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Total to date \$352.74

Any one who has not contributed to this worthy cause, please do so at once. "Remember Pearl Harbor." For your convenience, you can leave your contributions at either of the following places:

- Raleigh Griffin, at Branch Bank.
- B. A. Henry, Henry & Nordan's Store; M. L. Stancil, Johnstonian-Sun Office.

COTTON MARKET

The following is today's cotton market report as furnished by the firm of Floyd C. Price & Son of Selma, N. C.:

Strict Middling	20 1-2c
Middling	20c
Strict Low Bright	19 1-2c
Strict Low Dark	19 1-4c

SELMA WOMAN GETS LETTER FROM SON

The following letter has been received by Mrs. Rich Oliver of Selma, from her son, Charlie Oliver, who is helping to defend the Stars and Stripes somewhere in the Atlantic: "San Juan, Jan. 6, 1942.

"Dear Mother: I am in about the best place I could be in I reckon. So don't worry about me. I am still on the Atlantic Ocean and hope I will stay. I am in the hospital with a swollen jaw, but will be out soon, so don't worry about me. I will come out on top. Had a card from Bob saying he was in the Navy. Guess James will be back in service soon. Hope it is all over before Bill gets of age. I will write again soon. Don't worry about me. I am O. K., and will come through all O. K. Give my love to everyone.

"Your son, 'CHARLIE'"

School of Missions At Selma Methodist Church

The School of Missions for the congregation of the Edgerton Memorial Methodist church will begin Sunday morning at the opening session of the Church School. The other sessions will begin Sunday evening at 7:30 and there will be a session each evening through Wednesday at the same hour.

A special feature of the session for Sunday evening will be pictures showing the growth of the "Methodist Meeting House." These pictures are of particular interest at this time and we feel that we are fortunate to be able to use them first in the Raleigh District.

The study book for this year is written by Dr. Paul N. Garber, Professor of Church History at Duke University, and Dean of the Duke Divinity School. The name of the book is "The Methodist Meeting House." In a world crisis, why should the Methodist be studying about Meeting Houses? Because the church is a symbol of the dwelling of God among the people of the earth and it answers the human need that is as old as people, to recognize their maker and to have a place where they can come together in fellowship.

The spirit of cooperation of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, the Board of Education, the Board of Stewards, the Methodist Youth Fellowship, and the Circles has been promised to the Board of Missions and Church Extension. The Chairman of the Board of Missions and Church Extension is Mr. H. L. Boney. Mr. Boney has assured us that this will be one of our best schools.

Mrs. Polly Hill Creech Died Tuesday Morning

Mrs. Polly Hill Creech, 86, widow of the late Joshua E. Creech, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. E. Wright, at 7:40 o'clock Tuesday morning after an extended illness.

Funeral services were held from the Wright home Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Elder Elijah Pearce, Primitive Baptist minister of Princeton, assisted by the Rev. D. M. Clemmons, pastor of the Selma Baptist church. Burial took place in the city cemetery.

Surviving are one son, John Henry Creech, of Wilmington; one daughter, Mrs. F. E. Wright, bookmobile librarian of Johnston county; two grandchildren, R. C. Creech and Mrs. David O'Keefe, of Wilmington, and one great-grandson, Billie Creech, of Wilmington.

FUNERAL HELD FOR COLE L. BLEASE

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 21.—High state officials were among the hundreds who attended the funeral of Cole L. Blease here today, the 73-year-old former governor and U. S. Senator who died Monday.

Highly important for wartime needs approximately 450,000 tons of waste paper have been collected in England since the war began 25 months ago.

Third Victim Dies In County Hospital

Grady Lee, 28-Year-Old Ingrams Township Farmer, Succumbs In Johnston County Hospital On Friday Morning From Gunshot Wounds Inflicted By Herman Allen On Thursday.

Grady Lee, 28, third victim of a murderer's gun, died in the Johnston County Hospital Friday morning after lying near death's door for thirty hours. He was shot early Thursday morning at his home in Ingrams township by Herman Allen while eating his breakfast.

Allen, using a 16-gauge shotgun early last Thursday morning, took the lives of his 26-year-old wife, Ruth Lee Allen, sister of Grady Lee, and Cap Raynor, Banner township farmer, and mortally wounded Grady Lee before officers seized the killer.

Raynor, 30, who was shot and instantly killed while standing on the front porch of his home, was buried Friday afternoon at the Banner Chapel church, near Benson.

A double funeral service for Mrs. Allen and her brother was held Saturday afternoon at two o'clock at the home of their mother, Mrs. Claudia Lee, near Benson.

Investigation of the triple tragedy has not yet revealed any clear motive for the reign of terror, but persistent reports say that Mrs. Allen and Cap Raynor had been running around together and that Allen had had trouble with his wife's family.

In 1930 Allen was sentenced to a five-to-seven-year prison term for the murder of H. M. Hodges, of Benson, in a row over Allen's first wife. The prisoner served 52 months of his sentence before being released. He married the Lee girl shortly after leaving the penitentiary.

Allen, who was moved from the Johnston county jail to an unannounced jail in another county, is being held without privilege of bond.

