

Moses G. McDonald, Prominent Resident of Moore County, Dies at Eighty Years

Heart Attack Friday Is Fatal to Builder of West End Community

Moses Christopher McDonald, 80, well-known merchant, manufacturer, and peach-grower of West End, died of a heart attack at his home at 8:15 p.m. Friday, July 2. Funeral services were held Sunday at 4 p. m. from the West End Presbyterian Church with the pastor, Rev. R. R. Ramsey in charge, assisted by Rev. W. H. Brown and Rev. A. R. Bell of West End, Dr. C. H. Storey of Aberdeen, Rev. W. S. Golden of Carthage and Rev. H. K. Holland of Raeford. Burial was in the West End cemetery.

Mr. McDonald, a native of Moore County, was the son of the late Angus and Mary Ann McDonald of Bensalem township. He was a founder and builder of the West End community, a charter member of the West End Presbyterian Church, having held the office of Clerk of the Session since the Church was established in 1912. It is unique that he represented his Church in the Synod many times and represented his Presbytery at the General Assembly, the highest honor a member can attain. He was a staunch leader in social and civic affairs of the Sandhill section, as well as throughout the State.

At the time of his death, Mr. McDonald was president of the Carolina Handkerchief Co., Inc., of West End, secretary and treasurer of the Pinehurst Peach Co., and a member of the Board of Directors of the Moore County Hospital at Pinehurst. He was very active in all philanthropic organizations of the community and county and took a special interest in the Red Cross and war activities.

Surviving Mr. McDonald are his wife, Mrs. Lillie Currie McDonald; two sons, M. C. McDonald, Jr., of West End, and Corporal Allan McDonald, Camp Lee, Va., one grandson, Christopher McDonald; two sisters, Mrs. George Bruton of Carthage and Mrs. M. A. Monroe of Bensalem.

Former Pilot Editor Takes New Position

Nelson C. Hyde Becomes Washington Correspondent of Philadelphia Paper

The following clipping from the (N.Y.) Cazenovia Republican will be of interest to Mr. Hyde's many Sandhills friends:

"Nelson C. Hyde of 6 Seminary street, a member of the editorial staff of the Syracuse Herald-Journal and, during the past year, instructor in journalism at Cazenovia Junior College, has accepted the position of Washington correspondent of the Philadelphia Evening Bulletin. Mr. and Mrs. Hyde and their son Timmy will leave Cazenovia next week.

"Mr. Hyde started his newspaper career on the Syracuse Herald in 1906, has served as city editor, Washington correspondent and columnist of that paper. For some time he wrote a column appearing daily on the editorial page, 'The Center Aisle.'

"At the outbreak of World War I he was managing editor of the Watertown Standard, and following the war, in which he served in the Army Air Corps, he became editor and publisher of The Pilot, a weekly newspaper in Southern Pines, N. C., and of the Sandhills Daily News, Pinehurst, N. C. These papers he sold two years ago, returning to Syracuse.

"The Philadelphia Bulletin has the largest circulation of any evening paper in the United States, in excess of 600,000 daily. Its publisher, Robert McLean, is president of The Associated Press."

BUTTON, BUTTON

Who has a button, many of them, common white buttons suitable for hospital garments, to bring to the Red Cross sewing room in the Hart Bldg? Quantities are needed!

A Builder



MOSES C. McDONALD

The Jefferson Inn, Southern Pines, Is Sold by Reynolds'

Carter and Mills, New Owners, Will Operate Inn Under Present Name

For the first time in many years one of the major hotels of Southern Pines passed to new owners this week when the long time proprietors, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Reynolds, sold the Jefferson Inn to J. F. Carter and E. H. Mills.

Mr. Carter, now a resident of Southern Pines, is owner of the local laundry. Mr. Mills, a successful merchant of Pinebluff and a former resident of Southern Pines, will operate the hotel under its present name. In a statement to the PILOT representative Mr. Mills, who will manage the hotel, said that for a time at least the dining room would not be open, the hotel giving room service only, and that they would keep the hotel up to the high standard of former years.

