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\$1.50 In Advance In Haywood and Jackson Counties

Robeson Says Get Out Debt During 1942

Statistician Sees Increase For Farmers During New Year.

Forecasts Declining Business

Waynesville, Mass., Jan 1st.—As World War II lasts, the U. S. production will continue to increase. I estimate an increase in national income of \$9 billion in 1942, thus bringing it to \$85 billion compared with \$80 billion in 1940 and \$86 billion in 1941. In forecasting this national income for 1942, I am taking into account probable increases in output and wages. These figures mean that more goods will be produced; in fact 1942 will show a decline in the real wealth of the nation.

Unfortunately, the increase in the production will be in the non-defense industries. Nineteen-four will show considerable decline in the non-defense industries. I will talk about shifting over to battle tanks. To a certain extent this will be done in 1942, but many non-defense industries will suffer if the war continues through 1942. Washington reports that with Japan, Germany and Italy fighting us we may need 50 per cent of the wage workers in the country on defense work. Hitler is eliminated. This is very high to me as Great Britain now has less than 30 per cent engaged in defense industries.

Bombing Win the War?

Readers, whether employing wage workers, should be interested in whether World War II will continue in its present form through 1942. If it continues, this is good news for those engaged in the defense industries, and bad news for those in certain non-defense industries. If the war is to end during 1942, then the reverse is true. We would then see some of the times which we have seen in many readers, even in the past. Therefore, let's bravely face the facts and answer the question, "Will World War II continue through 1942?"

It would be impossible to lick an army of invasion by December 31, 1942. Most of us are not very hopeful about the effects of bombing. They be-

Woman Had Eight Injuries In Motor Accident

Minnie Smith, of Clyde, injured last Friday on the Blue-Oteen highway when the car in which she was riding collided with a machine said to have been driven by C. L. Epley, of Road, and in turn was struck by a second vehicle coming in the direction driven by Miss Ann Owenby.

The pick-up truck was driven by Benn Beasley, of Clyde. Mrs. Smith was not seriously hurt and taken to a hospital for treatment was shortly discharged.

Schools In County Reopen For New Term Monday

Schools in the Haywood county system which closed on December 19th, for the Christmas holidays, will open for the new term on Monday, January 6th, according to an announcement by Messer, county superintendent of schools.

Schools in the county system in the districts of Waynesville, Crabtree, Fines Creek and

W. D. Rogers Is Standard Oil Man In Territory

W. D. Rogers has arrived in Waynesville and assumed duties as general salesman of the Standard Oil Company for the Haywood county territory. Mr. Rogers succeeds W. S. Porter, who was stationed at Mt. Airy.

Mr. Rogers and family are stationed on Boundary avenue. Mr. Rogers was active in the American Legion and Lions Club here.

Churches Open Today For Prayers Throughout Nation

The First Methodist church and the First Baptist church will be heated and left open to the public today in compliance with the proclamation of the President that January 1, 1942, be set aside "as a day of prayer", of asking forgiveness for our shortcomings of the past, of consecration to the tasks of the present, and of asking God's help in the days to come.

Tire-Rationing Boards Nominated For This County

The nomination of two tire rationing boards for Haywood county, one for the Waynesville area and another for Canton, were announced this week by Jonathan Woody, chairman of the County Council of Defense.

The nominations were made by George A. Brown, Jr., chairman of the county board of commissioners, Hugh Leatherwood, clerk of the Superior court, and Jonathan Woody, chairman of Defense Council. The appointments will be made by Governor J. M. Broughton.

Dan Watkins has been nominated for the Waynesville board with Dill Howell and R. N. Barber, Jr., as other members.

Chas. King has been nominated for chairman of the Canton board with Guy Higgs and Howell Baylock as other committee members.

These boards, when officially sworn in, will have the power to enforce their decisions regarding the sale of new tires and tubes according to priority ratings.

Mr. Woody pointed out that 75 per cent of the world's supply of

Farmers Urged To Repair Farm Machinery At Once

Haywood county farmers are urged to repair their farm machinery as soon as possible by the county farm agents. Any part that they think will be needed during the next year in producing a crop should be bought or an order should be placed with the machinery dealer at once.

It has been pointed out that it is important that this be done at once, so that dealers in farm machinery can anticipate these needs and get parts which will be necessary for the farmer to produce his part in the great "Food for Freedom Campaign."

Soco Gap Dance Team Fills Ten-Day Fla. Program

The Soco Gap dance team and string band will return Friday from Fort Lauderdale, Fla., where they filled a ten-day engagement at the newly opened amusement center.

