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HOSPITAL GIVEN \$6,584 BY DUKE ENDOWMENT FUND

Sum Represents Number of Patient Days of Charity Service During Year 1932

144 INSTITUTIONS BENEFIT

The Moore County Hospital at Pinehurst was allotted \$6,584 by the trustees of the Duke Endowment when they met Tuesday in New York. A total of \$843,397.67 was appropriated to 144 institutions, of which \$696,048 goes to 98 hospitals and \$147,349.67 to 46 orphanages. The trustees considered applications for assistance from 148 institutions in the two Carolinas.

Other hospitals in this section were allotted sums as follows: Hamlet Hospital at Hamlet, \$6,043; Highsmith Hospital at Fayetteville, \$10,042; Lee County Hospital at Sanford, \$2,284; Pittman Hospital at Fayetteville, \$5,506.

The \$6,584 allotted the Moore County Hospital represents 6,584 patient days of charity service. In his recent annual report covering the year ending December 31, 1932, Edwin T. McKeithen, business manager of the local institution said:

"During the year 785 in-patients were discharged. The number of days of hospital occupancy was 10,367, making an average stay of a little more than 13.2 days as compared with 11.4 days of the year 1931. It is interesting to note that the period of hospitalization for full pay patients was eight and four-fifths days while for free patients the number of days was seventeen and one-fifth, which is accounted for by the fact that charity patients usually come to the hospital in a much poorer physical condition than those who are able to better care for themselves.

"There were 6,584 patient days of charity service which is 63.1-2 percent of the whole. Similar service for 1931 was 62.2-3 percent and for 1930 59 percent.

"The professional staff continues to maintain its high quality of service. Special attention is called to the very low rate of .027 percent for institutional deaths as compared with .045 for 1931 and .0378 for 1930. Full approval by the American College of Surgeons was awarded again for this year.

"It is felt that the physical condition of the building, equipment and grounds has been well maintained. No major repairs were necessary. Minor repairs and replacements were made and some repainting was done.

"The operation of the Hospital was conducted at a cost of 70 cents for each patient day less than for the preceding year."

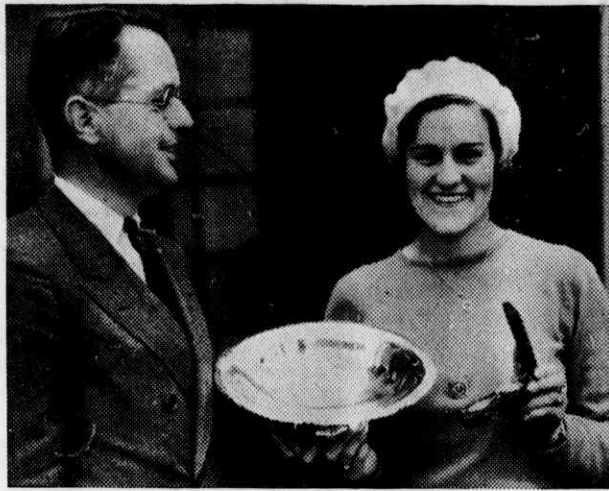
ABERDEEN BALL DIAMOND PUT IN A-1 CONDITION

Men have been busy all week under the supervising eye of Buck Tarlton improving the Aberdeen baseball field, and the diamond and parking spaces around the playing field are now in A-1 shape and are ready for the opening gun of the Moore County League season. The Aberdeen team put on a cracking minstrel show a week ago and netted more than \$60 toward expenses of fixing up the field. Interest is expected to be even greater here this year than last in the games of the county league, with Aberdeen endeavoring to retain the championship it won in the play-off with Vass last season.

KIWANIS CLUB SEEKS JARS TO AID NEEDY HOUSEWIVES

The Agricultural Committee of the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen is sending out a call for jars for preserves, to be distributed by the club to persons in the county unable to purchase them. Those having jars they are not using are requested to leave them with Leon Seymour at the Coca Cola plant in Aberdeen, Duncan Matthews at his law office in Southern Pines or Willard Dunlop at the office of C. W. Picquet in the Carolina Theatre Building, Pinehurst, or at the Pinehurst Dairy.

Retains North-South Title



MAUREEN ORCUTT AND RICHARD TUFTS

Miss Orcutt last week won the annual Women's North & South golf tournament at the Pinehurst Country Club, defeating Miss Bernice Wall in the finals, 5 and 4. John Hemmer, Pilot photographer, snapped the above when Richard Tufts of Pinehurst presented the trophy symbolizing the championship. It was the third time Maureen had won the coveted North & South title.

