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MRS. OSBORNE DIES IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Daughter of the Late F. P. Chappell Meets Death Christmas Eve on Lenoir Highway

Mrs. Woodie Osborne, 23 years old, daughter of Mrs. F. P. Chappell of Banner Elk and the late Mr. Chappell, met death Christmas eve, when the automobile occupied by herself, Mr. Osborne and his brother went out of control on the Blowing Rock Road a short distance from Lenoir. Injuries to other members of the party were slight.

The party was en route from Shelby, where Mr. Osborne is agricultural teacher in the city schools, to Banner Elk, for a holiday visit with Mrs. Osborne's relatives, when the accident occurred.

Funeral services were conducted from Mt. Calvary Baptist church Saturday by the pastor, Rev. G. A. Hamby, assisted by Rev. F. C. Watts, and interment was in the cemetery there. A large concourse of friends and relatives attended the rites.

Miss Ruth Marline Chappell, who was reared near Balm, joined Mt. Calvary Baptist church when 13 years of age, later moving her membership to Earl, N. C. She was married to Woodie Osborne June 1, 1940.

Surviving are the husband, the mother, Mrs. F. P. Chappell; four sisters, Mrs. Carrie Puckett, Miss Eva Chappell, Miss Pearl Chappell, Mrs. Thelma Ward; three brothers, Ray, Dock and Edward Chappell, all of Banner Elk.

CHRISTMAS WEEK QUIET IN CITY

Holidays Observed in Quiet Manner Here; Only Three Arrests Made

Christmas week passed quietly in the town of Boone, most of the people enjoying the holidays by their own firesides or with friends in the community.

Reports from the police department, incidentally, indicate that a new low record for law violations was established. Only three arrests were made during the entire week, in each case the offense being minor misdemeanors.

Welfare Department Expresses Appreciation

The welfare department desires to thank every person who participated so generously in making possible the Christmas cheer boxes. Many hearts were gladdened where gloom had been prevailing.

Thirty families, it is reported, were remembered with food, clothing, confections and toys for the children.

In expressing their appreciation members of the welfare department extend their wishes to those aiding in this work for a New Year filled with happiness and good health.

CCC ENROLLMENT SET FOR JANUARY 6TH

A CCC enrollment is scheduled for January 6, and all youths interested are asked to report to the county welfare department at once.

DAY OF PRAYER

President Roosevelt has proclaimed New Year's Day "as a day of prayer, of asking forgiveness for our shortcomings of the past, of consecration to the tasks of the present, and for asking God's help in the days to come."

It is urgently requested that all places of business close during the hour between 10 and 11 o'clock, and that everyone attend the prayer services in the different churches of the town during this period.

Churchill and Roosevelt Confer On War Policies



Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain, is pictured here with President Roosevelt on his arrival at the White House in Washington. A series of conferences regarding the creation of a unified allied command for the defeat of Hitlerism throughout the world got under way between the two leaders just before Christmas.

Babson's Statement for 1942 Indicates A Rise in National Income of 9 Billions

BABSON'S THUMBNAIL OUTLOOK FOR 1942

1. Total Business: Defense production will be up sharply; non-defense down sharply; average below 1941.
2. Employment: The above also applies to employment and to wages.
3. Farm income will be up 10-20% in 1942 over 1941.
4. Dividends and business earnings have passed their peaks.
5. Labor: There will be far fewer strikes in 1942.
6. Commodity prices will strengthen somewhat, especially the prices of imported goods.
7. Taxes will be severely felt, especially by the white-collar group who can expect no pay increases.
8. Retail trade will be a little off in 1942 compared with 1941.
9. High-grade bonds should decline, but good stocks should sell higher.
10. Creeping inflation will continue throughout 1942.

(Special to The Democrat)
Babson Park, Mass., Jan. 1.—As long as World War II lasts, the total U. S. production will continue to increase. I estimate an increase in national income of nine billions for 1942, thus bringing it up to 95 billions compared with 76 billions in 1940 and 86 billions in 1941. In forecasting this national income for 1942, I am taking into account probable increases in prices and wages. These figures do not mean that more goods will be produced; in fact 1942 will show a decline in the



real wealth of America.

Unfortunately, the increase in the industrial production will be in the defense industries. Nineteen-forty-two will show considerable decline in the non-defense industries. It is well for my friend Odium and others to talk about shifting over manufacturers of lawn mowers to make battle tanks. To a certain extent this will be done in 1942, but a great many non-defense concerns will suffer if the war continues through 1942. Washington tells me that with Japan, Germany and Italy fighting us we may need 50% of the wage workers of the country on defense works before Hitler is eliminated. This seems very high to me as Great Britain now has less than 30% engaged in defense industries.

