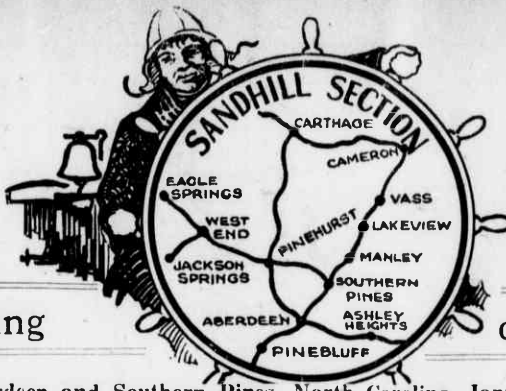


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## BOYD SPEAKER AT ANNUAL BANQUET IN SOUTHERN PINES

Chamber of Commerce To Entertain at Southland Hotel Next Thursday Night

### MANY STUNTS ARRANGED

James Boyd will be the principal speaker at the annual banquet of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce to be held at the Southland Hotel next Thursday evening, January 28th. Mr. Boyd will select his own topic, and those acquainted with the author know that it will be pertinent and well worth hearing.

The date of the banquet, which is always a feature event of the winter in Southern Pines, was changed yesterday from Friday night, the 29th to the night before owing to the play to be given on Friday night at the Church of Wide Fellowship.

Dr. George G. Herr is chairman of the committee on arrangements for the banquet and has been busy for some time with his program. He and his committee have a number of amusing stunts up their sleeve. Another prominent Sandhillian will be on the toast list along with Mr. Boyd. President S. B. Richardson of the Chamber of Commerce will preside, and Lovejoy's orchestra will furnish the music gratuitously. Annual reports will be read, but, according to the chairman, "will be brief." The nominating committee will report its selection of directors for 1932.

## Tufts Asks Support For Ten Year Plan

Tells Kiwanis Club of Aims of Organization in State Rehabilitation

Richard Tufts told members of the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen some of the plans projected for the program of rehabilitation and recovery of North Carolina under the Ten Year Plan when the club met in the Church of Wide Fellowship Wednesday noon. Mr. Tufts had just come from a meeting of subcommittees under Project A of the association, held Tuesday and Wednesday in Pinehurst, and was enthusiastic over the proposals submitted at that gathering.

Stating that the Ten Year Plan was still more of an idea than an actuality, Mr. Tufts stressed the need of some such body to lead in the very necessary rehabilitation of the state over the next few years, the need of keeping the state moving forward that its young men may not be tempted to desert the ship and seek careers elsewhere, the need of acquainting the people of the state with its resources and advantages, of interesting those of other states in North Carolina. He told something of the plans for organization, the probable employment of a director to serve on a full time paid basis under the executive committee; of the plans for classifying memberships with varying dues.

He spoke of highway beautification plans, the development of wild life resources, the need for forest fire prevention on a much greater scale than at present, stating that the State spends today but one-thirty-third on forest protection of what it spends protecting crops, schools, etc., despite the fact that our forests are possibly more valuable than anything we have. He spoke of the plans for a land, park and forestry policy, and reported at some length on publicity plans and the idea to start a magazine to "sell" the state to its citizens. Mr. Tufts is chairman of the subcommittee on tourist maps and magazines, one of the committees which met this week in Pinehurst.

"I know of nothing the Kiwanis Club might do more constructive than to lend its valuable aid to the development of this Ten-Year Plan," he said in conclusion, and the applause indicated a general approval of the club in what has come to be known as the Tyre Taylor Plan.

### C. of C. Speaker



JAMES BOYD

## BONDED DEBT OF COUNTY \$733,500 ON JANUARY 1ST.

Total Reduced by \$35,500 During Last Nine Months of Past Year

### INDEBTEDNESS OF TOWNS

While the 100 counties and about 430 municipalities of North Carolina issued only \$804,500 in bonds and notes, creating new debts, and paid off a total of \$7,016,240 in bonded indebtedness during the last nine months of 1931, as shown recently by Charles M. Johnson, director of Local Government, the governmental units of the state, outside the State itself, still have a bonded indebtedness of approximately \$380,000,000.

Combined with the State debt of nearly \$182,000,000, this total is about \$542,000,000 for the State and its local government units, or an average of about \$174 per person, or more than an average \$700 for the head of the average family of more than four persons in the state.

