

Millions of Dollars Mean Red Cross Aid to Millions of Men

Burt Quotes Breathing Statistics of Accomplishments

DOLLARS INTO MEN BY STRUTHERS BURT
\$125,000,000.
One hundred and twenty-five Million Dollars.

That's a lot of money, isn't it? Is it? I suppose you know—it has been in the newspapers enough—what every country, even the ones still at peace like Sweden, are spending daily on war?

One Hundred and twenty-five Millions—that's nothing to spend on Mercy.

And now hold your breaths. I'm really going to give you some figures; I'm going to tell a few things the RED CROSS, the AMERICAN RED CROSS, did last year on only \$37,600,000.

Read carefully; don't skip.

Direct help, given by Field Directors to 1,000,000 service men or their families. Direct help given to 525,000 service men or their families by Local Chapters. 150 Clubs and Rest Centers established overseas. 275 Red Cross headquarters buildings erected. 175 U. S. Army and Navy Hospital recreation buildings furnished. 1765 Sunrooms in Military Hospitals furnished. 2780 trained RED CROSS workers serving with the Armed Forces. 5,300,000 pints of blood furnished. 1,500,000 pints collected from volunteer donors. Donation rate, Jan. 1st, 1943, 50,000 pints a week (to be increased to 70,000 pints weekly this year.) 28,000 registered nurses signed up with the Armed Forces. 365 nurse recruiting stations established. 51,000 trained nurses in reserve. 500 nurses in 359 Chapters made 1,000,000 public health visits. RED CROSS Nurses engaged in 342 Disaster work days. 900,000 laymen trained in RED CROSS Home Nursing and given certificates. 520,000,000 surgical dressings produced by Local Chapters. 2400 Red Cross Chapters with surgical dressin programs. 1,000,000 women volunteers enlisted to make surgical dressing programs. 1,000,000 of War parcels shipped. RED CROSS packing center established; capacity 100,000 Prisoner of War parcels monthly. Millions of civilians in Europe, Asia, and Africa aided by AMERICAN RED CROSS and Government Relief supplies.

Let's break that last down: It means since the War began \$63,733,890 Red Cross and Government Relief supplies distributed for this purpose. For example, \$4,043,841 of this has gone to China; \$4,859,190 to Russia; And here's a typical consign-
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Mrs. T. L. Cagle, 69, Succumbs to Illness

Funeral Services for Life-long Moore Resident Held at Carthage Baptist Church

Mrs. T. L. Cagle, life-long resident of Moore county, died at the age of 69 in the Moore County Hospital Wednesday morning, after an illness of several months.

Until the death of her husband six years ago, Mrs. Cagle had lived in Carthage during her lifetime. Since then she has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Swearingen in Pinehurst.

Funeral services were conducted at the Carthage Baptist church Thursday afternoon at 4:00 o'clock with the Rev. W. L. Warford, pastor, officiating, assisted by the Rev. R. L. Prince, pastor of the Community Church in Pinehurst. Interment was at Cross Hill Cemetery.

Pallbearers were J. A. Lang, A. B. Sally, J. F. Taylor, C. F. Barnes, Alfred Lambert and A. E. Leavitt. Survivors include the following children: Mrs. Colin W. McKenzie, Mrs. Casper N. McDonald, Mrs. Swearingen, Mrs. R. E. Gouger, all of Pinehurst; Mrs. Wm. F. Barnes of Moncure and Robert T. Cagle of Fayetteville; one brother, W. M. Seawell of Carthage, and a sister, Mrs. W. T. Benner of Carthage; six grandchildren and one great-grand child.

SHORT TRIP

The basement boiler room of Don Jensen's "Valet" Cleaners burst into smoke and some flame at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, and all the men of the Southern Pines Fire Department had to do was to roll the truck across the street and into the alley, unroll a few feet of light hose, and presto! the fire was out, with no damage.

