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JOHN G. HEMMER NEW COMMANDER OF LOCAL LEGION

Sandhill Post Elects Officers and
Delegates to Department
Convention

FT. BRAGG TO ENTERTAIN

At a meeting of Sandhill Post No. 134 of the American Legion in the Assembly Room of the Community Church at Pinehurst Monday night, officers for the coming year and delegates and alternates to the Department convention to be held at Fayetteville, beginning August 4th, were elected.

In the enforced absence of Commander J. F. Sinclair, R. E. Denny presided and after the report of a nominating committee presented by L. L. Wooley, chairman, and various nominations from the floor, the following officers were elected: Commander, John G. Hemmer of Pinehurst; 1st Vice-commander, Charles Fields; 2nd Vice-commander, Dan Horner; 3rd Vice-commander, Charles T. Creel; Chaplain, Rev. A. J. McKelway, Sergeant-at-arms, Raymond Burkman; Historian, Paul Dana; Finance officer, L. V. O'Callaghan; Publicity officer, John H. Stephenson; Service officers, L. L. Wooley, Southern Pines, D. C. Ritter, West End, R. E. Denny, Pinehurst, J. Vance Rowe, Aberdeen, Ed. G. Adams, Pinebluff.

The Post ordered that the Commander be privileged to name his own Adjutant, J. F. Sinclair and John H. Stephenson were selected delegates to the convention, with R. E. Denny and L. L. Wooley as alternates.

Prior to the election of officers the chairman of the committee on the organization of Sons of the American Legion explained to the post the steps necessary for such organization.

It was reported that extensive preparations are being made by Legionnaires of Fayetteville and Cumberland county for the entertainment of the Department convention and that at Fort Bragg special entertainments are to be provided, including, among other things, the laying down of a war time barrage by the modern artillery equipment at the Fort.

Federal Housing Man To Explain System

In Aberdeen July 31st To Accept Applications for Mortgages

Ralph E. Hallock, field representative of the Federal Housing Administration, will be in Aberdeen next Wednesday, July 31st to accept applications for insured mortgages under titles one and two of the National Housing Act.

Mr. Hallock will be in the office of J. R. McQueen, county chairman, in the old Carolina Discount Building from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. and urges all parties interested in building new houses or the purchasing of existing houses or the refinancing of existing mortgages to call on him.

He will give information on both titles. Title one applies to the modernization and improvement loans and title two to the insured mortgages on new and refinanced homes.

REV. E. L. BARBER PLEADS FOR DISCIPLINE IN MORALS

The Rev. Ernest L. Barber of the Bethesda Presbyterian Church in Aberdeen was the speaker at the weekly Kiwanis Club meeting held Wednesday noon in the Sunday School building of the Page Memorial Church in Aberdeen. "The True Beginning of Wisdom is the Desire for Discipline," a saying of Solomon, was the subject of his talk on the need for more moral discipline in the world in this day and age.

Dr. T. A. Cheatham of Pinehurst also talked to the club on what is being accomplished to stamp out tuberculosis in Moore county, showing how few cases there are in the section and how they are being cared for from the funds raised annually by the sale of Christmas seals and the county's appropriation. The report was most encouraging.

Million For Bragg

War Department Asks Funds
For Extensive Program
at Army Post

The War Department last week asked the Works Relief Administration for \$1,117,930 for improvements at Fort Bragg. The largest single item in the proposed program calls for expenditure of \$363,175 for rehabilitation of barracks.

Under the plan, \$132,945 would go for new buildings and other improvements, including \$25,000 for improvements at Pope Field. In addition, as a separate project, \$25,000 was asked for construction of paved aprons and runways at the flying field, and \$40,000 for construction of a road to the balloon hangar.

Other proposed roads in the reservation would cost \$155,000.

An ordinance and quartermaster's motor shop would take \$100,000; coal track, trestle and fuel yard \$65,000; reconstruction of present warehouses with masonry, \$20,000; personnel garages, \$46,000; water system rehabilitation \$95,810; street lighting \$55,000 and demolition of old buildings, \$20,000.

MRS. BION BUTLER TO UNVEIL TABLET IN PENNSYLVANIA

Selected to Officiate at Ceremony Commemorating Historic Events in Luthersburg

MEMORIALIZES FATHER

Mrs. Bion H. Butler of Southern Pines has been chosen to unveil an imposing monument and bronze tablet in the village of Luthersburg, Pa., next Tuesday afternoon, July 30th. She will serve with Miss Grace E. Moore of Luthersburg, granddaughter of the late R. H. Moore, the last private owner of the turnpike on which the monument will be located. Mrs. Butler is the daughter of the late William Schwem, owner of the Schwem House, or Eagle Hotel, which is shown in relief on the tablet.

