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FIVE CENTS

Pvt. Walter Maness of Pinehurst Killed in Battle of Africa

Parents Notified by War Dept. of Son's Death in Action Overseas

Private Walter E. Maness, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Maness of Pinehurst, has been killed in action in the African fighting area, according to word received from the War Department by his parents this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Maness received the following telegram:

"The Secretary of War desires me to express his deep regret that your son, Private Walter E. Maness was killed in action in defense of his country in African Area, November 22, Letter Follows. The Adjutant General."

Private Maness, 23 years old, entered the Army September 16, 1941, and has been overseas since last May. While attending the Pinehurst school, he was a star basketball player. For some time, he was connected with the Pinehurst Shoe Shop, and had a position with the Fayetteville Roofing Company when he entered the Army.

Two other sons of Mr. and Mrs. Maness are in the service: Private E. C. Maness, Jr., stationed at Camp Campbell, Ky., and Pvt. Laverne Maness at Camp Sill, Okla.

Wallace Irwin Tells of Jap Imperialism

Kiwanians Learn from Writer of Books about Nippon; Club Suspends Next Meeting

The imperialist plans of the Japanese government have been felt in California for a number of years, declared Wallace Irwin, nationally known writer, speaker before the Sandhills Kiwanis Club Wednesday.

He termed California the "first Sudetenland" and said that the Japanese Association of America, supported by the Imperial government, had kept alive a strong nationalist feeling and spread propaganda in this country for years before the real crisis came in 1941. He was introduced by Leo C. Fuller.

Mr. Irwin, who with Mrs. Irwin is staying with the Struthers Burts here, is author of "Letters of a Japanese School Boy" and "Seed of the Sun," both dealing with Japanese on the West Coast. He related many of his experiences with the Japanese, both here and in Japan where, he confessed, he had spent only a few days. Although he dwelt largely on the "fifth column" activities of imperialist Japs, Mr. Irwin pointed out that many of the Japanese had always hated this policy of the government and that second and third generation Japanese were serving the United States in the fight against Japan.

Two new members, George C. Moore and Norman Shenk, were inducted into the club by Judge J. Vance Rowe. Members accepted the Board of Director's recommendation that next week's meeting be suspended until clarification could be obtained on the gasoline restrictions, applying to the organization.

BOY SCOUTS TO HOLD COMMANDO TACTIC

Troops to Start Hike Saturday Morning at 10

Two "Commando" forces of Boy Scouts, cheated out of a Commando hike last Saturday because of inclement weather, will start out this Saturday at 10 o'clock on a Commando contest, weather permitting.

Two Armies—the Gilwillian and Regalia—will meet at the Scout Hall on East Connecticut avenue at 9:15 a. m. Saturday, ready to begin the hike at 10 o'clock. Any youth that is now a Scout or has been a Scout and wishes to take part is asked to see Scoutmaster C. G. Thompson of Troop No. 63 or Scoutmaster Vernon Allan of Troop No. 73. At the camp site location, directions will be given to the two Armies for the maneuvers that are planned to last until about 4:30. Scouts were advised to come in old clothes and with food stuffs that could be eaten without cooking.

In Our Armed Services



Pfc. LEMUEL C. BUCKINGHAM



CAPT. NORMAN C. BIRD

Two men, former residents of Moore County, now in the armed services of the United States are shown here. Pfc. Lemuel C. Buckingham, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Buckingham of Muirkirk, Md., and grandson of Mrs. E. C. Bliss of Pinehurst, enlisted in 1940 with the District of Columbia National Guard, trained with the Army engineers, and has been serving since last May somewhere in the Pacific. He attended school in Pinehurst and West End. Captain Norman C. Bird of the Army Air Forces, is the son of Mrs. Walter J. Brown, S. Page street, Southern Pines, and the late Charles A. Bird of Old Fort, N. C. Capt. Bird graduated from Southern Pines High School in 1923, but for the last 11 years has made his home in Springfield, Ill., where he was chief engineer for airports of the State of Illinois. He entered the Army about six months ago. Capt. Bird is married and has one son, Charles A. Bird.

