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Most Local Stores Plan Long Week-End **Over Yule Holidays**

Merchants Offering Public Full Line of Presents Despite Restrictions,

Merchants of the Sandhills this week were facing their second war-time Christmas with their stocks fairly full of selections, but not as large a variety of Christmas novelties as during peacetime. As season's shopping went into the final week, most merchants were planning evening hours for convenience of shoppers not able to do their picking and buying during regular store hours.

With Christmas falling on a Friday this year, many of the stores in Southern Pines and other Moore County towns had definitely planned to shut up shop for a three-day week-end, starting Friday, Christ-mas Day, remaining closed Satur-day and Sunday, re-opening, of course, on Monday.

Some of the stores, it was understood, might close on Friday and reopen Saturday, but most of the grocery stores had agreed to remain shut over the entire week-end. Good Stocks on Hand

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Although war shortages had affected certain items, most merchants featured for Christmas gifts.

Churches and other organizations are planning special Christmas programs during the week, and the Red Cross Canteen has announced a Christmas party for soldiers at the Civic Club for Christmas Eve.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce decided to add to the Christmas spirit by arranging colored lighting for at least some of the trees up and down Broad street. These trees will be lighted during most of Christmas week, and probably over New Year's Day:

Kiwanis President Entertains Officers

First Meeting of Directors Held; Club Meets Friday for

Leaving School



DAVID W. GAMBLE

David Gamble Takes Position With USES

Teacher Resigns Effective January 1 to Go with Employment Service in Charlotte

David W. Gamble, instructor in

French and social science at the up and down the business streets Southern Pines High School for the rine Corps and is now in training at seemed to be featuring the "practi- past five years, has tendered his res- Parris Island, S. C. A third son, Southern Pines High School for the cal gift" angle, and displayed com-plete lines of personal effects to be a position as senior interviewer with On Leave of Absence the U. S. 'Employment Service in Charlotte.

Following graduation at the University of North Carolina, where he was an honor student and undergraduate instructor in French, Mr. Gamble became a member of the faculty here in 1937. Since then, he has served as adult leader of the Hi-Y club and this year was elected Wars. His brother, Theodore, was in ed at the shipyards for some months. faculty adviser to the student council. He is secretary of the Moore County Chapter of University Alumni and is president of the North Carolina Association of French Teachers. He was recently nominated a deacon in the First Baptist Church, where he has been teacher of the Men's Bible Class and Intermediate Boys' Class.

Mrs. Gamble, who is employed at Dorn's store in Southern Pines, and

Dad, With Two Sons Already in Service, **Joining Coast Guard**

> John H. Stephenson, Deputy U. S. Marshall, to Report December 29.

A Southern Pines father this week was notified that he could join with two of his sons, in serving with the U. S. armed forces in this war, and for the second time in his lifetime, John H. Stephenson will take up

arms for his country. The deputy Federal marshall this week was notified that he had been accepted in the U. S. Coast Guard with the rating of a coxswain, and he will report for duty at Norfolk on December 29. He has been deputy marshall in this district for nine years and his lived here since 1930. He is not without sea experience, having shipped out of Norfoik from 1908 to 1914. Of this time was with

the American Lines on such ships as the St. Louis, St. Paul and Philadelphia. Two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson are already serving in the Armed forcs and one of them, John D., in the U. S. Navy, has been in several of the large battles of the Pacific. Another son, Calvin N., 19, recently enlisted in the U. S. Ma-Armed forcs and one of them, John

Given a leave of absence from his duties as deputy marshall, Stephen-son enlisted in the Coast Guard, a greatly different service from that resulted in the death Wednesday he performed during World War I. morning at 2 a. m. in a Wilmington He served 18 months in France with hospital of William Harold Maples, the 301st Battalion, heavy tanks, 27-yeir-old welder and native of taking part in the battles of Meuse, Argonne and the Somme. Since then, he has been active in the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign year and a half ago.

Another Father and Son

Another father and one son comthe U. S. Navy in the Pacific.



