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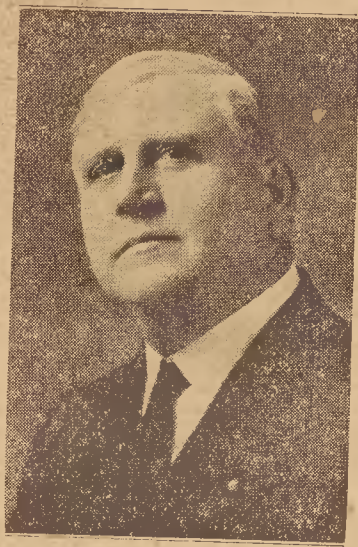
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Rev. L. T. Singleton Awarded Loving Cup

Pastor Selma Methodist Church Voted Town's Most Useful Citizen by Woman's Club and Kiwanis Club—Four Others Have Received Similar Honor



REV. L. T. SINGLETON

At the regular meeting of the Kiwanis Club Thursday night Rev. L. T. Singleton, pastor of Edgerton Memorial Methodist church, was awarded the loving cup given each year to the most useful citizen of the community. This award is made on the basis of the vote cast by the Woman's club and the Kiwanis club. Any citizen of the community is eligible to receive this cup. The plan was inaugurated 5 years ago for the purpose of giving some small honor to those of our community who have rendered a distinct service. This is considered the highest honor that can come to a citizen of our community. During the past five years the cup has been awarded to the following: George F. Brietz, superintendent of the Selma Cotton Mills; Miss Margaret Etheredge, local Welfare Worker; F. M. Waters, superintendent of the Selma schools; C. A. Jacobs, superintendent of transportation of Southern Railroad company and Rev. L. T. Singleton, pastor of the local Methodist church.

Mr. Singleton came to Selma a year and a half ago from the Nashville charge and his efforts while here have extended to a wide range of community activities outside of his regular work as pastor of the church. He has been untiring in his efforts to reclaim underprivileged children. In this work he has secured medical services at Duke University for many of those so handicapped. As a result of his efforts several of whom would have been a public charge, have been given a fair chance in life. While this has been his outstanding work he has always been found cooperative in the furtherance of any community work, looking to the improvement of our town.

Ask Discharge of Married Women

Pou Parrish Post of American Legion Adopts Resolution.

Smithfield, Feb. 20.—The Pou-Parrish Post No. 132, American Legion has adopted a resolution favoring the discharge of married women holding public positions if their husbands can support themselves and families. The resolution is as follows:

"Be it resolved that the Pou-Parrish Post of the American Legion No. 132, go on record as favoring the discharge of all married women holding appointive positions in public offices of city, county, State and national governments whose husbands are employed or are drawing pensions, or are otherwise able to support themselves and families."

The post directed that a copy of this resolution be sent to Frank Page, chairman of the American Legion Committee of Unemployment, with a request that this committee call on all public officials to fill all such positions now held by such married women with unmarried men and women who are dependent on themselves solely for a livelihood, also that a copy be sent to the principal daily newspapers of the State and reported to the State and national headquarters of the American Legion and that Legionnaires everywhere be urged to adopt these or similar resolutions and call upon public officials whom they help elect to give heed to the suggestion contained in this resolution as an aid to the unemployment situation."

200th Birthday of First President Observed

President Hoover Delivers Address On Washington In Chamber of House of Representatives Before Both Houses of Congress—Is Beginning of Bivcentennial.

BY CHARLES F. SCOTT.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 24.—The United States George Washington Bicentennial Commission is the rather imposing name of an organization which, under the sponsorship of Congress and with an ample appropriation, has for two years been preparing the country to spend the next nine months celebrating the 200th birthday anniversary of George Washington. The celebrations began appropriately in the National Capital on Monday, February 22, when President Hoover delivered an address on Washington in the Chamber of the House of Representatives before the most distinguished assembly that could be brought together in the United States. Members of the House and Senate were there, the Justices of the Supreme Court, all the Ministers and Ambassadors to foreign countries stationed here, the members of the Cabinet and high ranking officers of the Army and Navy. Upon the conclusion of his address the President passed to the front steps of the Capitol and there gave the signal which it was hoped would be immediately followed by the singing of "America" in every school room of America and in innumerable churches and halls where the people might be gathered together to unite in this stupendous celebration. In front of the President was a chorus of 10,000 voices led by Walter Damrosch and three great bands under the direction of Philip Sousa. Doubtless never before was the familiar patriotic air rendered in so inspiring a manner and with the immediate participation of so many people, for of course the vast audience that thronged the plaza in front of the Capitol joined with the chorus in the song.

