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## G. C. ABRAHAM, FORMER BANK OFFICIAL, DIES

Prominent in Civic Affairs During 30 Years Residence in Southern Pines

### FUNERAL ON MONDAY

George Clymer Abraham, 81, for the past thirty years an honored resident of Southern Pines, succumbed to an attack of pneumonia at 7:00 o'clock Saturday night at the Moore County Hospital.

Born at Abrahamsville, Pa., on March, 26, 1860, the son of George I. Abraham and Mary Wager Abraham Mr. Abraham was united in marriage with Grace Kellam on April 22, 1884, and on April 22, 1934 they celebrated their 50th anniversary in Southern Pines.

Following a successful career in the mercantile and lumbering business in New York and Pennsylvania they came to Southern Pines in 1911, from Damascus, Pa. Two years later he bought the famous Edgeview peach orchard from John Huttenhauer which, following several highly productive seasons, he sold to Dr. G. G. Herr and S. B. Richardson in 1917. He also became interested in other orchards located near Mt. Hope, his latest venture being located at Bennett street and the Morganton road, now a part of Pinedene. This orchard was bought by Mayor Stutz and William Flynn in 1922.

Following his retirement from peach growing he became affiliated with the Citizens Bank and Trust Company of which he was a director from 1927, until his death, and a vice president from 1932 to 1937. A member of Delaware Lodge of Callicoon, N. Y. from March 18, 1887, his Masonic brothers honored him with an inscribed medal celebrating his fiftieth year of membership, on March 18, 1937.

Funeral services were held in his late home on May street, Southern Pines, at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon, with the Rev. Voight O. Taylor, pastor of the Church of Wide Fellowship and the Rev. F. Craighead Brown, pastor of the Emanuel Episcopal Church, officiating. Following the service his body was taken to Damascus, Pa., to be interred in the family plot there on Wednesday after a service in the Methodist church, and Masonic ceremony at the grave.

He is survived by his widow and three daughters, Mrs. Lucille Peck of Binghamton, N. Y., Mrs. Harry H. Pethick of Durham and Southern Pines, Mrs. N. L. Hodgkins of Southern Pines; a brother Joseph Abraham, of Tyler Hill, Pa., and a sister Mrs. Benjamin Rutledge of Honesdale, Pa. and nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The honorary pallbearers were C. H. Durgin, H. S. Knowles, C. T. Patch D. G. Stutz, Frank Welch, C. L. Austin, P. T. Barnum, Dr. W. C. Mudgett, Dr. W. E. Overcash P. F. Buchan, J. F. Cole, W. J. Stuart and W. J. Sanborn; the active bearers, Lewis Merrill, Richard Hassell, John Goldsmith and Don Jensen.

## Firemen To Have 10th Annual Ball Thursday

Scottie's New Tavern To Be Scene of Gala Affair, With Ted Ross Music

The Southern Pines Volunteer Fire Department is having its tenth annual ball next Thursday night at Scottie's New Tavern on U. S. 1 just south of town, and it is expected to be one of the biggest affairs of the late winter season. The volunteers have had a busy year to date and deserve the generous support of the community toward their reserve fund, besides which this party is always a most enjoyable one.

This year the firemen have secured Ted Ross and his Serenaders to furnish the music, which guarantees plenty of rhythm and fun for the crowd. The party is slated to start at 10:00 and last until 2:00 a. m.

## We're In It!

No, Not the Army, But The Pilot's New Building on Penn. Ave.

We're happy to announce that we're in the . . . nope, you're wrong . . . we're not "in the army," but in the new building we told you about last week, and if The Pilot is a bit late in reaching you, you will kindly lay it to the fact that we have not had time to hang the shop clock. It calmly reposes, face to the ceiling, on a stack of equipment that has not yet been assigned to a permanent location.

By next week we hope to have everything in apple pie order and in case you feel so inclined, we'll be glad to have you call on us in our new home.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF TECHNOLOGISTS HERE ON MAY 20TH

Dr. Kimmelstiel of Charlotte Scheduled to Make Main Scientific Address

The fourth annual meeting of the North Carolina Society of Medical Technologists will be held at the Southern Pines Country Club, Tuesday, May 20th. Plans are well under way for an outstanding convention.

Prior to this meeting, the former ones were held in April, the one last year at Greensboro, at the O'Henry. It was then voted to hold the annual meetings co-incidentally with the meetings of the State Medical Society, to be held this year at the Hotel Carolina, May 19-21 inclusive. However, due to the great number listed to attend the State Medical Meeting, it was not possible for the Carolina to provide a meeting room for business and scientific sessions of the Technologists, nor to arrange for the increased number at luncheon which this session will attract.

