

Gymkhana Attracts 2,000 Spectators

Kennedy Hunters Capture Top Events; Fort Bragg Band Added Attraction

By HOWARD F. BURNS

Hunters from the stables of Mrs. William J. Kennedy of Dedham, Mass., Sunday captured top events in the spring Equestrian Gymkhana given in benefit of the American Red Cross War Fund. Little Hugh, a nine-year-old Irish hunter, with Mickey Walsh, up, cleared the bars at six feet to lead the field of six hunters to capture first place in the Knock Down and Out Class, the most spectacular event staged before the 2,000 odd spectators that surrounded the field while the Band of the 101st Airborne Division of Fort Bragg played during the presentation of the ribbons. Bachelor Dick, a seven-year-old chestnut gelding, was second in the class with Mr. Walsh in the saddle. Sail On, a four year old chestnut gelding owned by Anne Cannon Reynolds of Palm Beach, Florida, and brilliantly ridden by Billy Tate of Pinehurst was third.

Hermit's Boy, another hunter from the Kennedy Stables, led a field of ten, with Kathleen Walsh up, to capture the blue ribbon in the class for Open Jumpers. So close was the competition that the judge called for a jump off between Hermit's Boy, who clear the bars at five and one-half feet, and Fine Fellow, an aged black gelding owned by Louis Scheipers, with his son, Donald, in the saddle, who came in for second place. Little Hugh, a third entry from the Kennedy Stables, also ridden by Miss Kathleen Walsh, was third.

Cpl. Keith Hawkes of Fort Bragg, riding Surprise, a ten-year-old pony owned by Miss Hannah Walsh of Southern Pines, won first place in the jumping class for Service Men. Wilbur Scheipers of the U. S. Navy, riding Virginia Girl, was second and Edward Foerster of Fort Bragg was third.

The team captained by Pvt. William Smith of Fort Bragg won the potato race, 12 to 6, over the team captained by Pvt. Thomas Kenwood of Camp Mackall.

Lloyd Tate, Jr., Pinehurst, won the Piggy Back race over his brother, Billy Tate, also of Pinehurst.

Lt. Col. E. L. Carmichael of the Maxton Air Base judged. Mrs. M. G. Anters of Cleveland, Ohio, presented the ribbons.

Buster Doyle of Southern Pines announced the events, and Sgt. Lewis J. Garda directed the band. Mrs. William J. Kennedy and Miss Barbara Betterley, chairman of the Southern Pines Red Cross Motor Corps, drove the new Red Cross ambulance around the grounds while Boy Scouts and members of the Junior Red Cross took a collection for the War Fund, amounting to \$113.58.

WEAVER IS CHOSEN EDUCO CLUB HEAD

Philip Weaver, superintendent of the Southern Pines Schools, was elected president of the Moore County Educo Club for the ensuing year at the regular Spring meeting held Thursday evening, March 25, at the Vass-Lakeview school. A. C. Dawson of Southern Pines was elected secretary-treasurer.

L. J. Dawkins of Aberdeen presided over the meeting. During the dinner, which was served in the school cafeteria by the home economics class under the supervision of Miss Carolyn Dowd, the girls physical education class of the hostess school under the direction of Mrs. W. E. Gladstone and Miss Rosalie Daniel furnished entertainment.

JUNIOR RED CROSS GIVES CHAIRS FOR SOLDIERS

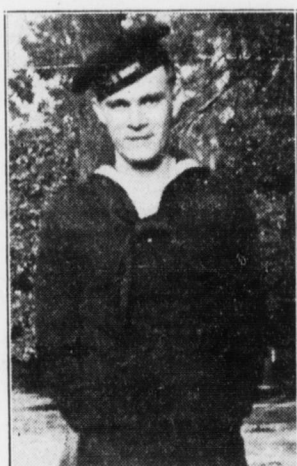
T. U. Conner, vocational instructor in the West Southern Pines school, on Thursday delivered one dozen attractive, sturdily built porch chairs to Mrs. James Boyd, of the Camp and Hospital Council, American Red Cross, as a contribution from the Junior Red Cross of his school. The chairs were designed and constructed by 9th and 10th grade students of the manual training class.

