

THE PILOT

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HE WHO MAKES THE FIRST MOVE

Unwittingly, perhaps, the President last week "froze" the present population of Washington, D. C. He called upon all "parasites" living in the Capital City to move out and give room to needed workers in defense activities.

This is doubtless an excellent suggestion. There have been parasites in Washington since the designation of that Potomac City as the center of our nation's government. Some of these parasites have even held high-ranking offices.

But when the President asks all "parasites" to move out, he is putting each on "the spot." Who will make the first move away from Washington, thus branding himself or herself as a self-admitted parasite?

BLUSTERERS NEED SILENCING

Perhaps the greatest value of the Roberts Committee report on the Pearl Harbor attack is to strengthen the faith of the American people in the frankness, honesty and determination of our War Government. The Pearl Harbor surprise was fertile seed for wagging tongues and brilliant second-guessers.

THE TEMPTATIONS OF THE SMALL PRESS

The county or weekly American press can be, and often is, one of the most powerful influences in the nation. There is something about the intimacy of the weekly newspaper that generally makes for public trust.

The "special interest propaganda" may come from a number of sources. National and State governmental agencies are one source of this propaganda, although much of this type is worthy news and useful.

We have in mind one particular example. A cartoon, in mat form, ready for convenient and immediate use by the small press, reached our desk this week. It was sent out by a special interest group.

TOMORROW MAY BE TOO LATE



arrived at a crossroads. One road is called "All Out War Production." Uncle Sam is headed up this road. The other is called "Business as usual." This is blocked and a figure labeled "American Industry" tells Uncle Sam that "This road's been closed since early in 1941."

The actual facts show differently. It has taken considerable effort on the part of Uncle Sam and the American people to convince all industry that "business as usual" must go out the window. In fact, it is doubtful that industry is yet convinced.

American industry, as a whole, is doubtless now in the full swing of defense efforts. But this did not come early in 1941. It is deceptive to imply that it did come then.

WHAT ABOUT NEXT SEASON?

Latest report from the Crop Reporting Service of the Federal and State departments of agriculture give proof that leaf growers had cause to rejoice during the past tobacco marketing season.

Although sales throughout the State were down 11 percent as far as poundage was concerned, total income was up 53 percent and the average price paid per pound was up 73 percent.

The Middle Belt markets, which include Aberdeen, Carthage and Sanford, showed the greatest increase in the average price paid, over the previous marketing season. An average of \$32.44 per 100 was 96 percent higher than the 1940 season.

This is fine. Perhaps it's an indication that the amount of tobacco grown and marketed last season nearly approximates the production needs of tobacco-buying factories. The question now raised, however, will farmers be content to continue their cooperative efforts; or will that money-crop greed sprout once again, producing a greater crop this season, with more work and less money?

THREE LICENSE REVOCATIONS ANNOUNCED FROM THIS COUNTY

The State Highway Safety Division this week announced that the following drivers' license revocations had been reported from this county: George Lindo Smith, Carthage, December 29, for drunken driving; Dejanuel Williams, Southern Pines, December 6, drunken driving; Lacy Williams, Pinehurst, December 1, drunken and reckless driving.

Bibles, New Testaments and Prayer Books at Hayes.

GRAINS OF SAND

THERE WAS A DEAL OF EXCITEMENT along Broad Street Tuesday afternoon, along about 5 o'clock, when the fire engines rushed to the old Hayes house to work on a blaze that was making rapid headway.

Up to the scene of the fire rushed Eleanor Grover—or rather, Mrs. Louis Scheipers, Jr.—and called, "Oh! did they get the dog! The puppy, I mean."

THE CASUAL CROWD HANGING around watching the exploits of the firemen, as the blaze was brought under control, is ever-present at easily accessible fires. It brought to mind the time of the burning of the Southern Pines Hotel, then on the site of the present post office.

SPEAKING OF FIRES, THE LAW building in Carthage which was destroyed several months ago by a blaze is now being razed. The skeleton of the old building, with its cracked and unsteady walls, remained untouched for some time.

THE NEW SEXTON AT THE VILLAGE Chapel in Pinehurst turned up missing his first Sunday on the job, and it's doubted whether Dr. T. A. Heatham, the pastor, knows yet what his help was missing because of incarceration.

Before he was given the job of looking after the Church, Kelly Young was running a Negro taxi. Saturday night before last Sunday, Kelly was hired to drive a couple to a well, a spot he didn't know very well.

APPARENTLY, LOCAL DOCTORS have given up trying to satisfy rigid army requirements concerning medical examinations of prospective draftees. Since War was declared last month, the Army has let down on some of its restrictions and is trying to get men.

One young man, who was sent from Carthage to Fort Bragg for an examination last month, reported to us that he carried with him a certificate saying he had no physical defects. The certificate was signed by a doctor whom he had seen only one time—and then not for an examination.