The morning session will include the message from the President, Miss Mary R. Hunter, Raleigh, followed by the business session and then the main scientific address of the day, on Blood Plasma Transfusions. As this address will not be made before the Medical Society at the Carolina, at any of its sessions, it is evident that this speaker will attract many physicians to the Southern Pines sessions who will come over for this scientific paper.

Following the luncheon at 1:30, the afternoon will be devoted to a scientific session by members of the State Technologists Society. Several interesting papers and demonstrations are listed for this portion of the program. There will be also, a number of interesting exhibits on scientific aspects of laboratory work. A short executive officers meeting will close the day. Time will be available for those so (Please turn to Page 5)

## Plan Athletic Club And Park For Sports

Organization Meeting Held in Southern Pines.—Field Near Manley Optioned

A meeting was held in the Boy Scout Hut in Southern Pines last week for the purpose of organizing a Southern Pines Athletic Club. For many years the need has been felt here for a recreational and sports center, and the aim is to provide funds for an athletic field through the issuance of memberships in the club. The organizing group has an option on property near Manley for the field, ample in size for baseball and other sports. Negotiations are under way to bring a team of one of the bigger leagues here for training next Spring, with several prospects.

Comprising the Organization Committee are Dante S. Montesanti, chairman, the Rev. T. A. Williams, Walter Harper, A. P. Patterson and Thomas Millar.

## CHAIN PARTIES NET LARGE SUM FOR AUXILIARY

\$5,146.23 With Other Gifts to Help With Work of Moore County Hospital

### NEW EQUIPMENT NEEDED

With pride and gratification the members of the Moore County Hospital Auxiliary, at their meeting on Wednesday, April 2nd, heard the treasurer, Mrs. M. G. Nichols, report that the receipts from the Auxiliary chain parties, to date, totalled \$5,146.23, and that there are still some entertainments scheduled.

Mrs. Edwin S. Blodgett, chairman of the organization, explained that this money, together with dues, members' contributions, and receipts from certain other activities, must finance the Auxiliary program for a year. The program is vital to the hospital. It includes the purchase of various supplies and equipment, the maintenance of a service to help discharge indigent patients through convalescence, the providing of transportation for patients unable to arrange it for themselves, and flowers the year round for the wards.

In addition to underwriting these responsibilities, the meeting voted to make a special gift to the hospital. The x-ray apparatus, after eleven years of valuable service, has become obsolescent and unsatisfactory. New diagnostic x-ray equipment, for radiography, fluoroscopy and superficial therapy, will cost, with freight and certain structural changes included, the sum of \$8,500.00. Toward this total the Auxiliary voted to give \$4,000.00, and members expressed the hope that this action might lead to other contributions to cover the balance necessary.

The desired equipment includes the latest developments in the field. An especially valuable feature is a mobile x-ray unit, which makes it possible in many cases to take pictures and give treatments at the patient's bedside.

A brief summary of the different kinds of entertainment given this season revealed a wide and amusing variety. The list includes bridge parties and cake sales, dances and lectures, cocktail hours and scenic movies, musicales, discussions, a stag poker game, golf contests, and numerous other activities.

## Homer H. Johnson Is Kiwanis Speaker

Failure of League of Nations Chief Cause of War, Says Cleveland Attorney

Homer H. Johnson, Cleveland attorney, addressing the Sandhills Kiwanis Club Wednesday at the Southern Pines Country Club, blamed the failure of the League of Nations as the principal cause of the present European conflict. He cited the creation of the League as one of the most important affairs in World's history and its failure when the United States withdrew from the League as the most tragic. He told the Club the United States managed to get into all the wars but had little or nothing to do with any of the peace conferences.

He referred to the present European conflict as a war between the "haves" and "have nots" in which a nation attempts to dictate its demand through force. He referred to the sitdown strike at the Ford Motor Company, strikes at the Allis-Chalmers Company, and the walkout of 400,000 coal miners as an attempt on the part of Labor to dictate their demand for higher wages.

In conclusion he referred to the "twenties" as the "golden age" and pointed out at the end of the war the world would go through an evolution of reform in which no one could predict the future. He stressed the importance of small groups like the Kiwanis giving much thought to the period of reconstruction.

Mr. Johnson was introduced by Paul Dana, chairman of the program committee.

