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GOVERNOR ASKS SANE OPTIMISM IN SPEECH HERE

Calls For Cooperation Between Government and Business to End Recession, Unemployment

450 ATTEND BANQUET

Governor Clyde R. Hoey called for "sane optimism" and cooperation between government and business to end the recession and increase employment in a talk before a crowd of more than 450 persons gathered in the main dining room of The Carolina on Tuesday evening. The occasion was the first annual banquet of the Chambers of Commerce of the towns of Moore County; the keynote, the slogan of the Three Musketeers, "all for one, one for all."

The nation is beset by two groups of extremists, Hoey said, clamoring on one hand "for a return to the old order of things when government did not interfere with business," and on the other for the government to "meddle with everything and to regulate, control and regiment both industry and agriculture."

"It is idle," said the Governor, "to expect a return to old conditions, however much some may desire this. The old days and practices are gone forever. We are living in a new era and it is no more possible to throw off the control and regulation than it would be to discard the new means of travel and communication and move back to the past century."

"However it is just as important for us to guard against the invasion by government of the rights of the citizen and the assumption of control to the extent that it hampers the full exercise of initiative and enterprise and takes away the incentive to develop the country, create wealth, give employment to people and make profit."

Sane Optimism

Between the two extremes, he asserted, "there is safe ground for sane optimism based upon the resources of this country and the tremendous earning power of the nation."

"Just now we need the fullest cooperation of government and business. There is no occasion for hostility between either. I have confidence to believe that Congress and the President will work harmoniously with business in an effort to stabilize the gains already made and prepare against the day of a possible national crisis."

The Governor left his enthusiastic audience feeling hopeful of the future, for State and nation. He spoke in high praise of the spirit of cooperation manifest in the Sandhills as voiced by preceding speakers, and

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Mrs. Burt To Read at Civic Club Today

Residents and Visitors Invited To Hear Authoress.—Card Party Jan. 21st

This afternoon, Friday, at 3:00 o'clock, the Civic Club will welcome Mrs. Struthers Burt to its platform, in a reading from one of her own books, and extends an invitation to all residents and visitors to be guests of the club on this occasion, to hear Mrs. Burt, who writes under the name, Katharine Newlin Burt.

Mrs. Reid Page of Aberdeen, accompanied by Mrs. Jack Meadow, will sing a group of songs as a compliment to the Civic Club. The usual social hour and tea will follow, with Mrs. Edward A. Campbell and Mrs. Ernest Morell presiding at the tea table.

The Booklovers' Club of Rockingham, about twenty in number will be guests of the club today, coming over to hear Mrs. Burt and meet her at tea.

On Friday, January 21st at 2:30 the club is planning a bridge tea, and tables may be formed, on single tickets purchased from the following committee: Mrs. Norris Hodgkins, Dr. Isabel Graves, Mrs. Shields Cameron, Miss Joan Scott or Mrs. McCord.

Rev. F. Craighill Brown Elected Head of Southern Pines Library

Annual Reports Show Attendance of 4,365, Circulation of 6,591 Volumes During 1937

At the annual meeting of the Southern Pines Library Association, held on Monday afternoon, the Rev. F. Craighill Brown was elected president succeeding Eugene C. Stevens, who retires this year after a long and successful term of office. A. B. Yeomans was elected first vice president; Frank W. Webster, second vice president; Miss Birdilia Bair, third vice president; Mrs. James Swett, secretary, and Mrs. Maria B. Walker, treasurer. Four new trustees were also chosen: E. C. Stevens, W. D. Matthews, Mrs. J. B. Riddle, and Miss Laura Kelsey. Trustees still serving unexpired terms are: Mrs. Jane H. Towne, Mrs. James Boyd, Almet Jenks, Mrs. Norris L. Hodgkins, Mrs. George Jenks, Mrs. William C. Mudgett, Dr. E. Lewis Pitzer and Ruth Burr Sanborn.

Reports from standing committees showed an attendance, during eleven months, of 4,365, and a circulation of 6,591 volumes. During this period 508 books have been added to the shelves, either through purchase or donation, and the library officials wish to express again their appreciation of the generosity from individuals which has made this considerable increase possible.