Solicitor Claude C. Canaday stated that Allen would face three separate indictments for first degree murder. Allen is expected to come up for trial at the next term of criminal court which opens February 8.

Mother Talks To Son 10,000 Miles Away

Smithfield, Jan. 21.—Mrs. J. J. Broadhurst of Smithfield has a long distance conversation with her son, Captain Edwin Broadhurst of the U. S. Army Air Force, in Java a few days ago.

Captain Broadhurst talked with his mother and other members of the family for about 15 minutes. The flying officer, who has been active in Pacific war zones since the outbreak of hostilities, reported that he was well and safe.

Due to the difference in time in the two parts of the world, Captain Broadhurst placed the call Wednesday night and Mrs. Broadhurst received it Tuesday morning. About 45 minutes were required to make the telephone connection from San Francisco.

The distance between mother and son while talking was approximately 10,000 miles over land and water.

TOBACCO GROWERS CAN'T GET CANVAS

Goldsboro, Jan. 21.—Goldsboro merchants said Monday that they had no tobacco cloth on hand and did not know when they will get any.

The OPM and the Department of Agriculture announced several weeks ago that the mills making bandages and gauze cloth had been instructed to start turning out tobacco cloth and that plenty would be available to farmers.

Silver Loving Cup Awarded Dr. Booker By Kiwanis Club

Following the annual custom which was adopted more than a decade ago, the Selma Kiwanis club Thursday evening awarded the silver loving cup, which the club instituted as an emblem of service. At the beginning of each year a secret ballot is taken among the club members to ascertain who, in their opinion, has rendered the greatest community service during the preceding year, aside from any service rendered in connection with their regular routine duties.

Last year William I. Godwin held the cup for the most outstanding service during 1940; and Thursday evening when President Bill Thad Woodard called on Howard V. Gaskill to present the cup to the one rendering the most outstanding service for 1941, club members were wondering who would be blessed with that honor, but when Dr. E. N. Booker was asked to

Salvation Army Woman Found Slain At Army Post In Smithfield Monday

AUTO TAX WILL BE DUE FEBRUARY 1ST

Raleigh, Jan. 21.—Vehicles owned and operated by the North Carolina State Highway and Public Works Commission will not be liable for the "auto use" Federal tax that will be imposed on February 1st, Charles Ross, General Counsel for the Commission, declared today.

Under Paragraph "J", Section 3540, Chapter 33-A of the Revenue Act of 1941, Mr. Ross said, a motor vehicle or boat used by the United States, a state, territory, the District of Columbia, or a political subdivision of any of these is exempted from payment of this tax.

However, he added, employees of the State Highway and Public Works Commission who use their private cars for business purposes will be liable for the tax just as any other private citizen who owns and operates an automobile or other motor vehicle on the public highways.

The "auto use" tax goes into effect February 1st, with owners being required to pay \$2.09 per vehicle for the remainder of this fiscal year. On July 1st the full tax of \$5.00 will fall due, and it will be effective until July 1, 1943.

STATE NEWSPAPER CONTEST WINNERS

Durham, Jan. 19.—With cash, trophies and certificates for prizes, the North Carolina Press association on Friday night singled out and rewarded its member papers and workers for outstanding excellence in the news-worthy year of 1941.

First prizes of \$500 each for daily newspapermen went to Charles Barrett and Herbert O'Keefe, of the Raleigh News and Observer, for the best spot story; Hal Tribble, Charlotte Observer, for best feature story; Jimmy Dumbell, Charlotte Observer, for best news photography; and Spencer Murphy, Salisbury Post, for best editorial.

The awards were presented by L. S. Laprade, editor of the Durham Morning Herald, at the climax of the North Carolina Newspaper institute's annual dinner session at Duke university Monday night.

The Cleveland Times and Jackson News won the trophies for general excellence among weekly papers above and below 1,500 circulation, respectively. The trophy for best community service went to the Mocksville Enterprise and the one for the best special edition to the Roxboro Courier.

NOTED MOVIE STAR IS KILLED IN CRASH

Carole Lombard, wife of Clark Gable, both top-ranking movie actors, was killed instantly, together with her mother, 15 army officers and six other passengers and crew, when the airplane in which she and her mother were returning to Hollywood, after a trip to Indianapolis where she helped in the drive to sell War Savings Stamps and Bonds. She is said to have sold a million and a half worth of bonds and stamps in one day prior to her return trip in which she met instant death. The plane ran head-on into Table Mountain near Las Vegas, Nevada, striking the mountain about 500 feet from the top. All bodies were burned beyond recognition, Mrs. Gable being identified by dental records brought from Hollywood, and her mother by parts of her leather purse found under her body.

Joseph J. Ellis, Transient, From Jersey City, New Jersey, After Robbing Slain Woman of Her Money and Automobile, Fled to Raleigh, Where He Was Arrested—Given Hearing In Smithfield and Bound Over to High Court.

A 23-year-old New Jersey youth sat in the Raleigh police station Monday night and calmly admitted having hammered to death—scarcely five hours earlier—the woman who took him in to her home, clothed and fed him.