Of the plans for the unveiling the DuBois, Pa., Courier of last Saturday says, in part:

An event of unusual significance and importance is scheduled to take place in the village of Luthersburg on the afternoon of Tuesday, July 30th, beginning at 2:30 o'clock, when the DuBois Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution will unveil an imposing monument and bronze tablet in the triangle formed by the junction of the Snow Shoe & Packerville Turnpike with the Erie Turnpike, now Lakes-to-the-Sea Highway.

The large boulder, eight feet high, 7 1/2 feet wide and 2 1/2 feet thick, is being removed from the site of the Moore Mill on the Snow Shoe & Packerville Turnpike, on Anderson Creek, now known as the Rockstead Resort.

The solid bronze tablet will bear in base relief, the old Schwem House, or Eagle Hotel, with one of the last of the early stage coaches, four horses and driver, in front of it, made from a photograph taken by the late Charles Hile, of Luthersburg, one of the early photographers of this section, which was fortunately preserved by appreciative persons. It was from the proceeds of the sale of copies of this photograph that the creation of a fund now abundantly ample to complete this work, was begun.

The tablet will bear five separate and distinct historical matters relating to the section. Mrs. Butler's father is one of several persons to be seen in relief on the tablet.

PEACH ORCHARDS BUSY WITH PRICES DISAPPOINTING

The peach crop has continued on the move all week, but with prices not up to hopes or expectations. Elbertas are moving this week, and the entire crop is expected to be harvested and shipped within the next two weeks, earlier than usual due to the recent heavy rains. The necessity of rushing shipments due to the early ripening of the fruit has flooded northern markets.

HOSPITAL BOARD TO COMPLETE PLAN FOR NEW BUILDING

Much Needed Wing Expected to Materialize on Approval of Deed and Lease

HOPE FOR FEDERAL GRANT

The Board of Directors of the Moore County Hospital is to meet in the near future to go over plans now being drawn for the proposed new wing on the building in Pinehurst, and to take the necessary steps for financing the much needed addition to the institution. This meeting is expected to approve the following plans:

1. To deed to the County such of the hospital land as may be needed for the new wing.

2. To approve a lease from the county to the hospital of the new wing for operation by the hospital.

These steps are necessary that the county may make application to the Public Works Administration for a grant of funds toward the building. The Board of County Commissioners has already voted approval of such an application, and is prepared to file the application with the State PWA administrator at Chapel Hill upon approval of the deed and lease. It is expected that the application will be for approximately \$28,000, which is 45 percent of the estimated cost of the construction. No federal loan is to be asked, the balance of the money to be raised by private subscription plus county aid.

It was erroneously reported recently that the Moore County Hospital had deeded its entire property and plant to the county. Only such land as may be required for the new construction is to be deeded to the county, institution officials state.

Hospital directors are optimistic about their prospects of raising the necessary fund to meet the federal grant, and hope with approval of the application by the PWA to have construction under way before winter sets in.

The new wing will provide for 28 additional beds, thereby relieving the congestion which has handicapped the hospital staff for some time. During much of the past year it has been necessary to use the solarium for beds for patients because of the cramped condition.

THAD S. PAGE CONFIRMED FOR NEW FEDERAL POST

The United States Senate last Saturday confirmed the nomination of Thaddeus S. Page, secretary to Senator Bailey, as administrative secretary of the National Archives.

Mr. Page will remain in his present position for several weeks in order that his successor, who has not yet been named, may become familiarized with his duties.

"I am experiencing a mingled feeling of gratification and regret," said Mr. Page, following his confirmation.

"Of course, I am gratified at my appointment and I welcome the opportunity of being of some service and assistance to Dr. Connor in the performance of the huge task which confronts him.

"At the same time, I sincerely regret the necessity of severing the relationship which has existed between Senator Bailey and myself since he became a member of the United States Senate. It has been an extremely pleasant, cordial and friendly relationship, enabling me to come to know him intimately—for which I shall always be grateful, and a relationship which is broken with reluctance."

