

**Meet General Weaver**



GENERAL WALTER R. WEAVER

**GENERAL WEAVER HAS LITTLE TIME FOR HOBBIES NOW**

**Commanding Officer of AFTTC Really Follows Father's Footsteps—Even to Rank**

The commanding officer of the Air Force Technical Training Command stationed at Knollwood didn't just follow his father's footsteps, he marched right along in them to attain the same Army ranking as his father.

For Major General Walter R. Weaver was born the son of Major General E. M. Weaver, United States Army.

A man of kindly countenance capped by soft white hair, General Weaver doesn't now have much time for his favorite hobbies, which are definitely hobbies but are helpful in his present duty as commanding officer of the AFTTC.

In this wartime, his duties are to administer the operation of the Army's technical schools which are training some 300,000 men for service in the Air Force. Besides the regular Army schools, there are a number of civilian schools which are now operating under supervision of the Technical Training Command.

General Weaver became connected with the air service of the Army while the unit of activity was still in its infancy, back during America's participation in the first World War. Since then, his Army duties have constantly been in connection with the air force.

But while General Weaver's work is with one of the most advanced of man's inventions and many of his hobbies are delving into such things as radio, photography and chess, his pet diversion is that ancient and honorable profession of farming.

**But Farming Is Favorite**

If and when he gets a little time, he and Mrs. Weaver spend it on their farm at Fort Boykin, Va., on the James River, where he goes in for—yes, chicken farming.

In establishing headquarters in the Sandhills, General Weaver comes nearer to being "back home" than at any other time since his service in the Army. He was born in 1885 at Charleston, S. C., where his father was a member of the Citadel's faculty.

**Was in Philippines**

After three years at Virginia Military Institute, he received an appointment to West Point and, following graduation, was appointed second lieutenant of Infantry in 1908. During his early years in the Army he served in the Infantry, part of the time with the 24th Infantry in the Philippines and with the 15th in China. This was in 1912-14.

Upon his return to the States, he was assigned to recruiting service until March, 1917, when he became commandant of flying cadets at Wilbur Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, and there advanced to the rank of major, which was made permanent in 1920.

Since then he has been in the air service. He commanded an air service mechanics school, and then he himself entered the Air Corps flying school and in 1921 finished his advanced flying and bombardment training.

Four years from 1927 to 1931 were spent as commanding officer of Maxwell Field, Alabama, to which he returned in 1939 as commander of the Air Corps Tactical school, later being assigned as commanding general of the southeast air corps training center in Montgomery.

During the expansion and reorganization program of the Army Air Forces, General Weaver was selected as Acting Chief of the Air Corps in Washington and on February 18, 1942, was appointed commanding

**PUPILS DEBATE BEFORE KIWANIS**

**Pinehurst School Students Discuss Union of Western Hemisphere Nations**

Two Pinehurst High School students set going among Kiwanians a discussion of western hemispheric relations Wednesday, after they had presented the affirmative and negative sides of a debate question. Resolved: That a Union of Western Hemisphere nations should be established.

Speaking in favor of the question, Miss Margaret Lee urged such a union for the common defense and economic welfare of all the nations, pointing out that the Monroe doctrine is dated and no longer effective and that the Pan-American union is insufficient to guarantee mutual defense efforts. Her debate hinged chiefly on the need for defending United States' investments in loans and on developing new sources of raw materials for this major country of the western hemisphere.

On the opposite side, Billy McKenzie held such a union among western hemisphere nations alone would encourage regional antagonisms and that such a time when a universality of nations in cooperation could be achieved, the nations of this hemisphere would be better off without a binding military and economic alliance. He also pointed out that in Latin American countries there was, among the people, already considerable resentment against "Yankee imperialism" and that the capitalists of this nation had in the past too greatly controlled the economy and commerce of the Latin American countries. A union of the nations, he asserted, would bring about greater dominance by United States' interest, and would not encourage the countries to the South of us to develop their own way of life.

The club applauded the young speakers, who were introduced by Pinehurst School Superintendent, J. W. Harbison and did not attempt to select the better of the two arguments.

Among visitors at Kiwanis, meeting at the Southern Country Club, were Miss Nancy Ussery, of the Pinehurst school faculty; Robert Gray of Sanford, Harry Sergeant of W. Orange, N. J., and Clarence E. Chamberlain of Irvington, N. J., a visiting Kiwanian.

