

seventeenth in the school auditorium. The Reverend is a native of Cleveland county. Before coming to Smith-field, he was pastor for several years Rev. Gillespie has pastor in the Smithfield Baptist church for over seven years. He is very outstanding in church work all over the state, being State President of B. T. U. for one year.

He is a graduate of Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C.

The War Department has formed Mr. and Mrs. Gur-

that their only son, Lieuten-ant Gordon Whitaker, Jr., is missing in action in the war zone. No further details were given.

Young Whitaker was com-missioned last June as a sec-

term; NOW, THEREFORE, be it ready-ed by the Board of Education of Johnston County that the apprecia-tion of all the people of the County be expressed to Mr. Broughton

Mr. Wallace and Mrs. Lassiter for their superb leadership and courageous statesmanship in so ably advocating and achieving a nine-months school term for all the children of North Carolina.

Approves Sale of Corbett-

Town Officials Are Inducted Into Office

e hewly elected Mayor of commissioners of the Town of Selma took the oath of office on Friday night of last week, which was administered by W. L. Etheredge, local Justice of the Peace.

Two granddaughters, Misses Joan and Sue Massey, then entered bear-On Monday night of this week the ing a large tray of gifts for the hon- nearly all over Benson, the robbers Town Fathers held an organization oree, who took great pleasure in took a dirt road out of Benson

Mrs. Anna Burke.

break-neck speed all through the streets of Benson, literally tearing up the town. After chasing them

The program for the Commencement exercise is as follows: Processional Seniors Audience Hymn Invocation and Prayer Rev. G. W. Blount "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"Crafts BartonGlee Club Introduction of speaker ... Rev. D. M. Clemmons Rev. Charles Gillespie Sermon . Song of America - Southy Glee Club Salutatory Frances Branch Presentation of diplomas Mr.

J. C. Diehl Awards Valedictory Anne Hood Hughes

Recessional Seniors Benediction MARSHALS

Sally Johnson - Chief y Armitage Melvin Barnes Stanley Armitage Dorothy Walters Herbert Herring Kenneth Lynch Jane Armitage Due to the war and shortage of gas and tires the seniors have had to alter their graduation exercises which have been a part of Selma High School for many years.

Early in the second semester of school Mr. Marrow, county superintendent, made a plea to the Johnston County Senior classes to combine their baccalaureate address and commencement address into one night to save gas, tires, and time which are so greatly needed at this time. When Miss Ward told the Senior Class of this plan and asked for a vote, the Seniors voted almost a hundred per cent to combine their exercises. So instead of having the baccalaureate address on Sunday night before graduation, which has been the custom, the commencement address will be delivered by Rev. Gillespie, pastor of the First Baptist church of Smithfield on Monday night, May 17. The Seniors will receive their diplomas at that time.

Poppies To Be Worn For Soldiers of 2 Wars Selma, N. C.

in Selma on Saturday, May 29, said Mrs. W. L. Etheridge, president of the Selma Unit of the American Le-gion Auxiliary.

gion Auxiliary. The poppies this year will honor the man who have given their lives in the present conflict, as well as those who fall among the poppies of France and Belgium 25 years ago, she said. The money contributed for the flow-ers will be used for the welfare of the men

lieutenant in the Army Air Corps and later was as-signed to duty in the Solomon Islands and other P a c i fi c areas

The announcement by the war department stated that additional information re-garding Lieutenant Whitaker would be forwarded to the pa-

rents as soon as received. The Whitakers moved from Selma to Goldsboro about a year and a half ago. Their many friends here ex-

tend their sympathy in these days of grief and anxiety.

Navy Recruiting Officer Addresses Kiwanis Club

Program Chairman W. T. Woodard Sr., introduced J. W. Stallings, Specialist First Class, Navy Recruiting Officer, who addressed the Selma Kiwanis club on last Thursday evening, and who named some of the opportunities offered young men by the U. S. Navy. He said the training which is given the young men by the Navy qualifies them for most every vocation in life, and enables them to be able to secure good jobs after they return to civic activities.