Two Local Brothers In Our Service



JAMES EDWIN NEWTON

Two sons of Police Chief and Mrs. Ed Newton of Southern Pines are serving in the United States Navy. James Edwin Newton, 22, was the first to enlist in the Navy in North Carolina after the Pearl Harbor "affair," knocking at the door in Raleigh when the recruiting office opened Monday, December 8, 1941. He is now a 3rd class petty officer, serving "somewhere in the Pacific." He



JOHN SCOTT NEWTON

graduated from Southern Pines High School in 1937 and attended Lenoir Rhyne College. John Scott Newton, 19, enlisted one year later to the day than his brother. He took anti-aircraft gunner training at Great Lakes Training Station in Illinois, and is now in the Armed Guard School, Gulfport, Miss. He is a graduate of the local school, class of 1941, and was manager of Mack's Store in Raeford when enlisted.

Aberdeen American Legion Celebrates Twenty-Fourth Birthday with Party

WORKERS NEEDED

A new quota of surgical dressings, 45,000 four by four sponges, has been received for Moore County, and Mrs. E. V. Hughes, county surgical dressing chairman, is issuing a call for volunteer workers. All surgical dressing rooms in the county opened Thursday morning and every available worker is needed. All women with free time are urged to volunteer.

Hunters Rank First in Benefit Tourney

Father-Son Team Defeats 39 Others in Saturday Event Which Nets \$90

The Tin Whistles, that famous Pinehurst golfing organization, staged an added tournament for the benefit of the Red Cross on Saturday, March 27, and the affair proved a great success for 80 players competed in the Medal Play, Better Ball of Pair event and over \$90 was raised for the local Red Cross fund.

James T. Hunter and his son, Bing Hunter, won this interesting event when they defeated the entire field by the wide margin of 5 strokes. The Hunters teamed together so well that they carved out a spectacular 33-63 on the No. 2 course to give them a net 68. There was a penalty of 3 strokes added to the scores of all players playing either No. 1 or No. 3 course.

Tied for second place were George W. Mansfield and Joseph Galvin and (Continued on Page 5)

SANDHILLS POST TO MEET APRIL 12

A meeting of Sandhills Post No. 134 of the American Legion has been called by Post Commander Donald A. Currie for Monday, April 12, at 8 p. m. at the Legion Hut in Southern Pines, Adj. Chester I. Williams has announced.

As there has been no meeting of this Legion Post during the past few months while the driving ban was in effect, it is important that there be a full attendance. Commander Currie is making every effort to secure a suitable speaker.

FINISHES BASIC TRAINING

Aviation Cadet Preston F. Matthews, son of Mayor and Mrs. W. Duncan Matthews, has completed his basic training at the Army Air Force Basic Flying School, Courtland, Alabama, and will proceed to the fourth and last stage of his flying instruction, Advanced School. Upon completion of the last course, he will receive his wings and a commission of second lieutenant and be assigned to active duty as a flying officer.

Kiwanis Club Sees Accident Pictures

Dorsey Shows War Plant Films; Club Elects its Convention Delegates

E. L. Dorsey, Jr., district engineer of the American Mutual Liability Insurance Company of Charlotte, was guest speaker at the semi-monthly meeting of the Sandhill Kiwanis held at the Southern Pines Country Club Wednesday.

Mr. Dorsey, who was introduced by I. C. Sledge of Pinehurst, presented a motion picture of industrial accidents at war plants and homes of industrial workers of the nation, and warned employers to instruct their employees to use the utmost care.

Charles W. Picquet and Howard Burns were elected delegates to the International Convention to be held in Chicago June 22-24, with Preston T. Kelsey and Norman Shenk as alternates.

Beginning next week the club will hold its regular weekly meeting at the Country Club, changing from the semi-monthly schedule observed during the past quarter on account of the gasoline emergency.

Visitors attending the luncheon were Charles Fitts of Springfield, Mass., and Mr. Mayer of New York.