Many New Books

The current book list, authorized for purchase and available for circulation next week, follows: General: "After 1903—What?" by Robert Benchley; "The Arts," by Hendrick Wilheim Van Loon; "Red Star Over China," by Edgar Snow; "400 Million Customers," by Carl Crow; "Let Your Mind Alone," by James Thurber. Mysteries: "The Simple Way of Poison," by Leslie Ford; "Murder on Margin," by Robert Dean; "The Strange Crime in Bermuda," by Elizabeth Sanxay Holding. Fiction: "The Tale of Ball," by Vicki Baum; "The Nutmeg Tree," by Margery Sharpe; "Winter in April," by Robert Nathan; "Imperial City," by Elmer Rice; "Pity the Tyrant," by H. Otto Storm, and "Shadows Slant North," by Mary Bledsoe. The latter, a recommendation of the Book-of-the-Month Club, is a story by a North Carolinian about North Carolina life. Miss Bledsoe's family has lived for five generations on New River in Ashe County, and she has drawn a fine and true portrait against the familiar background of Charlotte, Blowing Rock, Boone, Jefferson and Wilkesboro. In order to meet the continuing demand, another copy of "Victoria: 4:30" by Cecil Roberts has also been purchased.

Mrs. Belle Buchan Dies; Funeral This Afternoon

Aunt of Southern Pine Postmaster Passes at Home of Daughter in Pinebluff

Mrs. Belle Buchan, member of one of the leading families of Moore county, aunt of Postmaster Frank Buchan of Southern Pines, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Robert F. Stewart in Pinebluff late yesterday. Funeral services will be held this afternoon, Friday, from Mrs. Stewart's home at 3:00 o'clock, with interment in Old Bethesda Cemetery, Aberdeen.

Mrs. Buchan is survived by six children, Mrs. Stewart, Miss Idell Buchan of Pinebluff and Miss Flora Buchan of Sanford; Harrison Buchan of Mullins, S. C., Edward Buchan of Sanford and Carl Buchan of Pinebluff.

REINECKE PURCHASES BLOCK OF LOTS NEAR COUNTRY CLUB

The vacant property in Southern Pines bounded by Morganton Road, Ridge Street, Illinois avenue and Country Club Drive was sold during the past week by the Citizens Bank & Trust Company to E. W. Reinecke, of the firm of Reinecke & Dillehay. Paul T. Barnum was agent in the transaction. Mr. Reinecke is understood to have purchased for investment.

Library President



REV. F. CRAIGHILL BROWN

YOUTH CONFESSES PART IN MURDER OF J. E. CARRAWAY

Svensden, 19 Years Old, Caught in Canada; Police Seek Accomplice in Crime

Arrested in Hamilton, Ontario, last week on a tip from Moore county Deputy Sheriff Herman H. Grimm and held on a vagrancy charge until Grimm, then in Boston, Mass., could reach Hamilton to prefer charges of participation in the robbery and slaying of J. E. Carraway, elderly proprietor of Connecticut Tourist Camp, near Southern Pines last August 6th, a 19-year-old Swede booked as Robert Svensden has confessed his part in the crime, Grimm reported, and implicated a second man who is now being sought.

Svensden waived extradition and was brought to the Moore county jail, but upon failure of Massachusetts officers to apprehend the second man, whose name the Sheriff declined to divulge, Deputies Grimm and Charles Dunlap left Monday night for Springfield taking Svensden with them in the hope that he would be able to locate the home of the wanted man, which he visited on his way south last year.

Svensden was with his father in Hamilton when located after months of intensive effort on the part of Moore county officers. His mother is said to reside in Boston.

Svensden gave officers a detailed account of his activities preceding the robbery and slaying, of which he denied any foreknowledge. His story, as related by Sheriff C. J. McDonald, was, in substance, as follows:

Svensden set out for Cambridge, Mass., with a Canadian Indian of around twenty-four years of age, whom he had known for about a week, and went to Springfield where he met several members of his companion's family and spent the night. The next day the two left for Baltimore in an old automobile, and upon reaching the city, sold the car and hitch-hiked to Henderson, N. C., where they spent the night. There they boarded a train which brought them to Aberdeen, and from there

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PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY BALL TICKETS IN BIG DEMAND

The prospects are that the annual President's Birthday Ball, which the Sandhills Kiwanis Club is sponsoring for Friday night, January 28 at the Southern Pines Country Club, will be "the" event of the winter. This year's ball is a county-wide one, and tickets are on sale in every village and hamlet and reported going rapidly. Seventy percent of the net proceeds go to the Kiwanis Hospital Bed Fund, 30 percent to the President's Warm Springs Foundation in Georgia. The Carolina Club Orchestra of Raleigh is to furnish the music. Tickets are one dollar per person.