Moore county, Mr. Johnson's records show, had a total bonded indebtedness on January 1, 1932, of \$733,500. During the last nine months of 1931, this county paid on its bonded indebtedness a total of \$35,500, thus reducing its outstanding bonds by that amount. During that period no new bonds were issued, although some outstanding bonds and notes may have been refunded, which adds no debt.

Aberdeen had a bonded indebtedness January 1, 1932, of \$86,500 and had paid off and retired outstanding bonds during the last nine months of 1931 amounting to \$6,500. No new bonds were issued by the municipality during that period, Mr. Johnson's records show.

Carthage had a bonded indebtedness on January 1 of \$57,000, and had paid off none of its bonds, as none fell due, since April 1, or had it sold any new bonds in that period. Carthage has \$1,558.27 in sinking fund cash in banks, secured by \$2,000 in bonds.

### STATE LEADERS HERE TO DISCUSS 10-YEAR PLAN

Tyre C. Taylor, executive secretary to Governor Gardner, Col. J. W. Harrelson, head of the State Department of Conservation and Development, E. B. Jeffress, chairman of the State Highway Commission and others prominent in the organization of the North Carolina Ten Year Plan were in session at Pinehurst Tuesday and Wednesday to discuss Project A of the plan, that having to do with the development of the resort business. Interesting meetings were held at the Holly Inn and among the subjects taken up were Highway Beautification, Wild Life Resources, Preservation and Marking of Historic Spots, Land, Parks and Forestry Policy, Modern Tourist Interest and Road Maps and Magazine.

## SAMUEL G. ALLEN LEASES LAND HERE FOR BIRD RAISING

Noted Dog Fancier Acquires 6,500 Acres in Little River Section Below Vass

### TO PUT OUT BROOD STOCK

By Bion H. Butler

Samuel G. Allen, of New York and Pinehurst, whose kennels on the Midland Road have become the heart of the field trials in the Pinehurst area, has leased in the Little River section below Vass 6,500 acres of land on which he is preparing to establish a bird protectorate that will have a decisive influence on the future of this community. For a number of years Mr. Allen has devoted time and money and effort to the increase of the quail population of the Sandhills, most of the time a fellow-worker with Leonard Tufts, and the achievements of these two men are the basis of nearly everything that has been done to give quail propagation the impetus it has gained.

Mr. Allen has been operating over a large territory in the Jackson Springs country. The addition of the 6,500 acres below Vass will give another outlet to his ambitions, and a decided uplift to the establishment of Moore county on a broader and more intelligent bird and game footing. The land secured is leased from the owners. It embraces the country on both sides of the Lobelia road from Vass down to about the mouth of Crane's Creek, and on the Beaver Creek way to include Frank Cameron's farm as the northern extreme. Probably more country will be added as land is found that is desirable and that the owners care to include in the reservation. While some land is not as desirable for quail rearing as other, where a farm is taken the whole acreage is included, even though it is not used, as Mr. Allen is not inclined to pick little spots here and there and make a patchwork job.

### No Promiscuous Shooting

This project is a strictly private affair, and it will not be open to any promiscuous shooting. In fact it is hard to regard it as a shooting proposition at all, for Mr. Allen does little shooting, and does not encourage his friends who visit him to kill many birds. His pleasure comes from working his dogs, building up strong beavies of quail all over his leasehold, and feeding and protecting his birds. This is similar to the work at the field trials where the dogs point the birds which are then flushed but allowed to fly away unharmed.

The method of operation on the Vass reserve will be a distribution of breeding stock to supplement that

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## President Names Tyson Postmaster at Vass

Nomination Sent To Senate Means End of Long Service of Mrs. Matthews

The name of Claude Landon Tyson of Vass was sent to the Senate by President Hoover on Tuesday for confirmation as postmaster at Vass. The president's nomination is practically assured of confirmation, which means the withdrawal in the near future of Miss Bertie L. Matthews as postmistress there. Miss Matthews has been postmistress since her appointment by President Woodrow Wilson.

Landon Tyson, as he is familiarly known in his community, is a son of John Tyson. The president sent 15 North Carolina postmaster nominations to the Senate Tuesday, the only others in this section being John S. Downing to be postmaster at Fayetteville and Asa C. Parsons for the position at Star.