Prominent West End Resident Dies, Age 84

M. D. McCrummen Took Active Part in Church and Civic Life of Community

Malcolm Daniel McCrummen, 84, of West End, passed away Friday at the Moore County Hospital, where he had been seriously ill for several months.

Funeral service was held at the home at 2 p. m. Sunday, conducted by the Rev. J. H. Ramsey, pastor of the West End Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. W. H. Brown, pastor of the Methodist Church. Interment followed in Union cemetery near Carthage.

Mr. McCrummen was the type of citizen that is the backbone of a community, interested in those things which promote the welfare of the people as a whole. He was a native of Moore County and spent his entire life in the one community. For many years he had been an elder in the Presbyterian Church and had also served as a member of his local school board. Intensely interested in education, Mr. McCrummen saw to it that his children received college educations, and all except one entered the teaching profession.

Surviving are his widow, the former Miss Margaret Caddell; three daughters, Misses Valeria, Neolia and Bert McCrummen, and two sons, D. C. McCrummen, Aberdeen druggist, and John McCrummen of West End.

PUBLIC IS URGED TO GIVE—AND LET LIVE

Continuing through the week-end April 7 theatre-goers will have the opportunity of seeing a Red Cross trailer "Somewhere in This World," and hearing a commentary by Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker.

The film, which was made shortly after Captain Rickenbacker's spectacular rescue from the Pacific, explains the functions of the Red Cross as the only official auxiliary of America's armed forces.

Each theatre will make audience collections, all of which will be turned over to the local Red Cross chapters.

"GIVE—AND LET LIVE."

MEN'S CLUB ELECTS NEW OFFICERS FOR YEAR

The Southern Pines Men's Club, which has been active for almost a quarter of a century, held its annual meeting at the Club House on March 27 and reelected the following slate of officers for 1943: President, Dr. G. G. Herr; vice-president, Walter Ives, secretary-treasurer, Eugene Woodward; trustees, S. B. Richardson, A. S. Newcomb and Lawrence Grover.

Roque court, billiard tables and cards are available for use in the afternoons and visitors are welcome.

Early Returns Show County Has Passed Its War Fund Quota

ENROLLS WAACS



LT. MARY J. NORTON

Lt. Mary J. Norton, executive officer of the WAAC Enrollment Station at Fort Bragg, will arrive in Southern Pines on April 8 and remain until April 10 to speak to young women interested in joining the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps.

She will be located in the post office between 7 a. m. and 4 p. m.

THE Sand Box Being Filled Weekly BY WALLACE IRWIN

By Wallace Irwin

As March practical-jokes its way into April Fool's Day, I am convinced that weather-prophecy is about as risky as war-prophecy. . . . That is to say, we can foretell the future in both cases; we know that Summer's coming and Rommel's going; but we're not setting a date for either glad event. Even our Gallon-and-a-Half Club, famed for wise optimism, refrains from absolute predictions. I notice that Major George Fielding Elliot went clairvoyant last week and predicted that we'd roust Rommel in not time at all. In the same issue headlines reported that the Desert Fox had nipped a hole in our lines. . . . However, later developments indicate that there aren't many bounces left in the Afrika Korps blitzball. . . . Looks as if the Major soothsaid a mouthful, unless something else happens before this goes to press. . . . And let's pull for Admiral Halsey's delphic hunch, predicting that we'd wipe the Japs off the Pacific before the end of 1943.

If you don't believe that Spring is here, please observe the big Red Cross thermometer in front of our postoffice. Temperature is up to \$5,000, and the red paint running over the top. It's the first time I've felt happy over a town's being in the red. . . . Another indication of balmy April is the number of hose-abandoned limbs we see hurrying from one butter-rationing center to another. This reminds the Gal & I-2 Club's publicity man of a good war-economy slogan: Nude Nees Saves Stockings. The spelling and grammar of the slogan might appeal; and it would be a hint, too, to those who still believe that the way to victory is to buy and buy and buy.

