

New Schedule on Local Bus Route

Joe Neely in Charge of Brevard and Hendersonville Motor Line

Announcement is made by Joe Neely, for a number of years in charge of the Hendersonville-Brevard bus line, that he is again connected with the business, being now owner of the franchise. A seven-passenger Buick sedan has been put on the run by Mr. Neely, with improved schedules. Lines with the Greyhound lines at Hendersonville, which service gives connections to all parts of the United States. Schedules now in effect call for leaving at 8:30 in the morning, 1:30 and 4:45 in the afternoon, and leave Hendersonville on the return trips at 9:15 in the morning, 3:30 and 6:30 in the afternoon. Brevard headquarters are located at Macfie Drive company, on the square.

OSBORNE MADE MASONIC HEAD

Installation and Banquet To Be Held Friday for Officers

C. K. Osborne was elected master of Dunn's Rock Masonic lodge at a meeting held in the lodge rooms last Friday night. Jerry Jerome was chosen junior warden, Albert Kyle, senior warden, and E. Jenkins, treasurer. Henry Henderson, secretary. Other officers will be appointed by the master. Plans were made at the meeting for a public installation on Friday evening of this week at 7:30, when wives and daughters of members and members of the Eastern Star will be invited to attend. A banquet will be given to the members and guests of the lodge. All members of the lodge and all visiting Masons are invited to attend the occasion.

Mrs. Bagwell Is Called in Death

Funeral services for Mrs. M. B. Bagwell, 63, who died at her home in Brevard early Monday morning, were held at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Hart, pastor of the Brevard Baptist church, officiated. Interment was in Gillespie cemetery. Mrs. Bagwell's death was due to pneumonia, following an illness of only one week. She was a member of the Brevard Baptist church and was well and favorably known in the community, where she had many friends. Surviving are her husband and seven children, two daughters, Mrs. Albert Fortune, of Brevard, and Mrs. E. E. Powell, of Cayuga; three sons, W. Wade, Clarence and Tom, of Brevard, and Ervin, of Spartanburg, S. C.

Two Rosman Men Will Be Ordained

ROSMAN, Dec. 14.—Ordination services will be conducted at Zion Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, by the pastor, Rev. J. E. Hart, at which time, Rev. Hubert Barrett and Rev. Vasco Manley will be ordained as ministers. The two men already have their licenses to preach. Rev. J. E. Hart, who has just been called as pastor of Middle Fork Baptist church, near Rosman, and Rev. Mr. Barrett has been called as pastor of Flat Shoals Baptist church, near his old home at Salem.

KILPATRICK NAMED AS DEPUTY SHERIFF

J. M. Kilpatrick has been named by Sheriff Tom Wood as his chief deputy. Mr. Kilpatrick having assumed his duties last week. The new officer is well known in this county, having been in the contracting and wood business for a number of years.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AT PRESBYTERIAN

Members of the Presbyterian church at the Sunday school plan to give a Christmas program at the church on Sunday evening, beginning at 6:30 o'clock, to which the public is invited. The program centers around "The Prince of Peace" with music and pantomime effects as features.

JURY REPORTS TO TOWNSEND

All Offices of County Well Kept; Prisoners Cared for

Sheriff Wood is running a "good boarding house," judging from report of the grand jury, made to Judge N. A. Townsend, Saturday in which a statement is made that prisoners are being brought on meals and service. The report follows: "We wish to thank your Honor for your charge, and to thank the Sheriff and other court officials for their assistance and cooperation. "We have acted on all bills sent by the solicitor, and returned same to court. "By committee we examined the county home and find the county home well kept, well furnished, and with an ample supply of provisions, fuel, and in stock, and inmates apparently well clothed, fed and cared for. "By committee we examined the jail. We find jail in good condition, well kept, and in good order, except considerable work in the way of repairs or adjustment needed on plumbing and heating fixtures. Some of the cots and bedding are badly worn and will need replacing ere long. We find the prisoners well housed and cared for; they were hanging on their meals and service. "We find courthouse well kept and in good condition, except heating outfit needs some adjustment. "The clerk's office is well kept, records in good order, and neatly kept. We find guardian's reports have been filed, except in a few cases where they have been non-existent, and a short time granted in which to file same. "The office of board of education appears well kept, and records, we think, in good order. The auditor was at work making annual audit. "The office of register of deeds appears well kept, and records well and neatly kept and up-to-date. "The office of sheriff, in good order, and well kept. New incumbent just taken charge. "County accountant's office apparently well kept. Several at work on completing tax books and records, so we could not see much. "The treasurer's office has been changed this month, being transferred to the Transylvania Trust company, deposits being made each week, and a check cured by deposit of North Carolina bonds. "We find bonds of county officers to be ample and in good shape, we think, and believe the tax collector and county accountant have bonds issued by surety company, issued, and now in transit from home office of bond company. The bond of county attorney, who is also collector of collateral notes in hands of county, is for term ending this month. He should be re-elected, and bond should be renewed. "Respectfully submitted, "R. E. GLAZENER, "Foreman."

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Christmas Play By First Grade

Pupils of the first grade of Brevard grammar school, under supervision of their teachers, Miss Eva Call and Mrs. J. E. Ruffey, will give a play, "The Toys Entertain," on Friday morning of this week. About seventy-five children will take part in the play, which will be centered around toyland, costumes and decorations adding to the Christmas spirit. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Bromfield Is Buried in Florida

J. S. Bromfield and Miss Sherrill Bromfield were called to Jacksonville, Fla., on Thursday of last week by the sudden death of Mr. Bromfield's sister-in-law, wife of G. C. Bromfield. Mrs. Bromfield was Miss Dorothy Frederick Cook, of Boston, and a woman whose lovely face was a true manifestation of her less than lovely traits of character. Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Bromfield have visited in Brevard, where Mr. Bromfield has a number of old-time friends and acquaintances.

