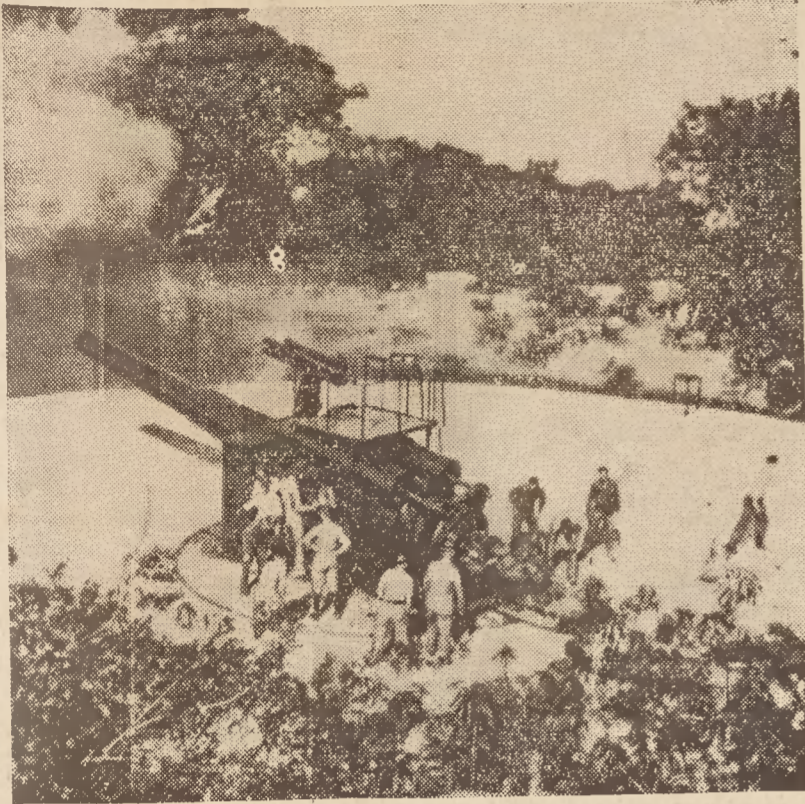


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12-Inch 'Avenger' on Corregidor



Following furious onslaughts by numerically superior forces, Bataan peninsula, heroically defended by U. S. and Filipino forces, fell into Jap hands. But Corregidor fought on. Photo shows a 12-inch disappearing gun on Corregidor fortress in action.

Johnston Republicans Nominate Full Ticket

Republican Nominee For Congress From Fourth District Is Guest Speaker — Full County Ticket Named—Four Oaks Minister To Make Race For State Senate.

The Republican County Convention met in Smithfield Saturday morning. C. L. Stancil, county chairman of the party, called the meeting to order, and the following candidates were nominated:

Clerk of the Superior Court—W. P. Lee of Benson; sheriff—L. D. Mitchell of Princeton; register of deeds—J. V. Lee of Four Oaks; auditor—C. S. Creech of Kenly, Rt. 2; treasurer—Lehman Underwood of Smithfield; judge of recorder's court—J. Ira Lee of Smithfield; solicitor of recorder's court—C. L. Stancil of Smithfield; county surveyor—H. A. Herring of Selma, R. F. D.; coroner Herbert Dupree of Smithfield, Route 1; county commissioners—Harold Morgan of Smithfield, Route 1, B. Harvey Parish of Pleasant Grove Township, and Edgar Hare of Kenly, Route 2.

P. A. Parrish of Benson, Route 2, and Walter Batten of Smithfield were nominated for the House of Representatives in the State Legislature; the Rev. N. W. Harrison of Four Oaks, for the Senate.

The convention had as guest speakers, Wiley L. Ward, of Asheboro, Republican nominee for Congress from the Fourth District, and E. L. Gavin, prominent Republican leader, of Sanford, N. C.

Ward told the Johnston Republicans if elected he would represent all interests alike. He called attention to the enormous amount of waste going on under New Deal tactics, and pledged himself to work for the elimination of waste and inefficiency in high places.