VASS LAKEVIEW CANNERY TO BEGIN OPERATIONS

The Vass-Lakeview community cannery will begin operations today, Friday, according to an announcement just made. Mrs. W. C. Leslie has agreed to take charge only until someone else can be secured to manage the cannery. Monday, Wednesday and Friday will be canning days, and a charge of two cents per can will be made, the customer to provide his own cans. Arrangements for relief canning are in the formative stage, but definite announcement as to the plan is not available this week.

Memorial to Bion Butler Read at Meeting of State Press Group

Late Editor of The Pilot is Subject of Eulogy Written by Jonathan Daniels

A memorial to Bion H. Butler, late editor of The Pilot, written by Jonathan Daniels of the Raleigh News & Observer, was read by Charles J. Farker at the memorial service held last Sunday morning during the annual meeting of the North Carolina Press Association. The service was held on shipboard, the press association holding its 63d annual session while cruising from Norfolk, Va., to Boston, Mass., and return repeating a similar trip taken by the association in 1883. The Butler memorial will be published in a future issue of The Pilot.

Eighty North Carolinians, largely newspaper folks and their families, with a few friends not in the profession, made the trip, embracing two nights and a day cruising up, two days and a night in Boston and two nights and a day returning. The group met in Norfolk Wednesday and spread homeward Monday.

Business was cut to a minimum and entertainment and pleasure given almost full sway. F. Grover Britt, Clinton, was elected president for next year; L. C. Gifford, Hickory, vice-president, and Miss Beatrice Cobb, Morganton, secretary-treasurer. Executive committee members are Messrs. Britt and Gifford and Miss Cobb, C. C. Council, Durham; John T. Perkins, Lincolnton; Talbot Patrick, Goldsboro, Miss Addie Mae Cooke, Gatesville.

Holt McPherson had charge of entertainment features, aided by Mrs. Eva Horton Shackleford, Farmville, and many others. A series of skits were presented on the eve of landing in Boston Thursday night, in which Miss Nancy Cox, Raleigh, was the unfortunate girl who lost her money and had her clothes auctioned off by Josh Horne—down to her bathing suit. Dignified editorial writers became chocolate soldiers in other skits. It was all fun a-plenty.

They Died During the Year

The memorial service was held Sunday morning, at which sketches of lives of newspaper folks who have died during the past year were read. They are: Bion H. Butler, Southern Pines, by Jonathan Daniels, read by Charles J. Parker; T. B. Eldridge, Raleigh, by Charles J. Parker; Archibald Johnson, Thomasville, by W. Thomas Bost; J. E. Johnson, Mt. Airy, by J. P. Rawley, read by Holt McPherson; Col. Fred A. Olds, by M. R. Dunnagan; W. Giles Mebane, Beaufort, by R. E. Price; Walter H. (Please turn to page 8)

NEGRO KILLED NEAR VASS BY HIT AND RUN DRIVER

Coolley Smith, colored victim of a hit and run driver, was found dead on the highway about half-way between Vass and Cameron in the early morning hours of last Saturday, his head severely fractured, but the watermelon which Smith was carrying was lying to one side, intact.

Smith, who was employed by J. T. Doss, farmer and filling station operator on Highway 1, had been drinking the night before, it is said, and had asked a member of the Doss family to take him to Cameron. He was advised to go home and go to bed, and it was not known that he had failed to take this advice until the accident was reported. The coroner visited the scene but did not deem an inquest necessary. Smith was from Harnett county.

W. D. HARRINGTON, NATIVE OF MOORE COUNTY, DIES

Wilton D. Harrington, aged 56, a former Moore county man, died at his home in Brunswick, Ga., following a heart attack. Mr. Harrington was a son of the late James Elam Harrington, of Moore county, and was born at the Harrington home place on Governor's Creek.

Mr. Harrington moved away from Moore county 25 years ago, going to Georgia where he engaged in the turpentine business. He made a notable success in this industry, being reputed to have been worth half a million dollars at one time.

Honored by Press



THE LATE BION H. BUTLER

ROUTE 15 ISSUE MAY BE CARRIED TO U. S. CONGRESS

Hot Fight Wages Over Highway, With Waynick Threatening Reprisals

DURHAM UP IN ARMS

The pot is still boiling over the location of Highway No. 15, in which this section is interested and for which Sandhills delegations recently fought before the State Highway Commission at Raleigh.

The State body, according to members of the commission, recommended to the National Association of Highway Officials the restoration of the route to its original course which brought it from Oxford through Durham to Sanford and through the Sandhills, in preference to its relocation cutting out Durham and this section and sending it through Raleigh and Fayetteville. The national body turned down the recommendation.

