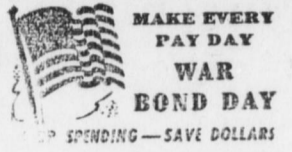


# THE PILOT



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TEN CENTS

## W. G. Norris Resigns as Director of S. P. Recreation Program

Becomes Instructor in Physical Education at State College, Raleigh

The resignation of W. G. Norris as director of the summer recreational and vocational program for the children of Southern Pines was unanimously accepted at a meeting of the committee in charge held at the high school Tuesday evening.

This committee, appointed by the Southern Pines Council of Social Agencies and headed by Miss Birdelia Bair, had engaged Mr. Norris for ten weeks. Four weeks remain to go, but he has been appointed for the duration of the war as a physical education director at State College, to assist in training the army engineers who are located there, so he is reporting for this important assignment on August 1.

The committee expressed deep regret at the loss of Mr. Norris, who, the members feel, has definitely proved that such a program is worthwhile. The children who have taken advantage of the opportunity offered are also sorry to see him go.

"Many things have been left undone; many young people have not been reached; volunteers have not been forthcoming to make the program as broad as it was visioned; heat and rain have interrupted schedules; but much has been learned and it is hoped that in the future years a higher goal may be reached," the committee commented.

Since it is practically impossible at this time to find anyone capable of taking up and directing the program, the committee deems it best to end the activities with the exception of the softball games on Wednesday and Friday evenings. These will be continued if possible.

The committee wishes to thank all those individuals and organizations who have given financial support and to assure them that any surplus funds will be earmarked and set apart as a nucleus with which to resume the program as soon as possible. It expressed thanks to John Warren Watson, also, who gave permission for the children to swim at his eastern beach, and to all who contributed of their time and talent to make the work a success.

A PILOT representative visited the playground at the ball park Tuesday morning and found Mr. Norris directing a group of boys and one small miss, all showing a beautiful tan as a result of their summer's outdoor activities, about to begin a ball game.

The director took time out to give some interesting details of the program. At the beginning, there was an attendance of around 35 young people, but later a number of these had to go to work, and the rainy (Please turn to page 5)

## Miss Frances Allen Is Kiwanis Speaker

Carolina Power and Light Home Economist Gives Food Dehydration Demonstration

Miss Frances Allen, home economist of the Carolina Power and Light Company, gave a demonstration and talk to the members of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club at its weekly luncheon Wednesday, at the Holly Inn, Pinehurst.

Miss Allen told the club that the dehydration of foods preserves the vitamins. She demonstrated how carrots, when placed in a glass of water, would regain their original freshness and color. She pointed out that home equipment ample for ordinary home use could be built at a cost of about \$12.00.

The speaker was introduced by John M. Howarth, secretary of the Kiwanis Club.

## MRS. RUTH WEBECK NEW MANAGER

Mrs. Ruth G. Webeck, assistant manager of Brooks, will be in charge of this well known shop during the absence of Mrs. Carl G. Thompson, Jr.

## Gen. Henri Giraud Is Welcomed On Visit To Camp Mackall



As Major General G. E. Chapman looks on, Col. H. R. Johnson, Commanding Officer of the 501st Parachute Infantry, shakes hands with Gen. Henri Giraud, leader of the Free French, on his recent visit to Camp Mackall. As the visitor's plane landed a 21-gun salute was fired by artillery.

## Most Severe Storm of Season Strikes

Colonial Inn and Home of George Moore Are Struck by Lightning

The widespread electrical, hail and wind storm that inflicted death and destruction in many areas of Eastern North Carolina Thursday night, sweeping over from the southwest, apparently centered over Southern Pines about 10:30 o'clock. Without the hail but with a deluge of rain, incessant flashes of lightning and crashing bursts of thunder, the community suffered within the next half-hour one of the severest thunder storms of years.

Within a few minutes bolts struck the Colonial Inn, the home of George Moore and a large pine tree on the Hollywood grounds. Mrs. George Burns of the Colonial reports considerable damage, the bolt hitting the roof and coming through to the ground floor where it destroyed a radio. At the Moore home there was slight damage to the wiring system.

## FAIR WARNING

Is your Motor Vehicle Tax stamp displayed on your vehicle? If not, you'd better hie away to one of Uncle Sam's post offices, plank down your \$5, get your stamp and stick it on before July 31, or you will be liable for severe punishment.

P. F. Allen, deputy collector for Moore and Hoke Counties, says that it is evident that a large number of motor vehicle owners and operators have not paid the federal tax of which this stamp is evidence, and expresses the hope that there will be no necessity for placing the penalty on anyone.

