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ARTHUR PAGE TO REPRESENT U. S. ON DISARMAMENT

Appointed Aide to Secretary of State for Naval Conference in London

MANY OBSTACLES LOOM

Arthur Wilson Page, formerly of Aberdeen and son of the late Walter Hines Page, was last week named by Secretary of State Stimson as personal aide to the secretary during the forthcoming World Naval conference to be held at London starting January 21st. The appointment is one of the most important made by the Secretary of State since he assumed office because of the importance of the subject to be treated by the Department at London, and is a distinctive honor.

Arthur Page was born in Aberdeen in 1883 and was educated at Lawrenceville, N. J., and Harvard. He is a vice-president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, president of the Bell Securities Company, a director of the Engineers Public Service Company and an overseer of Harvard University, in addition to being a director of the Page Trust Company of Aberdeen. He is at present residing in Washington.

Conference Problems

Many obstacles loom up before the American representatives who will go to London seeking naval disarmament on an equitable basis. Principal among these is the question of parity between the Italian and French navies and the Japanese desire for a cruiser ratio of seven to ten for the United States and Great Britain, instead of three to five as laid down for capital ships at the Washington arms conference. Then there is the important question of submarine limitation. France, Italy and Japan regard the undersea boats as their most effective weapons of defense, while Great Britain out of the lessons of the World War naturally view them as the greatest menace to its safety in the event of hostilities.

France and Italy are engaged upon negotiations which might lessen the difficulties of the London Conference, but there has been no information as to what progress they have been able to make. They started from such widely distant points that a complete agreement in advance of the meeting of the five sea powers scarcely is to be expected.

Information here is that the French government is seeking to convince the Italians that its national security requires the maintenance of two separate and large fleets because of its geographical location upon two widely distant sea lanes.

Large Fleet

France points to its large combined Atlantic and channel coast line as requiring one defense fleet with an independent one for its Mediterranean coast line and for keeping open the lane to its North African provinces upon which it drew heavily for manpower in the World War.

While all of its coast is in the Mediterranean area, the Italians, as their view is understood in Washington, insist that they must have naval parity with any other European continental power because they must depend upon unobstructed sea lanes for necessary supplies due to the limited land boundary and the rugged nature of the north country.

There are among the points which Mr. Page, as representative of the State Department at Washington, will be called upon to sit in counsel in London, an assignment which promises to be as interesting as it is weighty in international importance.

SENATE ACTS FAVORABLY ON SEAWELL APPOINTMENT

A Washington despatch to The Pilot states that Herbert F. Seawell of Carthage was confirmed by the Senate on Wednesday as a member of the United States Board of Tax Appeals, his nomination for which was sent to the Senate last week by President Hoover. Mr. Seawell will commence upon his new duties at the Capital at once.

MRS. THOMPSON VERY ILL

Mrs. Lizzie Thompson, who has been sick at the home of her son, E. B. Thompson, three miles from Vass, for several weeks has declined rapidly for the past few days and is now critically ill. "Aunt Lizzie" is the oldest woman in the community and one of the most widely known and her many friends will learn with sorrow of her extreme illness.

U. S. Representative at Arms Conference



Arthur Wilson Page

Police Tags Now In Use Here To Remedy Traffic Conditions

Every Day is Tag Day Now if You Aren't Careful about Parking and Such

Every day is Tag Day in Aberdeen now.

Perhaps you've found one of those new tags on your car. If you haven't, and you want to see what they look like, just park wrong.

Parking wrong consists of parking more than 12 inches from the curb, within 15 feet of a street corner or fire hydrant; parking in a non-parking place, or at entrance of alley or street.

You can also get a tag for not displaying proper license number, for improper lights, for turning corners on the left side, for obstructing traffic, for fast driving at intersections, reckless driving, turning around in the middle of a block, or for throwing trash out of your car on the street.

The tags tell you to call at the Mayor's office in Aberdeen within 48 hours "and answer to traffic violation checked on opposite side of this card." And you'd better call, too, for there's a follow-up system to the new traffic code, and there are teeth in the law. Violators will find that out.

