

Delayed Alarms A Main Project In Fire Week Drive

Week Of Oct. 6 to 12

Speeding up the reporting of fires by popularizing each community's fire department telephone number will be the objective of the nationwide fire prevention program of the National Association of Insurance Agents beginning Fire Prevention Week, October 6-12.

In announcing this campaign, Harold N. Mann, Tacoma, Wash., chairman of the Association's Fire Prevention Committee stated:

"Delayed alarms are one of the major factors to catastrophic fires. Fighting fire is a race against time and the greatest chance of winning is in the first few minutes. Prompt action on the discovery of fire can mean the difference between a small flame and disaster. For this reason we have adopted the slogan, 'Seconds save lives, jobs and homes.'"

Posters, newspaper advertisements, memory quizzes at schools, and other local publicity will prominently feature the telephone number of the local fire department.

The National Board of Fire Underwriters has fully endorsed this project, and is cooperating with the 22,000 member insurance agency firms of the National Association of Insurance Agents by supplying the various promotional material.

This program was tested by the Insurance Exchange of Houston during the past year and is accredited with contributing to the 45 percent reduction in fire losses which that city achieved during the first three months of 1946.

Top Grade Tobacco Brings 75 Cents In Carthage Market

Top grade tobacco really brought the highest price last week at the McConnell Warehouse in Carthage. Dan Carter told of three farmers who sold tobacco for as high as seventy-five cents a pound. Herbert Kennedy, Pete Cockman of Carthage and Bobby Howard of Jonesboro all got over seventy cents per pound while Nellie Smith of Ellerbe received seventy for his tobacco.

Many of the old-timers were with Carter again this year. Typical of the following to the warehouse was J. K. Upton of Seagrove who has sold his tobacco with Dan for the past 28 years. It looks like a good year for the farmers and we are mighty glad to hear it.

ABERDEEN MARKET

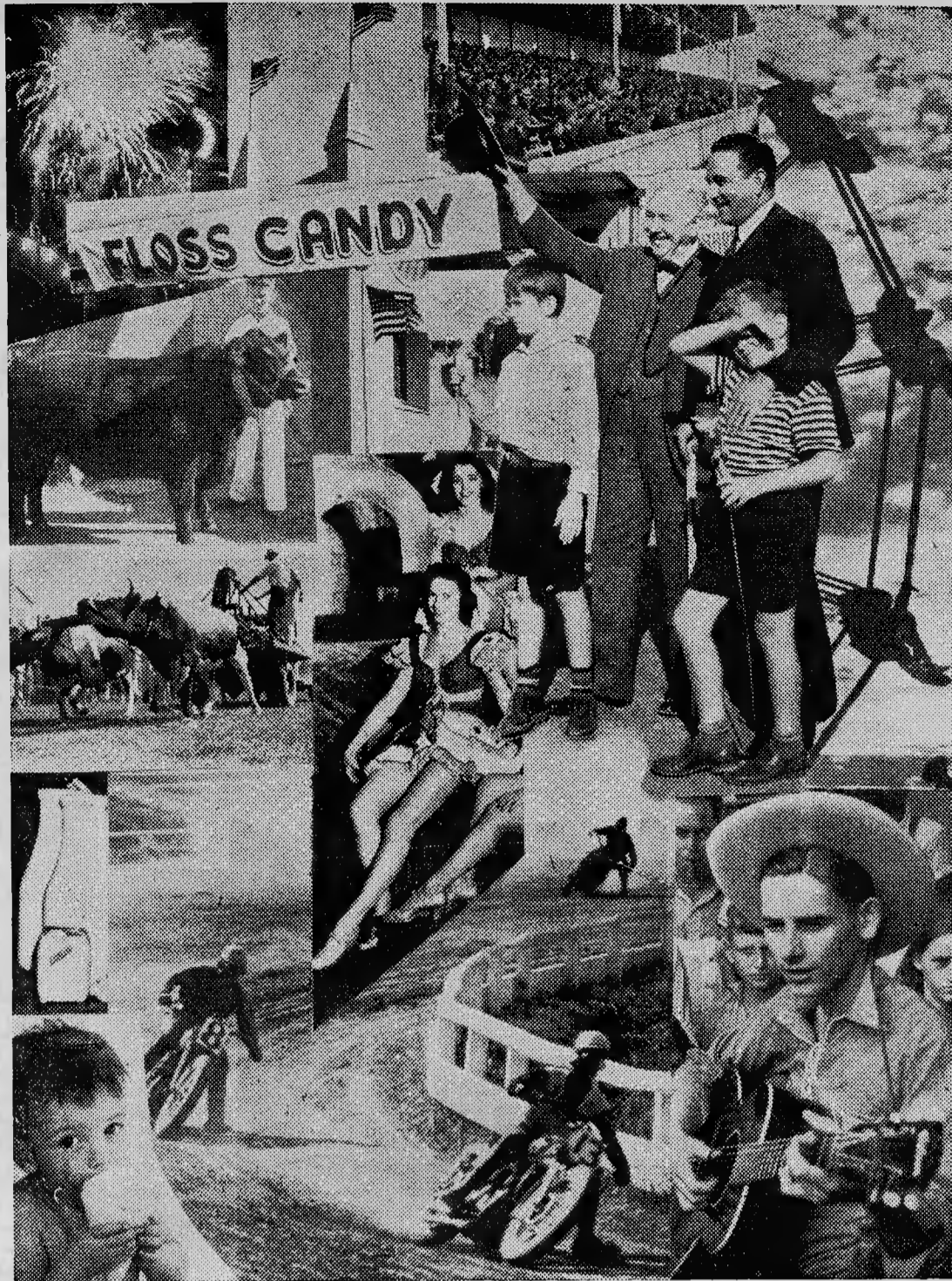
With prices in the North Carolina tobacco market fluctuating this week, local warehouses reported a similar condition, with a few piles reaching top prices of around seventy cents. Clarence Smith, reporting for the Aberdeen Tobacco Growers, listed, among others, the Donaldson crop from near Jonesboro as bringing the top figure for one pile, the others ranging to sixty-eight, and sixty-nine and several at sixty-six.