Mayor Plays Sleuth, Traps Auto Thieves

Sale of "Hot Car" Arouses Suspicion of Matthews; Two Raleigh Men Arrested

Southern Pines' Mayor W. Duncan Matthews donned the monocle of Philo Vance this week and led to the capture of a couple of young automobile thieves who had just disposed of a "hot car" to Bill Jackson of Southern Pines for \$25.00.

When Bill Jackson appeared at Mayor Matthews' law office with a couple of young fellows wanting to sell a 1940 Ford coupe, everything seemed plausible enough. One youth, James Holt, 24, with James Massey, 19, of Raleigh, claimed that he was going into the Army soon and produced his papers to prove it, and wanted to sell the car. Of course, he didn't have the title, but he explained that he had just transferred the registry of the car from Maryland to North Carolina and the title had not cleared yet. It was agreed that Mr. Jackson would purchase the car for \$25.00 down, the balance to be paid upon delivery of the title.

Then the boys made a slip. Lawyer Matthews wanted to know the motor number of the car, and they came back with a number that, according to the Mayor, "sounded like the national debt." Suspicious of this motor number, the Mayor waited until the boys got outside his office, and then called Raleigh police to learn that the car of Sherwood Harris, of Albemarle, clerk in the House, had been stolen from in front of the Raleigh police station.

Mayor Matthews then called Chief Ed Newton and they picked up the boys at the Seaboard station, ready to head back to Raleigh. Officers from Raleigh came down Tuesday evening to take the youths into custody and Mrs. Harris came down after her car. Bill Jackson got his money back, and the Mayor probably settled down to read a good Ellery Queen story.

POLO IS SUSPENDED AT PINEHURST FIELD

A Camden polo team rallied during the sixth chucker in last Saturday's polo game at Pinehurst to defeat the Pinehurst team by five to four—in the last polo game for some time.

Officials of the Pinehurst Polo Association have announced that the games will be discontinued indefinitely, due to the new restrictions on "pleasure driving."

Teams and scores in last Sunday's game were: Pinehurst: Lt. Paul Miller 2, Capt. Raymond Firestone 0, B. R. Brown 1, Lt. N. H. Snow 1; Camden: Charles Swoope 0, Edgar Taylor 0, Carl Lightfoot 2, and David Williams 3.

HIS FIRST "TALKIE"

Jesse Bass, who works on the Almet Jenks place on Young's Road, Wednesday night of this week saw his first talking picture in his 42 years of life—an "talkie" it was "fine."

This "believe it or not" story came out Thursday morning when Mr. Bass was explaining about the picture to C. L. Worsham in his store. Although Mr. Bass many years ago saw his last old "silent," he just has never got around to taking in one of these "talkies." Wednesday night, Mrs. Bass and their son Vernon, 12, persuaded him to go to see "Manila Calling" at the Sunrise. Now their problem may be to keep him away from the "talkies."

Young Boyd Served Lost U. S. S. Barton

Navy Department Announces Sinking of Destroyer on Which Local Youth Was On Duty

Although no further details concerning the death of John Boyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Boyd of Southern Pines, were available, the Navy Department this week announced the loss of the destroyer, Barton, on which young Boyd was serving.

The Navy announced the loss of seven destroyers as a result of a battle in the Pacific about the middle of November. The Boyds were notified Christmas week that their son was wounded in action on November 13. Last week, they received word of his death.

The Barton, on which Boyd was serving as seaman, second class, was a 1,700 ton destroyer. The commander, Douglas Harold Fox of Dowagiac, Mich., was reported missing.

"The cruisers . . . were lost during the great mid-November battle of Guadalcanal in which the Japanese were defeated with extremely heavy losses in their greatest attempt to reconquer the strategic island from which the battle takes its name. "The seven destroyers also were lost in that furious night engagement," said a report of the Navy communicate.

NURSES LEAVE HERE; JOIN MEDICAL UNIT

Members of Hospital Staff With Duke Unit at Bragg

Miss Mona Currie and Miss Beulah Harrington left Thursday to join the Duke Medical Unit at Fort Bragg. Both Miss Currie and Miss Harrington have been members of the Moore County Hospital staff for some time. Miss Currie is an anaesthetist and Miss Harrington as Supervisor of the second floor.

