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# THE PILOT

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## Welfare Head Gives Report of Civilian Defense Conference

**Importance of Registration in Civilian Defense Corporation is Stressed**

Miss Pauline Covington, Superintendent of Public Welfare, was Moore County's representative at a meeting held in Fayetteville on May 4th to discuss the function of Civilian Defense in different counties of the state. Mr. Martin, director of Civilian Defense from the state office in Raleigh, presided.

Miss Brown, a representative from the North Carolina Public Health Department discussed the function of the U. S. Public Health Services in relation to Civilian Defense, and Miss Ada McRacken, from the state board of Charities and Public Welfare, Raleigh, spoke on the part local Welfare Departments would take in giving assistance in case of accident or injury to needy persons in time of an air raid.

Allen Boager, of the Social Security Board, gave the Federal regulations and the help that could be given to civilian defense workers in case of any form of injury.

Miss Covington passes on the following information brought out at the meeting.

"In every county of the state there is at least one Personnel Officer. This Personnel Officer is appointed by the local Defense Council. He is responsible for enrolling all members of defense work, such as air wardens, observation, aircraft warnings, etc. Every community must be covered. If a person who is giving his services is not registered, and is hurt during a blackout, or some other service, he would not be entitled to any form of compensation. Therefore, it is of great importance that each Personnel Officer see that all of the people employed are enrolled in the Civilian Defense Corporation. The Personnel Officers of Moore County are as follows: L. J. Dawkins, Aberdeen; George Moore, Southern Pines; H. G. Phillips, Pinehurst; Rev. D. J. Robbins, Hemp.

"The U. S. Public Health Service renders aid only to persons employed and registered in the Civilian Defense Corporation. If injury is made it should be reported within 24 hours to the Personnel Officer of that district. The injured person may be sent to any hospital and treated by any doctor of his choice. Medical care may also be given to dependents of the injured, if they are registered." (Please turn to Page 8)

## G. A. Woods Passes; Was Ill One Week

**Born in Pennsylvania. He Had Lived in Pinehurst for 40 Years**

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at Douth Chapel for George A. Woods, who died in the Moore County Hospital on Sunday following an illness of one week.

Mr. Woods, 68, a native of Philadelphia, had been a resident of Pinehurst since 1902. He leaves a widow, the former Miss Lelia Chestnut of Pinehurst, a daughter, Miss Laura Woods of Belmont; five sons, Daniel E. of Pinehurst, Howard C. of Philadelphia, Corporal George E. of Camp Pendleton, Va., Tech. Sgt. Herman W. Woods of Ft. Leonard Wood, Sgt. Albert D. of Bolling Field, Washington, D. C. Also, a sister, Mrs. Edward A. Watson of Trenton, N. J.

Mr. Woods had been engaged in the laundry business both in Pinehurst and Southern Pines for a number of years and was well known in both communities.

## FIRE DOES MINOR DAMAGE

Shortly before 7 o'clock Saturday evening the Southern Pines Fire Company was called to the home of Henrietta Smith, located on South Gaines street, West Southern Pines, where flames from a blazing oil stove were quickly extinguished with but little damage to the dwelling.

## SUMMER SCHEDULE

The Red Cross Sewing rooms, over Broad Street Pharmacy, will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 9:00 to 12:00 o'clock during the summer months, Mrs. Edith Mudgett, has announced.

## Colorful Ceremony Will Mark Nurses Graduation Tonight

**Exercises Will Be Held at State Sanatorium With Public Invited**

Colorful ceremonies will mark the commencement exercises tonight at the North Carolina Sanatorium for the 16 graduates of the nurses' training school jointly maintained by the Sanatorium and the Moore County Hospital.

A national authority on education in the welfare field, Mrs. Albertine P. McKellar, of the United States Public Health Service, will make the address. Dr. P. P. McCain, superintendent of the Sanatorium, will preside, assisted by Dr. Clement R. Monroe, resident surgeon of the Moore County Hospital.

Each graduate will receive a lighted candle, symbolic of devotion to her new profession, in the tradition dating from the great work of Florence Nightingale nearly a hundred years ago.

The baccalaureate sermon for the class was preached last Sunday at the Pinehurst Village Chapel by Rev. T. A. Cheatham. On Wednesday evening the girls were the guests of the Hospital Auxiliary at a movie party in Aberdeen, followed by supper at the Gray Fox.

The Sanatorium extends an invitation to all friends of the two institutions to attend the commencement tonight.

