

## Over the Top by New Year's Is the Plea of Secretary Morgenthau

November 13, 1942

As of today twenty-one million American workers are investing eight per cent of their salary—every pay day—in United States War Savings Bonds. This is a very remarkable tribute to our armed forces who are fighting this war. But this job is only two-thirds accomplished.

There are nine million additional American workers who are not investing in War Bonds every pay day.

This appeal is directed to two groups of Americans:

First—the twenty-one million people who are investing eight per cent of their wages. We ask them to increase their investment to ten per cent or more.

Second—the other nine million whom we ask to join the Payroll Savings Plan and to invest ten per cent or more of their earnings.

It is our earnest hope here at the Treasury Department that by New Year's Day thirty million Americans will be investing ten per cent or more of their wages in War Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan.

Henry Morgenthau Jr.  
SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

## Verdict For \$10,000 Against Smithfield

A Superior Court jury returned a verdict against the Town of Smithfield late Friday afternoon in favor of Dewey B. Dupree, who had brought suit against the town as the result of the death of his 13-year-old son who was electrocuted by coming in contact with some live wires when told to go under the Dupree home and clean out some trash. The incident occurred on June 13, 1939.

Dupree, feeling that his son's death came about as the result of faulty wiring by the town and the Carolina Power & Light company, offered to compromise the case for \$5,000, but the town authorities ignored his claim. He then employed counsel and entered suit for \$50,000.

The power company won a nonsuit at the close of evidence in the case when it was shown that the company sold power to the town by wholesale contract.

After the jury had been out about one hour they came in with a verdict against the Town of Smithfield for \$10,000.

The town then gave notice of appeal to the State Supreme Court. The town attorney William B. Wellons, and the firm of Ward, Stancil & Ward represented the town. The power company was represented by Abell, Shepard and Wood and W. H. Weatherpoon, the utility general counsel.

Counsel for Dupree were ex-Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus and Leon G. Stevens.

## Auto Tire Record Forms Being Filed

Hundreds of people all over Johnston county are being called upon these days to file records of the serial number of all tires owned by them with the Tire Rationing Board in Smithfield. The final limit for filing these forms has been set for November 22.

All car owners must file with the board a form showing the exact number of tires owned by them and the serial number of each tire. It is not necessary to make a trip to Smithfield to obtain the proper form for this business, but these forms may be obtained at any of the following places:

Luther Hinton, Clayton; E. M. Moore, Clayton; Paul McMillan, Selma; Carl Little, Smithfield; Ed Wood, all, Smithfield; F. H. Lee, Smithfield; Albert Stallings, Smithfield; W. A. Finch, Smithfield; Ogborn Wilder, Zebulon, Route 1; Langley Naron, Kenly; Glenn Hinnant, Kenly; M. S. Toler, Princeton; G. F. Brown, Princeton; L. H. Parrish, Benson; R. D. Lambert, Benson; R. W. Montague, Clayton, Route 2; J. O. Barnes, Clayton, Route 2; W. H. Brown, Four Oaks; S. W. Brown, Four Oaks; Joe Austin, Four Oaks; Lonnie Grant, Selma; Millard Stallings, Smithfield; Charlie Beasley, Smithfield; E. W. Ellis, Clayton; E. E. Hall, Garner, Route 1; James Langston, Micro.

## Quint C. Pollard Here On Furlough

Quint C. Pollard, Private First Class, who is a member of the Infantry Division in the United States Army, is spending a few days here on furlough with his sister, Mrs. George Pittman. Private Pollard has been a member of the armed forces for the past 33 months, and since that time he says he has traveled through many states. He spent several months in California during the time; also spent several months in South Carolina, Georgia and Louisiana. Before returning to army duty he plans to visit his brother and sister in Norfolk, Va.

## Sunday Services At Methodist Church

The Rev. J. W. Blunt, pastor of the Edgerton Memorial Methodist church here, will use for his morning subject Sunday at eleven o'clock, "Jesus The Christ." At the evening service at seven-thirty, his subject will be, "The Man Who Changed." Sunday school at nine forty-five. The Fourth Sunday Missionary program will be held at the opening of the Sunday school.

## Rev. Mr. Newman To Preach Here Sunday

The Rev. Howard F. Newman of Richmond, Va., will preach at the Selma Presbyterian church Sunday morning at eleven o'clock, and in the evening at 8 o'clock. A cordial welcome is extended to the public. The library in its new home, opening at 10 o'clock, and a good attendance is desired.

