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### COOPERATION, NOT COMPETITION, THE WAY TO RECOVERY

Congressman Lambeth Sees New Deal a Success if We Exercise Patience

#### ADDRESSES KIWANIS CLUB

It is no longer "Competition is the life of trade." This has been supplanted by "Cooperation is the road to recovery."

Hopeful cooperation and an attitude of patience will lead the way out. There are already many evidences that the National Industrial Recovery Act is working. Re-employment and the increased wage schedule are rapidly developing buying power and diminishing the relief rolls. It will take two to three years, possibly, to give the New Deal a fair trial, but indications now are that it will guide us back to prosperity.

These were high spots in the fine address made to the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen on Wednesday by Congressman Walter Lambeth, representative from this district. Mr. Lambeth was the speaker at the annual Kiwanis "Home-Coming" meeting and some hundred members and former members heard his stirring and hopeful remarks. The meeting was held in the Community Church at Pinehurst, with Hiram Westbrook and Charles W. Picquet in charge of the program. Miss Irene Harding of Pittsburgh, Pa., entertained the gathering with a delightful organ recital and Mrs. Picquet with a pleasing solo prior to the introduction of the speaker.

#### Tribute to R. N. Page

Congressman Lambeth spoke in affectionate terms of the late Robert N. Page, a predecessor in Congress from this district, referring to him as "one of the most dependable men in the House in this generation." Had Mr. Page elected to remain in Congress he would now be one of the leaders in government, he said. "His career has ever been an inspiration to me."

The subject of Mr. Lambeth's talk was the administration's recovery program, and he harked back to the dark day when President Roosevelt was inaugurated to pick up the threads and weave for his hearers the fabric which has come to be known as the "New Deal." He told of the speed with which the special session of Congress put through the various enactments of the President's program, a "program guided by the force of events, not by the theories of any brain trust," he said.

#### Steps Toward Recovery

Here were the steps taken to combat the depression aggressively:

Extraordinary powers granted the President to deal with the banking situation, with a result that today 90 percent of the deposits of the banks, all of which were closed when Mr. Roosevelt took the oath of office, are now released. "We can now look forward to one unified banking system in the country instead of 49 different systems," he said, "and we can look for further curbs to the speculative mania."

Passage of the Economy Bill, cutting governmental expenses \$750,000,000 a year. Mr. Lambeth paid a tribute to the attitude of the veteran in accepting a large part of this cut with patriotic unselfishness.

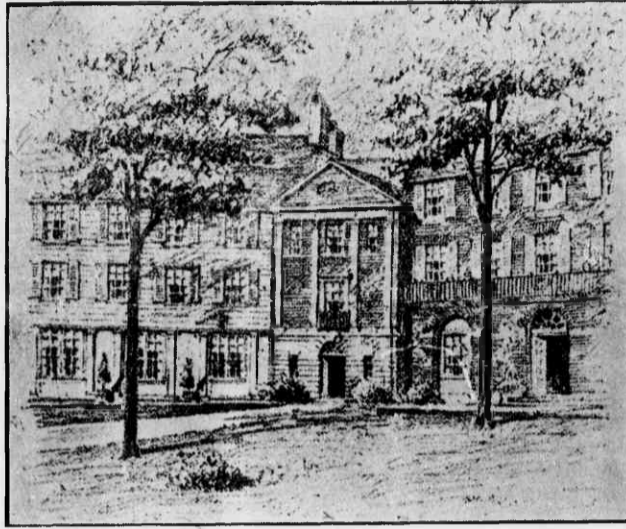
The Securities Act, which will lead to reforms in the distribution of securities through it may have temporarily retarded recovery through a setup which limits investment on the part of banking institutions.

The Reforestation Camps, whereby 300,000 men are developing our natural resources while at the same time rehabilitating and developing themselves.

Repeal of the 18th Amendment, which will add from three hundred to five hundred millions of dollars a year to governmental revenue and make for a balanced budget, something crucially essential with the enforced stretching of the government's credit in its recovery fight. "We are borrowing some twelve billions in this

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### Moore County Hospital Five Years Old



Tomorrow, Saturday, is the fifth anniversary of the Moore County Hospital. It has been the custom since the institution opened its doors to observe its birthday each year with an old-fashioned pounding, and the hospital this year is in particular need of just those things which generous residents of the county may readily provide. Pantry supplies, such as canned goods, preserves, jellies and the like will be gratefully received at the institution. All are invited—and urged—to make some donation to the hospital on the occasion of its fifth birthday. Tomorrow or any day next week gifts of any useful articles may be left at the hospital on the outskirts of Pinehurst, or at The Pilot office in Southern Pines. The institution is doing splendid work at a minimum of expense, and at a time when financial support is of necessity curtailed, material gifts will be the more appreciated.