Twelve who were handed tags the first day appeared before Mayor Henry Blue last Saturday and were given warnings. Second violations will mean a fine of five dollars. After a while when the populace knows more about the traffic rules, even first offenders will draw fines.

Aberdeen's streets are narrow. There are many blind corners, many railroad crossings. Traffic is heavy, and there must be regulation. Regulation will come with understanding of the rules, and the new tag system will hurry understanding. Especially if a five dollar fine accompanies the tag. Better watch out.

LAND HERE ON FLIGHT TO NEW YORK FROM FLORIDA

J. Carlton Wicker, of Southern Pines, Miss E. H. Brownard of Jacksonville, Fla., William C. Crawford of New York and Pilot H. B. Poindexter of Raleigh landed at the Knollwood Airport in a huge Curtis plane Wednesday afternoon en route from Jacksonville to New York. The party left Jacksonville at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning and landed here at 1:30 in the afternoon. After lunch at The Woodworth they left for Raleigh and New York.

HURT BY FALL

James J. Harrington of the Southern Pines Hotel met with a painful accident last week. While entering a room that was being renovated, Mr. Harrington fell over a plank across the doorway and shattered his knee. After X-rays and careful examination, his leg was put in a cast. Mr. Harrington will probably be in bed for several days.

Here For 18th Year

Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt First Arrivals When Highland Pines Inn Opens Doors

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Wyatt of Fond du Lac, Michigan, were the first guests to register for the 1929-1930 season at the Highland Pines Inn on Weymouth Heights, Southern Pines, when the doors were thrown open to the public on Wednesday of this week. Mr. and Mrs. Wyatt are spending their 18th consecutive season at the inn, and are accompanied by their son, George Wyatt.

Others registering on the opening day for stays of some duration were F. W. Baumer of New Rochelle, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Fordhope of Scarsdale, N. Y., Mr and Mrs. H. S. Monks, of Washington; Dr. T. F. McNamara and the Rev. J. C. Brophy of Rochester, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. I. Clement Collier of Brooklyn, who have also spent 18 winters at the Inn; E. S. Tweedy of New York and Mr. and Mrs. George H. Henne of Titusville, Pa.

Both Andrew I. Creamer and M. H. Turner, proprietors of the Highland Pines, are here for the season. The staff includes many familiar faces, with W. E. Flynn again at his post as chief clerk, D. C. Welch secretary, G. F. Hobbs night clerk and Leon Yorke as steward. Kenneth Painton is the new headwaiter, succeeding Mr. Yorke.

The Highland Pines has been repainted and undergone considerable repairs and renovations preparatory to the influx of guests throughout the winter months.

COL. SLOAN LEASES FORMER HOME OF MRS. H. A. PAGE, JR.

Col. T. Donaldson Sloan, formerly of Fort Bragg and recently retired from the army after years of service, has leased "Coveycote," the Southern Pines residence of Mrs. Henry A. Page, Jr. facing the Highland Pines Inn on Weymouth Heights, where he and Mrs. Sloan will spend the winter. The house is one of the most attractively in Southern Pines, and was recently entirely redecorated. The lease was made through Paul Barnum, Southern Pines realtor.

MORE THAN 3,000,000 LBS. OF TOBACCO SOLD HERE

Good breaks on the local tobacco market all this week put the total sales for the season thus far over the 3,000,000 pound mark, and there is little doubt but that total sales for the year will break all previous records in Aberdeen. Tobacco continues to come to the floors of the two Aberdeen warehouses in good quantity each day, and the average price is holding up well in comparison with prices throughout the state.

NEW HOSPITAL OPENS DOORS TO COUNTY MONDAY

No Ceremonies to Mark Opening Though Public is Invited to Inspect Building

PANTRY SHOWER PLANNED

Unostentatiously as befitting an institution of its kind, the new Moore County Hospital at Pinehurst will open on Monday next. While no ceremonies will attend the opening, the public, through whose generosity, plus the substantial gift of the Duke Foundation, made the hospital possible, is invited to inspect the institution on the opening day and succeeding days next week.

The new Moore County Hospital is one of the most complete rural hospitals in the country, representing an outlay for building and equipment of about \$250,000, for which has been procured the most efficient agency for the purpose that money and modern knowledge could buy. The building stands on a high rise of ground in the edge of the village of Pinehurst. It is reached by three State highways that converge within a few thousand feet.

