

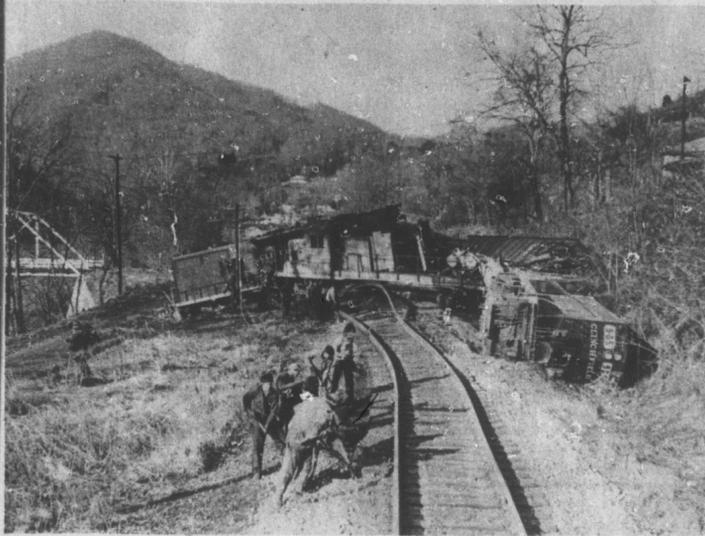
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Workmen At Scene Of Derailment



One Of Three Heavily Damaged Engines



Hundreds Of Tons Of Coal Scattered

## Train Derails Near Toecane

A Clinchfield Railroad train derailed in two places near Toecane last Friday, December 13, resulting in heavy damage to the three engines and most of the cars. A Clinchfield spokesman said that no one was injured in the wreck which left at least 25 cars off the tracks and spilled hundreds of tons of coal along the track and the dirt road alongside it. The train was traveling south when the main part of the wreck occurred, about one-half mile south of Toecane, along the North Toe River. The three engines and at least 10 cars were derailed at this point. Twelve cars were off the track north of Toecane where the railroad crosses the river and the bridge appeared to have sustained extensive damage.

## Chrismon Tree Display Set At Bald Creek Church Open House

There's a special kind of tree for Christmas that's becoming well known the country over. Adorned with symbolic decorations that originated centuries ago, the Chrismon tree is rapidly making its place in the annual celebration of Christmas.

This year the Bald Creek United Methodist Church has decorated a tree with lavish gold and white pearl Chris-

mons that have taken the ladies of the church many hours to make.

Chrismons are not to be used on a tree with other Christmas decorations, such as tinsel and flashy ornaments. The Chrismon tree is strictly a religious, symbolic tree. The non-denominational Chrismons which were started in the Lutheran Church of the Ascension in Danville, Vir-

ginia, are copies of symbols that early Christians used to identify each other; some are new explanations of God and His work.

The public is invited to attend an open house at the Bald Creek Church where the Chrismon tree may be seen between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 on Thursday evening, December 19.

## Children Need Vaccine

A study by the North Carolina Medical Society has shown that 62% of children two years of age or younger have not been fully immunized against diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, polio myelitis and measles. This is a shocking and dangerous situation and is likely to have disastrous results if the situation is not corrected.

The local health department and the physicians of our county wish to do everything possible to correct this situation according to Dr. Melvin Webb, prominent Yancey physician. "We are extremely fortunate in having a first rate health department and the services of two pediatricians, Dr. Carolyn Cort, M.D. and Dr. Fergus Pope, M.D.," he said.

Information regarding the schedules for immunization can be obtained from the local health department or if the parents desire, their private physicians.

Dr. Webb stated that of equal importance is the fact that once immunization of a child has been completed, it is imperative that booster doses of vaccine be given for some diseases for the remainder of the person's life. Tetanus and polio are two examples of advisable lifetime immunization procedures.

"I will not attempt to outline the proper immunization schedule for children and the subsequent booster schedule for children and adults," said Dr. Webb, "but I will again emphasize the fact that we need desperately to reach everyone possible so that proper immunization can be carried out in Yancey County.

Deaths from lock jaw (tetanus) occur regularly all over the United States, in all

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## Rev Jackson To Speak At Cane River

On December 21 and 22 (Saturday and Sunday), Reverend Bobby Jackson of Greenville, S.C. will be speaking at Cane River High School at 7:30 p.m.

Bobby Jackson was born at Wilson, N.C. in 1931. He graduated from the Bible College of Nashville with greatest of honors ever received there. He received his MA degree at Bob Jones University.

Rev. Jackson has held over eight hundred revivals, and preached over 8,000 sermons during the past eighteen years. He has preached in thirty states and in Canada. He has also written three books.

Everyone is invited to attend this special event!

## Highway Hearing Tonight

Yancey County Commissioners and Highway officials will hold a hearing at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, December 19 concerning priorities set by the Department of Transportation for the improvement of secondary roads. This hearing will be held in the courtroom.

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TOWARD  
MEN



## School Holiday Schedule

The Yancey County School calendar has been changed because of the loss of school days due to the recent snow. Originally schools were to be closed for Christmas holidays from Friday, December 20 until Thursday, January 2, 1975. Under the new schedule schools will close at 1:00 p.m. on December 20 and will re-open on Monday, December 30. They will be closed again for one day only on January 1.

## Taxpayers Must List Property

Announcement has been made by the Yancey County tax office that the List Taker for all Townships in Yancey County will be at the Burnsville Courthouse during the month of January. All property owners and taxpayers are required to list their real estate, personal property, etc. which they own on the first day of January. Failure to list all property will result in a penalty being exacted.

## Lions Club Fruit Cake Sale Slated

The Burnsville Lions Club is having its annual Fruit Cake Sale. The cakes are priced at \$4.50 for a 3-pound cake. For information and delivery call any member of the Lions Club.

The sale of fruit cakes has been one of the major sources of income for the many charitable projects the club has sponsored for many years, according to Joe McFee, President.



## Mrs. Santa Visits Library

Mrs. Santa made a special trip from the North Pole to visit sixty "little people" at the Children's Hour Christmas Party at the Yancey County Public Library this past Monday morning. Mrs. Santa brought goodies for the boys and girls which she and Santa's elves made in her Christmas kitchen. Assisting Mrs. Santa in her kitchen were the Yancey Jaycettes, and assisting

Mrs. Santa in a very special way was Mrs. Fred Bacon. Attending the Christmas Party were children from Mrs. Nellie Styles' kindergarten, Yancey Child Development Center, Yancey Head Start, and other little friends of the library. A jolly time was had by all!