ELEANOR BARRON HEADS NEW GOLF ORGANIZATION

Women Devotees Form Club to Promote Game in Southern Pines

FREQUENT TOURNAMENTS

At a luncheon at the Southern Pines Country Club on Tuesday twenty persons interested in the forming of a women's golfing organization met to elect officers and to discuss plans for tournaments to be held during the season. Miss Eleanor Barron was elected club captain, and Mrs. R. F. Tarlton secretary and treasurer. Mrs. W. C. Mudgett, Mrs. George London and Mrs. H. A. Page, Jr. were selected as the Prize committee. Mrs. R. M. Bowles, Mrs. Harold Calloway and Mrs. Roy Grinnell make up the Handicap committee. On next Tuesday, January 18th, there will be another luncheon and a Blind Bogey tournament, the first event of the newly organized group. Any persons interested in playing golf may get in touch with Mr. Grinnell or Miss Barron and participate in next week's event.

Attending Tuesday's luncheon were Mrs. H. A. Page, Jr., Mrs. W. C. Mudgett, Mrs. R. M. Bowles, Mrs. Harry O'Hara, Mrs. Harold Calloway, Mrs. Roy Grinnell, Mrs. Howard Burns, Mrs. Elmer Harrington, Miss Erna Fisher, Miss Laura Kelsey, Miss Frances Glover, Mrs. V. P. Clark, Miss Birdelia Bair, Miss Frances Schwartz, Mrs. Clarence Edson, Mrs. Garland Pierce, Mrs. R. F. Tarlton, Miss Eleanor Barron, Mrs. George London and Miss Jane McMullen.

Gymkhana Today at Southern Pines Ring

To Continue Broom Polo Series Between Southern Pines and Pinehurst Teams

This afternoon at 3:00 o'clock the Southern Pines Riding Ring will be the scene of the third gymkhana of the season there and the Gymkhana committee has arranged a schedule of events that is the result of questioning spectators and participants alike as to the sort of program that will most appeal to both.

The Broom Polo events seem to have been the favorite of them all and this afternoon the series of matches between teams from Southern Pines and Pinehurst will be continued. In addition there will be a jumping event for beginners, a three-legged race, Musical Chairs, Open jumping and Hunter trials over the outside course.

The time is 3:00 o'clock; the place, the Southern Pines Riding Ring, and the committee guarantees a barrel of fun for all.

No charge is made for watching these gymkhana events, except for parking at the ringside.

New Sound, Projection Equipment at Aberdeen

Theatre Installs "Last Word" in Mechanical Devices for Motion Pictures

Complete projection equipment, the same type used in leading theatres throughout the country, among them Radio City's Music Hall, Paramount and Roxy theatres in New York, has been installed in the Aberdeen Theatre, Manager J. B. Edwards announced this week.

In addition, Mr. Edwards announced the installation of new sound equipment, the Western Electric Mirrophonic, which embodies the latest improvements by the Western Electric research staff and is reported as "two years ahead" of the equipment which it replaces in the local theatre. "True reproduction of the original," is the company's slogan for the Mirrophonic.

There will be no necessity for coming early for good seats any longer," Mr. Edwards said yesterday, "for every seat in the house will be a good one with our new sound and projection equipment."

British Naval Commander on Yangtze Writes Here of Rescue of Panay Crew

British Ship Here

Public Invited to Inspect H. M. S. Apollo, Now in Wilmington Harbor

Do you want to see a British cruiser? You're invited to inspect H. M. S. Apollo, 7,000 tons, carrying 550 men, at the Port of Wilmington—only about a three-hour drive from here—during the next few days. The ship docked there yesterday.

The warship, 533 feet long, with a beam of 56 feet and carrying airplanes, will be open to the public Friday and Saturday afternoons. It will be docked at the Sprunt wharf.

LELAND McKEITHEN A CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY SOLICITOR

Friends Reported Urging Young Lawyer to Run for Post.—Boyette For Senate

Political gossip about the county appears to substantiate the report that County Solicitor M. G. Boyette, who is also Democratic county chairman, will definitely be a candidate for the nomination for State Senator in the next Democratic primary, and that one of the youngest members of the Moore county bar, Leland McKeithen of Aberdeen, will be a candidate to succeed Mr. Boyette as solicitor. Mr. McKeithen has been practicing law in Pinehurst since his admission to the State bar more than a year ago, and in that time has made a fine record and a lot of friends. These friends, it is reported, are urging him to become a candidate.

Mr. McKeithen is a graduate of Davidson College and Duke University Law School. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin T. McKeithen of Aberdeen.

