



Town Of Selma To Get New Filtering Plant Soon

Mayor Godwin Gets Approval For Government Loan to Establish New Water System For Selma by Use of Filtering Plant At Neuse River.

Some time ago when the State's analysis showed that there were indications of typhus and other evidences of contamination in Selma's water supply, the town fathers got busy in an effort to a certain by what means and to what extent the town could remedy the situation.

Mayor Godwin in cooperation with the board of commissioners have been diligently at work on the matter for the past sixty days or more and after getting a rough estimate of the cost to install a filtering plant and pump the water from the river, application was made to the Public Works Commission for an emergency fund for this purpose; and it will interest our people to know that this application has been approved by said commission.

An eight-inch pipe line will be installed from Neuse river to the town which will have a daily pumping capacity of 600,000 gallons of water.

Mayor Godwin personally desires to thank the Kiwanis Club, the Selma P. T. A., the Woman's Club and other civic organizations of the town for their hearty cooperation in helping put this project through by writing letters and in many other ways giving their support.

Red Cross Drive For More Members

The American Red Cross went afield on November 11th to continue until Thanksgiving day for membership for the year 1934. Membership in this great organization is \$1.00 a year. It is questioned if any dollar spent for benevolent purposes can do so much good as the membership dollar. This comes by the splendid organization of the Red Cross. The Red Cross in the United States last year contributed to the relief of more than five million distressed homes. Thousands of dollars were spent in Johnston County for food, clothing and shoes. The Red Cross will spend more than \$40,000 to rehabilitate the storm swept area of Eastern North Carolina.

The public respectfully solicits and earnestly requests you to take membership in the Red Cross when an opportunity is presented. Anyone desiring to take membership in the Johnston County Chapter can do so by joining when the roll call solicitor makes a personal call or by sending \$1.00 to the undersigned. All memberships received by mail will receive prompt attention and the subscriber will receive his button and membership certificate immediately.

H. V. ROSE, Chairman, Johnston County Chapter, American Red Cross, Smithfield, N. C.

Selma Girl With Carolina Playmakers

It will be of special interest to friends in Selma to learn that Miss Kathleen Krahenbuhl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Krahenbuhl of this city, is starring in Paul Green's latest play, "House of Connelly." It was successfully staged at the University in the Playmakers Theatre, Nov. 2, 3, and 4, and at the Woman's college of the University in Greensboro, Nov. 8.

The play will be presented in Wilson, Friday night, Nov. 24, under the auspices of Atlantic Christian College.

Elmer Oettinger, of Wilson, playing the part of Uncle Bob, has perhaps the outstanding role of the production. Besides the two mentioned, there are 21 other members of the cast.

GINNERS REPORT

There were 35,796 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, ginned in Johnston County from the crop of 1933 prior to Nov. 1, 1933, as compared with 30,879 bales ginned to Nov. 1, 1932.

ROBERT L. POWELL, Special Agt. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lane were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Branch Tuesday.

Second Sound Money Expert Quits Office

Dr. Sprague, Special Financial Advisor, Resigns Administration Post—Writes Roosevelt That His Policy Threatens Complete Breakdown of Credit.

Washington, Nov. 21.—Asserting the nation was threatened with "unrestrained inflation" and a complete collapse of governmental credit, Dr. O. M. W. Sprague, special financial advisor to the treasury, resigned today in protest against the Roosevelt monetary policy.

In a letter to the President that predicted disaster would follow the administration's plan for raising commodity prices by increasing the money value of gold, he said the only defense against the dangers he foresaw was "an aroused and organized public opinion." He said he hoped to take part in such an effort.

"It is possible that there might still be a meeting of minds had I been accorded any opportunity to discuss policies with you," Sprague wrote to the chief executive.

"But no opportunities whatever have been afforded me since my return from London in July, after your rejection of the arrangements to steady the foreign exchanges during the period of the world economic conference."

It was just before that conference that Sprague came to the treasury. Previously he had been economic advisor to the Bank of England. President Roosevelt expressed himself then as extremely gratified at obtaining his services, adding that he was a "perfectly good American."

For weeks it has been well known that Sprague was in disagreement with the administration on monetary questions. Early in his career at the treasury, he invariably participated in White House conferences on this subject but in recent weeks he has not attended such meetings.

Henry Morgenthau, Jr., the new acting secretary of the treasury, declined to comment on Sprague's assertion.

"I knew this was imminent," he said. "I knew he was out of sympathy with the administration. I am only surprised it did not take place sooner."

"I think the sun will rise tomorrow and the next day and the birds will sing."

