

Outbreak Of Conflict In Pacific Brings War To Home Folks

Aircraft Observers Ordered On Alert

CIVILIAN DEFENSE COUNCIL HERE ON WAR - TIME BASIS

Important Meeting Of Council Is Planned For This Week-end

TO COORDINATE WORK

The Transylvania county civilian defense council sprung into immediate action here early this week upon the outbreak of war between the United States and Japan in the Pacific, and plans are now being rapidly completed for an important meeting of the group this week-end, exact date not yet having been settled, according to Ralph H. Ramsey, Jr., chairman of the council.

Mr. Ramsey received a telegram from state headquarters in Raleigh on Monday in which immediate steps were asked of county councils in the preparation for any war-time eventuality. Aircraft observers were notified by the council to be on the alert, and other divisions of the council have been placed on a full war-time footing, Mr. Ramsey said. Object of the organization is to expedite and coordinate all phases of local work pertaining to the National Defense program.

Officers in the county civilian defense council, besides Mr. Ramsey, are H. F. Finck, of Ecusta, vice president and chairman of the auxiliary fire fighting service; J. B. Jones, secretary, whose office is headquarters for the council; B. H. Freeman, chief of police, chairman of supplementary police service; Keith Pooser, of Ecusta, chairman of the committee for the protection of industrial plants and public buildings. Chief Freeman was also appointed chairman of the aircraft warning service. Mrs. O. H. Orr is chairman of the volunteer office and women's division service committee.

Active members of the council, exclusive of the officers, are Julian A. Glazener, county farm agent; Dr. G. B. Lynch, county health officer; W. W. Brittain, county commissioner; Lewis P. Hamlin, former president of the Chamber of Commerce; R. J. Duckworth, city alderman.

Mr. Ramsey pointed out here Wednesday that in order for the work of the council to be effective, the full cooperation of the entire citizenship of the county is necessary. He said that he was fully confident of this cooperation.

CALDWELL STREET IS HIGHWAY 64-A

Repair, Improvement Work Being Done On Country Club Road

Local county and city officials have received notification from the State Highway department that Caldwell Street, from the Brevard college campus on the North to the Rosman highway on the South, has been designated as U. S. Highway 64-A and will be maintained by the state. County and city officials had petitioned the Highway department to so designate the street.

Repair work is now being done on Caldwell by the state highway workers.

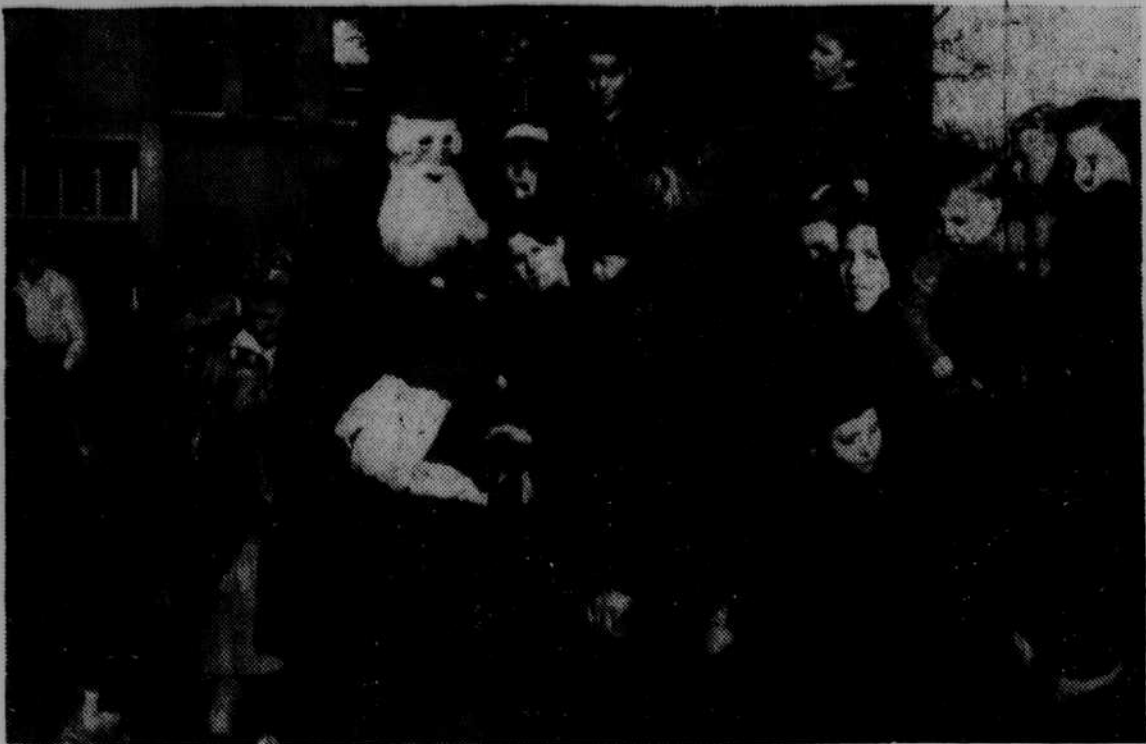
The Country Club road is also being repaired by state prison campworkers, it is understood. Gravel is being placed on the road and certain portions are being widened. The county commissioners and city board of aldermen have asked that the road be surfaced, but no definite action on this petition has been announced as yet.

