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Babson Sees Decline In Business Volume In '50

Sylva Merchants Report Big Volume Of Sales During Christmas Rush

Buying Season Started Off Slow But Wound Up In Big Rush On Last Few Days

According to reports by most of the merchants of Sylva they enjoyed a near record volume of sales during the Christmas shopping season.

The merchants are in very good spirits this week as they begin the annual cleanup and inventory work.

Some of the merchants plan to begin annual after Christmas sales next week which will no doubt include some good bargains in merchandise for those who have waited for the reduction of fall and winter goods.

ROAD MEETING CALLED FOR QUALLA CITIZENS

Albert Patton who was recently appointed to the Jackson county "Better Roads" committee has called a special meeting of all Qualla citizens for Saturday night, December 31, at 7 in the evening.

Important decisions will be made at the meeting concerning which roads will be worked in the Qualla area.

Jackson Poultrymen Visit Big Gainesville Broiler Hatcheries

Fifty-five Jackson county farmers visited the Gainesville, Ga. broiler area last week to see the latest methods of producing broiler chicks.

The large commercial hatchery of L. A. Chemell was visited first. This hatchery has a complete set of new buildings, some of which are 240 feet in length.

It was interesting to our hatching egg producers to learn that this hatchery has been operating at full capacity and has had a good sale for all chicks produced even during the decline in the demand for baby chicks during the past few weeks.

From the commercial hatchery the group visited the replacement hatchery. It is from this place that the Jackson county farmers have been getting pullets. No employee at this place nor any truck that

SEE SMALL DROP IN GROCERY BILL

Agriculture Department experts see a small drop in the Nation's grocery bill for 1950 with the housewives probably able to save a little out of their allowance.

A. H. Weaver In Georgia Hospital Mr. A. H. Weaver is a patient at the Lawson General hospital, Chamblee, Ga. where he underwent an operation last Friday for the removal of cataracts from his eyes.

Square Dances To Be Held Friday Night

The American Legion will sponsor a square dance to be held in the Legion hall Friday night, December 30 from 9 'til 12 o'clock.

Vet Farm Training Instructors To Meet

There will be a district meeting of assistant teachers and Veteran Farm program leaders at Cullowhee in Hoey auditorium on Tuesday, January 3, at 2 o'clock p.m.

"The most rapid change in our economy since 1939, and probably the most significant, is the tremendous increase in the money income of the people," says Chas. A. Burmeister of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

WARD MET ON ARRIVAL IN JAPAN



U. S. CONSUL GENERAL at Mukden, China, Angus Ward (left) is met by William J. Sebald, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's diplomatic chief, on his arrival at Yokohama, Japan, aboard the S.S. Lakeland Victory.

Records - Good And Bad

While most of North Carolina and the Nation as a whole were piling up holiday highway slaughter records, Jackson county almost no deaths occurred and only one person was slightly injured.

Jackson was not alone in a bad record for 1949. North Carolina piled up a slaughter record of which we should all be ashamed, not only ashamed but indignant

and determined to help do something about it.

A record of which we can be proud is that the town of Sylva was a law abiding community during the holidays. Police Chief Dillard Hooper says that his department did not find it necessary to make an arrest, that there were no drunks or any other type of rowdiness over the week-end.

FUNERAL FOR GLENN NORMAN, 45, HELD SUNDAY MORNING

Funeral services for Glenn Norman, 45, who died at 7:30 p. m. Friday following a heart attack suffered at 7:00 o'clock that morning, were held at the Whittier Baptist church Christmas Day morning at 11:00 o'clock with the Rev. Johnny Hyatt, officiating.

Moody Funeral Home was in charge.

Mr. Norman was a mechanic and was employed at the Harry Shelton service station at the Gateway on Highways 107 and 11-A.

Surviving are the father, R. V. Norman, of Shoal Creek; two sisters, Mrs. Dee Angel, Hazelwood, and Mrs. Harry Cline, of Roseboro, N. C.; 1 brother, Frank, of Canton, and half-brother, Sam of Willets.

4-H Club Meetings Scheduled In January

Tom Cannon, director of 4-H club work in the county, has announced meeting schedules for January as follows:

January 3rd 11:15 a.m. Sylva Junior club; 2 p.m. Sylva Senior club.

January 4th 9:15 a.m. Wilmot; 10:30 a.m. Qualla and 2 p.m. Dillsboro.

January 5th 9:15 a.m. Beta; 10:45 Savannah; 2 p.m. Soco.

January 6th 10 a.m. Balsam. Oscar Phillips, assistant State 4-H club leader will be present at the meetings to talk with the members about their 4-H club activities.

NATION'S HOLIDAY TRAGEDIES PASS THE 600 MARK

Six hundred and eleven persons lost their lives during the Christmas holidays according to National Safety Council figures compiled from 6 a.m. Friday until midnight Monday at the Chicago office.

The council said that Christmas holiday carnage should horrify the nation as much as the Texas City disaster of two years ago.

Final tabulation by wire services showed that 611 persons died in accidents across the country. Traffic deaths accounted for 420 of the deaths.

North Carolina counted 22 killed and many others injured while the Nation was piling up its record of highway carnage.

New Years Day!