The Inn, a familiar name to generations of residents and visitors to Southern Pines, and a winter home to a host of patrons from many far-away points, was started in a modest way. In fact one might say that the hotel grew up with the town for as the latter expanded so did the Jefferson with its numerous additions to the nucleus of 1897.

In their 46 years of continuous seasonal operation of the Inn, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds have survived the passing not only of many of the larger hotels of their earlier days, but of many proprietors who made history for Southern Pines, notably: W. R. Raymond, A. I. Creamer, J. N. Powell, M. H. Turner, J. L. Pottle, D. W. Lowell, J. R. Robinson, R. M. Couch, C. J. J. Sadler, W. E. Giles, the St. Johns', Mrs. M. H. Greason, Miss Ervinia Thompson, the Perkins' and Miss Lizzie Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Reynolds surviving nearly 50 years of continuous operation of the Inn as owner-managers have the honor to be in point of service the oldest hotel proprietors of Southern Pines. They plan to leave for their summer home, Alton Bay, N. H., probably to return in the Autumn.

SECOND TIME

For the second time within the year a fire in the home of Pearl Watson, located on Hardin street west of Pennsylvania avenue, West Southern Pines, called out the Southern Pines Fire Department shortly after seven o'clock last Friday morning.

The flames, which the firemen succeeded in confining to the interior of the comfortable five-room dwelling, gave the men a hard battle before being subdued with considerable damage to effects and furniture.

As usual with fires in this locality all the hose carried by the two trucks was in use.

MEETS DAD

Charles Fowler, Jr., 15-month-old boy of Vass, met his dad Wednesday for the first time. Pvt. Fowler, who has completed 18 months foreign service, was granted a furlough and hurried to Vass to the home of his wife, the former Miss Jessie Lee Frye, with such speed that he reached there before the telegrams he had sent bore the news of his coming. Charles looked his dad over rather dubiously, but decided he was o.k.

Education Board of Moore County Holds Important Meeting

Makes Housing Plans for Pinckney School and Adopts Budget

Members of the Moore County Board of Education held a busy session in the office of Supt. H. Lee Thomas in Carthage last week, during which plans for Pinckney High School, colored, whose building was destroyed by fire last May 5, were made, the school budget for 1943-44 adopted, and other business affairs transacted.

The Board has made arrangements for the use of the Dayton Academy property and the basement of the John Hall Presbyterian Church for public school purposes until a new building can be erected after the War.

Dayton Academy, which has not been in operation for some twelve years, was a mission school operated by the Presbyterian Church of the U.S.A. with headquarters in Philadelphia. The building was erected about 40 years ago. Later the church was built next to it. The academy has eight class rooms and there is space in the church basement for six more.

Mr. Thomas was authorized to purchase the necessary materials for repairs and alterations to accommodate this, the largest high school in the county, which last year had an enrollment of 230, and to instruct the school carpenter to increase his force of helpers so as to get the job completed as soon as possible. The Superintendent was also authorized to purchase desks not exceeding a cost of \$2700, and other necessary chairs and tables for use of the teachers. Arrangements for insuring the property were also discussed.

The Masonic Building nearby will be used to house the school's agricultural department and the home economics room will be in the Dayton Academy building. Both of these departments are said to have been doing splendid work.

The cost of converting the three buildings into suitable condition is estimated at \$15,000.

R. O. Taylor is superintendent of the school.

The budget adopted by the board totals \$123,675, apportioned as follows: Current expense, \$58,675; capital outlay, \$7,000; debt service, \$58. (Please turn to Page 5)

Blossom-Laden June Breaks Its Record With Nearly Three Degrees Excess Heat

June in the Sandhills, with its transition from the last days of Spring into the first days of Summer, is not just the month for poets to sing. In fact the inspiration is lacking. True, the rose colored, fragrant mimosas bloomed and, much earlier than usual, the brilliant blossoms of the crepe myrtles burgeoned to gladden the eyes, but beginning with the extreme temperatures of the first six days of the month seventeen days registered temperatures of ninety or more degrees climaxing with highs of 101 on the 4th, and 103 on the 5th.