Will Bombing Win the War?
Most readers, whether employers or wage workers, should primarily be interested in whether World War II will continue in its present fury through 1942. If it will so continue, this is good news for those engaged in the defense industries, and bad news for those who are in certain non-defense industries. If the war is to end during 1942, then the reverse is true. In fact, we would then see some hectic times which would be detrimental to many readers, even though helpful to others. Therefore, let's bravely face the facts and answer the questions, "Will World War II continue through 1942?"

It would be impossible to lick Hitler by an army of invasion before December 31, 1942. Most aviators are not very hopeful about the effects of bombing. They believe that cities gradually become immune to bombing as individuals become immune to almost everything which comes along slowly and lasts long enough. Of course, if the Brit-

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Mrs. W. L. Trivette has returned home from a visit of several weeks with her children in Haddon Heights, N. J., and Wheeling, W. Va.

DEATH CLAIMS AGED WATAUGA COUNTY LEADER

Mr. L. A. Greene Succumbs After Short Illness; Had Been Prominent in Governmental and Other Activities

Larkin Alexander Greene, aged 89 years, a leader in governmental, financial and church activities for 60 years, died at his home in Meat Camp township last Wednesday evening. Pneumonia was given as the immediate cause of his death.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon from the Meat Camp Baptist church, with the pastor, Rev. Vilas Minton, in charge, Rev. J. C. Canipe of Boone, and Rev. R. C. Eggers of Zionville, assisted in the rites, which were largely attended. Interment was in the churchyard cemetery.

Survivors are one son, Walter A. Greene of Meat Camp, five grandchildren, twelve great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

Mr. Greene was born in Watauga county in 1852, the son of the late John Greene and Elizabeth Norris Greene. He became a member of the Meat Camp Baptist church in 1871, was elected clerk of the church in 1878, and served his church faithfully until the time of his death.

Mr. Greene was first elected to public office as treasurer of Watauga county in the year 1888, which position he held for 12 years. For the following 18 years he was a member of the board of county commissioners. During all the 30 years spent in public service, Mr. Greene served his county with rare ability.

He was elected as director of the Watauga County Bank in 1904, and since that time had served constantly as director, vice-president, president and a member of the loan committee. At the time of his death he was still active in the management of the local branch of the Northwestern Bank.

At the time of his death Mr. Greene was president of the Watauga Building and Loan Association, having been an official in that organization for more than 13 years.

Mr. Greene was a man of genial and neighborly disposition and devoted his entire life to furthering the cause of the church, the government and other institutions of his county. His death has brought general sorrow to the people of Watauga county.

Need For Red Cross Funds Are Stressed By National Chairman

Mrs. E. E. Garbee, chairman of the Watauga chapter, American Red Cross, has received the following telegram from Norman Davis, president of the national organization, sent under date of December 29:

"The bombing of Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, Manila, the invasion of the Philippines, submarine attacks in the Atlantic and Pacific have dramatically brought home to us the cruelties of this war. Wherever our heroic soldiers, sailors and airmen are so valiantly defending our soil, there you will also find the Red Cross flag unfurled alongside the Stars and Stripes. Red Cross men are on every front. Funds are urgently needed to keep in fact these front lines of mercy. The enemy respects neither holidays nor week-ends. The Red Cross war fund should be pushed to rapid over-subscription. Give all the people an opportunity to participate. The Red Cross is a people's partnership in time of need. It is patriotism in action to give to the Red Cross. Miseries of war cannot be measured by quotas and mathematical yardsticks or personal conveniences. The President, the American people, and our fighting men expect much of us."

Red Cross War Fund Increased by \$800 as Result Meeting by Mayor's Proclamation

Taken by Death



Mr. L. A. Greene, business and civic leader, who died at his home in Meat Camp township Christmas eve.

ROBY A. ADAMS SUCCUMBS FRIDAY

Well Known Citizen Dies After Long Illness; Rites Conducted Sunday Afternoon

Roby Allen Adams, aged 76 years, a member of one of the county's pioneer families, died at the home here last Friday, after a long period of illness.

Funeral services were conducted from the Oak Grove Baptist church, one mile west of the city, Sunday afternoon, by the pastor, Rev. G. A. Hamby, who was assisted in the rites by Rev. J. C. Canipe of the Boone Baptist church, and Rev. John I. Rhea of the Presbyterian church. Interment was in the Hine cemetery.

