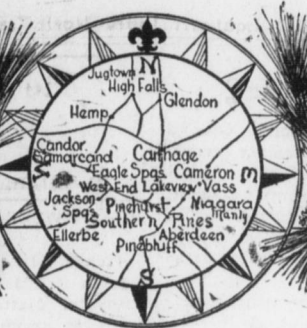


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TEN CENTS

North Carolina Scores Another "First" In Maternal and Child Health Services

Moore County Hospital Is on List Approved for Participating in Program

More than 4,100 expectant mothers who are the wives of service men have been provided with medical and hospital care, to date, by the North Carolina State Board of Health, Dr. George M. Cooper, director of the board's maternal and child health services, has announced.

The service rendered, which is free to wives of enlisted men in the 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th pay grades, includes prenatal care, delivery, and postpartum examinations. When hospitalization is recommended by the attending physician, the hospital bill also is paid by the State Board of Health, if the hospital is in the group approved for this service. In the approved group there already are 65 hospitals, covering almost all the cities and large towns.

The Moore County Hospital, Pinehurst, and the Lee County Hospital, Sanford, to which a large per cent of Moore County patients go, are in the approved group participating in this service.

Enlisted men in the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th pay grades include sergeants, corporals, privates and privates first class in the Army and Marine Corps, and third class petty officers, apprentice seamen and seamen first and second class in the Navy and Coast Guard.

Approximately 150 babies of service men in the above named grades of pay also have been treated in approved hospitals, Doctor Cooper said. Only babies UNDER a year old are eligible.

"North Carolina was the first State in the Union to have its plan for these services to the families of men under arms approved by the (Please turn to Page 5)

Craig Buys Beasley Building in Vass

Is Getting Rooms Ready for Teachers; Beasley and Craig Plan New Stores

R. P. Beasley of Vass has sold the Beasley Department Store Building, the second floor of which has been rented as apartments, to L. B. Craig, proprietor of the Vass Drug Store.

The new owner is speeding the work of getting the nine rooms and sun parlor repainted and plans to furnish them as soon as possible to provide a place for the out-of-town Vass-Lakeview School teachers, who were taken temporarily by the Crystal Lake Hotel at Lakeview. Mr. Craig hopes to have the building ready within a month if he does not encounter too much trouble in getting the necessary equipment.

Mr. Beasley who is now operating a dry goods store, is to put his goods on sale beginning Saturday in order to turn the first floor over to the new owner by October 1st. This (Please turn to Page 5)

E. M. AIKEN ACQUIRES VALUABLE PROPERTY

Ernest M. Aiken, who for a number of years has been a real estate dealer in Washington, D. C., has recently purchased the valuable Clifford Sloan property near Pine Needles Inn for a permanent residence and has already taken possession. Mrs. Aiken, the former Miss Herminia Haynes, spent her girlhood days in Lakeview and has many friends throughout the Sandhills.

The Aikens have five children. The eldest, Ursula, is attending school in Maryland and three, Ernestine, Ben and Nora, enrolled in the Southern Pines school this week. The youngest daughter is of preschool age.

J. R. ROBINSON DIES

Word reaches The Pilot of the death of J. R. Robinson at his home in Thousand Islands Park, N. Y., on August 24th.

Mr. Robinson, in his 81st year, had made his winter home in Southern Pines for more than 30 years, and was the builder and owner of several dwellings on Ashe street.

BOND BOOTH

The Women's Division of the War Finance Committee will operate a booth in the Citizens Bank and Trust Company building every day during the Third War Loan Drive. Mrs. J. J. Spring will open the drive by being at the booth Friday morning, September 10.

Commissioners Mark Funds for Various County Functions

Board Adopts Resolution Allocating Money to Specific Purposes

The Moore County Commissioners, meeting in regular session Monday, adopted the annual appropriations resolution, setting aside specific amounts, or so much of each as may be needed, for carrying on the various activities of the county during the year ending June 30, 1944.

