

## Service Men, Women From Vass-Lakeview Given Recognition

### Major Riddle Speaks at Unveiling of Banner Given to School

Major George L. Riddle, Chaplains' Corps, Fort Bragg, was principal speaker Sunday evening at the dedication of a banner honoring graduates of the Vass-Lakeview High School serving their country in the present conflict.

The service banner is a gift of the Vass-Lakeview High School Alumni Association and the service was held in the school auditorium, with a large crowd in attendance. H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen, secretary of the association, presided.

Major Riddle urged his hearers not to believe or spread rumors; to be willing to make sacrifices, and to help to keep up the morale of the boys by writing and sending them packages. The speaker scored those who "gripe" about having their supplies of coffee, sugar, gas and shoes curtailed while many of the boys spend days in foxholes in freezing temperature, with enemy machine guns waiting for them to stick their heads out.

P. A. Wilson of Vass conducted the devotionals and a quartet composed of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gladstone, Miss Alberta Monroe and R. C. Fields sang "Keep the Homefires Burning" and "A Song of Peace," accompanied by Mrs. C. L. Tyson. Three Boy Scouts, Hugh McLean, Max Edwards and Harold Bailey, gave the salute to the flag.

Miss Louise Leslie, president of the association, unveiled and presented the banner, after which Miss Edith Matthews of Southern Pines and Miss Katharine Graham, each of whom has two brothers in the service, lighted a candle for each graduate as Mr. Blue called the roll.

Mr. Blue then read the names of other boys now in the service who had attended Vass-Lakeview school (Please turn to Page 5)

## Chairman Releases "Home Front" News

### Mrs. Hughes Gives Number of Hours Women Have Spent in Surgical Dressing Work

Figures just released by Mrs. E. V. Hughes, Moore County surgical dressing chairman, show that women on the home front have been carrying on in a splendid way. Mrs. Hughes gives the total number of hours worked in surgical dressing rooms in each of five towns in the county, with the names of the five women in each who have the largest number of hours to their credit. The names are given in the order in which the workers rank:

The Southern Pines surgical dressing room, since its opening in August 1942, has booked a total of 4,456 hours. Outstanding workers are Mrs. Harry Vale, Miss Eleanor Moffett, Mrs. G. H. Whittall, Mrs. Fraser Knight, Mrs. J. I. Overton.

Aberdeen, 3636 hours; Mrs. W. A. Blue, Miss Mary E. Page, Mrs. A. W. Atherton, Mrs. A. L. Burney, Mrs. Garland Farrell.

Pinehurst, 3308 hours; Mrs. Hugh Carter, Mrs. S. A. Hennessee, Mrs. Max von Schlegel, Mrs. Marian W. Phillips, Mrs. Paul R. Miller.

Carthage, 2371; Mrs. Maude Parks, Mrs. G. B. Snipes, Mrs. Fred Underwood, Mrs. P. H. McDonald, Mrs. E. H. Garrison.

Pinebluff, 2915 hours; Mrs. Walter C. MacNeille, Miss Florence Fowle, Miss Gertrude Little, Mrs. Timothy Cleary, Mrs. Charles L. Warner.

A new quota of 45,000 sponges has recently been received and Mrs. Hughes urges that all women with free time volunteer for service.

"Moore County surgical dressing rooms must make more dressings each day to get the present quota out on time," says Mrs. Hughes. "This means that more women must be willing to give up personal pleasures or some of our boys at the front are going to be neglected in their hour of greatest need. The women of Moore County can not afford to neglect this opportunity to serve," the chairman declares.

## BITTEN BY DOG

A dog infected by rabies bit an unidentified soldier on Tuesday, March 30, 1943 at about 3:00 p. m. at Smithfield Street and First Avenue in Pittsburgh, Pa. Attempts by the City Health Commissioner to locate the soldier have been unsuccessful. It is suspected that he left Pittsburgh soon after the accident.

Apparently unaware of the seriousness of his position, he may not seek medical attention in time to prevent a possibly fatal outcome.

Anti-rabies treatments must be instituted as soon as possible to prevent hydrophobia.

Anyone having any information regarding this matter should communicate immediately with the nearest Army post.

This soldier must be gotten to a doctor at once.

