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## TERMS JAPANESE- CHINESE SITUATION GRAVE ACCIDENT

Rev. F. Craighill Brown Gives Kiwanis Club New Picture of Japanese Invasion

### IN CHINA AGAINST WILL

In a talk before the Kiwanis Club on Wednesday the Rev. F. Craighill Brown, rector of the Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Southern Pines spread new light upon the Japanese-Chinese situation which gave the many of those present both sides of the picture for the first time. Br. Brown lived for some time in China and spent two years in Shanghai, and has been following with a keen understanding of conditions in the far East the recent warlike developments there. The trouble all started, he said, when a new government in Manchuria turned against Japan about four years ago. Japan had been attempting as amicably as possible, to cultivate Manchuria, needing many of the raw materials available there and had gone far in its efforts when the change of government occurred. Since around 1928 she has had difficulty in pursuing her policy of friendliness peacefully. It has been necessary to maintain a military force there to assure the peacefully carrying on of those projects in which Japan has heavily invested. Her efforts to keep the peace led to sparks, which grew to conflagrations. Factions in China rose up and demanded a boycott of Japanese goods, and Japan's entry into China proper was purely to stop the boycott.

### Against Their Will

Mr. Brown believes Japan thought the appearance of a small force in Shanghai would mean the end of the boycott, and as a matter of fact, the mayor of Shanghai did accede to Japanese demands. But the powerful boycott committees of merchants, which have formed into associations, would not uphold the mayor, and military resistance resulted. This resistance forced further warfare on the part of the Japanese, against their will. And now there is no telling where it will end.

"It has all been a grave error, but an accidental one," Mr. Brown said. He is of the opinion that a parallel is found in the Nicaraguan situation when U. S. Marines entered Nicaragua, and that under similar circumstances believes the United States might have done the same thing in Mexico that Japan has done in China. At Wednesday's meeting, held in the Civic Club in Southern Pines, Dr. Symington, county health officer, told the Kiwanians of plans for greater use of milk throughout the section and asked for their support in furtherance of the State-wide campaign which is now being waged. He made the statement that close to one-sixth of the population of North Carolina is not using milk at all, to the detriment of their own health and to the economic disadvantage of the dairy industry.

## PRESIDENT OF STATE BAR ASSOCIATION SPEAKS HERE

"The-Men-of-The-Church" will hold its first regular meeting this Friday evening in the Sunday School room of the Aberdeen Presbyterian Church. Supper will be served promptly at 7:30. C. G. Rose, an elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Fayetteville, a member of the Stewardship committee of General Assembly, and president of the N. C. Bar Association, will address the men. The Rev. A. W. Dick of Fayetteville and the Rev. Murdoch MacLeod of Pinehurst will also be on the program. Every man of the Presbyterian Church is invited and expected to be present.

On Sunday morning at 11:15, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed, following this rededication service, the Volunteer "Every-Member" canvass will be made for the financial program of the church for the new Church Year which begins with April. The officers of the church urge every member to be present. Subscription cards and pencils will be found in the pews.

## Will Serve Again as Commissioner if People Want Him, Says Currie

Spence Also Waiting to Hear from Supporters Before Announcing For Legislature

By Bion H. Butler

Been nosing around again asking folks about politics. Saw Wilbur Currie in Carthage Wednesday. Isn't crazy about being commissioner again. Says if the people want him to serve another term he will make the run. If they don't he will not enter into any contest. Mr. Currie's attitude is that of other busy men who have affairs of their own to look after and he is not hunting for a job that pays fifty dollars a year and entails an enormous amount of work and responsibility.

One thing the present board chairman emphasized is that if he should be retained in the office he will continue his efforts to install economy in county affairs. His opinion is that while the practice of economy has been followed in the last few months to such extent that some folks have complained that the commissioners have been holding things down too tight, we are to see further retrenchments as the days go by. And if he should be reelected he will certainly try to relieve the taxpayers to the fullest extent possible. Folks who comment on Mr. Currie's work express a good deal of satisfaction, although some have complained because he has not looked with sufficient leniency on calls for appropriations from the county treasury.

Mr. Currie's willingness to be a candidate for commissioner again seemingly removes that apprehension some folks had about him as a candidate for legislature. With Thad McLean coming into the field it looks now as if the encounter is between Spence, McLean and Nick Gibbon. McLean is definitely announced. Spence has stated that if he finds the sentiment indicates a desire on the part of the people in that direction he will be a candidate, otherwise not. Those who are closest to Gibbon say they expect to hear from him almost any day authorizing his announcement. Political prophets are found who say they would not be surprised at either one of these three making a successful run.

