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### Weather

By FRED REITER

Temperatures averaged 56 and 34 degrees during the past six days, which is a bit warmer than usual for the last week before the onset of winter. The week's high reading was Saturday's 66 degree mark, while the low was 22 on Friday morning.

Extended outlook for North Carolina for Wednesday through Friday: chance of showers over the Western North Carolina area on Friday. Rather mild days with cool nights and little day to day changes. Daytime highs in the 50s with overnight lows in the low 30s

Weather data for the past six days was as follows:

	High	Low	Prec.
Wednesday	38	33	1.20
Thursday	54	30	0.00
Friday	64	22	0.00
Saturday	66	30	0.00
Sunday	55	40	0.05
Monday	61	47	0.16

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### 1 Shopping Day 'til Christmas



CHRISTMAS SEALS FIGHT MPRYSMA, TUBERCULOSIS AND AIR POLLUTION

## Quiet Christmas Observance Is Expected Throughout Transylvania



### From The Staff And Management The Transylvania Times

## '71 License Tag Application Cards Are Now In The Mails

The local license tag office will be closed December 24th and 25th for Christmas holidays.

The application cards necessary for obtaining 1971 license plates were placed in the mail on December 21st and 22nd. Department of Motor Vehicles officials expect this huge mailing, estimated at 3,500,000 cards, to be delivered by January 1st.

The 1971 green and white plates will go on sale throughout the state on January 4th. The 1970 plates expire December 31st and their use beyond that date is permissible only if they are duly registered by the Department to the vehicle on which display is made. Owners who have their vehicles properly registered by the Department have until February 16th to obtain new plates.

Surrounding area residents may obtain plates at 26 West Jordan Street.

Office hours will be from 9:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. Monday through Friday.

The local license agent.

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### Stores, Offices Closed, Business Reported Good

Transylvanians are preparing for a big Christmas, and local merchants expect a rush of last minute shoppers on Thursday.

Stores are still well stocked with holiday merchandise. They will be closed on Christmas day, and several firms will also close on Saturday.

There are special Christmas messages and features throughout this issue, and The Times staff wishes for all readers a Very Merry Christmas.

The greetings in this issue also come from industries, businesses and others, and they will make for pleasant reading during the Christmas observance.

Schools were recessed for the holidays at 2:00 p. m. on Tuesday, and Brevard College closed last Friday.

According to Postmaster Charlie Patton, the Brevard Post office will close at 12:30 Thursday, Dec. 24th, for the Christmas holidays. It will

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### Bob Tinsley Is Author Of New Book

Bob Tinsley, who has made quite a name for himself in Florida as an educator, author, sportman, cowboy and folksinger, is the author of a new book entitled "The Florida Panther".

Mr. Tinsley is a guidance counselor in Ocala, Florida, and his wife Dottie is a teacher in early childhood education.

They are currently visiting here in Brevard.

The new book is published by Great Outdoors Publishing Company, 4747 Twenty-Eighth St., North St. Petersburg, Florida, 33714.

About Mr. Tinsley, the publishing company states:

