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Oteen News

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The W.M.S. of Grassy Branch Baptist church held their regular monthly meeting Monday, Dec. 10, in the home of Mrs. Harry Lyda on lower Grassy Branch road. The meeting was opened with prayer. Mrs. Ann Lucy Sawyer was in charge of the Royal Service program which was entitled "Where Advance." Sentence prayers were offered by each member. A recording by Mrs. George Martin was played. Mrs. H. C. Mitchell, president, was in charge of the business session. Plans were made for a Christmas party to be held in the home of Mrs. Francis Lunsford on upper Grassy Branch road Thursday, Dec. 20. Mrs. Robert Wolfe was welcomed as a new member. A social hour followed with refreshments served to the following members: Mrs. Jane Ogle, Mrs. E. H. Ogle, Mrs. Sawyer, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Lunsford, Mrs. Topsy Ledford, Mrs. Margaret Turner, Mrs. Thad Gregg, Mrs. Robert Wolfe, Mrs. Lloyd Wolfe and Mrs. Sadie Mitchell.

The W.S.C.S. of Bethesda Methodist church held their annual Christmas program Friday, Dec. 14, at 7:30 p. m. at the church. Members of the Allen High school glee club presented a program of Christmas carols of foreign lands. A short Christ-

mas message was given by the pastor, the Rev. Paul Cassell, using as his text Luke 1: 26-38. Mrs. Donald Maney gave a reading which was entitled "The Great Rushing of Wings." To bring the meeting to a close the group enjoyed an old fashioned carol sing. Mrs. V. H. Buckner offered the closing prayer. A social hour followed which was held in the recreation room. Mrs. Charles B. Holden Jr., president, was in charge of the decorations. Mrs. H. J. Buckner, Mrs. Carl Noblett and Mrs. Charles Webb were on the program committee. Mrs. George Young was in charge of the refreshments. Approximately 74 members of the church attended the program.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of Bethesda church will present "The Light of the Ages", a Christmas program of story and song, at the church Sunday night, Dec. 23, at 8:00 o'clock. The scene of the "Nativity" will be used. Those taking part are as follows: the prophet, Edward Swann; the narrator, Ingrid Noblett; the call of today, Clara Webb; the characters for the manger scenes tableau are, Mary, Billie Deaton; Joseph, Winky Powers; shepherds, William Smith, Eddie Noblett and Donald Maney Jr.; the light bearers, Jay

H. D. Club Has Christmas Party

"Christmas Decorations and Gifts" were very interestingly discussed and demonstrated at the December meeting of the Home Demonstration Club Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Charles Clevenger. Mrs. Smith of Asheville, assistant home demonstration agent, was in charge of the program. During the social hour gifts were exchanged and refreshments served by Mrs. Clevenger and Mrs. G. V. Stepp, co-hostesses.

Those attending were: Mrs. John Melton, Mrs. Finley Stepp, Mrs. W. T. Miller, Mrs. L. C. Jumper, Miss Mary McKay, Mrs. Morris Gardner, Mrs. Herman Holdway, Mrs. A. W. Hemphill, Mrs. W. D. Holt, Mrs. Clifford Jones, Miss Helen Miles, Carolyn Clevenger, Mrs. Smith and the hostesses.

Ernest Miller, Isabelle Miller, Charles Cooper and Betty Jo Cooper, also Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Shepherd. The church choir will be known as the Christmas Choir.

The Sunday school of Bethesda Methodist church will hold their Christmas tree and program Saturday, Dec. 22, at 7:30 p. m. The beginner, primary, junior and intermediate classes will participate in the program. A treat and gift will be given each child.

The C. W. Francy Post No. 70 of the American Legion, held their regular monthly meeting Thursday, Dec. 13, in the post home on Black Mountain highway. The executive committee reported that plans had been completed for the appropriation of funds for Christmas baskets for the needy. Highlight of the meeting was the return of three veterans, Arthur Lytle of Oakley from the Aleutian Islands; Russell Whiteside of Asheville and Ray Penley of upper Grassy Branch road, both back from Korea, who gave most interesting talks on their experiences. The membership committee reported 731 members now in good standing. The deadline for dues is Dec. 31. The Legion would like to call this to the attention of all their members who have possibly let it slip their minds. Vernon E. Clayton, post commander, was in charge of the meeting.

Mrs. Baxter Fender Jr., of 28 Kensington drive in Beverly Hills, gave a party in her home for her son, David, in honor of his ninth birthday. Cowboy decorations were used and refreshments served to the following guests: Jane Carruth, John Shirey, Cye Jones, Katey Jones, Kay Radford, Joyce Warren, Dean Fender, Alice Fender, Bobbie Fender, Don Curry, Bobbie Curry, Ray Davis, Carl Conley, Jack Reagon and Rodney Curry.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wolfe of Black Mountain highway, have as their guests over the holidays their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Wilson and son, Carl, from Kennewick, Washington. Also their granddaughter, Mrs. Frank Boies and great-granddaughter, Jackie Boies, from El Paso, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Stotesbury and son, Keith, of old Haw Creek road will spend the holidays with Mr. Stotesbury's parents in Plymouth, N. C.

Mrs. Ann Stallard of Craig circle is now a patient at the Western N. C. Sanatorium in room 209. Visits and cards from friends will be greatly appreciated by Ann.

Mrs. James Thomas has returned to her home on Craig circle from a local hospital. Her condition is reported very good at this time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Corbett of Oteen Park place have left for Mississippi for a visit.

Morris Hogan, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Hogan of Church road, is home from Chapel Hill for the holidays.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERVICES
The Black Mountain Christian church will hold its Christmas services Sunday, Dec. 23, at 3:30 o'clock in the Billy Burnett memorial room of the First Baptist church. The Christmas food baskets will be filled at that time.

LEAVE FOR FLORIDA

Mr. and Mrs. June Glenn Sr. left Thursday for Florida where they plan to spend the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Bowlin of Tampa, Fla. Also making the trip were Mr. and Mrs. June Glenn Jr., and two daughters, Marsha and Emily. Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Sr. will remain in Florida for an indefinite stay. The others plan to return to Black Mountain the first of the year.

10 DAY VISIT

Mrs. Jack Shaw will leave the first of the week for a 10 days' visit with Mrs. Mosby Hogge and Mrs. Helen H. Johnson in Richmond, Va.

Lakey Gap Chapel Christmas Program

The Lakey Gap Chapel will present its Christmas program Monday evening, Dec. 24, at 5 p. m. Mrs. Robert R. Clements and Mrs. William L. Clements are in charge of the program. A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend.

CHAPEL SERVICE TONIGHT

Regular services are to be conducted at Lakey Gap Chapel tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 o'clock with preaching by the pastor. The sacrament of baptism is to be administered.

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