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**ENGLAND ABANDONS
FREE TRADE**

After steadfastly resisting a general tariff for more than one hundred years, Great Britain has finally yielded to the inevitable and definitely turned her back on free trade. The chancellor of the exchequer announced a few days ago that Parliament will levy a duty of ten per cent on all imports into Britain except a few foodstuffs and a few raw materials.

In turning to protection Great Britain has merely fallen in line with all the other great commercial nations of the world. It was logical that she should be the last, for if any nation could prosper under free trade Great Britain must be that nation. With a limited area, limited raw material and other natural resources, the only possibility of British prosperity seemed to be in her overseas trade, and that trade must rest upon ability to manufacture goods at a price that would command world markets. But the time has come when British manufacturers have found themselves not only unable to compete in many foreign markets which they have formerly dominated, but unable even to hold their home market against the tremendous pressure of foreign competitors. The world is fairly crowded with vast supplies of every sort, seeking a market at nearly any price, and British industry had found itself simply overwhelmed and obliged in self defense to set up a tariff wall.

The lesson to the United States is so plain that it may be read on the run. If Great Britain, better equipped than any other nation in the world to hold her own with all competitors in the field of international trade, finds it necessary to discard the traditions of a century and resort to a protective tariff, how much more essential it is to our prosperity that the system upon which our industries have rested from the foundation of the Republic should not be disturbed. It is vastly to the credit of the Democratic leaders in Congress that, after all their violent assaults upon it, they have abandoned the fight against the Hawley-Smoot law and now frankly admit that to reduce the rates it carries would be to expose our markets to a disastrous flood of cheap foreign goods and thus increase unemployment and further demoralize business.

The American protective policy has never been so vital an economic necessity as it is today.

THE DAVIDSON TRAGEDY

(Union Republican)
The state was shocked Friday when it became known that the sheriff of Davidson county had been killed, that the solicitor of the district was involved in the shooting and that the chairman of the Davidson county Democratic committee was also a member of the drinking party that ended so tragically in the death of a man supposed to uphold and enforce the law and the indictment of another officer who likewise was supposed to be law abiding. The most serious part of the affair is the fact that two of the participants in the "party" attempted to shift the blame of the killing of the unfortunate sheriff on the shoulders of an innocent man and surely this can only be explained by the fact that the two surviving companions of the sheriff were loaded to the hilt with mean liquor. In fact the Lexington chief of police described the solicitor, whom he found in his hotel after the death of the sheriff as being "beastly drunk." Had the Virginia youth died there are many people who believe that the entire matter would have been smoothed over and the statement would have been handed down in history that the Davidson sheriff was killed by the young Virginian. But Providence has a way of doing things and the young Virginian lived, another man was found who saw part of the fatal

**Another Month
of Odd Winter Ahead**

That Is According To Almanac; What Is Coming An Uncertainty.

Bey Melbourne Christerson, Associated Press Staff Writer, writing from Washington, D. C., under date of February 20th, said:

"The 1932 American travesty entitled 'Winter' has 30 days more to run on its calendar contract before folding up on an astonished audience which has been left alternately warm and cold—mostly warm.

"Then comes spring, facing a bad spot on the bill because most of its scenic effects already have been stolen and used by the long-whiskered old man who lost most of his usual bluster in staging his three-months show.

"The weather bureau commentators who keep tab on the cycle of the seasons won't wait for March 21 to write off the winter performance as one breaking records of a hundred years standing. Their spring begins March 1 and they are just as well satisfied.

"Never have they used up so much paper and ink jotting down the idiosyncrasies of a winter gone mad. Heat records, cold records, wet records, snow records—all kinds of records have been put down in the books.

"February marks the sixth month of abnormally warm weather, and it probably will continue abnormally warm until after March 21.

"The weather," says Joseph B. Kincaid, weather bureau meteorologist "forms habits just like we human beings. It gets used to being warm or cold and it's hard to change. This is not a forecast, but it looks like it will continue to be well above normal average temperature for awhile."

"Fortunately, no serious damage has been done by the warm, spring-like spells which have swept the country east of the Rocky Mountains. Fruit buds have been held in check and winter wheat—almost two months ahead of schedule—has suffered little.

"Copious rainfalls and heavy snows in the northwestern half of the country have broken the long drought except in Florida. The Dakotas and Northern Montana, with the moisture reserves under the most favorable conditions since 1929.

"Temperatures which frequently soared past the eighties robbed the east almost completely of its annual snow, disappointing the children with new sleds and skates and all but driving the sponsors of the winter Olympics at Lake Placid, New York, into a frenzy. Throughout December and January temperatures averaged six to 16 degrees above normal.

"While the east got warmer, the west—from the Rockies to the Pacific coast—got colder. Since November that section has been having weather two to eight degrees below normal. Some cities in Southern California had their first snow falls in half a century.

"Precipitation has been generally heavy, ranging anywhere from 100 to 600 per cent above normal, breaking, for one thing, Southern California's severe drought. The absence of frost let the rain soak through the ground."