Jim Bob Tinsley, educator,

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### Installation In January

## Jud McCrary Is Elected To Head Transylvania Shriners

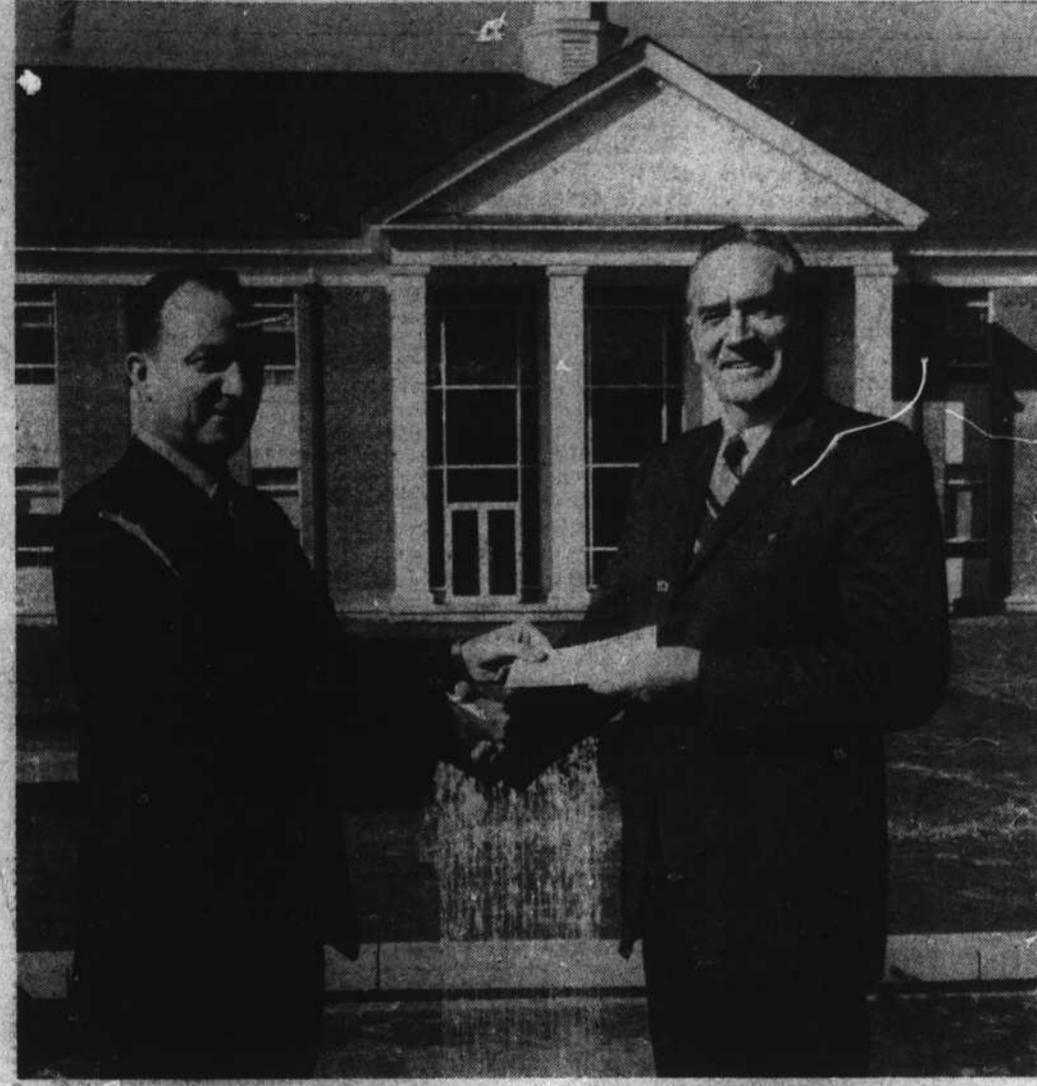
The Transylvania Shrine Club met on December 14th for the purpose of electing Club officers to serve during 1971. Elected officers are:

- President - Judson McCrary
- Vice - President - Donald D. Culin
- Secretary - Gerald E. Uhler
- Treasurer - Robert L. Merrill
- Chaplain - Rev. Russell L. Willis

These officers will be installed during the Ladies Night banquet to be held at Berry's restaurant at 7:00 p. m. on January 18, 1971. All Nobles and their Ladies are urged to attend.

Contributions to the Shriners Hospital for 1970 from this Club reached \$1250.00 making this one of the best years. The Nobles of the Transylvania Shrine Club wish to express their appreciation to the citizens of the county for their contributions and support.

The new president is co-owner of the Lyda-McCrary Ford Company. A native Transylvanian, he is active in civic and church affairs of the community.



**FOUNDATION GIFT**—Charles Jones, manager of the local American Thread Company, is shown above at the right as he presents a check for \$1,000 to President Robert A. Davis of Brevard College. The contribution is to the general college fund to assist with several programs presently underway. Dr. Davis expressed his gratitude for this support from the local firm, stating, "We appreciate this vote of confidence in Brevard College. Contributions such as this from American Thread assist us greatly as we seek to serve Transylvania County and Western North Carolina with the finest educational program possible." (Times Staff Photo)

## Record Is Set American Thread Plant Has One Million Safe Man Hours

The American Thread Company's Sylvan Plant chalked up a commendable record on November 16 when one million safe man hours of work was achieved, the first time in the history of the Rosman-located yarn manufacturing plant.

Plant Manager Charles S. Jones expressed appreciation to the 320 employees and urged them to try for a two million goal for the future.

