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Selma Schools Closed With Good Programs

Class Day and Graduation Exercises Among Important Events of the Week—Dr. Robert H. Wright Delivers Able Address.

The Selma schools closed last week with appropriate and enjoyable exercises. Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock certificates were given to 56 7th grade pupils who are eligible to enter high school in the fall. Mr. Geo. F. Brietz presented these and made a splendid talk urging the girls and boys to set their goal high and strive to attain it.

Wednesday afternoon interesting Class Day exercises were staged by the seniors. Thursday evening the various contests were held.

Graduation exercises were held Friday evening. Dr. Robert H. Wright delivered the address. He gave interesting facts about the progress North Carolina has made in education. "From 1900 to 1930 North Carolina made more progress than any other state in the union. Our state has moved from the bottom to 40th place in educational advantages. The education of our boys and girls is the most important piece of business we are engaged in. We are today in the midst of one of the most critical periods ever known in history. Out of this period we are going to emerge into the greatest opportunities. We have been money mad—too materialistic. Material has been sacred, the child, just a problem. We are now beginning to realize that spiritual things should take first place—our people are beginning to realize that co-operation is necessary. We have almost lost faith. We taught our people not to trust anyone—we are now reaping the consequences. All of us realize that all over our nation the forces of evil are endeavoring to destroy our very foundations—the home, business, and Christianity—one nation has already abolished religion. We've got to have faith in our boys and girls. I want to say to you that the boys and girls of our day are the finest I ever saw. They are not afraid to recognize and embrace a new truth when it is advanced. They are just as willing to sacrifice as any of their forefathers. It was the spirit of truth in the youth that brought the great world conflict to a close. To the young folks I want to say, all the worthwhile things are attained by sacrifice. It will be necessary for you to give up some of the responsibilities of tomorrow. Be willing to make the sacrifices necessary to obtain your objective."

Diplomas were presented to the 32 seniors by Mr. G. F. Brietz, chairman of the school board. Medals and prizes were awarded by Mr. C. A. Jacobs and Dr. Geo. D. Vick, as follows:

Disclaimer's Medal—James C. Woodard; Essayist medal—Katharine Aycock; Reciter's medal—Tie between Frances Henry and Edna Mae Cameron, each receiving \$2.50. The child making highest grades from the Selma mill was Mary Griffin whose average was 91. She received the medal offered by Mr. Brietz. Mr. C. P. Harper, sponsor for the 9th grade, gave a prize to the boy and girl in this grade making highest average. These went to Rachel Keever and Roland Fields. In appreciation of his interest this grade presented Mr. Harper an appropriate gift.

George Ross Pou Hurt In Accident

Washington, June 1.—George Ross Pou, injured in an automobile accident when the car partially overturned near Henderson N. C., Tuesday, was brought to Walter Reed hospital today. Mr. Pou, former service man, was brought here on account of the modern x-ray facilities. It had been feared Mr. Pou had sustained a broken or dislocated hip, but the examination today revealed the fact that no serious injury had occurred.

A number of relatives and friends called at the hospital to see the injured man today.

Small grain in various parts of the piedmont territory is seriously affected with rust and it is anticipated that the yield will be seriously reduced.

Boom Came From Every Depression

History Records Recovery After Each Period Of Bad Business.

The last prescription recommended to a sick world that we have soon is one compounded by The Paper Salesman which we found in the columns of the Indiana Mason. There are so many remedies for ending the depression that few get half a hearing but this one of The Paper Salesman has certain qualities of "It" that should put it ahead of the common run of remedies.

At the close of the ten stanzas of built-up suggestion is a sentence that should carry conviction and faith. "Out of every depression we ever had came a boom."

Consider that demonstrable fact: out of every depression has issued a boom. Not only that, the periods of prosperity have attained to points higher than earlier periods of prosperity. If you do not believe this, take time off and try to find a depression that did not usher the way into greater activity and success.