The youth was Joseph James Ellis, of Jersey City. He was arrested by Detective Sergeants O. C. Jordan and H. L. Peebles of the Raleigh police force at 5:30 p. m. after having killed Mrs. Bessie Brewer, 46-year-old superintendent of the Smithfield Salvation Army, Monday at 1:30 p. m.

LEON G. STEVENS HEADS COUNTY BAR

At a meeting of the Johnston County Bar association, held in the Gabriel Johnston Hotel in Smithfield Monday evening, Leon G. Stevens was elected president, succeeding J. Ira Lee.

Alfonzo Parker, Benson attorney, was elected vice president, succeeding Jack Hooks of Kenly, and Pope Lyon of Smithfield was re-elected secretary and treasurer for another year.

Aside from the election of officers for the year, was an address by Judge Henry Grady of Clinton, and a talk by Mrs. Carrie Speight Edwards, Superior Court stenographer. Judge Grady called on all lawyers to exert all their efforts and influence to carry forward the nation's victory program. The jurist impressed upon the bar members their great responsibility as members of the legal profession.

Mrs. Edwards expressed her great pleasure in working with Smithfield people during her visits to the county as court stenographer.

F. H. Brooks, local attorney, gave the invocation at the bar meeting.

Judge Grady was introduced by J. A. Wellons, Sr.

Father of Selma Man Killed Near Grifton

Johnnie Potter, 74, died in a Kingston hospital Sunday afternoon an hour after being struck by an automobile while walking along the highway near Grifton. Potter had been visiting relatives near Grifton.

Funeral services were held at the home of a son, Willie Potter, Selma, route 2, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with burial in Watson cemetery nearby.

Surviving are three sons, and three daughters.

GRIFTON MAN IS FREED IN HIGHWAY FATALITY

Kinston, Jan. 20.—Authorities said today Roland Abrom, Grifton, Route 1, was not at fault in the accident near Grifton Sunday, fatal to John Potter, 74, of Selma.

Abrom was driving a truck that ran over Potter, a pedestrian who died in a hospital here an hour later. It was Lenoir County's second fatal traffic accident since January 1.

WORKING OUT CROP ROTATION PROGRAM

Mr. Enos Blair, Extension Agronomist from State College, was in the county on Tuesday of last week to help several farmers with planning crop rotations for their farms. Mr. Blair planned a crop rotation for Leon Hill who lives near Smithfield. The rotation was worked out and the farm was mapped showing the different fields. The rotation indicated what crops are to be grown on the different fields each year. By working out a crop rotation of this kind a better program of soil conservation and soil building can be carried out by the use of cover crops and legumes, and where tobacco is being grown so that it will not have to follow immediately after a legume crop. A planned crop rotation should be essential for every farm.

Benson Man Treated For Drug Poisoning

Robert B. Creech, 66, of Benson, was released from the Johnston County Hospital Sunday morning, after staying there several days for chloroform poisoning which it is thought he took through mistake.

The Benson man, who doctors animals in the community, had placed some chloroform in a soft drink bottle, intending to use it in one of his cases. Indications were that he absent-mindedly drank the contents of the bottle, forgetting that it contained the drug.

Seen and Heard Along THE MAINDRAG

By H. H. L.

"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging, and whosoever is deceived thereby," was the Scripture S. R. LEE quoted to GAS HARE today—the Bible also says "love your enemies," GAS told S. R.—"sometimes it's hard to do," MR. LEE replied—"well, I love mine," said GAS—"whiskey is my worst enemy and I love it"—do you believe in dreams?—well, there's one man in Selma who does—a few mornings ago DAVID BALL'S wife called him to breakfast while he was having a dream—"you woke me up at the wrong time," MR. BALL told his better-half—"I was dreaming I had been offered a new job, a bigger job and at a bigger salary, and you awoke me before I found out where it was," he told her—after breakfast he went down to the Lizzie Mill, of which he is superintendent—a short time after arriving there, GLENN GRIER, the head knocker, came in—"well, DAVE, while in Charlotte yesterday the boss told me to ask you if you would be interested in going to a bigger mill the company owns and at a bigger salary"—of course this was a big inducement, but we are glad to be able to state that DAVE has decided to remain in Selma—the loss of this fine family would have been a blow to this town—DR. BOOKER was the town's outstanding citizen during the past year according to the members of the Woman's club and the Selma Kiwanis club—this popular pill dispenser was awarded the silver loving cup on last Thursday night—HOWARD GASKILL did the presenting and made a cracker-jack speech—"I've always wanted something like this to keep my beer in," said the M. D.—the editor of this paper went down to Goldsboro a few days ago and had his "smeller" worked on—he has been suffering from a congested nasal passage for some time and we hope this operation will be very beneficial—sorry to learn of the illness of MRS. OTHO DAVIS, who has been undergoing treatment in the Johnston County Hospital since last Sunday—last reports from the hospital said she was improving—this will be good news to her many friends—she is missed at the DAVIS DEPT. STORE these days—upon receipt of a notice from the Draft Board to appear for examination TOM RAY immediately sent out a SOS call for his two wives.