**SELMA WOMAN WINS
PRIZE ON 666 SALVE**

It will probably be of interest to the people of Selma and community to know that Mrs. E. V. Woodard of Selma, has recently received a check for \$10 from the Montecello Drug Company, of Jacksonville, Fla., as a prize for a letter she wrote in a contest put on by that company just prior to the Christmas holidays telling about the merits of 666 Salve for Colds. Mrs. Woodard wrote a letter for herself and one for her daughter, Miss Lillian Louise Woodard. The letter she wrote for herself won \$10 and the one she wrote for her daughter won \$5.00. Both checks have just recently been received.

tassel, and after sobering up, the conscience of the solicitor began to hurt him and he decided to make a clean breast of the affair and admitted that he had told an untruth at the first hearing.

We are sorry for the chief actors in this tragedy. Sorry for the family of the dead sheriff who went forth to meet his Maker in an intoxicated condition, sorry for the solicitor who forgot that he was a law enforcement officer and fell, thus disgracing himself, causing him to give up his office and lose the prestige and honor that was fast becoming his, sorry for the Democratic chairman who has put a blight on his party in Davidson county that it will take years to overcome.

**Friday and Saturday
Feb. 26 and 27, Will be Banner Days at
The Sanitary Grocery Co.**

We have secured the services of Mr. C. H. Brown and to let his Friends know of his location we are putting on a **STORE WIDE Sale of Groceries, Flour and Feeds.**

- 4 1-lb. Cans Baked Beans for 25c
- 4 Large Tall Cans Milk for 25c
- 3 Cans Fancy Corn for 25c
- Viena Sausage 5c
- 8 9-oz. packages Washing Powder 25c
- 6 lb. Rice, fancy 25c
- Fat Back Meat, nice and thick, 4 lbs. for 25c
- Fancy Rib Meat, per lb. 8 1-3c
- Pure Lard, per lb. 8 1-3c
- Pure Ground Coffee, per lb. 15c
- Dandy Brand Coffee, 2 lbs. for 25c
- 3 lbs. Luzzianne Coffee 90c
- Octagon Soap, per cake 3c
- 4 Cakes Maxine Elliott Soap 25c
- 2 lb. Can Cocoa 25c
- Blue Ribbon Malt 49c
- Seed Oats, Burt 90 Day, per bag \$2.45
- Cobbler Seed Irish Potatoes, peck 35c
- Red Bliss Potatoes, peck 40c
- 24 lb. Bag Flour 55c
- 12 lb. Flour 30c

We are Headquarters for Red Band and Grandeur Flour
50 lb. All Cotton Mattress \$3.19
100 lb. Bag Ship Stuff \$1.18

- Sensation Chicken Feed, 100 lb. Bag \$1.89
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- Plow Lines 23c
- 1 50-lb. Bag Water Ground Meal for 60c

Oh, Boy—Just Look at These Market Prices for This Week

- Native Beef and Meats—We select and kill it Ourselves—Dressed Clean and Nice
- Stew Beef 7 1-2c
- Round Steak 19c
- Sirloin Steak 23c
- Veal Cutlets—No bone 22c
- Neck Bone 6c
- Pork Chops 12 1-2c
- Country Sausage with country sage and pepper 19c
- Pork Sausage 12 1-2c
- Wieners, lb. 12 1-2c and 15c
- Fresh Pork Sides and Shoulders 12 1-2c
- Fresh Pork Hams 15c
- Fancy Full Cream Cheese 17c
- 3 lbs. Spare Ribs 25c
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**SELMA WOMAN'S CLUB
HOLDS FEBRUARY MEETING**

The Selma Woman's Club held the February meeting in the new and attractive bungalow of Mrs. C. L. Richardson as hostess, assisted by Mrs. Ormond Bailey and Mrs. Howard Gaskill.

After the opening, Mrs. Joe M. O'Neal, the president, led in the club collect, followed by a short business session.

Mrs. O'Neal announced the initial program of the George Washington Bicentennial celebration which would be opened in our town by a union service to be held on the following Sunday evening in the Baptist Church.

Mr. W. B. Aycock was presented to the club and spoke most interestingly of "Citizenship of Washington's and Hoover's Days."

After paying tribute to our First President as a great man, who would have been great in any age, he proceeded to re-trace much of our early history in which Washington played so heroic a part, laying special stress upon the great faith of our early settlers and the part religion played in the formulating of our great country.

The women, he thought, had made a greater stride in citizenship, emancipating as it were, into a citizen free and independent of a husband's responsibility. In former days the husband was even responsible for his wife's every act of behavior. He greatly stressed a return to the full ideals which dominated our early citizenry.

After adjournment the hostesses according to the club's ruling, served sandwiches and a delicious punch. —Mrs. J. L. Doggett, Reporter.

**OLD MAIDS' CONVENTION
AT SELMA MILL CHAPEL**

The "Old Maids' Convention" which was given at the Selma High School auditorium a few nights ago, will be repeated at the Selma Cotton Mill Chapel Saturday night of this week, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Following the play a Yo-Yo contest will be had on the same order as at the school auditorium and suitable prizes will be awarded to all winners. Admission will be 10 cents. It will be at the old Selma Mill Chapel.

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