First of Book Review Course at Civic Club

Clyde S. Wilson Gives Pen Pictures Before Enthusiastic Group of Book Lovers

Last Monday afternoon in the large hall of the Civic Club an enthusiastic audience of book lovers from all towns in the county heard the first of a course of six book reviews to be given by the Civic Club, presented by Clyde S. Wilson, himself an author and an able and delightful leader. He gave a pen picture of Ball, in his review of Baum's "A Tale of Ball" and a complete telling of the story.

"A Night at Hogwallow," by Strauss; "The Lost Colony," by Paul Green, and "Manhattan Nights," by Faith Baldwin were also briefly reviewed, with recommendations. These Monday book reviews are open to the public at a slight cost, and tickets may be obtained at the door.

The next books to be reviewed are "Soglum House," by Marl Sandoz, and "The Third Hour," by Geoffrey Household. Brief reviews of Edna St. Vincent Millay's poem, "Conversation at Mid-Night," and two books of short story anthologies by O'Brien and O. Henry, will be given on Monday.

Following is the list of guarantors for the Course:

Struthers Burt, Mr. and Mrs. Claud Hayes, Mrs. Burt Hunt, Mrs. Harry Pethick, Miss Margaret Bishop, Miss Mary Yeomans, Miss Mary Johnson, Mrs. Preston Kelsey, Mrs. Clyde Wilson, Miss Florence Campbell, Mrs. Wm. Edgar McCord, Mrs. W. E. Cox, Mrs. Walter Ives, Mrs. Herbert G. Henderson, Mrs. Hoyt Shaw, Dr. Isabel Graves, Mrs. George J. Jenks, Mr. and Mrs. Aras Williams

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Vivid Word Picture of Japanese Attack Received by Wife from Rear Admiral Holt

HIS OWN SHIP UNDER FIRE

A vivid word picture of the rescue of the survivors of the U. S. S. Panay after its sinking by the Japanese in the Yangtze River in China came directly to Southern Pines this week from the commander of British naval forces in that area, Rear Admiral R. Vesey Holt. Mrs. Holt is the guest here of Mr. and Mrs. Almet Jenks, and her letter from her distinguished husband is dated December 15, postmarked Shanghai. It was Admiral Holt who led the party which rescued the Americans. He himself was fired upon by the Japanese.

The story of the Japanese attack, of the narrow escape of British ships from meeting the fate of the Panay, of Admiral Holt trudging 20 miles between 5:00 a. m. and 4:15 a. m. the following day to get the American wounded to Shanghai, is graphically told in the letter which Mrs. Holt has given The Pilot and Sandhills News-Press for exclusive publication.

"I have had rather a lot of excitement lately. You will read most of it in the papers. I expect. I don't think you would like the place Wuhu although you said the name amused you."

"I got there on a nice sunny morning in order to get in touch with Japanese authorities about the safety of shipping. 'Ladybird' (a British ship) was there and had already got in touch with the senior military officer and had arranged a meeting with them at 9:00 o'clock. O'Donnell, chief of staff, had come up from Nanking and was on board 'Ladybird.' She was alongside the pier and I was going alongside her."

Fire on British Ship

"I noticed a Japanese 6-inch howitzer kept training on me but it suddenly fired and a projectile passed very close to me and 'flags' (flag lieutenant.) It pitched in the water the other side of us. Luckily they only fired once. It then dawned on me that 'Ladybird' was in bad condition. She had been fired on half an hour before and hit six times and had one man killed. The Japanese artillery had arrived during the night and had orders to fire at anything on the river."

"I spent most of the day protesting to a Jap who knew nothing of neutrals or shipping and admitted he didn't know one national flag from another. O'Donnell has a nasty splinter in his right hand but had jumped ashore and I think managed to stop them firing any more at me."

"Meanwhile the Nanking group of ships with two gunboats was lying in a position agreed to as safe by the Japs but nevertheless they were bombed four times but luckily none were hit. My Jap Colonel Hashimoto still said they couldn't stop his artillery firing at anything that moved and no one could possibly move after dark."

"Meanwhile the U. S. S. 'Panay' had stopped answering radio calls but as she had six tugs with her I felt sure I should hear if anything was the matter. However, I notified Hashimoto that I was going down river next day at noon whether he liked it or not. I buried 'Ladybird's' man and made the Japs bring a party. When I got back I heard that news had got through that the 'Panay' had been sunk. I started at once down river to look for survivors but could find no sign of them on the north bank. I thought they would be in the reed beds and that the syren would make them show up. However I found some on the other side and collected about 12 who had been in some of tankers. All American ships had been sunk."

Flee From Airplanes

"I then heard the survivors were at Hohsen which I thought was somewhere near a creek. I started at dawn and couldn't get up the creek."

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