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FIVE CENTS

Father and Son in Service; Son Wounded



SEAMAN JOHN BOYD



CAPT. JACKSON H. BOYD

The Navy Department this week notified Captain and Mrs. Jackson H. Boyd of Southern Pines that their son, Seaman Second Class, John Boyd, U. S. Navy had been "wounded in action." No details were available. Young Boyd reported for duty with the Navy April 9 of this year. His father, a veteran of the last World War, was commissioned Captain in the Marine Corps the first week in September of this year. Captain Boyd has just been transferred to New River Marine Base and Mrs. Boyd, with younger son, Alex, left this week for Wilmington, where they will be able to spend the holidays with Capt. Boyd.

G. C. Seymour Given Honor by Kiwanians With Builder's Cup

Aberdeen Man Awarded Trophy for 1942; Past Presidents Recognized

A last minute voiding of gasoline on "A" cards, and some sickness around in Moore County kept down the crowds for the Sandhills Kiwanis Club's twentieth anniversary celebration last Friday night, but there was no damper on enthusiasm and enjoyment for the dinner and entertainment, which was highlighted by the presentation of the Kiwanis Builders Cup for 1942 to G. C. Seymour of Aberdeen for his contributions to the upbuilding of Moore County.

"Weren't you proud of your husband?" a friend asked Mrs. Seymour after the presentation had been made.

"Yes," she declared pleasantly, "but I've always been proud of him."

Usually, THE PILOT carries a picture of the winner of this coveted award of the Kiwanis Club. But not Mr. Seymour's.

"We all have our peculiarities," he said, "and I guess that's mine. I just don't have a picture and don't want one taken."

But few people have to see a picture to recognize this Aberdeen man who heads the Aberdeen Coca-Cola Bottling works and has for years been active in this community. He has served as county commissioner and is at present president of the Moore County Hospital Board of Trustees.

"A Bucking Mule, Too"
A notice of Georgia, Mr. Seymour came to Aberdeen about 30 years ago to establish the Coca-Cola Bottling Works, the business which he has since headed. He came, it is said, with a "mule and cart and a wheelbarrow" and built the business.

"And it was a bucking mule, at that."

He has served many terms as Mayor of Aberdeen and on the Aberdeen town board of commissioners, and has been active in other community enterprises. It is not widely known that Mr. Seymour has in the past and continues to help many families in need, although virtually none of this is done through organized charity. He is a member of the Page Memorial Methodist Church.

Cash to Hospital
Retiring President O. Leon Seymour presided at the anniversary celebration combined with Alumni and Ladies Night dinner in the Carolina Hotel at Pinehurst. The Club's annual contribution to the Moore County Hospital—a check for \$365—was presented to E. T. McKeithen, business manager of the institution.

This money is earmarked for support of a hospital bed for underprivileged children. Funds are raised chiefly in two ways: through contributions made to the Kiwanis Baby Page, run in THE PILOT, and from admission charges to the Carolina Orchid Growers' greenhouses, between Southern Pines and Pinehurst. Judge W. A. Way turns all receipts over to the Club's Hospital Bed fund. Another check in the amount of \$10 was presented to Mrs. T. A. Cheatham, chairman of the Moore County Tuberculosis Association, for that work.

Principal speaker of the evening was Billy Beard, a humorist from Atlanta who was introduced by J. Talbot Johnson. Mr. Beard's talk was chiefly entertainment and, with his churlish expressions, he kept his audience in gales of laughter.

Past Presidents Honored
On this 20th anniversary of the Club, special tribute was paid to the past presidents, each of whom were named. Those present were addressed briefly by Major H. V. Carson of Knollwood Field, past president of the Montgomery, Ala., Kiwanis Club, who commended the leaders on their service in the past. Each one received a Kiwanis membership plaque, a present from President Seymour.

