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GOVERNOR CALLS ON CITIZENRY TO AID RED CROSS

Workers of Moore County Prepare for 150th Anniversary Roll Call Next Week

WORLD-WIDE NEED GREAT

Red Cross workers of Moore county, mindful of the fact that this year is the 150th Anniversary of the American Red Cross and that never before in history has there been such a world-wide demand for its service to humanity, are planning to comb the county during the period of the annual Roll Call, which starts next Wednesday, November 11th and runs through November 26th—Armistice Day to Thanksgiving.

Final plans for the Roll Call were made at a meeting of the Moore County chapter held Wednesday at Carthage when the county chairman, Mrs. J. H. Suttentfield, laid the program before the workers and urged them to do their utmost to increase the roll of members from this county this year. North Carolina seeks 96,575 members for 1932 as against 39,350 this year.

Governor O. Max Gardner issued a "Red Cross Roll Call" proclamation this week urging support by the citizens of the state in this worthy cause. He says:

"The Red Cross, the corporate Good Samaritan which for fifty years has been binding up the wounds of war, is preparing to muster in its army for peace.

"Under this international flag of humanity all of us are to answer its roll call. During these fifty years its ministry to the maimed wiped out all the frontiers with its charities. Long before it took the form of a great organization Victor Hugo looked over the battlefields of the world and said of these war workers, 'You have armed humanity, and you have served liberty.'

Points Great Need

"The Red Cross today undertakes the most difficult tasks of peace. In the United States seven millions of our citizens—more than have enlisted in all the wars of our country in one hundred and fifty years—are without employment and therefore without the chance to be redeemed by their work. Another five million are but partially engaged and therefore are easy prey to all the diseases which come from inadequate housing and feeding. In our own state 200,000 are idle through no sin of their own, and almost a like number have only sporadic employment which hardly makes the bread that they need.

"The Red Cross has chosen the period between November 11th and 26th for its roll call. During that fortnight it calls upon the citizenship of North Carolina to enlist itself in this vast philanthropy, with half a century of scientific direction and management to its credit. There is in all of our stripped fortunes yet an abundance of food and clothes. Providence has distributed sun and rain and crops have been bountiful. It will be an everlasting reproach to our country if through lack of feeding one citizen falls prey to disease, it will be a crime if one child cries vainly for bread.

"NOW, THEREFORE, I, O. MAX GARDNER, Governor of North Carolina do proclaim November 11th—26th as Roll Call, and call upon our people to give without stint to the Red Cross, which is our league of love in action."

HIGHLAND PINES INN TO OPEN ON NOV. 20TH

Word has been received from Andrew I. Creamer, of Creamer & Turner, proprietors of the Highland Pines Inn, Southern Pines, that he would arrive in the Sandhills next week to prepare for the opening of the big Weymouth Heights inn on November 20th.

It has also been announced that the Hollywood Hotel in Southern Pines would open on the 20th.

The casino at Dunlap Lake, formerly Sweetheart Lake, burned down last Wednesday night.

County Tax Sale Brings up More Talk of Financial Situation Here

Burgling Record

Seventeen Men Serving Time as Result of Robberies of Cameron Store

T. A. Hendrix, Cameron store-keeper, claims a record. His store has been burglarized so many times during the past two years that at present seventeen men are serving time on the roads for the offences. It has been entered four times in the last few months.

Last Friday night thieves again entered and robbed the store. They gained entrance by battering down the double front door, using a heavy iron bar they found nearby. They carried away dry goods of all kinds, sweaters, shirts, shoes, overalls, etc. The loss was around \$100.

One colored man was arrested recently for burglarizing the Hendrix store. He told Sheriff McDonald that he had reached the point where he had to get food and clothes or go to jail, and that he didn't care which he did as long as he got something to eat. If he got away with the burglary, good enough; if he didn't, he was still that much ahead.

AUSTIN TO FACE CHARGE OF AIDING McLEAN ESCAPE

Negro Held Pending Recovery of Pearl McLean, Shot When Beasley Was Killed

WIDOW AWARDED \$260

Junius Austin, West Southern Pines negro who accompanied Everett McLean on the motor trip which ended in the murder of Chief of Police B. H. Beasley of Southern Pines, the death by accident of McLean's sister, the injury of McLean's wife and McLean's suicide, is still being held in jail pending further investigation into his part in the fatal journey. He will face trial in a Durham court as soon as Pearl Gilchrist McLean recovers from the wounds inflicted at the time McLean shot up the automobile party.