Here Are Three of the Four Arnette Boys in Service



SGT. JAMES ARNETTE, AAF

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Arnette of Eureka community in Moore County have four boys now actively in the service of their country and one boy, George, their eldest son, now dead, served in the World War and was gassed. Chief Petty Officer William Arnette has been in the Navy eight years and was last stationed at San Diego, Calif. Corporal Ben Arnette of the U. S. Army enlisted at Fort Bragg, trained at Camp Blanding, and is now serving in England. Sgt. James Arnette is in the Air Corps and was last stationed in Texas. Sgt. Richard Arnette, whose picture is not here, has been in the service 10 years and is also serving in Texas.

Fall at Work Fatal

Funeral Conducted Wednesday for Native of Cameron;

Was Working in Wilmington A fall from a scaffolding in a ship-

yard at Wilmington Monday night Moore County.

Maples, son of Parker and Ollie McKenzie Maples, had been employrines for over 30 years and According to reports reaching here, was killed at Midway Island about a he fell about 45 feet while on a scaffolding, and the resulting injuries brought death.

A native of Cameron, Maples was bination in the Armed forces from married to the former Miss Alberta Southern Pines is Jackson H. Boyd, Adams, daughter of Mrs. Alice captain in the U. S. Marine Corps, Adams of Southern Pines, and she and his son, John Boyd, seaman in and a two-weeks old son survive.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at Culdee Church with the Rev. Troy D. Mullis

WILLIAM ARNETTE, USN

NEW SOCIETY EDITOR Mrs. Todd Baxter this week was named Society Editor of THE PILOT to succeed Mrs.

Carl G. Thompson, Jr., who resigned to become manager of the Brooks, Inc., store here.

Mrs. Baxter has been connected with THE PILOT since early summer as office secretary and has assisted in handling the Southern Pines news and society. She will continue to be in charge of the office and will be glad to receive any items of news mailed or brought in or telephoned to Number 7271.

Who's Dreaming Now of White Christmas

Snowfall of About Two Inches Drapes Trees and Streets in White Cloak

the approximately two-inch snowfall ville, and two daughters, Jean and the approximately two-inch snowfall of Wednesday, December 16, was about a week too soon to assure a White Christmas for the Sandhills. The soft but swirling snow began to fall shortly before one o'clock to fall shortly before one o'clock Wednesday and ceased at six o'clock, leaving trees and shrubbery cased in gleaming white that shone in spec-

RaymondJohnson,42 **Dies Unexpectedly**

Heart Attack Fatal to Popular Sandhills Contractor; In Wilmington

Funeral services for W. Raymond Johnson, 42, of Pinehurst and Lake-view were held at four o'clock Tuesday from the Pinehurst Community Church with the pastor, the Rev. Roscoe L. Prince and the Rev. J.

Fred Stimson officiating. The Masonic Lodge No. 484 of Southern Pines, of which Mr. Johnson was a past master, conducted services at the graveside in Mount Hope Cemetery in Southern Pines. Mr. Johnson died unexpectedly Sunday afternoon, December 13, of a heart attack in Wilmington where he was engaged in government construction work.

For many years he was manager and owner of the Pinehurst Jobbing Company. He was a member of the Pinehurst Fire Department and the Whoever was doing all the "Dreaming of a White Christmas" went to sleep a little too early, for the comparison of the Department and the body. Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Elsie Coffey of Statesmyre of Mt. Airy; three brothers, Cliff Johnson of Southern Pines, Herman Johnson of Auburn, Ala., and Henry V. Johnson of the U.S. Army. He was a native of South Boston, Despite the warm sun which came Va., and came to the Sandhills 20 but Thursday morning to start the years ago, and was one of the most popular citizens of the community. He was on the board of directors of the Pinehurst Community Church and had served several terms as president of the Sandhills Brotherhood.



President-Elect Howard F. Burns of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club entertained new officers and directors of the Club at dinner at the Southern Pines Country Club Tuesday night following which the board had the first business session.