During the business period a representative from one of the nation's leading manufacturers addressed the club on how cigarettes may be sent to service men overseas at the small cost of 5c per package. He exhibited cards and cups which he suggested the club might place at different places in town where those desiring to donate to this fund may place their contribution, which will be sent to the manufacturers who will make shipmen direct to proper Army headquarters overseas and elsewhere who cannot buy all the cigarettes they want. The manufacturers pay all

shipping costs and on each package of cigarettes thus sent will be print-ed, "GOOD LUCK" from the Selma Kiwanis club and the citizens of

M. L. Stancil, Chairman of the Committee on Public Relations, was Poppies in tribute to America's instructed to superintend the placing of these cups in Selma, look after any moneys thus donated and report re-sults to the club.

victims of both wars and their fam-

Hatcher Site

It was ordered that the Superintendent on behalf of this Board request the Clerk of the Superior Court to confirm the public sale of the Corbett-Hatcher School site according to the bid of \$2525 received at the resale of said property on April 28.

A delegation from the Corbett-Hatcher District, with Mr. A. M. Noble as spokesman, requested the Board to allow certain school property exempted from the sale to remain with the building in as much as it was planned to make a community center out of the same.

The Board indicated that it would be glad to further consider this matter when it is evident that such property will remain the property of the community and not of any private individual and suggested that the delegation appear before this Board again when these . matters can be cleared up.

Stop All Except Essential Repairs It was ordered by the Board that on account of the high cost of labor and the scarcity of materials and in order that this Board may further cooperate with the war effort that no repairs be made to any school building, or school plants, except where such repairs are absolutely necessary to the continued operation of the plant or to protect buildings and plants from deterioration by weather. Emergency Teachers For The School

Year 1943 - '44 It was ordered by the Board that for the school year 1943-'44 the same concessions made by this Board at a meeting held on October 19, 1942, be made for the coming school year; and further that said order of this Board appearing at the bottom of page 73 and being the last sentence in Sec-tion 1 be amended by striking from said order the following "Approved by the Board of Education of John-ston County only until May 17, 1948, see minutes of Board of Education of October 19, 1942", and substituting therefor the following "Approved by the Board of Education of Johnston County only for the school year 1943-'44, see minutes of Board of Education of May 10, 1943."

It was further ordered by the Board that all teachers employed un-der the order of October 19, 1942, be notified by the Superintendent of the termination of their contract, and further that all of those recommended by their principals as teachers for the year 1943-'44 be sent new con-tracts for the coming year in which the above provisions are carried out. Motion to adjourn was adopted.

Mrs. Clyde Spencer spent the w

meeting by electing supervisors for the several departments as follows:

H. B. Pearce - Chief of Police Charlie Straughn-Assistant Chief of Police D. J. Jones - Policeman

M. R. Wall - Town Clerk Mrs. Aaron Lassiter - Tax Collec-

J. V. Chamblee - Superintendent of Water and Lights E. V. Deans - Street Commission-

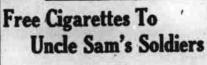
K. B. Jones - Street Superintendent

R. E. Suber - Water and Light Commissioner

R. H. Griffin - Commissioner of **Buildings** and Grounds

J. C. Avery - Finance Commis-sioner, and Mayor Protem. The only new face seen in the

membership of the new board is that of E. V. Deans, who defeated E. J. Sasser for re-election on May 4th.



The Selma Kiwanis club is sponsor ing a campaign to give our boys in the armed forces overseas some free cigarettes. The manufacturer has agreed to furnish the cigarettes at 5c per package and pay all shipping costs direct to the boys overseas.

We are advised that many of our boys overseas who are in hospitals are unable to buy cigarettes because they do not draw their pay until they are released from the hospital, which causes many of them to have to go without cigarettes while thus confined.

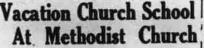
You can help furnish these boys with cigarettes for only 5c per package by dropping your donation in one of the cups which the Kiwanis club has placed in several places of business in Selma, namely:

Hunter Price's Pool Room, Town clerk's office, Charlie Hopkins Cafe, Floyd C. Price & Sons store, Selma Clothing & Shoe Company, Henry & Nordan's store, White House Cafe, Selma Barber Shop, Raines' Cafe, Selma Drug Company, Woodard & Creech Drug Company, and Mac's Filling Station.