The writer of the skit that is being passed on in all probability suffered a depression at home after his wife read stanza 1, which we are sure does not contain the intent that probably made the wife mad. But admitting that the philosopher of the P. S. started off on the wrong foot, he wound up in perfect step with common sense and sanguine outlook when he said that every depression came out in the form of boom.

But you would better read for yourself and get your own impressions:

1. The chances were even that you would be born a girl. You won.
2. The chances were against your living to be 21. You won.
3. The chances that you would be born a boy and live to be 21, were 1 in 4. You won.
4. The chances that you would be born somewhere else than in the United States were roughly 15 to 1. You won.
5. The chances that you would be born an American, a boy, and live to be 21, were, therefore, only 1 in 60. You won.
6. Out of the twelve depressions this country has suffered in 75 years, you escaped all but one or two (consult your age).
7. The pain and suffering of this one you have escaped entirely or 90 per cent, we'll say.
8. You learned more lessons in the last two years than you learned in 12 or 16 years at school; and you learned them not too late.
9. Prices in securities, real estate, possessions generally, are down; even John D. Rockefeller is worth half what he was worth in August, 1929. Good levels will return for him and for you.
10. So, having practically every chance the world gives its children, just conquer the present indisposition by simple diet, sunlight, kindness to other people, and as much mental composure as you can manage.

Out of every depression we ever had, came a boom.

—The Paper Salesman.

Coroner Kirkman Again In Race

"My record for coroner is open to inspection," says J. H. Kirkman in making his formal announcement as a candidate for renomination to this important County office. He points out that training and experience has thoroughly equipped him to give the duties the attention they deserve.

Since his first term of office Coroner Kirkman has been returned to office by large majorities despite all opposition and friends this year predict he will again come out ahead of his opponents.

"When I asked for this office," says his announcement, "I made a promise to the people that I would perform the duties of the office to the best of my ability and that I would do all in my power to trace down all crime. This promise I have held sacred. I now make the same promise and if I am re-elected I shall continue to perform my duties as in the past.—I have never yet reported a case to the grand jury but that a true bill was returned."

Miss Annabelle Jones, member of the local school faculty, attended the George Washington Pageant in Winston-Salem last Monday.

Judge Aycock Writes Message To Public

Is a successful business carried on by experienced men or by men who do not know the business? One of the greatest defects in our government is that we are constantly training men for service at an appalling expense to the public and then put them aside and train others. If the tobacco companies were to use the same methods in their business we use in our government they would be just as broke as we farmers. They do not put inexperienced men at the head of their business. It is only after long experience in their business ability and qualifications proven one is given a position of importance. It is important to have experienced men in office to make money, why is it not more important to have experienced men in office to pass on the rights and freedom of our people until conditions improve?

The public has trained me at a great expense to fill the office of Judge of the Recorder's Court. I have done my best to be worth my hire. I feel an interest in each individual that comes before me and have had as my purpose to reduce crime instead of punishing the person for crime. In this I have succeeded, as crime has been greatly reduced since I have been in office.

With the reduction of crime, if the public demands a reduction in my salary I stand ready to comply with the wishes of those who are paying me. I have had nothing to do with fixing the salary I am now getting and will not have anything to do with the salary I may get in the future. I am a farmer and have felt the burden of taxation as all other farmers and business men know the great need of a reduction in taxes and ready to join in a reduction of same.

I know that I have not been able to satisfy all persons who have come before me, either those charged with crime or in civil matters, but I have done the best I could under the law and the evidence produced on the witness stand. I could not and can not take any other evidence without violating my oath. If the public and the voters think I am the proper person to remain in office I will greatly appreciate it and feel rewarded for my efforts to properly fill the office entrusted with me, and will do my best never to defame or violate the trust.

Respectfully,

W. P. AYCOCK.

MANY COLLEGE STUDENTS RETURN HERE ON VACATION

The faces of our teachers will be missed during the summer months, but in their stead 53 Selma boys and girls, who are in various colleges and teaching elsewhere, will be at their respective homes for the summer vacation. They are:

At College:

Sue Singleton—Duke.

Mary Clyde Singleton, Lillian Louise Woodard, Edith Aycock and Rachel Snipes—N. C. C. W.