Tentative committee appointments were approved by the directors and Carl G. Thompson, Jr., was re-elected secretary of the Club and L. W. Miner elected assistant to the treasurer

So She Sends Her Money to "The Boys" The Kiwanis Club did not have its regular meeting this week, because it ill celebrate the Twentieth Anniversary of its founding at an Alum-Office the first of the month ever ni and Ladies Night dinner in the since the last war. Her name is An-Carolina Hotel Friday, December 18, nie Priest, an old colored woman at 7:30 p. m. A well-known philoswho lives down near the railroad opher-humorist, Billy Beard, of Atbetween here and Aberdeen, and she lanta, will be speaker, and the Kigets a small pension on account of wanis Builder's Cup will be presented.

Mrs. McKenzie Dies at 68 in Pinehurst

Funeral Services Held At Culdee Church for Widow of Late Hugh Mcenzie

Mrs. Georgia Crutchfield McKenzie, widow of the late Hugh Mc-Kenzie, died at her home near Pinehurst last Thursday, December 10. She was 58 years old.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Troy Mullis Sunday at 3 o'clock from Culdee Church and interment took place in the family plot near Juniper Lake.

Surviving are three sons, Sgt. Warren C., of Keesler Field, Miss. T. Wellons of Baltimore, Md., and James W. McKenzie of Pinehurst. Pallbearers were all nephews of the deceased.

SOLDIERS' PARTY

The Southern Pines Canteen Corps of the American Red Cross will give a Christmas party for soldiers in this section at the Civic Club building. Mrs. R. H. Plowden is in charge of arrangements for the party, which will include a Christmas program, refre hments, and a Christmas tree for the visiting soldiers. An invitation has been extended the men at Knollwood Field to attend.

small daughter, Alice, will remain in Southern Pines for the present.

THREE TIED FOR FIRST IN PUTTING CONTEST

Miss Jane McMullen, Miss Carol Hotchkiss and Mrs. J. A. Du Puy were tied at the end of 18 holes with 36 in the Saturday putting contest for ladies, a regular weekly feature of the Pinehurst Country Club.

She has been coming to the Post

her son who was in the last war.

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A month ago when she had drawn

her money she said she wished to

speak to Mr. Buchan, the Postmas-

"Mr. Buchan," she said when got

"What boys?" Mr. Buchan asked.

"Them boys that is fighting over

"Yes, the Lord will take care of

"Well, here is what we'll do,"

Frank said. He got out a stamp and

"That's a Government stamp. I

vill give it to you and then when

he war is over, you can get your

ive dollars back and a little inter-

st besides. Meanwhile it will be

"Mr. Buchan, I don't want it. I lay

t down and lose it, I surely will.

in Frank's office, "I want to send

this over yonder to them boys." She

laid a five dollar bill on Frank's

"Annie, can you afford it?"

"What's that?" Annie said.

aid it on the table.

elping the boys."

er five dollars.

You keep it."

Lord Will Take Care of Annie Priest

The Southern Pines Gymkhana, originally scheduled to be held at the Country Club Horse Show ring this Sunday, December 20, has been postponed to a later date, it was decided following the snow. The melting of the snow will leave the ground too damp for the horse events, it was said.

officiating. Interment was in a familv plot at the church. Other survivors are five sisters

Mrs. Albert Adams of Fayetteville, Mrs. Robert Hunt of Pinehurst, Mrs. Dennis Greene of Lenoir, Miss Edna Maples of Pinehurst and Miss Dorothy Maples of Statesville; three brothers, Elmer Maples of Burlington, Buddy Maples of Statesville, and Alex Maples of Pinehurst.

BROOKS, INC., OPENS IN PIERSON BUILDING

Mary C. Thompson Manager of New Ready-to-Wear Shop

Opening of a new woman's readyto-wear store on Monday, December 21, in the Pierson building, next to the bank, was announced this week by Mary C. Thompson, who in this section since December 16, will be manager of the store to be 1930, exactly a dozen years ago. Alknown as "Brooks, Inc."

