

HIRAM GREENE IS DEAD; BURIAL SAT.

Heart Attack Fatal to Prominent Mabel Man; Other News of Mabel Section.

(Special Correspondence)

Mabel, Feb. 3.—Hiram Greene, aged 77, esteemed farmer of the Mabel community, died suddenly at his home early Friday morning, presumably from a heart attack. Mr. Greene had been in his usual health the day before, but upon arising at 4 o'clock Friday complained to his wife as to feeling ill. He returned to bed, and ten minutes later his wife discovered that death had come.

Funeral services were conducted at Union Church Saturday afternoon, Rev. J. R. Trivett, Mr. Greene's pastor, being in charge. He made an impressive talk on the life of the deceased. Rev. George Trivett of Vilas also assisted in the services. Interment was in the church cemetery, Reins Sturdivant Funeral Home being in charge of the arrangements.

Mr. Greene was born in Watauga county and in early manhood was married to Miss Elizabeth Lawrence. To this union were born three children: Callie, who died at the age of two years; Prof. A. J. Greene of Appalachian College, Boone; Mrs. Andrew Greer of Vilas. Two brothers, Mr. Manley Greene of Meat Camp, and A. J. Greene of Glade Springs, Va., a sister, Mrs. Sarah Greene, Cayuga, Ind., survive, together with other close relatives and a host of friends.

In 1914 Mrs. Greene died. Later Mr. Greene married Mrs. Rachel Isaacs, who with the two children survive. 22 years ago Mr. Greene professed faith in Christ and joined Union Baptist Church at Mabel. He remained a member until death.

Mr. Greene served his community as a member of the school committee for more than twenty years and was always loyal in this capacity and stood by the teachers in their work. Mr. Greene was honest, truthful and industrious. His passing out means that we have lost a valuable citizen.

Mrs. Hannah Combs is very sick at the home of her mother, Mrs. A. N. Church.

John Oliver, public singing school teacher is spending the cold days at home. He has been teaching music most of the fall and winter.

Mr. Garret Winebarger of Bristol, Va., is spending some time visiting friends at Mabel and Zionville.

Rev. Phillip Fletcher is planning to organize a B. Y. P. U. at Union Church.

Don Isaacs, the new superintendent of the Sunday School at Union Church is a real live wire and is building up the school in attendance.

Mrs. Hazel Mast, our excellent teacher, is holding the attendance up good in spite of the severely cold weather. We always find Mrs. Mast on the job.

WEEK IN WASHINGTON

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persons to all the aged people of both sexes. It seems unlikely that the present Congress will adopt anything of the kind, but it does seem quite possible that amendments may be made to the Social Security Act to increase the benefits under that measure for workers who are already old, and to make them available much earlier than the date set in the original act, which is January 1, 1942.

The Tax Outlook

The financial situation of the nation is giving Congress food for thought. In spite of political reluctance to increase taxation in an election year, some new taxes are definitely in the offing. Among these are some sort of an excise tax on processors of farm products to take the place of the old processing taxes. New inheritance taxes, higher corporation taxes, and higher individual income taxes seems to be a reasonable expectation.

The farm relief situation is still far from being clarified. As good a forecast as can be made at this time is that existing AAA contracts will be paid up, and that 400 or 500 millions a year will be provided for new land lease subsidies. Whatever form the new farm plan takes, it is pointed out that there are plenty of trained employees to put it into operation.

Mrs. Huey Long To Take Senate Seat

New Orleans, Feb. 1.—Mrs. Huey P. Long, retiring widow of the late senator, today made enthusiastic plans to complete her husband's senate term, but her appointment to the post left many state officials puzzled.

The appointment was announced yesterday by James A. Noe, who became chief executive on Tuesday as a result of the death of Governor O. K. Allen, who had been nominated in the January 21 democratic primary to succeed Long.

Numerous officials privately had expressed confidence that Allen J. Ellender, speaker of the state house of representatives, who had been nominated for the full six-year senate term, also would be named for the unexpired term which ends in January.

ROGERS, JR.

Son of Will Rogers Now Publisher Newspaper



LOS ANGELES.—Will Rogers, Jr., new owner and publisher of the Beverly Hills newspaper, has hired 18-year-old Patricia Ziegfeld as society and movie columnist. She is still pursuing her college work. Thus do two children forsake the theatrical footsteps of their famous daddies, who also worked together.

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. D. W. Haga

Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon in Montezuma for Mrs. D. W. Haga, wife of the Rev. D. W. Haga of Montezuma.

Mrs. Haga who had been in poor health for some time, left last week for Florida and suffered a stroke on Saturday in Columbia, S. C. She was brought to her home in the county by Ronald Hughes coach, arriving here early Sunday morning. Mrs. Haga died on Monday morning.

