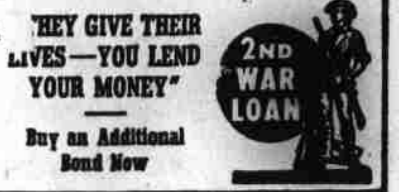




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## AMERICAN HEROES

BY LEFF



Fighting his way across Bataan peninsula, living in foxholes and the jungles of the Philippines, "Dick" McKinney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed McKinney, of Mt. Airy, swam the bay to Corregidor Island, to later be captured when the island had to surrender.

Dick is now a prisoner of the Japs. He and thousands of others have given their liberty and are willing to give their lives for the cause of this war. The least we can do is to support them with purchases of War Bonds and Stamps, and see that they get plenty of food, gasoline and rubber which are so badly needed in the present method of warfare.

How well we do these things at home has a vital bearing on how soon Dick and his buddies can be freed from the horrors of a Jap prison stockade.

## Navy Recruiting Officer Coming To Selma

About 40 recruiting representatives of the Navy Recruiting Service this week will visit almost every North Carolina town and city which does not have a permanent recruiting station to enlist men and women of all ages for duty with the Navy, it was announced yesterday by Lt. Cmdr. Charles B. Neely, head of the State's Navy recruiting.

Recruiter in this vicinity will be J. W. Stallings, Specialist, 1st class who will open a substation in the Postoffice building at Selma on April 26 and 27, and all persons interested in the Navy are invited to meet him for an interview.

It is now possible for men between the ages of 18 and 38, who previously were prohibited from volunteering for any service, to enlist in the Navy's Seabees. The Seabees are composed of men skilled in every phase of construction—and the Navy guarantees each applicant that he will follow his chosen trade in the construction battalions.

Most men are enlisted with petty officer ratings in the Seabees, and, after a 30-day indoctrination period, they are assigned to some naval base on a construction project. Much of the duty is foreign duty.

As a Seabee petty officer, a tradesman draws up to \$126 per month base pay—plus all living expenses, clothing, and allowances for dependents. Ratings up to chief petty officer are awarded at time of enlistment.

General service is open to 17-year-olds, and to men between the ages of 38 and 50. Recruiter Stallings said that the Navy has opened its 50-odd trade schools wide to the young volunteers, and a special effort is being made to enlist as many 17-year-olds as possible. Once a youngster reaches his 18th birthday, however, he must enter the service through his draft board, and his eligibility to volunteer for the Navy has expired.

Women who desire information on the WAVES should contact Recruiter Stallings when he arrives in Selma. The need for women in the service is so great that promotions now are faster than ever before—and with each promotion comes a raise in pay. Starting pay of the WAVES is good and the lowest WAVES petty officer rating pays a total of over \$160 per month. Also, there are many commissions to women who possess college degrees.

Office hours for Recruiter Stallings in Selma will be from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

## Economics Class Puts On Style Show Here

Mrs. R. H. Griffin's second year economics class put on a style show at the Selma school Tuesday afternoon featuring the Easter season.

The show was staged in the form of an Easter parade exemplifying life in the home, in the office, on the street and elsewhere.

Each performance showed life from an entirely separate angle, and the girls did themselves proud by the way in which they performed their parts in this show. All dresses that were modeled were those these girls had made during the year.

Harry Oliver sang "Alice Blue Gown" to Mildred Davis.

Dorothy Griffiths was the announcer as the different scenes were enacted. The stage was decorated with fern, spirea and iris.

## Easter Service At Local Methodist Church

Easter will be observed at the Edgerton Memorial Methodist church here Sunday at both the morning and evening services.

At the eleven o'clock service Sunday morning the pastor, the Rev. G. W. Blount, will bring a message on "Easter Speaks to Life Today." There will also be Easter music, and a special bulletin carrying the order of service for Easter will be used.

At the evening service the pastor's subject will be "After Easter, Power." You are invited to attend.

## Californians Visit The Johnstonian-Sun Office

Frederick Thomas Bowles, Jr., James Frank Hanish, Miles Joseph Flaherty and Stanley Brown, all Californians, living in and near Los Angeles, Cal., paid a visit to The Johnstonian-Sun office on last Friday. The boys are stationed at Seymour Johnson Field, near Goldsboro. Come again, boys, you are always welcome.

## Grand Jury Asks For Law Enforcement

Promise of rigid enforcement of the law came last week in the report filed by the grand jury.

The report stated: "We, the grand jury, would like to recommend that a thorough campaign be started immediately to vaccinate all dogs in the county. The sheriff has offered his and his deputies' full cooperation in this campaign. The county health officer has also been contacted and is willing to cooperate fully in this campaign. Anyone failing to have his or her dog vaccinated will be reported to the grand jury for further action."

