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EIGHT PAGES THIS WEEK

Miss Laura West, 23 Fatally Injured by Car

Miss Laura West, 23, was struck and fatally injured by a car Friday evening at 6 o'clock, on the highway near the Topton schoolhouse about eight miles east of Andrews.

The car is said by Charles Lindsey, State Highway patrolman, who investigated the accident to have been driven by Vaughan Hembree, of Murphy. He was driving in the direction of Andrews, the officer reported.

Mr. Hembree, who had his wife and their child in the car with him, picked up Miss West and carried her to Andrews but she was pronounced dead when a physician examined her.

The driver told Patrolman Lindsey that he was meeting another car at the time of the accident and that Miss West was almost on the white line in the center of the highway when she was struck.

Miss West, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pearson West, of Topton, is survived by six brothers: Herman, Annapolis, Md.; Robert, who is with the U. S. army in Italy; Norman, Sherman, Zeb and Billie.

A hearing was held for Mr. Hembree last Monday, before J. R. Leach, justice of the peace of Andrews, and he was acquitted, it was announced.

Miss Willie McKinney spent Christmas at her home in Hiawassee, Ga.

Home Demonstration Clubs Meeting Places Announced

The meetings for the home demonstration clubs during the month of January will be held jointly with the men. Therefore the regular schedule for the clubs will be disregarded and the following schedule will be carried through during the month. Some of the meeting places also have been changed. Please notice carefully your meeting time and place. One home agent one county agent will be present at each meeting. Mrs. W. D. King announces. Men, women, boys and girls are urged to attend. The schedule follows:

Jan. 5, Topton, 10 o'clock — Wright's store, with Ketter and King; Jan. 5, Andrews, 1 o'clock — school building, with Ketter and King; Jan. 5, Bellview, 10 o'clock, community room, with Kirkman and Cornwell; Jan. 5, Martin's Creek, 1 o'clock, school building, Kirkman and Cornwell; Jan. 6, Brasstown, 10 o'clock — to be announced — Ketter and Cornwell; Jan. 6, Peachtree, 1 o'clock, school building, Ketter and Cornwell; Jan. 6, Marble, 10 o'clock, school building, Kirkman and King; Jan. 6, Tomotla, 1 o'clock, Trull's store, Kirkman and King; Jan. 7, John-

Watch-Night Service At First Methodist

A Watch Night Worship Service will be held at First Methodist, Friday, from 11:00 P. M.—12:01 A. M.

"Tarry ye here, and watch with Me." "What, could ye not watch with me one hour?"

Special features will characterize the service. 1—Service Men—The calling of the names of those in the service of the country, together with statements concerning them, concluding with special prayer and a religious and patriotic song. 2—Birth — Naming of those born into membership dur-

Edward A. Hyatt Dies After Long Illness

Edward Abbott Hyatt, son of Mrs. R. H. Hyatt, and the late Mr. Hyatt died Wednesday night at 10:15 o'clock at Petrie hospital following an illness of six or seven years.

Born and reared in Murphy, he was 48 years of age, and had lived here all his life except for the last four years which were spent at Warne.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Murphy Presbyterian church, of which he was a member, with the pastor, Dr. H. L. Paisley, officiating. Burial was in Sunset cemetery, with Townson funeral home in charge.

Pallbearers were: Bailey Merooney, John Green, Ted Howell, Hayes Leatherwood, E. J. Darnell and Jim Hembree.

He is survived by his wife; two sons, James Abbott Hyatt, aviation machinist's mate second class, who is in the South Pacific, and Paul Henry; one daughter, Betty Jo; his mother; two brothers, Paul C. and Henry Hyatt, of Murphy; and one sister, Mrs. C. A. Brown of Andrews.

