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## CO-OP SELLING OF CROP URGED ON PEACH INSTITUTE

Member of Federal Farm Board  
Addresses Local Growers  
At West End

GEORGE ROSS PRESIDENT

George W. Ross, formerly of Jackson Springs, now superintendent of State-owned farms with headquarters at Raleigh, was named president of the Carolina Peach Institute at the annual session of North and South Carolina peach growers held in Columbia, S. C., on Tuesday. L. G. Guyon, of South Carolina was renominated for vice-president and Fred Abbott, of Hamlet, secretary and treasurer. The nominations were confirmed at a meeting held Wednesday in West End.

At this meeting Charles Wilson, fruit and vegetable member of the Federal Farm Board and other farm leaders addressed the Institute. Mr. Wilson advised the growers of fruit of the two Carolinas and Georgia to form a regional cooperative with the view of fitting it into a large body later when such a body is formed. He interrogated members of the Institute present to determine their stand on cooperative selling and was pleased to find that every man present who raised cotton sold it cooperatively. He said he was looking for local information that would help him in advising as to the cooperative selling of fruits.

Mr. Wilson explained the Federal marketing act and urged growers of peaches to place their orchards on a business basis just as industry had done.

W. R. Tucker, of Atlanta, Ga., spoke on "Quick Freezing of Fruits" and served to members of the Institute samples of fruit preserved by this method.

W. F. Turner, of Fort Valley, Ga., in charge of phony peach eradication in Georgia, treated this problem of the peach grower. Dr. John W. Roberts, of the United States Department of Agriculture, discussed "Bacteriosis." J. W. Park, also of the United States department, submitted some views on the economics of production and distribution of peaches. Dr. J. R. Magness, another representative of the Federal department, commented on different methods of cultivation of peaches as affecting their storage qualities.

## Good Fellows Club Active For Christmas

Elect Officers and Vote To Distribute Cash and Clothing Through Kiwanis

The Aberdeen Good Fellows Club has been active this week in raising funds for its annual Christmas cheer to those in need. At a meeting held last Friday the members voted to give all proceeds of its annual drive, up to \$100., to the Kiwanis Christmas Daddies, and all clothing and food contributed to the Good Fellows will be distributed this year through the Kiwanis committee. Funds raised over and above the \$100. will be retained by the Good Fellows for emergency use during the year.

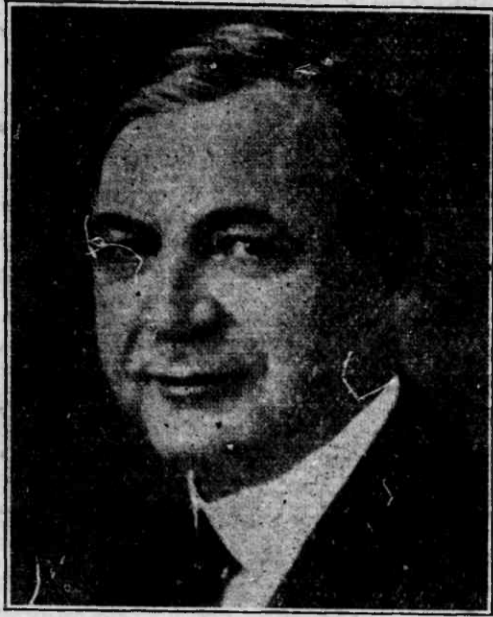
Frank Shamburger was elected president at Friday's meeting, M. H. Polley vice president and Dan I. McKeithen secretary and treasurer. The Executive committee comprises the officers, G. C. Seymour and M. M. Johnson. Mrs. J. R. Page again heads the Charity Committee, and Gloma A. Charles the Distribution Committee. Residents of Aberdeen have been generous in their response to the appeals made to them through the Charity Committee during the past week, and the needy families of the Aberdeen section will be cared for during the holiday through the combined efforts of the Christmas Daddies and the Good Fellows.

## TO SING CHRISTMAS EVE

The Civic Club of Southern Pines will have a musical program Christmas Eve at the clubhouse at 7:30 to which all are invited. There will be carol singing by 20 girls, and a string orchestra.

## Christmas Daddies Issue S. O. S. for More Clothing for Children

Santa Claus



P. FRANK BUCHAN  
Chairman of Kiwanis Christmas Daddies Committee

## 1930 WILL BREAK RECORDS IN AUTO DEATHS IN STATE

Toll of 690 to Dec. 1st Equals Number Killed in All of 1929

102 NOVEMBER TOTAL

Jimmy West, of Rockingham, was injured when his car collided with that of Frank L. Henrici, of New York on Route 50 about a mile south of Aberdeen Sunday night. West's car was driven by William S. Scales of Rockingham. Many minor accidents occurred Wednesdays due to the heavy snowfall.