### Seymour's Successor

The question of commissioner in the Sandhills township quarter is attracting some attention since Seymour's announcement that he would not be a candidate. Frank Shamburger's name is still mentioned, although he has not been saying much himself. Gordon Cameron over at Pinehurst, has been suggested as a highly capable possibility, and one who would have a good following. Frank Buchanan is viewed with favor, but Frank says, "by no means." Henry Blue is still in the minds of some of the folks.

A little excitement is created this week by John McCaskill's announcement for sheriff. This is received by different persons with different reaction. John and Charlie McDonald, the present sheriff, both come from

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## LEGION POST HEARS OF SITUATION IN CHINA

Lieut. John Reynolds, U. S. N., in charge of Navy recruiting for North and South Carolina, and Frank D. Grist, State Commissioner of Labor, were the principal speakers at the monthly meeting of Sandhill Post No. 134, American Legion, held at the Civic Club in Southern Pines Wednesday night. Another Department of Labor man, Lisston L. Mallard, also spoke.

Lieut. Reynolds talked interestingly on the situations in China. Mr. Grist told why veterans of the World War should all join the American Legion, and Mr. Mallard spoke in lighter vein and had the house in an uproar.

The post voted to hold a minstrel show in April. Several new memberships were reported. Ladies of the Auxiliary furnished a bountiful lunch. The March meeting of the Legion Auxiliary was held on March 5th with 20 members present. It was voted to hold a bridge party at the Hollywood Hotel on April 6th for the benefit of the Moore County Hospital Auxiliary.



SHERIFF C. J. McDONALD

## County Launches Milk For Health Campaign

Interesting and Enthusiastic Meeting Held at Carthage To Plan Educational Campaign

Despite the inclement weather an interesting and enthusiastic meeting was held in the court room in Carthage last week to hear speakers on the subject and to discuss ways and means for the carrying out of the Milk-for-Health campaign.

This is the week in which a State-wide intensive work will be given to the campaign and plans were made at this meeting. The aim of this campaign is to increase the use of milk throughout the county and state, in the interest of health, and secondarily to increase its production as an article of diet.

The speakers at the meeting were Dr. Symington, Public Health Officer; Dr. McBrayer, Secretary of North Carolina Medical Association; Mrs. Carolina Medical Association; Mrs. Garrison, Farm Demonstrator.

The meeting was thrown open after the addresses, and useful and practical points were cleared up. Committees were appointed on pasteurization, markets, milk for the poor, speaking, posters, competitions, essays, competition posters and competition rhymes and songs.

The existing county relief committee is to act as the Milk-For-The-Poor committee. Wilbur Currie is the chairman of this committee, and the local chairman are as follows: J. E. Muse, Carthage; Mrs. Jesse Page, Eagle Springs; B. Deaton, Spies; E. K. Brown, Hemp; Tracy Parks, Hallison; Mrs. G. C. Shaw, Highfalls; C. V. Alexander, Carthage; Mrs. Layton McKeithen, Cameron; D. McCrimmon, Vass; Gordon Cameron, Pinehurst; Henry Blue, Aberdeen; Mrs. J. D. Suttentfield, Pinehurst; Mrs. J. V. Blue, Carthage and Dan Patterson, West End.

Edwin T. McKeithen, business manager of the Moore County Hospital, told women of Carthage of the great need for funds for that institution at a meeting held in Carthage last Wednesday afternoon. Mr. McKeithen told of the unusual number of charity cases being cared for at the hospital, many of which come from the Carthage vicinity, and of the need of county-wide financial support to meet the demands for which the hospital exists.

## CARTHAGE WOMEN ASKED TO AID COUNTY HOSPITAL

As a result of the meeting there is much talk of organizing a hospital auxiliary among the women of Carthage, similar to organizations in other towns of the county.

## FAMOUS ORCHESTRA TO PLAY HERE MONDAY NIGHT

The famous Carl Lea Fell Orchestra, which plays summers at Grove Park Inn, Asheville and winters in Miami, will play for the second of the series of Chamber of Commerce dances to be held Monday night next at the Southern Pines Country Club. Tickets are one dollar and the public invited. Many of the young people of the Sandhills, home for the Easter holidays, plan to attend.