Court Judgment To Be Heard Today In Brevard Men's Case

Evidence of Defendants Is Heard by Judge Townsend Monday

CHARGE CENTERS ON ISSUING OF TAX NOTE

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GEORGE SMITH WRITES ABOUT HIS SIDE OF JAIL QUESTION

George Smith, subject of a news article in The Times two weeks ago, writes the following letter to this paper: "My attention is called to an article appearing in the December 14 issue of The Transylvania Times, which carries some remarks very complimentary to me and some that are worthy of criticism. "I don't know the author of the article, and don't think that he, or she, knows me personally, and I didn't think when I was engaged in the business of making liquor that I would get 'writ up' in the papers, especially on the front page. "Publicly may look good to some, but I am not a friend, especially when it comes to advertising the fact that I'm in penal servitude. I am not to say ashamed of it, as the offense, misdemeanor, or what ever you wish to call it that I am convicted of, needs the approval of over half the people of our country. "I don't think that the people of Transylvania county or any other county, should expect to hear any unusual reports from the federal penitentiary just because I am being incarcerated there, as I am no second-rate Cripple. I am spoken of in the article as a man-

MANY TOYS IN HANDS OF BOYS

Macfie Makes Donation to Scout Troop for Distribution to Poor

Little toy dogs, big dogs, rollers, coasters, horns, dolls, beads, tea sets, and all kinds of toys that will make the heart of a child glad, have been gathered up by Edward Roy Scouts, and are now being gotten ready for delivery to children in whose homes Santa Claus is apt to fail to appear. Plans of the community have resounded well to the plea of the Scouts, and every day brings a new supply of toys to The Times office, where the toys are being stored. S. M. Macfie made a generous donation to the Scouts this week of over one hundred toys of different kinds. Repair work is under supervision of W. W. Babl, who is an expert in this work. The Scouts assist in repairing the heavier articles. Fred Miller and Hinton McLeod together with other boys of the troop will be distributors, carrying the toys out on Christmas eve.

TO PREACH AT TOXAWAY

Rev. J. N. Hall, pastor of the Rosman circuit, will preach at the Lake Toxaway Methodist church next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., and at Sapphire at 3 p. m.

FIRST DEGREE NOT ASKED IN CASE OF CLIFFORD FISHER

Clifford Fisher submitted Wednesday afternoon, and was given a sentence of 7 to 10 years in the State penitentiary.

Trial of Clifford Fisher, charged with slaying Will J. Fisher, got under way shortly before noon Wednesday. Announcement was made by the solicitor that first degree would not be asked in the case.

Bill Whitmire Is Buried Tuesday

ROSMAN, Dec. 14.—William (Bill) Whitmire, 68, who died at his home in Greenville, S. C., Sunday, was buried at Whitmire cemetery Tuesday, with funeral services held at Zion Baptist church. Deceased had been married three times and was a former resident of this county. Surviving children in this county are: Cad Whitmire, Mrs. Mack Reid, and Mrs. Burgess Kilpatrick; also brother, Johnnie Whitmire. Several children reside in other states.

All Schools Will Close Wednesday

All schools of the county will close on Wednesday afternoon of next week for the Christmas holidays. Appropriate Christmas programs are being given in many of the schools next Wednesday, with Christmas trees and seasonal decorations being very much in evidence.

M'GINNIS BABY DIES IN FRANKLIN HOSPITAL

ROSMAN, Dec. 14.—Martha Anne McGinnis, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McGinnis, of the Cherryfield section, died at Angel Brothers hospital, Franklin, on Saturday, following an operation for appendicitis. Funeral services for the bright young girl were held Monday morning at St. Philip's Episcopal church, conducted by the Rev. Ous McGinnis of Mars Hill, and Rev. J. E. Burt, pastor. Interment was made in the cemetery nearby.

Former Resident Buried Monday

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Fire Losses Low in Transylvania

Report for 1931 Shows Cost of Forest Fire Very Nominal

Report released by the department of conservation and development for the fall season of 1931, shows that Transylvania county ranked well with other counties in this district in the matter of low number of forest fires and acreage burned. Cost of seven fires in this county averaged \$7.76, with an average acreage burned of 32.9 and only 2-10 of one per cent of the forest area burned. Transylvania's next per fire was lowest in the district, Henderson being next in line with average cost \$10.11, and Yancey high with average cost of \$27.94.

MUSIC LOVERS WILL PRESENT TABLEAUX

Members of the Brevard Music Lovers club will present tableaux at Brevard Baptist church Sunday evening, beginning at 8 o'clock, which the public is cordially invited to attend. "O' Birth of Christ" is the title of the musical feature to be presented by the club, and promises to be an uplifting, entertaining event.

Outstanding Projects Are Being Accomplished by Agriculture Class

Around 150 boys, their fathers and invited guests gathered at Brevard high school last Friday evening for the annual father-son banquet given by the Brevard chapter Future Farmers of America. An elaborate setting was prepared for the entertainment with appropriate decorations in the front hall and upon the main stage of the auditorium where the banquet was served. Members of the home economics class under supervision of Miss Virginia Wilcox, had charge of preparing and serving the home produced meal. Class officers and members of the vocational agriculture department, together with their instructor, Professor Julian A. Glazener, had charge of the program, with objectives and projects of the boys being main feature of the evening.

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FUTURE FARM LEADERS HOLD BANQUET MEET

Large Number Father-Son Affair

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