### CHAMBER SEEKS NEW BRIDGE OVER S. A. L. TRACKS

Safety of Pedestrians, Especially Children, Demands Action, Says Local Body

#### FEAR SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Expressing the opinion and fear that "children are going to be killed on that bridge one of these days," the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce at a meeting Tuesday approved a plan to seek the construction of a new bridge over the Seaboard tracks at the southern end of the city. It is hoped the project may be one approved for construction by federal funds under the new civil works program of the government.

The question of building a new bridge where Morganton Road crosses the Seaboard railway tracks has been up before, but no action ever been taken. The present structure provides no protected space for pedestrian traffic. Large numbers of school children on their way to Southern Pines school are forced to cross the bridge each day, with automobiles dashing over the structure at the same time and in the same areaway, there being but one roadway. There is little room for the children when two cars meet on the bridge, and as one member of the Chamber of Commerce expressed it Tuesday, it is remarkable that there have been no serious accidents there before now.

The Chamber's Highway committee has the project in charge and plans to make an earnest effort to have a new bridge built promptly.

### J. E. Bernstein Claims Stock Illegally Sold

Files Suit in Federal Court Against Citizens Bank & Trust Co. Here

Claiming that the meeting of stockholders of the Citizens Bank & Trust Company of Southern Pines which reduced the capital stock of the bank from \$100 par value to \$50 par per share was illegal, Joseph Edward Bernstein, of New Jersey, former president of the bank, this week filed suit in United States District Court in Greensboro. He names the bank and M. G. Nichols, D. G. Stutz, George C. Abraham, P. F. Buchan, Frank Welch Jr., and A. McNeil Blair, directors of the bank, as defendants.

Mr. Bernstein claims that his stock was illegally advertised for sale and was sold at auction to M. G. Nichols for \$6 per share. He had paid \$220 per share in cash for his holdings, some 250 shares he states He asks judicial determination of his rights in the matter.

### Married 62 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Austin Celebrate Anniversary in Pinebluff

Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Austin of Friendship, N. Y., celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary yesterday, November 23d. Their daughter, Mrs. J. L. DeYoe of Pinebluff gave them a surprise reception at her home and about forty of their friends gathered to express their love for and appreciation of this beloved couple.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin enjoy good health. They have been coming to Pinebluff for about 25 years. They have three daughters, Mrs. John Wells of Friendship, N. Y., Mrs. Carrie Guilford and Mrs. J. L. De Yoe of Pinebluff; four grandchildren and six great grand-children.

### District Librarians Gather Here Today

Public Invited to Sessions in Civic Club.—Musical Program Arranged

The district meeting of the State Library Association is in session today at the Southern Pines Civic Club. Thirty delegates representing the various libraries in the ten counties comprising this district are attending this annual meeting.

Miss Marjorie Beal, secretary of the State Library Commission, occupies the choir at the sessions which are open to the public.

Miss Margaret Gilbert, field worker of the State Library Commission, will speak at the morning session on "Library Service Today," and a report will be read covering the American Library Association meeting which was held in Chicago last month.

A luncheon will be served by the ladies of the Civic Club at 1:00 p. m., and following the luncheon the visitors will adjourn to the High School Auditorium where a musical program under the direction of Frederick Stanley Smith will be given, followed by a one-act play by pupils of the high school. At the noon hour, the visitors will be "shown the town" by motor.

The officers and trustees of the Southern Pines Library will act as hosts to the visitors and the public is cordially invited to attend the interesting sessions covering all phases of library work.

### "OLD BETHESDA" OUT

"Old Bethesda," by Bion H. Butler, will be on sale next week. Word comes from the publishers, Grosset & Dunlap, that copies are being shipped at once from the Kingsport Press Kingsport, Tenn.

### CIVIL WORKS FUND TO PUT 678 TO WORK IN COUNTY

Sandhills Sets Wheels in Motion to Share in New Program of Relief

#### START PROJECTS AT ONCE

Villages of the Sandhills will share in the benefits to be derived from the new program of the government's Civil Works Administration, a plan aimed to put 68,000 North Carolinians at work early next month. There will be jobs for 678 persons in Moore county, and 339 will be put to work next week.

Relief bodies throughout the county working under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Head, county relief director, have been busily engaged in mapping out projects to take care of the unemployed under the government's new \$400,000,000 program. The pay will run from 45 cents an hour for unskilled labor to \$1.10 for so-called "white collar" jobs. Large numbers of applications for projects all over the state are being filed with Mrs. Thomas O'Berry, State relief director in Raleigh, repairs to public buildings, minor new construction, civic improvements, etc.

Chairman E. W. Reinecke of the Southern Pines Relief committee expects to have 100 men here at work next week keeping them busy until the middle of February. Much planting and beautification work is to be done, a new tennis course completed near the public school, shuffleboards laid out in some centrally located plot of ground. Other projects are being considered, for Southern Pines will have a goodly sum of federal money at its disposal. At a meeting Tuesday of the Chamber of Commerce a committee was appointed, comprising Frank Buchan, chairman; Ralph Chandler and Struthers Burt to cooperate with Mr. Reinecke on the local work.