Interpreting the Roosevelt plan for increasing commodity prices throughout the nation by buying gold both here and abroad in an effort to depreciate the currency, Sprague expressed opposition to it and predicted failure.

Forecasts Complete Collapse

"The present policy threatens a complete breakdown of the credit of the government," he wrote "The recovery program involves expenditures far in excess of current revenues. Certainly as much as two billions of dollars must be borrowed during the remainder of the fiscal year."

"Bonds, including government bonds, are an unsatisfactory investment at a time when a government is determined to depreciate its currency."

"Already many issues of government securities have dropped below par, including the issue that was brought out in October."

"I believe you are faced with the alternative either of giving up the present policy or of meeting of government expenditures with additional paper money."

"You will then no doubt secure a rise in prices. For you will be faced with distrusts of the currency, already manifest in a growing flight from the dollar, but extending into a frantic desire to hold anything other than currency or securities yielding a fixed interest return."

He declared a conviction that the gold buying policy would "prove ineffective" in securing a speedy rise in prices. Asserting this could come only through measures increasing and sustaining consuming power.

Depreciation Easy.

"This is not because of any inability to depreciate the dollar. When a government announces its determination to depreciate its own currency it can certainly accomplish that result, and without the necessity of acquiring any considerable amounts of gold in other countries;

in such circumstances to acquire more of the currency.

"But mere depreciation of the currency in relation to the currencies of other countries will not bring about a general rise in prices, in the presence of wide spread distrust of the currency, at a time when there is a large excess plant capacity and millions of unemployed wage earners.

"An advance in prices that has any promise of being maintained requires the development of conditions that will permit a sustained demand for more labor and more materials, with resultant increase in the production of goods and services and a higher standard of living.

"There is nothing in the depreciated dollar or a devalued dollar will yield a higher price level. But this will only come when the desired trade recovery has been realized. Our immediate concern is to extricate ourselves from the depression, rather than with the course of prices after that happy event."

In conclusion Sprague wrote:

"We are a mercurial people. The memory of postwar depreciation of currencies in Europe is still fresh. We have recently experienced distrust of banks spreading like wild-fire throughout the country. A similar wave of currency distrust threatens.

Appeals to Public Opinion.

"I have retained my present position for many weeks, hoping against hope that wiser counsel might prevail. I have now reached the conclusion that there is no defense from a drift into unrestrained inflation other than an aroused and organized public opinion.

"It is for the purpose of contributing as I may to such a movement and let the world wait until dawn showed them the way out."

Announces Awards In Canning Contests.

First prize in the state-wide canning contest, brought to a close by the judging of products at State College last week, has been awarded to Mrs. S. W. Dixon of Alamance county. A cash prize of \$20 was given Mrs. Dixon along with the blue ribbon.

"We were greatly impressed with the quality of canned material submitted in this state-wide contest," says Mr. Cornelia C. Morris, district home agent and food conservation specialist at the College. "Each woman enrolled in the home demonstration clubs of North Carolina was eligible to enter. Each contestant had to submit three jars, one of canned berries, one of canned fruit other than berries and one of canned vegetables. These were judged at the county achievement days and the first prize winners in the various counties were entered into the State contest. Winnings were made by women in 12 counties."

These additional winnings are as follows: second prize, Mrs. W. A. Shuping, of Rowan, \$10; third prize Mrs. George Stevenson of Pamlico, \$10; fourth prize, Mrs. B. B. Britt of Wake, \$5; fifth, Mrs. Jack Upchurch of Durham, \$5; sixth, Mrs. O. V. Booker of Johnston, \$5; seventh, Mrs. Oscar Shelton of Madison, \$5; eighth, Mrs. O. Perry of Franklin, \$3; ninth, Mrs. C. E. McDaniel of Cumberland, \$3; tenth, Mrs. B. Powell of Edgecombe, \$3; eleventh, Mrs. T. M. Royster of Gaston, \$3, and twelfth, Mrs. L. A. Bowers of Mecklenburg, \$3.

Mrs. Morris says the product were judged by Miss Mary Thomas, nutrition specialist at the college and Mrs. C. R. Hudson, an expert home camper.

I SHALL NOT LIVE IN VAIN

If I can stop one heart from breaking

I shall not live in vain; If I can ease one life the aching, Or cool one pain, Or help one fainting robin Into his nest again, I shall not live in vain.

—Emily Dickinson.

Owners of ten poultry flocks in Catawba county report their birds paid them an average return of \$31.24 each above feed cost throughout the past year.

Big "Sing" Governor Commutes McLamb Sentence Dec. 10

Arrangements are now under way for a county-wide singing concert to be held in the Opera House at Selma on Sunday afternoon, December 10th, beginning promptly at 1 o'clock.