## LIKES U. S. O. JOB

Emily Mae Wilson was a brief visitor Tuesday. Says she likes her job in the U. S. O. Club at Myrtle Beach. The Club is reputed one of the finest in the state and is always crowded. In her six weeks there she has only had time for two swims.

## FOR ARMY WIVES ONLY

War disrupts most peoples' lives in one way or another and throws a heavy strain on many. Here in Southern Pines we have a group that have been separated from their homes and thrown for an indefinite time into a strange and overcrowded community; these are the army wives.

Many of them have adapted themselves easily; some are playing invaluable roles in the life of their temporary home; some are bitterly resentful and discontented.

With a view to discovering the basic attitudes of this group of women: what they feel they should do and what they feel we should do to best handle the problem, THE PILOT next week will conduct a survey. A representative will interview army wives who are willing to respond. We will also have questionnaire forms available at THE PILOT office for those who wish to fill them out.

So, Mrs. Army Wife, if you have anything to praise or criticize about us people or about the rest of the army wives or if you have any suggestions to make, THE PILOT hopes that next week you will give us the benefit of your opinion.

## CANNERY WILL OPEN IF ENOUGH DEMAND

The County Cannery at the County Home will be opened for canning, if there is enough demand for it. A pressure canner with all other equipment is located at the County Home.

Canning would be done in tin. The cans will be furnished at cost and three cents charged for the use of the equipment and labor.

Only fresh vegetables will be canned. Vegetables bought from trucks and other places that are several days old will be rejected. Any one interested in having canning done should contact Flora McDonald, home agent, in Carthage.

## OPA Tells How To Get Ration Book 3

Instructions Are Given For Those Who Have Not Received Their Books

Application for War Ration Book III may be made by those who have not received this book to the Moore County War Price and Rationing Board between August 2 and August 10, George H. Maurice, chairman of the board, announces.

Persons who have already applied for War Ration Book III, but who have not received them, should take the stub of their original application with them to the local board. The board has the authority to waive this requirement if a person states he has lost this stub. The loss of the stub may delay the handling of the application at the State control center. In cases where families have received only a portion of their War Ration Books, application should be made only for those members of the family who have not yet received their books.

Persons are requested not to contact the local Board except between the dates of August 2, and August 10, Mr. Maurice stated. Many who have applied and have not received their books will receive them between now and those dates.

## Robert Lee Kelly Is New Deputy Sheriff

Will Assume Duties the First of August; Is Son of Former Sheriff Kelly

Robert Lee Kelly of Carthage has been appointed chief deputy by Sheriff C. J. McDonald to succeed the late Charles Dunlap, it has been announced this week. He will assume his duties the first of August.

Mr. Kelly is a son of the late Sandy Kelly, who served Moore County as sheriff. He was formerly associated with Eugene Stewart at Stewart's Sinclair Station, and is widely and favorably known.

## Maternal Welfare Committee Hears Fine Reports at Summer Meeting in Carthage

Tag Day Receipts and Clinic Work Most Encouraging; Pinebluff Is Cited as Model in its Follow-up Work; Tribute is Paid Mrs. W. H. Currie, Founder of the Work

### NOT SO SMART

Steve Osborne, Colin's second son, took the test for Air Cadet at Durham last week. The score of 150 would be perfect and has never been attained. Highest mark ever made is 139; passing is 80. Steve got 122. Too bad, Steve, better luck next time.

## Recorder Rowe Has Busy Court Session With 20 Defendants

Many Cases of Minor Nature Are Heard; Several Are Acquitted

Monday was a busy day for Judge Rowe in Moore County Recorder's Court, with a score of defendants appearing to face charges of various kinds. An unusually large percentage of the defendants heard the welcome verdict, "not guilty."

In one case in which members of four families of the Hemp community were involved, all but one were found not guilty, it appearing that the trouble centered around the imbibing of too much strong drink on the part of one of the defendants, Astor Brown.

It came out that preliminary to the incidents of the court cases, Brown had been asked to leave a theatre on account of his condition. After reaching home, he is said to have become angry when he saw an automobile turn around at the edge of his yard, and the cases grew out of the disturbance which followed.

Astor Brown, found guilty of assault with a deadly weapon, public drunkenness and disorderly conduct, was given four months on the roads, to be suspended provided he pay a fine of \$25 and the costs and be of good behavior for two years.

The other three, Penny Brown, Hurley Rouse and Howard Dunlap, each of whom was charged with assault with a deadly weapon, were found not guilty.