The total budget requirements for the county are \$373,670; tax levy, \$150,068; property valuation, \$22,000,000; tax rate, 75 cents on \$100 valuation.

Those amounts which appeared in lump sums in the budget estimate published last month were broken up as follows:

County General Fund
County Commissioners, \$2,500; listing and assessing, \$8,000; collection of taxes, \$5,800; tax foreclosure, \$2,800; Sheriff's office, \$7,750; general election, \$1,000; County Accountant's office, \$4,000; court house and grounds, \$7,000; Register of Deeds, \$1,500; Coroner, \$500; fire (Please turn to Page 5)

A LETTER TO ALL NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS:

On the eve of the Third War Loan, I want to impress upon you how heavily we are depending upon the newspapers, and upon the businesses who sponsor newspaper advertisements, to carry our urgent message to the American people.

In the past, these industry sponsored advertisements have proved the backbone of our promotional campaign. I am sure they will prove no less in the coming Third War Loan Drive.

I hope you will pass this information along to those businesses and industries in your community who can and will help sponsor this vital local newspaper advertising.

We all know that raising fifteen billion dollars — no less than five billion of it from individuals — is going to be a tremendous task. We must take full advantage of every available source of support.

Sincerely,
H. Morgenthau, Jr.
Secretary of the Treasury.

UNAVOIDABLE

A coroner's jury meeting Tuesday night to investigate the accident in which Charles A. Rose of Vass was injured on Thursday of last week exonerated the driver of the car, Jefferson Baker, a filling station attendant, pronouncing the accident unavoidable.

According to the testimony Baker moved Mr. Rose's car from where it was parked on the grounds of McGill's Esso Station after calling to Mr. Rose that he was going to do so. He received no reply and did not know that Mr. Rose was down at the front of the car, making an adjustment.

The inquest was conducted by Acting Coroner Hugh Kelly with the following serving on the jury: M. M. Chappell, Julian Leslie, H. A. Borst, Jr., Wes Hennings, Weldon Hennings and Raymond Garner.

MOORE MEN WIN AIR MEDALS



LT. J. LINWOOD KEITH



LT. JAMES B. RITCHIE

Two young men to whom Moore County lays claim, First Lt. Joseph L. Keith of Vass and First Lt. James B. Ritchie of Greensboro, members of the North African Air Force Troop Carrier Command, have received awards of the air medal for meritorious achievements over Sicily, the War Department has announced.

Lt. Keith is the youngest son of Mrs. W. H. Keith of Vass and the late Mr. Keith. He has been in foreign service for several months.

Lt. Ritchie, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Ritchie, now reside in Greensboro, was reared in Southern Pines and was an honor graduate of the local high school.

Changing the Name of Hemp to Robbins Has an Interesting Story Back of It

LEFT OUT

Dwellers in the Sandhills were surprised to read in the state journals of last Thursday that there had been a state-wide blackout. Happy to have escaped, inquiring residents were informed on Saturday that through an error in the Charlotte District the signals were not relayed to Concord, Rockingham, Salisbury and Southern Pines. Outside of that one miscue, Army observers termed the blackout a decided success.

Mrs. Wood Receives News From Husband

Letter from Col. Wood, a Prisoner of War, Was Written Last November

Mrs. Stuart Wood, whose husband, Colonel Wood, has been a prisoner of the Japanese since May 1942, has within the past few days received a card and a letter from him, her first direct communications since he became a prisoner of war.

The card bore the information that he was interned in Taiwan, was in excellent health and working in a garden and on a stock farm as interpreter.

We are reprinting a part of the letter, which was dated November 15, 1942:

"This is just a note to let you know that I am well and safe and to tell you not to worry about me. I am in a very pleasant place with a fine climate. We have set out one garden and are now working on another. In addition, I am helping supervise the construction of an animal farm (buildings for hogs, goats, rabbits and chickens) so by the time I get home I should be an expert farmer.