Local Aberdeen tobacco growers whose yields brought favorable prices this past week are Henry Blue, Bill Rosey of Roselands, Cliff Morris and Bill Tomlinson of near Candor.

BIRTHDAYS

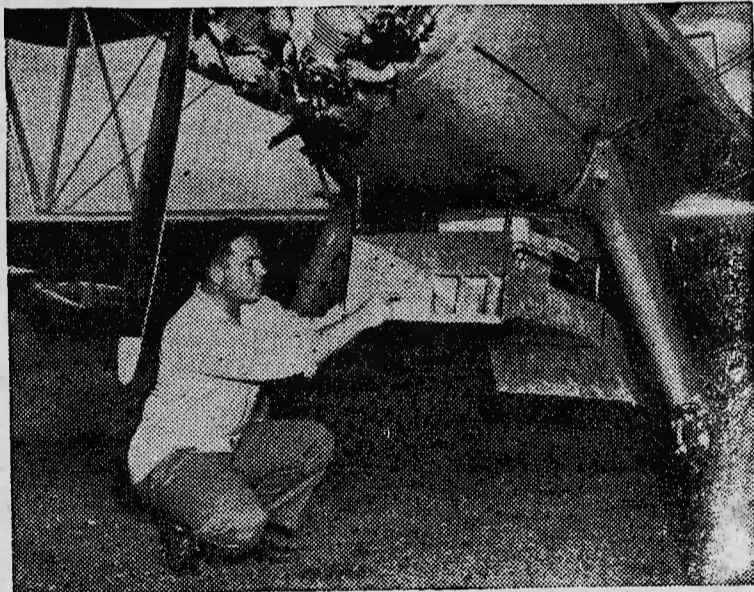
A business which is in existence for forty-two years, and all of that time holds a high place in the estimation of the community it serves, is something to be proud of. For the community to be proud of as well as the establishment. This is the record of the Broad Street Pharmacy, which is celebrating its forty second birthday this year. It has spent twenty of those years in its present location. Owned successively by some of Southern Pines' most distinguished citizens, it is now the property of Joe Montesanti, Jr., Vance McMillan, and Leon T. Talton.

Younger by many years, but equally well thought of is the Sandhill Funeral Home, the undertaking and ambulance establishment owned by Southern Pines' popular commissioner, A. B. Patterson. This will be the sixth year it has served the community.



FAIRTIME AGAIN—Throughout North Carolina for the next six weeks ferris wheels will turn, children will consume floss candy, and Blue Boys will grunt through their paces as sleepy, smoky Indian summer descends on the State once again. Fairs have already been announced for Louisburg, Littleton, Beaufort, Greensboro, Charlotte, Shelby, Henderson, Fayetteville, Spring Hope, Lexington, Wilson, High Point, Roxboro, Monroe, Winston-Salem, East Bend, Rocky Mount, Lumberton, and Williamston—and there will be numerous other agricultural events and school carnivals. The State Fair, which brought smiles and hat-waving from Josephus Daniels and Agriculture Commissioner Kerr Scott when it was last held in 1941, will return again October 15-19.

