



New Zealand Prepares to Dish It Out



For obvious reasons, the exact location of these trenches in New Zealand can not be given. The island is erecting extensive and effective defenses in readiness for the invading Nipponese.

Body Missing Farmer Found In Holt Lake

The body of Lidy Wellons, 49-year-old resident of the Holt Lake section, who had been missing for nearly five weeks, was found in the Lake early Sunday afternoon by Dick McLamb, who lives nearby.

Looking out across the lake, McLamb noticed a hat on the surface. He rowed out to investigate and found Wellons floating in a squatting position, the hat still on his head. His feet were lightly dragging the bottom of the lake.

The corpse was found about 1:30 p. m., approximately 100 yards up the lake from the bath houses. It was drifting in four or five feet of water some 40 feet from the dance pavilion. McLamb immediately notified D. I. Penny, Wellons' brother-in-law who lives near the lake. Penny identified Wellons and called officers.

State Highway Patrolman H. C. Bobbitt and Constable Joe Royall removed the body from the lake around 2 o'clock and turned it over to an undertaker. Much of the skin and flesh had been picked away from the victim's face and his body was in a state of partial decomposition. The dead man was dressed in overalls, leather jacket and brown felt hat.

Wellons was missed on January 19. On the night of that date he paid a short visit to the Penny home and left in the direction of the lake. He was reported to have been seen later in an intoxicated condition standing on the bridge of the lake. It was feared that he had fallen in; but local officers, searching the lake about two weeks ago, were unable to discover any trace of the body.

It is expected that Coroner E. N. Booker will hold a hearing in the case.

Funeral services were held at the Underwood Funeral Home Monday afternoon with the Rev. E. T. Green in charge. Burial followed in the Riverside Cemetery.

Surviving are his mother, Mrs. D. J. Wellons; and three sisters, Mrs. Mary James of Rocky Mount, Mrs. Irving Penny of near Smithfield, and Miss Sara Wellons of the Corinth-Holder school faculty. "Zack" Wellons, father of Lidy, died, here soon after the disappearance of his son.

—Smithfield Herald

Attends Funeral Of Brother-In-Law

Mrs. W. T. Kirby of Selma, attended the funeral of her brother-in-law, Hilary Woodard, in the Rosewood community of Wayne county Tuesday, which was held at the Memorial Primitive Baptist church in Great Swamp Township. Mr. Woodard died at his home Monday at the age of 67.

Surviving are his wife and six children, Herman Woodard of Rich Square; David and Hames of Goldsboro; Bayard of the U. S. Navy, Mrs. Harvey Jorden of Goldsboro, Route 1, and Mrs. A. W. Beshaw of Clifton, N. J.; two brothers, Albert Woodard of Kenly, Milton of Bailey; and one sister, Mrs. Charles Hinnant of Kenly.

Morehead City Gets Variety of Weather

Morehead City, Feb. 25.—The weather man exhausted his repertoire here Tuesday and Wednesday. Gale winds Tuesday lashed the coast and there was a snowstorm at night; but a bright Wednesday sunshine brought mercury from the freezing point to spring-like temperature.

Approximately an inch of snow blanketed this area Wednesday morning, but sunshine had cleared the ground and raised the temperature to 50 degrees by mid-afternoon.

In the 1942 fiscal year the Navy will use twelve million dozen eggs.

SELMA MAN HEADS DRIVE FOR FUNDS TO AID CRIPPLES

Inaugurating a campaign for funds for the aid of crippled children, C. E. Mackintosh, secretary of the North Carolina League for Crippled Children, met with a group of Johnston county citizens in Smithfield last week.

W. T. Woodard, Jr., of Selma, who is superintendent of public welfare in Johnston County, was named as the director in Johnston county. Others on the committee are Ed Johnson of Benson; H. B. Marrow, of Smithfield; Mrs. R. T. Fulghum, of Kenly; Noble Hinnant, of Micro; Mrs. D. J. Thurston, of Clayton; Mrs. Richard Lewis, of Selma; Earl Funderburk, of Pine Level; Mrs. Atlas Uzzle, of Wilson Mills; Mrs. F. M. Aycock, of Princeton.

