

# THE PILOT

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### NO WARNING SIGNS, NO GUARD RAILS

There are several very bad turns on the old road between Southern Pines and Pinehurst. The wreck which injured five young people a week ago Sunday occurred on one of these, due to the unfamiliarity of the driver with the road. Other accidents have happened at the same curve.

This road is used a great deal. It is a shorter route from many sections of the two towns than the double road. The road is in good condition.

Yet there is not one danger signal or warning sign on the road. And there is no guard rail on the dangerous culvert where the recent accident occurred.

These conditions should be remedied at once.

### WHEREIN WE ENTER A DENIAL

Every once in a while a stranger comes to town with a "brilliant" idea in the form of advertising. With a glib line of selling talk some local merchants are induced to hand over the dollar or two necessary to "take advantage of" the opportunity.

One of these fellows passed through Southern Pines and Aberdeen a couple of weeks ago. His scheme: the printing of a Church Calendar, giving the hours of worship at various churches in the two towns, surrounded by advertisements. A meritorious scheme, this one, if done properly. But the fellow's interest stopped with the collection of his advertising money and ordering of the printing. Cards giving the hours of worship in the churches aren't of much use sitting in The Pilot office undelivered.

We are writing about this because it has come to our attention that the salesman of this advertising apparently created the impression that The Pilot was sponsoring or in some way connected with the Calendar. This was not the case. To us it was purely an order for printing. The promoter came into the office, was given a price on so many cards printed from his copy.

And we are denying any affiliation with the project for another very good reason. We should gravely dislike to have the public think that The Pilot would sponsor a Church Calendar bordered by an advertisement reading:

"Southern Pines Finest Draught Beer and All Other Bottled Beers. Dancing, Swing and Sway the Ormsby Way."

It is our humble opinion that the Churches would prefer to have these cards remain sitting in The Pilot office, undelivered.

### IT'S UP TO PRIVATE INDUSTRY

One of the government's own agencies, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, makes out perhaps the best case against the theory that government alone can take up the entire slack of unemployment in a severe depression, says the Boston Post. It does this in a recently released compilation of the number of employees in various industries including government now as compared with 1929.

It shows that aside from self-employed persons, casual workers, domestic servants or WPA, NYA and CCC projects, the total increase in all government employees federal, State and municipal, was 830,000. This is the only gain made by any non-

# THE POCKETBOOK of KNOWLEDGE

**INDUSTRY AND DEFENSE—AMERICAN INDUSTRY PRODUCES 93% OF THE WORLD'S MOLYBDENUM—WHICH MAKES ARMS AND AMMUNITION TOUGHER**

**MAINLY DUE TO INDUSTRIAL USES AS IN PLASTICS, 1940 WILL SEE ABOUT 10% MORE U. S. LAND PLANTED TO SOY BEANS THAN LAST YEAR.**

**THE SAKOPIE GETS ITS NAME FROM ITS INVENTOR, ROOPLIE SAX.**

**BECAUSE SO MANY WOMEN IN LISBON, PORTUGAL, WALKED AROUND THE CITY BAREFOOT, A LAW WAS RECENTLY PASSED MAKING IT ILLEGAL FOR WOMEN TO WALK IN THE STREETS BAREFOOT—(THE WOMEN ENJOY THE LAW BY WEARING ONE SHOE!)**

**RAILROAD TIES NOW LAST 20 TO 25 YEARS LONGER THAN BEFORE BY USING IMPROVED METHODS OF TREATING THEM**

agricultural industry, and what happened in agriculture is not shown.

In manufacturing there was a decrease of 600,000 employees from 1929 to 1940; in mining 219,000; in transportation and public utilities 331,000. The biggest loss was in construction with a decrease of 731,000 or 40 per cent in the number employed.

For all industry there were 3,000,000 fewer workers and, in addition there were 6,000,000 more adults than in 1929, so against its total of 9,000,000 seeking employment government had absorbed only 830,000. Partial relief was extended to some 2,000,000 more in WPA and other projects.

In view of the billions upon billions that have been spent in pump-priming and other methods to effect recovery it is clear that any conceivable amount government might spend could not solve the unemployment problem. Only through private business expansion can this be done. The volume of business activity is at present as high as it was in 1929, but this is not enough to make up for the increase in population. We shall have to go away beyond 1929 to find jobs for all.

### HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF HERE

History, so the historian says, repeats itself. Moore county is experiencing a military invasion. It isn't the first one. Not by hundreds of years. Soldiers roll over the hills of Piney Bottom once again and this time into the villages of Southern Pines and Pinehurst to accept hospitable accommodations the town extends in cordial welcome. The uniform in all rank is seen in frequent numbers. The military man is not an unfamiliar sight in the Sandhills as he has long been a friendly neighbor but not long as years are reckoned. Yesterday and far off yesterdays, the military man played an important part in the happenings throughout this same territory.