Each employee at Sylvan has been given a gift by the Company. In addition to the gift of appreciation to each individual the Company sponsored a "Guessing Contest" about two weeks before the goal was reached. Employees were invited to guess the exact month, day, hour and minute that the Sylvan Plant would reach the millionth safe man hour. Necessary clues for the purpose of computation were furnished and prizes were offered for the three closest guesses.

The goal was achieved on November 18, 1970 at 3:52 p. m. Winners of the guessing contest.

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## Named "Montezuma" Golden Eagle Is Given A Winter Home On Pisgah Ranger District

"Montezuma", a young beautiful Golden Eagle, was carefully placed in the rugged terrain of the Pisgah Ranger District on December 17th.

On November 6th Refuge Manager Clayton Hardy found a dying Golden Eagle on the Montezuma National Refuge at Seneca Falls, New York. Mr. Hardy turned the Eagle over to Doctor Walter Spofford and his wife, Doctor Sally Spofford. The Spofford's are Professors at the Laboratory of Ornithology, Cornell University, and are renowned for their work with the Golden Eagle, Bald Eagle and Peregrine Falcon.

The Spofford's nursed "Montezuma" back to health at their home in Etna, New York. According to Dr. Spofford, "Montezuma" hadn't eaten for three weeks. The Golden Eagles mate in Canada, and the young leave the nest in September and are on the wing south 2 weeks after leaving the nest. Dr. Spofford said that evidently the parents of "Montezuma" had not fully trained the young Eagle to catch its prey before "Montezuma" became separated from the parents.

After the Spofford's had "Montezuma" ready for the wide open spaces they faced a problem of where to place "Montezuma" so it would survive. They called their good friend Malcolm Edwards in Roanoke, Va. Malcolm is the Forest Service Wildlife Staff Officer for the Jefferson National

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### On Local Scene

## Record Number Of Silver Weddings

The end of World War II, which occurred just 25 years ago, has special meaning for many married couples in Transylvania County.

For it was right afterward, in 1946, that they and some 2,300,000 other couples in the United States descended upon their marriage bureaus in a rush to get licenses to wed.

It was the biggest marrying year of all time. Never before then or since have so many couples marched up the aisles.

The great majority of them, having escaped divorce and death in the intervening years, are now ready to celebrate their silver wedding anniversaries.

Of the 4,100 or so married couples who are now living in Transylvania County, approximately 180 of them, a record number, will be marking

their 25 years of marriage in 1971.

Incidentally, for local stores selling silverware, crystal and other gift items, the celebrations that will take place are expected to generate a fair amount of new business.

On the basis of government statistics and reports from insurance companies, the likelihood that a couple will survive and be together to celebrate their silver anniversary has increased greatly in recent decades, notwithstanding the high divorce rate.

For the average 23-year-old groom in Transylvania County who takes a bride four years younger than himself, the probability is greater than 8 out of 10 that they will celebrate their silver anniversary 25 years hence.

Even for men who marry

as late as 35, the chances of a 25th anniversary are better than 7 out of 10, according to the general average.

Similarly, a greater proportion of married couples than ever before are living to celebrate their golden wedding anniversaries.

For the typical young couple now entering marriage, the odds in favor are better than 1 out of 3, which is more than double what they were 50 years ago.

In Transylvania County, the figures show, the population is very marriage-minded. No less 68 per cent of the men and women over age 14 are married, a relatively high proportion.

The average, in the United States is 67 per cent and, in the State of North Carolina, also 67 per cent.

### Program Highlights

## WPNF To Broadcast Many Special Holiday Programs

Musical Christmas greetings from Brevard area merchants will be broadcast over WPNF both Thursday and Christmas Day.

Many merchants will take the opportunity to greet their friends and customers via radio, and send out the joyous sounds of favorite Christmas music throughout the two days.

As The Times was going to press, WPNF officials were preparing to award the Big Christmas stocking with \$100 to some lucky listener.

Brevard's Mayor, the Honorable Raymond F. Bennett, was

on hand to draw out the winning name Wednesday afternoon at 4:15.

Keep tuned to 1240 to hear the name of the person who received an early visit from Ole Santa.

### Other Programs

The schedule for the Farm and Home hour is as follows: Thursday, station program; Friday, station program; Monday, county extension chairman, Jerry Pursler; Tuesday, Carolina news; Wednesday, home agent, Miss Jean Childers.

Speaking this week on Morn-

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