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HEY! BRING BACK MY CLOTHES!



Says North Africa **Is Pretty Place**

Cpl. M. R. Griswold, in a letter to his mother, Mrs. F. L. Griswold of Selma, written on December 28, 1942, interest than was manifested Monday says: Dear Mom:

Guess you had already figured why I had not written before. I am well to answer the call of their country, and in good health. I am in North is nothing at all like I expected. It is a mighty pretty place but rather cold, especially at night. We use all the cover we can get. The French people here seem to be very friendly but the Arabs I guess are about like they look, dirty. I guest you would laugh to see one come riding by on a mule back, the mule would be about the size of a young calf and would be loaded with baskets of oranges until you could only see his head stuck out in front and the Arab would be sitting the words: "On To Victory With right up on top. Then again you can see a dump cart about half loaded with from 3 to 8 horses pulling it. I dop't guess I will be so I can write real often but will write as often as I can. I guess you all had a good Christmas, I sure would have enjoyed being there. But anyway we had tur-

I don't need anything over here. We don't even need money. The civilians have nothing to sell but wine and oranges and if you could see some of them handling it you couldn't stomach it. The only English the kids know how to speak is cigarettes, money, chewing gum. And they really can beg, they almost tear your clothes off swinging to you begging. Well this leaves me well and in good health, hope you all the same. Just hold things down until we sign off. Tell all the kids hello and love to "Ole Millard."

Have you got a card yet stating safe arrival? If you have my address will be on that. I don't know yet what it is. It will be a post office number. Somebody that understands it can get you my address off it. Let me hear from you all soon.

Edison Phillips Dies At Duke Hospital

Thomas Edison Phillips, 25, died early Sunday morning in Duke Hospital at Durham, where he was carried last Thursday.

He was the smallest pupil ever to graduate from the Selma High School. At the time he received his diploma he was just over four feet in height and weighed 80 pounds. Funeral services were held from the

Branch Chapel Baptist Church Monday at 3 p. m., with the Rev. W. H. Lancaster officiating. Burial took place in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E .Phillips of Selma, Route 1; five brothers, Linwood, Ray, Harold and Robert Phillips, all of Selma, Route 1, and Kay Eldridge Phillips of the Navy, based at Norfolk; four sisters, Mrs. A. L. Honeycutt of Bailey, Route 8, Jean, Edna and Iris Ann Phillips of Selma, Route 1.

Rose Ordered To Take Rest

The many friends of H. V. Rose, Johnston county's Clerk of Superior Court, will regret to learn that his physician has ordered him to take a complete rest in bed for several

In order that he may have a comvisitors at this time. His friends hope that he will soon be back in his of-

Dummy Placed On Pole At Draft Board Here

Nothing has happened in Selma in a long time that occasioned more morning when more than a hundred young draftees gathered in front of the draft board's headquarters here and as they waited for a bus to take Africa is about all I can tell you. It them to Fort Bragg they curiously scanned the flag pole in front of the draft board's office, a-top of which had been placed a man dummy during the wee hours of the night, but by whom? That is still the big question.

The dummy was dressed in a neat dark suit, with hat, shoes, gloves, and apparently everything that goes to make a well-dressed man. He was fas-

This dummy continued to decorate the flag pole throughout the morning hours while the draft board officials arduous duties within the office as though no excitement had been caused. But not so with Mr. Average Man, for everyone passing that way was constrained to stop and take a look with creened head as he or she read the inscription on the sign and admired the cleverness of workman ship in designing the dummy.

Mrs. Kirby Rose Is Red Cross Chairman

Mrs. Kirby L. Rose was named chairman of the Johnston County Chapter of the Red Cross at a meeting of the executive committee held in the county courthouse in Smithfield Saturday afternoon, and Judge Larry Wood was named Chairman of War Fund drive in Johnston county to be conducted in March.

The Rev. Jas. P. Smith, who has been acting chairman since Chairman Kenneth Gurley of Pine Level enlist-ed in the Navy, presided over the meeting Saturday. Other officers named were: Mrs. C. E. Kornegay of Selma, vice-president; E. S. Stevens, vice-chairman of the War Fund Committee; H. M. Austin, treasurer of the War Fund; and Marvin Johnson chairman of War Fund supplies.