Makes Aerial Raids on Insects



Two former pilots for Uncle Sam now are conducting aerial warfare against insects out around Fort Collins, Colo. Leslie L. Craig uses a dust spray dispenser attached to their plane. An equally effective liquid spraying device can also be used. A Veterans Administration approved loan helped establish Craig and his partner, Charles J. Morrison, in their unusual business.

Southern Pines Personals

Richard H. Aishton, II, of Wintetka, Ill., was the guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Kelsey last weekend.

S. Monroe Colletter, son of Mrs. C. H. Colletter, has matriculated at Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Colo., for the fall term. He has joined the Kappa Sigma fraternity and is living at the frat house.

Miss Barbara Betterley has returned from Boston and is visiting her mother, Mrs. Hugh Betterley.

Lt. and Mrs. Robert C. Nelson are leaving Saturday for Minneapolis, Minn. They have been living at Woods Hole since April, while the lieutenant was stationed at Fort Bragg. Mrs. Nelson's mother, Mrs. Margaret Sivertson, will return with them after vacationing here for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Evans of the Town and Country House, May Street, returned Tuesday of last week from an extended tour of the New England states during the summer.

Miss Margaret Herr of Waterbury, Conn., was the guest of her cousin, Sieger Herr, for several days before leaving for Greensboro to enter the freshman class at Woman's College. Her father, Dr. F. W. Herr, who was the guest of his brother, Dr. G. G. Herr, has returned to his home in Waterbury.

Bobby Spring is attending Belmont Abbey College.

Thomas William Greene of Blowing Rock was an overnight guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. Irvin Morrison, and Mr. Morrison Wednesday of last week. On his return home Thursday, he was accompanied by his nephew, Leonard Gargis, who had been visiting the Morrissons and Mr. and Mrs. John Absher.

Bob Burns, student at Presbyterian Junior College, Maxton, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Burns, last weekend.

Bobby Newell, who has been visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Kimball, for a month left Wednesday night for his home in Atlanta, Ga. He was accompanied by his aunt, Mrs. F. H. Kaylor, Jr., who will stop for a few days visit with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newell. From there she will go to Brooksville, Fla., to visit another sister, Mrs. T. G. Maillis, and her family.

Miss Rhea Matthews, formerly of Mrs. Olive's Royalton Pines Restaurant, has returned to Boston to enter Wheelock College.

The Rev. Voigt O. Taylor of Landrum, S. C., was a Southern Pines visitor Tuesday of last week. He is a former pastor of the Church of Wide Fellowship.

Hodgkins To Head MC Drive To Raise Occoneechee Fund

Plans for a simultaneous area wide finance campaign of the Occoneechee Council to be conducted during the last two weeks of October are in the final stages. It is announced today by K. G. Clapp, Siler City, who is serving as Council campaign chairman. The purpose of the campaign is to raise the operating budget of the Council for the year 1947, which is \$38,088.50. In the counties of the Council where there are Community Chests, that county's share of the budget will be raised through the Chest.

In eight of the eleven counties comprising the Council, independent Scout campaigns will be conducted. Committee appointments in most communities have been made, including the campaign committee, special gifts, prospects and publicity. Insofar as possible the campaign will be conducted in one day.

The Occoneechee Council budget is for the entire area it is pointed out by Clapp. Without the budget there would be no Council and without the Council there would be no scouting in this community. Certain items as executive's salaries, office rent, postage, telephone, camping activities, leadership training, office salaries, field expense, advancement, charter fee, organization and office supplies are a necessary part of the budget. Local Scout officials urge the support of every one in the forthcoming campaign. N. A. Hodgkins is Moore District Finance Chairman.

Personals

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Moore and daughter, Mrs. John E. Daniels, attended Mrs. Moore's family reunion, the Coburn, at Plymouth recently. From there Mrs. Daniels left for a visit at Virginia Beach, returning to Southern Pines last week.

"UNREALITY"

"Unreality," is the subject of the lesson sermon in all Christian Science Churches Sunday, Oct. 6, service at 11 Sunday School at same hour.

