

Selma Merchants Say Business Improving

The Trade-at-Home Drive Now Going On Is Attracting New Business To Selma.

Since the merchants of Selma began their campaign for more business by featuring the Trade-at-Home idea, a week or two ago, there has been a noticeable trend in business to Selma. Several Selma merchants have been heard to express the belief that the campaign is already showing worthwhile results.

The attractive prizes which are being offered, including a new Austin Automobile, have begun to turn new business to Selma, and many former customers are coming back this way.

There is no chance game connected with this campaign. Our merchants are selling their goods at reduced prices and giving tickets with each 50c purchase. You pay no more for the goods than you would have to pay without the tickets, and should you hold the lucky number on December 24th you will be given an Austin Automobile absolutely free. There are a number of other valuable prizes to be given to the people who are present with their trade tickets on that date. The numbers will be drawn and should you hold the number corresponding with the one drawn you are sure of a nice prize.

So come on and do your trading in Selma, keep your tickets and come back on December 24th, when the prizes will be awarded. Somebody will be in luck for Christmas this year.

Southern Passenger Train Wreck In Selma

About 4:45 on last Sunday morning the Eastbound Southern passenger train No. 112, was wrecked at Main street crossing in Selma when it split a switch. The engine remained on the main track while the remainder of the train took the sidetrack beside the Southern freight station. The derelict cars remained on the sidetrack for a short distance, then broke a rail and tore up the track for a considerable distance finally striking a box car standing on the siding, knocking it down the track but did not derail it.

Just before the passenger train, which is due here at 4:45, two long freight trains passed going in opposite directions. However the wrecked after the wreck. The mail car on 112 remained here until 10:05 when it was picked up by eastbound train No. 18.

A wrecking crew with crane from the Atlantic Coast Line shops in Rocky Mount was ordered to the scene and had the main line open by noon Sunday.

No one was injured, but passengers and train crew were considerably shaken up.

PRESIDENT GRAHAM TO SPEAK U. N. C. BANQUET

E. T. Boyette, principal of Glendale Consolidated School, who is president of the Johnston County Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina, announces that the annual U. N. C. banquet will be held here on Tuesday evening, November 29. President Frank Graham will be the speaker on this occasion and a full attendance of the alumni and their wives is expected.

COTTON GINNING REPORT.

Census report shows that there were 30,879 bales of cotton ginned in Johnston County from the crop of 1932 prior to November 1, as compared with 30,670 bales ginned to November 1, 1931.

E. G. HOLLAND, Special Agt.

P. T. A. WILL MEET MONDAY EVENING, NOV. 21ST

It has been found necessary to change the regular meeting of the P. T. A. from the fourth Monday evening to the third Monday, which will be November 21st, at 7:30, in the high school auditorium. An interesting Thanksgiving program has been arranged and Rev. D. F. Waddell and Miss Elizabeth Baines will be in charge. A cordial invitation is extended to all parents and teachers and others interested.

Rev. Mr. Barclay Addresses Kiwanians

Rev. Mr. John Barclay, pastor of the Christian church of Wilson, was the Kiwanis speaker at the regular weekly luncheon. Br. Barclay, who was voted Wilson's most valuable citizen, made a very interesting talk on world conditions. He discussed the tariff question, armaments and other interesting subjects, after which he opened the meeting for discussion. Rev. Mr. Barclay is recognized as a very deep thinker and well read.

A questionnaire gotten up by C. P. Harper, John Wiggs, C. A. Jacobs and A. J. Holliday was presented to the club for its approval. This questionnaire is to be mailed to a number of people which they are to answer and return to the secretary of the club. It deals with business conditions in the town.

Andrew Holliday and Parson Waddell rendered two vocal duets which were enjoyed very much. They were accompanied on the piano by Miss Ellen Singleton.

The report on the Columbia meeting by A. J. Holliday and the nominating committee by Rev. L. T. Singleton were postponed until next Thursday night.