"Your radio of last Christmas was thoroughly appreciated. It was the last word I have had from the family, so can imagine that I am worried about you all. Am sincerely (Please turn to Page 5)

UNUSUAL SIGHT

"Not since the days when the little village of Southern Pines was literally fenced in house by house (for good and sufficient reasons) has citizen or tourist dodged a cow on the sidewalk of West Broad street. But a placid Bossy with a patient bovine shuffle followed a "cow man" down that bewildered thoroughfare early Saturday morning as little children shrieked "Mama, Mama, what is that?" and the passing throng of paratroopers, army wives, shoppers, tired business men, alert business women, standees, and suburban visitors paused to marvel.

Moore County Village Was Considered a "Boom Town" During Worst of Depression

(From Carl Goerch's State Magazine of September 4, we bring you this story of local and widespread interest, which on account of its length will appear in two installments.Ed)

Last Saturday, as the result of a hearing in Monroe, it was definitely decided that official authorization should be given for changing the name of Hemp, in Moore County, to that of Robbins, honoring Mr. Karl Robbins, prominent figure in the textile industry and the greatest benefactor that the town has had in its history.

But on Monday, of this week, we were informed that an injunction against the change has been issued by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina until an appeal in connection with the matter has been heard before the Supreme Court.

Just when the appeal is to be brought up is not known at this time. Regardless of all this legal business, however, we believe you will be in (Please turn to Page 5)

SEPTEMBER JURORS

The following were drawn for jury service in the September 20th term of civil court at the meeting of the Board of Commissioners Monday:

Jesse S. Phillips, Fred Hannon, G. B. Cole, A. G. Martin, W. A. Myrick, R. C. Brown, W. D. Caviness, D. E. Blalock, J. L. Baldwin, N. A. Morgan, L. G. Cox, J. L. Thompson, Jr., W. W. Crabtree, C. C. Jones, A. Z. Eason, D. Y. Marion, Q. A. Maners, A. C. Cox, J. W. Richardson, C. F. Martin, Tilden Cheek, O. F. Currie, H. L. Brown, and C. W. Williams

FRACAS AND ROBBERY ON BROAD STREET

A number of men in uniform started a near riot in and around the Seaboard station in the early morning hours of Labor Day, which was subdued with great difficulty by Night Policeman Irvin Morrison. During the fracas unknown parties broke into Warren's Jewelry Store on West Broad Street, taking jewelry and watches valued at about \$150.

BROOKS RETIRES FROM SOUTHERN PINES FIELD

Brooks Dress Shop opened last December by Mrs. Carl Thompson, Jr., and recently under the management of Mrs. Ruth Webeck closed Saturday following the resignation of Mrs. Webeck who is joining her husband in Fort Worth, Tex. Mrs. Thompson joined Mr. Thompson in Denver, Col., some time ago.

Kiwanis Speaker in Convention Address Discusses the Subject, "Why Buy Bonds?"

BAND CONCERT

Both army families and residents of Southern Pines will be delighted to hear that another band concert has been arranged by the U.S.O. The 501st Parachute Infantry Band (the only all-jumping band in the world) will play under the direction of S.Sgt. Fernando Perez Sunday afternoon between four and five o'clock. Those who heard them when they gave a concert several weeks ago will not want to miss this performance and those who have not been able to hear them previously really have a treat in store.

KIWANIS SPEAKER



LEROY LEWIS

Charles A. Rose of Vass, Injured in Car Accident, Dies

World War Veteran Had Been Proprietor of Hotel Several Months

Charles A. Rose, 47, for the past several months proprietor of Hotel Charmella in Vass, was injured in an automobile accident at Vass Thursday afternoon of last week and passed away in the Moore County Hospital at 5:15 Tuesday morning, his death coming as a shock to his friends throughout the county.

Funeral services were held at Carthage Baptist Church at 5 p. m. Wednesday, and interment followed in Cross Hill Cemetery, Carthage.