One hundred and two persons were killed by automobiles in North Carolina last month. This is but four below the record of 106 fatalities in December, 1928, the largest number in any month since the motor vehicle bureau of the State Department of Revenue began tabulating motor fatalities in July, 1927.

In announcing the report, Sprague Silver, head of the motor vehicle bureau, pointed to the fact that 35 or more than a third of the persons killed by automobiles last month were pedestrians. An additional 45 pedestrians were injured. Five children playing in the street, and eight persons walking beside the highway were included in the pedestrians killed.

November's toll brings the total for the year to 690 deaths, which is the exact number killed during the entire 12 months of last year. With December yet to go, indications are that this year's fatalities will materially exceed those of last year. A total of 68 deaths were reported in December 1929.

There were 24 deaths and 223 injured as a result of collisions between automobiles last month, the report shows. Seven deaths and 16 injured resulted from automobile train collisions, and one death and eight injured from automobile and horse drawn vehicle collisions. Non-collision accidents and collisions with fixed objects accounted for other deaths.

## FIRES CAUSE DAMAGE IN SOUTHERN PINES HOMES

Two fires in Southern Pines yesterday morning did damage amounting to several hundred dollars. The residence of Mrs. Condit on the northeast corner of Vermont avenue and Leake street suffered the most damage and necessitated two runs to the scene by the department. The firemen answered a still alarm but could find no fire; upon being called back flames originating in the kitchen were found to have penetrated the second floor.

The other fire, in the Van Turen house on Vermont avenue between Bennett and Pag streets, also started in the kitchen. The family, aided by neighbors and fire extinguishers, put out the blaze after damage of around \$100. Both the houses were covered by insurance carried with the Barnum agency.

## Four Hundred Needy Youngsters Must Be Provided For By Kiwanis Committee

ELEVENTH HOUR APPEAL

The Christmas Daddy appeal sent out hurriedly from headquarters night before last resulted in the gift of substantial checks and many children's clothes yesterday. P. Frank Buchan, chairman of the Kiwanis committee, announced last night. Among the gifts was a check from Pinehurst, Inc., for \$100. Despite the generous response to the appeal published in Thursday morning's Sandhills Daily News, still more clothes are needed, Mr. Buchan said, as the committee is still receiving urgent demands from needy families for aid.

The cold snap has brought unusual hardships to the children of parents out of work and the committee is aiming to take care of these families as nearly 100 per cent as possible.

Mr. Buchan stated at the committee's store in Southern Pines last night that the demand for relief, especially in the line of children's garments, had been coming in all day, and as fast as the staff of workers could put up sets of clothing from the stock already collected or purchased, in would come demands to exceed the supply. Both children's and women's garments are needed, but mostly clothing for children ranging from 6 to 14 years of age.

This last minute demand is over and above the some 600 people the Kiwanis Daddies are providing with food and clothing. At the weekly meeting of the club, held yesterday noon at the Pinehurst Country Club, Mr. Buchan reported the applications of 170 families numbering 600 men, women and children, all of whom will

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## TICKETS ON SALE FOR AMERICAN LEGION BALL

Tickets have gone on sale for the annual American Legion ball, to be held at the Southern Pines Country Club on the night of Tuesday, December 30th under the auspices of Sandhill Post. Members of the post and of the woman's auxiliary of the post, as well as patronesses selected for the ball, have them for sale. The dance is scheduled to start at 10 o'clock, and many are planning to attend after the concert to be held that evening at the Civic Club in Southern Pines under the auspices of the Southern Pines Library.

The proceeds of the Legion Ball are used for charitable purposes, a large proportion of the money going to the post's Oteen Disabled Veterans' Fund.

## COUNTY TAX COLLECTIONS LESS THAN YEAR AGO

According to figures compiled in the office of J. D. McLean, county tax collector for Moore County, tax collections for the period ending November 1, 1930 are only slightly below the collections for last year up to the same date, taking the reduced levy into consideration.

The levy for this year is \$415,798.81, and the report of Nov. 1 shows that \$132,821.46 has been collected.

Last year's levy was \$428,801.27, and on November 1 the collections were \$139,562.14.

## NEW AIR SQUADRON FOR FORT BRAGG ORDERED

Fort Bragg is to have a new air squadron, according to announcement from Washington. A despatch to The Pilot says that Secretary of War Hurley has directed that a special service school air detachment be organized as Flight C, 16th Observation Squadron at the nearby artillery fort.