Portable fire extinguishers appeared as if by magic. From the adjoining telephone building, an amateur fire brigade of Manager Shenk, Jackson, and Miner promptly appeared on the scene.

William M. Milam, III Meets Tragic Death

Former Southern Pines Lad Dies in Bicycle-Truck Accident at Hollywood, Fla.

Funeral services were held here Tuesday afternoon for William M. Milam, 111, 13-year-old son of Mrs. Frank Kennedy, who was tragically killed at Hollywood, Fla., last Saturday afternoon when he was riding a bicycle and was struck by a heavy truck. Death was reported as almost instantaneous.

The youth was the son of the late W. M. Milam, Jr., of Southern Pines who was the victim of an automobile wreck near Pinebluff in February, 1937, when he and his brother, Charles (Buddy) C. Milam were killed. Grandfather of the youth, William McKinley Milam, died at Veteran's Hospital in Fayetteville January 13, 1941.

Funeral services were conducted at the Church of Wide Fellowship by the Rev. Tucker G. Humphries and interment was at Mt. Hope Cemetery. Pallbearers, former schoolmates of the youth when he lived in Southern Pines, were Dan S. Ray, Jr., Davis Worsham, Billy Warner, Howard Burns, Jr., Joe Kimball and Joe O'Callaghan. Members of other school classes attended services.

Surviving are his grandmother, Mrs. W. M. Milam who still makes her home in Southern Pines, and his mother, Mrs. Frank Kennedy, who, with her husband, is making her home in Hollywood, Fla.

Avery Reports Four More "Over the Top"

Several Others Expected to Reach Quotas by End of Week; Chairman Commends Workers

Knollwood section, Pinebluff, Farm Life school and High Falls this week joined Cameron and Jackson Springs in going over the top on their Red Cross quotas, it was announced by L. T. Avery, county chairman of the War Fund Drive.

Aberdeen and Southern Pines will probably be over the top by the end of the week, he added, and so may Carthage and West End.

Over \$15,000 of the total of \$18,200 set as the minimum quota for the county has already been reported, Mr. Avery said, but warned that there should be no let-up in efforts.

Mrs. E. C. Keating for Knollwood colony and Major H. V. Carson for Knollwood Field have done a "splendid job," Mr. Avery said. Miss Anna Mae Caddell at Eureka turned in 250 percent of quota; Mrs. Howard Jones at Highfalls 320 percent, Mrs. Charles Warner at Pinebluff 130 percent and Mrs. Herbert Carterat, Jackson Springs 100 percent, Mr. Avery said, and deserve praise and thanks.

Robinson Cook of Pinehurst reported \$118 raised at the polo game there last Sunday, going to the war fund.

Reports from other chapters are not complete, Mr. Avery added, but all workers are devoting considerable time to making their canvass and heading for above their quota.

MRS. ELFRETH'S WORK IS INCLUDED IN ANTHOLOGY

New York—(Special)—Mrs. Emily Allen Elfret, Somerset, Southern Pines, is one of the authors whose work is published in "The Spirit of America," a 600-page book of poems and lyrics just published. This is an anthology of poems and lyrics by some 500 authors

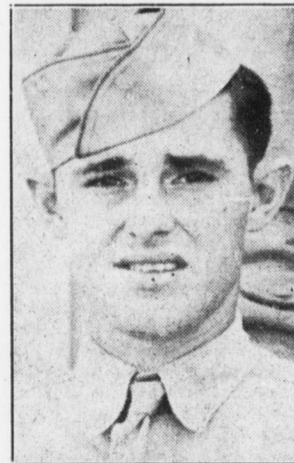
Three Grandsons of Southern Pines Founder in Service



ST. SGT. WALTER M. PATRICK



ST. SGT. JOHN T. PATRICK



ST. SGT. JIMMIE PATRICK

POPPY SALE

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary will hold their annual poppy sale in the Sandhills on Friday, March 26. Funds derived from the poppy sale constitute the largest source of revenue for the rehabilitation and child welfare work of the Legion and Auxiliary. The money enables the Legion to carry out its program of aid to the disabled and to dependent families of veterans. Mrs. P. E. Kennedy is president of the Auxiliary of the Sandhills Legion Post.