A. J. Whitley, Jr., foreman of the grand jury, said Sheriff Rose had agreed to send a deputy along with each veterinarian on his visits over the county. The deputy will make a list of all dogs vaccinated and will make investigations to determine whether there are any dog owners failing to comply with the anti-rabies statute. Instances of non compliance will be reported to the grand jury.

## Check On Tax Listings

The deputies also will turn lists of dogs vaccinated over to the county auditor who will use the lists in an effort to bring about 100 per cent listing of Johnston county dogs for taxation. Previous vaccination campaigns have shown wide discrepancies in the number of dogs inoculated and the number listed for taxation and these records have clearly indicated that many dog owners in the county overlook the listing of dogs for taxes.

## Adam Whitley Guest Speaker To Kiwanians

The guest speaker at the regular meeting of the Selma Kiwanis club on last Thursday evening was Adam Whitley of Smithfield. Mr. Whitley was introduced by Program Chairman Rudolph Howell.

The speaker devoted the principal part of his address to the discussion of the War Bond campaign which was launched in Johnston County a few days ago. Mr. Whitley emphasized the importance of pushing bond sales so we can bring the war to a successful conclusion at the earliest possible moment.

Sgt. J. P. Temple, Jr., who was guest of the club, made a short, but very interesting talk. The attendance prize, donated by Kiwanian B. A. Henry, was won by Kiwanian O. A. Tuttle.

A vocal selection by Mrs. D. M. Clemmons, accompanied by Mrs. Mildred Perkins Spencer, was enjoyed by every one present.

## Easter Services At The Selma Baptist Church

Easter services will be conducted at the Selma Baptist church Sunday. The Senior choir will render special music at the morning service. Much effort has been made to prepare for this service.

At the evening service, which begins at 8 o'clock, the Young People's Choir will render special music. They have prepared several numbers.

The pastor, the Rev. D. M. Clemmons, will bring a brief message at each service, and the public is cordially invited to attend.

## Pine Level Girl Shows Signs of Improvement

Miss Madeline Godwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Godwin, of Pine Level, who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, later developing phlebitis in her left leg, is much improved to the delight of her many friends. Miss Godwin, student at Atlantic Christian College, Wilson, was scheduled to graduate this spring when she was stricken with appendicitis. Her many friends wish for her a speedy recovery.

## Capt. S. M. Parker's Brother-in-Law Dies

Capt. S. M. Parker, general superintendent of the Southern Railway yards here, was called to Danville, Va., last Thursday on account of the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. J. P. Shoffner, 65, which occurred at his home following a heart attack. Funeral services were conducted from the Towne's Funeral Parlors in Danville Friday afternoon. Burial followed in the Danville cemetery.

Kirby Rose, of Camp Blanding, Fla., was the week end guest of relatives here.

Mrs. W. T. Kirby's home is taking on an entirely new appearance these days as carpenters go ahead with a remodeling program.

## Selma Exceeds Her Red Cross Quota



J. C. AVERY, member of the board of town commissioners, yesterday paid his filing fee and announced his candidacy for another term.

## New Candidate Has Announced For Mayor

J. C. Avery Announces For Re-election On Board of Town Commissioners — Registration Books Close Saturday.

Town politics in Selma took on an entirely new aspect Wednesday when it became known that Harry W. Everitt, who operates the Pay & Save Market here had thrown his hat into the ring as a candidate for Mayor in opposition to Mayor B. A. Henry. Mr. Everitt's official announcement appears elsewhere in this issue of The Johnstonian-Sun.

This issue of The Sun also carries the announcement for re-election of Commissioner J. C. Avery, who has been debating in his mind for some weeks whether he would offer for re-election this year.

H. H. Lowry, the Registrar, informs the editor of this paper that the registration books will close on Saturday of this week, and that it is very important for those interested in voting in the election on May 4th, to look after their registration this week. Only those who become 21 years of age between Saturday, April 24, and May 4 can register after this week, but all such persons may register on election day.

## Bad Cutting Affair Sends Man To Hospital

Robert Hill, 36-year-old white man, is in the Johnston County Hospital suffering from severe cuts received in an altercation Tuesday morning around 6 o'clock at the Lizzie Cotton Mill, where Hill is employed. It is reported that E. S. Wilkins, brother-in-law of the wounded man, attacked him after his (Hill's) wife had informed her brother that Hill had assaulted her by slapping her. Wilkins cut Hill across the face and neck and stabbed him in the back, inflicting serious wounds. Wilkins claims that Hill cut him on the arm. Hill's wife was striking him over the head while Wilkins was doing the cutting. The wounded man was taken to the Johnston County Hospital for treatment.