Yeomans Re-Elected Library President; Concerts Called Off

Mrs. Walker Honored for 21 Years of Service As Ass'n. Treasurer

The Southern Pines Library Concerts will be cancelled this season, due to the driving restrictions, it was decided at a Library Trustees meeting Tuesday afternoon, following which the Southern Pines Library Association re-elected A. B. Yeomans as president of the Association, and honored Mrs. John Walker for her 21 years of service as the library's treasurer by electing her life trustee.

Mrs. Walker insisted upon her resignation being accepted at the Association's annual meeting, after she had served as treasurer since the founding of the organization. Miss Laura Kelsey was elected to assume the duties of treasurer.

Other Officers

The report of the nominating committee for new Library officers was accepted, and the following other officers were elected: Mrs. James Boyd, first vice-president; the Rev. F. Graighill Brown, second vice-president; Mrs. James B. Swett, secretary. New trustees elected to serve through 1945 were Mrs. Struthers Burt and L. T. Avery. Carl G. Thompson, Jr., serving an unexpired term, was also elected to 1945 as was Philip J. Weaver. Named to serve unexpired terms were Mrs. Howard N. Butler and M. F. Grantham.

Annual reports of committees showed that the Library enjoyed a particularly successful year during 1942. Total membership in the Library totaled 564. Attendance at the Library totaled 10,384 for the year, and circulation of books and magazines a total of 7,879. Mrs. Walker reported a total income, including balance from the previous year, of \$2,329.09 and expenditures of \$1,743.93, leaving a balance of \$585.16. In addition to this, the Library holds five \$100 shares in the Building and Loan.

In complimenting Mrs. Walker, the trustees presented her with a bouquet of flowers and a set of brass book-ends. In making the presentation, Mr. Yeomans commented that she "has been frozen in her job for 21 years" and no one has ever heard of her making an error, of being late or absent at a meeting, when she was in town.

Thanking the trustees, Mrs. Walker said she had made the first deposit for the library 21 years ago this January.

New Book Selections

The trustees approved purchase of the following new books for this month:

Fiction: The Gaunt Woman by Edmund Gilligan; The Day Must Dawn by Agnes S. Trunbull, Lieutenant's Lady by Bess S. Aldrich, Night Shift by Maritta Wolff, Mrs. Parkinson by Louis Bromfield, Wide Is the Gate by Upton Sinclair; The Blue Hills by Elizabeth Goudge.

Non-Fiction: G. B. S. by Hesketh Pearson, Willard Gibbs by Muriel Rukeyer, Head Hunting in the Solomons by Caroline Mytinger, Mr. Justice Holmes by Francis Biddle, The Saint Lawrence by Henry Beston, Reports from Tokio by Joseph C. Grew, The Wisdom of China and India by Lin Yu Tang and Angel Mo and her Son.

Mysteries chosen were Case of the Smoking Chimney and Don't Catch Me.

Lieut. Linwood Keith Writes of Life As Americans Find It in North Africa

Mrs. W. H. Keith of Vass has recently received two letters from her son, Lt. Linwood Keith, who has been in north Africa for some time. The following extracts will be of interest to Lt. Keith's many relatives and friends in this section:

"I have been living in the field since landing in north Africa. We are eating field rations and living out in tents . . . My being such a good cook makes it possible for me to have hot food some of the time. We have fun trading old shoes and such for eggs and oranges. The Arabs are as thick as flies and will cheat the shirt off your back if you don't watch out.

Ration Board Closes Order Banning Pleasure Driving; John C. Barron New Member

NEW P. O. HOURS

Post offices are now keeping regular daily hours all day Saturday, and windows will remain open during the afternoons, it has been announced. Southern Pines postmaster Frank Buchan said the stamp window will now be open Saturday afternoons until 6 p. m. and the other money order and registry windows will remain open until 5 p. m. Saturdays.

Funeral Rites Held for Mrs. Trousdel

Illness of Nine Days Fatal; Had Been Active in Sandhills for Past 15 Years

Mrs. Kenneth B. Trousdel who, with her husband, has been active in social and community affairs of the Sandhills for about 15 years, died at Moore County Hospital Saturday, January 9, following an illness since New Year's Day.

A large number of friends attended funeral services conducted Monday morning at 10:30 a. m. at the Trousdel home on East Indiana avenue. Beautiful floral wreaths and decorations paid respect to the deceased. The Rev. F. Craighill Brown, rector of the Emmanuel Episcopal Church, conducted the services and interment was at Mt. Hope Cemetery.

