precautionary measure against the possible spread of the dreaded disease into the county, the Transylvania board of health today issued an urgent request for all children 12 years of age and under not to attend any public gatherings, picture shows, Sunday schools, swimming pools and private parties until the epidemic of polio that is raging in other parts of the state has subsided.

In compliance with suggestions made by the state board of health, Camp Catechee, area girl scout camp located near Brevard, closed on Wednesday for the season. The commercial boy and girl summer camps in the county, however, are continuing to operate, but are not allowing any new campers from the polio areas to enroll or any parents from those sections to visit the camps.

The Brevard Lions club has postponed sponsorship of Lee's riding devices here this week and has cancelled their exchange auction for the month of July. Boy Scout troop number 1 has suspended its meetings for the time being. The Boy Scout council camp near Waynesville was closed Monday and all local Scouts have returned home. Operation of the motion picture shows, municipal swimming pool and street dances will be continued, however.

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CHANGES MADE IN 2 RATION PANELS

Fuel Oil and Gasoline Panels Have New Members; Office To Close Fri., Sat.

H. F. Finck has been transferred from the fuel oil panel of the local ration board to the gasoline panel, and R. H. Morrow takes Mr. Finck's place on the fuel oil panel.

Other members of the gasoline panel with Mr. Finck are B. H. Freeman and Virgil McCrary. On the fuel oil panel with Mr. Morrow are A. H. Kizer and R. T. Kimzey. The request is made by the fuel panel that all applicants return their completed fuel blanks to the ration board office as soon as possible.

The ration board office will be closed Friday afternoon and all day Saturday, Miss Mattie Lewis, clerk, said, on account of the staff issuing sugar permits at the school building on those two days this week.

Miss Lewis also called attention to the third shoe inventory relating to the ruling that all establishments dealing in rationed shoes must file an inventory as of the close of business July 31.

Negro Woman Bound Over For Stealing

Junie Mackey, local colored woman, was bound over to superior court here Monday night by Mayor Verne Clement under \$500 bond on charges of stealing merchandise from several Brevard stores last week.

There were four cases against her and she is alleged to have stolen a large quantity of valuable merchandise from Winners, Pattersons, Bargain House and other local firms.

Monday afternoon Henrietta Robinson, another colored woman, was bound over to superior court on a charge of assaulting Mackey with a deadly weapon. The hearing was held before Justice Shuford.

WPB Denies County's Request For Permission To Erect New School Building For Colored

Decision Based On Scarcity Of Materials And Labor. To Use Churches.

The War Production Board has denied a request from the Transylvania county board of education for permission and priority assistance to construct a new school building here for colored students, Supt. J. B. Jones announced. "Because of existing critical shortages in many materials and labor, it became necessary to defer construction and installations that will not directly contribute to the war effort," a letter from the WPB stated.

"Therefore, under the present emergency conditions it is necessary to forego many conveniences and make sacrifices that this war may not be prolonged with its terrible destruction.

"In view of this, it is the opinion of the War Production Board that this proposed project should be postponed until the future course of the war has been determined and we are therefore unable to approve your application."

The Rosenwald school building burned down about three years ago and since that time classes for the 125 students enrolled in the school have been held in four colored churches.

To relieve this condition, the county board of education has been endeavoring to secure permission to erect a modern new building similar to the one at Pisgah Forest, but they have been unable to obtain permission to do the work. Plans for the proposed new building were drawn several months ago and stone has already been hauled to the grounds.

"We regret that nothing can be done for the duration and wish to commend members of the Bethel Baptist churches, Methodist and Holiness churches for allowing the use of their church properties," Mr. Jones said. "This is a patriotic service and it is greatly appreciated."

Mr. Jones also pointed out that even though priority approval could be obtained from the WPB, the county would have to pay all expenses of construction since there is no federal assistance.

Farmers Federation Picnic Is Cancelled

The annual picnic of the Farmers federation, which was to have been held here next Wednesday night, has been called off at the suggestion of health officials, Fred Monteith, local manager, said yesterday. This was done, he stated, to avoid any chance of aggravating the polio situation. Several other picnics planned by the Federation were cancelled for the same reason.