sonville, 10 o'clock — to be announced—Ketter and King; Jan. 7, Wolf Creek, 1 o'clock, school building, Ketter and King; Jan. 7, Sunny Point, 10 o'clock—to be announced—Kirkman and Cornwell; Jan. 7, Ranger, 1 o'clock, school building, Kirkman and Cornwell; Jan. 8, Murphy—to be announced—Ketter and King; Jan. 11, Suit, 10 o'clock — to be announced — Kirkman and King; Jan. 11, Verner's store, 1 o'clock, Kirkman and King; Jan. 11, Postel, 10 o'clock—to be announced — Ketter and Cornwell; Jan. 11, Liberty, 1 o'clock—to be announced—Ketter and Cornwell; Jan. 12, Unaka, 10 o'clock, Odom's store, Kirkman and Cornwell; Jan. 12, Violet, 1 o'clock—to be announced—Kirkman and Cornwell; Jan. 12, Macedonia, 10 o'clock, Mrs. J. C. Cooke, Ketter and King; Jan. 12, Culberson, 1 o'clock—to be announced —Ketter and King; Jan. 13, Ogretta, 10 o'clock, school building, Ketter and King; Jan. 13, Grandview, 1 o'clock, Davis' store, Ketter and Cornwell; Jan. 13, Beaverdam, 10 o'clock, school building, Kirkman and Cornwell; Jan. 13, Slow Creek, 1 o'clock, Mrs. John Queen, Kirkman and King.

ing year. 3—In Memoriam — A brief service remembering those called from our midst during the year. 4 — Members received — A Calling of the names of those who have identified themselves with the church during the year. 5—Printed Sermon—A sermon, by one of the great preachers of America, will be given to every one present to be read on New Year's Day. Every one is invited to attend this service, as we take time for looking backward and forward, for looking inward and upward, self-ward and God-ward.



CAIRO, EGYPT—OWI Radiophoto—Shown at the historic meeting are (L to R front row) Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, Pres. Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill, Madam Chiang, Back row Ambassador Winant, next man unidentified, Dr. Wang Chang-Hui wearing glasses, R. G. Casey, Lord Killern, next man unidentified, Averell Harriman, last man unidentified.

Babson's Business And Financial Outlook For 1944

By: Roger W. Babson
BABSON PARK, Mass., Dec. 30.
—Most firms are booked to capacity. If any more business were offered they would not be able to handle it for many months. This is roughly my forecast for 1944.

The Babsonchart Index of the Physical Volume of Business for the final quarter of 1943 averaged 141 compared with 150.7 for the same period of 1942. The all-time high was reached in December 1942 when my Index stood at 155.6. It is not possible that this record can be exceeded in 1944.

Commodity Prices
War developments will influence commodity prices during 1944. The collapse of Germany could result in a sharp, though temporary, reaction in leading wholesale indexes. If the going in Italy or elsewhere should prove unexpectedly hard—indicating a longer war—prices should firm. Cattle and hogs may bring lower average prices. Soybean and corn prices face the test of large marketings. They will do well to hold. Increased imports of coffee, cocoa and sugar will hold down their prices.

Continued heavy demand is indicated for most industrial commodities. To what extent efforts to roll back food prices to September 15, 1942, levels will succeed is problematical. Mounting over-all shortages, unprecedented demand and the necessity for maximum output will tend to maintain strong upward pressure on most prices. Advancing parity prices, storage, insurance and black markets further tend to keep prices high. Subsidies will be granted certain producers during 1944.

Inventories
Businessmen should watch the Government's policy of disposing of its huge inventories of consumer merchandise. With supplies at a much higher level than in World War I, retailers, wholesalers, and manufacturers should insist there be no dumping on domestic markets. This could smash prices. Flooding the export markets could make it difficult to sell goods abroad at a fair profit. I hope a substantial portion of our surplus will be given to the peoples of Continental Europe and China.