On each package of cigarettes sent On each package of cigarettes sent overseas that is purchased by these funds will be printed: "Good Luck from the Selma Kiwanis Club and the citizens of Selma, North Carolina." Just imagine, if you can, how glad one of our own Johnston county boys would be to receive a package of these cigarettes thousands of miles from home. pening and displaying them. Refreshments, consisting of an

iced fruit drink and cookies. were then enjoyed by Mesdames W. B. Johnson, H. E. Earp, W. L. Norton, J. D. Jeffreys, Norman Screws, C. P. Worley, G. A. Earp, Anna Burke, M. R. Wall, J. C. Diehl, B. A. Henry, Hattie McMillan, S. R. Lee, S. P. Wood, J. D. Massey, Leon Brown and Misses Anna Belle Jones, Roberta Spiers, Edith Pride Harris, Dora O'Neal, Joan and Sue Massey, Emma Jean Henry, and Mrs. E. E. Mad-

dray of Portsmouth, Va.



The Annual Daily Vacation Church School of the Edgerton Memorial Methodist Church will begin Monday, May 17, and will continue for two weeks. The departments and teachers

are as follows: Beginners-Ages 4-5. Text used. "Our Happy Homes." Teachers, Mrs. W. L. Norton, Mrs. E. L. Green, Mrs. Raymond Peedin.

Primaries-Ages 6-7-8. Text used "Bible Homes and Homes Today." Teachers, Mrs. Wilbur Perkins, Mrs. W. T. Woodard, Jr., Mrs. Ben Brant-

Juniors-Ages 9-10-11. Text used, The Land Where Jesus Lived." Teachers, Mrs. John Jeffreys, Mrs.

H. V. Payne, Mrs. Harry Everitt. Intermediates-Ages 12 and above. Text used, "Boys and Girls Learning About Alcohol." Teachers, G. W. Blount, C. W. Judy. Mr. Judy, a Duke Student, will assist, beginning the second week.

Registration will be held Monday morning, May 17, at 10:30 o'clock, just after dismissal from the public schools. Children and parents will please take note of this, and come promptly for registration. Certificates will be awarded for full at-

tendance. Hours of the school each day will be 9:00-11:00 A. M.



Everett Scarborough, Negro farm-er of Middlesex, Route 1, was in the office of The Johnstonian-Sun a few days ago, and told us that he had four sons in the armed services of Uncle Sam, and that the fifth one left last Thursday (for Forthermore and the line" order. left last Thursday for Fort Bragg to take a physical examination. Ev-erstt said he had seven children, all

toward Coats

Patrolman Bobbitt said his car was equipped with a sending and receiving set, and after leaving Benson he gave his car all it would do at around 70 miles an hour and that the bandits kept just a few hundred yards ahead of him, making so much dust that he could not see their car more than half the time.

All the time he was driving he was broadcasting his activities, giving the vicinity in which he was operating and direction they were going, This race kept up until they were past the town of Erwin, several miles west of Benson, but it was hard to gain much ground on the bandits car.

Still they went, crossing the Cape Fear River and on to near Linden, Harnett county, where he was met by other highway patrolmen, who helped surround the robbers and taking them into custody.

The robbers were driving a car that had already been reported stolen in Raleigh earlier in the day Tuesday. The owner of the stolen car was W. A. Badie of Youngsville.

In the car with the robbers was found a pistol and a sawed-off shotgun. They carried several shotgun shells but no cartridges for their pistol.

A search revealed that they had in their possession about '\$240 when captured.

A telephone call to the Johnston county sheriff's office Wednesday night revealed that the names of the robbers are James McLamb, originally from the vicinity of Benson, and David Stevens, whose home had not been ascertained.

The Highway Patrol Department in Raleigh commended the quick action on the part of Chief Bradley Pearce of Selma in getting the news to them in such short order, and said this played an important part in apprehending the robbers so quickly.

New Meat Prices' Effective May 17th

Specific dollars and cents prices for retail cuts of beef, veal, lamb and mutton, postponed for further review last month, will become effective on

further consideration in the light the president's "hold the line" on The revised schedule is expected show prices lower by from one three cents than those set in original pricing order. iginal pricing

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