Bessie Mae Paul, 16-year-old Negro arrested in Southern Pines on a larceny charge, was found guilty and given three months in jail to be worked in and around the building under the supervision of the jailer. This judgment is to be suspended upon payment of the costs and transportation to her home in Louisiana.

Bessie Mae was charged with taking a jacket, a set of keys, a number of pieces of wearing apparel, and a cameo ring set with diamonds from the premises of Mrs. E. B. Lindsey.

Inez Gore, colored, of Aberdeen, charged with aiding and abetting in the theft, was found not guilty. Herman Williams, Dock Cockman, Dolphus Moore and Eli Moore, of Hemp, were charged with assaulting Elder Sheffield with a wrench and sledge hammer with intent to kill. Herman Williams was found (Please turn to Page 5)

## GAS USERS MUST ENDORSE COUPONS

Users of gasoline, beginning July 22, will be liable to lose their gasoline rations if each coupon in their possession is not properly endorsed in ink, George H. Maurice, chairman of the Moore County War Price and Rationing board reminded them today.

The new policy on coupon endorsements, the chairman said, was taken to assure maximum protection to book holders. Henceforth, motorists will be required to endorse all coupons immediately upon receipt of renewal gasoline rations, so that they will never have unendorsed coupons in their possession.

Endorsement consists of writing—in ink—on the face of each ration coupon, the license number of the vehicle for which the ration was issued and the state in which the car is registered.

The summer meeting of the Moore County Maternal Welfare Committee was held at the home of the treasurer, Mrs. F. H. Underwood, Carthage, on July 23rd. Present were: Mrs. J. Talbot Johnson of Aberdeen, Mrs. Walter Mac. Neille, Mrs. Malcolm Kemp and Mrs. C. L. Warner of Pinebluff, Mrs. James Swett and Mrs. James Boyd of Southern Pines, Mrs. F. H. Underwood, Mrs. Quentin Reynolds, Mrs. James Frazier and Mrs. McLeod of Carthage and Mrs. E. A. West of Hemp.

The meeting opened with the reading of the minutes of the former meeting, followed by the treasurer's report. The proceeds from Tag Day were reported to be \$823.32 with a few more contributions to come in. Each town went well over its quota, with many of the colored communities contributing most generously.

Reports from the clinic chairman followed. As usual Pinebluff led in the extent and thoroughness of the follow-up work accomplished. The chairman pointed this out and urged that all clinic chairmen take Pinebluff as a model to follow. A vote of thanks for her valuable service was extended to the retiring chairman, Mrs. Johnson.

There followed an hour of discussion of county health problems. Much time was spent upon the subject of the Health Department and the resignation of Dr. Drake. A motion was made and passed unanimously that the Maternal Welfare Committee put its weight solidly behind the search to find a worthy successor to Dr. Drake, advocating a salary which would encourage a good man to come here. It was felt also that if the merit system, advocated by the State, was in force in the county department it would do much to raise the morale and efficiency there.

The nurse-midwife, Mrs. McLeod in charge of Maternal Welfare in the county, gave an informal talk on her activities, emphasizing the need, during these crowded and anxious times, of more and better care of mothers. She reviewed briefly the record of the Maternal Welfare Committee pointing out that in 1935, before the committee was organized and she came to Moore County, there were 8 maternal deaths to 500 live births; in 1939, four years later, there were 600 births and no deaths. Last year there were only 2 deaths, only one of which was a clinic patient. This mother had several children and had been told that she could not survive the birth of another. She was hospitalized, did survive the birth of her baby but died later despite all that could be done to save her. Mrs. McLeod also reported an offer by the State to help buy the necessary supplies for 25 cases in the program of Planned Parenthood. It was moved and passed that the committee supply the (Please turn to page 5)

## GIVING AWAY FOOD STAMPS A VIOLATION

Processed foods stamps N, P, and Q, expire for consumer's use on August 7, it was stated today by George H. Maurice, chairman of the Moore County War Price and Rationing Board. He also called attention to the fact that P, Q, R, and S of the meat stamps expire for consumers' use on July 31.

At other expiration dates many reports were received of persons having loose stamps which they endeavored to spend or give away. The rationing regulations prohibit the use of stamps in this loose form or by anyone to whom they were not issued, the chairman pointed out.

It appears that most loose stamps are coming from people in the rural areas inasmuch as they have much home-canned foods and home-prepared meats. Since they do not have need for these stamps, some have been in the habit of either offering them to the retailers or sending them to relatives in town.

The rationing regulations definitely state that it is a violation to turn over stamps to anyone else for their use, Mr. Maurice stated.