McChesney Will Speak On Sunday

The Rev. James McChesney, of Oxford, North Carolina, will preach at the Presbyterian church in Brevard on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, it has been announced here.

Before locating at Oxford, Mr. McChesney was a student pastor at the University of Alabama.

SANTA CLAUS IS WELCOMED BY MAYOR HARDIN



Santa Claus, the one man who is uppermost in most children's minds at this time of year, came to Brevard last Saturday to aid the merchants in opening the formal Christmas shopping season, to spread good cheer, and to give candy to the children. He is shown here being welcomed to the town by Mayor Carl Hardin in front of the court house, while a crowd of eager children look on. (Times Staff Photo)

Crippled, 57, But Is Ready For War

One Transylvanian who is ready to fight the Japs, even if he is crippled and 57, is Taylor Banther, of Rosman.

According to Mrs. Allie B. Harlee, clerk to the local draft board, Banther stormed the draft board office last Monday morning and asked to join the Army. She quoted him as saying:

"The Banthers have been in every war this country has ever fought, and I want to get where I can do some fighting, too."

Mrs. Harlee said he said he was determined to fight for his country.

Many volunteers offered their services this week for the Army and the Navy, majority of them being sent to Asheville for enlistment.

DECEMBER COURT TERM IS CLOSED

The December term of Transylvania superior court, a mixed criminal and civil term, closed here Wednesday afternoon after disposing of a light docket. Judge F. Donald Phillips presided at the term, which opened on Monday, December 1, and Clarence O. Ridings, of Forest City, prosecuted the docket.

The last five days of court were taken up with civil cases, mostly involving minor land suits. A number of divorces were granted in the civil session, also.

A complete report of court cases for the December term will be carried in next week's issue of The Times.

An autogiro carries mail between the postoffice roof and the airport in Philadelphia.

Red Cross Chapter Here Gets \$3,000 Quota For War Relief

The Transylvania chapter of the American National Red Cross has been assigned a quota of \$3,000 as its share of the national Red Cross war relief budget, according to a telegram received here Tuesday by Joseph S. Silversteen, chairman of the Transylvania chapter. The telegram was signed by Norman H. Davis, national chairman.

The \$3,000 quota is in addition to the regular Roll Call quota which this year was placed at \$1300. Complete reports are not in as yet on the regular Roll Call.

Mr. Silversteen, after receiving the message from the national chairman, urged upon the people of Transylvania the necessity of aid for the Red Cross in this war-time

LIONS DRIVE FOR CHRISTMAS FUND

Civic Organization Starts A Two-Week Drive For Charity Fund

The Brevard Lions Club announced here Wednesday the opening of a drive in Brevard and Transylvania county to raise a substantial sum for a Christmas Charity Fund to be used in spreading good cheer among the needy of the town and county on Christmas day.

Harold Kilpatrick, member of the committee in charge of the drive, stated that the drive will be conducted similar to the "dime board" plan carried out by civic organizations in adjoining towns and cities. However, the board will not be employed, and contributions of ten cents or more will be accepted by members of the Lions Club, and as an additional incentive to give a novel time clock game has been worked out by the group. During this week and next a clock will be in the window at Macfie's Drug store at the corner of Broad and Main streets. The clock will be kept running during that period, the last day being allowed to run down.

Contributors to the Christmas Charity Fund, according to Mr. Kilpatrick, will be given a free guess as to what time the clock will stop. One guessing closest to the time the clock stops will be given a \$75 cash award, and the person guessing nearest directly opposite on the face of the clock when it stops will be awarded \$25 in cash.

AT COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Patients reported to be in Transylvania Community hospital on Wednesday were: Mr. Larry Broome, Mrs. Clifford Youngblood and infant daughter, Peggy Cecilia, born December 9, Mrs. Dessie Reynolds, Mrs. A. H. Harris, Willie Mae Dental.

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emergency and stated that many additional workers would be needed immediately in the work room which is located over the City Hall. Mrs. John W. Smith is acting chairman of the production committee, and all ladies in the county who have spare time in which they can sew or knit should get in touch with Mrs. Smith at once in order that they may offer their services.