Past presidents who were there in person to be honored were J. Talbot Johnson, Edwin T. McKeithen, Paul Dana, Dr. E. M. Medlin, J. Fred Stimson, Charles W. Picquet, Ralph L. Chandler, J. Vance Rowe and P. T. Kelsey. The Club's past presidents, who were named, are as follows, in the order of their service: Dr. William C. Mudgett, Robert N. Page (deceased), Paul Dana, Murdoch Johnson, Frank D. Shamburger, Richard S. Tufts, Nelson C. Hyde, Herbert N. Vail, Medlin, Willard L. Dunlop, Stimson, Picquet, Chandler, Rowe, John M. Howarth, Kelsey, I. C. Sledge.

Following the excellent dinner served the Club members and their guests, dancing was enjoyed in The Pine Room.



Local Man Convicted of Assault Charges

Steve Darby Gets Nine Months in Two Cases Before County Recorder

Apparently skilled in the use of both heavy and fancy weapons, Steve Darby of Southern Pines pleaded nolo contendere in Recorder's Court Monday to charges of assaulting officer Irvin Morrison with an oak stick and hitting James Runyan in the face with a glass salt shaker. He was also charged with breaking out of a Southern Pines jail cell, damaging same to the amount of \$10.

He was given six months in the oak stick-jail breaking case, to run concurrently with an old sentence, and three months in the salt shaker case to begin at the expiration of the other.

Norman Chevis, Southern Pines Negro, found guilty of the larceny of whiskey from ABC store No. 1, was given four months, suspended upon payment of costs and condition of two-year good behavior.

In a second case, Chevis pleaded guilty of speeding and careless, reckless driving. In this, he drew two months, suspended upon payment of a fine of \$25 and costs and on condition that he not violate the traffic laws of the state during the next two years.

Other Cases

Bob Harris, Pinehurst Negro, was given 60 days on the roads for public drunkenness and using profane language. Marie Wade, Pinehurst Negro, bound to Superior Court under bond of \$250 on a charge of larceny of jewelry and other effects from Mellie Lomax; Elmer Fairly Vest of West End, fined \$50 and the costs for drunken, careless and reckless driving and given a three months suspended sentence and his license suspended for a year; Roy Lockwood, Negro of Southern Pines, guilty of non-support, given three months on the roads, suspended upon payment of costs and upon condition that he pay \$5 per week to support his family; guilty of assaulting Hilden Caviness with a knife, John McNeill, Pinehurst Negro, was given four months on the roads, but because of his previous good reputation, his sentence was suspended provided he pay a fine of \$50 and costs; A capias returnable next Monday was ordered issued against Roosevelt McQueen for failure to comply with a judgment of the Court.

MOTORCYCLE THROWS RIDER; SLIGHT HURTS

An Army motorcycle threw its rider, Sergeant Kitchen of the ranger force on Fort Bragg reservation, about 9 o'clock Monday night, in front of the Southern Pines post office, resulting in cuts about the soldier's face and legs but no serious injuries were reported. A number of people on the streets gathered at the scene to assist the sergeant, whose cut and bleeding face indicated hurts more serious than actually were. He was taken to Moore County hospital for treatment and is now recovering at the ranger station on the reservation. Another soldier, riding with him, was not injured.

RATION BOARD

The offices of the Moore County War Price and Ration Board in Carthage will be closed Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 24, 25 and 26, and will reopen Monday, December 28, it was announced late this week by Board officials.

School Bus Routes Will be Re-Vamped

County Superintendent Calls Meeting of Heads to Plan New Schedule

A re-routing of school bus routes in Moore County to conform with orders of the Office of Defense Transportation, will be put into effect with the opening of schools after Christmas holidays, and will mean that all children who reside within two miles of the school building must walk and that busses must be loaded when they reach the two-mile zone.

H. Lee Thomas, county school superintendent, has called a meeting of all principals under him for Thursday, December 31, at 10 a. m. in order to re-plan the transportation routings in this county.

In the past, the State has required that children living within one and one-half miles of the school to walk to school and provides that the bus shall come within one mile of where the children live. The ODT ruling makes the latter provision one-mile and a half.