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EARL A. LANE, 3rd Class Yeoman in the U. S. Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Lane, of Selma. Earl is now stationed in Iceland. He was connected with the Dunn Furniture Co. before enlisting in the Armed service last May. His wife, the former Miss Margaret Rowland, is now living in Dunn.

## Methodist Minister Assures His People

Emphasizing "Complete Victory Over Sin" the Rev. G. W. Blount, new pastor of Edgerton Memorial Methodist church, declared in his sermon Sunday evening, that "We can do all things through Christ, who strengtheneth us".

Taking as his text, Romans 6:14, "For Sin Shall Not Have Dominion Over You", Rev. Mr. Blount stressed the necessity of winning a moral victory over self first of all. We must not be tremendously concerned about the moral laxity all about us—in the moving pictures, the current magazines and prevailing customs. It meant the physical urge within us to be a creative, ennobling force. He charged the youth especially to lay a good foundation now for the future.

"Sorrow," he said, "either embitters or ennobles life. We must grow in grace through sorrow. Overcome our enemies with goodness. If you harbor resentment against an enemy, a poison goes through ones physical being. The love of God is so powerful that we can forgive our enemies. He warned that we must work together for a complete victory, and we have a tremendous task.

The Rev. D. M. Clemmons and his congregation of the First Baptist Church, joined the Methodists for this service. The Methodist pastor was especially appreciative for this gesture of friendliness and co-operation.

The Junior choir, under the direction of Miss Stella Etheredge, furnished music, and Billy Creech sang a solo.

## Negro Accidentally Shoots Self With Gun

Willie Rowland, Jr., 18, of Cleveland township accidentally shot himself to death Saturday morning while helping his father saw some wood. When the family dog took chase after a rabbit the youth reached for the shotgun setting behind a stump, and as he raised the gun over the stump while holding to the barrel the trigger struck the stump and fired, the load taking effect in his face and coming out at the back of his head. He died instantly.

## Opossum Caught In Fish Trap Near River

Mr. W. A. Watkins, of Selma, Rt. 1, told the editor of this paper Wednesday that on last Saturday night he was out 'possum hunting with his dog and the dog "treed" something down on Little Liver. He went to the dog and found that he had "treed" a 'possum in a fish trap near the bank of the river. He said the 'possum was of pretty good size.

## Thanksgiving Singers Going To Smithfield

There will be a singing in the county courthouse in Smithfield Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by the people of the Thanksgiving community, under the sponsorship of the Aeolian Music club, to which the public is invited, especially all service men, since the outstanding theme will be "Thanks for America." There will be hymns and patriotic songs, and all church choirs are invited to attend.

## Dr. Atkinson Dies At His Country Home

### Princeton Woman Dies Following Severe Burns

Mrs. Carrie Mae Braswell Succumbs In Johnston County Hospital As the Result of Burns Received On November 9th.

Mrs. Carrie Mae Braswell, 22, wife of Graham Braswell, Princeton, Rt. 1, died at the Johnston County Hospital Sunday at 4:30, from burns received on November 9th.

Funeral services were held from Pleasant Plain Free Will Baptist church on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment took place in the Batten Cemetery near the church.

Surviving are her husband; her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Foster, Selma, Route 1; three brothers, Edward and Lloyd Foster, U. S. Navy, and Needham P. Foster, Selma, Route 1.

### Mailings For Christmas Should Be Done Early

The bulk of Christmas mail must be in the post offices by December 1 this year if deliveries on time are to be assured, according to Smith W. Purdum, Second Assistant Postmaster General. Mr. Purdum is responsible to Postmaster General Frank C. Walker for smooth and efficient air and railway mail service.

Unprecedented wartime demands on the postal and transportation systems, plus a prospective record volume of Christmas mailings, were cited by Mr. Purdum as necessitating earlier mailings than ever before. "It is physically impossible for the railroads and air lines, burdened with vitally important war materials, to handle Christmas mailings as rapidly as in normal times", Mr. Purdum said. "If the bulk of parcels and greeting cards are held back until the usual time—the period of about December 15 to 23—they simply cannot be distributed in time, and thousands of gifts will reach their destination after Christmas," he continued.

In 1941, about 21,950 mail cars were required between December 12 and 24 to deliver Christmas mail—enough cars to make a train 270 miles long. This year, the extra cars needed to move holiday mails are largely being used by the armed services, and a severe shortage is in prospect.

### Bill Joe Austin Is New Kiwanis Head

Bill Joe Austin, manager of the Farmers Cotton Warehouse in Smithfield, was elected president of the Smithfield Kiwanis club last week, succeeding Edmund Aycock. Sam H. Stallings was elected vice president of the club. The following were elected to become the new board of directors for 1943: Dr. W. J. Whitehead, Dr. E. F. Boyette, M. A. Morgan, the Rev. B. H. Houston, and C. W. Warwick.