General of the Air Corps Technical Training Command, the branch of the Army Air Forces which directs and administers the training in various sections of the United States of officers and enlisted men required for ground duties in connection with the maintenance and servicing of aircraft and aircraft bases.

To the average chess player, nothing could complicate the game much; but General Weaver has managed to add a complication to that oldest of games. While many novices scratch their heads trying to determine moves on the two-dimensional chess board, General Weaver has developed (and patented) a game which he calls "Chess-Air"—it involves three dimensions.

"Chess-Air" utilizes an extra set of men known as "airplanes" which move about on a glass top, above the chess board. So, after you worry about moving pawns, and knights, and queens, and bishops, and kings and rooks, all you have to do then is figure out how to swoop down with the airplanes. For further details, please see General Weaver!

**Radio Another Hobby**

During the earlier days of radio, General Weaver advanced his technical knowledge by taking up the radio as a hobby, and his wife tells on him, he sometimes ended up with the oddest looking contraptions of tubes and wires and metal panels that always worked excellently.

Latest hobby interest is photography, which he goes in for the whole way. Not satisfied with just taking pictures, he likes also to develop and print them himself.

Mrs. Weaver, the former Elliza, both Carr Johnson of St. Paul, Minn., is in the Sandhills, staying with the General at their new home, "Sweet Gum House," near The Pine Needles. Here for the duration, at present plans, Mrs. Weaver thinks the Sandhills are wonderful, about the best place ever (next to their farm in Virginia).

And that's something about the man who is in charge of the AFTTC, headquartered at "Knollwood Field," Southern Pines, North Carolina.

General Weaver was at one time vice-president of the Montgomery, Ala., Kiwanis Club, but no longer is able to retain his active membership.

**Civilian Marchers Pass Army Day Reviewing Stand**



Before the gaily decorated reviewing stand on Ashe street passes a group of civilian defense workers who took part in the Army Day parade which brought the 134th Medical Regiment to Southern Pines. Leading this section of the parade is N. L. Hodgkins, air raid warden, and behind him are other of the wardens. The next group is composed of local Boy Scouts and behind them are special police and Girl Scouts. On the reviewing stand are Mayor W. Duncan Matthews, Col. Francis Moore, commanding officer, and other civilian officials and Army officers.

**Education Board Approves State's Twelfth Grade Plan**

**New Agricultural Education Facilities Recommended for Vass-Lakeview Plant**

The County Board of Education, at its regular meeting last week, approved the setting up of 12th grades in all of the schools in the county, according to the plan of the State Department of Education.

The Board also recommended that school boards of the various districts elect principals and teachers and reorganize the schools for next year at the earliest possible date in order to retain as many of the best qualified teachers as possible.

The Board adopted the following resolution: "Whereas, it has been determined by the Moore County Board of Education after careful study and investigation that there now exists grave need of a new vocational agriculture classroom, a new vocational agriculture, shop and a new cafeteria at the Vass-Lakeview school, now, therefore, be it resolved that the county superintendent is instructed to present to the county commissioners in writing our request for the funds necessary to construct by contract the aforesaid new building in 1942-43; That the wish hereby is expressed that they will consider the matter promptly and instruct the chairman to reply by letter at the earliest possible date."

The Board also passed a resolution requesting the commissioners to provide a book and supply room in the basement of the court house as they consider such a room on the third floor impractical unless a freight elevator could be provided.

H. Lee Thomas, county superintendent, said that three or four big cartloads of books and supplies come into this room each year, which would make the task of carrying them by hand to the third floor a stupendous one. The present bookroom is in the basement, but it has been proposed that a third floor room be used for this purpose after the agriculture department is located in the basement.

Raymond Johnson, chairman of the West End school board, and Hobson Tucker, a member, requested that the West End cafeteria be completed for next year and it was decided to do this. The cafeteria is to be located in the basement and the local people have seen to digging this out.

Present at the meeting were all members of the Board, John W. Graham of Aberdeen chairman; D. D. McCrimmon of Hemp, W. E. Kelly of Carthage, J. F. Taylor of Pinehurst and L. B. McKeithen of Cameron.

