

# What's happening!

By Bob Johnson

**CHRISTMAS TIME...**What is Christmas? When mothers bring their cookbooks out and hunt for recipes; when little children strive to be obedient and kind; when church bells ring and choirs sing and music fills the air; when little extra things are done to make somebody glad. That's Christmas!

**SOCIAL II FUN...**The Uptown Connection, which is rapidly becoming the place to be for disco's, was the scene of a fantastic one Thursday night December 16.

Many brothers and sisters were seen really getting off and doing their thing; among them were Eleanor Firms, Fran King, Sonny Patterson, Eddie Ward, Calvin Moragne,



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Marilyn Doby, Wilma Firms, Jimmy Gaut, Tim Kinard, Curlie Farr, Phil Watts, Brenda Thomas, Vivian McDaniels, Emma Firms, Archie Hill, Priscilla McDaniels, Mike Conners, Wade Webber, Doris Nesbitt, Delicchio Burroughs visiting Charlotte from Baltimore, Lacy Mondes and Rembrandt Brown.

**CHRISTMAS GIVING...**I have always thought of Christmas time, when it has come around, as a good time; a kind, forgiving, charitable time, the only time I know of in the long calendar of the year, when men and women seem by one consent to open their hearts freely.

The members of the Extraordinaire's Social and Civic Club did just that. The members of this group gave individual gifts to the elderly people at Aery's Rest Home, and serenaded them with Christmas carols. They also gave baskets of food to several indigent families, who wouldn't have known the joys of Christmas, otherwise. God bless you group!

**CHRISTMAS PARTY...**The Mecklenburg Chapter of Las Amigas Incorporated held their annual Christmas Gala last Saturday night, in the Club Room of the Carolina Trade Mart.

The members Arcasia Brewer, Lula Gaskin, Betty Hairston, Mollie Houston, Paula Jeffries, Margo Jones, Ethel Alexander, Miffie Allison, Barbara Atwater, Carol Williams, Theodora Witherspoon, Bettie Long, Frances Tarpley Evelyn Turner, Gerri Wiley, Dora Mason, Sandra Murdock and Frances Randolph did a wonderful job in seeing to it that their guest had fun.

The guest included Ira Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. Delano Rankin, John Hairston, Jean Holtzclaw, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Houston, Lucille Batts, Sam Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry McCullough, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Alexander, Robert Johnson, Doris Massey, Joe Allison, James Atwater, Shedrick Williams, John Witherspoon, Mr. and Mrs. George Watts, Mr. and Mrs. Odell Witherspoon, Mr. and Mrs. John Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. William Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cox, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Hines, Mr. and Mrs. John Scoggins Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lawrence, Carol Mack, David Hood, Jean Wood, George Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Norwood, James Johnson, Doris Johnson, Penny Isom, and Patsy Carter.

**FREUHAUF GATHERING...**Local 576 Industrial Workers of America honored the employees of Freuhauf at a party of the season at Tandur Inn last weekend. Actually it was more than just a party, it was dinner, drinks and dancing.

Among the people that had a fabulous time were Evelyn Hopkins, Shirley Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Roseboro, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Ervin, Patricia Murray, George Crowder, Robert Craig, Hattie Pickett, Frank Phoenix, Roosevelt Anderson, Ardell Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Herman King, Fannie Smith, Virginia Bynum, Kenny Williams, Ann McClain, Florina Oliver, Faye Johnson, Charles McCullough, Edith Izzard, Mr. and Mrs. William Hoyle, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hoyle, Justin White, Mr. and Mrs. Charley Weathers, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Gaitner and Carolyn McNeal.

**THIRD ANNUAL PARTY...**The Omega Social Club held their third annual Christmas party at the home of Vernel Neal.

The sounds of Brick, Earth-Wind and Fire and other top groups were played for the dancing enjoyment of this merrymaking crowd, which included Frances Huntley, Donnell Crowder, Worth Williams III, Herbert Spicer, Calvin McCullough, Sudie Perry, Barbara Johnson, Jerry Adams, Vivian Aery, Kenneth Bauknight, Charles Vinson, Ressie Johnson, Douglas Sloan, Fred Spicer, Henry Wallace, Carolyn Davis, Felix Penn, and Jackie Johnson.

The members of this club who are Jacqueline McCullough, Gail Spicer, Blanche Penn, Vernel Neal, Janie McCleave, Karen Vinson, Yolanda Spicer and Jamilla Johnson are still hearing about the wonderful time everyone had. The party was just as the name Omega implies, the end.

A Merry Christmas to all of you, and may God be with you!



A HOUSE DEDICATION SERVICE, CONDUCTED RECENTLY BY Rev. J.A. Cuthbertson, center, for new home occupants. Left, Mrs. Crowder's God Parents. James and Sarah Crowder, right, was participated in by Randolph and Estelle Mungo.

Photo by Peeler

## Dedicatory Service

### Crowders Dedicate New Home

By James Peeler  
Post Staff Writer  
Mr. and Mrs. James Crowder and family, of 3817 Vining Court in Northwood Park, held a House Dedication Service Sunday, November 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Crowder have four children, all of whom reside at their new home.