Kiwanian Durwood Creech made a report to the club on the recent drive for funds to promote Boy Scouting, which showed that the club's committee on boys and girls' work had raised over \$600 as Smithfield's quota to carry on Scouting activities for the next year. Tuscarora Council had placed Smithfield's quota at \$450.

### Selma Negro Dies From Broken Neck

An unusual thing happened at the Selma Theatre here Saturday night when David Laney, 23, accidentally fell down the stairway leading to the balcony of the theatre, breaking his neck and dying almost instantly. The accident occurred about 8 o'clock.

County Coroner E. N. Booker, who made an investigation of Laney's death, decided that an inquest was not necessary since it appeared to be purely a matter of death from accident.

Laney is survived by his wife and one child. He was in the employ of the Southern Railway company as section worker under Capt. D. Johnson.

### Odis Parrish Finds Freakish Irish Potato

Mrs. Odis Parrish, who lives near Gurkin's Tavern, was in town today this week exhibiting an Irish potato which her husband found while digging his crop. The potato grown with a harness buckle in locked in it.

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### Beloved Physician and Friend Succumbs To Heart Attack At His Johnston County Home On Little River—Short Funeral Here Saturday Night—Body Shipped To Washington For Burial.

A short funeral service was held at the First Baptist church of Selma Saturday night at eight o'clock, for Dr. Wade H. Atkinson, who died suddenly at his home on Little River about 10 miles north of Selma, Saturday morning at 4:30 of heart attack. He was 76 years old. The Rev. D. M. Clemmons, pastor of the local church conducted the services. He was assisted by the Rev. Mr. Parrish.

Pallbearers acting at the funeral here were P. H. Howard, Selma Rt. 1, Obey Hodge, Kenly, Route 2, R. E. Parker, Micro, C. E. Korngay, Selma, and D. T. Bailey, Selma, Rt. 1.

Following the funeral here Saturday night the body was shipped to Washington, D. C., where burial services were held on Tuesday, interment taking place in Rock Creek Cemetery in Washington.

Dr. Atkinson had made his home in Washington for the past 50 years, where he did an extensive practice until failing health caused him to have to retire a few years ago.

A few years ago he came back to his native county of Johnston where he spent much of his time in recent years, having devoted considerable time to developing his large farm estate on Little River where he built a nice home and improved his farm and mill property. He erected a nice home and improved his farm and mill property. He erected a concrete dam across the river and installed a corn and flour mill which is serving a good purpose to a large area of farmers.

Dr. Atkinson took a great interest in livestock and has devoted much attention to sheep and hog raising, but one of his main hobbies was the propagation of different kinds of fish. He built several small pools near the river where he placed these fish and took great pride in looking after them and showing them to his friends.

Dr. Atkinson is better known for his service to humanity, he having held many adenoid and tonsil clinics for underprivileged children in recent years. During one such clinic he performed 205 operations on children not able to pay for the operations. He later set up an office in the Person Building here where he has performed many such operations from time to time, donating his services free to all who were not able to pay for same. His services given so freely along this line has endeared many people to him, causing them to feel that in his death they have suffered the loss of one of the greatest friends to humanity Johnston county has ever produced.

The people of Corbett-Hatcher school are even more endeared to him for installing such a splendid library in that school, which he continued to build as long as he lived by adding new books.

Dr. Atkinson always greeted his friends with a pleasant smile and an outstretched hand. If he had despondent moments his friends were unable to detect it, he always seemed so pleasant and congenial.

Dr. Atkinson is survived by his wife, the former Mary Eishman, native of Virginia; three brothers, Thomas H. Atkinson of Tampa, Fla.; Robert Atkinson of New Orleans; and Albert Atkinson of Washington, D. C. and one sister, Mrs. L. H. Cannon of Washington, D. C.

### Selma Kiwanis Club To Sponsor Minstrel

At the regular meeting of the Selma Kiwanis club on last Thursday evening it was decided to sponsor a minstrel show here on Tuesday night, December 8th, in the Selma school auditorium. It will be a local talent play, composed of Kiwanis members and others. Howard V. Gaskill, the newly elected Kiwanis president, H. Lowry, Kiwanis secretary and Kiwanis secretary have been named as the range.

Prolike to pause to express our appreciation to the fact that we live in the LACE

ourselves to its defense. LMA, N. C.

### Thanksgiving

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