Judge Wood expects to call his planning committee together at an early date and map out the countywide campaign for funds to carry on the work of the Red Cross which in war time has grown to tremendous proportions.

Last year nearly \$8,000 was raised in Johnston County for the Red Cross and the amount sought this year will not be less than \$10,000. The amount kept in the local treasury from the last drive has not been adequate to carry on the Red Cross work which was stretched to cover three extra of Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus recmonths. It has been necessary to make extra appeals to fill the kit bags made for service men going over

Capt. Owen Daly Visits Parents Here

Capt. Owen Daly, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Daly, and who has been in foreign service of the U.S. Army for little more than two years, arrived in Selma last week to visit his parents for a few days. Capt. Daly is a grad-uate of State College, Raleigh, and was among the first to enter the serv-ice. He left Monday to return to his post of duty.

Vernon Wiggs Chairman LOCAL DRAFT BOARD SENT MORE THAN ONE Local Food Rationing

County Chairman C. E. Bing-ham Organizes Local Commit-tee At Meeting of Merchants Here Wednesday Night—Said Point Rationing System Is On The Way Soon.

A representative crowd of Selms merchants met in the town clerk's office Wednesday night to have explain-ed to them some of the principles of the food rationing program by County Chairman C. E. Bingham, who is organizing Johnston county by hold-ing meetings at different points and explaining to the people the necessity of educating the buying public on how the new food rationing program will work when all canned foods will be rationed under a point system some time in the near future.

Chairman Bingham explained that unless the people are made to understand how the new rationing program works, many of them will find that they will have trouble in purchasing certain canned articles when the plan s put into effect. The housewife must be made to understand the number of points a certain item carries before going to market so she can buy inteligently, otherwise there will be much delay in buying. If everybody waits until they go to make a purchase to find out from the merchant how to buy, the groceryman's time will be so absorbed in trying to explain the value of points, etc., that sales will be retarded to such an extent that the rade will be blocked.

From time to time The Johnstonan-Sun has carried questions and answers about this food rationing program, and if you have not read these articles it would pay you to look up previous issues of the paper and carefully read them. At the top of Page Two in last week's Johnstonian-Sun appeared one of these articles

which is very important. Vernon Wiggs was named chairman of Selma Township at the meeting Wednesday night. He plans to get whatever information he may be going to need to know more about it the Lions club, J. M. Shearin, scouteach month, and we need to learn as Men's Club, Alvin Kornegay, scoutsoon as possible what we must do. master; Micro, sponsored by the high

More information will be published in this and other papers in the near future about this food rationing program, so watch your paper for whatever information you can get, for it will be impossible to get much of the information to you in any other way.

Selma Men Attend Sales Tax Hearing In Raleigh

Messrs. Floyd C. Price, Sr., and W. H. Creech attended a meeting of the Sales Tax Committee in Raleigh on last Tuesday afternoon and heard pleas by spokesmen for the North Caroline Merchants' Association, the Fair Tax Association and the North Carolina Communist party urging the joint Committee on Finance to repeal the 10-year-old sales tax in its entire-

"Committee members listened attentively and joined the audience, mostly merchants, which packed the committee room, in applauding speakers," said Mr. Price.

Willard Dowell, veteran secretary of the North Carolina Merchants' Association, made the principle speech of the day and ended on an oratorical note which drew the warmest applause of the day. Dowell advanced three reasons for repeal. He said repeal would furnish relief from bur, densome federal taxes, which he pre-dicted will shortly include a sales tax; that the State has the largest surplus in its history and no longer needs the tax; and that the sales tax was a temporary and emergency measure and its repeal was pledged at the end of

the emergency. The speaker, who was most earnest throughout his remarks, became more solemn on the last point. After reading a pledge contained in the message ommending imposition of the tax, Dowell concluded with these words: 'May God grant that my State may no longer delay fulfillment of that

J. Paul Leonard was the only speaker for the Fair Tax Association. He made much the same argument as Dowell and stressed the plight of merchants living close to the State line. J. Bart Logan, secretary of the

North Carolina Communist party, said his organization always had opposed the sales tax, but that it was reexamining its peacetime attitudes in the belief that winning the war in the belief that winning the war came first and that everything should be viewed now from the standpoint of the war effort. His main argument was that the sales tax bears most heavily upon those least able to pay. He also stressed the moral-obligation

HUNDRED MEN TO FORT BRAGG MONDAY

E. L. Woodall Honored For Scout Leadership

Last Week.