The widow, the former Miss Carrie Smith, five sons and four daughters survive: Allen and Rodney Adams, Boone; Rom Adams, Seattle, Wash.; Bern Adams, Honolulu, T. H.; Chas. Adams, Ft. McClellan, Ala.; Mrs. W. E. Rush, Miss Hazel Adams, Boone, Misses Ocia and Louise Adams, Coshocton, Ohio. Also surviving are two brothers and two sisters: C. C. Adams, Boone; William Adams, Creston, Tenn.; Mrs. Barnard Dougherty, Maryville, Tenn.; Mrs. John Hagaman, Lenoir.

Mr. Adams was born and reared in Watauga county, where he engaged for the most part in agricultural pursuits. He was a member of one of the county's most substantial families, was a good and upright citizen, and well liked by the people of this area.

Prayer Service to Be Held Thursday

Rev. J. C. Canipe, pastor of the First Baptist church, announces a special prayer service, in accordance with the request of the President of the United States, which will be held Thursday morning 10 a. m. to 11 a. m.

Rev. Mr. Canipe states that this is an excellent way to start the New Year, and extends a cordial invitation to everyone to join in this special service.

The services at the Episcopal church will be held Thursday from 12 to 12:20. The public is cordially invited to attend.

WATCH NIGHT PRAYER SERVICE AT M. E. CHURCH

There will be a watchnight service at the Boone Methodist church to-night beginning at 11 p. m., and closing at 12:15 a. m. This service will also serve as a new year prayer service as recommended by President Roosevelt. The first 15 minutes of the new year will be spent in prayer. The public is cordially invited.

Total of Contributions Reported as \$1,246.09; Citizens of County Rally to Provide Relief for Civilians and Soldiers in War Zones

In accordance with a proclamation by Mayor W. H. Gragg, about 50 leading citizens of Boone met at the courthouse Monday evening in the interest of the Red Cross War Relief Fund, and as a result of the gathering the sum of \$830.76 was added to the \$415.33 subscribed in the first days of the campaign, bringing the total local contribution to \$1,246.09.

Mayor Gragg presided at the meeting, and delivered a brief address which was followed by remarks by Wade E. Brown and Rev. John I. Rhea. Every person present made a contribution.

A number of additional subscriptions have been pledged and an especial effort is being made today to reach the county's quota of \$1,500.

The contributions resulting from the mass meeting and the names of the contributors are as follows:

Harry Nichols	\$ 1.00
Mr. and Mrs. Byron Shull	1.00
Mrs. Ragan	.50
Mrs. W. E. Buchanan	1.00
Farthing Hayes	.50
Grady Loudern	.50
Boone Master Cleaners	2.00
Rufus Shull	.50
I. T. Barnett	5.00
C. M. Watson	5.00
Hubert Norris	1.00
W. B. Norris	5.00
Harrison Baker	1.00
Henry Hardin	1.00
Frank Triplett	1.00
Troy Sims	1.00
W. H. Foster	.50
Buck Maddux	1.00
R. H. Vannoy	1.00
Watauga Motor Market	3.00
Staple Collins	1.00
M. C. Hollar	10.00
G. D. Barnett	7.50
Howard Foster	.50
Meat Camp Church	5.00
Cool Springs S. S.	6.20
Laurel Springs S. S.	12.06
Antioch Church	4.00
Union Church	15.00
B. W. Farthing	5.00
William Farthing	5.00
I. S. Ayers	5.00
Farmers Hdwe. & Supply Co.	100.00
Belk-White Co.	25.00
Mr. and Mrs. Conway	15.00
W. W. Chester	5.00
Carolyn Blair	2.50
Theresa Brown	3.00
Ella Mae South	2.50
Mrs. J. O. Cannon	2.50
Katie Lyons	2.50
Mrs. J. V. Caudill	2.50
Bus Crowell	5.00
Mrs. Hale Vance	2.50
Robert Allison	3.00
George Upright	4.00

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DON'T TAKE THIS LYING DOWN . . .



When men are fighting and dying, you must do your part. Be sure you enlist your DOLLARS FOR DEFENSE. Back our armed forces—and protect your own life—with every single dollar and dime you can.

America must have a steady flow of money pouring in every day to help beat back our enemies.

Put Dimes into Defense Stamps. And put Dollars into Bonds. Buy now. Buy every pay day. Buy as often as you can.

Don't take this lying down.