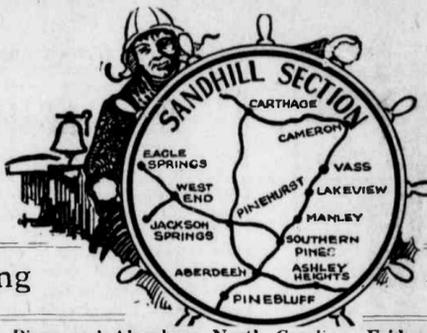


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PRESIDENT PAYS FLEETING VISIT TO SOUTHERN PINES

Mr. Roosevelt Waves To Crowd
Along Broad St. as Train
Slows Down

ENROUTE TO CHAPEL HILL

President Franklin D. Roosevelt waved to several hundred persons gathered along Broad street, Southern Pines at a few minutes before 2:00 o'clock Monday afternoon as his special train was slowed down almost to a stop to give them an opportunity to see their Chief Executive.

Mr. Roosevelt was seated alone in the rear of the observation car, in plain view of all who came to catch a glimpse of him. As the train, pulled by one of the Seaboard's new diesel-electric locomotives, reached Pennsylvania avenue the President started looking out the windows and waving to the assemblage. He had his usual appealing smile, and looked in the best of health after his sojourn at Warm Springs, Georgia.

The train slowed down as it passed through and appeared to be about to stop by the time the President's car had reached the depot, but continued on. Mayor D. G. Stutz had been advised by wire from Congressman Walter Lambeth previous to the train's arrival that due to Mr. Roosevelt's heavy schedule Monday, Secretary Marvin McIntyre had informed him that even a brief stop here would be impossible.

Biddle Re-elected Head of Pinehurst Chamber

Officers and Directors for 1939
Chosen at Meeting in Vil-
lage Court Grill

Livingston L. Biddle, II was yesterday re-elected president of the Pinehurst Chamber of Commerce at the annual meeting held in the Village Court Grill. Other officers elected were Charles W. Picquet and E. S. Blodgett, vice-presidents; Byron U. Richardson, treasurer and W. A. Leland McKeithen secretary. The following were chosen as directors: Dr. T. A. Cheatham, F. L. DuPont, John Hemmer, Francis Keating, Dr. F. L. Owen, Paul Dana, F. Shelby Cullom, Howard G. Phillips, I. C. Sledge, Thomas Black, Willard L. Dunlop and W. R. Viall.

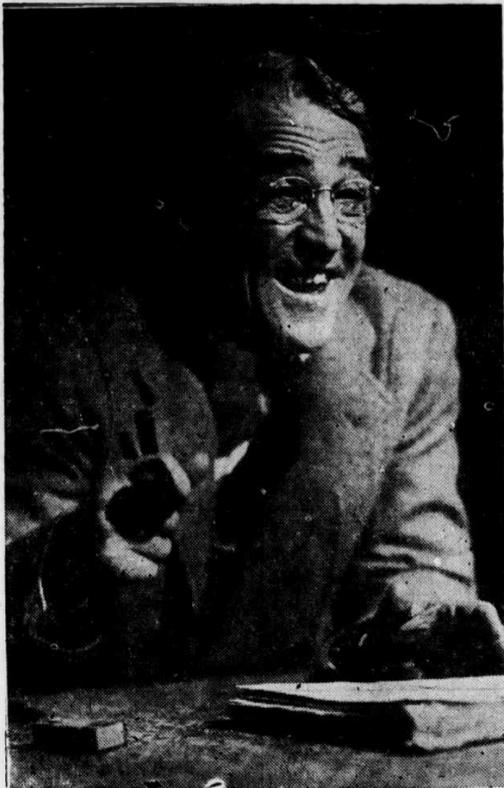
The Chamber heard reports from Treasurer Richardson, Secretary McKeithen and a number of committees. Dr. Cheatham reported on progress being made on improvements in Pinehurst's telephone system and possible rate reductions, stating that he expected to hear from the State Utilities Commission within ten days. Mrs. Leonard Tufts reported on the work of her clinics, which have accomplished much in health lines during the past year, so much, in fact, that the membership of the Chamber arose as a body in a vote of thanks and appreciation to Mrs. Tufts and Dr. Owen. Dr. Cheatham also reported that Pinehurst had raised \$1,500 of its quota of \$3,000 toward the proposed boy's preparatory school here, and had pledged the balance provided Francis M. Osborne, head of the school project, was successful in his campaign throughout the state for funds to get the institution under way.