Edward L. Woodall of Smithfield was given the Silver Beaver award at the annual dinner meeting of Tuscarora Council held at the Goldsboro Hotel last Thursday evening.

Mr. Woodall has been an outstanding leader in Scouting in Johnston county for several years. He was court of honor chairman of Johnston county district of the Tuscarora Coucil from 1937 to 1940; was Council Advancement chairman 1941-1942; was member at large of the executive board 1938-1939, and was a member of Smithfield Troop committee from 1937 to 1942, and was also active in the finance drives of the district.

Mr. Woodall, who was council chairman of courts of honor made the annual troop awards, giving Smithfield Troop 21 first place; Troop 25 of Pine Level, second place; and Troop 22 of Four Oaks, third place. The awards were made for attendance, achievements, handicrafts, and general progress as demonstrated at the 12 courts of honor held during

the year. Another first came to Johnston county when Matt Ausley of Troop to personal inspection of uniform. James Creech of Troop 21 of Smithfield won second honors, and Floyd Martin of the same troop, third. There are 28 Boy Scout troops in

the Tuscarora Council, nine of which are in Johnston county at the following places: Benson, sponsored by the Business Men's Club, E. A. Johnson, ship to assist in getting this program the coutmaster; Smithfield, spon-before the people before actual re-tioning begins. You should get in touch with Mr. Wiggs at once and get what are information begins and Methodist churches, the Rev. J. T. Greene, able to give you about it, for you are scoutmaster; Princeton, sponsored by pretty soon. We must learn at an ear- master; Clayton, sponsored by the y date that we cannot purchase but Rotary club, Paul Keller, scoutmaster; a certain amount of canned foods in Pine Level, sponsored by the Business school, L. J. Worthington, scoutmas ter; Kenly, sponsored by a group of citizens, Julius D. Corbett, scoutmaster; Selma, sponsored by Kiwanis club, Ed Perry, scoutmaster.

E. L. Woodall, chairman of the Advancement committee, reported that 35 courts of honor were held in the four districts of the Tuscarora Council in 1942, and that 901 merit badges were awarded.

Scout membership in the council totals 633, an increase of 7 per cent over last year. There are five Cub B Packs, with a membership of 130. Four of these were added during 1942. Five new scout troops, including the one at Princeton, were added last year.

Among the officers re-elected for the coming year are the following from Johnston: G. W. Grier, Council Commissioner; C. A. Fitzgerald of last week was H. H. Lowry, who ask-Micro; advice president; E. L. Wood-ed each Kiwanian to write the names all, chairman of advancement com-

Plans Under Way To Draft Married Men

Washington - Selective Service soon will announce plans to lift the occasion were furnished by the ban on the drafting of married men with children, authoritative sources have revealed.

It was learned that preliminary re ports of a nationwide survey by draft officials on the number of single men and chidless married men available for call to the armed services showed that it would be necessary to call married men with children and collateral dependents by the end of the

When drafting of these men becomes necessary. it was said, those with collateral dependents probably will be called first, then those with one child, followed by those with two, three, or more children. The plans on just how boards will be instructed to call those with children and collateral dependents are still indefinite.

War Manpower Commission Chair-man Paul V. McNutt refused to give any indication on how soon Selective Service, now a bureau in his commission, will take this step. He insisted that it still was "uncertain" when married men with children must be

feature, reading an editorial from the High Point Enterprise, with the ex lanation that he so seldom agreed ith the paper he was unwilling

Tourist's Dream Told Of Munitions Accident

Won Silver Beaver Award At New Jersey Woman, Staying Annual Dinner At Goldsboro in Selma Hotel, Left Bein Selma Hotel, Left Before Huge Blast

> Smithfield, Jan. 26.-The Herald this week carries a story that relates the horrible munition explosion near Selma. It is a psychic experience which speaks for itself. It seems that a woman stopped at a Selma hotel dreamed of the lurid affair. It is thus told in an article in a magazine signed by Marion S. Coleman, Little Silver, N. J.:

"On a February night in 1942, Mr. and Mrs. S. Coleman stopped for the night at a small hotel in Selma, N. C. Early the following morning Mrs. Coleman dreamed that the hotel was reduced to burning ruins by a sudden explosion.