Mildred Hayes, Bertie Earp, Esther Barham—Meredit.

Edna Earl O'Neal, Blanche Smith, Mamie Watson, Margaret Cuthrell, Ruth Hood—E. C. T. C.

Inez Wilkins—W. C. T. C.

June Fulghum—King's Business College, Raleigh, N. C.

Franklin Breit, Clarence Hawkins—State College.

Talmadge Corbett—Louisburg.

E. V. Deans, J. L. Deans, Geo. D. Vick, Jr., Jas. B. Person, Jr., Hayden Wiggs, Gordon Brown, Fred Stallings, Millard Stallings, James Stallings, Bill Thad Woodard, Billy Blackman—U. N. C.

Robert Straghan—K. E. C., at Richmond, Va.

Billy Smith and Robert Ashworth, Campbell College.

Jno. Walton Blackman, Carlton Blackman—A. C. C.

Teachers:

Mary Parker, Velma Talton, Joe Temple—Benson.

Rose Worley—Lumberton.

Bertha Woodard and Effie Grant—Glendale.

Mabel N. Humphrey and Thora Grant—Corinth-Holders.

Mary Stanley Benoy and Mrs. Annie Parker—Micro.

Eunice Temple—Garner.

Elizabeth Temple—Alton, Va.

Glennie Godwin.

Miriam Brietz—Oxford.

Stella Ethredge—Currituck.

Mary E. Parker—Gastonia.

Rosa Lee Cuthrell—Archer Lodge.

Mary Booker, Vara Blackman and Mrs. Noble Peedin—Pine Level.

Old Cotton Stalk Puts Out New Sprout

Mr. J. H. Woodard, of Pine Level, route 1, came to Selma Monday afternoon and called at the office of The Johnstonian-Sun. He left with us an old last year's cotton stalk that has put forth a new sprout this spring. The sprout came out just about where the stalk came out of the ground. It has several leaves on it.

This is the second time in the life of the Editor that he has witnessed such a phenomenon. In the winter of 1890 there was but very little cold weather, and in the spring of that year two old cotton stalks that were left undisturbed in our father's field when the ground was ploughed up in the spring, sprouted out and one of them put out limbs and bore several bolls of cotton the second year, but the other one put out a few sprouts that remained barren until it finally died. This was in the southern part of Wake county. Those who can remember the winter of 1890 know something about what a warm winter it was, and it was followed by one of the best crop years for North Carolina that has rarely been recorded.

KILLED DR. HARPER'S OPTIMISM AT ONE BLOW

Upon our arrival down town on last Monday morning, about the first person we met was Dr. C. P. Harper, who greeted us as we went to the post office to get our mail. Dr. Harper commented on the fact that it was such a lovely morning, and how he had heard the birds singing as they extolled the loveliness of the morning. He said that everything in mother nature seemed to be going along fine—the sun was shining, the birds were singing, the crops were growing and everything seemed just fine except man—and before he had proceeded further with his elaboration of the nature's harmonious program, along came Mr. Geo. F. Brietz, who was halted long enough to be reminded as aforesaid, whereupon Mr. Brietz replied to his optimistic informant: "That's fine! You must be thinking about getting married? That's right, go along and get married so you will be an asset to your town."

Mr. Brietz slapped the Doctor on the shoulder and smiled, then went on into the office for his mail; but our greatest regret was that the Doctor shut up like a clam and we didn't get to hear him finish his bird story.

Receives Music Medal

Charles Denning received the gold medal offered by Mrs. Noble Peedin to the Selma pupil making most progress in music during the school year. This is the second year he has received this medal, which was awarded Saturday evening at Pine Level where Mrs. Peedin gave her recital.

SELMA DEFEATS BENSON.

Selma Town Team out-classed Benson Town Team this week by a score of 17-2, with Talmage Corbett, former Louisburg College pitcher, allowing the visitors only 4 hits and the entire Selma club hitting, the game being easily won. Ellis T. Worrels and P. McMillan led the Selma batters, while Benton led Benson batters.