As a part of the work of publicity carried on by the Commission more than a million large portraits of Washington have been sent out to the schools and colleges of the country, enough to supply one for every school room in America. As another part of the Commission publicity George Washington memorial committees have been organized in every state, reaching down into every county, with the understanding that throughout the entire summer and fall until Thanksgiving Day tribute to Washington shall constitute an important part of every patriotic celebration of any sort that may be undertaken in any community. As still another part of this publicity work the Commission has published almost innumerable pamphlets and many books covering the life of Washington in all its

Selma Churches Hold Patriotic Services

Memorial Service, Celebrating the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Washington Is Held At the Baptist Church Sunday Night February 21st, 1932.

The following is the order of a union service held at the Selma Baptist Church last Sunday night in memory of Washington, the Father of our country:

After a few introductory remarks by Rev. W. J. Cain, pastor of the local Baptist church, Rev. L. T. Singleton, pastor of the local Methodist Church, who used as his subject, "The Religious Life of Washington" "He found a life worth living and disciplined himself to that life." Quoting from Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, paraphrasing what some one else has said; "The actions of his life spoke louder than any of his words." The Rector of the church which he attended said, "No company ever withheld him from church, instead he invited them to go with him," and "I never saw a more reverential worship than Washington. His example was a great help to me in my pulpit labors." In conclusion it may be said that this great man walked with God."

Following is the program as rendered on this occasion:

Prelude—Mrs. G. M. Willets at the organ and Miss Mildred Perkins at piano.

Hymn, No. 480—"My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

Prayer—(Invocation).
Cornet Duet—J. T. Wilkins and J. C. Avery.

Hymn, No. 476—"America the Beautiful."

Prayer—by Rev. J. H. Worley.
Selection by the Junior Choir.
Offering.

Anthem—by Senior Choir.
Selection by the Orchestra—"The Star Spangled Banner." (At this point the congregation stood at attention).

Address—by Rev. L. T. Singleton—"The Religious Phase of the Life of Washington."

Hymn, No. 172—"Faith of Our Fathers."
Benediction.

Postlude—by the Orchestra.

Fire Destroys Home of H. L. Eason

The six-room residence of T. M. Benoy, located one mile west of Selma, was totally destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon about three o'clock. The home was known as the "Old Mitchener place" and was occupied by H. L. Eason. The occupants were not at home when the fire occurred and practically all of their household and kitchen furniture together with more than 800 pounds of meat were destroyed. It is not known how the fire originated. Mr. Benoy places his loss at from \$3,000 to \$4,000 with \$1,000 insurance.

M. V. Batten Seriously Injured In Wreck

Smithfield, Feb. 24.—M. V. Batten, who resides in this city, was very seriously injured when a truck belonging to G. S. Tucker Furniture Co., a local firm, turned over yesterday evening about eight miles northwest of Goldsboro on Highway No. 40. Mr. Batten was thought to have been driving the truck. He was rushed immediately to the Goldsboro hospital where it was found that he had a crushed chest, with broken ribs, broken shoulder, and a lung was found to be punctured by one of the broken ribs. He was unconscious when he reached the hospital but later regained consciousness. It was said that Batten was out with the truck collecting for the Tucker Furniture Co., in that section when the accident occurred.

The new Pamlice Creamery at Washington has over 100 patrons now and the cream checks are beginning to appear more generally over Beaufort county.

varied and romantic phases. Never before in all history has the birth anniversary of any citizen been celebrated in so imposing a way as the memory of George Washington has been and will be throughout America during the next nine months.

Bentonville Postoffice Robbed Last Night

Rev. Mr. Creech Finds Favor With the Judge

Judge Frank Daniels Rules That Wife Cannot Testify For or Against Her Husband—Appeal Is Taken by Plaintiff.

Washington, N. C., Feb. 23.—The case in which Rev. J. M. Creech, faith healer, was charged with exerting an unnatural influence over the wife of C. M. Rouse and inducing her to improper conduct came to an unexpected termination today when Judge Frank Daniels ruled with the defendant that a wife cannot testify for or against her husband as to her own adultery and the plaintiff, taken unawares, was forced to take a non-suit and appeal to the Supreme court.

Rouse was suing Creech in a civil suit for \$10,000 and costs. He at one time was regarded as the chief disciple of the faith healer and Creech had a room at his home. After Creech left this city the suit was filed.

The entire morning was consumed in selecting a jury and the thronged courtroom, with crowds pressing against and into the bar, expected a sensational trial. The statute was brought out by the defendant, however, immediately after dinner, and caught the plaintiff unprepared.