## Prominent Aberdeen Resident Succumbs to Heart Ailment

### C. W. Seymour Passes Suddenly at Aberdeen; Funeral Held Sunday

Carris W. Seymour, 49, prominent business man of Aberdeen, died suddenly of a heart attack at his service station at 4:30 Friday afternoon, his death coming as a shock to the entire section.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist church at 3:00 p. m. Sunday by the pastor, the Rev. E. M. Harris, and the Rev. Daniel Lane, Methodist minister of Aberdeen under the auspices of the Aberdeen American Legion, of which Mr. Seymour was an active member. Burial was in the Seymour plot in Bethesda cemetery.

Mr. Seymour, a son of the late John T. and Dicie Denny Seymour, was born in Georgia, but for the past 13 years had made his home in Aberdeen, where he was highly esteemed.

Surviving are two brothers, G. C. Seymour and O. Leon Seymour, of Aberdeen, and one sister, Mrs. Sanford Moon of Bowman, Ga.

## 24-HOUR ALERT

Observers at the Southern Pines Observation Post will be called upon April 26, 1943 to maintain a twenty-four (24) hour watch for airplanes, as will those of other posts in the county. Authority has been granted by Willis R. Taylor, Commanding General of the First Fighter Command of the Army Air Forces for the activation of the Charlotte Filter Center.

Heretofore the Southern Pines Observation Post was on an "instant alert" basis, with the observers ready to go into action at a moment's notice.

The purpose of this activation, according to Lt. Colonel Oscar C. Tigner, Regional Commander, Wilmington Air Defense Region, is for testing the efficiency of the Aircraft Warning System within the Wilmington Region including Ground Observer Organizations, civilian volunteer workers in the Filter Centers and communication facilities. The Wilmington Air Defense Region comprises almost the entire state of North Carolina.

Additional observers are needed for the local post and those interested in volunteering for this service are urged to contact John M. Howarth. All posts in Moore County will welcome volunteers.

## FUNERAL FOR FORMER RESIDENT HELD WED.

Miss Helen Gregory, 87, a former Southern Pines resident, died Saturday, April 3, at Chapel Hill. Funeral service was held at Chapel Hill and burial was in Mount Hope cemetery here Wednesday beside a life-long friend and companion, Mrs. Kate F. McKinley. Survivors are a sister, Julia Gregory, and two brothers, Alfred Gregory.

## Southern Pines Men in Our Service



Two local men now in the service are Edward Prizer, son of Mrs. E. Levis Prizer and the late Dr. Prizer, and Antonio Montesanti. A graduate of Southern Pines High School and the University of North Carolina, young Prizer joined the Royal Canadian Air Forces and received his wings and a commission as a Pilot Officer at St. Hubert advanced flying school, Montreal, Canada, last October. He is now stationed in Quebec on operational flying. Antonio Montesanti graduated from high school here in 1931 and worked in the shipyards at Wilmington prior to his induction in Sept., 1942. He is now a corporal with the Air Corps Engineers, Camp Blanding, Windsor Locks, Conn.

## Carl G. Thompson, Jr., PILOT Editor for Nearly Two Years, Enters Armed Service

### The Fight That Failed

By Carl G. Thompson, Jr.

On the eve of entering the U. S. Army, there runs in my mind, as vaguely as an old movie, seen long ago, a remembrance of a college youth of about a decade ago.

He was violently and actively anti-war and anti-fascist. Today, I can't remember that he really knew anything about either. And yet, I can recall that scene at a meeting of a newly organized League against War and Fascism at the University of North Carolina, when he rose and with bitter, all-knowing words of youth flayed the professor whose academic objectivity would not permit him to go along with our program because, although he was against war, yes, of course, he had not yet decided whether he was against fascism.

And this youth of a decade ago rose to his feet in answer. He rolled out words such as "fascism," "National Socialism," "Imperialism," "Totalitarianism" and "economic and industrial democracy" just as if he knew what he was talking about. "Fascism cannot live without war. If we oppose war—then we must oppose the cancer of fascism."

Ah, Brave Youth! In the decade to follow, that youth failed. Others believing with him failed. Sometime in the past decade the 1933 youth fell down on the job of stopping the march of war and fascism. God knows many tried. They opposed sale of munitions and scrap to Japan. They clamored for embargoes against Mussolini during his invasion of Ethiopia. They pleaded (Continued on Page 2)

## MRS. HAYBLE DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mrs. Sara Helen Hayble, 67, for 11 years a resident of Manly, passed away in the Moore County Hospital on April 3 after a long illness. Funeral services were conducted by Jehovah's Witnesses and interment was in Mount Hope cemetery.