Time For Fruit Cake And Black Eyed Peas

New Years Day! The time for the fruit cake, the black eyed peas and souse meat — the giant balls to help old Father Time out and bring in the baby New Year.

There is no other holiday that is so widely celebrated in the different countries of the earth as New Year's Day.

How old the custom of celebrating New Year's Day is will probably never be known but we do know that three thousand years before Christ was born the people who lived in the ancient country of Babylonia kept a New Year Festival, which they called "Zalmuck", the rejoicing in which lasted for eleven days.

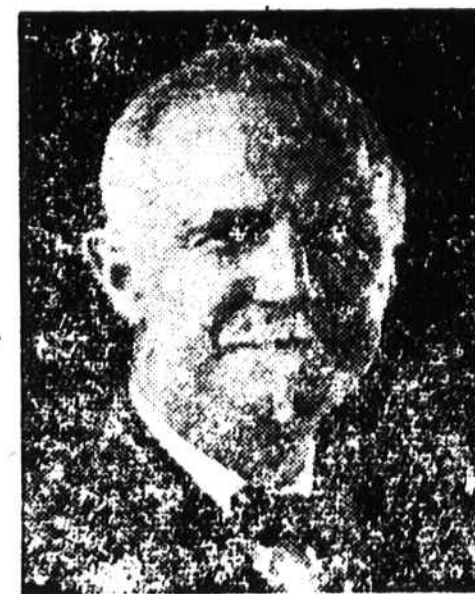
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One of the greatest enjoyed practices in Scotland was that of the Wassail Bowl. Wassail is a word made up of the two Saxon words Wass and Hael, meaning "To Your Health!"

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Labor Conflicts Will Be Chief Reason, He Says, Consumer To Suffer



Roger W. Babson

Does Not Expect Federal Taxes To Be Increased, Capital To Be Encouraged

by Roger W. Babson

1. The total volume of business for 1950 will be less than that of 1949, due primarily to the unfortunate labor conflicts.

LABOR OUTLOOK

2. Even with all the threats, there will be few wage increases during 1950. On the other hand, all labor negotiations take the minds of both the employees and the management off their regular business.

3. There will be fewer strikes

1950 IN A NUTSHELL

Table with 2 columns: Category and Change. Includes General Business, National Income, Farm Income, Bituminous Coal, Anthracite, Crude Oil Products, Steel Output, Auto Manufactures, Bldg. and Construct, Natural Gas, Foreign Trade, Airline Pas. Miles, Military Activities Including Aircraft, Retail Trade (\$ Volume).

in 1950 than in 1949, but there will not be fewer extended negotiations which are very expensive in themselves.

4. The Taft-Hartley Law will continue to stand throughout 1950, although many schemes for de-touring this law will be devised.

5. The great drive against the big companies will be for pensions and/or for sick and other benefits. These will probably be helpful to the wageworkers and may aid in ironing out the business cycle, but they will be paid for by consumers.

6. It is hoped that all parties will begin to realize during 1950 that the real road to national progress is through increasing production and greater efficiency. This is the bright light we see in the labor situation.

COMMODITY PRICES

7. Movements in commodity (Continued on page 8)

Dr. Jonawasky Named Health Officer For New District Setup

On January 1st an entirely new set-up will take place in the District Health Department. Instead of the District being comprised of Haywood, Jackson, Swain and Cherokee Indian Reservation, Haywood will be a district within itself with Dr. Mary Michal, and Mrs. Alma McCracken in charge.

The new district of Jackson, Macon, Swain and Cherokee Indian Reservation will be under the direction of Dr. Carl C. Jonawasky, who will have headquarters in Sylva. Dr. Jonawasky said that there will be no change in clinics as now set-up until after the new district is completely organized.

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Mrs. Byron Marsh Dies At Oak Ridge

Word has been received here of the death of Mrs. Byron Marsh of Oak Ridge, Tenn., a former resident of Sylva, Monday afternoon at her home following a stroke. Mr. Marsh, who survives, was one time a resident highway engineer here.

Mrs. Marsh is the former Miss Dorothy Hunnington of Rochester, N. Y.

Funeral services will be held from the Little Church on The Hill in Oak Ridge today (Thursday), and the body will then be taken to Rochester for burial.

Besides the husband other survivors are 1 daughter, Mrs. Dolly Hensley of Lenoir and 1 son, Byron Marsh, Jr. of Bryson City.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Thompson, Mrs. C. Z. Candler, Sr., and Mrs. C. Z. Candler, Jr. will attend the funeral from here.

New N.A.M. Head



Claude Adams Putnam

A MACHINERY manufacturer, Claude Adams Putnam (above), of Keene, N. H., was chosen president of the National Association of Manufacturers at group's convention in New York. (International)

Leaves For S. America

John Kiser, who with Mrs. Kiser, has been spending some time here with Mr. and Mrs. John B. Ensley, left Monday for New York from where he will sail for Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, South America to join the Morrison-Knudsen Construction Company in the building of a large hydro electric plant, dam and tunnel. This work is being done for the Brazilian Government.

Mrs. Kiser plans to join her husband in Rio in a few months.

NOTICE

A representative of the Asheville office of Social Security Administration will be at the Sylva post office at 10 a.m. on Thursday, January 5.

BOSSAMON'S . . . . . In Sylva