The shop will feature a line of coats, suits, dresses, sweaters, blouses, and bags, Mrs. Thompson said. The store building, which for-Pierson, interior decorator, was being adapted this week for use by Brooks, Inc., and the formal opening was set for Monday. Mrs. Thompson has been connected with THE PI-LOT for the past year and a half in the capacity of society editor and advertising solicitor. She resigned this week in order to take over the shop.

PAINTINGSOFORCHIDS IN LIBRARY EXHIBIT

Mrs. Chatfield's Art Hung in Local Gallery This Week

An exhibit of 20 flower paintings by Mrs. H. G. Chatfield of Knollwood Field was hung in the gallery of the Southern Pines Library this week for public display. Most of the paintings are beautiful reproductions of orchids, in many varieties. Mrs. Chatfield, whose artistry extends to clothing and fine fabrics in her association with Anglow Tweeds,

the many she has executed.

tral radiance in the bright moonlight at nine o'clock. snow thawing and running down the gutters, the soft white clung to the evergreen trees of the Sandhills throughout most of the day Thursday, adding beauty to the scenery of the town and imbuing Christmas shoppers with the traditional "white

Christmas" spirit. Weather experts declare that this was the first December snowstorm though this week's snow was damp and clung to trees, wires and foliage,

no real damage was reported.

JOHN SCOTT NEWTON merly was occupied by Catherine ENLISTS IN U. S. NAVY

John Scott Newton, son of Police Chief and Mrs. C. Ed Newton of urday with a net 71. Six pairs tied Southern Pines, has enlisted in the for second place with net 72's and on Navy and is now in training at the the play-off Tuesday, Eric D. Thom-Great Lakes Naval Training Station son and Chester I. Williams won near Chicago (where the weather, young Newton wrote his parents, now is about 10 below zero.) Prior to his enlistment, young Newton was Strickland, J. T. Hunter and Donald manager of Macks' ten cent store in Newton boys to join the armed services. J. Ed Newton was first to be S. Tufts. inducted into the Navy at the recruiting station in Raleigh last December 8, right after Pearl Harbor.

SPECIAL XMAS MUSIC AT LOCAL CHURCH

Special music at the midnight service on Christmas Eve at Emmanuel Episcopal Church will include three old folk carols, "The Carol of the Russian Children," "Sing We Noel" (French) and "Shepherds handwoven fabric plant between Noel" (French) and "Shepherds here and Pinehurst, did most of her Christmas Song" (Austrian). In addi-"Every month," Annie said. "When back, he died. but the Lord was orchid paintings from models pro- tion to the Offertory Anthem, Gouy boy was in the last war over yonder, I prayed the Lord to send im back to me Well, he got the gas five dollars out to Frank. "So send Those now on exhibit are a few of

Cheatham, **Ruggles** Win Tin Whistles

Six Pairs Tie for Second Place; Play-Off Sends Prize to Thomson, Williams

The Rev. T. A. Cheatham and Dr. J. A. Ruggles won the medal play, better ball of pair tournament of the Tin Whistles in Pinehurst last Satthe second prize of \$25 war bond. Other pairs tied for second were Howard Kenworthy and S. A. Parson, E. C. Keating and W. T. Mc-Raeford. He is the second of the Cullough, C. E. Crowell, Jr., and Dr. E. M. Medlin, Robinson Cook and R.

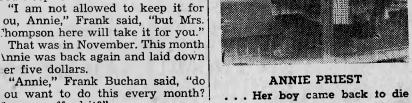
Tufts and Cook, Hunter and Parson tied again in the play-off for third prize of \$10 in war stamps with net 75's and each pair received a split of the prize.

SECOND HOLE-IN-ONE

D. E. Root of New Rochelle, N. Y., frequent visitor in the Sandhills, sank his brassie tee shot on the 176-yard, par 3 18th hole of No. 1 Pinehurst course last week to make the second hole-in-one of his lifetime. He made an Ace many years ago in Atlanta, Ga. His tee shot this week landed just short of the green, took a forward bounce and trickled into the hole.



ou want to do this every month? 'an you afford it?"



over there and whenever he come this to them boys over yonder."