"The Dumb Waiter," a musical comedy, will be given by the club at an early date. This is sponsored by the club and coached by Miss Margaret Creech.

Mrs. Lula Sanders Turner Passes Away

Prominent Smithfield Woman Who Was Gold Star Mother, Died On Armistice Day.

Smithfield, Nov. 14.—Mrs. Lula Sanders Turner, 60-year-old widow of the late John Turner, died at the Johnston County Hospital here last Friday night about 10 o'clock. She had undergone two serious operations there a short time ago, and several days her condition had been considered almost hopeless.

The deceased was a daughter of the late Zoe J. Lemay, of Cleveland Township, and a sister of the late Zoe L. LeMay of Smithfield. For several years after her marriage she lived with her husband in Wake county, but after his death she moved to Smithfield, and had been living here for several years.

She was one of the Gold Star mothers who went to France at the expense of the United States Government. Her son, LeMay Turner, lost his life during the world war, and she crossed the ocean and visited his last resting place.

Mrs. Turner is survived by two daughters and three sons, also one sister, Mrs. Eliza Williamson of Smithfield. The funeral, which was held from the home at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, was conducted by her pastor, Rev. B. T. Hurley of the Methodist church, assisted by Rev. D. H. Tuttle and Rev. J. P. Smith. Interment was at Holland's church in Wake county.

The "Three Musketeers"

Your attention is called to the advertisement of the "Three Musketeers," Put, Blackie and Whit, on another page. These gentlemen invite you to their service station, one mile north of Selma, when in need of anything in their line. You will have an opportunity to "spin the wheel," which has thirty-one numbers. If the wheel stops on the number corresponding to the day of the month you get your gas and oil free. They serve nice, fresh Pretzels free with all cold drinks, which are kept in a Kelvinator. This station is one of the most up-to-date in Johnston county.

\$300,000 TO BE SPENT IN ADVERTISING NEXT YEAR

Atlantic City, N. J., Nov. 15.—Lee H. Bristol, New York, president of the Association of National Advertisers, said today that more than Three Hundred Millions of Dollars is expected to be spent in advertising next year. He said the outlay would be approximately 33 per cent over figures for this year.

More than half the companies of the association, he said, have reported increases in total sales volumes during the last three months.

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, we, the people of Selma and Johnston County, have lived to witness another fruitful harvest from Mother Earth, and are about to emerge from the shadows of one of the world's greatest depressions which has held the peoples of the earth in its devastating grip for many months past, and

WHEREAS, in the light of the history of all previous depressions, it would seem that we are now about due to witness the dawning of a new day through a better understanding among our Sister Nations looking to the settlement of foreign war debts through a definite program, and

WHEREAS, our own people have been ever responsive to the call to elevate the distress at home and abroad, so far as our ability would permit in a financial way, and thereby have kept the home fires burning by caring for the less fortunate of the community in such a manner that there has been no great amount of suffering from financial distress or from the ravages of disease which have been met remarkably well;

NOW, THEREFORE, as we enter upon our voyage into Winter's grim shadows just ahead, let us join with the Governor of our great State and the President of these United States in voicing our praise and tendering our Thanks to Him from whom all blessings flow, as we set aside and declare THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 1932, as THANKSGIVING DAY. May we look to Him for strength and wisdom to pilot us through the tempest as we ride the crest of the waves toward the shores of an unexplored future.

W. W. HARE, Mayor of the Town of Selma.

Tremendous Task For Democratic Party

(C. P. Stewart in Greensboro News)

Washington, Nov. 14.—A few wild whoops of Democratic triumph no doubt are pardonable.

Soon after this first burst of enthusiasm, however, the country certainly will expect the party of Jeffersonianism to begin showing an exceedingly sober sense of the enormous responsibility it faces.