Six ministers assisted in officiating at the rites. They were: Rev. R. P. Jones of the Montezuma Methodist Church; Rev. Benton from Asheville, Rev. C. M. White from Canton, Rev. E. F. Camp of Newland, Rev. Martin and Rev. Lee from Elk Park. Interment followed in the Montezuma cemetery. Ronald Hughes was in charge of the arrangements.

The deceased is survived by her husband, three brothers, one sister, one daughter and several step-children.—Avery Advocate.

HUBERT NORRIS DEAD

Hubert, sixteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Norris of Route 2, succumbed early Wednesday morning from a twelve day's illness with pneumonia. A brother, Glenn, aged 14, died from the same malady a little more than a week previously.

Funeral services are to be conducted at 2 o'clock this afternoon from the Meat Camp Baptist Church by the pastor, Rev. J. C. Canipe, and interment will be in the nearby cemetery.

Hubert is said to have been a model youth, much liked in the community, where there is poignant sorrow on account of his demise.

Investigate Death Of Negro Convicts

Scottsboro, Ala., Feb. 1.—Alabama today sought to learn why 20 negro convicts were trapped in a flaming truck yesterday and burned to death while guards fought futilely to save them.

Hamp Draper, head of the convict department, and Gaston Scott, chairman of the State Highway Commission, were en route here to conduct the inquiry ordered by Governor Hith Graves.

Waiting the arrival of 20 prison-made coffins were the charred bodies of the 20 negroes who were trapped in the cage-like body of the truck when one of their number, seeking to warm numbing hands, lighted a piece of paper and ignited the gasoline.

Warden H. D. Hensard last night announced the death list which included only one prisoner serving as much as 10 years. The rest ranged from a year and a day to 10 years.

Of the two surviving convicts, one Paul Dawson, praised indirectly the work of the two guards, H. M. Middlebrook, of Montgomery, and C. R. Wasson of Danville, for their quick work in attempting to save the doomed prisoners.

Dawson said a fellow-prisoner "up-front" caused the holocaust by lighting a piece of paper to warm his hands and that Middlebrook quickly stopped the truck and opened the door at the rear.

The negro suffering burns that may cost his life, said the two guards snatched him and John Stokes from the blazing truck and rolled them in the snow to extinguish the flames.

Thinning pines rather than clearing "newground" is rapidly becoming an approved practice in the handling of farm forests throughout North Carolina.

Low Down on Weather

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ments consist of a maximum thermometer that registers the highest temperature reached during the day, a minimum thermometer that registers the lowest temperature reached during either day or night, another set of maximum and minimum thermometers by which I check the readings of the first pair, a rain gauge by which I measure the amount of daily precipitation in hundredths of an inch, and a psychrometer by which I estimate the amount of water vapor present in the air and the percentage of humidity.

"I take readings of the maximum temperature, the minimum temperature, the amount of rain or snow the percentage of humidity, and an estimate of the wind velocity. I also make observations about weather phenomena, such as fog, wind direction, frost, hail, sleet, thunderstorms, rainbows, solar and lunar halos, whether the day is cloudy, partly cloudy, or clear, and many other things that are too numerous to mention. All of these dates are recorded on blanks supplied me, and a monthly report made to the Weather Bureau Station at Raleigh, N. C."

"During the month of December, 1923, the first month I kept a record the average maximum temperature was 54, the average minimum 26, the average temperature 40, the highest temperature reached 77, the lowest 10, and the greatest range or drop in temperature during twenty-four hours was 58. This drop of 58 degrees in twenty-four hours is a record for the seven years. During this same month there was a rainfall of 1.62 inches and 2.50 inches of snow."

"During the year 1929 the average maximum temperature was 61, average minimum 41, average temperature 51, highest temperature reached 90 (in July), lowest temperature reached 6 below zero (Nov. 30, 1929, a record for the seven years), 58 inches of rainfall, and 41 inches of snow. The cold wave, the last of November and the first of December, lasted six days. On three of those days the thermometer registered zero or below."

"During the year 1930 the average maximum temperature was 57, average minimum 37, average temperature 47, highest temperature 86 (in June), lowest temperatures 4 below zero (in December). This cold wave lasted twelve days. On three of those days the thermometer registered below zero. During this year we only had 40 inches of rain, a deficiency of nearly 20 inches over what we should have had. We had 44.5 inches of snowfall during this year. This year will be remembered as a year of drought. Average temperature for December was 28."

"During the year 1931 the average maximum temperature was 64, average minimum 41, average temperature 52, highest temperature reached 89 (in June), lowest temperature reached 2 (in January, and in December). The longest cold wave period was five days in January. The only month with an average temperature of freezing was January with an average of 32. The precipitation was 51

inches of rain and 46 inches of snow. Greatest 24-hour precipitation was 3.18 in. in December.

"During the year 1932 the average maximum temperature was 63, average minimum 42, average temperature 52, highest reached 90 (in July) lowest reached 4 (in March). This cold wave lasted nine days. The precipitation was a little over 68 inches of rain, but only a little over 14 inches of snow. The months of February, March, November, and December had an average temperature of below freezing. The greatest 24-hour precipitation occurred on the sixteenth of July and was 3.76 inches. A total precipitation of 14.2 inches fell during this month."