They are: Janice, a teenager in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg School system; Donnell, an employee of Kemper Insurance Company; Valeria, an employee of Belk Store Services and, Michelle, a student at Our Lady of Consolation Catholic school.

James Crowder is a Production Inspector at Vanply, Inc. his wife is a self-employed seamstress.

The dedication ceremony was conducted by Rev. J.A. Cuthbertson, pastor of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, where the Crowders are very active members. Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Mungo, Mrs. Crowder's God Parents, also participated in the ceremony.

Refreshments of cake squares, mints, peanuts, and a festive-looking pineapple fruit punch, served by Annie Little and Avarisse Peterson, was enjoyed by the guests.

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N.Y.; Shirley Tillman of Wadesboro, N.C.; Mr. and Mrs. John David Sinclair of Charlotte; Deborah Tillman of Wadesboro, N.C.; and Mrs. Nellie Loma (Mr. Crowder's mother) of Charlotte.

Numerous church members and friends, bearing lovely gifts attended the Dedication Ceremony and helped the Crowder's share this happy occasion.

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### Will Be Honored

#### Sunday

Pastor N.C. Calhoun of New Emmanuel Congregational United Church of Christ will be honored at a special Christmas service, Sunday, December 26, at 5:30 p.m.

"May God bless pastor Calhoun," said a statement from the church. "He has served well as a counselor, pastor, preacher and teacher."

The minister celebrates his birthday each Christmas. He will be honored during the special service in celebration of the Birth of Jesus, said the statement.

Guest soloist for the program will be Robert Edward Moore, president of the 5th Street Organization. He is a former director of Steele Creek AME Zion Church choir.

The program is sponsored by the Pastor's Aid Society of the church, Mrs. Queen Estelle Thompson, president.

**MUTUAL ALL-AMERICAN TEAM**  
Dwaine "Pee Wee" Board, a 6-5, 235-pound defensive end was recently named to the Mutual Black Network All-

American Football team. Board, a sophomore and a native of Union Hall, Virginia, finished second in total tackles for the Aggies this season.

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## Happiness Through Health

### Swine Flu To Kill 50,000?

By Otto McClarrin  
A swine flu epidemic this winter without the government's immunization program could kill more than 50,000 Americans and cost the nation \$6 billion, a Harvard medical school study says.

Researchers concluded that if people take swine flu shots, the mass vaccination program will be a good financial investment. When the study was made, the odds of such an epidemic occurring were estimated at about one in 10.

The researchers estimated that if a swine flu epidemic spreads across the country, more than 56 million persons - or one-fourth of the population - would get the disease. Of these 50,000 would die, and 38 percent of the deaths would be among people over 65, researchers state.

ALCOHOLISM AMONG WOMEN:

Drinking among young women, particularly high schoolers, is rising sharply, but too little attention is being paid to the problems of women alcoholics by the Government, a Senate subcommittee was told recently.

The Subcommittee on Alcoholism and Narcotics also heard testimony showing that the newborn children of mothers who drank heavily frequently suffer serious physical and mental abnormalities.

Dr. Ernest Noble, director of the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, said more women are drinking than ever, but the proportion of young women who drink "is substantially higher - and rising sharply."

While almost three-fourths of all college women now drink, the rate for female high school students is rising even faster, Noble said.

going from 25 percent in the 1960's to 69 percent in 1974.

Dr. Henry Rosett, of Boston University's school of Medicine, said one study which showed that "of the 42 infants born to heavy drinking women, 69 percent presented at least one abnormality as compared with 36 percent of those born to moderate drinking women and 35 percent of those born to rare drinking women."

**NEW CANCER RESEARCH**  
Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation doctors are having success in controlling cancer in some patients by giving them a tuberculosis vaccine, one of the physicians said recently.

Dr. Rick Ishmael said the vaccine, BCG, apparently spur the body to produce antibodies which attack both tubercle bacilli and some type of cancer.

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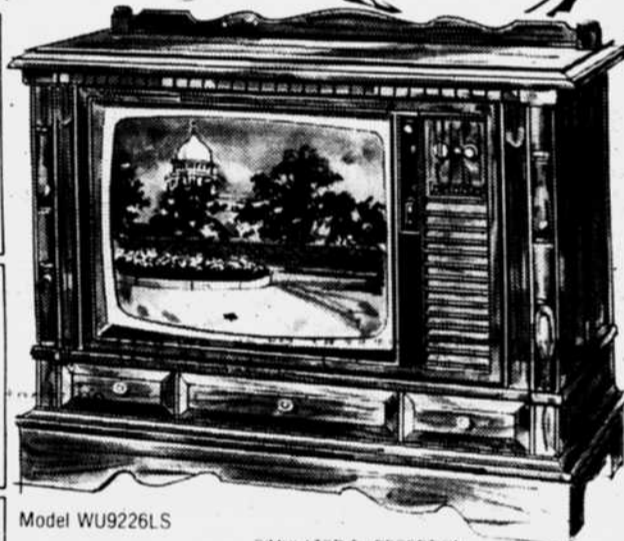
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