Sales Prospects
I forecast that retail dollar sales will average 5% to 10% higher in 1944 than in 1943. Sales volume of consumer goods will again start to climb as smaller companies get the okay on postwar merchandise. I expect some decline from 1943 in the physical volume of retail

THUMBNAIL OUTLOOK FOR 1944

1. GENERAL: Year 1944 should be divided into two parts: (a) January 1st to date of Germany's collapse; and (b) from said date to December 31st.
2. PRODUCTION: Babsonchart Index will average around 130, about 12% below 1943.
3. COMMODITIES: Strength in various commodities should be followed by renewed weakness.
4. SALES: Retail sales dollar volume will average higher for entire year, but physical volume will be down 10%.
5. LABOR: Pressure for higher wage rates will continue throughout the year with more labor troubles and more wage increases than in 1943.
6. STOCKS: If the market is low when Germany cracks it will then go up; but if then high, it will go down.
7. BONDS: Good and medium-grade bonds will hold close to present levels throughout the year.

sales due to scarcity of goods and less employment. Substitute merchandise has sold well but manufacturers and wholesalers are now wary of it. As good war news increases, consumers will wait for new postwar merchandise rather than buy synthetic war made goods. Merchants should keep a workable inventory. Do not overstock.

The following ten states are tops for 1944: New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Texas, California, Oregon and Washington. Of smaller volume states, I like: Georgia, Minnesota, Florida, Nebraska, Utah and Arizona. Florida may see a real boom. Outstanding sales cities are scarcer. A year ago it was simple to spot cities with expected gains of 40% to 50%. Now more cities will show gains of only 5% to 10% in 1944 over a year ago. Here is the pick of the lot: Detroit, Michigan; Jackson, Michigan; Knoxville, Tennessee; Phoenix, Arizona; Portland, Oregon; San Diego, California; Savannah, Georgia; Springfield, Massachusetts; Topeka, Kansas and Wichita, Kansas. It will make a difference in 1944 business whether Germany cracks in the early or latter part of the year. When this happens Washington will begin at once to cancel war orders, especially on the Atlantic Seaboard. The army will accept no more recruits, may begin orderly demobilization. Navy men may be in for two or three years more. Army demobilization may start around election time in 1944. This should help retail trade.

Industries Differ
Expansion of airplane factories has been practically completed. Automotive industry during 1944 will gradually reconvert to normal. New car stockpile low. Look for relief only on trucks. The chemical industry has enjoyed great expansion. This may continue. Leaders in new drugs should prosper. Heavy chemicals may not show any gain over 1943 volume. Building about the same level for total new building as in 1943. Relaxing restrictions on private construction will come in near future. Gains in 1944 will show in this category when compared with 1943. An optimistic on post-war home building.

The shoe and clothing industries are beset by price ceilings and increased costs. These will continue through 1944. Woolen industry will remain very active. Rayon will continue at capacity output. Cotton textiles will be fairly active, nearly equal last year's level. With Germany out, consumer demand for these goods should quickly replace war orders. Dairy products will be scarce because of feed problems. Slaughterhouses should do a big volume. Cereal products will do well. Canned goods will feel effects of sharply higher costs and lower output. Bituminous coal depends upon labor union policy, but I expect output to be at least 10% better in 1944 than in 1943.

Air transport will gain in equipment and efficiency. Manpower is far from solved. The trend of the industry is up for both air passengers and freight. Railroads will continue to suffer from equipment shortages. War peak of traffic is passed. Railroad needs are so acute that higher priorities for equipment will be forced. After the war, railroads will have a terrible slump. With much less to haul, they will face, as never before, competition from coastwise (continued on page two)

Dr. Paisley Honored At Union Services

Dakins Interned At Philippines

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dakin requested a friend, Mrs. C. A. Wallace, who returned on the Gripsholm to notify Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Sneed that they are now interned at Santo Lomas, Manila, and are in the best of health and send love to the family.

Tax Listers Schedule Is Announced

The schedule for tax listers for the various townships in Cherokee county has been announced as follows:

- Murphy Precinct
Boiling Springs, Jan. 10; Grandview, Jan. 11; Ebenezer, Jan. 12; Grape Creek, Jan. 13; Martin's Creek, Jan. 17; Peachtree, Jan. 18-19; Tomotla, Jan. 20.
- Every Saturday during the month at courthouse. Balance time, courthouse until Jan. 31, 1944.

Valleytown Township
Topton, Jan. 3-4-5; Marble, Jan. 6-7-8-10; Andrews, Jan. 11-29.