**Pinehurst Scouts Review Activities**

A report made this week of the year's activities of Pinehurst Girl Scouts showed considerable activity by this organization during the past 12 months.

Scout leader this year was Mrs. J. W. Harbison, assisted by Mrs. Bert Nicolls, Mrs. C. D. Griffin and Mrs. Henson Maples.

The month by month report revealed that in April the Girl Scouts collected tea and comic strips to be sent to the London Girl Guide Association. During the next month they raised \$110 to dig a well at the Pinehurst scout cabin, and during July, many of the scouts spent the month at the camp, while others went to the National Girl Scout camp.

**NEW SET OF MEN BEGIN TRAINING**

**Draft Board Announces 47 Moore County White Men Inducted into U. S. Army**

The Moore County Draft Board announced this week that 47 Moore County white men recently were inducted into the United States Army under the Selective Service Act and have left for training camps.

Following are the names of those most recently inducted:

- John W. Ratkowski, route 1 Cameron;
- Elias H. Hussey, route 1, Hemp; Nelton Wright, West End; Clyde Luther Miller, Southern Pines; Neill van Morris, route 1 Cameron; Carson B. Brown, Hemp, Calvin V. Bowman, route 1 Aberdeen, Harry W. Veasy, route 1 Aberdeen, Dwight H. Ives, Jr., Pinebluff; Luther G. Paschal, Glendon, James Baxter Sheffield, route 1 Hemp, Frankie Garner, Hemp, Ernest Melvin Maness, route 2 Hemp, John Medlin, Pinehurst; Maste Gray Branson, route 1 Aberdeen; Sewell H. Callicott, route 1 Star; John Fiddner, Jr., Pinebluff;
- Also, James A. Crabtree, route 1, Carthage; Preston Thomas, Carthage; Daniel A. Morgan, Jr., Hemp; Charlie G. Myrick, route 1 Eagle Springs; Elbert W. Dowd, route 1 Carthage; Henry Alton Borst, Vass; Lacy Williams, route 1, Carthage; Joe I. Morgan, route 1 Eagle Springs; Hubert McM. Cameron, Southern Pines; John R. Short, Pinehurst; George H. Parrish, Jr., Carthage; Fletcher C. Williamson, route 2 Hemp; William Joseph Wood, route 2 Carthage; Albert T. Hicks, Vass; Carl J. Luther, Southern Pines; John Douglas Blue, route 3 Carthage; John Daniel Wallace, route 1 West End;
- Also, Claud N. Baker, route 3 Carthage; Euliss C. Cockman, route 1 Carthage; Donald McDonald, Jr., Cameron; Joseph C. Hutchinson, Jr., Pinebluff; Huey M. Barber, route 3 Carthage; Edward G. Adams, Jr., Pinebluff; Henry P. McDonald, Southern Pines; Curtis B. Dowd, route 1, Carthage; Albert J. Veno, Pinehurst; Julian Frye, route 1, West End; Henry L. Stutts, Carthage; Julian B. Carter, route 2, Cameron, and Joseph J. West, Manly.

During the summer, archery, swimming and woodcraft were activities of the Scouts and in the fall, the Scouts began collecting toys, repairing and painting them to give them to needy children at Christmas.

Just before Christmas, they entertained their mothers at a Christmas party, and in January, they raised \$500 by sale of candy and cookies, which was given to church work. During February and March, the Scouts have turned their attention to defense work, taking first aid courses, knitting and performing similar work. They helped with the American Legion Poppy sale last month and are now planning a hobby fair for the 10th and 11th of April.

*Pilot Advertising Pays.*

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**Audience Likes**

(Continued from page one) of such selections as Beethoven's Sonata D-minor, op. 31, no. 2 and Chopin's Ballade, there seemed to be a quiet strength that kept the tones pure but gave full play to the piano's range of volume.

To many, Joyous Party by Dohnanyi was an enjoyable number, although some patrons seemed not to care for this more modern musical classic. The artist, nonetheless, seemed to convey the composer's feeling that, beneath the gaiety of the joyous occasion, there ran a note of melancholy. De Falla's Spanish dance was a happy thing; Debussy's Jardins sous les Pluies was Debussy as he should be played, with the impressionistic tones carefully rendered without exaggeration, as many pianists are inclined to do. The concluding number on the program, Brahms' Rhapsodie G-minor, seemed to wrap up all Mrs. Berke's musical skill which she had demonstrated during the rest of the program and present it to the appreciate audience in one grand finale.