### PICQUET IN WASHINGTON

Charles W. Piquet, manager of the Carolina Theatres in Southern Pines and Pinehurst, is in Washington, attending a meeting of the National Association of Motion Picture Theatre Owners of which he is vice-president.

## R. Gordon Matheson New President of Presbyterian Junior College

Son of Rev. R. G. Matheson of Jackson Springs To Succeed Late Rev. R. A. McLeod

R. Gordon Matheson, son of the Rev. R. G. Matheson, Presbyterian minister at Jackson Springs, was elected acting president of the Presbyterian Junior College at Maxton by the board of trustees at their meeting in Maxton Monday. He succeeds the late president, R. A. McLeod, another Moore county resident before his removal to Maxton.

The new president has been professor of English and dean of Presbyterian Junior College since its beginning three years ago, and his work has been outstanding. He graduated from Presbyterian College of South Carolina in 1921, and has since taken his M. A. degree from the University of South Carolina.

He has also taken additional graduate work from Peabody College for Teachers of Nashville, Tenn. He taught English for five years in Columbia high school, Columbia, S. C. While in South Carolina he was president of the state Christian Endeavor union for a period of two years. Before coming to Presbyterian Junior College, he was assistant professor of English at V. P. I. He was born in Scott county, Virginia.

Charles K. Hunter was elected assistant acting president. The latter will act as contact and publicity man, it was stated.

### To Honor Mr. McLeod

In addition to the election of President McLeod's successor, plans were made for a definite expansion of the college and substantial amounts were subscribed for this purpose by members of the board of trustees present.

The Rev. W. M. Fairley, D. D., of Raeford, a member of the board, was named chairman of a committee to complete plans for the expansion program. A committee was also named to draw up resolutions in honor of the late president. Founder's day, February 21, was set aside as a day when the college will do special honor to its dead president.

Assistant President Hunter is a native of Marlboro county, South Carolina. He is a nephew of former Governor Richards of South Carolina. He was educated at Davidson College and the University of North Carolina. Mr. Hunter, who has held the chair of history in the college here, was closely associated with President McLeod in the work of making contacts with prospective students and his duties as assistant president will continue along that line.

## Competitive Grabbing Threatens Democracy, Says Richard Tufts

Groans Over Taxation Must Continue if Roar in Pursuit of Privilege Does

By Richard S. Tufts

The article by Mr. Ralph Page now followed in your columns by the polite retort of Mr. Dougall McDuncan, indicates that a wave of giving public expression to our thoughts has descended among us. Feeling that there are certain merits to a public discussion of our present problems, I am hereby following suit.

It is my contention that the people of this fair land have unwittingly dedicated themselves to competitive graft on a scale far more tremendous than is generally recognized. We lead a Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde existence in that on the one hand we groan under the burden of taxation while on the other side we roar equally loud in pursuit of privilege. There is scarcely ever a gathering that does not discuss one or the other of these twin subjects and yet few recognize the link that makes of the pair a Siamese prodigy. New roads, new post-offices, government loans, inland water ways, new school buildings, subsidies—the list is endless. At nearly every meeting our county commissioners submit a request to the State Highway Commission that they take over more highways in the county; Southern Pines and Pinehurst want new post office buildings; we want a

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### Seven More Days

Penalty Attaches if You Do Not Pay Taxes Before February 1st

Throughout the remainder of this month taxes may be paid at par, but February will bring with it a penalty of one per cent. Quite a number of taxpayers have been paying up during the past few days and taking advantage of the saving, according to W. T. Huntley, Moore county tax collector. There are only seven more tax-paying days in this month.

## HOYLE CHAIRMAN OF VICTORY FUND COMMITTEE HERE

Carthage Man Named by Head of State Committee of Democrats

### ALL READY FOR CAMPAIGN

S. R. Hoyle of Carthage has been appointed Moore county chairman of Democratic Victory Fund committee by C. L. Shuping of Greensboro, chairman of the State committee.

In making his announcement, Mr. Shuping pointed out that the enthusiasm displayed by Democrats approached in this cause throughout the state made it possible for North Carolina to perfect its organization in such a manner that the National Victory Fund Campaign management had decided to use the North Carolina set-up as a model to spur similar aggressive activities in other states.

Mr. Shuping referred to his list of one hundred county managers as representing "every element within the Democratic party in the state," and added that this indicated "the unity existing within the party and the determination of all to fight together for a great Democratic Victory in November."