## Scout Troop No. 58 Gets Certificates

**First Negro Troop in Moore County; Churches Purchase War Bonds**

History was in the making when 14 members of Boy Scout Troop No. 58, of West Southern Pines, the first colored troop in Moore County, natty in their new Scout uniforms, met at the First Baptist Church Sunday, May 2, for a special meeting at which merit awards and certificates were presented. The total troop membership is 24.

Paul Butler, chairman of the Moore County Scout Committee, was speaker. Mr. Butler emphasized the importance of growing good citizenship, honor and loyalty to one's community, county and state.

The pastor, Rev. J. F. Wertz, delivered a sermon on "True Citizenship."

The Scouts, guided by their Scoutmaster and with some assistance from their parents, earned the money with which to buy their uniforms.

T. U. Connor, scoutmaster, is assisted by P. R. Brown, J. T. Saunders, Rev. J. F. Flowers, James B. Thea and Chairman T. R. Goin.

West Southern Pines citizens are showing their patriotism in a very splendid way. The First Baptist Church led by the pastor, purchased a War Bond, and hopes to continue this work.

Through the leadership of the Rev. E. B. Lipsey, pastor, the members of Trinity A. M. E. Zion Church have bought over \$500 worth of War Bonds and have pledged their support for the duration.

## SURGICAL DRESSINGS

Surgical dressings consisting of 45,000 4x4 sponges, 30,000 2x2 sponges and 1,800 combination pads, made by Red Cross workers throughout the county, were packed Tuesday morning by Mrs. E. V. Hughes of Southern Pines and Mrs. Henry A. Page, Jr., of Aberdeen.

These bandages are sent to a special sterilization plant, after which they leave the Red Cross and become the property of the Army.

## Interest and Humor To Be Found in Army Life, Pvt. Carl G. Thompson, Jr., Says

**PILOT Staff Shares With Readers a Letter From Editor, Who Is in Camp**



DR. I. G. GREER

## High School Finals Will Begin May 30

**Drs. Greer and Crittenden Will Bring Messages to Southern Pines Graduates**

The commencement program of the Southern Pines High School will open on Sunday, May 30 at 8:30 p. m. with the sermon to the graduates by Dr. I. G. Greer of Thomasville. Dr. Greer is general superintendent of the Baptist Orphanages of North Carolina, and President of the North Carolina Baptist Convention. He is much in demand for lectures on Southern Folk Lore and for after dinner speeches.

The address to the graduates will be made by Dr. C. C. Crittenden in the school auditorium on June 3 at 8:30 p. m. Dr. Crittenden received his A. B. and M. A. degrees from Wake Forest College and his Ph. D. from Yale. He was instructor of history at both the University of North Carolina and Yale University. Dr. Crittenden has since 1935 been associated with the North Carolina Historical Commission. At present he is Secretary of the State Historical Commission at Raleigh.

## PINEHURST GIRL HAS ART DISPLAY AT WC

Art students, Misses Katherine Sledge, of Pinehurst, and Anna Tomlinson, of High Point, are holding a joint show in the foyer of Melver building, The Woman's College in Greensboro this week. Both are seniors in the college.

Miss Sledge has the larger amount on display, her particular interest being in the designing of clothing. She has several original creations, three adaptations from Moroccan and Florentine costumes making use of the national influence in original design, a study of color styling, fabric designs, and clothing which is the product of work in the art laboratory. Miss Sledge, however, is expert with more than the fashion plate, because she exhibits an oil portrait, several photographs, advertising lay-outs, a color panel and two lithographs.

Miss Sledge is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Sledge, and a niece of W. H. McNeill of Southern Pines.

## SUGAR FOR HOME CANNING

After May 15, North Carolina housewives may apply for their allotment on sugar for canning and preserving. A top limit of 25 pounds of sugar per person is set in the new regulation. However, the 25-pound figure is a maximum to be granted only in the relatively few cases where this large amount of fruit will be canned and preserved. Within the 25-pound per person limit, any family can apply for sugar to put up jams, jellies, and preserves at the rate of five pounds per individual. This is a more generous allowance than last year, when sugar for preserves was limited to one pound per person.

## PILOT Staff Shares With Readers a Letter From Editor, Who Is in Camp

In a letter to members of THE PILOT staff, Pvt. Carl G. Thompson, Jr., for almost two years editor of the paper, gave such interesting sidelights on life in the new camp at Greensboro, to which he was transferred a few days after his induction at Fort Bragg on April 1, that it was decided to share excerpts from the letter with Pvt. Thompson's many friends throughout THE PILOT'S territory.