Austin faces a charge of being an accessory after the murder of Beasley, in that he aided Everett McLean in his attempt to escape. The trial has been set for November 27th. Pearl McLean is now in the Lincoln Hospital at Durham.

Southern Pines officers are now investigating the case with view of charging Austin with conspiracy in connection with the murder. They hope to produce evidence that will prove that Austin and Everett were working together in planning the affair. Austin is held without privilege of bond.

The money, \$206.05, which was taken from the pocket of Chief Beasley by McLean after he had shot the man, was ordered by the court to be given to the widow of the murdered chief.

Julia Algene Edson Bride in Pretty Southern Pines Church Wedding

The Church of Wide Fellowship in Southern Pines was the scene on Wednesday evening of one of the prettiest weddings held in that stately edifice in many a day when Miss Julia Algene Edson, daughter of Mrs. Clarence H. Edson, became the bride of Dwight Amherst Hoskins, son of Mrs. Laura Hoskins. Both bride and groom are popular residents of Southern Pines, and their relatives, friends and neighbors filled the church to overflowing for the nuptials.

The bride was beautifully gowned in white satin covered with a lace jacket with sleeves coming to a point. She wore a crystal necklace, gift of the groom, and carried white roses and lilies of the valley. The maid of honor was Miss Evelyn Edson, sister of the bride, who wore white silk net over blue satin and carried pink roses. The bridesmaids were charmingly gowned in satin of various hues. Miss

Delinquent Taxpayers Hope for Better Conditions Before Foreclosure Period Comes Around

By Bion H. Butler

The long list of tax sales at Carthage on Monday has furnished theme for much discussion. Different conclusions are reached by different philosophers, but much doubt remains as to the final significance. Several thousand tracts owned by two thousand persons were involved in the day's work. Probably two or three per cent of the properties advertised had been redeemed by the owners before the lands came to sale. A somewhat similar amount was cared for by the owners at the sale or by others who had an interest or claim against the property.

The rest was bid in by the county. Which is to say that the county assumed responsibility for the amount of taxes due, charged up ten per cent according to law for the amount due until paid and the owner is absolved for the period of a year with that penalty. At the end of the year he owes the amount of the taxes and ten per cent. The county may then begin foreclosure proceedings for the delinquent taxes and interest. Within a period of four months more the foreclosure must be set in progress and the lands sold. There is no recourse from that. They are sold then for whatever the property will bring.

Observers at the sale regarded the situation as an extension of time by the law to the delinquent taxpayer and the only comment on that phase of the matter was the high rate of the interest at ten per cent. That was looked upon as compensated by the possibility that within the next twelve months conditions will be such in the county that the debt with interest will be easier to pay than the face of the tax is at the present time. So there were those who figured that the taxpayers had borrowed from the county to tide them over the year, with merely a little increase in interest rates.

See Silver Lining

This situation was rather different from the gloomy view that has been taken for the past six or eight months when large numbers of people feared the outcome of the tax situation. The reduced taxes for the current year have also had a wholesome influence and a sentiment seems to be current that taxation today is not so black a cloud as it was about this time last year when the elections were approaching.

Another development is in connection with the taxes for the present year. The books have not yet been delivered for the tax collector for 1931 taxes and it may be a month or more before the statements for 1931 will be issued. The delay arises from several causes. One was the interruption of fixing valuations during the summer, and also the fixing of the rate. These delays were brought by the introduction of the new laws made by the last legislature. This was further affected by the postponement of

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HOUSE CONTROL BY DEMOCRATS PUTS SOUTH IN SADDLE

Thirty Committee Chairmanships Would Go Below Mason & Dixon Line

N. C. WOULD FARE WELL

Only death, or a happening of the most unexpected nature, such as a resignation, can now prevent the organization of the next House of Representatives by the Democratic party.