Mr. Thomas said only exceptions were children who because of physical disability might not be able to walk the required distance, in which case the families should get medical certificates confirming this, and those who might be forced to walk to the bus before sunrise. If this should become too great a problem, Mr. Thomas, added, it may be necessary to delay opening of schools until later in the morning.

The principals were instructed to request those affected who "do not see their way clear to cooperate in this effort" to attend the meeting next Thursday at 2 p. m. in the courtroom.

Funeral Conducted for Carson Palmer

Pinebluff Man Passes; Came Here from Michigan 39 Years Ago to Make Home

Carson Sherman Palmer, 55, of Pinebluff, died last Friday night at Moore County Hospital, and funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at the Pinebluff Methodist Church.

The Rev. W. A. Parsons officiated at the funeral and interment following in the Pinebluff cemetery. Mr. Palmer came to Pinebluff about 39 years ago from Michigan and has made his home here since. Survivors include his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Herbert Van Boskirck; a son, Edwin, both of Pinebluff, and an adopted daughter, Mrs. Clarence Jordan of High Point.

MARRIAGE LICENSE ISSUED

A marriage license has been issued to Pvt. Henry Everett Bradford and Cleecy Renegar Brown, both of Southern Pines.

Christmas Baskets Being Distributed

Bureau Committee Thanks Contributors; About 60 Sets of Food and Clothing Go Out

About 60 or 70 baskets of clothing, toys and food will be distributed Thursday by the Christmas Bureau Committee of the Southern Pines Council of Social Agencies to deserving families in this section.

Miss Laura Kelsey, chairman of the Christmas Bureau, thanked contributors to the baskets for their cooperation and said that any further contributions would be used on a year-round project.

The baskets were packed at the Straka building on East Broad street and are being delivered by town trucks and drivers. The Christmas Bureau has been assisted in the packing and distribution by Mrs. James B. Swett, Morris Johnson, the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Woman's Club, P. R. Brown, and additional contributions have come from The Ark School and the Southern Pines School's "White Christmas" party.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

All young people in Southern Pines interested in singing Christmas Carols this Christmas Eve are invited to meet at the post office at 8:30 p. m. Thursday night. This group singing is being sponsored by the United Christian Youth of Southern Pines and will be under the leadership of Norris Hodgkins, Jr.

JAYCEES PUT LIGHTS ON CHRISTMAS TREES

Colorful Christmas tree lights lent cheer to West Broad street this week, after the Junior Chamber of Commerce had hung lights on four trees along the railroad parkway. Although the Christmas Lighting project of the club was somewhat curtailed this year, the Jaycees used their existing facilities to decorate four trees.

LEON SEYMOUR HEADS BIRTHDAY COMMITTEE

O. Leon Seymour of Aberdeen was this week appointed Moore County Chairman of the President's Birthday Committee, which raises funds for the fight against infantile paralysis. Mr. Seymour said that community chairmen and committees would be announced soon, so that the methods of raising funds for this work could be planned.

E. MAITLAND GROVER NOW 2nd LIEUTENANT

E. Maitland Grover, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Grover of Southern Pines, has just been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Army, serving in chemical warfare division. He received his training at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., and arrived in Southern Pines this week to spend a few days with his parents before reporting for further duty at Camp Seibert, Ala.

CLOSINGS

Christmas week-end will provide a three-day vacation for most stores and institutions in Southern Pines, with business closing Thursday night to reopen next Monday morning, December 28. THE PILOT offices will be closed these three days and re-open Monday.

The local post office, however, will be closed all day Christmas, but will provide delivery on specials and perishables and will dispatch mail. No window will be open Christmas day, but the package window will remain open until at least 10:30 p. m. Thursday evening, Christmas Eve. The post office will follow regular schedule on Saturday.

The bank will remain closed Friday and Saturday.

Pinehurst Youth On Phil Baker's Show

Wilbur Currie, U. S. Navy, Misses Out on Famous "Take It or Leave It"

Opening contestant on Phil Baker's "Take It or Leave It" radio show last Sunday night was Wilbur Currie, U. S. Navy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Currie of Pinehurst—but young Currie missed out on the cash.