The Trousdells have wintered in Southern Pines for about 15 years and for 10 or 12 years have owned their home here. Mrs. Trousdel was a member of the Silver Foils in Pinehurst and the Pine Dodgers in Southern Pines, although she had not been active for the last few years.

A native of Indianapolis, Ind., she was the former Miss Densie Warburton. She would have been 66 years old the twenty-ninth of January.

Surviving are her husband, one son, John Trousdel, now with the U. S. Armed Services overseas, and five grandchildren.

Pallbearers at the funeral were Coburn Musser, Edward Blodgett, F. C. Robertson, W. T. McCullough, Donald Parson, Charles Crowell, Norris Hodgkins and Robert N. Page, Jr.

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Southern Pines Volunteer Fire Department, at its annual meeting last Thursday night re-elected L. V. O'Callaghan chief and elected L. S. Rowell, assistant chief; Oscar Michael, company captain; and F. H. Kaylor, truck captain.

MOTOR CORPS

Anyone in this section wishing to join the Red Cross Motor Corps, which is serving the Moore County Chapter and prepared to do other emergency work, should join the advanced first aid class starting Tuesday, January 19, at 3 p. m. at the Fire House in Southern Pines, under the direction of Frank Kaylor.

Civic Clubs, Similar Organizations Included in "No Driving" Group

Automobile driving restrictions drastically hit the Sandhills this week with meetings of organizations being halted, sports activities being sharply curtailed, and not a few drivers who ventured to places of sport or amusement finding warning notices on their automobiles, requiring them to show necessary use of their car.

The Moore County Ration Board, meeting this week, announced the restrictions on driving which will affect nearly every person throughout the county.

Meanwhile, the Board was facing the looming problem of point food rationing, and announced the addition of John C. Barron of Southern Pines as fourth member of the rationing board.

Mr. Barron, a resident of the Sandhills for some 15 years, and well acquainted with public affairs, will assist George H. Maurice of Eagle Springs, the Rev. W. S. Golden of Carthage, and R. F. Tarlton of Southern Pines in the handling of rationing activities.

Ration Books

The so-called "sugar coupon books," actually war Ration Book 1, which are good for purchases of sugar and coffee, will no longer be issued after January 15, it was announced, and each person must possess a Ration Book One in order to receive Ration Book Two, when they are issued. The latter will be for purchases of canned food.

The Board, in session Tuesday, decided that beginning January 18, the office of the board will be open to the public from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., although the office work will be from 8:30 a. m. to 5:30 p. m.

Official Driving Notice

The official notice concerning limitation of gasoline for non-occupational use was given by the Board as follows:

"No person to whom a basic ration has been issued may use or permit the use of such ration for any driving in the gasoline shortage area other than family or personal necessity driving for which no adequate alternative means of transportation are available; or occupational driving; or driving by naval or military personnel, on leave or furlough, for the purpose of visiting relatives or making social calls—provided, that such leave or furlough is evidenced by leave provisions in travel or transfer orders or by liberty cards, leave papers, furlough certificates, letters or special orders signed by the commanding officer.

"Family or personal necessity driving shall be deemed to include, but shall not be limited to, driving for the purpose of essential shopping, procuring medical attention; attending religious services, attending funerals of near relatives, attending meetings directly related to the occupation or profession of the owner or person using the vehicle or necessary to the public welfare or to the war effort, or driving for the purpose of meeting an emergency involving a threat to life, health or property. No basic ration may be used for pleasure driving, which shall include but shall not be limited to, driving for the purpose of attending places of amusement, recreation or entertainment, such as theaters, amusement parks, concerts, dances, golf courses, skating rinks, bowling alleys or night clubs, or sporting or athletic events, such as races or games, or for sightseeing, touring or vacation travel, or for making social calls . . .

"Driving for the following purposes, in addition to those specifically mentioned . . . has been formally interpreted to be in violation (of the driving restriction):

"To attend meetings of civic clubs, fraternal organizations, book clubs, bridge clubs, sewing circles, PTA meetings, and all other social organizations.

"Taxicabs may not be substituted for any driving that is not permitted in a private automobile."

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