As a result of Tuesday's special elections the party gained three members of Congress, two from Democratic districts—the 7th New York and the 20th Ohio—and one from the rock-ribbed Republican 8th district of Michigan. Joseph W. Fordner, of tariff fame, was elected from this district in 1898 and it has remained solidly Republican since that time. Only one year ago this district elected Bird J. Vincent, Republican, by a majority of 20,053 votes over his Democratic opponent. With the addition of these three new members the Democrats now have a total membership of 217, or one short of a clear majority.

The Republicans gained two members, both from normal Republican districts, the 2nd Pennsylvania and the 1st Ohio. This increases their membership to 215. The Farmer-labor member, Paul J. Kvale, completes the roster. Two vacancies still exist, both in districts normally Republican, only one of which will be filled before Congress convenes. Because of provisions in the New Hampshire election law the vacancy in the 1st district of that state cannot be filled before January, 1932. Despite the fact that a Democrat, A. Harry Moore, was elected as Governor of New Jersey on Tuesday, thus indicating a heavy trend toward the Democratic party, it is confidently expected that the 5th New Jersey district will elect a Republican to succeed the late Congressman Ackerman. This election will be held prior to the convening of Congress and the successful candidate will participate in the organization of the House, thereby probably increasing the Republican strength to 216 members.

A Tie Vote Possible

In the event that Paul J. Kvale, the Farmer-Labor member, should vote with the Republicans it would result in a tie, 217 votes each. To those who profess to know, however, it is inconceivable that Kvale will align himself with the Republicans in the or-

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Legion To Celebrate Armistice on Sunday

Special Services for Veterans of All Wars To Be Conducted by Chaplain Stimson

Sandhill Post No. 134 of the American Legion will celebrate the Armistice anniversary on Sunday instead of next Wednesday, Armistice Day. The Rev. J. Fred Stimson, chaplain of the local post, will hold a special Armistice service for the Legion, its auxiliary and veterans of all wars at the Baptist Church in Southern Pines, at 11 o'clock this coming Sunday morning.

Legionnaires and veterans of all wars have been asked to assemble in front of the Dodge garage on Connecticut avenue at 10:30 o'clock for the parade with colors to the church at 10:45. The parade will form as follows: The colors and guard, veterans of the Civil War, veterans of the Spanish-American and Philippine wars, the Legion auxiliary, Legionnaires and veterans of the World War.

In a letter sent out this week by Commander L. V. O'Callaghan and Adjutant F. W. Dwight of Sandhill post, they say: "We approach again the day that marks the end of the World War—Armistice Day. The celebration of the anniversary of the termination of this war to end wars is usually marked by religious services, as well as in more joyous merriment. In keeping with this idea, Chaplain Stimson has arranged to hold Armistice Day services."

Relief Bodies Organize For Christmas Charity

1 to Every 7
That is Ratio of Automobile Ownership to Population of Moore County

Guilford county, with 24,960 passenger cars and 2,720 has more senger cars and 2,720 trucks has more vehicles than any other county, according to a list of registration cards in the files of the motor vehicle bureau, L. S. Harris, director, announces. Mecklenburg trails Guilford and Forsyth county is third. The list, as of October 1st, shows Moore county with 3,365 pleasure vehicles and 670 trucks, or one motor vehicle to each seven persons.

U. S. 1 ADVERTISING CAUSES SPIRITED DEBATE BY C. OF C.

Sum of \$800 Asked of Southern Pines and Chamber Hesitates To Sponsor Campaign

FAVORS FEDERAL COURT

Eight hundred dollars is Southern Pines' share of the advertising budget adopted by the U. S. Highway No. 1 Association at its last meeting, and the question of where this money is to come from was the subject of a spirited debate at the meeting of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, held at the Highland Lodge in Southern Pines last Tuesday noon. The directors were the guests of Mrs. Grearson and enjoyed a bounteous repast before delving into their bi-weekly business session.

Dr. L. B. McBrayer, who is the new president of the Highway No. 1 Association, reported that the Board of Town Commissioners of Southern Pines had promised a small appropriation toward the advertising of the Maine to Florida highway, and asked that the Chamber sponsor a campaign among hotels and business men of the town to raise the balance. P. Frank Buchan opposed the proposition on the ground that the Chamber of Commerce was more or less sworn to a policy of non-advertising. Mr. Buchan maintained that the town should appropriate all the fund, should handle all advertising of the town from its advertising budget.