Club Told War Work of Films and Farms

Double-Barreled Program Brings to Kiwanis Idea of Far-Reaching War Effects

A double-barreled program of war on the home front was presented at the Kiwanis Club luncheon meeting in the Southern Pines Country Club Wednesday, and the contrast in the two subjects demonstrated the far-reaching effects on the war.

Martin Quigley, of New York and Pinehurst, head of Quigley publications, publishers of motion picture trade journals, spoke briefly on the part that motion pictures were playing in the war, not only for home morale but as a weapon for actual combat and invasion.

Roots of Food Problem
E. H. Garrison, Jr., Moore County farm agent, went to the roots of the food problem by urging the planting of more and more Victory gardens this year. He reminded the Club of John Smith's rule in the early settlement of America: "He who will not work shall not eat."

One-tenth of an acre, if properly planted and cared for, should provide enough vegetables for one person, he said. The county agent's office will make available booklets to help in the planning and care of a home food garden, he added.

Helped in North Africa
Mr. Quigley said that the motion picture industry planned closely for the North African invasion and sent special pictures into the invaded territory to help present the invasion in the proper psychological manner.

Guests at the club were the Rev. Tucker G. Humphries, W. A. Blue and L. J. Dawkins of Aberdeen; and Arch Ames of Charlotte.

MORE CONTRIBUTIONS TO SOLDIER LOUNGE

Additional contributions to the Soldiers Lounge fund to operate the center for service men in the Civic Club, bringing the total to date up to \$530.20, have been acknowledged by the Lounge Committee. Some of the funds have already been used to make much needed improvements. The following are those who have contributed since last acknowledgment was made:

Mrs. Thomas McGraw, Mrs. F. E. Smith, Mrs. M. H. Tanner, Mrs. A. W. Preston, Mrs. W. P. Dwelle, Mrs. D. D. Plimpton, Mrs. J. W. Adams, Mrs. M. L. Wannamaker, Mrs. F. R. Brewster, Mrs. E. M. Pottle, Mrs. E. L. Ives, Mrs. Wallace Irwin, Mrs. Harry Gage, Tot's Toggery, Mrs. H. Garnet, Miss A. M. Pickering, Mrs. B. P. Brooks, Mrs. Preston Kelsey.

W.D. Matthews Talks To Vass Lions Club

Discusses Early History of Town and Suggests Part Club Has in Future Development

Mayor W. Duncan Matthews of Southern Pines was guest speaker at the Tuesday evening meeting of the Vass Lions Club, held in the official Lion's "den," the Vass-Lakeview school cafeteria.

Mr. Matthews, who spent many years in Vass as principal of the school, based his talk on the Vass community, beginning with its early history and tracing its growth to the present. He enumerated and discussed many of the fine things which the town has, then turned the page and mentioned things which it has not, suggesting improvement which he thought the Lions Club might be instrumental in bringing about. His message was enthusiastically received, one prominent Lion describing it as "about the best thing I've ever heard."

W. E. Gladstone explained to the group a government plan whereby canning equipment could be made available for community canning provided the community would furnish a building and steam boiler. The club authorized Mr. Gladstone to go forward with the plan, agreeing to see that the local conditions not, suggesting improvements which are met.

President R. C. Fields presided over the opening part of the meeting, later turning the chair over to Vice President S. R. Smith to attend a school meeting in Carthage. Sec. R. A. Stutts introduced the speaker.

Andrew Wicker Dies; Was Native of Moore

Former Southern Pines Resident Passes in Baltimore After Long Illness

Andrew Vernon Wicker, former resident and native of Southern Pines, died at his home in Baltimore, Md., last Thursday, March 11, after a long illness. Funeral services were conducted in Baltimore and burial was at Saders Cemetery.