Whether or not Democratic leadership has reason to congratulate itself in the present juncture is a question no one can answer intelligently until two, three or four years hence. It can hardly congratulate itself upon the mere fact that it has won an election which shortly will place it in national control at a time of perhaps the greatest difficulty in American history. If it acquits itself creditably, it will be entitled, indeed, to congratulate itself upon the circumstance that it afforded such an opportunity. If it fails, it is among the possibilities that not enough of it will be left in 1936 to apologize.

Public men quite generally agree that there can be no more muddling through.

The election result plainly implies that the voters considered that to be the only program the G. O. P. had to offer. They evidently were willing to take another change of fundamental social, economic and political reforms under Democracy's auspices.

Some folk have faith to look for an early restoration of livable conditions. Some remain skeptical.

Representative Florello H. LaGuardia, as an example of untraded radicalism, ventures the guess that Americans have just seen their last campaign between the two major parties of today; that a complete realignment will have been effected before 1936's election.

In the meantime it is easier to explain why President Hoover was beaten than why Governor Roosevelt was elected.

The depression, of course, was the Hoover administration's undoing.

It was due, anyway, as a war aftermath. Protective tariff excesses may have hastened and accentuated it. To farm distress, industrial unemployment was added.

The President tried to deal with the situation as an ordinary interval of business stringency, which would pass in due course, but it did not do so—possibly because it was worse than any past stringency, just as the war was a greater war; possibly because it was more deeply seated as to its causes.

Progressive-ism gained strength within the G. O. P. as the times tightened, until, by the campaign's opening, it had attained a potency comparable to what it had in the 1912 campaign. Whereas the insurgents in that instance, however, followed Colonel Roosevelt in a third party movement, defeating President Taft and electing Woodrow Wilson, on this occasion they went over directly to the Democratic ticket—Senators Hiram W. Johnson, Bronson Cutting, George W. Norris and

Graham Woman Kills Two of Her Children

Mrs. Elsie Witherspoon Dollar Tells Calmly of Shooting Her Children As They Slept Because She Didn't Want "To Leave Them to Mercy of This World".

Graham, Nov. 15.—Mrs. Elsie Witherspoon Dollar, 43-year-old wife of a local textile worker, this afternoon was formally charged with murdering two of her five children and shooting a third, probably fatally, at her home on Whitsett avenue early this morning.

"I killed them because I didn't want to leave them to the mercy of this world," Mrs. Dollar declared when she was interviewed in the Alamance county jail here. "I had gone through hell since I married my husband 21 years ago last September 2, and I couldn't stand it any longer."

Warren, 12, and Daphne, five, were instantly killed when their mother, according to her own statement, shot them through the head as they lay asleep at their home. Dara, seven, is in a critical condition at Rainey hospital in Burlington with two bullet wounds through her head. She has only a slight chance to recover, according to the attending physician, Dr. G. L. Carrington.

Mrs. Dollar said she had planned to kill her three younger children and herself for years. Calmly and unemotionally she told the dramatic story of the triple shooting.

"I brooded all during the early hours of last night on the torture I was going through from my husband," she said. "He was working on the night shift with our two oldest children."

"Finally I decided that it was time to end it all. I didn't feel like God required me to leave my children alive; I believed they would be better off dead. I had nowhere to escape from my husband, and I couldn't take my babies with me even if I could get away from him."

"About midnight I took my old owl-head .38 caliber pistol out of the drawer. I bought it in Durham two years ago to kill myself."

"I walked into the room where all three of the children were sleeping together. I placed the pistol against Warren's head and pulled the trigger. He never moved after I shot him. The others stirred a little but they didn't wake up."

"I realized after I shot him that it was an awful, awful thing to do. I would have given anything to bring him back to life. But I knew that I had better go through with it."

"About 1 o'clock I gathered enough courage to go back into the room. I placed the pistol barrel against the temple of Daphne, my baby daughter, as she lay there sleeping so peacefully. I shot her twice."

"Again I ran into another room. It was about 2:30 when I went back and stood there looking at Dara, sleeping beside her dead brother and sister. I shot her, too, and then placed the pistol barrel against my own head. In all I had eight bullets, and I had used five of them on my children."