Mr. Silversteen emphasized that again the Red Cross is called upon to serve the nation at a time of war, and he expressed confidence that the people of Transylvania would cooperate to the fullest extent.

No definite plans for launching the war relief quota drive had been announced on Wednesday.

War Bulletins

DREADNAUGHTS SUNK

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Prime Minister Winston Churchill today gave the house of commons the "bad news" that two of Britain's greatest dreadnaughts—HMS Prince of Wales and HMS Repulse—had been lost off Malaya in the heaviest single blow of the war.

REPULSE JAPANESE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—War department communique No. 1 of the United States-Japanese war announced today that the U. S. army and navy forces had repulsed a Japanese landing attempt on the island of Luzon in the Philippines. This is the main island on which Manila is situated.

YANCEY BOY KILLED

BURNSVILLE, Dec. 10.—The death of Weldon Burleson, of Yancey county in the Japanese attack on Hickam field in Hawaii Sunday, was announced today in a message from the war department to the young man's parents.

RUSSIA, NO CHANGE

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 10.—The Tokyo radio said today in a broadcast heard by NBC that Vice For-

WARNS AGAINST FIRECRACKERS

Chief of Police B. H. Freeman issued a warning Wednesday to Brevard youngsters who are wont to shoot firecrackers on the city streets during the holiday season. He stated that shooting firecrackers on private property is permissible but that it is strictly against the law to shoot them on the streets. Violators will be punished, he emphasized.

Chief Freeman also warned citizens to be careful about packages left in parked cars. He said every year a number of items were lost in this manner, and he urged shoppers to protect their goods by locking them in the cars.

Moose Lodge Will Help Gather Toys

The local Lodge of the Loyal Order of Moose has made plans to help members of the local fire department in gathering and repairing toys for the Christmas party, according to Gerald Sitton, governor of the Lodge. He said the Lodge also voted to give a cash donation to the firemen for their fund, and that members of the Lodge were urged to help the firemen in repairing the toys at the City Hall.

Next meeting of the Lodge will be Monday evening at eight o'clock in the Woodmen Hall on Broad Street, Mr. Sitton said.

AN EDITORIAL HISTORY HAS RETURNED

America is at war!

Inevitable history has tampered with the hands of time and has pushed them back through the decades to war and blood and agony and suffering and privation. But . . .

Your country has been attacked with all of the diabolical cunning and deceitism which the Yellow Peril could command. With one hand extended in envoyage, the Satapical government of Japan was directing battleships and destroyers for the kill with the other hand. When the blow came our government, great democracy that is, arose without a flinch from the blow and came back fighting, just as any parent would sally forth for his sons and daughters.

Yes, at last, after more than two years of bloody battle, World War II has reared its ugly head to Americans through the misty, at times mirage-like, blanket of newspaper stories, radio reports, and censored pictures. It has emerged full-grown at every American's door.

What will this war mean to you—every citizen who is proud of the citizenship he bears? In incidentals it may mean spending longer hours behind the plow, more hours on the floor of stores and business houses, additional sweating over industrial machines, cotton hose instead of silk, budgeting of foodstuffs at the family table, these and many more. But what it really means is this:

Americans will fight without a falter until they, for the benefit of all mankind, have put down forever the menace of the Yellow Peril and every association that it may shelter!

BULLETIN

It was learned here Wednesday that the finance committee of the Transylvania community hospital has received a check for \$17,000 from the Duke Foundation, the initial payment of the Foundation's gift of \$28,000 to the local hospital now under construction.

VARNER'S DRUG TO GET NEW QUARTERS

Mull Building Leased For Several Years By S. E. Varner, Jr.

It was learned here this week that S. E. Varner, Jr., manager of Varner's Drug store on Broad Street, has leased for several years the Mull building on the corner of Broad and Jordan streets and will open a complete and modern drug store there about April 1, 1942. The building, now occupied by a billiard parlor, will be completely remodelled, work to begin at an early date, it is understood.

The volume of business enjoyed by Varner's Drug store necessitated the change to a larger building, Mr. Varner said. The new store will have more than three times the space now occupied. Varner's Drug store has enjoyed successful business since its opening here on December 6, 1940.

Dunn's Rock Lodge To Elect Officers

Friday evening, December 12th at 8:00 o'clock, Dunn's Rock Lodge No. 627, A. F. & A. M., will meet in regular communication. This meeting is an important one as the officers for 1942 are to be elected. All members of the lodge are urged to be present. Visiting Masons are welcome.

After election of officers and transaction of business three members of the Pythagoren Club of Asheville will put on a thirty minute program. The subjects will be along the lines of History and Philosophy of Masonry.