Canning Sugar Registration Be Held For Those Who Did Not Apply Last Week

Final registration for canning sugar will be made available for those who failed to register last week by a special registration which will be held in the Brevard grammar school on Friday and Saturday, July 21 and 22, it has been announced by Dr. J. F. Zachary, chairman of the local war price and rationing board. The registration will be open Friday afternoon from 1 to 5, and all day Saturday, from 9 to 5.

It is pointed out that this registration is only for those who did not register last week for their final allotment of canning sugar for this season, and is not for those who registered last week and got their second 10 pounds per person for canning purposes. All

Gets Appointment



EDWARD H. McMAHAM, prominent Brevard attorney and civic leader, has been appointed district deputy governor of the 31-A district of Lions International by District Governor D. G. Jennings A. Bryson, of Sylva.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN COUNTY WILL OPEN AUGUST 28

Most Vacancies Have Been Filled. Chief Difficulty Is Finding Places.

Public schools in Brevard and Transylvania county will open on Monday, August 28, if the infantile paralysis situation in the county and the state does not delay the opening, Supt. J. B. Jones announced today.

Practically all of the vacancies on the county's teaching staff have been filled, he said, and explained that the problem is being intensified because of the difficulty teachers are having in obtaining rooming and boarding places near the schools in the rural areas.

Both teachers at Silversteen school resigned because of this reason, he stated. Those teachers were V. V. Johnson, of the Boylston section, and Mrs. Christine A. Phillips, of Hendersonville.

"I have enjoyed working at Silversteen in every respect except the living problem," Mrs. Phillips wrote.

Even teachers at Rosman, Supt. Jones said, have to find living places in Brevard.

As yet no one has been located to teach vocational agriculture at Rosman high school.

BAPTIST ASSOC. TO CONVENE IN COUNTY AUG. 9

Sixty-Third Annual Session To Be Held At Middle Fork Church.

The 63rd annual session of the Transylvania Baptist association will convene at the Middle Fork Baptist church in a 2-day assembly Wednesday and Thursday, August 9 and 10, it has been announced by T. C. Henderson, moderator. The session will begin at 9:40 on Wednesday morning and will close at 3:30 Thursday afternoon.

A program of interest and information on various phases of the Baptist associational work has been planned. Speakers prominent in the State Baptist work and in local activities will be heard on the 2-day program. Moderator Henderson will preside.

Among the out of town speakers will include: Smith Hagaman, representing the Baptist hospitals; I. G. Greer, Baptist orphanage; M. A. Huggins, cooperative program; Prof. M. H. Kendall, Christian education; L. L. Carpenter, religious literature; Dr. Jesse C. Owen, who will deliver the sermon at the Wednesday evening service.

The following program will be carried out: Wednesday morning, devotional, Rev. E. R. Pendleton; roll call of churches and appointment of committees; cooperative program, J. A. Glazener and M. A. Huggins; religious literature, H. D. Orr and L. L. Carpenter; sermon, Rev. N. H. Chapman. Afternoon session: devotional, A. M. Paxton; Baptist hospitals, N. L. Ponder and Smith Hagaman; Christian education, Miss Helen Owen and Prof. M. H. Kendall; orphanage, Mrs. E. H. Davis and I. G. Greer.

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HAPP HONORED BY HIS PROFESSION

Popular Ecusta Electrical Head Is Elected To Membership In Institute.

Edwin L. Happ, electrical superintendent of the Ecusta Paper Corporation, has been elected to full and active membership in the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

This honor came as a surprise to Mr. Happ, who has been with Ecusta ever since its establishment. Membership in the institute is extended only upon recommendation of five other members. In North Carolina there are only 41 engineers who are full members in the institute and 97 associate members.

Prior to coming here, Mr. Happ was connected with the TVA for six years as an engineer. He attended Georgia Tech and graduated at the University of North Carolina.