"Army routine can be both boring and interesting, all at a time," says Pvt. Thompson. "To me, everything carries some kind of interest, and usually something humorous. At this stage of training, the permanent party men are attempting to take a bunch of civilians, ranging from 'teen-age boys to married men with children, and make soldiers out of them in a twinkling of the eye."

"Frankly, I don't know whether it's harder on the trainees or on the trainers. Both take an awful lot of punishment."

"A typical schedule gets you up at about 5:15 a. m., to fall out for roll call at 5:30. From this time until about 7:15, you can occupy yourself by going down to chow, sweeping, scrubbing and mopping barracks floors, straightening out clothes for a possible surprise inspection, putting on leggings, gas masks, and helmets for the drill field, shaving, washing and other morning duties, and anything else that might be urgent on that particular hour of the day. Incidentally, going to chow doesn't mean just going down snatching something to eat, and then returning. We're eating out of our mess kits and, when we've finished a meal, we approach large G. I. barrels (just plain large garbage cans), filled with hot soapy water and with G. I. brushes, scrub our mess kits, tools and cups. (Incidentally, there's also the little item of dumping the garbage in cans on the way to the wash cans). Then comes a waiting in line for the final procedure—a dip into running, hot soapy water, followed by sterilization and rinse in boiling, running clear water." (Please turn to Page 5)

## FELLOWSHIPS FOR WOMEN AVAILABLE

Twenty fellowships valued at approximately \$1,200 each are available at N. C. State College for selected young women who have graduated from college recently or will graduate in the Class of 1943. Prof. L. L. Vaughn, dean of the school of Engineering, announced.

The fellowships were provided by Pratt and Whitney Aircraft, of Hartford, Conn., to give the young women a special course preparing them to become engineering aides in the company's Hartford plant, where the famous Wasp and Hornet engines are built. The course will last 48 weeks.

Under the plan, each fellow will receive tuition, books, fees, room, board, laundry and an allowance to cover incidental expenses.

Women completing the course satisfactorily will start work at a salary of \$140 monthly on a 40-hour week, with time and a half overtime. At the end of six months they will be eligible for a raise.

Dean Vaughn said the course will commence with State College's regular summer session June 16 and will end June 1, 1944.

## MINOR INJURIES

L. C. Lorensen of Southern Pines was painfully but not seriously injured in a minor automobile collision on Ashe street in which his car and that of Ernest Wilson of Manly, said to have been driven by Wilson's daughter, were involved.

## ATLANTIC MONTHLY FEATURES POEM BY BOYD

In the May issue of the "Atlantic Monthly" appears a feature poem, "Songs for the Silent," by James Boyd, to which an entire page is devoted.

## A SHORT STORY

THE PARK VIEW

1:30 a. m.  
Thursday Morning  
A Cigarette  
A Bedspread  
A Little Fire  
A Lot of Smoke  
Girls, Firemen, Citizens  
All Out.

## Early Registration of Housing is Urged by Rent Attorney

**Small Per Cent of Rented Units in County Registered During Week**

Landlords in Moore County who failed to register their housing accommodations this week are urged to do so without delay, it was said today by Franklin S. Clark, Area Rent Attorney and Director. During the past week employees of the Rent Control office were on duty in the Post Office at Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Aberdeen and Carthage, and an office was opened in the Hart Building in Southern Pines. This office will remain open for an indefinite period in order to serve the landlords and tenants of Moore county.

Any landlord who failed to secure a registration blank may get one by calling or writing to the Rent Control Office in Southern Pines or the same office in Fayetteville. Approximately 1000 registrations were filed during the past week, which is less than one-fourth of the total number of rented units in this county, Director Clark said.

## Geronimo Makes Its Appearance at Camp

**Weekly Paper Published by 501st Parachute Infantry at Mackall**

GERONIMO, a new weekly newspaper published by the 501st Parachute Infantry at Camp Mackall and printed by THE PILOT, was placed in the hands of an enthusiastic parachute regiment this week. The motto of the 501st is "Strike, GERONIMO, Destroy," hence the name of the paper.