As a result the month showed an increase of nearly three degrees above the normal average temperature. Maximum temperature 91.1 degrees, minimum temperature 68.1 degrees, average temperature 79.6 degrees. A heat record for June in the Sandhills, the next high figure, that of June 1940, only reaching 77.7

Conductor-Composer Sgt. Perez to Lead Unique Band in Sunday Concert at Park

Conductor



S Sgt. F. PEREZ

Camp Committee Has Made Fine Progress in Equipment Drive

Chairman Dana Reports Many Articles Donated for Hospital Day-Rooms

Paul Dana, chairman of the Moore County Camp and Service Hospital Committee, reports progress in the drive for recreational facilities for Camp Mackall, Fort Bragg, Seymour-Johnson Field and the Maxton-Laurinburg Air Base.

From Hemp and Carthage came the majority of last week's donations. Mrs. J. V. Turbeville, chairman of the movement in Hemp, announced the collection of \$102.69 in cash, one radio and one bookcase as Hemp's contribution. The money will be used to purchase two floor lamps, one writing table, one card table, three easy chairs and four folding chairs or card table chairs.

Mrs. H. F. Seawell, Jr., chairman of the Carthage committee, reported the contribution of one card table, 50 books and magazines, one end table, playing cards, etc.

Furnishings from both towns have been delivered to the Maxton-Laurinburg Air Base and will be used to furnish the ward day-room allotted to the two towns.

In Southern Pines, where Mrs. Edith Mudgett is in charge, collections are being gathered and stored in her garage. A concentrated drive was made by the community with the cooperation of the Boy and Girl Scouts. Three tables, two card tables, three chairs, four pictures, one phonograph with records, two floor lamps, three table lamps, one radio, games, cards, puzzles, and \$21.42 were collected.

In Aberdeen, Mrs. J. B. Edwards is heading the committee. Articles collected are rapidly piling up in (Please turn to Page 5)

Every Member of 40-Piece Band is Jumper and Crack Musician

Southern Pines next Sunday, July 11th, will meet celebrities.

The Regimental Band, 501st Parachute Infantry of Camp Mackall, will make its initial appearance in what is hoped will be a series of Sunday afternoon concerts.

For this first program Bandmaster Fernando Perez will offer numbers typical of North, Central, and South America as well as the soul-stirring marches so characteristic of military bands.

A musician, conductor, composer, Staff Sergeant Fernando Perez is definitely a personage as leader of a band unique in itself, his organization the only "all jumping" band in the world.

Born in Puerto Rico, Sergeant Perez graduated from the Puerto Rican Conservatory of Music. Having mastered every instrument used in a military band he is a finished arranger of music. Enlisting in the United States Army in 1924, he was attached to the 65th Regular Army Band for three years during which time he gained the reputation of Master Musician.

Transferred to the 369th (the old 15th) Infantry Band, he spent four years there, and one with the famous Rainbow Division immortalized by Sergeant York, the old "Fighting Sixty Ninth."

While Band Master with the 212th Coast Artillery, Sergeant Perez composed the "General Metzger" march for the commanding general of the A.A.T.C. Because of the success of this march he was commissioned to write another which became the "Colonel Ocha March." Also to Sergeant Perez credit are the "Major Flynn March" and the "Shoot 'em Down March" dedicated to the men of the A.A.T.C.

After some time with the 2nd Army Band, Sergeant Perez came to the 501st, dedicating his "Geronimo March" to the men of the Parachute Battalion. Despite his youthful appearance, he possesses a daughter in the WAACS.