E. L. Gavin followed Mr. Ward as guest speaker, and said it was traditional of the Democratic party to get the country in a mess, and that it had been the unpleasant task of the Republicans to straighten out the affairs of the nation following a period of Democratic rule, but that the Republicans might be prepared to assume that responsibility after next election as he believed the people will call them back to the helm again to save the country from final ruin.

Policeman Straughan Undergoes Operation

Policeman Chas. W. Straughan, who suffered serious injuries when his ear drums were ruptured in the explosion which occurred near Selma on March 7th, underwent an operation at Duke Hospital Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Mayor B. A. Henry visited Mr. Straughan Sunday and reports him as getting along as well as could be expected. The many friends of this popular officer will be glad to learn that he is improving.

CUT

A reduction in clothes ration of about one-fourth starting June 1 — from 66 coupons a year to a rate slightly over 51 — has been announced by the British Board of Trade.

Forestry Specialist Addresses Kiwanians

Milford W. Haynes, of Tarboro, a retired forestry specialist, who worked for the State of North Carolina in the Forestry Department for more than 35 years, was the guest speaker at the Selma Kiwanis club on last Thursday evening. Mr. Haynes was accompanied to Selma by Charlie Burnett, also of Tarboro.

The speaker was introduced by Kiwanian Howard Gaskill, program chairman for the evening. Mr. Gaskill said he happened to be in Tarboro a few days ago and casually ran up with Messrs. Hanes and Burnett at a Tarboro drug store. Mr. Gaskill said that the first thing that impressed him about Haynes was that he was a Kiwanian and had attended 15 conventions of Kiwanis International. And when he learned that Mr. Haynes was a specialist on forestry he decided to invite him over to address the Selma club.

The speaker said, if he could hold out that long, he could talk about forestry for three hours in a stretch and still leave a lot untold about forestry that the average person does not know. He said many times some person riding or walking along the highway carelessly or unthoughtfully throws a cigarette stub to one side of the road which later develops into a destructive forest fire, not realizing that his act of indifference had cost some land owner thousands of dollars to forest timber. Maybe the trees are small and appear of little value now, but within a few years they would have developed into saw mill timber.

Mr. Haynes said birds are valuable as insect destroyers and as consumers of many kinds of grass and weed seed that are trouble makers for farmers and gardeners.

He said those who have never been out in Arizona and other desert areas in the West, can not properly appreciate what we have here in North Carolina in the way of forest. He said the music of the song birds thrills men's souls as no other music does, and yet, said he, we have those who deliberately kill the mockingbird, which is the prince of all song birds.

SELMA BOYS WRITE TO MAYOR HENRY

San Francisco, Calif., April 11, 1942

Mayor B. A. Henry, Selma, N. C.

Dear Sir, I am sending you a few lines, to be put in the TOWN paper, if you will. We three (3) soldiers from Selma are now departing for the War Zone, and we BID YOU FAREWELL, also our REGARDS for the PEOPLE of Selma. We will return very shortly with V- which means VICTORY. So thank you Mr. Mayor.

YOURS, CPL. MASON CORE
CPL. JESSE REAVES
CPL. DUPREE HOWELL

P. S. We want this on the FRONT PAGE.

Cpl. Mason Core is the son of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Core, Selma Cotton Mill; Cpl. Jesse Reaves is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Reaves, Selma Cotton Mill; and Cpl. Dupree Howell, Jr. is the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Howell, of Selma.

New Policeman Sworn In By Mayor Henry

Darius J. "Red" Jones, for the past several years chief-of-police of Pine Level, is now a member of the local police force, having been sworn in by Mayor Barnie Henry Wednesday evening. Those witnessing Mr. Jones' induction in office were Wilbur Perkins and H. H. Lowry.

For Surveyor



C. B. FULGHUM, of Selma, candidate for county surveyor to succeed himself, subject to Democratic Primary on May 30th.

For Treasurer



NARVIN CREECH, of Selma, candidate for county treasurer to succeed himself, subject to Democratic Primary on May 30th.