Mrs. Hayble was born in Brooklyn, Mass., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom E. Gulick. She is survived by her husband, Charles O. Hayble, and one son, Charles O. Hayble, Jr.

## WAAC OFFICERS HERE

Arriving in Southern Pines Thursday morning for a 3-day stay to speak with women interested in the WAACS were 3rd Officer Mary J. Norton and Auxiliary Yolanda Ollaro, who are making their headquarters in the lobby of the postoffice on Saturday p. m. Women interested in joining should see them during their visit.

## Dan S. Ray Becomes General Manager and Mrs. S. R. Smith Assumes Editorial Duties

THE PILOT's editor has entered the armed services.

Included in a group of Moore County men who were inducted into service at Fort Bragg Thursday, April 1, was Carl G. Thompson, Jr., editor of THE PILOT since July, 1941.

James Boyd, publisher of THE PILOT, said Thompson had been given an indefinite leave of absence from his duties in charge of The Pilot, Inc., to serve with the Army. Thompson is also secretary-treasurer of The Pilot, Inc.

### Ray to be Manager

Dan S. Ray, who has been associated with THE PILOT for many years has been designated by Mr. Boyd to act as general manager of the printing and newspaper plant in Thompson's absence. Ray will have general responsibility for the operation of the job printing plant and the printing of the newspaper.

Mr. Boyd called in from Vass Bessie Cameron Smith, for several years representative of THE PILOT in upper Moore County to be responsible for news and advertising matter in THE PILOT. Mrs. Smith has had long experience with THE PILOT, not only as a news writer but also as advertising solicitor and has occasionally edited the paper in the past.

Charles Maccauley, whose association with Southern Pines newspapers dates back to the time when he first arrived in the Sandhills, will assume added responsibilities in the writing, advertising, and printing soliciting field.

Mrs. Mary Baxter, who has been associated with THE PILOT since last June, will continue as office manager and Society Editor, with certain added responsibilities.

Assisting with the editorial and news matter will be Miss Helen Butler, whose father, the late Bion H. Butler, outstanding North Carolina newspaperman, was former editor of THE PILOT, Miss Butler in the past has contributed with some regularity to THE PILOT and has now assumed definite writing duties.

New to THE PILOT but not to the Sandhills is Wallace Irwin, well-known author of short stories and books, Mr. Irwin began his column, "The Sand Box" a couple of weeks ago and will continue this for an indefinite period.

## TO THE RESCUE

Weary firemen and fire wardens, exhausted by hours spent in battling spreading woods fires, were profuse in their appreciation of the aid afforded by details of men of the Air Force. Some 200 men battled the fires crossing the Midland Road Monday evening and about the same number under the personal command of General Walter Weaver fought flames spreading towards Watson's Lake Wednesday night.

## FAMILIAR GROUND

When the 101st Airborne Division was on maneuvers in this territory recently, at least one of the soldiers was on familiar ground. Pvt. Robert A. Smith, Jr., brother of Mrs. Joe Thomas of Southern Pines, slept on the hillside right below his father's home, perhaps dreaming about his own comfortable bed that was vacant.

## Moore County's Part War Loan Drive No. 2 is Set at \$287,100

### Chandler, Chairman, Names Committee Drive Starts April 12

Ralph Chandler, chairman of the Second War Loan Drive for Moore County, today announced that the County quota has been set at \$287,100.00 to be raised during the month of April. The U. S. Treasury Department is putting on a drive to raise from the public \$8,000,000,000.00 of the \$13,000,000,000.00 quota in the Second War Loan Drive.

Mr. Chandler, in setting up his organization, has announced an advisory committee headed by Norris L. Hodgkins, Southern Pines; Shelby Cullom, Pinehurst; W. P. Saunders, Hemp; A. M. Cameron, Vass and W. H. Currie, Carthage. Others will be added to the organization from other towns in the county.

Several of the business houses and manufacturing industries of the county are supporting the drive in taking advertising space in the four county papers. The drive will get into full swing on April 12th. It is the hope of the committee that the county quota will be subscribed during the month.

Series E, F, and G are available as well as new issues and tax saving notes, Series C. Series E has an interest rate of 2.9 percent per year compounded, if held until maturity. Series F is the equivalent of 2.53 percent, while Series G will bear an interest rate of 2 1/2 percent per annum, payable semi-annually by treasury check, as long as the bond is held until maturity.

The county quota is exclusive of all Bank purchases of their own accounts. The county chairman urges the people of Moore County to invest all of their surplus funds to help in the war effort, which is most urgent in the success of the war.

