



CHRISTMAS HOMES with their gay decorations in the holiday mood are rapidly making their appearance in and around Brevard as the big day approaches. Two of the most attractive ones to make appearances are shown above. At the top is Colonial Inn on Main street, with its large white pillars striped in candy cane effect with red plastic ribbon. The huge wreath hanging from the top balcony is framed by the pillars.

The lower photograph shows Mr. and Mrs. Burder Teague's home on Neely road, which for several years has attracted much attention. On the rooftop are Santa Claus, Missed and the reindeer coming in for a landing. Note that Santa was not in the sled at the time the picture was taken, but he certainly will be on Christmas Eve!

(Times Staff Photos)

Brisk Christmas Business Reported, Only Eight More Shopping Days Left

CIVIL DOCKET IS BEING HEARD IN SUPERIOR COURT

One Case Taking Much Of The Time This Week. Slate Is Reviewed

The civil slate is being heard in the December term of Superior court this week.

Court was recessed from last Friday until Tuesday by Judge J. Will Pless, and most of the time on Tuesday and Wednesday was taken up with the trial of the case, Flossie Raxter vs. R. T. Gash, administrator. The case involves personal services rendered the state, and the lawyers were expected to wind up their testimony before the jury by late Wednesday. The first case slated for Thursday, Clerk of Court Marvin McCall reports, is Paul Sitton, Sr., vs. L. E. Callendar. This case grew out of an automobile accident.

Judge Pless has a number of sentences in criminal cases yet to hand down, and other cases might be heard before adjournment this week end.

The following cases were tried since the paper was published last Wednesday:

Alex Gaston, charged with violating the prohibition law, was given a suspended sentence.

Wilma Moore, charged with liquor law violation, was given a suspended sentence on payment of a \$500.00 fine.

Ollis McCall was fined \$25.00.

PROGRESS MADE ON YOUTH CENTER

Sledge House Has Been Acquired. Group Feels That Budget Will Be Raised

Remarkable progress for a youth center in Brevard was reported at a special meeting of the Transylvania Youth committee and other interested citizens Tuesday night at Gaither's.

Chairman Ed Garrett presided and others reporting on the progress included Thomas R. Eller, who stated that a charter is being acquired, and Charles Norlander, treasurer of the committee.

Mr. Norlander said that approximately \$1,000 has been subscribed in cash and pledges, and the group feels confident that the budget of \$3,000 can be raised in the not too distant future.

The Sledge house on Jordan street has been acquired for a youth center and it is hoped that it can be opened in early '56, Mr. Garrett stated.

A three-fold plan of action was

Little Theatre To Hold Try-Outs For Play On Thursday

Tryouts for "Ten Little Indians," outstanding mystery play, will be held by the Brevard Little Theatre Thursday night, December 15th, beginning at 7:30 p. m., in the court house.

This play will be presented in February by the Little Theatre, Ernest Gilstrap, president, announces today. The cast calls for seven men and two women, all varied in character.

"Ten Little Indians" has long been a favorite with Little Theatre groups throughout the country, and everyone is invited to try out for a part. Mrs. Martha Norlander is the casting chairman for this play.

CHRISTMAS DANCE, SAT
The annual American Legion Christmas dance is slated for Saturday night, December 17th.

Dancing will begin at 8:30 o'clock, and according to Chairman Bill Baughn, music will be furnished by "The Solitaires." Legionnaires will be permitted to bring guests as will the members of the auxiliary. Admission will be \$1.50 per couple.



RICHARD MOORE, president of the Dunn's Rock Community Development club, is shown in the top photo at the right receiving a check for \$300 from Maurice Puckett, president of the Asheville chamber of commerce, at the special awards luncheon last Saturday in the Battery Park hotel in Asheville. Dunn's Rock was the runner-up in the '55 Rural Development contest in Western North Carolina. In the bottom photograph, Transylvania's county agent Julian A. Glazener, is shown at the left receiving a plaque for outstanding achievement in rural development work. See pictures and story on front page of the second section about the Dunn's Rock community. (Times Staff Photos)

Gets Check For \$300

Dunn's Rock Community Wins Second Place In WNC Contest

Kiwanians Will Make Christmas Merrier For Many

Final plans for the Christmas Cheer work will be announced at the meeting of Brevard Kiwanis club at the meeting Friday night of this week at 7 o'clock in Gaither's Rhododendron Room.

Peanut brittle candy which the club is selling for the youth fund will be on sale at the meeting, and it may also be secured at the office of the secretary, C. M. Douglas. Retiring president Julian Glazener will have charge of the program.

Program Highlights

Brevard High School Christmas Program To Be Aired Over WPNF

The outstanding Brevard high school band will present a special Christmas program over WPNF next Wednesday evening, beginning at 8:05 o'clock.

The high school glee club will also be heard on the program, and there will be a special narration. Bobby Hoyle, station manager, cordially invites the public to hear this special program by the Bre-

Transylvania's progressive Dunn's Rock Community won second place in the Western North Carolina Rural Development contest last Saturday and received a check for \$300 at a special awards luncheon in Asheville's Battery Park hotel.

Richard Moore, president of the Dunn's Rock club, accepted the check from Maurice Puckett, president of the Asheville chamber of commerce. The cash award was donated by the Citizen-Times Publishing company.