Colonel Howard R. Johnson, commanding officer, is honorary editor; 1st Lt. George B. Eldridge, chief editor; Sgt. Philip Kirschner, associate editor; Pfc. Don Phillips, sports editor; Reporters: Special Units—Cpl. Walter Iseman and Cpl. Carl Weiss; Second Battalion, Pvt. Bruce M. Beyer; Cartoonists: Pfc. John Aguilar, Pvt. Eugene W. Sempelkamp and Pvt. Norman J. Dyer; Third Battalion, S/Sgt. Bernard S. Fischer.

The paper carries general news of interest to the soldiers, a "Chaplain's Corner," a schedule of religious services, a "Sense and Nonsense" column, cartoons, sports, "Officer's Corner" and numerous other features.

The 501st Parachute Infantry Band has the distinction of being the only jumping band in the world. Every man in the organization is a paratrooper. Sgt. Philip Kirschner organized the Band in January of this year and he has now an able bandmaster, S/Sgt. Ferrando Perez. Included in the military band of 45 pieces and the dance orchestra of 15 pieces are several musicians who (Please turn to Page 5)

## MCNEILL WINS PRIZE

McNeill and Company, of which W. H. McNeill of Southern Pines is proprietor, has just been named a winner in a nation-wide Food for Freedom contest, sponsored by Purina Mills of St. Louis, Mo., it has been announced. His prize is a \$25 United States War Bond.

Approximately 3,000 Purina merchants participated in the four-month contest, the object of which was to impress feed dealers with their present opportunity and responsibility of serving their country by helping farm customers stretch their feeds to produce the greatest possible amount of meat, milk and eggs.

## Kiwanis Club Hears Rent Control Talk by Director Clark

**Ceiling Price Is Set Forth as War Measure to Avoid Inflation**

BY HOWARD F. BURNS

Franklin S. Clark, attorney for the Federal Housing Authority in charge of the Rent Control Office for the Southern Pines area, told the Sandhill Kiwanis Club Wednesday that the ceiling price on rents was brought about as a war measure to avoid inflation.

He explained that rents of houses and the control of hotel rooms would be based on the rentals as of March 1, 1942. He pointed out that commercial property did not come under the rent control board.

He urged all property owners having houses or rooms for rent to register their places with the Rent Control Board upstairs in the Hart Building. He told the Club that the penalty for failure to register houses for rent carried a \$5,000.00 fine or one year in prison. He further explained that the Rent Control Office for the Southern Pines area covered the entire county.

The speaker informed the Club that the office would later be placed in charge of a rent control administrator who would have full control of all rental property. At present the office will be administered under the Fayetteville office until a permanent set-up has been arranged.

When asked what the set-up would be in the event of eviction of any tenant he said that approval would have to be made by the Control Board.

In explaining the rent levels he stated that March 1, 1942 was set because at that time rents were beginning to rise and were at a fair level, both to the landlord and the tenant, in the majority of cases. All rents became frozen as of May 1, 1943.

When questioned on the matter of improvements and the boost of rents to cover them, he explained that this would be under the jurisdiction of the Rent Control Board. Some boosts in rents are granted where there is sufficient cause to justify them. He further pointed out that houses renting for a said sum on March 1, 1942 and that had been boosted from that date would have to be brought back to the March 1, 1942 level. He told the Club that there are some cases of this kind that were unfair to the landlord but an unfortunate condition that could not be helped.

He informed his hearers that the Rent Control Office would have nothing to do with food control prices and rates at hotels operating American Plan except for the part involving rental of rooms.

In conclusion he urged the Kiwanis (Please turn to Page 5)

## A. R. Mims, 82, Dies After Brief Illness

**Funeral Rites for Retired Railroad Employee Held at West End Afternoon**

A. R. Mims, 82, of West End died at 2:00 p. m. on Thursday of last week in the Moore County Hospital after a short illness of pneumonia. Funeral services were held from the home at 3:00 p. m. Sunday, followed by burial in the cemetery at West End.

Mr. Mims, a retired railroad employee, is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Guthrie Smith of Pinehurst, Mrs. C. H. Benton of Richmond, Va., and Mrs. W. G. Roseborough of Hamlet; four sons, W. A. Mims of Wadesboro, C. D. Mims of Knight, Fla., O. B. Mims and R. G. Mims of West End; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

## INSURANCE FOR SOLDIERS

All North Carolina soldiers can get financial protection through the National Service Life Insurance program, if they act before midnight of August 10, the War Department has announced. Maximum policy is \$10,000. The payments will be made to beneficiaries only in monthly installments.