Mr. Woodard expects to announce the treasurer at an early date, as well as other committeemen.

The campaign, which will be waged through the selling of seals similar to the T. B. seals at one cent each, will be completed by Easter. The proceeds of the sales will be used for cripple children in this county.

The work now being done for cripples in this county is through the clinic held at Goldsboro each third Thursday in the month sponsored by the State Orthopaedic Hospital at Gastonia.

Last Thursday fifteen children from this county went to the Goldsboro clinic accompanied by representatives from the county and welfare departments.

Indigent cases, however, are not able to take the treatment they need unless funds are provided through an individual or public source. The Easter cripple fund will be used for such cases.

The infantile paralysis fund may also be used for cripples, preference being given to those who are cripples because of this disease.

Selma Kiwanians Hear Speaker From Ft. Bragg

Program Chairman C. E. Kornegay brought a very interesting and informative program to the Selma Kiwanians on last Thursday evening when they were addressed by Pvt. David H. Henderson of the Department of Public Relations of the War Department at Fort Bragg, Private Henderson was accompanied by Private Paul J. Fulghum also a member of the Department of Public Relations at Fort Bragg.

The speaker gave a very interesting talk on the progress of the war in Europe since the beginning of Hitler's drive for power, telling how Germany overran the several European countries in his mad rush for world domination. A large map of Europe was used to illustrate his talk as he went along. Finally coming to Hitler's onslaught on Russia, the speaker reviewed the progress of the German army during the first stages of the war, and was not quite as optimistic about Russia's gains in reclaiming its lost territory as some of the radio and newspaper reports have led us to believe. In fact, he said, Russia has reclaimed only a relatively small part of her lost territory. Continuing the speaker said that from the best information obtainable in most informative circles, Germany is not using its best fighters on the Russian front today, but that many believe the Rumanians and younger Germans are doing the major fighting, and that Hitler is reserving his more seasoned army for a future drive.

The club was host to the members of the play "Swing Out," put on at the school auditorium a few weeks ago, which was sponsored by the club, as follows: E. C. Perry, A. K. Eason, Jack McGee, Mrs. Bill Thad Woodard, Mrs. Jimmie Woodard, and Mrs. Rudolph Howell.

The speaker was introduced by Prof. O. A. Tuttle of the local schools, who said Private Henderson had addressed the students at Selma and Pine Level schools during the afternoon.

SELMA MAN IS MADE CORPORAL

Enid Army Flying School, Enid, Okla., Feb. 24.—Private Jessie W. Sullivan of Selma, N. C., has been promoted to the rank of Corporal, it was announced recently at the Enid (Okla.) Army Flying School. Sullivan is a member of the 473rd School Squadron.

Johnston Plans Scout Expansion

Plans for the Johnston county Boy Scout organization to start three new Scout troops and four Cub packs were discussed at the February meeting of the Johnston committee Wednesday night in Selma.

D. S. Ball, new chairman of the committee, presided and outlined the proposed activities for the year.

Selma Man Proves Master Salesman

The Sales Department of the Maytag Company, Newton, Iowa, wrote Mr. M. V. Avery on February 21, that he had been awarded a diamond ring for his ability as Master Salesman. The also wrote Mr. Avery that if he would send them one of his photographs they would include it in the March issue of The Maytag News, soon to go to press.

Draft Board Officials To Draw Heavily Upon Men During '42

ALFRED COATS IS APPOINTED NEW FOREST WARDEN

Alfred Coats of near Four Oaks has been appointed acting forest warden of Johnston county to fill the vacancy created by the recent resignation of W. S. Ragsdale, Jr., as forest warden.

Coats was employed four months ago to assist Ragsdale in the forestry work. His appointment by state authorities as acting warden came after Ragsdale left his post to accept a position in the engineering department of the Glen L. Martin Aircraft Corporation in Baltimore. Ragsdale had been forest warden for eight years.

"I am ready to serve the county at all times," Coats said this week, urging public cooperation in eliminating forest fire hazards.

The acting warden can be reached at the sheriff's office in the daytime and at the office of the jailor at night.