Rosman Plant Is Being Penalized For Giving Raises

The Rosman Tanning Extract company is being penalized by the income tax division because of raising employee wages without first having obtained permission and approval from the War Labor Board to make such increases, it was learned here today.

Before approval was obtained, the company is alleged to have paid in increased wages a total of \$3,500 and this amount is not being allowed the company as operating expenses and therefore is being charged against the profits of the company, it is explained.

The stabilization regulation requires that before raises can be granted in most cases, approval must be obtained from the WLB, and the company neglected to do this.

In the meantime it is understood that the company's applications for raises have been granted.

County Flood Committee Asks For Further Survey Before A Final Decision Is Reached

Asst. Home Agent



Miss Kathleen Jarvis, above, has been appointed assistant home demonstration agent for Transylvania county for the summer months. She is from Laurel Springs, in Alleghany county. She is assisting Miss Annabel Teague, home agent, in the canning and 4-H club work here during July and August.

NAZI PRISONERS PICK BEANS HERE IN TRANSYLVANIA

Approximately 100 German Prisoners Picked Beans On McCall Farm.

German prisoners are good bean pickers, according to V. A. Gilbert, of Henderson county who has 40 acres in beans on the Frank McCall farm near Brevard.

Monday and Tuesday approximately 100 of the 225 German prisoners stationed at the temporary camp near Hendersonville, have been picking beans on the McCall farm. They work 8 hours a day and receive 30 cents daily for their labor. Payment is made, however, to the federal government at prevailing rates for bean picking and the government in turn pays the prisoners. The maximum amount that a good German prisoner can get picking the beans is \$1.20. When they are not working they are paid 10 cents per day by the U. S. government, plus their board, lodging and clothes.

The 225 prisoners were transferred recently from a camp in Tennessee to aid in bean picking in this area. They were captured last summer in Tunisia, and all of them were in the Germany army.

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Met With TVA Engineers Here Tuesday. Proposals Made Are Explained.

Members of the Transylvania Flood Control committee, in meeting with TVA engineers and head of the WNC Flood committee here Tuesday, made emphatic requests that actual figures be made up on headwaters dams before final approval or disapproval of the proposed flood control program would be made by the advisory board here.

Engineers for the TVA told the committee that surveys had been made of the headwaters dams as proposed by the Transylvania group several months ago, and that in opinion of the TVA the smaller dams would not suffice.

"The entire Tennessee Valley flood control program hinges on taking care of the French Broad Valley waters in Transylvania county," A. S. Fry, chief engineer for TVA, told the committee, "and unless we can properly control the heavy runoff here in time of flood all work below Transylvania county will not be of any value whatsoever."

The TVA engineers have proposed three large dams in this county—at Cathey's Creek, on the French Broad River just inside the county, and on Little River half mile above its entrance into French Broad.

Transylvania committee members have met this proposal with contention that smaller dams on East Fork, North, and West Forks of the French Broad and possibly two dams on Little River—at Cascade and High Falls section, will do as much in the way of water conservancy in time of high floods, and at the same time retain nearly 3000 acres of valuable farm lands which would be damaged by back water in time of flood if the original TVA plans are carried out.

TVA engineers said the smaller dams had been checked on upper section of French Broad, but that they would cover slightly more.

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MISS TEAGUE WILL BE IN RALEIGH NEXT WK.

Miss Annabel Teague, Transylvania home demonstration agent, will be in Raleigh all next week attending a state meeting of home agents for program planning for 1945. During Miss Teague's absence, from July 24-28, the work throughout the county will be in charge of Miss Kathleen Jarvis, assistant agent for the summer months.

The Lake Toxaway 4-H special clothing meeting, which has been in session at the home of Mrs. C. J. Moltz each Wednesday, has been discontinued indefinitely, due to the polio threat in the county, Miss Teague said.

A SMALL NUMBER OF CASES SLATED FOR TRIAL HERE

Judge J. A. Rousseau Scheduled To Preside. Several Divorce Cases.