Fourth Annual Field Day 4-H Clubs To Be Held Here Saturday

For Senate



J. B. BENTON, of Benson, candidate for State Senator to succeed himself, subject to Democratic Primary on May 30th.

For Solicitor



CLAUDE C. CANADAY, candidate to succeed himself as Solicitor of the Fourth Judicial District in the Democratic Primary on May 30th.

For Treasurer



CONRAD H. PARKER, of Princeton, Route 1, candidate for County Treasurer, subject to Democratic Primary on May 30th.

Following the Welcome Address By Mayor B. A. Henry at 9:30 The Field Events of the Day Will Begin With the Tug-O-War, Composed of One Boy From Each Club — Many Prizes Have Been Offered.

The Johnston County 4-H Clubs will hold their fourth annual Field Day exercises on the high school athletic field here on next Saturday, April 18, beginning at 9:30 a. m.

Mayor B. A. Henry, of Selma, will deliver the address of welcome. Following the Mayor's address the field events of the day will begin with the Tug-O-War, composed of one boy from each of the clubs in the county. The northern boys will compete against those from the South.

Other events of the day will be a 100-yard dash by the boys and a 60-yard dash by the girls, composed of two boys and two girls from each club; Potato race and Sack race by two boys and two girls from each club.

The Relay race will be run by four boys and four girls from the various clubs. The crowning of the King and Queen of Health of the county will take place at the dinner hour.

All those attending the exercises are asked to bring a picnic lunch. In the afternoon a soft ball game for the girls and a baseball game for the boys will take place. The northern teams to play against the southern teams.

The Selma merchants are donating individual prizes to the winners in the various contests. The club making the largest number of points will be acclaimed champions and will be presented with the Johnston County Field Day Banner. Last year Corinth-Holder won this most coveted prize. Two years ago Archer Lodge captured the banner, while Corinth-Holder was winner the first year the Field Day was held.

The public is cordially invited to attend all these events. An attendance of around 1,000 is expected.

NO NEW ROADS TO BE ADDED TO COUNTY SYSTEM

Raleigh, April 10—Chairman L. B. Prince of the State Highway and Public Works Commission stated today that no new roads will be added to the county road system until after the emergency.

"I am notifying all county commissioners of each county that the Highway Commission feels it advisable not to add any more roads to the county system at this time unless there is some strong and compelling reason," Prince said. "This stand is taken on account of the impossibility of replacing equipment, reduction in revenue and the need for maintaining roads now on the existing system."

Prince said the order did not include those roads which the Commission now has under consideration.

The State Highway Commission maintains a county road system of approximately 48,750 miles. In addition to these roads is the primary state highway system of 11,350 miles, of which 9,800 are hard surfaced. This gives the state system a grand total of 60,100 miles, which is estimated the largest number of miles under the direct jurisdiction of any State.

In addition, the commission maintains about 15,000 bridges on the county road system and 3,000 on the state highway system. The care of around 9,000 prisoners also comes under the N. C. Highway Commission.

Lt. H. A. Lassiter Receives Promotion

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Renfrow have received a letter from their daughter, Mrs. H. A. Lassiter of San Diego, California, that her husband, Lt. Lassiter has recently been promoted from second lieutenant in the Marine Corps to first lieutenant. Lt. Lassiter received his basic training in Quantico, Virginia, while a student at the University of North Carolina. A second lieutenant in the reserve, Lt. Lassiter was called to active duty Feb. 23, 1941 for training in Philadelphia, and Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania.

Later he was transferred to Parris Island, South Carolina, from where he was sent to foreign duty in Iceland. Returning from Iceland on Feb. 9, 1942, Lt. Lassiter was sent to San Diego, California, where he and Mrs. Lassiter, the former Miss Ruth Renfrow of Selma, are now making their home.

Army Seeks To Enlist Doctors In Carolinas

Charlotte, April 15.—The Headquarters, Fourth Corps Area, at Atlanta, Ga., has requested the medical officer on duty at the district recruiting and induction station, Charlotte, to contact all physicians of this district with a view of their application as medical officers of the Army of the United States. This district includes the two states of North and South Carolina.