Herman Allen Begins Journey To Death Row

Smithfield, Feb. 25.—Herman Allen 35, convicted last week of first degree murder for the shooting of his brother-in-law, Grady Lee, was taken to Central Prison in Raleigh this afternoon.

Sheriff K. L. Rose, Deputy Sheriff D. M. Strickland, the Rev. C. L. Gillespie, and Clarence Hill left Smithfield with Allen around 2 o'clock.

The prisoner, who shot and killed not only Grady Lee, but his own wife, Mrs. Ruth Lee Allen, and a neighbor, Cap Raynor, all on the morning of January 15, was sentenced by Judge Jeff Johnson to die in the gas chamber on Friday, March 27, but had his death postponed automatically by his attorney giving notice of appeal.

He was permitted to remain in the county jail until his mother, Mrs. Sarah Wood, who was ill before and during the trial, might have an opportunity to see him before he was taken away. She has visited him twice since the trial.

Allen was neatly dressed in a brown suit and tie, and although wearing hand cuffs, seemed to have no trouble lighting his cigarette just before he left the building to enter the automobile en route to Death Row.

\$5,000 BOND FOR KENT WHITLEY

Kent Whitley, young Corinth-Holder man, charged with murdering Wilford Murphey in a service station fight last summer, was granted the privilege of bond in Smithfield Monday afternoon by Judge W. C. Harris of Raleigh.

His bond was fixed at \$5,000.00. Judge Harris, opening the second week of civil court, took time Monday morning for a special hearing on the Whitley case. Defense counsel sought a habeas corpus on the ground that the state lacked evidence for a first degree charge.

Johnston Exceeds Red Cross Quota

E. S. Stevens, county chairman of the Johnston County Red Cross War Relief fund campaign, reported Friday that the chapter had gone more than eleven hundred dollars over the quota and that contributions continue to come in.

Total amount reported around noon Friday was \$6,160.16, being \$1,160.16 more than the quota allotted. The sale of scrap metal donated to the Red Cross amounted to \$362.

SEVERAL HORSE AND MULE CLINICS HELD

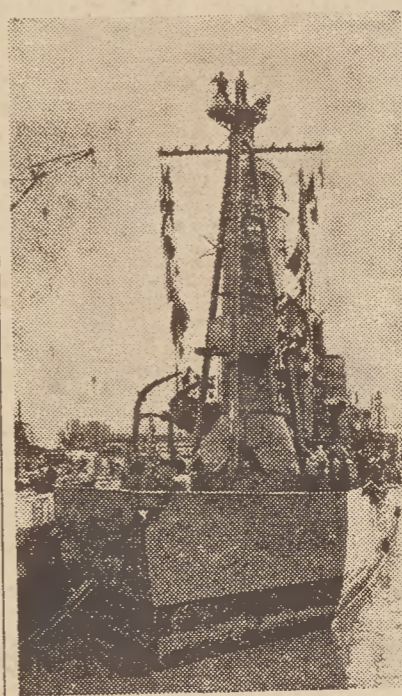
Horse and mule clinics were held at Archer Lodge, Percy Flowers' Store, Wilson Mills, Selma, G. L. Scott's Store, Kenly, Glendale, and Four Oaks. A total of 83 mules were brought out to the clinics and 74 of the mules were treated for parasites and 28 for dental work.

NAVY

Since 1798, when the Navy Department was established, the Navy has maintained a policy of voluntary enlistment.

Navy destroyers are known as the "greyhounds" of the sea.

On Job Soon



The U. S. destroyer, Shaw, which the Japs announced had been destroyed in Pearl Harbor, will soon be back in service. Equipped with an emergency stub bow and a temporary bridge on the after end of the ship, the Shaw arrived in a West coast port for repairs. Within a few weeks, navy officers said, a new bow and bridge will be fitted to the destroyer and she will be in service again.

All Married Men of Draft Age Whose Wives Are Working Are Subject To Call

With about 27,000,000 men on the selective service rolls, draft officials now have the task of deciding who will be needed by the armed forces of this nation.

The Navy and Naval Air force will need about one million men. The Army and Army Air force will need six to seven million fighters. Before the war is won probably every able bodied man will be needed, nevertheless, for the present, these are the ultimate goals.