Equipment the Best

The equipment is the finest that scientific ingenuity has devised, and as money was available for the needs of the institution, both the medical and surgical departments have been amply provided. Dr. Clement Monroe, a former resident of Moore county, but who came here from Baltimore, will be head of the institution, which is open to all physicians with their patients. The hospital is for all people of the county, and with its exceptional equipment it is expected to attain a prominence in its field that will be enviable, and which will enable it to be of great service.

The construction of the establishment was made possible by a liberal contribution from the Duke Foundation, which has had a hand in the plans and in the work of building. The operation will be also in harmony with the Foundation policies and advice. A fortunate situation is the residence in Moore county, especially in the winter season, of many well-to-do Northern people of means, and they have shown great interest in the institution, aiding freely of their money. Along with them the people of the county have responded to calls for funds and the result is very satisfactory.

Benefit Pantry Shower

A pantry shower for the benefit of the hospital has been arranged for next week by the women of the county. Feeling that there are in the section many who, though unable to offer financial aid to the institution, desire to "do their bit," these women have issued an invitation to one and all to make contributions of staple and canned goods, imperishable food commodities of all kinds, and ask that these be taken to the hospital during the coming week. The appeal is county-wide for a county institution by a committee of women from all parts of the county, and should meet with ready response.

HUNTER AND WILLIAMS IN CAROLINA GOLF FINALS

James T. Hunter of North Adams, Mass. and Winthrop Williams of New York went their way to the finals in the 14th annual Carolina golf tournament held at the Pinehurst Country Club this week. Hunter defeated W. A. Rupp of Buffalo, N. Y., in the semi-finals, while Williams beat K. P. Barlow of Montreal, both matches going to the 19th hole.

FIRE IN J. W. PAGE, JR. HOUSE IN PINEBLUFF

Fire broke out in the basement of the residence of Jesse W. Page, Jr. in Pinebluff yesterday morning, calling forth the Pinebluff and Aberdeen fire departments. The blaze was confined to the coal bin and vicinity of the furnace, and except for some damage to rugs and from smoke, the living quarters were unharmed. The blowing of the fire siren in Aberdeen attracted many from here to the scene of the fire.

HIGH SCHOOL PAPER TO COME OUT NEXT WEEK

The Sandhill Echo comes out next week. The Sandhill Echo is the publication of the Aberdeen High School. Raymond Wicker is editor-in-chief, with Miss Frances Pleasants associate

AN EDITORIAL War vs. Automobiles

The Travelers Life Insurance Company, which pays heavy bills for death, says that during September 3,000 persons were killed by automobiles in this country. That is a peace time record.

The government war records say that on September 17, 1862, at the battle field of Antietam, the bloodiest day's encounter of the Civil War, 2,108 union soldiers and 1,886 confederates were killed, a total of 4,094.

So it seems that war is still slightly in the lead in bloodshed as compared with peace.

Another September war record is Chickamauga, where 1,656 union soldiers and 2,268 confederates were killed, a total of 3,924.

September records show that war is about 33 per cent more murderous than the automobile. But the weak spot about that delusion is that the automobile keeps up its steady slaughter each month of the year. War makes its killing in big battles, and only a few months in a year have such totals. It seems that automobiles this year will kill more than were killed any year in battles in the United States. War is a piker. The automobile is the killer.

PHONOFILM TO PROVIDE TALKIES FOR PINEHURST

De Forest Sound Equipment Ordered by Picquet for His Other Theatre

GRAND OPENING DEC. 9

The Carolina Theatre of Pinehurst, unable to stand silently by and watch its brother at Southern Pines get all the glory, has succumbed to the call of the talkies. Manager Charles W. Picquet announced this week that an order had been placed with the De Forest Phonofilm Company for equipment duplicating that in the Carolina at Southern Pines, and that shipment will be made at once. The opening of the Pinehurst theatre for sound pictures is scheduled for December 9th.