Mrs. Wicker was son of Elbert and Catherine Wicker and spent his boyhood in Moore county, attending Southern Pines public schools. He was a veteran of World War I, having enlisted in 1917, as a member of the 30th Division, 113th Field Artillery. He served in France until the close of the war.

Surviving are his widow, Margaret Keller Wicker, and three daughters; also, two sisters, Miss Isabel Wicker of Southern Pines, and Mrs. Robert Morris of Leesville, S. C.; one brother, Angus C. Wicker of Rochester, N. Y., and an aunt, Miss Effie McCallum.

KNITTERS NEEDED

Red Cross knitters are needed to work on a new shipment of yarn for a large quota of sweaters, scarves and socks for the Armed Forces, said Mrs. M. G. Nichols, chairman. The yarn may be obtained from Mrs. Frank Kaylor at the fire house. Mrs. Kaylor will also give instructions on how to make the articles.

Legislature Passes Bill on Procedure for Liquor Election

Other Laws Regulate Pay for Officials and Board Members

The North Carolina General Assembly enacted few bills affecting Moore County, and these, introduced by the county's representatives in the law-making assembly, were, briefly: to set up machinery for county elections on operation of A. B. C. stores; to regulate compensation for Register of Deeds and Clerk of Superior Court; to compensate members of certain county boards; to set up districts for election of school board members and to discontinue certain terms of Superior Civil Court.

Representatives J. Hawley Poole of West End introduced the measure affecting the liquor stores in Southern Pines and Pinehurst. Previous legislation had prohibited elections in the county on the operation of the stores prior to June, 1944. Poole's bill, ratified as the General Assembly came to an end last week, would provide that an election on the operation of the stores could be called upon proper petition signed by 30 percent of the qualified voters in the county.

Poole also introduced the bill setting up districts for school board members. These districts are the same as are present used for the election of county commissioners. At the present time, county school board members are elected at large, and one part of the county may have a preponderance of members.

Provides Salaries
Senator Wilbur H. Currie of Carthage introduced bills, ratified in the last days of the General Assembly, which would allow the county commissioners to set salaries, within certain limits, to be paid the Clerk of Superior Court and the Register of Deeds and to provide that all fees and commissions collected be turned into the general county fund.

Another enactment sets certain compensation for expenses and salary to members of county boards. March and December terms of civil court will be discontinued by virtue of the passage of the bill introduced by Currie. The law also provides for trial of uncontested divorce cases at any criminal term of Superior Court. Divorce cases are usually settled in Civil Court.

Short But Effective

The simultaneous fall of gavels in the hands of the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate shortly after noon on March 10 brought to a close one of the shortest but one of the most important sessions in recent years. Duly enrolled and ratified were bills providing for record-breaking appropriations, a State-supported nine months school term, a new set-up for the State Board of Education, innovations in State, county and municipal finance in authorizations for the establishment of capital reserves, and the granting of broad and unprecedented powers to the Governor, to be exercised in emergencies.

Of significance also were the types of bills that were lost, strayed or otherwise found wanting at the finish. The alcoholic beverage situation, after a great deal of discussion and in spite of a great flurry of bills, was left practically unchanged, except for the provisions of HB 180 which prohibits the sale of wine and beer between 11:30 p. m. and 7:00 a. m. consumption on the premises between midnight and 7:00 a. m., and authorizes counties and towns to prohibit Sunday sales. HB 291, the liquor referendum bill, died in the House Committee on Propositions and Grievances. A similar fate was met by HB 523, which would have authorized local referenda on the question of the sale of wine and beer, the coup de grace being delivered by the House Finance Committee, which also reported unfavorably some two-score local wine and beer measures. SB 97, which would have authorized the establishment of ABC stores in cities having a population of 15,000 or more, in dry counties, upon a vote of the people of such cities, got through the Senate but was reported unfavorably by the

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