Thirteen made the trip, headed by Sam Queen, general manager. The group included 8 dancers, 4 musicians and a ballad singer.

Mr. Queen contacted several amusement centers in Florida for future engagements.

Soldier Forges Note For \$50; Lands In Jail After Trying To Outrun Sheriff

He was only 18 years of age. A soldier in the army—home for Christmas from camp. No doubt the Yuletide festivities had been more expensive than he had counted on and he had yielded to the temptation.

Red Cross Drive For War Relief Funds Starts 6th

Haywood Chapter Is Asked To Raise \$1,500 For the Emergency

A meeting of all the presidents of the civic and patriotic organizations of the community and the various committees appointed for the drive to raise \$1,500 for emergency war relief for the Red Cross is scheduled to be held on Monday night at 7 o'clock in the courthouse.

The meeting is being called by the Rev. Malcolm Williamson and the Rev. R. E. McBlain, co-chairmen for the campaign for funds.

Last minute details will be worked out for the drive which starts early Tuesday morning, the 6th, and which will continue until the quota, recently assigned the local Red Cross chapter is reached.

The following appeal in a telegram to H. G. Hammett, chairman of the Haywood chapter, was received during the week:

The bombing of Pearl Harbor, Honolulu, Manila, the invasion of the Philippines, submarine attacks

T. C. Davis Heads County Defense Planning Board

T. C. Davis, of Iron Duff township, was elected president of the Haywood county defense planning board at a meeting held at the courthouse on Wednesday the 24th.

Others who will serve with Mr. Davis are as follows: vice-president, W. Pless Boyd, of Jonathan township; treasurer, Mrs. Carl Medford, Waynesville township; secretary, W. A. Corpening, Haywood farm agent.

It was brought out at this meeting that Haywood county was broken down into eighty-three neighborhoods with five hundred sixty elected leaders.

During the meeting Jonathan Woody, president of the First National Bank discussed the value of buying government saving bonds in helping win the war.

Rev. H. G. Hammett, pastor of the First Baptist church, talked on "Religion and National Defense." He also brought out how "Food

\$335 Collected On Dime Board

The dime board, sponsored by the Lions Club, got about \$335 during the holidays, it was reported this week.

Members of the club used some of the money in providing for Christmas cheer for needy families and the balance of the money will be used by the club in their work with the blind.

Sergeant Rogers Is Optimistic; Now Stationed At Canal Zone

Mr. and Mrs. Hub Rogers recently received word from their son, Sergeant Lannes F. Rogers, who is stationed in the Canal Zone, that he was safe and well. Sergeant Rogers said: "I am as safe here as any place I know, if not safer. We'll wipe the Japs out in no time."

W. P. Whitesides To Address Masonic Lodge At Meeting Friday

W. P. Whitesides, of Sonoma Lodge, will address the Waynesville Lodge No. 259 A. F. and A. M. at the regular communication on Friday night to be held in the Masonic Temple at 7:30 o'clock.

W. L. Hardin will address the newly elected officers at this first meeting of the New Year. The members are cordially invited to attend.

Joe Davis Is Making Fine Scholastic Record At State University

Joe Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Davis, who is a student at the University of North Carolina, is spending the Christmas holidays here with his parents.

Young Davis, who is a member of the junior class at the university, is making an outstanding scholastic record. During the fall term he made the "A" honor roll.

Claimed By Death



A. W. McLAUGHLIN, well known lumberman and contractor, died at his home on December 24.

A. W. McLaughlin, Lumberman And Builder, Passes

Funeral services for A. W. McLaughlin, 64, were held at the First Baptist church here Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, with the Rev. H. G. Hammett, pastor, in charge.

Mr. McLaughlin, former superintendent of the Suncrest Lumber Company, and general construction superintendent, passed away at his home here at 3 o'clock Wednesday morning following a heart attack.

Members of the local Masonic Order of which he was an active member, had charge of the services at the grave, and served as honorary pallbearers.

Active pallbearers were J. I. Green, W. L. Hardin, Sr., J. F. McClure, W. A. Bradley, Ray Parsons and C. B. Hosaflook.

Mr. McLaughlin was in charge of moving the plant of the Suncrest Lumber Company from Sunburst to Waynesville, including the construction of the railroad. He remained with the lumber company until it suspended operations

Canton Man Takes Own Life After Killing Wife; Leaves 3 Children

A double funeral service was held at the Calvary Baptist church in Canton on Tuesday afternoon for J. E. Hardin, 30, and his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Williams Hardin, 29. Hardin, the Rev. W. B. Sprinkle, pastor of the church, officiated, assisted by the Rev. C. H. Green. Burial was in Arnon Plains.