The Pinehurst house has been playing to handfulls while Southern Pines has been turning people away. No longer will the public go to see silent films while they can witness and hear musical comedies and Broadway successes, learn the latest music and songs, laugh with the comedians and cry with the tragedians. It was thought possible that one talkie house and one silent house might work out well in the Sandhills this winter, but the season was only a few weeks along when it became self-evident to Mr. Picquet and others interested in the Pinehurst theatre that times have changed in the movie game, that the old dog is dead.

Delivery Rushed

Under ordinary circumstances it would not be possible for the Carolina at Pinehurst to get such prompt delivery service of the De Forest Phonofilm equipment as has been arranged by Mr. Picquet, the orders now being booked calling for delivery next February, but due to the fact that the North Carolina Motion Picture Producers Association, of which Picquet is president, meets at Pinehurst jointly with theatre owners of South Carolina during the week of December 9th, arrangements were made with the DeForest company to expedite shipment for a grand opening during the convention. Mr. DeForest, inventor of much of the sound picture equipment, will himself attend this gathering, as will others nationally prominent in the film industry. Mr. Picquet is arranging for a premiere of one of the biggest sound pictures yet produced for this opening.

WILLING WORKERS MEET

The Willing Workers of the Baptist Church of Southern Pines met with Mrs. Gearson on Tuesday. The afternoon was given over to the regular business meeting and a short program. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

Autos Kill 556 Persons In 10 Months

Seventy-Six Dead, 409 Injured, Toll for October

SIX CHILDREN KILLED

Several Local Accidents During Past Week.—Pilot Campaign For Remedial Legislation Wins Favor of Public Here.

The death toll of automobiles in North Carolina the first ten months of 1929 was 556 persons, an average of 55.6 persons each month.

October automobile deaths totalled 76, and the list of injured ran up to the astounding total of 409. Pedestrians killed last month by automobiles totalled 24, with 72 injured. Six children were killed while playing in the streets, and 28 others injured.

These are facts and figures given out during the week by W. C. Spruill, assistant director of the Motor Vehicle Bureau of the State Revenue Department.

Accidents, mostly due to careless and reckless driving and speeding, continued to keep police, doctors and automobile repair shops busy in this immediate vicinity during the past week. A Dodge car driven by Miss Johnnie Redding of Carthage and a Ford coupe driven by a negro crashed into each other near the Mid-South Service station on the southern boundary of Southern Pines one night, Miss Redding suffering cuts and abrasions about the legs and her two companions minor cuts and bruises. The evidence tended to show that both drivers were too near the middle of the road, the right front fender of each car being smashed by the collision.

Local Accidents

Another colored driver ran his car off the road near Pinebluff and turned turtle in an attempt to avoid a collision with William Keith of Southern Pines. Both cars are said to have been traveling at high speed. Several smashed cars were observed along roadsides in various parts of the county during the week by Pilot representatives, among them one which collided with a school bus on the road between Aberdeen and Pinehurst Wednesday afternoon.

The Pilot's campaign, inaugurated last week, for a new State law requiring operators' licenses of all drivers of motor vehicles, has met with almost unanimous support throughout this section of the state. A number of prominent residents of the Sandhills have expressed their unqualified approval of the issue.

"I do not see how anyone could feel otherwise, and I am surprised that the

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GEORGE SMITH DIES AT HIS HOME IN WEST END

George Smith, leading citizen of West End and well known throughout the state of North Carolina, died at his home in West End Tuesday night after a serious illness extending over a considerable period of time. Death was due to an infection of a bone in the hip.

Mr. Smith, loved and admired by all who knew him, was 43 years of age and had resided in West End for about ten years. He was a traveling representative of the Bowser Company, pump manufacturers. Surviving is his wife. The funeral services were held yesterday morning at 11 o'clock at the home, with burial in the cemetery at West End.

BISHOP Du MOULIN TO PREACH AGAIN SUNDAY

The Right Rev. Frank Du Moulin, D. D., will preach again at Emmanuel Church, at Southern Pines, at 11:00 o'clock Sunday morning, November 24. The largest congregation of the season is expected at this Harvest service

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS

Next week being Thanksgiving week, The Pilot will be printed on Wednesday instead of Thursday, and correspondents are requested to submit their copy a day earlier than usual.