

MICRO NEWS ITEMS

PERSONALS • CLUB MEETINGS • ENTERTAINMENTS

Miss Derucha Gay returned Monday after spending the holidays with her father in Gumberry.

Misses Hazel Creech of Washington, D. C., Helen Creech and Lucile Cross of Raleigh, Mrs. J. M. Creech and sons, J. M. and Dick of Selma, and Mr. and Mrs. Phil Howell of Goldsboro were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Creech during the week end.

Irving Jones of Portsmouth, Va., spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. John Coby and family of Goldsboro spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Bunyan Creech.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ausley and children and Mett Ausley of Cherry Point spent the holidays with their mother, Mrs. L. M. Ausley.

Pfc. Walter O. Burns of Palm Beach, Fla., spent the holidays with Mrs. Burns.

Miss Stella Wall of Newport News, Va., spent a few days this week with her mother, Mrs. Emma Wall.

Seaman Edessel Crumpler of Sheep Head Bay and Mrs. Crumpler of Selma and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Crumpler of Wilmington were week end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Crumpler.

Mrs. Hughie Lucas of Christianburg, Va., spent Christmas with Mrs. Jonas Hinton.

Randolph Atkinson of Bainbridge, Md., is spending his furlough here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Boyette and family, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Boyette and family and Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hinnant and family of Rock Ridge community visited Mr. and Mrs. Larry Boyette Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Batten had as their dinner guests Saturday the following: Mr. and Mrs. Morris Wright and family of Goldsboro; Mr. and Mrs. Leland Boswell and family of near Kenly; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Braswell and children. Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Herring and children and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Braswell and children, Gamaliel, Edward and La Verne Batten of Micro; and Lumis and Earl Braswell of the Thanksgiving section.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Corbett visited Mrs. H. W. Liles in Wendell Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Narron of the Antioch section were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Parker Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gurney Pittman and Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Pittman and children spent Saturday in Kenly with Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Pittman.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayo Collier and sister Ruth, Mrs. Henry Mazingo, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. James Collier of Burlington and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Williams and family of Princeton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Collier during the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gaddy and sons accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gaddy of Raleigh spent the holidays in Aiken, S. C., with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Davis and daughters, Bonnie and Frances Jean were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl K. Parrish in Wilson's Mills Saturday.

J. C. Aldridge of Norfolk, Va., is spending a few days with his parents near town.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Fitzgerald and daughter Barbara of Goldsboro, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fitzgerald and children of Kinston and James Fitzgerald of Norfolk Va., visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Fitzgerald, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Ainsley of Hertford spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Batten and family.

Dr. and Mrs. M. Hinnant had as their guests during the week end: Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Hinshaw of Chapel Hill; Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler Man-

ning of Williamston; C. B. Hinnant of Radford, Va.; and Misses Margaret Hinnant, Skippy Austin and Edna Marshburn of Raleigh.

Sgt. Percy Creech who has returned from overseas is spending his furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Creech.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson and daughter, Ruth and Grace, of Kinston, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Douglass Wellons and baby of Raleigh and Billie and Russel Wellons of Washington, D. C. spent the holidays with Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Wellons.

Miss Hazel Boykin of Washington, D. C. and Mrs. Ethel Boykin Crocker of Smithfield visited their parents during the holidays.

Mrs. and Mrs. Luther Pearce of Greensboro spent the week end here with relatives.

DID YOU KNOW —

That the American people now bear the heaviest tax burden of any country in the world

That the per capita tax burden in the United States, including federal, state and local taxes, is \$357; in Great Britain \$291?

That the federal tax load of the American people this year will be approximately 43 and a half billion dollars, plus state and local taxes of 10 billion dollars—or a total tax load of more than 53 billion dollars per annum?

That federal expenditures in the United States for the current year are expected to reach 90 to 95 billion dollars; in Great Britain about 23 billion dollars?

That since 1933 the federal tax burden of the American people has

been increased twentyfold—from two billions annually to more than forty billions?

That as President Roosevelt has truly said, "taxes are paid in the sweat of every man who labors"?

TEXAS — YOU CAN HAVE IT

'Twas once that I was happy
My life was filled with cheer;
I never had seen Texas
Till the Coast Guard brought me here.

I've heard songs of her beauty,
Pretty girls and big strong men,
Rolling plains and majestic mountains
Just Heaven from end to end.

The one thing that is certain,
Of this there is no denying,
The guy that started that noise
Did a heck of a lot of lying.

Deep in the heart of Texas
There is sand in all we eat.
The girls are all bow-legged,
And the boys all have flat feet.

That's why they have to send us here
To sit in sad dejection
Out on this lonely desert
For this big State's protection.

No longer are we religious,
We drink, we fight, we curse,
No worry about going to Hell,
It can't be any worse.

Down here the sun is hotter,
Down here the rain is wetter,
They think it's the best state
But there are 47 better.

Still there is no one to blame but me
The Coast Guard never forgot it.
I asked for foreign duty,
And believe me brother, I got it!

By JOSEPH W. CREECH

Keep on Backing the Attack
with your purchases of WAR
BONDS. Give War Bonds
for Christmas.