## 30 ENTRIES FOR 100-MILE RIDE HERE NEXT WEEK

Virginia and South Carolina Horses To Compete With Locals in Novel Event

### FIRST OF ITS KIND IN SOUTH

Nearly thirty entries have been received for the North Carolina 100-Mile Ride to be held here April 8th, 9th and 10th, representing many well-known stables.

William J. Stratton of Princeton, N. J., chairman of the committee, has announced that two picturesque courses of forty miles each and one of twenty miles have been laid out over a rolling, sandhill country of long leaf pines. Seven classes will participate in the ride. The first class is for thoroughbreds; second, half-breds; third, Arabians; fourth, apulians; fifth, Belgians; sixth, gaited saddle horses and seventh, hunters.

A silver plate and \$75.00 in cash will be awarded the winning horse in the ride. Cash prizes and ribbons will be awarded for second, third, fourth and fifth places. Each horse will carry a minimum weight of 170 lbs., and seven hours will be allowed for the twenty-mile ride. The day before the forty-mile ride and three and one-half hours for the twenty-mile ride. The day before the ride the horses will be judged as to cuts, abrasions and fitness.

This is the first ride of its kind to be held in the South and will be similar to the ride put on by the Green Mountain Horse Association at Woodstock, Vt., last summer. Its purpose is to encourage good horsemanship, to demonstrate the value of type and soundness and the proper selection of horses for trail riding. Entries have been received from several well-known Virginia and South Carolina stables. The committee is headed by Mr. Stratton, chairman; Miss Ellen Vail, vice-chairman; Howard F. Burns, secretary; Mrs. George W. Johnson, chairman of entertainment; Ralph K. Trix of Lake Placid, N. Y., recorded and time-keeper; Louis Scheipers, in charge of course and W. O. Moss, in charge of stabling.

## WILLIAM FRANKLIN WILSON RITES HELD WEDNESDAY

Funeral services conducted by the Rev. Troy Mullis and the Rev. C. I. Calcote were held in the Presbyterian Church of Manley at 3:00 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon for William Franklin Wilson, 83, who died in his home there Tuesday morning.

Mr. Wilson was born in Cumberland county June 6, 1858, the son of John Wilson, and had been almost a life-long resident of Manly.

He is survived by his widow and three daughters, Mrs. C. W. Boney and Miss Mabel Wilson of Manly and Mrs. Eloise Jones of Charlotte; two sons, W. C. Wilson of Wildwood Fla., and Clyde Wilson of Sanford.

## Caucus May 2d

Nomination for Mayor and Five Commissioners To Be Made for Election May 6

The town caucus of the Town of Southern Pines will be held on Friday night, May 2d, in the High School auditorium, according to legal notice on Page 2 of this week's Pilot. At that time, nominations will be made for the offices of Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of five members.

The town election will be held on Tuesday, May 6th, and the registration books are now open at the office of the Registrar in the Municipal Building. All persons who are qualified to vote should see that their names are properly registered.

## Civilians Org. For Peace, Protection, Morale

### An Editorial

By Struthers Burt

One of the most difficult of feats is to envision danger before it is at hand.

Spring is here in The Sandhills; a cold and delayed spring, but already the jonquils are out, and soon the peach orchards will be in bloom, and before long will be the white of the dogwood. It is getting warmer; there is a hint of laziness in the air. The hotels and golf courses are crowded. It requires a feat of the imagination, indeed, to realize that this is the most dangerous spring that The Sandhills, that America, has known for eighty years. Great issues are in the making and the future is as troubled as a thunder storm. How, therefore, shall all sensible men and women, young or old, all farsighted men and women, prepare to meet the huge uncertainty of events? It seems to us that one answer is contained in the formation of The Civilian Defense Committee, news of which appears in another column.

Every war is fought differently from the war that preceded it. This has been invariable history. The war we have been witnessing for the past year and a half is utterly different from the so-called World War of 1914-1918. This war, slowly spreading, bids fair to be a real World War, and already we know that the fighting armies and navies, actual combat, are only a part of it; not more perhaps than one third of the total. The other two thirds are diplomacy, as we are witnessing it now in the Balkans, as we have witnessed it again and again in the last nineteen months, and the state of mind, then (Please turn to page five)

## FOUR CALLED TO COLORS, 100 GET QUESTIONNAIRES

Many From Southern Pines Are in New List of Names Released by Local Board

Four young men were ordered to report to the Local Board in Carthage at 8:30 o'clock yesterday morning for the trip to Fort Bragg to begin their year's training in Uncle Sam's army. They are Wilbert Ashe and Clay Flowers, of Southern Pines, George Tyson, Muse of Carthage, Route 2 and Prentice Burch, whose home address is Morristown, N. J.