Our COUNTY'S HEALTH

PUBLIC HEALTH AND NATIONAL DEFENSE. NUTRITION AN ADEQUATE DIET FOR EVERYONE. By DR. B. M. DRAKE, County Health Officer.

Throughout the examinations made of certain groups in the schools of the county from one-fifth to almost one-half of the children seen have been found to be five or more pounds underweight. In some instances this could be accounted for by such conditions as hookworm infestation. The plain truth is that the children were not getting enough for them to eat at home, or it may be, sometimes a child will take a dislike to milk or some other important food, and will refuse to eat it, with bad effects on himself.

Hugh Dave MacWhirr's Fox-Dog Sets Example

"Now, there is a dog," Mr. Hugh Dave's voice roused us up from the copy we were reading "that ought to be in the government."

"Why, hello, Mr. Hugh Dave," we said. "Didn't know you were in town." We looked where he was pointing a long finger out the office window in which Jackson, the office dog, was bristling and muttering to himself.

Looking again, we saw the grave serene face and long tan ears of Old Puzler on the front seat of Mr. MacWhirr's model T.

"And all on account of Old Puzler," he said proudly. "Why the other night before I dropped off to sleep, I counted up seventy-nine Old Puzler pups that I know about which is hunting within ten miles of my place."

Mr. Hugh Dave waved his hand at the window. "There he is," he said. Old Puzler must have heard. He turned his high domed head and his tail swung up and waved against the back of the seat with friendly dignity.

"We've got to where our ablest boys and girls ain't even marrying young, let alone raising up a litter. Shucks, boys, let them look at Old Puzler. Maybe then they'll take note that the bed rock of any government is the people in it."

"Mr. Hugh Dave," we asked. "What can we do about it?" "Nobody knows yet," he said, "not even me. But, son, we'd better start thinking."

Carthage Soldier Now at Will Rogers Field

Private Herbert N. Blue Assigned to Bombardment Squadron

Will Rogers Field, Okla.—Private Herbert N. Blue, formerly of Carthage, N. C., is one of the soldiers stationed at the army air force bombardment base. Private Blue is assigned to one of the bombardment squadrons here as a file clerk for his squadron.

Before entering the Army last summer, Pvt. Blue resided at Carthage where he worked in the purchase and contract department, quartermaster corps, Fort Bragg. Before reporting to Will Rogers Field on July 11, 1941, he was on duty at Fort Bragg.

"Along These Streets" gaining in sales all the time at Hayes.

Pilot Want Ads Pay.

PINEHURST

In the Service

Among boys serving their country in the Army and Navy and are former students of Pinehurst High School are Robert Black, Leroy Knox, Hilton Black, Leonard Bliss, Jr., Lemuel Buckingham, Peter DuPont, James Faircloth, Ellis Fields, Jr., Edward Frye, Lewis Frye, Richard Frye, James Graham, Ralph Horner, Gilbert Maples, Walter Maness, Warren McKenzie, Donald Quate, James Short, Paul Solomon, Donald Stewart, Chris Wallace, Carl Wicker, Atwood Wick, Jr., James Williamson, Albert, Herman, and George Woods, Holland Shaw, Vernon Whitsett, John Rogers, Ellis Bosworth, William Currie, Cyrus Cleaver and Tommie and Reggie Currie who left Tuesday for Norfolk.

Holland Shaw, who is serving Uncle Sam at Teacher's Training Center at Quantico, Va., has been promoted to sergeant.

Miss Helen Fields and her roommate returned to Flora Macdonald College, Red Springs Tuesday after being guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ellis Fields.

Mrs. Frank Knox of Washington, D. C., is a guest at the Carolina Hotel. Secretary of the Navy Knox spent the week-end with Mrs. Knox.

Mrs. William Ott and young son have returned to their home in Rock Springs, Wyoming after spending six weeks as guests of Mrs. Ott's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Barrett.

Mrs. Frank Morgan of Roanoke, Va., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gouger, who have been on the sick list, but are now improving.

Miss Mary Louise Riddick accompanied her father to their home in Scotland Neck for the week-end. G. A. Rose spent the week-end in Roanoke Rapids.

A. F. Dees, Jr., who is attending the Diesel Aircraft School in Nashville, Tenn., spent the week at home. Jessie Cole and classmate, Kenneth Todd of Miami, Fla., returned to U. N. C., Chapel Hill Sunday.

Mrs. Thomas L. Black entertained her Bridge Club Thursday at her home on the Midland Road.

Mrs. Dora Patterson is spending the week in High Point. Misses Betty Dunlop and Patty Ray spent the week-end in Winston-Salem as guests of Patty's aunt, Mrs. O. F. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Barnes of Moncure were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gouger.