Although Sergeant Perez declines to promise the spectacle of a band (Continued on Page 4)

Heart Attack Fatal to Charles Dunlap

Chief Deputy Sheriff of Moore County Passes at Moore County Hospital

Charles Dunlap, 36, chief deputy sheriff of Moore County, succumbed to a heart attack at Moore County Hospital early Wednesday morning. Mr. Dunlap suffered an attack last Friday and entered the hospital, where he seemed to be getting along satisfactorily until another attack occurred Tuesday evening.

Funeral services will be held in Carthage at 2:30 Friday afternoon.

Mr. Dunlap, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dunlap of Carthage Star Route, was one of the most highly esteemed officers in the county.

He is survived by his parents and several sisters and brothers.

WE WONDER

Former PILOT Editor Nelson C. Hyde appears in the Saturday Evening Post via the Syracuse Herald-Journal with a story about the City Dump. His former associates wonder what he was doing in that vicinity . . . fell off a horse maybe?

PURCHASE HOME

Clarence E. Fields and wife of West End have purchased the Winnie J. Dodge property, 71 N. May street and will reside there. Mr. Fields is a civil engineer connected with Camp Mackall. The sale was made through Turner's Real Estate and Insurance Agency.

Closes Three Weeks Tot's Toggery will close for three weeks Friday night, July 9, reopening Monday, Aug. 2nd, the owners announce.

Citizens Plan to Do Something About the Loafing Situation

Arrangements for Keeping Tab on All Parts of County Are Made

A crowd of more than a hundred representative citizens from practically every town and community in Moore County assembled in the Court House Monday afternoon at the call of J. Hawley Poole and E. H. Garrison, Jr., to discuss Governor Broughton's "Work or Fight" program and to make plans to cooperate to the fullest extent in carrying out the Governor's wishes here.

Mr. Poole, who is the official leader of the work in Moore County, presided, and a number of citizens discussed various phases of the local labor situation. S. R. Hoyle, mayor of Carthage, explained the Vagrancy Law and told of around 50 vagrancy cases that had been before him, in which he gave the defendants a chance to go to work immediately and make a full report to him within a week, or go to the roads.

One of the alarming features, the way in which the lumber industry is hampered by lack of labor, thus hindering the war effort by cutting down on the production of lumber for making crates for shipping needed supplies to our Armed Forces, was discussed by Colin G. Spencer and Senator W. H. Currie. Production, now six billion feet short, is expected to fall short for the year by nine billion feet, it was reported.

Among others entering into the discussion and offering suggestions were Walter McNeille of Pinebluff, Howard Harrison of Eagle Springs, Mr. Wicker and Mr. Sawyer from (Continued on Page 4)

Farmers Aid in War By Repairing Tools

Classes in Farm Machinery Repair Have Restored Much Needed Equipment

Under the command of "General" W. E. Gladstone, vocational training and agriculture teacher in the Vass-Lakeview school, farmers over a wide area have been waging a telling fight on the food production front this spring and summer through Rural Production Training Program classes in farm machinery repair.

With the factories that formerly turned out cultivators, combines and wagons now producing tanks and guns, farmers have been forced to tackle their own machinery problems. These courses and the splendid collection of tools made available at the workshop by the government have enabled them to repair and restore to usefulness much farm equipment that otherwise would have landed on the junk heap, and in many instances to build implements outright.

Three approved courses were given under Mr. Gladstone's supervision, two at the workshop in Vass and another at the shop of Charles McNeill several miles east of town.

The membership was drawn from a wide area. Harry Goldsmith of Southern Pines, C. L. Ragsdale from above the Herman Davis farm halfway between Vass and Carthage, and Archie Cameron from Overhills were the enrollees from farthest (Please turn to Page 5)

QUIET FOURTH

Celebration of the 4th began on Monday the 5th, when, shortly after midnight, the fire alarm gave a dolorous squawk, apparently not meaning it, but the boys did not know that. Hours later a few cannon crackers exploded near tightly-closed Broad street. A calm and peaceful day until seven o'clock and then it rained, and rained, and rained and then the lights went out. Grand illumination furnished by vivid flashes of lightning. Pilot office receives water enough for a swimming pool. All in all a quiet day.