"The dream woke her, and she was unable to go back to sleep. Awakening her husband, she insisted that they leave at once. Coleman, heavy with sleep, protested loudly that they had not planned to leave for hours. His wife was determined. They departed at once.

"A day later Mrs. Coleman called her husband's attention to a story in the morning paper. It was a lurid account telling how a truck loaded with 28 of Micro was declared the best as dynamite had crashed into a small hotel. The resultant explosion had destroyed the building. The hotel was the one at which the Colemans had stayed the night before. Had they kept their original schedule, they would have still been in the hotel when the truckload of death arrived."

Smithfield Herald's Advertising Man Quits

C. E. Bingham Tenders Resignation In Order To Devote More Time To Personal Affairs.

C. E. Bingham, who has served as advertising manager for the Smithfield Herald during the past nine years, has resigned this job, same becoming effective on Monday of this

Mr. Bingham surrendered his official connection with The Herald in order to devote more time to his own ousiness affairs.

Succeeding Mr. Bingham as advertising manager is Norman E. Humphrey, who has been with the mechan-ical department of The Herald for more than 20 years.

Walter Sellers, formerly with the Medlin Printing Company of Smithfield, has accepted a position in the Herald's mechanical department as linotype operator.

Newspaper Man **Knows His Counties**

The program leader at the weekly meeting of the Selma Kiwanis club of the counties in North Carolina within an allotted time. He had prepared sheets of paper for each Kiwanian with a blank line for each of the 100 counties, and in addition to this he had arranged these lines alphabetically, leaving a blank for all counties beginning with A, B, C, etc. Nevertheless, the Kiwanians found it a hard assignment. Pencils for the Branch Banking & Trust Company with their name printed on same. Al though a whole carton of Lucky Strike cigarettes was to go to the one who named the greatest number of counties, many counties were still unnamed when the announcement came that "Time is up." When totals were ascertained it was found that the highest score made was 74 by Editor M. L. Stancil, with Kiwanian D. M. Clemmons a close second with 69. Other high numbers ranged in the fifties and sixties.

Mrs. Stephen Boyette Is Seriously Ill

Miss Celesta Boyette, member of the local school faculty, was called home Thursday night on acount of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Stephen Boyette, of Kenly. Mrs. Boyette was removed to a Wilson hospital Friday where her condition eems unchanged.

Mrs. J. F. Brown Undergoes Operation

Friends of Mrs. J. F. Brown regret to learn that she is seriously ill in the Hospital, Durham. Mrs. Brown underwent a major operation there Monday, but is reported to be getting along as well as bould be expected.

Twenty-four of the Young Men Sent to Camp Were From the Town of Selma—Eight Were From Selma Route One, and Ten From Selma Route Two—Those Passing the Physical Examination Will Be Return ed to Camp Saturday For Induction In The Army.

The following young white men vere sent to Fort Bragg Monday by Draft Board No. 2, at Selma:

Ruffin Harold Smith, Selma; Dempsey Edgar Morris, Micro; Albert Lee Newcomb. Kenly, Route 1; Cecil H. Hall, Goldsboro, Route 2; Iredell Clifford Pate, Goldsboro; William Jen-nings Bryan Bedford, Clayton; Clar-ence Alwyn Wall, Selma, Route 2; Julian Vance Dean, Selma; Bernard Franklin Proctor (Transfer) Selma;