Looks Like Sales Tax

Senate Votes \$16,000,000 for State Supported 8-Months Public School Term

By a standing vote of 23 to 17, the State Senate late Wednesday night put into the appropriations measure an amendment, signed by 27 Senators, calling for an appropriation of \$16,000,000 for a uniform State-supported public school term of eight-months, and elimination of local levies, including the 15 cents ad valorem tax on land for support of the present extended term. Several of the signers were not present for the vote.

The amendment, dumped into the Senatorial lap as it neared completion of the appropriations bill, paves the way for a sales tax for school support.

Bill Passed Limiting Salaries in County

Maximum Figures Places on Judge, Solicitor and Sheriff in Cameron Measure

The General Assembly at Raleigh has ratified the bill introduced by Representative A. B. Cameron of this county limiting salaries of certain county officials. The new act provides for the following:

For Recorder's Court Judge—Not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$2,000.

For Solicitor—Not less than \$800 nor more than \$1,500.

For Sheriff—Not less than \$2,500 nor more than \$3,600, in addition to all fees, costs and other allowances fixed by statute.

The Board of County Commissioners is empowered to establish the salaries in accordance with the above limits, and in the case of the judge of Recorder's court, may, in the event the court shall exercise civil jurisdiction, increase the outside limit of \$2,000.

COUNTY SAVING MONEY ON TERM OF SUPERIOR COURT

If "A penny saved is a penny earned," as we have so often heard, Moore county is earning money in a hurry this week, for in the term of Superior Court which began on Monday, with Judge G. V. Cowper presiding, there is neither jury nor court stenographer, which means a saving of several hundred dollars for the county. All of the cases, most of which are of long standing, are on the motion docket.

NORTH CAROLINA BANKERS POSTPONE CONVENTION HERE

The 37th annual convention of the North Carolina Bankers association, scheduled to be held at Pinehurst April 20, 21, has been postponed, according to an announcement by Paul P. Brown, secretary of the association. New dates, probably in June or July, will be selected later.

KIRKWOOD BREAKS RECORD TO WIN NORTH & SOUTH

Philadelphia Golfer Plays 72 Holes in 277 to Take \$1,200 Prize Money

FERREE TOPS LOCAL STARS

With a record breaking score of 277 for seventy-two holes, Joe Kirkwood, Philadelphia trickshot artist, won the thirty-first annual North and South golf championship over the No. 2 course Wednesday, breaking MacDonald Smith's mark of 281 which has stood since 1925.

Kirkwood added rounds of 70 and 72 to his 08 and 67 Tuesday, beating Harry Cooper of Chicago, who took second by five strokes. Kirkwood's victory, his first since winning the Southeastern at Augusta last year, was achieved only after a tremendous scare to the largest gallery that ever witnessed a North and South tournament. He started his fourth round badly and took a 40 out but recovered, coming in in 32. First prize was \$1,200.

Purvis Ferree of Aberdeen took 303 for the 72 holes, Ellis Maples of Pinehurst 305, Emmet French of Southern Pines withdrew after 54 holes.

STATE SENATE PASSES BILL FOR BEER IN NORTH CAROLINA

The State Senate, by a vote of 34 to 14, passed the bill on second reading to allow the sale of 3.2 per cent beer in North Carolina at its session last night. The bill must pass another Senate reading before it goes to the House. A petition favoring beer for North Carolina was passed about in Southern Pines early in the week and many signatures affixed to it.

BURLAR ENTERS HOME OF WILL A. BLUE; GETS 40 CENTS

Will A. Blue of Aberdeen awoke to find a man prowling about his bedroom on Wednesday night. The man ran at signs of life in the room, taking Mr. Blue's trousers with him. These were found on the back porch minus the 40 cents the pockets had contained.

BION H. BUTLER TALKS TO KIWANIS ABOUT THE BIBLE

Bion H. Butler, editor of The Pilot, addressed the Kiwanis Club at its weekly meeting on Wednesday, with "The Bible" as his subject.

GEN. McCLOSKEY HERE

General Manus McClosky, commanding officer of Fort Bragg, was among the interested spectators at the Pinehurst Horse Show yesterday.

J. F. STEVENS HERE

John F. Stevens, noted engineer, is a guest at the home of his son, E. C. Stevens, in Southern Pines.