The North Carolina organization, it was further pointed out by Mr. Shuping, is now in a position to go ahead with the campaign. He stated that in addition to receiving the enthusiastic acceptance of one hundred members of the General State committee,

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### Hab Sprig Cub?

It Certainly Looks Like it With Tomatoes Ripening and Violets Out

Dan Harrington, porter at the Seaboard freight station in Southern Pines, pulled from a tomato stalk in front of the station office Saturday to hand to The Pilot a ripe tomato which is one of a number that have grown there and ripened this winter. Sweet Williams are blossoming at Valhalla, flowers in profusion on the Pinehurst lawns, violets are everywhere, Alex Field killed a big black-snake last week, in the Abraham garden roses have opened, perfect flowers, and so the story runs to any length. Grass was never so green at this season of the year in this section, for one reason because more has been sowed this year than ever, but also because of the mild weather that has stimulated growth.

But 25 years ago the season was as warm as now at this time in January, a record of 79 on January 14, and peaches in blossoms were reported. Early in February, 1894 the hills were white with arbutus blossoms and quail were seen within a hundred feet of the Seaboard station at Southern Pines. A year or so later two men from Pennsylvania got

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## HUNTLEY BONDED FOR \$25,000 AS TAX COLLECTOR

County Commissioners Accept Security Provided by New Jersey Indemnity Company

### VOTE PAGE DEPOSITORY

After refusal by a number of bonding companies to write further bonds covering Moore county tax collectors, a bond in the sum of \$25,000 has been provided by W. T. Huntley, the newly appointed collector, and was approved and accepted by the Board of County Commissioners at their meeting on Monday. The minutes of Monday's meeting read:

"On motion of E. C. Matheson seconded by G. C. Seymour and unanimously carried the bond of W. T. Huntley, county tax collector, with Public Indemnity Company of Newark, New Jersey, as surety in the sum of \$25,000 was received, accepted and approved and ordered recorded."

Although Mr. Huntley had been given the highest rating by the bonding companies with which negotiations had previously been under way, said companies had expressed an unwillingness to write further bonds covering the county's tax collectors, so for the first time it looked as if the Board of Commissioners would fail to procure a bond for its money gatherer. These companies made it clear that their action was merely a matter of policy and in no wise a reflection on Mr. Huntley, nevertheless to a man of Mr. Huntley's standing who had never before been unable to comply when his job called for the filing of a bond, the state of affairs was somewhat embarrassing.

### Temporary Depository

On another motion unanimously carried it was ordered that Mr. Huntley deposit the taxes collected for 1931 in the Carthage branch of the Page Trust Company, said sums so deposited to be transferred to the Bank of Pinehurst, the county financial agent, from time to time when deposits have cleared, the order to become effective upon the Page Trust Company's setting aside its security for the county of Moore against loss, as provided by law, Liberty Bonds in equal amount to funds so deposited by such tax collector.

It is understood that the bank has agreed to the terms. This will be a great convenience to the tax collector. J. D. McLean having shown to the commissioners that certain taxpayers having real estate had obtained tax receipts for 1930 taxes by means of bad checks, it was ordered that Mr. McLean be instructed to sell the real estate of such taxpayers on the first Monday in March, 1932 at 12 o'clock noon at the court house door after advertising such real estate as provided by law for sale of real estate by sheriffs and tax collectors in cases of taxpayers failing to pay tax levied.

The insolvent list tendered by J. D. McLean was accepted.

W. H. Currie, chairman, and Commissioners Seymour, Matheson and Cameron were present at the meeting. G. C. Shaw was absent.

## REORGANIZE GIRL SCOUT TROOP IN SOUTHERN PINES

The Girl Scout Troop of Southern Pines, which has been inactive for a period of time, is to be reorganized under the leadership of Miss Emilie Richardson and supported by a local council of prominent citizens.

More than ten years ago the Girl Scout Troop was established by Mrs. Howard Burns and Mrs. James Boyd. Residents of the community may recall some of the notable work accomplished by the scouts in connection with the Armenian Relief Fund and county and community welfare.

All girls between the ages of ten and fifteen years who have not previously been Scout members are urged to come to the meeting at the Civic Club at four o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

After the new troop has been thoroughly organized, the older Scout members that are interested will be asked to become active.