CARTER'S CHAPEL

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Christmas Eve brought a bit of cheer into the hearts of the Sunday school members and friends who had gathered at the church for the Christmas program, and then the gifts were handed out by Mr. Santa Claus and his son, who was along with him.

Week-end guests of J. H. Parnell and family were Sgt. and Mrs. Noah Evans, and Mrs. David Anderson, of Fort Bragg; and Miss Clarie Parnell of Burlington.

Mrs. Jane Watkins, of Micro, spent last week with Russel Scott and family, and is spending this week with Hubert Wheeler and family.

Week-end guests of John Sutton and family were Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Finch and children of Moore's School House; his brother, Dan Sutton of Bowers Hill, Va., and his mother, Mrs. Z. V. Sutton, returned, after spending the past several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Tyner of the Brogden section, and her son, W. G. Sutton of near Smithfield.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Grady visited

Mr. and Mrs. A. Phillips, near Goldsboro, during the Christmas holidays.

Misses Barbara Bourne of Asheville, and Maxine Wood of near Micro; Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Lamm and sons of Glendale, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Richardson a while last week; also Mrs. Elsie Mann of Knapolis, spent a day.

Seaman Clyde Woodruff of Philadelphia, Pa., visited his father, Jodie Woodruff, Christmas Day.

Christmas guests of Mrs. Jennie Flowers and family were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Flowers, Mrs. R. O. Hudgins and daughter, Ethel, of Durham, and Frank Godwin and family, of Newport News, Va.

Mrs. Lester Barbour and children of Kenly, and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Lucas of Clinton, spent a few days with Ed Bass and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Sullivan and son, Hugh, of Norfolk, Va., spent the week end with J. J. Sullivan and family.

New families in our community are

Ira Wood, and Milford Davis. Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Carter moved out to Zebulon recently.

ASPARAGUS

Soil should be prepared in the next few weeks for the setting of asparagus crowns in March, say Extension horticulturists at State College. The recommended variety is Mary Washington.

JANUARY

Home demonstration clubs have set aside January as "Time For Team-Work" meetings. All members of the family, including 4-H boys and girls, will take part.

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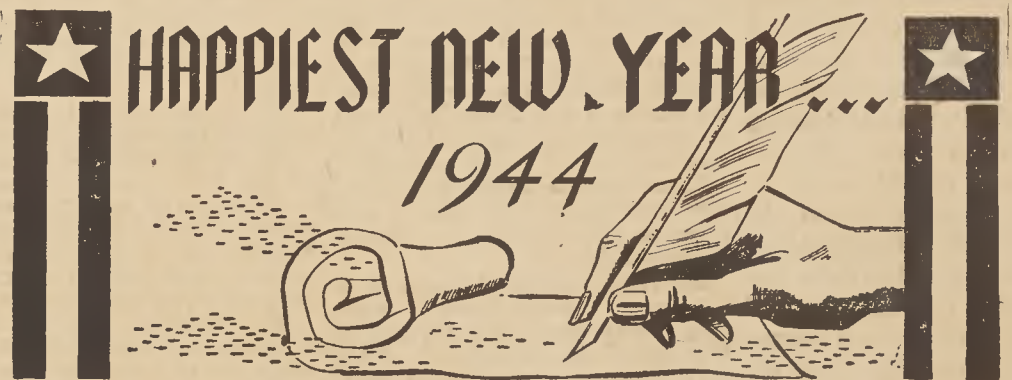
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ON THE THRESHOLD OF 1944 IT MAY BE APPROPRIATE TO ENVISION A BETTER WORLD . . . "A WORLD WHICH SHALL AFFORD TO ALL NATIONS THE MEANS OF DWELLING IN SAFETY WITHIN THEIR BOUNDARIES; AND WHICH WILL AFFORD ASSURANCE THAT ALL MEN IN ALL LANDS MAY LIVE OUT THEIR LIVES IN FREEDOM FROM FEAR AND WANT." MAY GOD SPEED THAT DAY, WE PRAY, AS WE SEND YOU OUR NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.

Langley's Jewelers

Selma, North Carolina



* Another year, another page . . . time to renew old friendships and that resolution which we make each year—to serve our customers still better than the year before

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS TO EVERYBODY HAVE A GOOD TIME AND DROP IN TO SEE US

REMEMBER, YOU ARE ALWAYS VERY WELCOME HERE



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With the Hun on the way out, there is unusual cause for rejoicing this New Year's of 1944. So, let us make merry in the fullest sense of the word.

We wish you a Happy New Year, and look forward to greater service to all of you in 1944.

Town of Selma

B. A. HENRY, Mayor

E. J. SASSER, R. E. SUBER, R. H. GRIFFIN,

E. V. DEANS, Commissioners

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* The first Union Flag of 13 stripes was unfurled by George Washington on New Year's Day, 1776. This is another good reason for rejoicing at this time, for Old Glory is a symbol of freedom wherever it waves.

So, Happiest New Year to you, and God bless you, one and all!

HUNTER'S

"Where The Saints And Sinners Meet"