WOMEN RIDERS FEATURE ANNUAL HORSE SHOW HERE

Miss Hall of Camden and Miss Adams of Sedgfield Among Blue Ribbon Winners

FORT BRAGG DOES WELL

Under perfect weather conditions the two-day horse show of the Pinehurst Jockey Club got under way yesterday with women equestrians taking off a majority of the prizes.

Miss Aldeen Hall of Camden, S. C., and Miss Patricia Hyde of Southern Pines, were among the victors. Miss Hall rode Roy Donovan, a seven year old brown gelding of sixteen hands, to victory in the open jumping class, beating Lieutenant Charles Cavelli, of Fort Bragg, who was astride Nigger, an aged black gelding.

Miss Hyde scored on Norah, a chestnut mare, in the ladies' hunter class of four jumps, beating out the Thorndale stable's b. g. Irish Harp. Miss Marian Lyon on Lady Durham took third.

Miss Elizabeth Adams of Sedgfield scored in the combination class, first event of the afternoon, on Mountain Star and repeated later on the same horse in the ladies' saddle horse class.

The combination class proved one of the most interesting events of the day. First shown in harness, Mountain Star proved equally as good under the saddle, beating out Miss Hall's Clearview Cavalier. A. H. Handley's King Redvine was third.

The class for handy hunters was marked by several minor spills, but there were no injuries. A. C. Alexander won this event, one of the most difficult on the varied card, astride Dark Star, a black gelding. Wilbur Osborne's gr. g., Blue Moon, took second. The oval presented a colorful picture with uniformed officers from nearby Fort Bragg on hand to support the army entries. The tents which the soldiers pitched to pass several nights here, made a colorful background for the heavily wooded outside course.

The military did well, too, earning much applause for the way in which they handled their four-line escort wagons, a class won by the team of Battery D. 16th Field Artillery.

The first championship of the show went to W. V. Slocock's polo pony, Merry Heart, a chestnut mare. Verner Z. Reed's Rolls Royce was reserve.

The trotters of William Hodson and Harry Brusie scored heavily, Hodson's Calumet Desmond, taking the blues for trotters in harness and for two and three-year old trotters.

Zombro Hanover, the largest money winning pacer on the Grand Circuit last year, won the blue in the class for pacers in harness.

Miss Patricia Royce was judged the best girl rider, while she and Ted Gervais scored as the best pair of riders. They are children of Fort Bragg officers.

The show continues today with the feature classes the hunt teams and the pairs of hunters. The judges will also award the championship ribbons to the best hunter, best saddle horse, best five-gaited horse and best jumper. Mrs. Lucy Pomeroy Deans of Camden, S. C., Warner Baltazzi of Aiken, S. C. and William Baker of Providence, R. I., are the judges.

REGISTRAR'S BOOKS OPEN SATURDAY IN ABERDEEN

The registration books in Aberdeen will be open for the next four Saturdays at the office of J. Vance Rowe. Miss Leta McBride is registrar. A mayor and board of town commissioners will be elected on May 2d by the duly registered voters. Henry A. Page, Sr., is the caucus nominee for mayor to succeed Henry McC. Blue, present incumbent.

SERVICES AT PAGE MEMORIAL CHURCH ON SUNDAY NIGHT

Preaching services will be held at The Page Memorial Church Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. Mr. Ball will preach at the mentioned hour and invitation is extended the public to attend.

Belated Pension

Widow, Married to Confederate Veteran in 1906, Asks Income from State

A bill to be entitled an act to place Mrs. Margaret Vick of Moore county on the pension roll was introduced in the General assembly this week by Representative A. B. Cameron of Carthage, as follows: "That Mrs. Margaret Vick, age fifty-eight, of Moore County, Cameron, North Carolina, widow of Absalom Vick who was a member of the Confederate Army, Company "C," Regiment No. 35, North Carolina State Troops, married March 8th, 1906, is hereby placed on the Confederate Pension Roll to receive pension granted widows in the fourth class. Sec. 2. That this act shall be in full force and effect from and after its ratification.

Southern Pines Wins Eastern Championship

Dramatic Club Awarded First at Chapel Hill for "The Flattering Word"

The Southern Pines High School Dramatic Club was awarded the Eastern North Carolina championship at Chapel Hill Wednesday night after presentation of its play, "The Flattering Word," by George Kelly. The youthful local artists defeated Hugh Morson High School and Broughton School of Raleigh and the George L. Con High School of Wilson in the finals, and now meets the Western North Carolina champion, as yet undecided, in the finals for the State championship.

Morrell Bentley, Allen Thurman, Helena Kelley, Ruth Richardson and Ruth Adkins made up the cast of the play presented by the local institution.