All choir, quartettes and others interested in the county are cordially invited to attend this meeting. Organized choirs and quartettes are especially invited to come and take part.

A committee on music has been appointed by President C. L. Richardson as follows: John Jeffreys, Rev. D. F. Waddell and H. H. Lowry. Any choir desiring further information about this concert may communicate with any member of this committee. Notices have already been sent to a number of the leaders of vocal choirs throughout the county and a fine program is anticipated.

Balloonist Rises 59,000 Feet Into Stratosphere

Bridgeton, N. J., Nov. 21.—The achievement of an American stratosphere record had no more thrills to it than the safe landing of Lieut. Com. T. G. W. Settle and Maj. C. L. Fordney, his co-pilot, who squashed to earth in the tidal marshes on the edge of Delaware bay.

After their contact with the earth and while much of south Jersey searched woods and fields, the two balloonists slept peacefully wrapped in the folds of the great gas bag that carried them to new heights.

They came down in total darkness eight miles southwest of Bridgeton perilously close to the wide expanse of Delaware bay at 5:50 p. m., yesterday only to find themselves marooned by the tidal water. They made the best of it after reconnoitering and let the world wait until dawn showed them the way out.

Commander Settle said he knew where he was and rather than take a chance of crossing the bay with his diminishing gas, he pulled the rip panel and down they came.

As they struck the ground Major Fordney, who was leaning out of the port, was jolted out of the gondola into the cozy mud and got a wetting. Commander Settle bumped his head against one of the instruments in the gondola and today showed a slight scratch.

He said they reached their greatest altitude, which they figured was 59,000 feet, over McConnellsburg, Pa., which, incidentally, is one of the highest spots in southern Pennsylvania.

"Why didn't you come down then?" he was asked.

"I had a lot of scientific data to get and I wanted to stay up as long as I could," he replied.

"I picked the spot," Settle said, in referring to his landing.

The wind was carrying the great balloon toward the bay and he came down at the last possible moment he said. Settle described it as a perfect landing.

"I never felt better and I never had a better night's sleep," he said.

REV. D. H. TUTTLE'S BOOK AND TRACT WORK.

Bible and Bible Portions, 515 Religious Books 103. Religious Papers and Magazines 42.

Religious Tracts 2039. Consolation Letters, 150. Temperance and Educational Charts 70.

Sold at cost.

A THANKFUL NOTE

My Bible teaches me to let the peace of God rule our hearts and be ye thankful. Col: 3: 15.

Note: Last clause as a command: "Be ye thankful." I am obeying this in saying, I thank you to everyone who cast a vote for me on November 7th. I do this also in obedience to Paul's exhortation to the Eph. Church: "Giving thanks unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Eph. 5:20.

Certainly for all things since all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are according to his purpose in Christ Jesus. Jno. 3:16. 2 Peter 3:9. Giving thanks always make it a habit. This is the will of God, see 1 Thessa. 5:18. So I say again, I thank you every one and pray God's blessings of all sorts upon you.

D. H. TUTTLE

Rock Is Thrown Into Southern Train Here

Last Monday afternoon as the Southern passenger train was pulling out from Selma headed toward Raleigh it had only gone a short distance when someone threw a rock into one of the windows on the south side of the passenger car for white people breaking the window into many pieces and leaving a hole about the size of a man's fist. Some men passengers were sitting near where the glass was broken but fortunately no one was hurt by the flying glass.

When the train reached Clayton a phone call from that place informed the police department, whereupon Chief John Jeffreys soon suspected a small boy about 10 years old, who was questioned if he knew who threw a rock into the train. The boy immediately replied that he did not do it. He was taken into custody and lodged in jail for further questioning. So far as we have been able to learn the boy has not revealed the identity of the guilty party.

Kiwanian Harber Puts Over Good Program

With two members absent the Kiwanis Club held a very enjoyable luncheon at the club hall last Thursday evening. C. P. Harber was in charge of the program. James A. Ray, local Kiwanian and insurance representative, made a very interesting talk on the insurance business, after which Rev. D. F. Waddell rendered a vocal solo. A progressive conversation contest, participated in by Kiwanians Krahenbuhl, Jacobs, Jeffreys and Ray, went over big and brought the hall down with laughter.

A debate on the prohibition question between Lt. Governor Scales and Charlie Jacobs was very good. Each brought out some very good points on this question.

A committee composed of G. F. Brietz, W. H. Adam and John Jeffreys was appointed to work out and put in effect a plan for collecting old clothing and shoes for the needy of the town and community. This was done last year and was very successful.