## Smithfield Woman Sells \$12,000 Worth of Bonds

Mrs. Walter Baker, popular clerk at Hudson-Belk's store in Smithfield, sold this week more than \$12,000 worth of war bonds. Mrs. Baker is chief observer of the Astor Post No. 70 Air Warning Service, with two girls working under her. In addition to the above, Mrs. Baker says she has a husband and three children to look after. She has one son, Julian Baker, 19, in the Army.

## Sgt. J. P. Temple, Jr., Visits Parents In Selma

T. Sgt. James J. Temple, Jr., who is stationed at Camp Crowder, Mo., spent several days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Temple. He was a guest of H. H. Lowry at the weekly meeting of the Selma Kiwanis Club on last Thursday evening and made a very interesting talk. Notwithstanding he is "from Missouri," he says you don't have to show him that North Carolina is the better state.

## Exceeds Quota By \$30.68—Local Theatre Plays Important Part In Drive—Mrs. R. G. Lewis Does Fine Job As Local Chairman

The good news that Selma had exceeded its Red Cross quota by \$30.68 was phoned into the office of The Johnstonian-Sun Wednesday by Mrs. R. G. Lewis, the local chairman of the drive, who is due much credit for the successful manner in which the drive was conducted.

Another local citizen who played an important part in the drive was Rudolph Howell, manager of The Selma Theatre, who voluntarily solicited subscriptions to the Red Cross from Theatre patrons from time to time and was given a generous response from theatre goers. When it was learned Monday that Selma was still over \$50.00 short of its goal Mr. Howell and others citizens got busy, with Mr. Howell donating \$25 at the Monday shows, to which the patrons added another \$49 to boost the quota upward.

The Selma Mill turned in their contribution of \$....., and with the theatre contribution, along with second donations from Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Davis, Tom Colones, C. P. Worley, and the Selma Drug Company, aided Selma in going a little over its goal.

Mrs. R. G. Lewis, the local chairman, feels deeply grateful for all the help given her in making this campaign a success, and especially wants to thank the following who were appointed workers for so generously gave their time and efforts to make the drive a success: Mrs. C. E. Kornegay, Mayor and Mrs. B. A. Henry, Mrs. Aaron Lassiter, Mrs. O. L. Bailey, Mrs. Leon Brown, Mrs. Tom Scott, Mrs. Jack Avery, Mrs. Bill Thad Woodard, Mrs. Macon Williams, Mrs. J. V. Chamblee, the Boy Scout Troop, who worked so well, Howard Gaskill, S. M. Parker, E. L. Womack, Mrs. Howard Gaskill, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Sasser, John Ellis, S. W. Armitage, David Ball, Glenn Grier, Tom Freeman, M. L. Stencil, and Raleigh Griffin. The Superintendents of both the local schools and

## Seen and Heard Along THE MAINDRAG

By H. E. L.

SUPT. STANLEY W. ARMITAGE has planted a Community-Victory-Pea Garden alongside the Selma Cotton Mills, of which he is the boss—STANLEY sowed three bushels of peas and says he will have enough peas for the entire mill village—how about one over at the Lizzie Mill, DAVID BALL?—well, we planted our Irish potatoes before the cold snap, but thank goodness, they haven't come up—but not so fortunate was the Editor of this paper, who had potatoes several inches high when the freeze came—while en route to the northern markets a few days ago WALT GODWIN and HAROLD HALES were stopped by a patrolman, who informed these gentlemen that they were under arrest for driving without proper license plates—HAROLD, who was doing the driving, informed the cop that they had the proper license when they left home, and upon examining their car found that the little 2 x 2 had been lost—anyway, they were subpoenaed to appear before his Excellency W. FRANCIS BINFORD, judge of the Prince George County Court, where they posted a \$24 bond—upon reaching Selma HAROLD found a letter awaiting him reading as follows: "I am herewith dismissing this case and returning the bond deposited with this court in the sum of \$24—you will find herewith attached the court's check"—if you love flowers, and we know you do, just drop around to the rear of PROCTOR'S store and take a look at the display of Easter blossoms and plants—MRS. PROCTOR will be glad to show you her beautiful display—and talking about flowers, the gardens of MRS. SAM WOOD, MRS. GEORGE D. VICK, MRS. HUNTER PRICE and MRS. CARL WORLEY are things of beauty—they have been visited by numbers of people from out-of-town recently—looks like MAYOR BARNIE HENRY will have some opposition after all—HARRY W. EVERITT paid his filing fee yesterday and has announced his candidacy for Mayor of this good town—JULIAN AVERY also filed this week for Town Commissioner to succeed himself.