Mrs. Hardin's death, which occurred at her home Sunday morning, was due to shotgun wounds, at first thought inflicted by her husband, who fled the scene before neighbors found her in the kitchen of her home.

It was reported by officers investigating the case, that the son, Jimmie was playing in the yard and that his father called and told him to go to the neighbors and tell them that his mother was ill, and the father then left the house. The child followed instructions and returned with the neighbors to find the mother dead.

Mrs. Dee Clark Awaits News From Her Son Stationed At Manila

Mrs. Dee Clark is anxiously awaiting some communication from her son, Dallas Ray Clark, who is stationed on the U. S. S. Houston in Manila.

Clark is first class machinist mate on board the Houston and enlisted in the U. S. Navy in 1931, having to his credit ten years of service.

James Leatherwood Joins Air Corps

James Leatherwood leaves Tuesday for Charlotte, where he will join the army air corps as a flying cadet.

Haywood's First White Baby To Get Many Nice Gifts From Business Firms

Many nice gifts will be showered upon the first white baby born in 1942 to Haywood parents.

Intensive Defense Organization Being Set Up In County

During the past two weeks meetings have been held in each township in the county, working with the farmers and farm women in planning a program to meet emergencies which may arise.

Agricultural leaders in each township were called together, and the communities were broken down into neighborhoods.

At the township meetings, where all the farm men and women were asked to attend, neighborhood agricultural leaders were elected for each neighborhood within the community and then three officers for the entire community were elected.

The three officers elected will represent the community on the county defense planning board along with the agricultural workers council.

At these community meetings the purpose of the organization was discussed and the part that agriculture will play in the defense program. Three campaigns were discussed of which the neighborhood leaders are to be called on to conduct, namely: scrap iron, steel, repairing farm machinery, and more work on the "Food for Freedom Campaign."

Impressive Services Ushered In New Year

Last night a special watch-night service was held at the Waynesville Presbyterian church, beginning at 11:30 o'clock and continued until midnight, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Malcolm R. Williamson.

All those present formed a line promptly at midnight and rang the church bell, not only to welcome the New Year in, but as an expression of loyalty and faith in God and their country.

The service was in keeping with the proclamation of the President urging all Christian people to pray for the United States as it enters upon the year 1942.

Sergeant Bobbie Sloan of Fort Jackson, spent the Christmas holidays here with his family.

I. Leatherwood Heads Esso Club Of 7 Counties

Irving I. Leatherwood was elected president of the Esso Boosters Club, and W. L. Hardin, Jr., was re-elected secretary, at the recent meeting of representatives of all counties from here to Murphy, at the Jarrett Springs Hotel in Dillsboro.

Mr. Leatherwood is an Esso dealer here, and Mr. Hardin is commission agent for the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

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Mrs. R. E. McBlain Taken To Biltmore Hospital

Mrs. Raymond E. MacBlain, wife of the Rev. Raymond E. MacBlain, rector of Grace Episcopal church, was taken to Biltmore Hospital for treatment on Sunday.

Mrs. MacBlain has not been well for several weeks and has been confined to her home here.

Collection Of Taxes In County Sets New Record For Year

Judge Allen Gwyn To Preside Over Court Next Week

The January term of Superior court will convene here on Monday, the 5th, with Judge Allen H. Gwyn, of Reidsville, presiding.

A large number of divorce cases are scheduled for trial during the term, with around 30 other cases on the docket.

Serving on the jury for the first week will be John B. Medford, Waynesville; R. M. Waddell, Waynesville; Robt. A. Justice, Fines Creek; Vinson Morrow, Jonathan; Perry Cook, Beaverdam; T. G. Sorrells, Beaverdam; J. M. Cathey, Pigeon; C. H. McCracken, Crabtree.

Last Rites Held For Mrs. Robeson Tuesday Morning

Funeral services for Mrs. Edward J. Robeson, 71, who died Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock, were held at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning at the First Methodist church. The pastor, the Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr., assisted by the Rev. J. G. Huggin, Jr., pastor of Trinity Methodist church, Durham, a former pastor of the Waynesville Methodist church. Burial was in Green Hill cemetery.

Serving as active pallbearers were W. S. Swift, Hugh Massee, J. C. Patrick, Dr. N. M. Medford, William Shoobred, and M. H. Bowles.