Notla Township
Ledford's Store, Jan. 7; Burnt Meetinghouse, Jan. 5-6; Walker's Schoolhouse, Jan. 8-15; Culberson, Jan. 3-4; Barbara Shields' Store, Jan. 12; Mt. Pleasant, Jan. 11; Happy Top, Jan. 10.

Shoal Creek Township
Postell, Torrence Store, Jan. 3-4; Brendle's Store, Jan. 5-6; Liberty, M. T. Raper's Jan. 7-8; Patrick, Raper's Store, Jan. 10-11; Hiwassee, Jan. 12; Oak Park, Lon Raper's Store, Jan. 13-14; Mart Hamby's Store, Jan. 15-17; Dockery's Store, Jan. 18-19; Hiwassee Dam, Jan. 20-21-22; Collis, Jan. 24; Friendship, or Suit, Jan. 25-26-27; Sam Robinson's Store, Jan. 28.

Murphy Schools Reopen After Xmas Holidays

Murphy schools reopened Wednesday morning following Christmas holidays. Several teachers were absent due to various causes, and attendance was somewhat decreased, but it is thought that conditions will be back to normal by next week, Mr. Bueck stated.

Mrs. K. V. Weaver returned last week from Oakboro where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Glenn Taylor. Mrs. Taylor came home with her and spent several days.

Watch-Night Service First Baptist Church

A special program has been arranged for New Year's Eve at the First Baptist Church from 8:00 until 12:01 midnight. The exercises will feature a social and refreshment period followed by an inspirational message. The speaker for the evening will be Dr. W. A. Taliaferro of Blue Ridge, Ga. Dr. Taliaferro is a most impressive speaker and is certain to delight all who are privileged to hear him.

Members of the Methodist and Baptist congregations met with the Presbyterians at the Vesper service Sunday afternoon to honor Dr. H. L. Paisley who is retiring from the ministry owing to the continued illness of Mrs. Paisley.

Brief addresses eulogizing Dr. Paisley were given by M. W. Bell, J. B. Gray, the Rev. A. B. Cash and H. Bueck, on Dr. Paisley as a preacher, a pastor, a churchman and a citizen. The Rev. Ralph Taylor presided. At the close of the service, the pastors of the Baptist and Methodist churches presented Dr. Paisley with a purse from their congregations, as a token of their appreciation of his friendship and cooperation.

Dr. and Mrs. Paisley left Wednesday for Little Rock, Arkansas, accompanied by their daughter, Mrs. Glenn T. Huckaby who came Christmas day to assist them in moving. Dr. and Mrs. Paisley will make their home in Little Rock where Mr. and Mrs. Huckaby and their son Clifton Paisley and his wife reside.

Citizens of Murphy as well as his own congregation regret to see Dr. and Mrs. Paisley leave Murphy.

Mrs. Tuttle Dies Monday After Long Illness

Mrs. Dora Torry Tuttle, 75, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Hampton, Monday night, following an illness of approximately three months.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at Ives funeral home, with the Rev. Ralph Taylor and the Rev. Dr. H. L. Paisley officiating.

The body was taken by ambulance, Wednesday, to Edinboro, Pa., accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Hampton, where a second service will be held Friday with interment at Venango, Pa., her former home.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Hampton, and one son, J. O. Tuttle, of Claremont, Calif., six grandchildren, Mrs. J. Franklin Smith, Mrs. Alfred Smith, Miss Helen Hampton and Sherman Hampton, all of Murphy, and Audrey and Shirley Tuttle of Claremont, Calif.; four great grandchildren, James, Shirley, Charles and Paul Smith of Murphy; two sisters, Mrs. Jessie Cole of Edinboro, Pa., and Mrs. C. G. Waldo of Mitchell, Neb.

Mrs. Tuttle was born in Venango, Pa., the daughter of James Wanton and Jane Pullman Torry and was married to the Rev. Sherman D. Tuttle, a Methodist minister. She and her husband later moved to Chattanooga, Tenn. where he died. Mrs. Tuttle had made her home with her daughter here for many years.