Some 40 persons from Transylvania, especially the Dunn's Rock community, attended the annual

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BREVARD STORES WELL STOCKED, SANTA RETURNS

Bonus Payments Will Be Made. Schools To Close On This Friday

"TRADE AT HOME"

Brevard merchants reported today that Christmas really is in the air, as evidenced by throngs of eager shoppers in the stores.

With only eight shopping days left, shoppers are buying heavily, according to several merchants contacted by The Times. In anticipation of this rush, local business houses went all-out in preparing for the deluge of shoppers.

There are no figures available on sales volume at the present time, but indications are that it will equal or exceed previous years. Shoppers in Brevard stores have found a large variety of items to compete their shopping lists.

A quick peek at the counters, shelves and display windows will assure skeptics that Brevard has the variety sought by the choicest shoppers. And brimming stock rooms stand ready to replace popular items that may be exhausted.

Local merchants anticipate a further upsurge in buying this weekend as the result of bonus payments by local industries in keeping with a practice of many year's standing.

Local business conditions are but a reflection of national conditions and at present business is enjoying an all-time high. Economists predict that 1956 will be an even better year. But whatever the optimism on the national scale,

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LEGION AUXILIARY HAS YULE PROJECT

Working On Toys, Clothing For Needy Veteran Families. Plea Is Made

The American Legion auxiliary will conclude their tremendous project of preparing toys and clothing for needy veteran families at Christmas this week end.

The auxiliary members, under the chairmanship of Miss Opal Fullbright, have been working on this project for several months.

It is urged that any veteran's family that needs toys, clothing, or groceries to help them out should contact Miss Fullbright at 36 Turnpike road, or phone her at TUner 3-3871 before December 19th.

The auxiliary is still in need of some children's clothing to care for requests. Persons desiring to give good, used clothing should contact Miss Fullbright, also. It is planned to have these boxes ready for delivery by December 21st.

Anyone knowing of a veteran whose family is in need this Christmas should also contact Miss Fullbright or a member of the auxiliary.

Yule Lighting Contest Judging To Be Wednesday

The Brevard Garden club's annual Christmas lighting contest deadline will be on Wednesday, December 21st, and Mrs. Charles Himes, chairman, invites persons to complete their entries and get them in prior to noon on that day.

Anyone living within two miles of Brevard is eligible. The only thing necessary to enter the contest is to phone a member of the committee prior to the deadline.

Serving with Mrs. Himes are Mrs. Paul Tindall and Mrs. Curtis Kelley.

A number of valuable prizes are being given in the three categories, which are as follows:

Best decorated house and yard, best decorated doorway and best decorated window, with or without a tree.

Ford Foundation Makes \$12,400 Grant To Transylvania Community Hospital

Allocation Will Be Used To Extend Facilities And Service To Town, Co.

The Transylvania Community hospital will share in the half billion dollars, which the Ford foundation is appropriating to privately supported hospitals, colleges and universities.

The local hospital will receive \$12,400, and the total amount being given to 21 Western North Carolina hospitals is more than a half million.

John W. Bailey, administrator of the Transylvania Community hospital, today expressed sincere appreciation on behalf of the board of trustees and the administration for the generous gift of the Ford Foundation.

"While the full details of the grant are not known as yet, the hospital has been notified that it is eligible to receive a tentative amount of \$12,400 to be used in improving and extending the services of the hospital to the community."

It is understood that the grant cannot be used for current operating costs, and half of the amount

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

Thursday, Dec. 15 — Lions club meets at 7 p. m., in Gaither's. Golfers' banquet at Brevard country club, 7 p. m. B & PW club meets at 7 p. m., in Gaither's. Court of honor at Turkey Creek church, 7:30 p. m. WSCS at Methodist church at 7:30 p. m. Women of Presbyterian church meet, 8 p. m. Little Theatre try-outs, 8 p. m., in court house.

Friday, Dec. 16 — Schools close for holidays. Garden club meets with Mrs. C. J. Goodwin, 3:30 p. m. Kiwanis club at Gaither's, 7 p. m.

Saturday, Dec. 17 — Santa re-

On Advice From Raleigh

Holding Company To Attract Industry Will Be Organized

Intensified efforts to attract small industry to Transylvania county will be the immediate goal of the Brevard chamber of commerce, the board of directors decided at the regular December meeting Tuesday night over the city hall.

This action followed advice given at a special industrial development meeting in Raleigh on Monday, which was attended by four representatives from the county.

A holding company will be formed here, which will ask stockholders to invest in a company to purchase and take options on plant sites suitable for development.

It was learned in Raleigh that

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Four representatives from Transylvania county attended the industrial development meeting in Raleigh on Monday.

Mayor John A. Ford represented the town of Brevard, and Vernon Fricks, president of the Brevard chamber of commerce, went from the civic organizations.

C. M. Douglas, tax collector, represented the county, and Gil Coan went from the Rosman chamber of commerce.

The meeting was called by the State Department of Conservation and Development and industry division for the purpose of bringing about a closer coordination of agencies and groups working for fur-

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HENRY FORD, 11, and H. Rowan Gaither, Jr., this week announced grants totalling more than a half billion dollars to hospitals, colleges and universities. The Transylvania Community hospital will receive \$12,400 from the special appropriations to hospitals. Mr. Ford is chairman of the board of trustees, and Mr. Gaither is the president.