Congressman Walter Lambeth was then appealed to. He took the matter up with the national body and was informed that the association was awaiting recommendations from Capus Waynick, Chairman of the State Highway Commission, on relocating the route. Mr. Waynick says the recommendations were sent some time ago, were disapproved and that he had written the national group that if the State commission could not have authority over designations in North Carolina he wanted the membership fee returned, upon receipt of which all federal markings would be removed from the State's right-of-way.

At last report there is where the matter stood. The Durham Chamber of Commerce is up in arms and threatening to carry the issue to the floors of Congress, if necessary, pointing out that the National Association of Highway Officials is a self-constituted group and not a Government body.

Route 15 is one of the main north-south routes, coming from Harrisburg, Pa., down through Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina and deep into South Carolina. Because of its importance for tourist traffic during the fall, winter and spring the fight over its routing has been hot and heavy.

Mineral Springs "Over Top" for Liquor Control

Township Reported to Have More Than 50 Percent of Voters Signed Up

Report has it that more than 50 percent of the qualified voters of Mineral Springs township have signed petitions for liquor control and the opening of a legal store in Pinehurst. Petitions have been in circulation the last two weeks. Like McNeills township, Mineral Springs will present its signed petitions to the Pasquotank County Control Board in time for opening a store by the start of the winter season. Where Southern Pines and Pinehurst's stores are to be located has not been determined, nor have local control boards been named.

PINEHURST PLANS COMMERCE BODY TO AID VILLAGE

Business and Professional Men Launch Move for Civic Organization

ELECT OFFICERS MONDAY

At an enthusiastic meeting of citizens held last Monday night in the Community Church, Pinehurst set in motion plans for a Chamber of Commerce there. On Monday night next the organization is expected to take definite shape with the selection of a name, election of officers and the approving of by-laws. Notices have been sent out to all who might be interested to attend this organization meeting.

At the meeting to discuss the project last Monday the following attended: Arthur S. Newcomb, Herbert Vail, Robert Denny, Ernest Gamache, Raymond Johnson, the Rev. A. J. McKelway, Harry Hogg, Howard Phillips, Joseph Montesanti, Dr. L. J. Pegram, John Hemmer, Frank Dupont and Col. G. P. Hawes. A membership committee was appointed to solicit members, and the purposes of the organization were informally discussed.

For some time Pinehurst has felt the need of a civic group to promote the best interests of the village and its people. Numerous matters relating to business, professional and municipal affairs have come up at times in the past with no organization of citizens to consider and act jointly upon them. A number of such matters are now pending and has brought about the action of the organizing group at this time.

Southern Pines has an active Chamber of Commerce, and Aberdeen recently reorganized its Chamber of Commerce. It is probable that in the future, where all three towns are involved in matters affecting them, joint meetings of the three groups will be held, making for a more consolidated and more influential effort.

Dies in Room in Which He Was Born in 1850

Murd McLeod Kelly of Near Carthage Leaves Eight Children

Funeral services were held Sunday, July 21st for Murd McLeod Kelly at the Carthage Presbyterian church, with the Rev. W. S. Golden officiating, assisted by the Rev. F. S. Blue of Burlington and the Rev. Angus McQueen of Dunn. Mr. Kelly was ruling elder of this church and has been a lifetime member.

He died July 19, 1935 at his home near Carthage, in the same house and same room where he was born on May 29, 1850.

In December, 1883 he was married to Isabelle Palmer of Gulf who preceded him to the grave by a few months. He is survived by eight children; Arch, Oren and John Kelly, Mrs. M. G. Boyette, Mrs. Charles Prevost and Mrs. Sadie Wall, all of Carthage. Miss Margaret Kelly of Pinehurst and Major Alec Kelly of Christabul, Panama and eleven grandchildren.

MULE GETS WORST OF ENCOUNTER WITH BULL

A fine mule belonging to Paul Gschwind of Vass was badly gored late Sunday afternoon when an enraged bull broke from its stall into the barnyard where the mule was confined. Several long gashes were torn in the mule's side and shoulder, and its injuries would doubtless have been far more serious had it not been for the timely arrival of Edward Gschwind, 14-year-old grandson of the owner, who armed himself and succeeded in getting the bull out of the barnyard. A number of stitches were required to close the mule's wounds.

This is the animal's first rampage, and it is considered extremely fortunate that no more serious damage was done as children of the family have frequently gone into the pasture where he was allowed to graze, thinking that he was practically harmless.