Selma Firemen Guests of Smithfield Firemen

Fish Fry Given At Power House In Smithfield Friday Evening. Mayors Hare and Underwood Present.

Mayor W. W. Hare, Town Commissioners, E. J. Sasser, Carl Worley, Clarence Bailey and Dan M. Hayes, and the entire Selma fire company were guests of the Smithfield fire company at a fish fry given at the power house in that city on last Friday evening. Other guests of the Smithfield company were the mayor of that town, the city commissioners, and other town officials. Short speeches on this most delightful occasion were made by Mayor J. D. Underwood of Smithfield; Clarence Jones, fire chief, and Carl Worley, fire commissioner of Selma.

A negro quartette, members of the negro fire company, rendered several negro spirituals. Forty-eight persons were in attendance.

Mrs. Call Hostess.

Mrs. W. H. Call very delightfully entertained the Friday Afternoon Book Club and several special guests Friday afternoon, February 19th, at a lovely Washington Party.

The home was very effectively decorated with camilla japonicas, carnations, miniature cherry trees, hatchets and on the walls were portraits of Washington, Mt. Vernon, Wakefield and silhouettes of Martha and George Washington.

Mrs. C. A. Jacobs presided over a business period, after which the meeting was turned over to the hostess, who announced a Washington program. Mrs. W. T. Woodard read the first paper, "Washington's mother and His Boyhood." The second paper was by Mrs. J. B. Person on Mt. Vernon. Mrs. C. A. Jacobs told something of Washington's "Home Life and Social Customs." Mrs. Geo. F. Brietz read the interesting will of Mary Ball Washington, mother of the President. Mrs. C. W. Scales gave a short sketch of Washington as President.

A lovely solo, "Carry Me Back to Ole Virginia," was sung by Mrs. M. R. Wall. An interesting "Washington" contest was next on the program, Mrs. C. A. Jacobs being winner, and was awarded a Martha Washington box of candy. The guest prize to Mrs. H. B. Marrow, of Smithfield, was a smilax box of candy. Consolation prizes were given to Mrs. R. E. Suber and Mrs. J. B. Person.

Delectable refreshments, consisting of a salad course and hot coffee, followed by cherry pie topped with ice cream, was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Geo. D. Vick and Mrs. J. W. Short.

Yeggmen Enter Store Building of Claude Beasley Where Postoffice Is Maintained and Carry Away Iron Safe With All Its Contents.

Smithfield, Feb. 25.—Special to The Johnstorian-Sun—Word was received here by Postmaster J. C. Stancil early this morning from Mr. Claude Beasley, rural carrier and son of the Bentonville Postmaster, that the Bentonville postoffice was robbed last night. He reported that the safe had been taken away and other goods, the postoffice being in a general store owned by Mr. Beasley.

Mr. Emmett A. Johnson, night policeman here, saw a suspicious car in town about 3 o'clock this morning and gave chase. The car, a Buick Sedan, was loaded down with goods, but outdistanced Johnson between Smithfield and Selma. Johnson, however, got the license number of the car, which license, upon investigation, turned out to be stolen plates from a Packard sedan belonging to L. Johnson, of Wilson. Later this morning, the Buick was found near the cotton mills in Selma burned completely up and with a flat tire. No goods were found on the car, but it is thought that it was the same one involved in the Bentonville robbery, the tread of the tires corresponding with tracks left at Bentonville. Another car is believed to have been used in taking the goods from the Buick. The robbers evidently set fire to the Buick in order to avoid being caught, upon finding that the tire was flat.

The license plates found on the burned Buick did not correspond with those taken by Policeman Johnson, but upon investigation proved to be the license plates belonging to the Buick, which was stolen from M. F. Hodges of Dunn. The robbers evidently took the stolen Packard plates off the Buick when they abandoned it. The stolen plates were put on over the Buick license.

DON'T FAIL TO READ NEW ADS IN THIS ISSUE

Special attention is called to the new advertisements in this issue of the Johnstorian-Sun of the following merchants in Selma:

Lee Store, owned and operated by B. F. Proctor. This store is offering some unusual bargains and Mr. Proctor advises that his advertising campaign is bringing some very pleasing results.

Mr. Walt Godwin has a nice ad in this issue and says that our readers will continue to hear from him. He carries a splendid line of merchandise and is offering some very attractive prices. Look up his ad and see what he is offering.

The Sanitary Grocery Company has a large ad in this issue and their prices will appeal to every household. Don't fail to investigate the prices being offered by this new concern.