Gattis Mac Stephenson, Clayton; Ransom Arthur Starling, Kenly, Route 2; Cyril Mayo Bailey, Selma, Route 1; Raymond Price Jones, Selma; Leslie Bryant Sykes, Kenly, Route 1; William Paul Lawrence, Clayton, Route 1; Young Jethro Ivey, Selma; Lewis Lester Jones, Selma; Gurvis Leonard Hollifield, Middlesex, Route 1; Lester Leggins (Transfer) Kenly, Route 2; Alvin Orvis Peedin, Selma, Route 2; Thomas Hill, Smithfield; Coy Mitchell, Princeton, Route Charles William Strickland (Transfer) Pine Level; Lewis Barden Ferrell, Selma Route 1; Claude Oliver Harris, Zebulon, Route 1; Henry Titus Painter, Wendell, Route 1; Woodrow Stanley, Selma; Marion Lester Hin-

nant, Wendell, Route 1; Leonard Festers Price, Selma Route Clarence Woodard Stanley, Smithfield, Route 1; Joseph Daniel Parrish, Selma; Clarence Becton Hines, Jr. (Transfer) Selma, Route 2; Roger William Fitzgerald (Transfer) Selma, Route 2; Samuel Levy Radford, Smithfield,

Route 2; Edward George Rabil, Jr., Kenly; Preston Hocutt, Selma; Sam Roland Parrish, Selma, Route 2; William Jack Woodard, Princeton, Route 1; Patrick Rufus Massey, Princeton, Route 1; Charles Willie Johnson, Clayton; Hallie Robert Blackman, Selma; Joseph Ezra Pearce, Princeton, Route 1; Lynwood Rains, Princeon; George Wallace Ballance, Kenly William Lester Creech, Smithfield,

Route 2: James Levi Watson. Pine Level: Ralph Stevens Lane, Kenly, Route 1; Roland Rudolph Hatcher, Selma, Route 1: James Paul Barbour, Clayton, Route 2; Javers Lee Renfrow, Selma; Javis Godfrey Hill, Kenly, Route 2; Calvin Roland Richardson, Wendell, Route 1; Carl Junior Baker, Micro; George Wilbert Shirley, Sel-

ma; Kelly Capps, Selma, Route 2; Willie Williams Pounds, Clayton, Route 2; Lester Carl Smith, Selma, Route 2; Worley Grice. Middlesex, Route 1; Jesse Thomas Brown, Selma, Route 2; Benny Wilmer Woodard, Kenly, Route 1; Willie Earl Hedgepeth, Selma, Route 1; Daniel Hocutt Hilliard, Clayton; William Joseph Ellis, Clayton; Hubert Grady Nichols, Kenly, Route 1; William Cecil Boswell, Lucama, Route 2; Harold Edwin Hogue. Selma; Lawrence Braswell, Smithfield, Route 2; Alton Lee Crumpler, Selma: Lester D. Starling, Selma; Thomas Alfred Rhodes, Wendell, Route 1; Percell Boykin, Kenly, Route 2; Woodrow Eddy Capps, Selma; Willard Osborne Davis, Zebulon, Route 1; Harry Wall, Clayton; James Edward Strickland, Pine Level; Joe Rossie Boykin, Middlesex, Route 1; Vivian Hunter Sellers, Smithfield, Route 2: Homer Wilbert Langston, Micro; Odell Jackson Starling, Clayton; Clarence Rudolph Reaves, Clayton; Thel Carlyle Rains, Princeton;

Ernest Vander Evans, Jr., Selma; Donald Earl Brown, Selma; Chester Worley, Smithfield, Route 2; Warren Gamberlyle Hughes, Selma; Billy Hopkins Middlesex, Route 1; Willie Clyde Wilkes, Selma; Virgil Garth Sullivan, Selma, Route 1;

Herman Levelle Joyner, Clayton; James Kellard Seawell, Selma; Victor Hugo Parrish, Clayton; Dwight Marron Barbour, Clayton, Route 2; Thurman Holloman, Selma, Route 2; Henry Patrick Holland, Smithfield, Route 1; Stephen William Fields, Selma, Route 1; Daniel Franklin Kornegay, Princeton, Route 1; Leo Banaso Mc-Arthur, Clayton; Matt Ransom Wall, Jr., Selma; James Berry Vause, Jr., Selma Route 1; William Rufus Johnson, Selma; Joseph Harrell Lamm, Kenly; Leborn Batten Peedin, Selma; Lonnie Woodard, Princeton, Route 1; James Graham Snipes, Princeton, Route 2; Donald Elwood Wigs, Smithfield, Route 2; James Carlton Earp, Selma, Route 2; David Junior Blackman, Selma; Berket Elton Butta, Selma; David Junior Scott, Kenly Route 2; James Melvin Mitchel Coy Ellis, Jr., (Transfer