As the "Take It or Leave It" question show opened, the emcee, Phil Baker, asked the first contestant his name.

"Wilbur Currie."
"Where are you stationed?"
"Right here in New York."
"Your home?"

"North Carolina," Currie said.
"Pinehurst, North Carolina."
"Oh," Baker said. "That's the resort, isn't it?"

Currie selected the set of questions on "People in the War" but was retired before he reached the winning \$64 question.

Award Winner Wrote in Southern Pines

Dr. John A. Rice, Recipient of Harper's Prize, Lived Here in 1939-1940

Dr. John Andrew Rice, recently announced as co-winner of the Harper's 125th Anniversary Award for his book, "I Came Out of the Eighteenth Century," did much of his writing for this prize-winning volume while living in Southern Pines during the season of 1939-40.

Dr. Rice, former rector of Black Mountain College in the western part of the State, stayed at 12 North Ridge street, in the cottage owned by Miss Alice Holmes, and kept busy at his writing. He met several of the local folks, however, at one or two functions, and spoke at the February 7, 1940, meeting of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club.

His book is an autobiography, beginning with his early life in South Carolina, and dealing with his experiences as an educator, his break with Rollins College, Florida, and his establishment of Black Mountain College.

Hiram McInnis Dies in Hunting Accident

Young Lakeview Man Was Well-Known Throughout This Section; Hurt Skull in Fall

John Hiram McInnis of Lakeview, popular 34-year-old Sandhills hunter and ball player, died last Saturday morning in Anson County Sanatorium from injuries received from a fall, while hunting in that county.

McInnis, who was among the outstanding ball players in the Moore County league of several years ago and who was well known by both natives and northerners as an excellent hunting and fishing guide, was reported to have fallen while climbing a fence, striking his head on a stone, resulting in a fractured skull.

Funeral services were conducted Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Lakeview Presbyterian Church with the Rev. T. D. Mullis officiating. Interment was in a family plot at Lakeview.

Surviving are his wife, the former Miss Patricia Strout of Waltham, Mass., to whom he was married about four years ago; his father, Duncan McInnis of Lakeview; two brothers, Herbert of Cameron and Howard of Lakeview; and four sisters, Mrs. Donald Jones of Johnston, Pa.; Mrs. Dock Lane of Cameron; Mrs. Cleti Everett and Mrs. H. A. Matthews, both of Lakeview. His mother was the late Mrs. Evelyn McDonald McInnis.

Active pall bearers were Bill Jackson, Atlas Eastwood, John Hunter, Clyde Causey, Edwin Causey and Winfred Causey. Honorary pallbearers included James A. Feeley, W. D. Matthews, Everett Hinson, George Thompson, John Ferguson, Larry Miner, Richard Tarlton, and Leon Blue. In charge of flowers were Mrs. Ed. McKenzie, Mrs. Marian Blue, Mrs. Flora Ballard, Mrs. George McRae and the Misses Pauline Blue and Nadine Everette.

FOURSOME WINS 6-UP ON PAR IN TOURNAMENT

Blodgett, Boutwell, Clifton and Robertson Are Winners

E. S. Blodgett, R. H. Boutwell, II, Chalmers Clifton and F. C. Robertson won the best ball of all four partners against par tournament of the Tin Whistles last Saturday when they finished 6 up net on old man par.

Howard Kenworthy, R. S. Tufts, C. I. Williams and J. P. Williamson finished in second place with a score of 5 up.

There were twenty-eight entries in this tournament which is always popular with the Tin Whistlers.

Others entries were: C. B. S. Marr, Dr. E. M. Medlin, E. D. Thomson and W. H. B. Ward, 4 up; H. A. Lovett, W. O. Smith, P. W. Thomson and B. L. Tyrrell, 2 up; C. E. Crowell, Jr., R. S. Farr, E. C. Keating and K. B. Trousdell, even; A. C. Aborn, F. X. Anglin, N. S. Hurd, M. von Schlegel, one down; T. A. Cheatham, H. B. Emery, H. W. Harris and A. T. Safford, one down.