"Three times I pulled the trigger, but all three of the remaining cartridges were no good."

"I got my suitcase and started up town to give myself up."

Policemen Grover Rich and Herbert Ausley said Mrs. Dollar walked past their car near Court square about 3 o'clock this morning.

"We asked her where she was going, and she said she wanted to be locked up," Patrolman Rich stated today. "She said that we would find out this morning what she had done."

Mrs. Dollar said she walked the mile from her home to the courthouse at a brisk pace. "It was cold, and I wanted them to lock me up as soon as possible," she declared. "I told the officers they had better carry me to jail if they wanted to get paid for making an arrest. At first they said the jailer wouldn't lock me up because they didn't have any charges against me. But Mr. Rich finally got out of the car and walked to the jail with me."

The officer and the woman walked the block from the courthouse to the county jail in silence through

Former Selma Boy Dies In Rex Hospital

Adrian Powell Godwin, Son of Capt. J. E. Godwin of Selma, Died In Raleigh Tuesday Following An Operation For Appendicitis—Was Exceptional Young Man.

Adrian Powell Godwin, aged 23, and the eldest son of Capt. J. E. Godwin, died in Rex Hospital at Raleigh Tuesday afternoon about 3 o'clock, following an operation for appendicitis. He had been suffering for several days from tonsillitis at his home five miles east of Raleigh where he was stricken with acute appendicitis Monday night and taken to the hospital at noon Tuesday. He lived about 10 minutes after the operation when his heart failed him.

For the past five years he held a responsible position with E. A. Pearce & Co., stock brokers, and was held in the highest esteem by his employers. He was married in June 1931, to Miss Beulah Wall of near Garner, who survives him, together with one child.

Mr. Godwin was the son of Capt. J. E. Godwin and the late Mrs. Godwin, of Selma, and no young man in this town was more highly respected than he. He was industrious, strictly sober, honest and a Christian gentleman.

Besides his wife and one child are his father, Capt. J. E. Godwin, and the following brothers and sisters: Misses Glennie, Beulah, Viola and Estelle Godwin and Fred, Ernest and Erwin Godwin.

The funeral services will be held at Ebenezer church, three miles from Hialeah on Route 10, Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, the interment will take place in the church graveyard.

Theatre Has New Sound Equipment

Those who have visited the Carolina Theatre in Selma during the past few days have been very favorably impressed with the fact that they could hear so distinctly every word of the actors in the plays being staged on the screen.

Not only have the patrons of this theatre been favorably impressed with the sounds being so audible, but since the theatre has been under the present management the character of the pictures being shown are of a much higher order. Some of the pictures shown recently have been of a very highly educational order. The picture Tuesday night showing "How Life Begins", was true to life and carried a lesson which all young fathers and mothers need to know.

NEW PASTOR FOR SELMA FREE WILL BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter Williams, of Princeton, the new pastor for the Selma Free Will Baptist Church, will fill his first appointment here at 11 o'clock next Sunday morning, and at 7:30 o'clock Sunday night.

The public is cordially invited to hear him at both of these services.

the bright moonlight. Jailer Lawrence Goins was aroused. He unlocked the heavy steel gate and admitted Mrs. Dollar.

"Here it is," she said, handing him a paper bag. He opened it and found a pistol inside.

"I killed my children with it," she calmly stated.

Little Dara was lying on the crude iron bed beside her murdered brother and sister when the officers arrived. "She was crying and calling for her mother," they said today.

"Ever since we were married my husband has tortured me," Mrs. Dollar asserted. "He has stood over me with a knife in his hand. I left him twice, but he hunted me up and told me a pack of lies to persuade me to come back to him."

"Two years ago I rented a room in Durham and spent six hours in it with a gas jet turned wide open. But the gas didn't hurt me a bit. Later I went to a pawn shop and bought the pistol I used to kill my children last night."

"I know it was an awful, awful thing to do. I think that in a way I'm not to blame for it, though. The children are much better off dead."