SNAKE IS REMOVED FROM DOG'S LIVER

The Kinston correspondent to the daily press will have to come again if he meets the challenge recently thrown out by Mr. H. A. Stancil, of Kenly, who has started a story on the rounds that while performing an operation on a dog a few days ago belonging to Leslie Stallings, a 33-inch snake was removed from the dog's liver. It is stated that the dog was bitten by a snake about two years ago and that the snake recently removed from the dog's liver had a head like a sucker fish and could not bite though it could coil when placed on the ground. It was said to be a moccasin.

POULTRY BUYERS WILL BE IN SELMA SATURDAY

Those who have poultry to sell should not overlook the fact that the poultry car will be in Selma at the A. C. L. Freight Depot, again next Saturday, the 27th; also the poultry truck will be here again and will be located at the rear of the store of A. V. Driver Company. Prices are holding up fairly well and the CASH will be paid.

HEARD AROUND THE COURT HOUSE

For awhile it looked as if Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, Governor of New York State, had the Democratic nomination for President unchallenged; but as the time for the national convention draws nearer, other aspirants are getting into the race and Roosevelt appears to be losing ground. The tide of sentiment among the national Democratic leaders has never been as strong in Roosevelt's favor as it was made to appear by his friends and political workers. Now that Al Smith is in the race for the Democratic nomination it looks like Roosevelt will not have enough support to put him across.

Some of the Democratic leaders are reported to have lately expressed the opinion that Roosevelt is not a man of Presidential size, and that his knowledge and experience is too much limited for him to be made President.

Some people are beginning to ask questions about the Democratic program in Congress for ending the depression. Remembering how, during the 1930 campaign, the Democratic candidates and politicians traveled over the country and told the voters that the way to bring about better times was to give the Democrats a majority in Congress in order that they might reduce the tariff and thus enable us to buy goods at lower prices; and do away with a lot of other laws which they said were making the rich people richer, and the poor people poorer. Remembering that for nearly three months Congress has been in session, with the Democrats in complete control of the lower house; some of those who helped to put the Democrats into office are beginning to want to know what better plans the Democratic congressmen have to offer than the Republican program under the leadership of President Hoover.

A citizen of Raleigh, who was in Smithfield Tuesday, in discussing this matter, said that about all the Democrats had done to give relief from the depression, was the aid given to President Hoover in getting his program put across; and now that they had come in at the eleventh hour and had given support to the plans already mapped out by the President they appeared to want to claim all the credit for what had been done. If they had anything better to offer than what the Republicans had planned, the Democrats should have brought it to the front long before now. It is now up to them to put up or shut up.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Smithfield, Feb. 24.—Mr. Elmer Wellons, Jr., of Smithfield, who underwent an operation for appendicitis last week, is much improved.

Mr. A. G. Register, of Dunn, who was admitted last week with a fractured knee, left Saturday for his home.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gus Rigas, on the 18th, a fine baby boy. Mrs. Rigas is seriously ill. Baby is getting along fine.

Miss Gertrude Fields, of Selma, who was admitted on the 17th, underwent an operation for appendicitis on the 18th, and is improving nicely.

Mrs. M. C. Tuck, of Selma, who was admitted on the 18th for treatment, left for her home yesterday.

Mrs. Ira Dixon, of Benson, who was admitted on the 18th for treatment, is improving.

Mr. William Brown, of Selma, was admitted on the 18th for a major operation. He is improving nicely.

Miss Virginia Broadhurst, of Smithfield, was admitted on the 19th to be placed in a plaster cast for four weeks. Miss Broadhurst had her backbone injured in an automobile accident some time ago.

Mrs. H. T. Tart, of Benson, was admitted on the 20th for treatment and is improving.

Mr. Bradley Herring, of Dunn, was admitted on the 20th for treatment and is getting along fine.

Mrs. Joe Morgan, of Selma, who was admitted two weeks ago for treatment, is getting along all right.

Mr. W. Gaston Lee, of Four Oaks, who was admitted on the 15th for treatment, left on the 21st much improved.

Mrs. W. B. Johnson, of Selma, who was admitted on the 16th for treatment, left for her home Monday.

Attends Funeral at Clayton.

Mr. J. T. Wilkins attended the funeral services of Mr. Ernest Ellis, a relative of his, at Clayton Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Ellis died on Tuesday of general disability extending over several months. The funeral services were conducted in the Methodist church by the pastor, assisted by the pastor of the local Baptist church, Mr. Ellis was about 45 years old and leaves a wife and several children.

Better fertilizers are secured when dolomitic limestone is used for filler rather than some inert substance like sand, say Tarheel farmers who have tried the new plan.