## Rationing Rules Are Explained by Board

### Food Retailers Must File Registration Blanks by April 10; Other Rules

All food retailers in the county must file their registration blanks with the local Rationing Board by April 10 in order to secure their allowable inventory of processed foods," warns Chairman Maurice of the Board. "Item No. 17 on the blank controls this inventory, and every retailer must supply the required information," he states.

"Ration banking is now available to any retailer whose food sales for December 1942, or any month since, amounted to \$2,500 or more. Anyone eligible for ration banking must certify that fact to his bank before July 3, 1943, or be barred from ration banking thereafter," the chairman explains.

"The amount of sugar authorized for rationing purposes for the coming year is one pound for each four quarts and applicants must estimate the number of quarts they expect to use. One pound per person for the year is the present allowance for preserving," Mr. Maurice advises. "Farmers who are planning purchases of new oil-burning tobacco curers are warned that any equipment installed since July 31 of last year is not eligible for an oil ration," Chairman Maurice says.

### REELECTED

James W. Tufts of Pinehurst was reelected a member of the Moore County ABC Board at a joint meeting of the Boards of Commissioners, Health, Education and Welfare in Carthage Monday.

## Spring Horse Show, Largest of Season, Takes Place Sunday

### 101st Airborne Division Band Will Play for Event at the S. P. Country Club

BY HOWARD F. BURNS

The annual spring Horse Show will be held at the horse show ring at the Southern Pines Country Club Sunday, April 11th, and will be given in benefit of the Moore County Motor Corps. The show will open at 2:30 p. m. and is expected to be the outstanding horse event for the spring. Arrangements have been made to have the band of the 101st Airborne Division of Fort Bragg to play at the opening of the show and during the presentation of ribbons. The band will be under the direction of Tech. Sgt. Lewis J. Garda.

Mrs. William J. Kennedy and Louis Scheipers, joint chairmen of the horse show committee, are expecting a large entry of hunters and jumpers from the stables of Southern Pines and Pinehurst. It is expected that upward of 35 horses will be entered in the various events.

One of the feature classes on the program will be a class for service men, in which cash prizes will be given the winners of first, second and third places.

Mrs. Margaret Thorne Smith of Millbrook, N. Y., and Lt. Col. E. L. Carmichael of Fort Bragg will judge. Mrs. E. L. Carmichael will present the ribbons. Mickey Walsh will act as ringmaster and Buster Doyle will be the official announcer.

The afternoon card lists the following events: first, the class for middle and heavyweight hunters; second, the children's class (walk, trot and canter); third, Olympic class, in which the jumps are arranged to form a figure eight; fourth, a potato race; fifth, triple bar jumping; sixth, soldiers class. The show will not have as many classes as the previous years but will be far more than the ordinary Gymkhana.

## Funeral Rites Held for John C. Kelly

### Prominent Farmer Passes Suddenly at Age of 80; Funeral at Pleasant Hill

Funeral services for John Calvin Kelly, 80, prominent farmer, who died suddenly at his home near Candor Tuesday night, were held at Pleasant Hill Methodist Church at 4:00 p. m. Thursday, April 1. Interment was in the church cemetery.

Surviving are his wife; four daughters, Mrs. Odell Robinson of Candor, Mrs. G. M. Poplin of Norwood, Mrs. Carl Graves of Asheboro and Mrs. Hubert Newton of High Point; three sons, M. B. Kelly of Southern Pines, Clyde Kelly of Candor and Roy Kelly of the Army at Tampa, Fla.; 14 grandchildren, one brother and one sister.

## KIWANIS CLUB HEARS REV. MR. HUMPHRIES

The Rev. Tucker G. Humphries, pastor of the Congregational Church, Southern Pines, was guest speaker at the weekly meeting of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, at the Southern Pines Country Club Wednesday.

Ralph Chandler, chairman of the Second War Loan Fund, announced that Moore County's quota was \$287,100.00, exclusive of all bank investments of their own funds. He urged the Kiwanians and their friends to support the movement by investing all surplus funds in aid of the war effort.

Carl Thompson, Jr., secretary of the club told the members he would enter the armed services Thursday. He was given a rising vote of thanks for past service to the club.

## ANDREWS LEASES SCOTTIE'S PLACE

Scottie's tavern, recently leased by Karl Andrews of Pinehurst, will reopen tonight, Friday, for dining and dancing after having been temporarily closed for redecoration. Scottie's is located on Highway 1 in the southern limits of Southern Pines.