46 CASES ON DOCKET

The July term of Transylvania county superior court will open here next Monday morning with Judge J. A. Rousseau, of North Wilkesboro, scheduled to preside. This term of court is supposed to last for two weeks, but due to an unusually small number of cases on the criminal docket and civil calendar it will probably be concluded within three or four days' time.

Listed on the docket are only 46 cases, all of which involve more or less minor charges and there are only 12 cases on the civil calendar.

Charged with assault are Dan Miller, Cecil Burt, Paul Orr, Henrietta Robinson and Bob Pruitt. Lawrence McCall, Floyd McCall, Claud Bishop, Austin Waldrop and Junie Mackey will face larceny charges.

Other cases on the docket include: transporting—Arthur Henderson, Lawrence McCall and Ulys Barton, Jr.; drunk driving—Clarence Pickens, C. M. Compton, Henson McCall, Roy Whitmire, Claude Hinton, Arthur Riddle, Walter Dickenson and Ethel Kenan; violation of prohibition law—William Edmonds and James Riley, carrying concealed weapons—Freeman Patterson and Clyde Miles; forgery, Oscar Moore.

Divorce cases on the calendar are Fisher vs Fisher, Perryman vs Perryman, Whitmire vs Whitmire and Parker vs Parker.

26 TRANSYLVANIA MEN TAKE EXAMS

Majority Are Accepted And May Enter Military Service At Early Date.

Twenty-six Transylvania county registrants left for Camp Croft, S. C., on Tuesday for their pre-induction physical examinations, and will be subject to call for entrance into military service at an early date. Of this number, one was a transfer to this board, and two were transferred to other boards.

Definite information was not available as to the exact number who passed the examination, but it is thought that the majority were accepted and will enter service soon.

Those who left for Camp Croft were: Ralph Jennings Brown, Robert Strange Pearce, Russell Fisher, Fred Augustus Gravelly, Kenneth V. Fowler, Carl Hughes Barton, Eugene Orr, Charles Wade Heath, Jr., Frank Louis Tinsley, Samuel Verner Hall, Nathan Junior.

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Mrs. Otto Wuerstle Dies In New York

Mrs. Otto Wuerstle, 40, a native of this county, died Tuesday morning in a New York hospital, relatives here have been advised.

Mrs. Wuerstle had resided in New York for several years. Before her marriage she was Miss Frances Hall, daughter of C. C. Hall and the late Mrs. Hall, of Lake Toxaway. The body has been shipped to Lake Toxaway for burial but funeral arrangements have not been made.

Besides her father, Mrs. Wuerstle is survived by her husband; two sisters, Mrs. William Vakos, of Virginia Beach, Va., and Mrs. Arthur Barton, of Lake Toxaway; five brothers, Fred Hall, of Kelson, Wash.; Robert Hall, who is in the Merchant Marine; Harrison Hall, of Norfolk, Va.; Verner Hall, of Lake Toxaway, and John Hall, who is in the U. S. army stationed at Fort Bragg.

All Employers Asked To Place Orders For Employees With U.S.E.S. Office

All employers are covered by the new labor ceiling and priorities program that became effective on July 1 and should place their orders for additional employees with the local office of the U. S. Employment service which is located here in the Tinsley building, Gilliam Parker, of Asheville, assistant area director of the War Manpower commission, told a group of employers here Monday afternoon.

The meeting was sponsored by the Brevard chamber of commerce and was attended by approximately 25 persons.

Mr. Parker explained the new labor program and answered questions about it.

All male workers will be referred to jobs only by the U. S. E. S. Any local women workers are not required to make such application.

Returning servicemen may get their old jobs back without going through the service.

Temporary ceilings have been set as of total number of employees working for each firm on April 1 and the replacements allowed during each 60-day period are limited to 15 per cent of the total number on the payrolls July 1.

Permanent ceilings and priorities for this area will be set up at a meeting in Asheville this week. Orders from essential firms will be given priority over non-essential activities.