Honor Court Set For Scouts Of Brevard Troops One, Two

A court of honor for scouts of Troops One and Two in Brevard will be held at the Methodist church here on Friday evening of this week, beginning at 7:30, it has been announced by local scout leaders. Don M. Jenkins, advancement chairman of the county executive scout committee, will preside at the honor court, and Floyd New, assistant district scout executive, will be here to aid in the advancement presentations.

At the honor court three Life Scout awards will be made. They will be made to Henry Summey, Robert Kappers and Jim Newbury, all members of Troop One, of which Dr. E. O. Roland is scoutmaster. Other members of Troop One who will receive awards are the following who will receive merit badges: Kenneth Ratchford, in per-

FARMERS GO TO BAT IN DEFENSE FOODS PROGRAM

Glazener Reveals Proposed Increase In Farm Production Above Quota

NEED MORE EGGS

Transylvania county farmers are cooperating wholeheartedly in the Food For Defense program which was launched early this fall, according to Julian A. Glazener, county farm agent, who yesterday reported the results of the drive for increased production of various farm products in the interest of national defense during the year 1942.

The community AAA committee, under the direction of the extension workers and the county AAA committee, have carried out the work of tabulation and individual cooperation in helping the farmers of the county plan their agricultural programs for 1942, and they report splendid reaction on the part of the farmers.

Mr. Glazener released the following information relative to the quota asked of Transylvania farmers in the Food For Defense program and the results of proposed increased production as shown by the tabulated reports:

Milk cows: increase asked, 30; increase proposed, 199.

Eggs: increase asked, 21,650 dozens; increase proposed, 61,749 dozens.

Soybeans for seed: increase asked, 100 acres; increase proposed, 582 acres.

Hay crop: increase asked, 98 acres; increase proposed, over 200 acres.

Other proposed increase in farm production in the county, according to Mr. Glazener, include a number of acres devoted to home gardening and a substantial increase in hog production.

An interesting sidelight on egg production as revealed by Mr. Glazener is that at present only about fifty per cent of the eggs

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SHOCK OF WAR SUBSIDES HERE IN PREPARATION

Mayor and Post Commander Issue Appeals To Rally To The Cause

MANY VOLUNTEERS

The shock of the outbreak of war in the Pacific with Japan's attack on the United States' possessions in Hawaii and the Philippine last Sunday had somewhat subsided in Brevard and Transylvania county by Wednesday, but the some 12,000 citizens of the county settled down grimly to the reality that a "fighting war" is on and prepared to lend their every effort to the nation's needs in war time.

Radio reports early Sunday afternoon and an extra edition of the Asheville Citizen Sunday evening spread the news quickly through this Western Carolina county, and hurried and excited groups quickly formed on the street corners and at various community centers throughout the county to discuss this latest edition of World War II's episodic book. Most persons, upon being queried, admitted that news and talk of war for the past two years had inured them to the immediate possibility of the United States' entrance into the conflict, but the sudden Nipponese attack came as a surprising shock, just as it did to peoples throughout the entire nation. They were of the stoic opinion, however, that the United States, together with the alliance of other democracies on this continent and elsewhere can easily handle the Japanese.

Offer Their Service

Mrs. Allie B. Harlee, clerk to the local draft board, stated here yesterday that volunteers for the army and navy had been pouring into her office since early Monday morning, some of them far above the age limit for enlistment. She said that evidently the attack upon the United States by Japan had stirred many Transylvanians to the boiling point and put them in a temper to go and fight it out.

Eck L. Sims, ex-commander of the American Legion Post here, wrote army headquarters in Charlotte Monday, offering his services for active army duty.

Ralph R. Fisher, present commander of the American Legion Post here, yesterday issued a statement in the name of the Legion urging all veterans to rally to the colors in this hour of emergency. His statement to the veterans of the county was, in part: "As com-

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JAYCEES PLANNING NEW YEAR'S DANCE

Sponsors To Be Named; To Have Charge Ticket Sales, Reservations

The Brevard Junior Chamber of Commerce is now making final plans for the staging of a dance at the country club here on New Year's eve, December 31, according to a report issued at a meeting of the group at Brevard college on Tuesday evening. A leading orchestra of this section is being obtained for the dance, members stated. Tickets are to go on sale this week-end.

This dance will be sponsored, the sponsors to be selected by the organization. They will have charge of ticket sales and reservation of tables. The eight sponsors will be named at a directors' meeting this week-end.

The New Year's eve dance will be the first one sponsored by the junior commerce organization for some time, and the group is hoping to make it one of the biggest events of the year.

Methodist Church Program Announced

The Rev. E. P. Billups, pastor of the Methodist church here has announced the following subject for the morning service next Sunday: "What is God Doing in the World?" Special Christmas music will be heard.

In the evening there will be a candlelight service and a concert by the Brevard college choir will be heard. The evening service begins at 7:30.