



Promising infant with a promising future, this new-born 1951. We hope that it will bring fulfillment to the hopes and aspirations of all of us who have so eagerly awaited its beginning. And, as the New Year grows older, we hope that all of our friends and patrons will find in it an increasing measure of health, happiness, and success for themselves and their families.

The Cherokee Scout

Henson Charged With Murder Of Child Missing Since Sept. 4

Kenneth Patterson Given Promotion

CLARK AFB—Kenneth Patterson, son of Mrs. Claude Patterson, Suit, North Carolina, has been promoted to the grade of sergeant in the U. S. Air Force while serving a tour of duty on Clark Air Force Base in the Philippines. Sergeant Patterson has been stationed at Clark AFB for the past two years, and is currently assigned as a supply technician for the 6200th Supply Squadron of Philippines Command (Air Force) and Thirteenth Air Force. He was a student at Hiwassee High School before he entered the service in May of 1948.

PMA To Receive Tobacco Growers' Applications

H. B. McNabb, Chairman of the Cherokee County Production and Marketing Administration, announced this week that the PMA Office would receive application's for new Burley Tobacco growers allotments beginning January 2, 1951, he states to be eligible to file for a new growers allotment the farmer must own a farm or have one leased, and must have had two years or more experience in growing Burley Tobacco.



MURDERED—Leroy Henson, who disappeared Sept. 4 and whose body was found Wednesday. Will Henson, his uncle, has been charged with his murder.

The body of Leroy Henson, 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Henson of Murphy, who had been missing since September 4, was found Wednesday about 2 p. m. by two hunters, Roy Hughes and Homer Sneed of Murphy, in the woods in the Kinsey section about six or seven miles west of Murphy, according to Sheriff Frank Crawford.

The boy had not been seen since the morning of September 4, after having left his home to go to school.

Sheriff Crawford said the boy's neck had been tied with a piece of raw hide to a small dogwood tree.

The boy's mother identified clothing, consisting of a pair of brown sandals, overall pants, a pot shirt and belt, found at the scene.

Sheriff Crawford, and deputies Homer Davidson and Buren Grant, arrested Will Henson, uncle of the boy, as a suspect. District Solicitor Thad D. Bryson and P. R. Kitchen, S. B. I. agent, were called, and got a confession from Henson that he killed the boy. He took the officers to the scene of the crime today, (Thursday) and told them that he strangled the boy, then tied him to a tree. Sodomy was given as the motive, Sheriff Crawford said.

Henson is charged with first degree murder and is being held in jail without bond for the April term of Cherokee County Superior Court.

Community Carol Service Held Sunday

ANDREWS — The community carol service here Sunday afternoon in the Methodist Church was attended by a large crowd which overflowed the auditorium. The program was under the general direction of Mrs. I. B. Hudson, who was assisted by Mrs. Edwin Bristol and numerous others in arranging and producing it.

Taking part were the choirs of the Presbyterian, Baptist and Methodist churches, and the high school glee club. The mixed choirs and glee club numbered 85 voices. The complete program was: Piano duet, Mrs. J. G. Carrier and Miss Hildred Heaton: "Christmas Fantasy." Processional, mixed choirs. "O Come All Ye Faithful"; prayer, Mrs. J. A. Allen; "Silent Night"; Bobby Martin and choir; "Noel" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Baptist choir sextette; "Birthday of a King", Neidlinger, mixed chorus; "Glory to God", Rogers, high school chorus; "And There were Shepherds", Wilson, Presbyterian choir; "Song of the Magi", Holton, high school chorus; "Jesu Bambino", Yan, mixed choirs; "Glory to God", Krone, high school chorus; "The Angel's Song", Wilson, Presbyterian choir; "The Song That the Angels Sang", Soechtig, and "Therubin Song", Bortsmansky Mattering, high school chorus; reading, "Ring Out Wild Bells", Mrs. J. A. Allen; "Lullaby of the Bells", Brown, Presbyterian choir; "Christmas Bells", Rogers, high school chorus; "Gloria in Excelsis Deo", Old French carol, mixed choirs; benediction, the Rev. J. A. Allen.

Bowman Gentry Wounded In Korea

Battle Creek, Mich.—Pfc. Bowman Gentry, Murphy, North Carolina, arrived by air evacuation from California at Percy Jones Army Hospital on Wednesday, Dec. 20.