"During the year 1933 the average maximum temperature was 64, average minimum 42, average temperature 53, highest reached 90 (in June) lowest reached 5 below zero (in February). This cold wave lasted five days. The precipitation for the year was 54 inches of rainfall and only 11 inches of snowfall. There was not enough snow on the ground to measure during the fall months. Five months January, February, March, November, and December had an average temperature of below freezing. This year will be remembered as the one in which a killing frost occurred June 14 and 15 which killed potato vines and other farm and garden truck."

"During the year 1934 the average maximum temperature was 63, average minimum 42, average temperature 52, highest reached 92 on July 23rd. This has been a record for the seven years. The coldest periods were four days in January, when the mercury dropped to 5 below zero, three days in February, and seven days in December. The precipitation was 52 inches of rainfall and 39 inches of snowfall. On April 9 there was 3.85 inches of rain, and on Nov. 23 there was 3.93 inches. This last figure is a record for the seven years. February was the only month with an average temperature of below freezing."

"During the year 1935 the average maximum temperature was 62, average minimum 41, average temperature 52, highest reached 89 (in August), lowest reached 1 below zero (in December). There was a ten-day cold wave in January, and a twenty-one day cold wave in December. This has been the longest cold wave period during the seven years. The precipitation for the year was 60 inches of rainfall and a little over 19 inches of snowfall. The greatest 24-hour amounts were 3.40 inches in January and 3.50 inches in December. The snowfall in December was nearly 16 inches."

"The month of January, 1936 has continued the cold wave begun in December. The average maximum temperature was 40, average minimum 21, average temperature 30, maximum reached 57, minimum reached 6 below zero Jan. 23. This tied the previous record set on November 30, 1929. There was a twelve-day cold wave during this month. There was a precipitation of 7.60 inches of rainfall and 12.5 inches of snowfall during the month. The two months of December and January have had an average temperature of below freezing."

The cold periods of December and January through which we have just passed have been the longest and roughest during the seven years I have kept a record of weather conditions. In fact, they have been the worst since the famous rough winter of 1917-18. In particular, the Sunday, January 19, was the most disagreeable day I have ever spent in Boone during my sixteen years' residence. I saw it rain, hail, sleet, snow, all at the same time. In addition there was a very high wind blowing. I do not recall ever having seen as many forms of precipitation and weather phenomena occurring at the same time."

Livingstone Club Meets With Mrs. James Council

The Livingstone Club was delightfully and instructively entertained at the home of Mrs. James Council's Monday afternoon, February 3, with Mrs. Joe Crawford in charge of the program, which consisted of the following:

1. Opening song, "I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go."
2. Devotional, Mrs. James Horton.
3. Life and Work of Jane Adams, Mrs. Albert Mullins.
4. Poem, Mrs. James Norton.
5. Poem, in memory of Professor Norton—"The Good Do Not Die," by Mrs. Joe Crawford.

The club was honored by the presence of Mrs. Widenhouse.

A social was enjoyed by all present during which time the charming hostess served delicious refreshments. Mrs. Fred Aldredge suggested many plans for the work of the club during the year.

PASTIME THEATRE

Thurs.-Friday, Feb. 13-14



Topping the cast of the spectacular mirth and melody picture, "Thanks a Million", are DICK POWELL and ANN DVORAK. Favorites of the stage and radio appear with them in the million dollar cast. IPE

Trench Silos Increase Winter Milk Production

Over 500 farmers sold three million pounds of milk to the cheese factory at West Jefferson to be processed into 290,000 pounds of fine cheese, says F. R. Farnham, dairy extension specialist at State College. This is the largest volume of milk delivered to the factory since it was established in 1929 and the cheese production was upped 40 per cent. over 1934.

Farnham says the income from milk was increased 60 per cent. for the winter and much of this is due to the construction of trench silos throughout the area during the past year or two.

PASTIME THEATRE
BOONE, N. C.
"PLACE OF GOOD SHOWS"

Program for Week Feb. 10-15

Monday-Tuesday, Feb. 10-11
"Mutiny On The Bounty"
with Clark Gable and Frauchot Tone

Wednesday, Feb. 12
"Hands Across the Table"
with Carole Lombard and Fred McMurry

—Extra Added Attraction—
Matinee And Night
On The Stage
Curt Poulton—Fiddling Sid Harkreader—Kirk McGee, and Blythe Poteet, From the Grand Old Opera, WSM, at Nashville, Tennessee.

Thursday-Friday, Feb. 13-14
"Thanks a Million"
with Dick Powell and Ann Dvorak

Saturday, Feb. 15
"Bar 20 Rides Again"
with William Boyd

Special Bargain Matinee, 10c, 15c
Night Shows, 10c and 25c.
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