## PINE LEVEL GOES OVER THE TOP IN WAR BOND DRIVE

Half of Johnston county's quota of \$429,000.00 had been subscribed up to April 15th, according to M. Edmund Aycock, Secretary of the War Savings Staff of Johnston County, in a statement furnished The Johnstonian-Sun early this week.

The figures released by Secretary Aycock include all purchase of bonds other than purchases by banks. Agencies selling bonds in the county include banks, postoffices, building and loan associations, the Smithfield Production Credit Association and the Federal Land Bank.

Public funds accounted for \$112,000 of the sales of \$235,826.25. The county invested \$15,000 and \$97,000 of state purchases were allocated to apply on the Johnston county quota.

Aycock's report showed that Pine Level has already gone over the top in the April drive, raising 147.7 per cent of its quota. Street Jones, chairman of the campaign in Pine Level, reported war bond sales through April 15 in that area as totaling \$22,150 whereas the community's quota was \$15,000.

Smithfield leads in amount of sales and is second in percentage of quota achieved through April 15. With a quota of \$88,000, Smithfield showed sales of \$66,000 in the first two weeks of the month or 75.7 per cent of the quota. H. L. Stephenson is leading the drive there.

Seven other communities in the county were assigned quotas in the April campaign and their progress through April 15 is shown in the figures given below:

Benson, W. J. Barefoot, chairman—quota, \$60,000; sales, \$3,043.75; percentage of quota, 13.4.

Clayton, Paul Keller, chairman—quota, \$45,000; sales, \$10,500; percentage of quota, 23.3.

Four Oaks, Bert Lassiter chairman—quota, \$15,000; sales \$1,800; percentage of quota, 12.

Kenly, A. R. McCracken, chairman—quota, \$20,000; sales, \$7,025; percentage of quota, 35.1.

Micro, H. M. Fitzgerald, chairman—quota, \$15,000; sales, \$1,568.75; percentage of quota, 7.1.

Princeton, M. P. Young, chairman—quota, \$15,000; sales, \$468.75; percentage of quota, 3.1.

Selma, Raleigh Griffin, chairman—quota, \$45,000; sales, \$6,170; percentage of quota, 7.3.

## Easter Program At Presbyterian Church

A special Easter Program is being prepared for the services at the Selma Presbyterian church on next Sunday, both morning and evening, which will feature the spirit of Easter.

The Rev. Howard F. Newman will be on hand to deliver the spiritual messages. At the 11 o'clock service Sunday morning his subject will be "He Is Risen." At the evening service which will be at 8 o'clock, he will tell us that "We, Too, Shall Rise." Don't miss these services.

## Bigamy Case Deadlock In Smithfield Court

New Trial Ordered for W. J. Wilder, Former County Commissioner

Smithfield, April 16. — The case against W. J. Wilder, Johnston County farmer and former member of the board of commissioners, who was tried this week on a charge of bigamy resulted for the second time in a mistrial. The trial began Tuesday afternoon, and reached the jury at noon Friday. No decision could be reached and the judge declared a mistrial and set the case for the June term.

Wilder married Miss Cleo Mimms of Raleigh in 1940 after getting a divorce in Arkansas from his first wife, Mary Glover Wilder, who has been in the State Hospital at Raleigh since 1925. He was tried, convicted and given a suspended sentence by Judge Henry Stevens in December, but before that sentence went into effect, the United States Supreme Court handed down a decision in a similar case which caused Judge Stevens to set aside his verdict and order a new trial.

Another bigamy charge was settled in court here this week. Willie Capps entered a plea of guilty, and was given a two-year suspended sentence. He was put on probation for five years and required to pay the cost of having the last marriage annulled, and the court costs in the present case.

His first wife also is in a mental institution. North Carolina law denies privileges of divorce from people in such institutions.

## Red Cross Chairman Calls Meeting Here

Mrs. C. E. Kornegay, Red Cross Chairman for Johnston County, is calling a meeting of the citizens of Selma to be held in the Woman's club building here on Tuesday night, April 27, at eight o'clock. The purpose of this meeting is to elect a township chairman, a secretary and treasurer, and to perfect a complete organization of the Selma unit.

Men and women are urged to attend this meeting and participate in its deliberations. Don't forget the time and hour. Tuesday night, April 27 at 8 o'clock.

## Johnston Farmer On Road to Recovery

Mr. Condyar Starling, 70-year-old Johnston county farmer, residing one mile east of Pine Level, who was stricken with paralysis about ten days ago, rendering him unconscious for several days, is improving, according to his physician, Dr. E. N. Booker.