President Biddle thanked his fellow officers and workers for their efforts and co-operation during the past year. Mr. Blodgett urged the Chamber to take action looking toward improved radio reception in Pinehurst, and asked that a committee of investigation be appointed. Mr. Sledge suggested efforts to increase membership in the Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. DuPont asked enforcement of the one-way street ordinance through Market Square.

ADDRESSES ROTARY CLUB

Miss Katherine Martin, librarian of the Southern Pines Library, made an interesting talk before the local Rotary Club last Friday at the Southern Pines Country Club, telling of the workings of a library. Today, at their luncheon meeting, C. D. Appleby of Maxton will talk on "Hobbies."

To Read Dicken's Christmas Carol



Dr. Frederick H. Koch

Dr. F. H. Koch To Read Dicken's Christmas Carol Here Tuesday

Founder and Director of Carolina Playmakers Presented at Pinehurst Play Shop

Marking the inauguration of the second season's activities of the Three Arts Group of the Sandhills, and the first public presentation by the group in its new Playshop, opposite The Holly Inn in Pinehurst, Dr. Frederick H. Koch will read the ever popular Christmas story, Dickens' immortal, "A Christmas Carol," on Tuesday night, December 13. In the last 33 years he has read "A Christmas Carol" to audiences all over America. He has four times given it in Town Hall in New York. Twice he has read Dicken's story at the Institute of Arts and Sciences at Columbia University. Large cities, little country towns, and the secluded byways have heard him give Tiny Tim's immortal toast: "God bless us everyone!"

Thirty-three years ago Dr. Koch, Founder and Director of the famed Carolina Playmakers at the University of North Carolina was a young instructor in English at the University of North Dakota. He happened to re-read "A Christmas Carol" and was struck with the idea that everybody ought to read it at Christmas time. At the suggestion of his friends Dr. Koch read it to a small group gathered around a crackling wood fire.

His audiences grew until the large North Dakota gymnasium was filled to overflowing and his reading of Dicken's story had become an integral part of the Christmas season. Other towns wished to hear him and he journeyed through snow storms and blizzards to fill his many engagements each Christmas time.

Founded Playmakers

When he came to the University of North Carolina to found The Carolina Playmakers, Dr. Koch continued reading The Carol and there no Christmas is complete without it. The auditorium of the big Memorial Hall is always filled to overflowing.

For thirty-three years Dr. Koch has worked toward the goal of the establishment of a native American drama, a drama from the very soil and roots of the American tradition. Three years ago his achievements in this field were awarded signal recognition when the University of North Dakota, the scene of the beginnings of his work in folk play-making, called him back to deliver the commencement address and conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Literature and honorary membership in Phi Beta Kappa.

Unbalanced Budget

Last year Southern Pines, through the Christmas Seal Sale, raised \$324.32.

During the year, in its fight against tuberculosis, it spent \$920.96.

Like the government's, this budget does not balance.

The annual Seal Sale is now on. Efforts are being pushed to increase the sale of these seals. This is the only appeal each year for funds for the care of tuberculosis patients. Moore county matches dollar for dollar the amount raised during the Seal Sale drive.

Do your part, for the health of the community.

Sandpiper Golfers Plan Active Season

To Inaugurate Winter Schedule
with Buffet Supper at Country Club December 18

At an enthusiastic meeting of the Sandpipers, the men's golfing organization of the Southern Pines Country Club corresponding to the Tin Whistles of the Pinehurst Country Club, plans for the winter were formulated Tuesday night, with a buffet supper on Sunday evening, December 18th inaugurating the season. James Schwartz of Reading, Pa., president of the Sandpipers, presided at the meeting.

The tournament committee comprising Roy Grinnell, Richard Sugg and Herrmann Grover announced that the first tournament would be Sunday, an 18-hole medal play against par event. The calendar is as follows: Saturday, December 17th, an 18-hole kicker's handicap tournament; Saturday, December 24th, 18-hole sweepstake event; Saturday, December 31st, New Year's 18-hole medal handicap tournament; Tuesday, January 10th, blind bogey tournament; Saturday, January 21st, sweepstakes tournament; Saturday, February 11th, Lincoln's Birthday 18-hole medal play; Sunday, February 19th, Sandpipers' championship medal play event; Wednesday, February 22nd, Washington's Birthday flag tournament; Saturday, February 25th, blind bogey tournament; Saturday, March 4th, March sweepstakes, 18-hole handicap; March 11th, Southern Pines Country Club championship 36-hole medal play.