Brought back for two encores, she played the fluidly flowing Juba dance and Mozart's stirring Turkish March.

Among those who have attended the concert series this year, there seems to be unanimous agreement that each program was outstanding. Since the series started with the appearance of William Klenz, cellist, in January, the Library Association has presented Mr. and Mrs. Alan Sly, piano and violin; Sherman Smith, bass-baritone; Frederic Balazs, the soldier-violinist, and Mrs. Berke, pianist.

**Vocational Guidance Program Set April 17**

Seniors of high schools in Moore County will take part next Friday, April 17, in a Vocational Guidance Day, sponsored by the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, to be conducted in the auditorium at Southern Pines High School.

At this time, winners of the Kiwanis essay contest on "My Best Way of Serving, Today and Tomorrow" will be announced, and representatives from various vocations and occupations will address the gathered seniors.

James W. Harbison, superintendent of Pinehurst Schools and chairman of the Kiwanis Vocational Education and Boys and Girls Work committee, is in charge of plans for the program.

A number of selected essays from senior classes throughout the county are already being considered by the judges and the cash awards for the best of these will be made at the session next Friday.

**School Glee Club Will Give Concert**

The Southern Pines High School Glee Club will give its annual concert at the Church of Wide Fellowship Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. The mixed chorus of 42 voices and the seventh grade chorus will be featured.

Program will be as follows:

**LECTURE**  
Thinking for Women in Wartime  
At the Civic Club  
Friday, April 17—3:00 P. M.  
By Mrs. Ernest Victor Hughes  
Admission—50c

**PRIVATE-ARTIST ORDERS GENERAL**

**Sketcher Whose Pictures Are on Front Page Did Portrait of General Crane**

(Editor's Note: Here's a brief biographical sketch of Robert C. Frankenberg, the young soldier whose pen conception of Southern Pines' Army Day parade and activities appear on the front page of THE PILOT this week.)

When a private can tell a Brigadier General to stand erect and remain quiet, that's news!

And that's just what Private Robert C. Frankenberg of the 134th Medical Regiment of Fort Bragg told General John A. Crane when the latter posed for his portrait which was being painted in oils by Artist Frankenberg.

Private Frankenberg, whose murals at the World's Fair attracted wide attention last year, is now a medical soldier in Uncle Sam's Army. He's been in training for over a year in the 134th Medical Regiment at Fort Bragg and is rated as a Medical Technician which means that he's an expert in first aid and double for a trained nurse whenever necessary. At Fort Bragg his full length portrait of General Crane was hung in the main hall of the Artillery Area Service Club. Frankenberg's next commission will be a portrait of Colonel Francis W. Moore, physician and veteran medical officer of the last war who commands the 134th Medical Regiment.

Frankenberg is a native of Mount Vernon, N. Y., and a graduate of Mount Vernon High School where he starred on the track and baseball teams. He studied at the Art Student's League of New York and also with many prominent art teachers. The soldier-artist's murals decorated the North Carolina and Pennsylvania buildings as well as fifteen other exhibits at the World's Fair of 1941.

While working for the Jenter Exhibits Inc. he executed dioramas of the Chase Brass and Copper Company.

Private Frankenberg is married to the former Burtis M. Ranges of Mount Vernon. His wife makes her home there.

Mixed chorus: To Thee, O Country; Eichberg, God So Loved the World; Stainer; Cherubim Song; Eortniansky.

Boys' Glee Club: Soldiers of the Captain; Spohr; Down the Open Road; Haney; Girls' Trio: Lift Thine Eyes, Mendelssohn; Mixed Chorus: Song of America, Southey; Ezekiel Saw de Wheel, spiritual; Gonna Join de Heavenly Choir, spiritual.

Prayer of the Norwegian Child; Kountz, solo by Don Kirkpatrick; Girls' Glee Club: When the Roses Bloom, Reichardt; Prelude, Ronald; Mixed Chorus, assisted by seventh grade: In Heaven Above, Christiansen; Hosanna, Christian Gregor.

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