Mr. Rose, who formerly lived in Carthage, was a World War veteran, having served overseas, where he was gassed and shell shocked. He is survived by his wife, formerly Miss Allie Caddell of Carthage; a three-months-old son, Charles A. Rose, Jr.; one brother, John W. Rose, of Durham; two half-brothers and one half-sister, Frank and Luther Coleman and Mrs. Annie Gooch, all of Durham.

AIRBORNE ON THE AIR

Plans for a well rounded musical program broadcast from Service Club No. 1, Camp Mackall, through station WBT Charlotte at 8:00 p. m. Thursday evening, September 16, will feature the 511th Precht. Inf. Band of the 11th Airborne Division under the able leadership of Chief Warrant Officer Robert M. Berglund. "Song of the Airborne", written by Sgt. Charles Hazleton of the 511th will be their signature song.

ABC STORES CLOSE AT NOON WEDNESDAYS

The Moore County A. B. C. has decided to close the stores in Southern Pines and Pinehurst, at 12 o'clock every Wednesday afternoon, until further notice. In this action they join other business establishments which have continued the summer closings.

Delegates to Annual District Convention in Durham Are Named

By Howard F. Burns

Leroy Lewis, secretary of the North Carolina Banker's Association, and former instructor of speech at Duke University, Durham, addressed the Sandhills Kiwanis Club at the Holly Inn, Pinehurst, Wednesday on the subject, "Why Buy Bonds."

In announcing the third War Loan Drive which started Thursday, Mr. Lewis declared that war loan bonds are the best investment in the world. It means, first, an appreciation of the intrinsic or peculiar values of our American Democracy. "In a democratic society, the individual is supreme. American democracy guarantees freedom of speech to all its citizens; freedom of political action for all individuals, free independent spirit in education; it makes every effort to assure freedom of action for competing economic groups; it guarantees to every citizen religious freedom."

Secondly, he stated, it means a willingness to sacrifice and to preserve permanently the values we are winning in military victories. We must be willing to sacrifice to the hilt to win the military victories. We must not clamor for the return to normalcy when military battles cease, he declared.

He pointed out that Germany has no freedom in education, no freedom of speech. The German people are taught that other races are inferior. It has but one political party—the Nazi Party, one newspaper which (Please turn to Page 5)

Mother and Infant Are Shot With Rifle

Mrs. Thad Black is Said to be in Serious Condition; Husband Is Being Held

A three-months-old baby in the arms of its mother, Mrs. Thad Black, was shot through the leg with a .22 rifle and the mother was seriously injured when the same bullet passed through her side. The shooting occurred in the Hill Crest community near Carthage around noon Friday and the husband is being held in jail to face charges.

Following the shooting, the wounded were carried to the Moore County Hospital, after which George Frye, half-brother of Black, accompanied the latter to the Sheriff's office. Black is quoted as saying that the shooting was accidental, but Mrs. Black is said to have given a different version of the affair. Due to the seriousness of her condition, Sheriff McDonald had not questioned her early this week, but she is reported to have stated that her husband had said that he was going to kill her and all of the children. They have three.

Black has been in trouble a number of times.

ATTENTION MOTOR CORPS MEMBERS

Any women living in Southern Pines or Pinehurst who are members of the Red Cross Motor Corps and who desire to work are requested to call either Mrs. Miller Gaffney at Southern Pines 8551 or Mrs. John S. Zelle, Jr., at Pinehurst 3791. Additional help is urgently needed to carry on this important and interesting work.

FIRST IN ITALY

Capt. Timothy Cleary, an observation officer of a U. S. artillery battery, is believed to be the first American to land in Italy with the Allied invasion forces, according to a United Press report of September 5th. His gunnery mates said Cleary crossed the Messina Strait with the British Eighth Army to gather information on enemy gunfire. A Harvard graduate, Cleary is attached to a battery of 155-millimeter "Long Tom" rifles.

He trained at Fort Bragg and his wife lives at Pinebluff.