JUNIOR CHAMBER HEARS THAD EURE ON "CITIZENSHIP"

Secretary of State Tells Junior Chamber of Commerce State and Nation Need Them

BANQUET, PINE NEEDLES

Thad R. Eure, North Carolina's Secretary of State, last night addressed the recently organized Junior Chamber of Commerce of Southern Pines, telling them something of the value of citizenship and inspiring them to learn all they can about the functions of government in their early years that they may take their part in national, state and local affairs in a world which needs men of calibre along this line.

The banquet, held at the Pine Needles here, saw the presentation of the charter of the national and state Junior Chambers of Commerce, with talks by George D. Lentz, Winston-Salem, national director, and Dallas L. Alford, Jr., of Charlotte, president of the State Junior Chamber. The charter was accepted by Roy Grinnell, president of the Southern Pines organization. Guests were introduced by George E. London, and Robert L. Hart, president of the Southern Pines senior Chamber of Commerce presented the speaker, Mr. Eure. A dance at the Pine Needles Club followed the banquet, which was attended by some 200 persons. Norman (Jeep) Bennett and his orchestra from the University of North Carolina played.

Sanford Editor Tells Kiwanis About Europe

W. E. Horner Makes Interesting and Amusing Talk.—Alumni Dinner Tuesday

At the weekly meeting of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, held Wednesday noon in the Methodist Sunday School building in Aberdeen, William E. Horner, editor of the Sanford Herald, gave an interesting talk on his experiences this past summer in Europe, Mr. Horner's resume of his trip was interspersed with amusing stories and he had the Kiwanians in an uproar much of the time.

President J. Vance Rowe of the club announced the appointment of the following committee on stimulating church attendance: E. C. Stevens, chairman; J. T. Overton, Paul Dana, Leo C. Fuller, O. Leon Seymour, J. F. Taylor and Herbert F. Seawell, Sr.

The club meets next week on Tuesday night at the Club Chalfonte, for its annual Alumni and Ladies Night gathering, at which time more than 100 members, ex-members, and wives are expected for dinner, a special program and dancing. The club's annual award of a Builder's Cup to some citizen of Moore county who has performed some outstanding service to the community will be made that evening.

B. F. Hassell, Retire Educator, Dies Here

Was Superintendent of Several Schools in State Before Health Failed

Funeral services conducted by the Rev. J. Fred Stinson were held in the Baptist church of Southern Pines at 3:00 o'clock yesterday afternoon for Benjamin Franklin Hassell, aged 75 years, prominent in the educational circles of the state, who died in his home on Indiana avenue Tuesday.

Mr. Hassell, in failing health for several months, has been a resident of Southern Pines for the past eight years following his retirement from official duties. For a period of 40 years he served as superintendent of several public schools, among them Plymouth, Selma, and Asheville. Before coming to Southern Pines he was superintendent of the Clayton city schools from which position he retired owing to ill health.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Lucy Sables Hassell; five sons, Paul and Howard Hassell of Radford, Va., T. C. Hassell of Waynesboro, Va., B. F. Hassell, Jr., of New Orleans. (Please turn to page five)

Due Here Today



U. S. SENATOR J. H. BAILEY

COMMISSIONERS RE-ELECT CURRIE COUNTY CHAIRMAN

Gordon Cameron Vice-Chairman
of Board.—Recommend
Road Improvements

ROSS ACQUIRES PROPERTY

The Board of County Commissioners met Monday with Wilbur Currie, D. D. McCrimmon, T. F. Cameron and Gordon Cameron present. Wilbur H. Currie of Carthage was elected chairman and Gordon Cameron of Pinehurst vice-chairman for a term of two years.

The board voted to make the following recommendations to the State Highway and Public Works Commission: that it re-locate, rebuild and put in good condition the old road known as the Ridge Road in Mineral Springs township beginning on N. C. Route 2 at the Ford Wicker place (now Crocker) via Andrew Williamson's store and the Archibald McKenzie Mill to State Highway No. 15 at Juniper Lake, a distance of approximately three miles.

That it take over and maintain the road leading from the Cameron-Rae-ford road at the Johnson place west at Tom Medlin's place at a point on the Cameron-Vass road, approximately one mile. Also, the road leading from the end of Massachusetts avenue in Southern Pines south east to intersect with Pine Ridge road.

W. H. Currie, trustee for Moore county, was authorized to sign and deliver to George R. Ross a quit claim deed for 640 acres in Mineral Springs township sold as the property of W. E. Graham and bid in for Moore county, upon payment of all taxes due on said property aggregating \$532.48. He was authorized to sign deeds for several smaller tracts upon payment of taxes.