He will be treated for wounds received while serving with the 3rd Log Command in Korea.

Patients are arriving at Percy Jones by air evacuation at the rate of 30 a day. Col. Martin E. Griffin, Percy Jones commander, estimates the 1,500 bed hospital will be filled to capacity by the first of February.

Percy Jones is one of the nation's finest and largest hospitals. Its present facilities are being expanded and re-conditioned to meet the new need for medical care caused by the Korean war.

A wide range of occupational therapy and recreational facilities is offered at the hospital. The hospital's two indoor swimming pools, the library, theater and gymnasium will be opened soon. An Armed Forces Radio Station is operating at Percy Jones from 8 a. m. to 9:30 p. m. daily.

Official re-opening ceremonies were held at Battle Creek, in the early part of December with Maj. Gen. George Armstrong, deputy surgeon general of the Army and Brig. Gen. Harry D. Offutt, former commander of the hospital, present at the rites.

Local Civil Defense Staff Is Appointed

H. Bueck, local director of Civil Defense, has announced that the following people have been asked to serve as heads of various branches of a civil defense set up: Buel Adams, Mayor; H. Bueck, Director; O. L. Anderson, Legal Advisor; Mrs. C. W. Savage, Public Information; Neil Sneed, Police; Frank Crawford, Public Safety; C. R. Freed, Evacuation; Bob White, Fire; J. Doyle Burch, Transportation; W. D. Townsend, Rescue; B. W. Whitfield, Medical; W. A. Hoover, Hospitalization; the Rev. J. R. Crook, First Aid; P. G. Ivie, Ambulance; John H. Bayless, Public Utilities; Fulton Hartness, Water; Fred Derreberry, Power; Mrs. Pauline Brendle, Communications; Miss Addie Mae Cooke, Welfare Service; John E. Posey, Jr., Telephone; John Mathey, Radio; Hobart McKeever, Messenger, Boy Scouts; Harry Bishop, Air Raid Warning; Dale Lee, Red Cross Disaster.

Mr. Bueck says that in most instances the persons asked to serve are the ones who would have the responsibility for doing the job in any event. He says that each one's task would be selecting and training a group of people that would be ready and able to function in his particular field of service. Mr. Bueck says that upon receipt of each person's acceptance he will pass on to them the information that he has on that particular field of service.

License Examiner Warns Motorists To Renew Licenses

Mrs. Hazel Zimmerman, Drivers' License Examiner, has announced that people whose last names begin with R, S, T have only until December 31 to renew their license. The people in the A, B, C and D group that had their license issued them in 1947 are required to renew them before their birthday in 1951. Such people can renew them any time 30 days prior to the date of expiration.

The people in the U, V, W, X, Y and Z group should renew their license any time between January 1 and June 30, Mrs. Zimmerman says, and urges people not to wait until the last minute rush. Mrs. Zimmerman says that all chauffeur's license expire on June 30 of every year.

Mrs. Zimmerman will be in Murphy on Monday; Bryson City, Tuesday; Hayesville, Wednesday; Andrews, Thursday, and Robbinsville, Friday. Every fifth Friday she will examine for licenses at Fontana Dam.

Mrs. Zimmerman says, "I want to serve you in the best way that I am capable, so please help me by not waiting with the majority until the last minute".

W. N. C. Baptist Association To Hold Rally

The Quarterly associational Rally of the Western North Carolina Baptist Association will be held at the Tomotla Church, Sunday, December 31, at 2:30 p. m. P. G. Ivie, Moderator of the association, will preside.

The Theme for the meeting will be "Evangelism". The devotional will be given by Clinton Moody of Mt. Pisgah church. Special music will be given by the Peachtree Church.

Cyrus White, Associational Sunday School Superintendent, will bring a report on, "What the Sunday School can do in the Simultaneous Crusade." Mrs. Carl West, Associational Training Union Director, will give a report on "What the Training Union Can Do in the Simultaneous." Mrs. Elmer Chilers will report on, "What the W. M. U. can do in the Simultaneous Crusade". The Rev. J. Alton Morris, Chairman of Evangelism for the association, will bring the inspirational message on "Evangelism."

Byrum Announces Sermon Subject

The Rev. R. Delbert Byrum, pastor of First Methodist Church, has announced that his sermon topic for Sunday morning at 11 o'clock will be, "On Beginning Again". Sunday School will be held at 9:45 a. m. and Evening Youth Meeting at 6 p. m.