District Masonic Officers Installed Here On Monday

On Monday night the Waynesville Lodge No. 259, A. F. and A. M. were hosts to a district meeting for the purpose of installing the newly elected officers in the district.

The following officers were installed by C. B. Hosaflook, district deputy grand master, assisted by Edwin Fincher, secretary of the Clyde Lodge; W. A. Abel, Waynesville Lodge; W. T. Hawkins, Pigeon River Lodge; Hugh Terrell, Clyde Lodge; and J. E. Justice, of Sonoma Lodge.

E. H. Balentine, retiring master, was presented a past master jewel. W. A. Abel, master-elect, was presented a handsome Masonic chart. C. B. Hosaflook, D. D. G. M., was presented a certified lecture certificate, who on October 24th, went before the board of custodians of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina and passed the examination which entitled him to this honor.

Clarence Stillwell Completes Training At Naval Station

Clarence Stillwell, of Hazelwood, who recently completed his recruit training at the Norfolk Naval Training Station, has been chosen for active sea duty, the public relations office has announced.

Stillwell, son of W. Stillwell, of Hazelwood, enlisted in the navy at the recruiting station in Raleigh.

James Leatherwood Joins Air Corps

James Leatherwood leaves Tuesday for Charlotte, where he will join the army air corps as a flying cadet.

He is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Frank H. Leatherwood, and a graduate of the local high school, and has also attended Wake Forest and Mars Hill colleges.

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About Five Percent of 1940 Taxes Remain Uncollected; 60% of 1941 Taxes Paid.

The tax collections for 1940 in Haywood county were the highest ever on record for a similar period, according to the annual routine audit recently completed by W. Bowden Henderson, C. P. A., for the county board of commissioners.

There was a total of ninety-four and two-tenths per cent of the taxes for 1940 collected, which is the largest per cent ever recorded by any previous tax collector in the county.

To date 60 per cent of the 1941 taxes are paid in, which is an unusual record.

The collection of delinquent taxes has also been good during the past year.

The report submitted by Mr. Henderson further showed that the records and accounts in the office of Tax Collector J. Earl Ferguson, were in excellent condition.

Listing Of 1942 Taxes Starts In Haywood Today

Beginning today the listing of taxes in Haywood county will start and continue throughout the month according to Earl Ferguson, county tax supervisor.

All county taxes, real and personal property must be listed during the month. Violators will be subject to fines, Mr. Ferguson pointed out.

All male persons between the ages of 21 and 50 are required to list their polls during the same period.

The townships with their respective listers are as follows: Beaverdam, Mrs. James Henderson, Jr.; Cecil, Ned Moody; Clyde, Mrs. Clifford Brown; Crabtree, Clinton McElroy; Cataloches, Ed White; East Fork, Ken Burnette.

Fines Creek, Guley Rogers; Ivy Hill, Mark V. Howell; Iron Duff, Horace Bryson; Jonathan Creek, Grady Howell; Pigeon, Gay Burnette; Waynesville, J. S. Black and D. A. Howell; White Oak, Mrs. W. H. Williams.

Alley Portrait Gift Of Friends Unveiled Saturday

An oil portrait of Felix E. Alley, of Waynesville, judge of the Superior court, was unveiled in the court room on Saturday afternoon, with a large number of friends present for the ceremony.

The life sized portrait was painted by a well known artist in Chicago from a photograph of the judge. It came as a gift from members of the Haywood County Bar Association, county officials and warm friends of the prominent jurist.

T. L. Green, president of the Haywood County Bar Association,

Death Claims Miss Mary Michal; Funeral Friday

Funeral services were held at 3:30 p. m. Friday at Westmoreland Funeral Home in Marion, for Miss Mary Moffett Michal, 79, who died Wednesday morning in a Morganton hospital.

The Rev. Raymond E. MacBlain, rector of Grace Episcopal church, of Waynesville, officiated. Burial was in the Michal-McDowell plot in St. Francis Churchyard in Rutherfordton.

Miss Michal was born in Rutherfordton. (Continued on back page)

Baptists Burn \$8,000 Worth Of Paid Mortgages

Notes and mortgages totaling approximately \$8,000 were burned Sunday morning during a special service at the First Baptist church here, in which laymen and Rev. H. W. Baucom, former pastor, assisted the Rev. H. G. Hammett, pastor.

T. L. Green gave a history of the church, and pointed out the growth of the church during its 118 years of organization.

J. R. Morgan, chairman of the (Continued On Back Page)