It was ordered that license for the sale of wine be issued to James Warman, and beer license to Emmett Boone, manager of Pine Needles Inn.

Junior Chamber Offers Prizes For Decorations

Awards To Be Made for Most
Appropriate Christmas
Treatment

In connection with their Christmas Lighting program, the Southern Pines Junior Chamber of Commerce announces that cash prizes will be awarded for the most artistically decorated home in Southern Pines and for the most appropriately decorated business house. There will be a first and second prize in each class.

The Garden Club of Aberdeen, of which Mrs. H. A. Page, Jr., is chairman, has kindly consented to act as judges for this event. Their decision will be final. The judges will make their rounds between the 22nd and 24th of December and the winners will be announced in the December 30th issue of The Pilot.

No official entry is necessary. All homes and business houses in the Southern Pines district will be viewed and the awards will be made on exterior appearance only. Expensive or elaborate decorating is not necessary. Please note the wording of the announcement above.

The sponsors hope that everyone (Please turn to page eight)

WALTER LAMBETH HONOR GUEST AT DINNER TONIGHT

Fellow Congressmen, Senator
Bailey, State and P. O. Offi-
cials, Others to Gather Here

SOME 200 EXPECTED

The retiring Representative in Congress from this, the 8th Congressional district of North Carolina, J. Walter Lambeth, will be the honor guest at a banquet tonight, Friday, at the Southern Pines Country Club, at which United States Senator Josiah W. Bailey of Raleigh will be the principal speaker, and fellow members of Congress will be present to bid Mr. Lambeth hail and farewell. Nearly 200 are expected, prominent officials of all twelve counties in Mr. Lambeth's district, Anson, Davidson, Davie, Hoke, Lee, Montgomery, Moore, Richmond, Scotland, Union, Wilkes and Yadkin.

Among the guests will be Mr. Lambeth's successor in Congress, W. O. Burgin of Lexington. And among other Congressmen here will be John H. Kerr of Warrenton, who's been in the House since 1923, and William B. Umstead of Durham, a member since 1933 but retiring this year. Also among the guests will be Ambrose O'Connell, Second Assistant Postmaster General; Smith W. Purdum, Fourth Assistant, and Harlee Branch, Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics.

Others expected include Thad Eure, Secretary of State of North Carolina, Charles R. Johnson, State Treasurer, George Ross Pou, State Auditor, Paul R. Younts, postmaster of Charlotte, and Roland S. Prust, Solicitor of the 13th Judicial District, who will act as toastmaster.

Postmaster Frank Buchan of Southern Pines, in charge of local arrangements, was advised yesterday by Francis E. Liles of Anson county, chairman of the Banquet committee, that every county in Mr. Lambeth's district would be represented at the dinner, which is scheduled for 7:30 o'clock.

Prisoner Here Robs Cellmate of \$20

Re-Arrested in Lumberton and
Held For Superior Court.—So-
licitor McKeithen "On Job"

A heavy docket greeted Moore county's new Solicitor, W. A. Leland McKeithen, on Monday, his first day of duty as successor to State Senator-elect M. G. Boyette. Judge J. Vance Rowe presided.

Lonnie Buchanan, colored, in Recorder's Court on Monday was bound to Superior Court under bond of \$250 on a charge of stealing a \$20 bill from Charlie Young.

It came about in this way. Young, according to the testimony, had imbibed a bit too freely and had been locked in the Southern Pines jail. Buchanan, wanted by Lumberton officers, was picked up in Southern Pines and held in jail to await the arrival of the officers. When Young was released, he found that he was minus \$20. Buchanan was searched, but no trace of the bill was found. After he returned to Lumberton, he was found to have a \$20 bill in his possession, so he was sent back to Moore to face the charge of larceny. Judge E. C. Bivins will preside over a term of Superior Court for the trial of civil cases in Moore county beginning next Monday, December 12.

RAYMOND HAYES TREASURER OF INTER-STATE HI-Y

At the Inter-State Hi-Y convention held in Greensboro last week-end, Raymond Hayes of Southern Pines was elected treasurer of the organization. D. W. Gamble, Lawrence Johnson, the Rev. F. J. Starnes, Frank W. Webster and Raymond Hayes attended the session from here. While in Greensboro Mr. Webster, principal of Southern Pines Schools, also attended the meeting of the Southern Progressive Education Association.