## TAX LISTERS FOR COUNTY NAMED BY COMMISSION

Miss Maida Jenkins Appointed Tax Supervisor and April 1 Set To Start Work

### RULING ON B. & L. LOANS

At a meeting of the Board of county commissioners held on Monday of this week, Miss Maida Jenkins was appointed tax supervisor for 1932, list takers were named and April 1 was set as the date for the listing of property to be begun. Ten cents per name is the compensation to be received by the list takers. Several reductions in valuation of property were granted and action was taken in regard to exemptions from taxation of homes which have notes and mortgages due Building and Loan associations of the county.

List takers appointed for the various townships of the county are as follows: A. B. Cameron, Carthage; B. Deaton, Bensalem; W. J. Dunlap, Sheffields; Miss Alice Ritter, Ritters; O. U. Alexander, Deep River; D. McDonald, Greenwood; F. W. Van Camp, McNeills; J. T. Harrington, Sanchills; E. B. Keith, Mineral Springs.

"It is further ordered that the tax listing of said property for taxation be begun for said tax year 1932 on April 1 and completed by May 1, 1932, and the township scrolls made by said tax listers and presented to the tax supervisor on or before June 1, 1932. It is further ordered that the township tax lister receive as compensation for listing such taxes and making such township tax scroll the sum of ten cents per name.

### B. & L. Loans Not Exempted

"Whereas, it appears to the Board that there is a misunderstanding of the application of Charter 108 P. L. 1925 as to exemptions from taxation of homes which have notes and mortgages due Building and Loan Associations of the county, it is upon motion of G. C. Ceymour, seconded by E. C. Matheson and carried, ordered that all properties in Moore county that have had deductions of fifty per cent of the amount of mortgages and notes due said Building and Loan Associations be listed at the full appraised value of such property and said deductions for said notes be eliminated for the reason that notes and mortgages to Building and Loan Associations do not come within the exemption provided in said Chapter 108 P. L. 1925 and it is further ordered that the county auditor compute the tax on such valuations included in such deductions, and that such tax be charged to such taxpayer having received such deduction for the year 1931 and thereafter and the tax collector is hereby ordered to collect such tax so computed and charged."

It was ordered that the real estate value on 1,100 acres of G. A. McRae land in Deep River township be reduced from \$17,000 to \$15,300, as recommended by the appraisers. Other reductions were granted, on account of error in listing, as follows: M. H. Tucker, Mineral Springs township, \$700; Alex. Adams, Mineral Springs township, \$750; F. L. Currie, Mineral Springs township, a reduction in valuation of from \$5,250 to \$4,000.

## SHRINE CLUB BALL AT COUNTRY CLUB THURSDAY

The annual Charity Ball of the Sandhill Shrine Club, an event looked forward to throughout the year, will be held at the Pinehurst Country Club on next Thursday evening, March 24th, with dancing from 9 to 1 o'clock. Tickets are now on sale at \$5.00, and may be obtained from members of the club or at the Charles Drug Company in Aberdeen.

In the last four years no less than 315 children have benefitted from the proceeds of these Shrine balls, the eye and tonsil clinics conducted by the club being made possible by these annual dances.

## CHARLOTTE PLAYERS TO RETURN TO SANDHILLS

The Charlotte Little Theatre Players will present "The Torch Bearers" at the Southern Pines Country Club Saturday evening, April 2d.

## Champion Co.



HELEN HICKS

On right, photographed with Marion Turpee Lake on previous visit to Southern Pines.

## Civic Club Elects Officers and Directors

Mrs. Charles R. Whitaker Chosen President, Dr. Graves and Dr. Herr Give Talks

At the regular meeting of the Civic Club of Southern Pines held last Friday, the following officers and directors were elected: president, Mrs. Charles Whitaker; 1st vice president, Miss Elizabeth Schwartz; 2nd vice president, Miss Mary Richardson; 3rd vice president, Mrs. E. M. Hayes; treasurer, Mrs. Shields Cameron; secretary, Miss Mary Schwartz; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ernest Morell; forestry, Mrs. Arthur Newcomb; house committee, Mrs. D. H. Turner; Hospital, Mrs. Maxwell Grey; social, Mrs. Charles Everett; welfare, Mrs. A. McNeil Blair and Miss Iva Robinson; directors, Mrs. Frank Pottle, Mrs. Harry Gage, Miss Alice Southworth, Mrs. H. A. Gould, Mrs. E. A. Tracy, Miss Mary Merrill, Mrs. Walter Hollinshead.