A New Year's Eve Communion Service will be held at the church at 7:30.

Meet On Monday

The Executive committee of the Western North Carolina Baptist Association will meet Monday, January 1, at Murphy First Church. All Pastors of the Baptist Churches in the Association, and one member from each Church composes this committee. P. G. Ivie, moderator of the Association, will preside over this meeting.

WOMEN TO MEET
The Women of the Church of the Presbyterian Church will meet Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. L. A. French.

Babson Says Income In 1951 To Be Highest Ever Recorded

By ROGER W. BABSON

SPECIAL EXCLUSIVE:

The United Nations will withdraw from Korea during 1951. The United States in 1951 will have the largest National Income of its history.

1. Excluding defense orders, the total business volume in 1951 will be less than that for 1950. However, National Income in 1951 will be the highest ever recorded, as war orders take the place of peace production and high prices prevail.

More Government Controls Coming
2. The outstanding feature of 1951 will be the ever-increasing interference of the government in the lives of businessmen and consumers.

3. The Administration and its economic advisors are firmly convinced that radical inflation is about to break out next year. But the "brain trusters" are overlooking the fact that the boom is already old and that it was creaking badly when the Korean War broke out. War postponed the downturn which would have taken place much sooner. The date of the slide has only moved ahead.

4. Rushing to catch up on its neglected defense program, the Administration is anxious to shrink business volume to an unnecessary degree. Efforts at first credit curbs, such as restrictions on mortgage and installment loans and increased bank reserve requirements.

5. As 1951 wears on, the effect of credit controls will cause a decline in legitimate business. Civilian production will decline more than armament production will increase. The public may then cry, "This is a government-made slump, let's get rid of the controls!"

6. If in 1951 it becomes evident that business is declining too fast as a result of government curbs, the planners at Washington may rush their patient into an oxygen tent.

Labor Outlook Will Continue Tight
7. Most labor groups will not be successful in getting a slash in wage increases in 1951. Although there may be more strik-



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Farm Outlook Good

13. Farmers' income for 1951 should average no less than that for 1950. Since the trend in the first half of 1950 was down, this forecast is not so optimistic as it might otherwise seem, for there is likely to be a weakening of the farmers' income position during the latter part of 1951.

14. Barring crop failures, the total supply of food available should be larger in 1951 than for 1950, since the government will raise planting quotas as part of its attack on inflation. If the weather is extremely favorable, the government will be blamed for farm-price weakness during the latter part of 1951.

15. With prospects good for a rising supply of feed grains, meat should be more plentiful next year than in 1950. Prices for meat, however, will be held up by continued high National Income and by military needs.

Taxes Will Be Higher
16. The burden of federal taxes, both corporate and personal, will be increased again in 1951. State and municipal taxes will remain high.

17. There will be an excess profits tax in 1951. These excess profits taxes will be milder than those in force during World War II; but they will be inflationary and retard efficiency, economy and incentive.

18. There will be heavy pressure for increased federal "sales taxes" to discourage purchasing of luxury and certain nonessential goods. Congress will see the value of some such sales taxes as an inflation road block.

19. States and municipalities will again be under pressure to find adequate sources of revenue. Further increases in such taxes can be looked for next year with additional cities and/or states adopting sales taxes.

20. Despite renewed efforts to increase the long-term capital gains tax above the present 25% figure, rates will remain unchanged.

Domestic Trade Will Be Less
21. Credit curbs will cut into the demand for automobiles and

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Miss Elizabeth Faye Long of Roxboro has accepted the position of assistant executive secretary with the North Carolina State Nurses' Association and will begin her duties with the organization December 1.

household equipment. Completions of fewer dwellings will also act as a damper on furniture sales.

22. Falling demand for hard goods should mean a stabilization of the public's spending for food and lower-priced soft goods.

23. The trend forecast in No. 22 will mean a decline in department store volume, but I predict a rise in the sales of variety chains and of drug chains.

Foreign Trade Outlook Fair
24. Barring new war developments, I look for continued shrinkage in our exports during 1951. Imports, however, should rise further. Total foreign trade should not be much changed, but the exporters will be on the short end of this business with the imports gaining.

25. It will become more difficult to convince Congress that additional heavy credits should be granted abroad except for war supplies.

26. As was the case this year, many domestic manufacturers will feel increasing competition from

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