Fourteen from Southern Pines are included in the list of 100 to whom questionnaires were mailed Tuesday. They are Arthur Bynum Patterson, Lewis Albert Merrill, Robert Finch Dorn, Melvin Leo Arey, Willie Frank Frik, Bennie Thompson, Robert McKillan Cameron, David Edward Wilson, Carlos Greene Bailey, Henry Earl Down LeRoy Alexander Dowdy, Edward York, Hanie Nathaniel Speas and Harold Alexander McNeill.

Those from other communities are: Aberdeen: Thomas Cosom Norman, Woodrow Briggs, Isaac Clifton Stanclil, James Randolph Byrd, Walter McCain, William Volger Carter, Jr., John Nicholas McKinnon.

Pinehurst: Curtis Case, Cary Ralph Richardson, Warren Allston Leland McKelthen, Lonnie Morrison, John Frederick Quimby.

Carthage: Roland Kelly, John Willis Davis, Claud Jennings Benner, Julius Cole, Eli Euland Phillips, Guyre Tillmon Caddell, Johnson Allen Denney, Joseph Howard Wilson, John Robert Tillman, Walter Augusta Kelly, Garlan Thornton Person, Charles Thomas Sinclair, Jr., Garner Maness, Neill Archie McLeod, Ellis Holt Williamson, Archie Dean Wooten.

Vass: Leon Abner Crutchfield, Henry Dallas Jackson, Charlie Franklin Foster, Lyle Benjamin Craig (Please turn to page five)

Sandhills To Train for Conditions Which May Arise From War Crisis

MAN, WOMAN, CHILD

At a meeting held recently, A. B. Patterson was elected general chairman and H. J. Betterley, Southern Pines chairman of the Sandhills Civilian Defense Committee, the purpose of which is to organize the civilians of the community; to wit, of the four towns of Southern Pines Aberdeen Pinehurst and West End, and neighborhoods so that all those who wish may train themselves and organize for any emergency and be ready, should occasion arise, to report immediately to their respective headquarters, there to render effective service and maintain the peace, property and morale of their localities.

The following statement was made by the chairman:

It is our opinion that in this war the state of mind and the training and discipline of the Civilian Population is at least one third of the total conflict, the other two-thirds being diplomacy and the actual battle of armed forces. This fact has been clearly recognized by the leaders of the enemies of democracy from the first and by every means and everywhere, they have, and are, persistently trying to break down the morale of civilians; by rumors, by defeatism, by propaganda and by sabotage. It is our purpose to meet this challenge.

America was founded and preserved on the principle of the Trained Band, that is to say, the self-contained community in which, when the tocsin sounded, every one, man, woman, and child, knew where to go and what to do. Some to fight, some to make bullets, some to draw water, some to attend to the wounded, and so on. By mean of the Trained Band we defeated the Indians and won the War of the Revolution. Once more we have need of the Trained Band in all its various functions.

We have entire confidence in our Government, in our armed forces, in the Home Guard now being formed in all the states to take the place of the National Guard inducted into the Regular Establishment. We also have been assured that the Legion will take care of the forming of a third defence group, the armed section of the Trained Band in each community. The Legion has a reservoir of four million veterans to draw upon. These are not our provinces; we wish to deal entirely with the Civilian Population.

We feel that such an organization as we propose will not only train the Civilian Population for any emergency, but meanwhile will add greatly to its morale and will give every man and woman that sense of actually being a part of his, or her, country and of taking a place in its present gigantic endeavor so necessary to contentment, courage and discipline. We think it will aid in stopping false rumor; that it will prevent panic in bad times; and increase productivity in good. Finally, we think it will add to the enduring morale and cooperation of the communities in question long after the present emergency, happily, is passed.

We feel certain that properly organized and undertaken none of the programme will require more than a nominal amount of time from busy people.

## GIRL SCOUTS WILL SELL COOKIES FOR HUT FUND

Remember those delicious Girl Scout Cookies you bought last fall? Tomorrow, Saturday, you will again have the opportunity of buying these chocolate and vanilla wafers and at the same time helping the local branch of Scouting. The girls will come to your door and ask you to purchase these cookies at twenty-five cents for a package of forty. The proceeds from this sale will go into a fund for the Hut.

Put up in boxes covered and lined with waxed paper, these cookies will keep indefinitely, so don't be afraid to buy a number of boxes.