BANKERS MEET TODAY TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR OPENING

Near 1,000 representatives of closed banks throughout the state met with Superintendent of Banks Gurney Hood in Raleigh on Tuesday to discuss plans for the opening of these institutions. Many plans were presented and the meeting adjourned until today to permit Mr. Hood and the bankers to give consideration to the proposals. The Page Trust Company, with officers in Carthage and Aberdeen, and the Bank of Pinehurst were represented at the meeting. The Citizens Bank & Trust Company of Southern Pines is open.

LLOYD YOST HURT AT KNOLLWOOD AIRPORT

Lloyd O. Yost, Knollwood airport manager and skilled pilot, broke two bones in his right arm on Monday when spinning the propeller of a visiting plane at the flying field. He was taken to the Moore County Hospital where he remained for two days. He is now about with his arm in a plaster cast.

SOUTHERN PINES OPENS BALL SEASON SATURDAY

The Southern Pines baseball team will open its season tomorrow, Saturday, with a game on its home diamond at 3:30 o'clock with the team from West End. A number of games are being planned among teams of the Moore County League preparatory to the official start of the season early in May.

The Southern Pines diamond has been put in tip-top shape for the coming season.

B. D. WILSON DROPS DEAD AT AGE OF 75 YEARS

B. D. Wilson, 75 years of age and for 35 years a resident of Aberdeen, dropped dead in the garden at his home here at an early hour this Friday, morning. He is survived by his widow. Funeral services will be held at the Aberdeen Baptist Church tomorrow, Saturday, afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, with interment at Bethesda Cemetery.

LEAGUE APPEALS TO ASSEMBLY TO KILL SALES TAX

People Cannot Pay More for Essentials, Chairman Page Writes Legislators

FEARS LESS CONSUMPTION

Declaring that a sales tax would come out of the pockets of the farmers, manufacturers and distributors and not out of the pockets of the consumers, the Moore County Taxpayers League has addressed an appeal to every member of both houses of the General Assembly urging them to use every effort to prevent the imposition of any additional taxes. The letter, dated March 27th and signed by Jesse W. Page, Chairman of the central committee, was as follows:

"Despite the fact that I and the taxpayers I seek to benefit are not your constituents, I am addressing this appeal to you.

"My reason for so doing is that I hold that every State Legislator is—in the highest conception of the duties of his office—the representative of all the people of his State. Your acts and decisions have just as much effect on the welfare of the people of Moore county as do the acts of the Representatives of our own section.

"My appeal to you is that you use the power of your office to reduce—out once—the expenses of government of our State in so drastic a measure that there may be a substantial cut in taxes. I make this appeal in face of the fact that strong influences are at work to get the General Assembly to impose additional new taxes.

"I am motivated in this appeal by the belief that the present burden of taxes has so seriously impaired our economic structure that industry and agriculture are operating at a loss. I am convinced that additional taxes will increase the losses.

"I do not propose to argue the fairness of a sales or a production tax, but I am impelled to present for your consideration what I believe will be the effect of such a tax.

"I submit that the people have been for several years—and are now—sorely put to it to get enough money to finance their barest needs—that every dollar they can lay their hands on is and has been spent for the things on which it is now proposed to levy new taxes; that there is no prospect of an early increase in the total income of the people; that, for these reasons, the imposition of a sales or a production tax will simply mean that the people will be able to purchase less of the taxed articles (practically everything) or that the producers and distributors would realize less for their materials and their labor than before the imposition of the new taxes.

"To summarize: It is my belief that the effects of a sales tax would be: reduced consumption by the public; reduced markets for the producers; lower prices for materials and lower wages for labor.

"Therefore, in the name of the people of my county and for the benefit of all the people of North Carolina I plead with you not to increase this destructive tax pressure but on the contrary to use your every effort to relieve it."

PINEHURST MINSTREL SHOW TO BENEFIT BASEBALL TEAM

Do not overlook the Old Fashioned Minstrel Show to be given in the School Auditorium at Pinehurst on the evening of April 6th, at 8:15 p. m. Every effort has been made to present a worthwhile entertainment. Charles Picquet is now busily engaged in rehearsing the chorus of 21 voices, and anyone who knows the work he can do along this line will understand the results that will be accomplished. The songs that will be used with one or two exceptions are strictly old timers, in fact so old that to many they will be new.

There will be seven soloists, a quartette, four end men songs, two specialties and some dancing. The entire proceeds will go to assist the Pinehurst baseball team.