Miss Jean Sewell has returned to William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va., after spending several days with her sister, Mrs. Forbes Wilson. On Thursday Mrs. Wilson entertained for Miss Sewell at a dinner party. Other guests were Mrs. Richard B. Phipps, and Miss Ann and Carol Hotchkiss.

Lieut. and Mrs. J. H. Moore have gone to Fort Benning, Ga., to make their home.

Mr. Sheppard, manager of Singer Sewing Machine Shop, had the misfortune to break his leg Monday and is in the Moore County Hospital.

The three circles of the Community Church Auxiliary met Tuesday at the homes of Mrs. C. C. Kennedy, Mrs. Hulon Cole and Mrs. T. P. Cheney.

A Founders Day program will be presented by the Parent-Teacher Association Tuesday evening at eight o'clock in the school auditorium. A social half hour will follow the meeting which will be a birthday party.

Mr. and Mrs. Raeford Hutchinson of Charlotte were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Colin McKenzie.

Mrs. Howard Macon of Charlotte was a recent guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Fields.

G. A. Rose took twenty-four Industrial Arts students to West End Friday where they spent the morning as guests of the Sandhills Furniture factory. They witnessed the making of beds from the curing of lumber to the finished product already crated and loaded in box cars ready for shipment. The output of beds at this factory per day is about five hundred.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Griggs of Winston-Salem and Mr. and Mrs. Wirt Sanders of Star were week-end guests of Mrs. Ethel Journey.

Children's Books and Games at Hayes.

ing the last few days, under the expert guidance of Joe Palmer, of the Gulf, accompanied by his fine pack of trained hounds.

THE PASSING YEARS

BY CHARLES MACAULEY First Week of February

1941

N. L. Hodgkins heads Oconeechee Boy Scout Council.

Lieut. Col. Alexander Kelly, Carthage native, named commanding officer at Fort Devens, Mass.

Southern Pines High School alumni organization, headed by Miss Sara McCain, president; Hermann Grover, vice-president; and George Pottle, secretary-treasurer.

1937

New Funeral Home of the J. N. Powell Company completed. Brick structure located on New Hampshire avenue.

Crowd sees new wing of Hospital on opening day.

Mrs. J. Daus Davis dies. R. Bruce Lindsay, who was chief of police in Southern Pines about ten years ago, dies at Raeford.

1932

County Commissioners request State Highway Commission to take over the old State Highway, leading from Manly to Southern Pines, on the west side of the Seaboard tracks.

Nine fatalities Moore county's record for auto accidents during 1931. "James Gagney in Taxi" at the Princess." Adv.

1927

The Grantland-Rice photographer's busy taking pictures of members of the Men's Club, and activities on their Roque courts for the "Sport Reel" to be released by the Pathe News.

The stone work on the extension of the Emmanuel Parish House will be furnished this week if the weather permits.

1922

A genuine surprise party was given Mrs. John N. Powell by many friends in the Southland on her birthday anniversary last Tuesday. The features of the evening being a rose embossed cake and a splendid piece of silver.

1915

Users of the town water were disappointed Sunday morning by not being able to get any water and upon investigation it was discovered that the pumping station was burned some time Saturday night and all the water turned out of the system. No reason can be ascertained, as no fire was used about the plant and everything was apparently all right at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon when employees left the station. Looks like the work of some miscreant on mischief bent. Repairs were made and water supply resumed Sunday afternoon.

Last Wednesday evening, at the New Haven House, there was a pleasant whisky party. First prize was won by H. A. Lewis, second prize by Mrs. A. S. Ruggles, consolation by A. S. Ruggles.

1912

The Silverthornes, who have purchased and are developing a tract of 2100 acres of land east of the town, beyond Silver Ryn, are constructing a road to connect their land with the new Raeford Boulevard.

Rafferty's Minstrels, under the management of Mr. Poythress, well known in Southern Pines, gave an entertainment Monday and played a return engagement on Wednesday night.

W. P. Benner, the hustling young contractor, of Carthage, paid us a pleasant visit last week.

1907

Lost on the streets of Southern Pines, not Greenbacks, U. S. bonds, nor R. R. Stocks, but numerous unsightly and unsanitary paper bags, cracker boxes, parts of newspapers, etc. If the finders of any of the above will kindly deposit the same in the nearest waste paper barrel they will be duly rewarded by the gratitude of the town officials.

"Christmas Perfumes — Christmas Candies — Christmas Cigars." Adv. of local drug store still running in local paper.

1902

James W. Tufts dies suddenly. Big Fox Hunt. Lovers of the chase had rare sport hereabouts dur-

THE STYLE

TREND POINTS

TO TRULY FEMININE

FASHIONS . . .

OUR SELECTION OF SPRING FROCKS

CONTAINS SOME REAL

HEART-THROBS

Mrs. Hayes' Shop

SOUTHERN PINES