Kiwanian Waddell reported that plans were going forward for the singing meet of the schools of the county which will be held here Sunday afternoon, December 10.

Mr. A. W. Graham, of Raleigh, was a visitor to the club.

Dr. Edwin H. Wooker came in a new member of the club.

BIG HOG!

One of the largest hogs known to be raised in this section is owned by Mr. Joel Rollins, who lives just beyond the Lizzie Cotton Mills, about a mile from town.

Mr. Rollins says the hog is a Duroc Jersey, measures seven feet and nine inches around the body and is seven feet and ten inches in length.

The hog now weighs approximately one thousand pounds and Mr. Rollins says that he will weigh 1200 pounds by the time he will slaughter the hog about January 22nd.

A large number of people have been out to see this big hog and practically all of them say it is the largest hog they have ever seen.

Several who attended the State Fair say that there was not a hog at the fair to compare with the one owned by Mr. Rollins.

Sanitary Grocery Putting On Big Sale

"Hub" Brown, the proprietor of the Sanitary Grocery here, informs us that he has bought out the stock of goods of Mr. W. W. Hare, one of Selma's wholesale merchants, and now has this store connected with his other place of business there by giving two entrances to the Sanitary Grocery store.

Mr. Brown is putting on a big sale, beginning Friday of this week, and is offering some real bargains. Look up his ad in this issue of The Johnstonian-Sun and see for yourself.

Raleigh, Nov. 18.—Returns from North Carolina's referendum on repeal November 7 were certified by the State elections board today, and showed 120,190 votes for repeal and 293,484 against.

Luther B. McLamb, of Meadow township, who had been sentenced to the death chair for the murder of George R. Hudson, has had his sentence commuted to life imprisonment by Governor Ehringhaus. In saving McLamb from the death chair, the governor said:

"I have been solicited to make a recommendation in the case of State vs. Luther McLamb, who was convicted in the Superior Court of Johnston county of murder in this first degree.

"My attention has been very earnestly invited to a petition signed by the jurors who brought in this verdict that they did not understand it was their duty to consider whether the influence of intoxicating whiskey on the prisoner was sufficient to effect his ability to premeditate.

"While it is true that there was evidence upon which the jury could have found that the prisoner was under the influence of intoxicating liquor, the defendant did not choose this defense but relied upon this plea of self-defense. I, therefore, did not directly submit this question to the jury. It is possible that had I done so the verdict would have been murder in the second degree.

"Under these circumstances, I would not be opposed to the exercise of clemency in your discretion."

The governor's order further stated: "Upon this and much other available testimony, it might well have been contended that the prisoner was intoxicated to such an extent as to be incapable of the rational mental action essential to premeditation and therefore not guilty of first degree murder. This however, was not done and the jury were not instructed on this phase of the case.

"Without regard as to whether the prisoner was intoxicated to the point of incompetency for mental action, the killing was manifestly done in hot blood and without substantial suggestion of previous ill will. The death penalty may very properly be dispensed with for the above reasons; but having passed this point I view the prisoner's suggestion of intoxication as an aggravation rather than a mitigation of the offense. I am commuting this sentence, therefore, to life imprisonment."

To Collect Used Clothing.

The Selma Kiwanis Club will again sponsor the movement to collect used clothing and distribute to the needy. Any persons having garments they are willing to contribute are requested to send them to either members of the committee or notify Mr. John Jeffreys by telephone and they will be called for.

The committee is composed of the following: John Jeffreys, W. H. Adams and Geo. F. Brietz.

THANKS TO THE LADIES

Mrs. W. L. Etheredge, chairman of the Cake Committee, desires to thank all of the ladies of Johnston county who contributed cakes or other articles of food for use in feeding the war veterans on Armistice Day. The response was indeed gratifying, and the number of ladies who contributed was large.

Moves To Goldboro.

Mr. D. W. Richardson who has been conducting a newstand at the Union Station for the past several months, has leased his business to his brother, Mr. Eugene Richardson. Mr. Richardson has accepted a position as clerk at the Goldboro Hotel and moved his family to that city Tuesday.

Hit-And-Run Motorist Kills Four Oaks Man

Smithfield, Nov. 19.—The body of John Henry Allen, prominent farmer of near Four Oaks, was found on State Highway 22 late Saturday night after he had been obviously struck by a hit-and-run automobile driver. Coroner James H. Kirkman, who investigated the case today, could obtain no evidence as to who was responsible for the death. Allen is survived by a wife and several children.

A further investigation into the causes of the death will be held by the coroner later this week. Two Edgecombe County farmers sold 53 hogs weighing 10,745 pounds for \$426.06 cash last week.