Today we anxiously watch and applaud every gainful step of the British with feelings contradictory to the earlier settler who over 150 years ago saw a British officer with 450 men take possession of Wilmington and the country lying to the north between the Cape Fear and the Yadkin rivers. Loyalists, Whigs and Tories mean little in our vocabulary now. Piney Bottom is a name not many are acquainted with, and scarcely more than a location on the soldier's field map today. Piney Bottom is a little valley about a half dozen miles east of the town of Southern Pines. Lying in a vast wilderness, the modern soldier of 1940 rolls over the small bridge covering the stream totally unconscious of the bloody massacre that took place in one of the most horrible and bloody encounters between the Whigs and Tories in the stormy days

### 56 Brides To Date

Ten Licenses Issued in August After July's All-Time Low of One

With three marriage licenses issued during the closing days of August, the number for the month mounted to ten, after an all-time low in July when only one license was issued and that on the last day of the month.

Those procuring licenses since last week's report were William Borst Parker of Greensboro and Margaret Cole of Carthage; Stephen Hupko of Aberdeen and Lola Alberta Fletcher of Pinebluff; William Thomas Reeder and Edith Viola Clark, both of Central Falls.

A total of 56 have been issued since January 1; six in January, six in February, four in March, 12 in April, five in May, 12 in June, one in July and 10 in August.

of the Revolutionary war, when Colonel Thomas Wade came out of his shelter on the Neuse river to engage in the affray. Wade entered the scene after Cornwallis retreated towards Fayetteville and camped for the night at the creek to be awakened by a band of Tories who killed five or six of the number. After the enemy had been routed the doughty colonel gathered a number of the neighbors together and rode back into the disturbance and staged a revenge that is interesting local history, as they wiped out most of the Tories who had taken part in the surprise attack.

The uniform of the Whig and Tory and British soldier vanished and when the military man came again he appeared in the Blue and the Gray of the Civil War, as the soldier was destined to sweep across our country another time. Wheeler's cavalry came out of the unborn Pinehurst and Manley, on the Yadkin road. Hardee was heading for Fayetteville. And young Kilpatrick with his Second and Third Brigade had camped near Solemn Grove on a site a couple of miles east of the village. On roads only a few miles apart the two armies tramped in defensive march. And then—another tomorrow. Another invasion. Up and down modern thoroughfares, a flood of Khaki sweeps through. Descendants of the Blue and Gray, and a mixture of what have you, absorbed in a common uniform, roll over the old Yadkin and Morganton roads.

An army shuttles back and forth over the Highlander's wilderness. And that reminded us of a little story that said something about history repeating itself. However, it won't take any of us very long to discover in the repetition of affairs the most important factor of all: this last invasion is conducted on a thoroughly friendly and amicable basis. —H.K.B.

### Grains of Sand

We thought we'd driven every conceivable way from Southern Pines to Pinehurst, but we found a new one this week, as did all who tried the double road. While the resurfacing of the westbound road was in progress, cars were routed over the wrong side.

And if you see tar on the heels of the president of the Southern Pines Junior Chamber of Commerce, Paul Butler, it's because he had to leave his car in the center parkway and walk across the fresh resurfacing material to get home.

Neighboring Sanford and Raeford militiamen have been called into service. The President's summons of National Guard troops for a year's service affected the units in both these towns. Ben Bradin of Southern Pines is a sergeant with the Raeford unit. His loss for a year will be keenly felt by local Boy Scouts.

Cliff Johnson, who wagered the Yanks wouldn't win this year's American League pennant, is shaking in his boots.

Betting is a funny thing. In the big centers where big wagers are made, the odds are on Roosevelt, despite the fact that Willkie leads in the Gallup polls to date.

Strange as it may seem, it is reported that a gross misunderstanding exists in some parts of the country to the effect that if a Democrat casts a vote for a Republican candidate, the voter makes himself a Republican instead of a Democrat, and vice versa, and thereby terminates his affiliation with his own party.

If such a mistaken idea exists, it is important that voters be informed that they can vote for whom they please in general elections, without in any way changing their party affiliations or their right to vote in primaries and other local elections.

In the first six months of the year in North Carolina, of 1,078 automobile drivers charged with drunken driving, 992 were found guilty and lost their licenses. Of the 86 found not guilty, 32 were in Mecklenburg

county. In Moore, only one of the ten escaped sentence.

Frank C. Walker of New York, named by President Roosevelt to succeed "Jim" Farley as Postmaster General was a member of Attorney Homer Cummings' party at Pinehurst during the 1934-'35 season.

Wendell Willkie comes to Pinehurst and Southern Pines next week—on the screen. He appears in the

"Information Please" series and "steals the show," say those who have seen it."

### MRS. GARDNER ELECTED

At a meeting of the Vass-Lakeview School Board held Tuesday night, Mrs. Ruth Lang Gardner of Carthage was elected first grade teacher to fill the vacancy resulting from the resignation of Mrs. W. V.

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