The Army requires the services of approximately 12,000 medical corps officers and the need is urgent. The greatest proportion of these officers will be taken from the age group under 45 years, and appointments in the various specialties of medicine will be available.

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LOCAL DRAFT BOARD NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Selma draft board needs volunteer workers to help with the draft registration on April 27th in the northern half of the county.

Around 2,000 men in the 45-64 age group are expected to register with the Selma board on that date. The registration of all men born on or before April 28, 1877, and on or before February 16, 1897, are required to register for possible draft in war work.

Persons willing to help with the registration are asked to notify Mr. W. H. Call immediately.

Soldier Is Jailed For Passing Forged Check

Chief-of-Police Bradley Pearce last night around 11 o'clock arrested Willie T. Raper, soldier from Fort Bragg, charged with forging a check for \$10 on Cullen Creech, deceased.

Raper went to the Strickland Filling station, a block south of the Southern railway, and purchased groceries amounting to \$3.00, offering a check for \$10.00 in payment for same, receiving \$7.00 in cash. Strickland became suspicious and contacted Raleigh Griffin, cashier of the Branch Banking & Trust company, on which bank the check was drawn. Mr. Griffin stated that the check was a forgery. In less than ten minutes from the time the matter was reported to Chief Pearce he had his man in the city jail.

Raper was given a hearing before Mayor Henry this (Thursday) morning and placed in jail awaiting orders from Fort Bragg. The soldier had \$14 on his person when arrested by Chief Pearce. \$10 of this amount was returned to Strickland upon agreement by the soldier to take care of the worthless check.

BENSON WOMAN TAKES POISON

Mrs. Nathan Tart of near Benson was carried to the Harnett County Hospital at Dunn early Wednesday morning of last week after having taken a quantity of poison, officers at Benson reported.

Ill health was given as the reason for the act by the young farm woman.

SELMA FOUR-H CLUB TO HOLD BANQUET

The Selma 4-H club will hold their annual 4-H Member and Parents' Banquet on Friday night at 7:30 o'clock, at the Woman's club. After the banquet games and dancing will take place. C. M. Brickhouse, district farm agent, is expected to be the principle speaker. Harold Grant, president of the Selma club, will act as master of ceremonies.

Seen and Heard Along THE MAINDRAG

By H. H. L.

WILLARD STRICKLAND and RUDOLPH WATSON witnessed the sale of the first crate of strawberries at Wallace on Tuesday of last week—the crate, according to the Selma men, brought \$9.75 and was bought by O. C. Blanchard, of Wallace—we were shown through the handsome new home of MRS. ALICE HOOD on last Saturday—this is one of the coziest and most modern homes in Johnston county—the home, built according to MRS. HOOD'S specifications, shows exceedingly good taste—the editor of this paper was confined to home limits during the past week-end, suffering from an attack of influenza—the many friends of CHARLES W. STRAUGHAN, Selma's night policeman, will be glad to learn that he is recovering nicely from an operation performed at Duke Hospital on last Saturday—CHARLES, who was seriously wounded in the explosion near Selma on March 7th, has been suffering from a bad head trouble—glad to see RAYMOND DRIVER on the Maindrag Saturday — RAYMOND, who was with the HENRY & NORDAN store for several years, is now employed on defense work in Norfolk—don't forget the city truck that will make a tour of the town on Friday (tomorrow) collecting old metal, rubber, etc.—these are very important items in defense work—collect all discarded auto tires and tubes or any other rubber items and place in a pile convenient for the truck—this is "Clean Up Week" in Selma—let's clean up our back lots, alleys, etc., and make the town more sanitary and a more desirable place in which to live—look at the lovely lawns at the homes of CARL WORLEY, DR. OLIVER, SAM P. WOOD, and others, clean as a pin—why not make the whole town look the same way—MRS. HUNTER PRICE is having a garage built to take care of the PRICE bicycles.