By the end of 1942, army officials have hopes of enlarging the army to 3,600,000. This means that not more than 2,000,000 selectees will be drafted before the close of this year for Army, Navy and Marine needs.

For the next six months, practically all men drafted will be in the 22-35 group. Teeth and eye qualifications have been lowered and this will allow many of this group to be re-classified into A-1. For example, now a man with false teeth who is able to eat Army food is acceptable; a man whose eyes can be corrected to 20-40 by glasses is also acceptable.

Men in this group whose wives are working will also be called. The closer check-up on men with dependents and the lowering of physical requirements for induction will make available enough men in the 22-35 group to meet draft needs for the next six months.

During the last four months of this year, draft boards will probably call 60 to 70 per cent of the 20-21 year olds who registered in the most recent registration. Probably, a few of the 35-45 group will be called before the year is over.

Only a small per cent of the registrants in the 20-21 group have physical defects. Very few of them can claim exemption because of skill or dependents. Therefore, it is probable that the army will get over a million draftees from this group. Young men in this group can expect to be called during the last few months of this year and the first of 1943.

Single men and married men whose wives are self-supporting can probably fill the nation's manpower needs during 1942; however, the additional four million fighters that will be called in 1943 make that year a story with a different ending.

Married men, or men with dependents (Continued on page eight)

Seen and Heard Along THE MAINDRAG

By H. H. L.

BILL GODWIN seen buying paint to blot out the signs on the airport hanger and various other buildings in the community which might result in valuable information to the enemy should he pass this way—glad to see JOHN LACY DEANS on the Maindrag Sunday afternoon—it had been a long time since we had seen this former Selma man on our maindrag JOHN LACY is now living over Dunn way—FULLER SUBER, who served Uncle Sam's Navy for four years, has re-enlisted for another four—FULLER has recently resigned his job with the SELMA DRUG COMPANY, where he has been employed for several months—he is one of the town's most popular young men and his host of friends here regret to see him leave—BOBBY McMILLAN went to Raleigh a few days ago where he enlisted in the Marines—BOBBY, whose home is near Red Springs, has many friends in Selma who wish him all kinds of good luck—he is a nephew of PAUL McMILLAN, of MAC'S PLACE—ground was broken yesterday for the new addition to the store building of FLOYD C. PRICE & SON—this will be a two-story affair with basement—the present store building will be remodeled and a new front added, making it one of the most attractive store buildings in the town—work will be pushed on the new building until completion—"our business is growing so fast," said FLOYD, Sr., "that we are compelled to have more room"—drop in at the ECONOMY FURNITURE CO., and take a look at those pictures of HUB BROWN just received—HUB took advantage of the JOHNSTONIAN-SUN'S offer some time ago, posing for a picture—"you look like a 21-year-old," we were told today—"my wife didn't even know me," he said, "when I showed her the pictures"—MISS HELEN BLACK has accepted a position with the SELMA DRUG COMPANY—HELEN, a graduate of the Selma high school, is a very popular young lady—she and EVA MASSEY will make a splendid team—his many friends are delighted to see DR. BOOKER on the Maindrag again, following a stubborn case of flu—Dr. has been in for several days and can now sympathize with his patients better when he calls on them.

Raleigh Times Editor Delivers Address Here

Mr. John A. Park, Editor of "The Raleigh Evening Times," was speaker at the Lay Leaders meeting, held during the morning worship hour at Edgerton Memorial Methodist church here Sunday. Prof. O. A. Tuttle introduced the speaker, who used the last four verses of the last chapter of Matthew as the nucleus for his remarks: "What Constitutes the Church?" "Not bricks and mortar, beautiful windows, organs and music, nor congregations, but an interest in our fellow beings, religious zeal and consecration. It is my duty as a church leader to find things for the members to do; we will find more joy in serving than being served. If the United States has the opportunity to bring world peace, we should deem it a privilege to use all our resources. We must all participate—our obligation as Christian men and women will come when this war is over, to find peace and our American way of living."

Local Glee Club To Sing At Church Here

The Glee Club of Selma high school will furnish special music at the eleven o'clock service at the Edgerton Memorial Methodist church here Sunday morning. The music will be under the direction of Miss Naomi Smith of the local school faculty.