Batteries: Selma—Corbett and Ellis and Kemp. Benson—Tart and Thornton.

Selma would be glad to book games with any amateur ball club desiring a game.

Leonard Stallings Dies

Smithfield, June 1.—Leonard Stallings, aged 19, died yesterday morning about 8:30 at his home near Yelvington's grove. He was the son of Mr. George Stallings.

The funeral will be held at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon at Yelvington's Grove. Rev. D. H. Tuttle of Smithfield will conduct the services, assisted by other pastors.

The deceased is survived by his father, mother, and several brothers and sisters.

Fine Fields of Wheat, Barley and Oats are Observed in Union County where no fertilizer of any kind has been used. The crops were planted on land where legumes have been used in the rotation, says the farm agent.

Johnston County Recorder's Court

State vs. Jessie Jones, colored laborer, aged 26. Larceny of corn, value less than \$20.00. Plea of guilty. Defendant given 12 months on roads.

State vs. James Mitchell, colored laborer, aged 19. Larceny of corn, value less than \$20.00. Plea of guilty. Defendant given 12 months on roads.

State vs. Ennie Smith, colored laborer, aged 40. Receiving corn, knowing it to have been stolen. Plea of guilty. Defendant given 60 days on roads.

State vs. Pearl Smith, colored, aged 19; Lessie Sapp, colored, aged 22. Larceny and receiving stolen property, knowing it to have been stolen, value less than \$20.00. Pearl Smith not guilty. Lessie Sapp guilty. A sixty day jail sentence to be suspended upon payment of \$10.00 fine and cost.

State vs. Cicero Green, colored laborer, aged 19. Abandonment and non-support of wife and child. Guilty. A twelve months road sentence suspended upon payment of cost and upon condition that defendant pays to his wife the sum of \$1.20 per week for support of her and her child. Sentence to remain suspended as long as defendant keeps payments up.

State vs. Sam Creech, white farmer, aged 40. Assault. Guilty. Continue prayer for judgment upon payment of cost. Cost to include court cost only.

State vs. Alfred Allen, white farmer, aged 67. Assault with deadly weapon on Sam Creech. Guilty. Defendant given 60 days on roads, to be suspended upon payment of \$10.00 fine and cost.

State vs. Alfred Allen. Assault with deadly weapon. Not guilty.

State vs. Vanzo Williams, colored laborer, aged 20. Larceny of meat, value less than \$20.00. Guilty. Defendant given 12 months on roads.

State vs. Bernie Griffis, colored laborer, aged 35; Lonnie Curtis, colored laborer aged 24. Gambling. (cards). Both guilty. Both given 60 days on roads, to be suspended upon payment of 1-2 cost each.

State vs. Bernie Griffis, colored laborer, aged 25. Operating a gambling house. Public nuisance. Guilty. Defendant given 60 days on roads. Sentence to run concurrently with sentence above.

State vs. Clem Edwards, white merchant and farmer, aged 46. Embezzlement. No probable cause and defendant discharged.

State vs. O. L. Corbett, white farmer. False pretense.

G. T. Scott Withdraws As Candidate For Sheriff

Selma, N. C., May 30, 1932. To the County Board of Election, Johnston County, Smithfield, N. C.

Gentlemen:

I hereby withdraw my name as a Republican candidate to be voted on for Sheriff in the Primary to be held on June 4, 1932 and request you to declare my only opponent, Mr. H. M. Beasley, as the regular Republican nominee for the office of Sheriff of Johnston County.

At the time I filed my application with the County Board of Election as a candidate I understood that Mr. Beasley had not filed and probably would not file and I did this at the suggestion of Republican friends who desired that there might be a regular Republican candidate for sheriff.

Yours very truly,

Geo. T. Scott.

Joe Abdalla Back From Hospital.

Mr. Joe Abdalla, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Abdalla, returned Sunday from Duke Hospital, Durham, where he underwent a serious operation for ruptured appendix. His many friends will be glad to know that he is recovering nicely.