The squadron will have five officers, twenty-five men and two planes.

Don't miss the picture, "Along Came Youth," starring Buddy Rogers, this week at the Carolina Theatre, Southern Pines. Not only is it a good picture, but 20 percent of the proceeds go to the Kiwanis Christmas Daddies toward their work in making Christmas a merry one for the poor and needy of this section.

## POULTRY SHOW AT VASS PROVES GREAT SUCCESS

Growth of Industry in Section Revealed in Wide Variety of Exhibits

MANY PRIZES AWARDED

The first Sandhill Poultry Show held in Vass on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week was a success, even beyond the expectations of the promoters. The attendance was good, the cash receipts took care of the expense with some to spare, and the eyes of the public were opened as to the possibilities of poultry raising in this section. Indications are that the show as an annual event is firmly established.

Few people around realized the growth that had been made in the last year or two in the poultry industry in this county, so the wonderful display of fowls of various popular breeds proved to be an eye-opener and brought home to the beholders a realization of the fact that it is not at all necessary to pack up and trek to a far distant land in order to be successful in poultry raising, but that just as good fowls can be grown right here as in any other locality.

The show was opened on Thursday afternoon with an address by Lieut.-Gov. R. T. Fountain, who urged the farmers to turn away from a cotton-tobacco program and place their hope in livestock and poultry, something that can be eaten by the family in case the market falls through.

Lieut.-Governor Speaks

Gov. Fountain was the principal after-dinner speaker at a most enjoyable capon banquet held at Hotel Charmella in the evening and attended by some three-score representative men and women from this and adjoining counties. Senator-elect Murdoch M. Johnson acted as toastmaster in his usual happy manner. Both Gov. Fountain and Senator Johnson praised Mr. Mayfield, secretary of the show, and the school for their work in stimulating the poultry industry in the Sandhills.

The committee was fortunate in procuring Paul Sease, State poultry specialist, to judge the exhibits, and instead of his making a talk on Friday afternoon as was scheduled, Mr. Sease conducted a most helpful round table discussion, explaining to the exhibitors the points considered in judging poultry and answering their questions on various subjects.

The awarding of prizes was the feature of Saturday's program and Mr. Mayfield had the pleasure of distributing around one hundred dollars in cash and other valuable prizes to the winner.

On Thursday evening, the Vass-Lakeview boys and girls defeated the teams from Sandhill Farm Life School in exciting games of basket-

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## NEXT WEEK PILOT TO BE ISSUED WEDNESDAY

In accordance with its policy to give the staff a holiday on Christmas Day, The Pilot will be published on Wednesday of next week. Advertisers and correspondents are requested to have their copy ready one day earlier than usual.

—THE EDITOR.

## DIETZ REPORTED IN GUN FIGHT WITH CANTON OFFICERS

Trailed to Cabin, Suspect Opened Fire on Police of Haywood County

ESCAPED IN WOODS

A special despatch to The Pilot from Canton, in Haywood county, states that three Canton police officers engaged in a running gun fight last Sunday morning with a man believed to be Granville A. Dietz, slayer of Chief of Police Joseph Kelly of Southern Pines and escaped prisoner from the State Prison Farm at Caledonia.

The officers were on the trail of a suspicious character they believed to be Dietz and trailed him to a cabin. Arriving in sight of the cabin, the report states, the officers stopped their car. A lone figure from a peak some 800 yards distant watched the officers approach. As two of the officers brought Winchester rifles to their shoulders the man started running toward the cabin.

The officers separated and were in the act of surrounding the cabin when the man appeared in the rear door and started shooting at the policemen. After firing five shots the man started running toward a small patch of woods. The officers returned the fire and believed they wounded their man, though he made good his escape.

There is nothing in the report to indicate on what the officers base their supposition that the man in question was Granville Dietz, who, on March 20, 1929, shot and killed the Southern Pines Chief of Police at the corner of Massachusetts avenue and May street in that city and who, after trial at Carthage, was sentenced to serve a long term in State's prison. Dietz escaped after serving but a few months of his sentence and has not been heard from since. The rewards for his capture, which occurred in Maine some weeks after the murder, were paid by the Southern Pines Board of Commissioners a few weeks ago. The present reward for his capture and return to the State prison is only twenty-five dollars, it is said.

Chief of Police R. W. Beasley of Southern Pines, Kelly's successor, is investigating the report of Dietz's presence in Haywood county.