OBITUARIES

LEWIS ROGERSON HAYNES

Cpl. Lewis Rogerson Haynes, notice of whose death on September 21st, 1946, in Letterman Military Hospital, San Francisco, California, appeared in last week's Pilot, was the son of Dr. and Mrs. Winthrop P. Haynes of Boxford, Mass. and New York. He was born in Paris, May 21st, 1926. His father's profession necessitating residence abroad at that time, Lewis lived in Neuilly, just outside the city of Paris near the Bois de Bologne, until he was six years old, when the family moved to England. He went to nursery school in France, and to elementary schools in Kent and Devonshire, leaving England for America when he was ten years old.

In this country he attended grammar schools in Massachusetts and entered the Southern Pines High School in 1939, graduating in the class of '43. From there he went directly to Harvard, taking the accelerated course, and obtained a certificate for two years' work completed in fifteen months, before he was drafted.

Joining the infantry, he was sent to Camp Blanding, Fla., and then to the University of Chicago to study Japanese and conditions in Japan. In March, 1946, he sailed for Japan, and spent the next six months in Tokyo. There, in a sealed room, he did secret work for the Army.

A friend writes of him: "During that time he developed and matured remarkably, judging from his letters which became fluent and showed his increasing appreciation of all beauty and worth in life, and his growth in ideals for world brotherhood. He lived intensely, studying and reading subjects to ponder over. During this period he kept a full journal."

"He climbed Fiji with some companions and spent on beautiful night in the 'holy' mountain, watching the dawn come. His description of the beauty of the experience showed what a depth of spiritual meaning it had for him. In writing his journal he found a release from his former bonds of shyness and reticence, finding an unusual fluency and ease of expression. One felt that his spirit was now free to follow his keen mind to heights almost above human knowledge. He seemed to have reached a clarified atmosphere and his journal is a choice record of his unusual life, cut off at a high peak of development. Although he had lived only twenty years, his strong and fine personality had exerted great influence over all who knew him."

While in the service of his country, Lewis was stricken with the polio from which he did not recover, on board ship returning home.

He was the nephew of Mrs. J. E. Morris of Southern Pines, through whose courtesy the Pilot has been privileged, in the past, to print several of the interesting and inspiring letters Lewis wrote to family and friends at home.

RALPH MILTON GILLIS

Following an illness of two weeks, Ralph Milton Gillis, 67, died in the Moore County Hospital, Friday, September 27th. Funeral Services, conducted by the Rev. H. L. Hemphill of the Galatia Presbyterian Church and the Rev. Troy Mullis of the Manly Presbyterian Church, were held in the former at 4:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Interment was in the family plot in the church cemetery.

Mr. Gillis, the son of Duncan Black Gillis and Eppie Johnson Gillis, was born July, 24, 1879, and moved from Fayetteville to Manly about 12 years ago. He is survived by his widow, the former Bessie Phillips, a son, D. B. Gillis of Mt. Olive, N. C., three daughters, Mrs. James Howard of Belmont, Mass., Mrs. P. L. Stephenson of Varina, N. C., and Myrtle Lawrence of Manly.

Mrs. Brown to Seek Members For State Hygiene Society

Mrs. W. G. Brown of Carthage, has been appointed More County representative of the N. C. Social Hygiene Society.

Mrs. Brown will visit the town of the county in an endeavor to acquaint the people with the aims of this organization, and to enroll as many \$1.00 members as possible in the fight to eradicate venereal disease.

Heads VA Special Services



Brigadier General Francis R. Kerr, wartime chief of the Army Exchange Service and deputy director of the Army Service Forces Special Services Division, heads VA's Special Services Division. In his VA post, General Kerr is responsible for developing and maintaining the morale of hospital patients, guests of homes and VA employees through canteen, recreation and entertainment, athletic, library and chaplaincy services.

WEAVER FOR AID

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world. It is to the everlasting glory of teachers everywhere that the teachers of Norway pledged, during the German occupation that they would never teach anything to their children which they considered to be false. The schools still stand as the greatest champion of and believer in democracy."

In enumerating the needs of schools today, Weaver mentioned more and better trained teachers, and administrative officers, and warned of the scarcity in that field, with 1200 vacancies in North Carolina and from 125 to 500,000 in the nation.

"Many who are teaching today," the speaker said, "have had no more than a high school education. Though we have a high standard of certification that is no help when no teachers are available. I believe," he went on, "that one of the reasons for this is the low wage scale; another is too much regimentation by school boards, and parental interference. There is none here, however," he added. "I don't know the answer, but I do know that teaching must be made more attractive financially in order to attract ambitious, intelligent, able men and women. He urged more men teachers be sought."