A publication called The New Yorker—The Pilot's Northern rival—says it's "verbaloney" to use "meat-leggers" as a term for blackmarket butchers. If the New Yorker would think of some printable word that would fit these blackmerchants— (Continued on Page 5)

LOCAL MEN PROMOTED

Roland W. Norton, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Norton of Southern Pines, has been promoted to sergeant at Kirkland Field, Albuquerque, New Mexico, where he is on duty with an Ordnance Company that is attached to the Air Corps.

J. D. Arey, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Arey of Pinedene, was last week promoted to staff sergeant at Miami Beach, Florida. Sgt. Arey is with the MBTB Finance Detachment.

Chairman Avery Praises Response Given in All Sections of the County

Although complete reports are not in, Moore County is now well over the top in the Red Cross War Fund Drive in which the quota was \$18,200, and contributions are still coming in. Figures to date show \$22,096.70 collected.

"A complete report, showing quotas and percentages for all sections will be given next week," said L. T. Avery, chairman of the War Fund campaign, "but the results to date are so gratifying that I feel they should be published.

Pinehurst, with Robinson Cook as chairman, leads with \$8,400. K. B. Trousdell has reported \$5,489.85 for Southern Pines and Major Carson and Mrs. E. C. Keating of nearby Knollwood Field and Knollwood Colony have reported \$1,169.80.

Three other towns are in the four figure bracket, Aberdeen, J. B. Edwards, chairman, with \$1,760; Hemp, W. P. Saunders, chairman, with \$1,400 and Carthage, M. G. Boyette, chairman, with \$1,100.

Vass-Lakeview, R. A. Stutts, chairman, is highest in the three-figure bracket, trailing the higher group only slightly with a total of \$962.45; Pinebluff, Addor and Roseland, Mrs. Charles Warner, chairman, reports \$530 and West End, W. A. Johnson, chairman, \$500; Cameron, J. E. Snow, chairman, has \$321; Jackson Springs, Mrs. Herbert Carter, chairman, \$175; Eagle Springs, Miss Ellen Maurice and C. C. Underwood, chairman, \$100; Farm Life School, Miss Anna Mae Caddell, chairman, \$100, and High Falls, Mrs. H. W. Jones, chairman, \$88.70.

"Even these incomplete returns show that the chairman and their assistants in each and every branch chapter and section have already done a splendid job for the Red Cross and deserve heartiest thanks and congratulations for their achievement," commented Mr. Avery.

HOME AND EFFECTS DESTROYED BY FIRE

As the apparatus of the Southern Pines Fire Company whirled around the corner of West Broad street and Pennsylvania avenue at 7:20 o'clock Monday night cheered by the throng of passengers waiting the arrival of the north-bound train, bright flames topped with a plume of dense smoke were in full view on the crest of New York avenue, West Southern Pines.

As usual a delayed alarm, brought in by a runner, left no hope of saving the 6-room frame dwelling owned by Nora Kellog and tenanted by Adelaide Dowd. Through the efforts of the firemen aided by seven hundred and fifty feet of hose the adjoining houses were saved.

Origin of the fire was reported to be an exploding oil stove in kitchen. All the personal effects and furniture of the tenants of the burned house were destroyed.

VASS CAUCUS NAMES SEVERAL CANDIDATES

Three nominations for mayor and six for town commissioner were made at a town caucus held in Vass Tuesday night as a preliminary to the May 4 election.

The incumbents—H. A. Borst, mayor and A. M. Cameron, S. R. Smith and R. P. Beasley, commissioners—were again nominated and the following others: B. M. Corbett and W. E. Gladstone for mayor and G. M. McDermott, H. C. Callahan and M. M. Chappell for commissioner.

POPPY SALE CHAIRMAN EXPRESSES APPRECIATION

The members of the American Legion Auxiliary, through Mrs. P. E. Kennedy, president, express their appreciation to the Girl Scouts and theatre owners in Southern Pines and Pinehurst, Frank Buchan, postmaster, and THE PILOT for their help in making Poppy Day a success. Donations from Southern Pines amounted to \$213.30, and from Pinehurst, \$153.50.