Dr. Isabel Graves' talk on "Some International Aspects of Education" was instructive and Dr. George Herr's talk on "Our Own Public School" was most interesting. The Girls' Glee Club was a great treat and enjoyed by all. The planting of the holy tree in the park, to celebrate the George Washington Bi-centennial, was attended by the members, each one throwing a shovel full of dirt around the tree.

## STRUTHERS BURT TO READ TODAY AT CIVIC CLUB

The very unusual opportunity of making personal contact with a group of well known writers, enjoying the stimulating experience of hearing them read selections from their own works, and at the same time extending much needed assistance to the Library, is offered by the series of authors' readings presented by the Library Association.

Struthers Burt will give the first reading, this afternoon, Friday. Among his well known books are "Diary of a Dude Wrangler," "Interpreter's House," "The Delectable Mountains," "When I Grew Up to Middle Age," and "Festival," his most recent novel which was selected by the Book League of America.

## ANGUS KELLY INJURED WHEN HIT BY AUTO

Angus R. Kelly, assistant engineer of the Southern Pines Water Works, was seriously injured Wednesday night on Broad street, Southern Pines, when struck by an automobile near the blacksmith shop. Both legs were broken and he suffered a severe scalp wound. The motorist who hit him, said to have been a Mr. Currie of Pinehurst, rushed him to the hospital for treatment. The accident occurred about 7 o'clock. Mr. Kelly is 65 years of age.

## WEEK LAUNCHES SANDHILLS SPRING SPORTS PROGRAM

Leading Women Golfers Compete at Southern Pines and Men Stars at Pinehurst

### 30TH NORTH & SOUTH OPEN

Robert Tyre Jones, better known as Bobby, former national amateur and open golf champion, will arrive in the Sandhills on Tuesday to spend the remainder of the week, during which time he will play the local courses, it was announced late yesterday.

The fourth annual Women's Mid-South golf championship next Wednesday and Thursday at Southern Pines, and the 30th annual United North and South Open tournament on Thursday and Friday at Pinehurst will inaugurate the intensive spring sports program of the Sandhills this coming week.

Seventy-five entries had been received up to noon yesterday for the women's event at the Southern Pines Country Club, among them the national champion, Miss Helen Hicks. Other stars entered include Mrs. O. S. Hill of Kansas City, western champion, Miss Beatrice G. Gottlieb of New York, Mrs. Richard Clemson of Middletown, N. Y., Miss Helen Waring of Pinehurst, Miss Catherine A. Bregau of New York and others. The event will be at 36 holes, medal play, and will probably be followed up next Saturday or Sunday by an exhibition match for the benefit of the unemployed.

The Grove Park Inn, Asheville, orchestra, after playing all winter in Miami, will be at the Country Club throughout the week, playing for the tea dances each afternoon and for special events such as the Chamber of Commerce dance on Monday night. The Thistle Club will hold special tea dance on Thursday afternoon in honor of the visiting golfers.

### Men Stars at Pinehurst

Several former national open champions, including Willie McFarlane, Tuckahoe, N. Y.; Gene Sarazen, Flushing, L. I. and Johnny Farrell, in addition to the present national open title-holder, Billy Burke, have entered the North and South Open event at Pinehurst on Thursday and Friday, the 24th and 25th.

Prize money for winning professionals in the event totals \$5,650, which will be divided among the first 15 players. First prize will be \$1,500; second, \$1,000 and third, \$750. Invited professionals are given hotel concessions.

The 30th annual North and South open championship for women will be played March 28 to April 1, followed by the 32nd Annual North and South amateur tourney scheduled for April 4 to 9.

Tennis will come in for major attention the week of April 11 when the 14th annual North and South tennis tournament is scheduled. Members of the Davis cup team and other nationally known net stars are expected to compete.

The Pinehurst Jockey club plans its horse show on March 29 and 30. The annual Sandhill Polo Club tournament and the 14th annual North and South target tournament are other events on the heavy sports program for the next few weeks at this winter resort.

## DAUGHTER BORN SUNDAY TO MR. AND MRS. RICHARD TUFTS

Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Tufts of Pinehurst are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter on Sunday last. Mother and child are reported as doing well; father celebrated the occasion by winning the annual Tin Whistles Club golf championship, or top of his recent acquisition of the Tom Cotton Club title.

## N. C. GRANGE OFFICIAL TO ADDRESS FARMERS TONIGHT

J. S. Ferguson of Guilford county, deputy master of the State Grange, will speak at Roseland School house at 7:30 o'clock this evening, Friday. Every farmer in the community is invited to attend and hear matters of importance to them discussed.