#### Drain Aberdeen Swamps

In Aberdeen the Good Fellows Club will have charge of the fund distribution to the unemployed and at its annual meeting last Monday night Mayor J. Vance Rowe was elected president to supervise the program of relief. G. C. Seymour is vice president and Mrs. Evelyn H. Pleasants secretary and treasurer. The new Board of Directors comprises A. L. Burney, M. H. Folley, Henry McC. Blue, H. W. Doub, W. H. McNeill, Mrs. J. Talbot Johnson and Mrs. H. E. Bowman.

A project to drain the swamps of Aberdeen suggested at the meeting, met with hearty approval and will be presented to State authorities for approval. Work is expected to begin immediately upon favorable action. The club gave a vote of thanks to its retiring president, H. W. Doub, and the outgoing administration for the splendid work accomplished during the past year.

#### Numerous Projects Listed

Civil works projects for the county which have already been sent to Raleigh for approval or are under consideration include the following list:

Remodeling, excavation for basement and new construction of old community building, into building

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### JAMES E. PLUNKETT OF RYE, N. Y., DIES HERE

James E. Plunkett, a retired theatrical manager, of New York City and for the past two seasons a winter resident of Southern Pines expired from heart failure early this morning. Mr. Plunkett, whose home was in Rye, N. Y., arrived here with a son, James E. Jr., last week. Mrs. Plunkett and another son are expected to arrive this evening.

### TOBACCO AVERAGES OVER 20 CENTS AT ABERDEEN

Tobacco sales averaged over 20 cents during the past week in Aberdeen's two warehouses. Some good sales reported were as follows: Ed Humphrey, 1136 lbs., \$269.57; C. T. Crouch, Montrose, 646 lbs. \$183.80; 578 lbs., \$149.78; Tapp & Martin, 808 lbs., \$223.36.

### School Board Request For Loan To Public Hearing Monday

County Commission Bound by Law To Provide Adequate Buildings, Board Holds

#### FINDS MUCH INEQUALITY

The County Board of Education has reduced its recommendations for proposed new school projects in the county from Federal Public Works funds from \$200,000 to \$150,000. The Board of County Commissioners in joint session with the Board of Education some time ago adopted resolutions calling for an immediate survey and estimate from the Board of Education of the cost of construction needed in the immediate future. Pursuant to this order a thorough study was made of the distribution of the entire school population and the number of available classrooms and auditorium space in the eight districts contained in the county unit. Since the results of the survey were handed to the County Commissioners, the program has been revised and reduced to include only projects as follows:

School	Rooms	Auditorium	Cost
Eureka	10	1	\$ 27,000
Carthage	4		8,000
Pinehurst—Gen. improvements			6,000
Highfalls	12	1	32,000
Hemp Graded	4		8,000
West End	6		12,000
Eagle Springs	6	1	15,000
Spies or Signboard	10	1	27,000
County Garage			5,000
Furniture			10,000
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$150,000</b>

The present Eureka, Highfalls and Eagle Springs buildings are old structures of 1910 model, with small auditoriums at Eureka and at Highfalls partitioned into classrooms. These houses have all been condemned as inadequate and dangerous. It was not possible to get more than \$1,500 insurance on the Highfalls building and \$3,000 on the one at Eureka. There are a number of small frame structures west and north of Hemp in the Spies-Signboard area, but none of them are more than mere shells, being poorly heated and lighted. The library and auditorium at West End and Hemp are being used for classes and study rooms. The seventh grade pupils at Hemp have been transferred to the Elise Academy, while the average daily attendance at the graded school to date this year is sufficient to require two teachers in addition to the number now employed. The school Commission has refused to grant more teachers because of a lack of available classrooms. The auditorium at the Carthage Grammar School has been partitioned into classrooms and that is not sufficient to care for the overflow. These children are deprived of the use of an auditorium in addition to being crowded into basement rooms. Thirty children occupy a basement room size 14'x20'.

The survey shows that an average daily attendance may be expected where new buildings are proposed as follows: Eureka, 275; Eagle Springs, 160; Spies or Signboard, 340; and Highfalls, 380.

#### County Responsibility

The State Constitution places upon the County Commissioners the duty and responsibility of providing adequate school buildings and equipment in every district in the county. Some districts by special legislative enactment have been permitted to vote bonds for schoolhouses, but this in no way relieves the County Commissioners of their duty to carry out the solemn mandate of the supreme law or the commonwealth, the school board holds.

The inequality in the distribution of school building facilities in the county is surprising. Based upon the appraised value of school buildings, sites and equipment as made in reports from the nine districts of the county, the variation in value of

**A PLAN TO REHABILITATE  
MOORE COUNTY RELIEF CASES**  
The Moore County Relief Advisory Committee would like to submit a plan that, in the opinion of its members, would bring relief of a permanent nature to many Moore County relief cases. We are in sympathy with the efforts being made by the State and National Governments to bring relief to its citizens, but we feel that very little is being done to rehabilitate the relief cases. Moore County is largely an agricultural county with an abundance of idle land suitable for farming. We believe that many of our

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