Weaver listed as school needs: better teaching facilities, including lighting, heating, lunch rooms, gymnasiums; a revised curriculum with more emphasis on manual training and, for girls, home economics. "We do a good job for the college preparatory student," he said, "but a poor one for the others who go directly to a job that requires work with their hands; and that includes girls, so many of whom marry soon after leaving school."

As his fifth "need," Weaver listed more study and supervision of the individual student. "We try to give as much as we can, but that is not enough. In our town, where I believe the percentage of broken homes is unusually high, such individual supervision is vitally important."

The speaker said that supervision of the school itself and its personnel was needed also. "We invest a lot of tax money in schools, but don't have anyone to see that we are getting our money's worth. The superintendent is paid to; yes, but he is also a few other things: teacher, coach, business manager, janitor, and so on."

Saying that the minimum a good school should spend per pupil was said to be \$115 per year, with the best running to \$250, he said that North Carolina spent only about \$40. Southern Pines has raised this to \$60. "Federal aid," Weaver said, "is the only answer."

The Southern Pines educator closed his remarks by saying: "Don't tell me you're for more money for schools, tell your senators, your representatives, the county commissioners who set the tax rates and must pay for all buildings. Tell them and then vote for the taxes that will pay for the schools."

The evening's program was in charge of Mrs. Will Wiggs, and attracted much favorable comment. The Rev. Humphries said: "Well, with a child just starting in, in the 2nd. grade, you can imagine how I feel about it." Echoing the minister's words were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Burney, the

John Ruggles At Greensboro Meet

John S. Ruggles of the Paul T. Barnum Inc., agency, local representatives of The Etna Casualty and Surety Company, attended an educational conference at the King Cotton Hotel in Greensboro on September 30th.

Leading Etna agents in North Carolina were invited to attend this conference in recognition of their outstanding records.

The conference is one of a number being held by Etna throughout the country in order that its representatives may have a full, "up-to-the-minute" knowledge of their business and, consequently, may prove of greater service to their clients. Speakers at the conference described many different forms of insurance and bonding protection.

Group Conference To Meet Tuesday At Old Bethesda

The Group Conference, District Six Woman's Auxiliary of Fayetteville Presbyterian will meet Tuesday with Bethesda Church, Aberdeen, Oct. 8, beginning at 10 o'clock. There will be a picnic lunch as usual, and all auxiliaries are requested to attend.

Visitors are invited to join on that day of fellowship and worship.

Dr. T. E. Davis pastor of Brownson Memorial Church, Mrs. M. J. McGuire, Mrs. Charles Ross, Presbyterian president, Mrs. Julian Hutaff, Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Gibbs and a number of our Presbyterian Cause secretaries will attend.

Theme for Conference: "Stewardship."

Mrs. Tillett Talks To Democratic Women

Plans have been completed for Democratic Woman's Day in North Carolina, which will be held Tuesday, October 8, it is announced in Raleigh by Mrs. B. B. Everett, vice-chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee.

The meeting will be held at the Sir Walter Hotel, and will open at noon with a luncheon in the ballroom, after the women present have had an opportunity during the morning to greet one another and renew old friendships.

Of interest to Southern Pines is the fact that Mrs. Charles W. Tillett of Washington, D. C., and Charlotte, vice-chairman of the National Democratic Executive Committee, and sister of "Judge" Avery, will be the principal speaker following the luncheon. She will be followed on the program by William B. Umstead, chairman of the State Democratic Executive Committee, Governor Cherry and North Carolina's beloved Josephus Daniels.

A round table discussion of state problems and the part which women should take in helping to solve them will be held and the meeting will adjourn in time for all women except those from far distant points to drive to their homes by nightfall.

Rev. Samuel Erwin Dies At Ridgecrest

Funeral services were held First Baptist Church, Lexington, N. C. for Rev. Samuel J. Erwin, who died September 27th, at Ridgecrest. Rev. J. Roy Clifford officiated at the services, and music was rendered by the church choir. Burial was in the Lexington City Cemetery.

Rev. Erwin was a native of Ireland but was educated in this country and was a minister of the Baptist Church. He was preparing to move to Florida to accept church work there when he was stricken with a heart attack Thursday night and died early Friday morning. He is survived by his wife, two children, his mother and one brother in Scotland and four brothers in this country.

Mr. Erwin resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Southern Pines last Spring. Several friends from Southern Pines attended the funeral services on Sunday.

latter remarking: "It presented the subject in a way I hadn't thought of before." Speaking informally after the meeting Weaver said: "To me, the situation is about as bad as it can be."