Boyette-McRacken.

Editor and Mrs. M. L. Stancil have received the following wedding announcement:

"Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Alvin Boyette announce the marriage of their daughter, Elsie Elizabeth, to Mr. Angus Raymond McRacken, on Saturday, May the twenty-eighth, nineteen hundred and thirty-two, Sanford, North Carolina."

The bride is the newly appointed postmistress at Kenly.

Boy Scouts Get Many Liberal Contributions

Boy Scout School In Session Here This Week Is Recipient of Many Donations From Various Sources To Help Bear the Expense of the Food Costs.

The following is a list of those who contributed and made possible the Boy Scout School which is now in session in Selma:

J. I. Triplett, Woodstock, Va.—One barrel Hygrade Flour.

W. L. Brogden & Co., Raleigh—One box lemons.

Jesse Barden, Selma—100 pounds corn meal.

Progressive Stores, Selma—100 pounds sugar.

L. George, Selma—Corn flakes for one meal.

H. J. Heinz & Co., Pittsburgh, through Selma Cash Feed & Grocery Co.—\$8.00 worth various products.

Southern Dairies Ice Cream Co., Wilson, through Selma Drug Co.—Velvet cream for 50.

Pine State Ice Cream Co., Raleigh, through Woodard Drug Co.—Ice cream for 50.

White Ice Cream Co., Raleigh, through Deans Drug Store, Selma—Cream for 60.

Hayo-Kola Bottling Co., Selma—Soft drinks.

Charles F. Cates Pickle Co., Faison, N. C.—One case six gallons mixed pickles.

Mt. Olive Pickle Co., Mt. Olive, N. C.—One case four gallons mixed pickles.

F. B. Brittingham Co., Norfolk, Va., through C. E. Korngay Co., Selma—One case Maytime peas.

G. N. Siler, Selma—Meat for one meal.

The following ladies of Selma contributed materials for cakes: Mesdames E. V. Woodard, W. H. Adams, G. F. Brietz, R. A. Jones, B. B. Lee, W. L. Stanfield, W. R. Smith, R. E. Suber, G. D. Vick, J. N. Wiggs, W. T. Woodard, C. A. Jacobs, J. C. Avery, E. V. Deans.

Hood Drug Co., Smithfield—Peroxide and first aid bandages.

Swift & Co., Raleigh—One 20-pound Swift Premium ham.

Royal Baking Co., Raleigh, bread for one day.

Cream Wheat Corp., Minneapolis, One case of Cream of Wheat.

Whetena Corp., Rahway, N. J.—One case of Whetena.

S. Rumpert Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.—One case of Grape punch.

Pepsitooth Tooth Paste Co.—100 tubes tooth paste.

Out of town friends—\$10.00 in cash.

Town of Selma—Lights for the Camp.

Johnstonian-Sun, Selma—\$5.00 in printing.

Many other little courtesies and considerations have been shown the committee that space forbids us to mention each.

Presbyterian Revival Begins Sunday June, 5

Do you have trouble remembering the date—June 5th I don't, so ask me, for it was on June the 5th just four years ago that we entered the matrimonial state and have been sailing ever since. If anybody wants to know how the sailing has been just ask me privately. But I will do the remembering about the wedding and you remember the revival which is to begin Sunday night, June 5th. Don't do as some do—wait several days to begin for you will miss a rich blessing if you fail to attend any of these services. Some of our people are going to have to be away during part of the week so there will be plenty room for any visitors who wish to come. We want you to come and to feel welcome worshipping with us. We believe in cooperation and especially in God's work and house and want every member of the community to know that we are here to serve God and His people in any way we can. Call on us. We will be happy if you will come to these services because we know you will be happy after a soul refreshment from God's Word, prayer and revival music.

There will be services by the pastor at Fairview at 10:30 right after Sunday School and at Oakgrove at 3:15 immediately following S. S. Please be there, tell others and bring them with you.

D. F. Waddell, Pastor.

Some Alamance tobacco growers cancelled their orders for fertilizer this spring due to scarcity of plants.