## Curb Market Opens In Southern Pines

First Sale of Surplus Farm and Home Products Scheduled for Tomorrow

Tomorrow, Saturday is the date set for the opening of the Southern Pines Curb Market, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce. Surplus home and farm products from the vicinity are to be marketed directly to the consumer and eggs, chickens, canned goods, home-made sausage, garden products, flowers, shrubs, candies, cakes, etc., will be among the offerings.

The market will be operated in the vacant lot on Pennsylvania avenue opposite the Postoffice, and is expected to be a boon to housewives in Southern Pines and nearby towns. Mrs. W. L. Ryals, County Home Demonstration Agent, and E. H. Carrison, County Farm Agent, are assisting the Chamber of Commerce in getting the market under way, and both urge the support of Home Demonstration Club members and farmers of the county in launching the enterprise.

## NEW 1931 LICENSE PLATES READY FOR YOUR CAR

The new 1931 North Carolina license plates are putting in their appearance, orange numerals on a black background. The sale of plates and new licenses are on sale by Bruce Cameron at his residence opposite the Pinehurst Garage in Pinehurst. They may be placed on cars at once, and must be on before January 1st. There is no change in registration fees, plates running from \$12.50 for passenger cars of under 25 horsepower to \$40 for cars over 40 horsepower. Truck plates range from \$15 up-wards.

## PAGE TRUST CO. ADDS ZEBULON TO GROWING LIST

Local Institution Named Liquidating Agent of Trust Company There

WILL OPERATE BRANCH

Page Trust Company of Aberdeen last Saturday added Zebulon to the constantly growing list of North Carolina cities served by his institution. The bank was named liquidating agent for the Zebulon Banking and Trust Company, which closed its doors on December 3.

Page Trust, which entered Raleigh in September following the failure of the Raleigh Banking and Trust Company, and is now acting as liquidating agent for that bank, will open a branch in Zebulon, providing banking facilities for a community without such facilities since the failure of the Zebulon institution.

Announcing the opening of the Zebulon branch, which makes the twelfth branch of the Page Trust Company, Executive Vice-President John Nichols issued the following statement: "After careful inspection of Zebulon in eastern Wake county where the only bank closed a little more than a week ago leaving the community without banking facilities, and upon invitation of many of the leading citizens of the town and community, the Page Trust Company will, in order to meet the needs and in line with its policy of giving to small communities the benefit of large facilities, open a branch office in Zebulon Monday morning, occupying the quarters formerly used by the Zebulon bank."

President Robert N. Page took personal charge of the Zebulon branch for the opening.

The latest acquisition gives the Page Trust Company offices at Zebulon, Raleigh, Aberdeen, Raeford, Thomasville, Hamlet, Sanford, Apex, Liberty, Carthage, Siler City and Ramseur.

## SCHOOLS CLOSE

Schools have closed for the Christmas holidays, to open again on January 5th. In some instances in the county they were closed before the scheduled time on account of the snow. No complaints were registered by the pupils.

## Thrilling Race for Christmas Club Prizes Ends Monday Afternoon

Last Minute Subscriptions to Pilot to Determine Winners of Ford, Etc.

Someone wins a brand new Ford sedan next Monday. Someone else deposits \$200. in the bank. Another owns a new radio, another a diamond ring, and another a wrist watch. And so on. For the Pilot's Christmas Club campaign ends that day when the judges, U. L. Spence of Carthage, G. C. Seymour of Aberdeen and M. C. McDonald of West End open the box in the Page Trust Company in which late returns are deposited by contestants.

The second period of the campaign closed Monday night, December 15. The close was very exciting and several changes were made in the standing of the contestants.

There are only three more days left for the candidates to get subscriptions which will enable them to earn one of the valuable prizes The Pilot has so liberally offered. A glance at the list of contestants will show that there is a prize for almost everyone of them. The race has narrowed down

## The Standing

Close Finish Apparent in Pilot Christmas Club Race for Big Prizes

The relative standing of contestants at close of the second period, ending December 15th was as follows:

Mrs. F. L. DuPont	429,100
Mrs. E. E. Merrill	400,100
Mrs. N. M. McKeithen	398,500
Mrs. Annie Laurie Weaver	382,000
Miss Hazel Frye	252,500
Mrs. S. R. Ransdell	250,500
Miss Elizabeth Keith	230,800
Miss Alline Thomas	218,400
Miss Sallie Matthews	151,000
Mrs. Ethel Howie	132,300
Mr. J. B. Kennedy	53,000

to a small number of active candidates.

The Pilot realizes that the active candidates are working diligently and

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