After considerable discussion it was voted to appoint a committee to go before the town board and request an increased amount for the use of the highway association's advertising program, and to approve the sponsoring of a fund-raising campaign for the balance.

Favor Federal Court

The matter of whether or not Southern Pines wants to make an effort to have a Federal Court in connection with its projected new postoffice building was also discussed at Tuesday's session. Dr. McBrayer, chairman of a committee appointed to look into the advisability of such a court for the town, reported that his committee was in disagreement and asked to be relieved. The committee's resignation was accepted, and the directors as a whole voted favorably on the question, calling upon President S. B. Richardson to appoint a new committee to go to work in an effort to bring a Federal Court to Southern Pines. Because of congestion in Federal Court work in the country at this time, there is believed to be a possibility of the establishment of a court here.

ARMISTICE DAY PROGRAM AT ABERDEEN HIGH SCHOOL

There will be an Armistice Day program given at the Aberdeen High School on Wednesday morning, November 11th at 11:00 o'clock. A pageant entitled "The Cost of Liberty," will be presented by the Juniors and Seniors. The public is invited.

Miss Mary Thornton, Club and Committee on Care University of N. C. Payment Vote To Carry On Work

TO REDOUBLE EFFORTS

Plans for Christmas charity work in the Sandhills were launched by various organizations during the past week, and every effort will be made this year to carry on the efficient campaign of cheer and relief so successfully started at this time a year ago.

Both the Kiwanis Club and the Southern Pines General Committee on Unemployment and Relief voted at meetings held this week to "carry on." With the realization that funds and donations will be more difficult to secure and that there will undoubtedly be more families in need to provide for, efforts of all charity organizations in the Sandhills will be redoubled, that no one may be overlooked during the Yuletide season.

The Kiwanis Club at its meeting Wednesday in the Methodist Sunday School building, Aberdeen, voted to appoint a new committee to have charge of the Christmas work, and President Richard Tufts will announce the personnel of this committee at next week's meeting. Frank Buchan and his committee of last year were given a rousing vote of appreciation for their splendid work.

The Southern Pines Committee met at the Country Club on Monday evening on call of the general chairman, M. G. Nichols. The committee, which has seventeen members, one representing each of the churches, clubs, lodges and civic organizations, including the Town board, together with sub-committee chairmen and many of the co-workers and leading citizens, were present to discuss needed relief for the winter and to decide whether the work should be carried on this winter.

Vote To Carry On

Reports were presented showing the work done since the last meeting held in April, and a small amount of cash in the bank was reported, the balance remaining from contributions or subscriptions paid after closing the unemployment office last spring.

After a full and interesting discussion of the present and probable labor situation this winter it was voted to continue the general committee so that such help as can be given shall be done as intelligently and efficiently as possible. The meeting was adjourned for two weeks to enable the committee to prepare plans for the winter's work, secure the sub-committee memberships and complete the organization of the general committee.

The Southern Pines body will, as last year, look primarily after unemployment, and make every effort to provide work for needy persons able to work. It is probable that the Kiwanis Club will concentrate its attention on families in distress, seeing that they are provided for at Christmas time and, donations permitting, for a longer period.

In addition to the above, various organizations in the towns of the Sandhills are beginning their Christmas work. Dr. Cheatham at Pinehurst plans to carry on the splendid Christmas work by which he has brought cheer to hundreds of families in the Pinehurst neighborhood during the past few years. The Good Fellows Club of Aberdeen and the Sandhill Brotherhood of Pinehurst are expected to cooperate with the Kiwanis Club in their Christmas work, and civic and church organizations at Carthage will carry on the work of that section of the county either directly or through the Kiwanis Club.

HOUSE-BREAKING SUSPECT ARRESTED IN SOUTHERN PINES

The Southern Pines police have in custody a young negro they believe to be responsible for the numerous petty burglaries of Southern Pines houses during the summer months. They apprehended Walter Lambert, 17 years old, attempting to enter a vacant house and arrested him. He is the colored boy who stole a large quantity of golf balls from a delivery truck here last winter.