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TEN CENTS

Moore County Makes Fine Showing in the War Fund Drive

Exceeds Its Quota
By More Than \$2,000;
Donations Continue

Moore County, with a quota of \$9,997 in the United War Fund drive, already has \$12,581 in hand and money continues to trickle in, according to a statement by Chairman W. P. Saunders of Hemp Thursday afternoon.

"It was a wonderful drive!" said Mr. Saunders in speaking of the fine showing made by the various towns.

Some communities were doubtful of the success of the drive at the beginning, but with splendid leadership throughout the county and the usual fine cooperation of the people, Moore has again made a record of which it can be proud.

In Southern Pines employees of the post office and Penders gave 100 per cent; the Carolina Power and Light Company, Macks of Sanford, the A & P and Pender stores sent donations to be credited to their local firms and 275 individuals made donations ranging from one cent to \$200, Treasurer Eugene C. Stevens reports.

Camp Mackall contributed \$2,718.13, 40 per cent of which is credited to Moore County.

The quotas and the amounts reported at this writing by the various towns follow: Southern Pines—\$3,000, \$3,174.56; Aberdeen—\$1,500, \$1,100; Pinehurst—\$1,000, \$2,200; Carthage—\$1,500, \$1,700; Hemp—\$1,500, \$1,550; Vass and Lakeview—\$400, \$475; Cameron—\$400, over \$300; High Falls—\$400, \$415; West End—\$600, \$435. Hallison raised 100; Glendon, \$51.25; Eagle Springs, \$125, and we do not have figures for the remaining communities.

Hospital Auxiliary Names Committee

At the first autumn meeting of the Moore County Hospital Auxiliary, held on Wednesday at the Nurses' home, a nominating committee was appointed to suggest officers for the year 1944. Mrs. Edwin S. Blodgett of Pinehurst, heads this committee; she will be assisted by Mrs. Emmett French of Southern Pines, and Mrs. J. B. Edwards of Aberdeen. Elections will be held at the December meeting and the new officers will assume their duties in January.

Mrs. H. A. Page, Jr., of Aberdeen, chairman of the Auxiliary, presided at Wednesday's session. Reports stressed the heavy demands now being made on the facilities of the hospital, and the need of community cooperation in these troubled times.

MOTHER OF FOUR SONS IN US SERVICE PASSES

Mrs. Fannie Dalrymple Arnette, 63, died Sunday at her home in the Eureka section on Carthage Route 3, following a stroke of paralysis. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the Morris Chapel Methodist Church, conducted by the Rev. W. S. Golden, pastor of Carthage Presbyterian Church. Burial was in the church cemetery. Surviving are her husband, Neal Henry Arnette; four sons, Benjamin, US Army in Sicily; William, stationed with the Navy in California, James, stationed with the US Army in Texas, and Richard, with the US Army in Raleigh; and three daughters, Mrs. Inez Beane, Durham, Mrs. Bertha Hughes, Kinston, Mrs. Ethel Jones, Fayetteville; one sister, one brother, and eight grandchildren.

5,139 RATION BOOKS

The 19 white and 18 colored teachers in the local schools last week rendered the patriotic service of issuing 5,139 War Ration Books, 3,412 of which were to white people. Tuesday was the biggest day, with a total of 1,700.

Supt. Weaver says that due to the fact that less information was asked for, the task was much easier this time than in previous registrations.

CHAIRMAN



W. P. SAUNDERS

New Pulpwood Drive Begins November 11

Armistice Day Ushers In Campaign to Cut a Cord for Every Local Boy in Service

"Cut-a-Cord of Pulpwood for Every Local Boy in Service."

This is the slogan and goal of a new national drive announced this week by Walter M. Dear, chairman of the Newspaper Pulpwood Committee, as a climax to the Victory Pulpwood Campaign which this newspaper has been supporting.

The new drive begins on Armistice Day, next Thursday, and runs until December 11 when the Newspaper Pulpwood Committee hopes to see the threatened 2,500,000-cord pulpwood shortage for 1943 averted.

This community has around 350 boys in the Army, Navy, Marines, or Coast Guard. That means our goal of extra cords of pulpwood to be cut between November 11 and December 11 is approximately 350 cords.

POST-WAR PLANNING

Ministers from Rockingham, Hamlet, Aberdeen, Southern Pines, Pinehurst and Pinebluff attended the three-day seminar conducted at Camp Mackall, home of the Airborne Command, under the management of Post Chaplain Wallace G. Sorenson.

Chief among the topics discussed were post-war problems and means of developing even greater cooperation between Camp Mackall authorities and leaders of surrounding towns. Out of the series of discussions, conducted by George Heaton of Myers Park Baptist Church, Charlotte, and Dr. Everett S. Smith, nationally known Christian church leader from Miami, Florida, emerged the information that many industrial leaders are already working out a plan whereby veterans upon their return to civil life may be placed in jobs for which they will be then best suited, rather than being arbitrarily absorbed in the jobs they held when going into service. Such a plan, those attending the seminar believed, would be especially beneficial, inasmuch as many soldiers will return with special training in lines about which they knew nothing upon entering the service.

RATION BOOK FOUR

"All persons who failed to obtain War Ration Book Four may obtain same at the War Price and Rationing Board, Carthage, on and after Monday, November 8th," says George H. Maurice, chairman.

Book Four may also be obtained at the City Clerk's office in Southern Pines between 10 a. m. and 12 noon on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, the 8th, 10th, and 12th of November. Also, after 5 p. m. Monday through Friday the 12th, at the residence of J. C. Barron, May Street and New York Avenue.

"In Aberdeen, Book Four may be obtained at Mid-South Motors between 10 a. m. and 12 noon on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, the 8th, 10th and 12th. "Be sure to bring Book Three with you," says Mr. Maurice.

Mackall PX Officer Is Kiwanis Speaker

Tells of Rapid Growth of Post Exchange Sales; Club to Elect Officers Nov. 17

By Howard F. Burns

Capt. D. Y. Byck, Post Exchange officer at Camp Mackall, informed the Kiwanis Club at its weekly luncheon Wednesday at the Holly Inn in Pinehurst that despite the fact the Post Exchange started from scratch in early January, it is now operating twenty stores and doing business at the rate of \$5,000,000.00 per year.

The speaker gave a brief history of Mackall in the early days of January 1943, when he was sent there to open the Post Exchange.

"I did not even have a chair or desk," he said. "In fact, the Post Exchange books were set up in my room."

Giving a few statistics of the ten-month-old Exchange, Capt. Byck said it is now selling 50,000 cases of Coca-Cola per month; 50,000 gallons of ice cream; 540,000 bottles of beer; 12,000 boxes of writing paper; all of the pillow tops that it is able to buy; 700,000 packages of cigarettes, and 8,000 bars of chocolate. He further stated that the twenty stores have to limit the sale of chocolate bars and cigars to two per person, and of chewing gum to one package per person in order for the stock to make the round. Profits from sales go toward buying athletic equipment for the soldiers.

Pete Pender, of the program committee, presented Norris L. Hodgkins, president of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company, who introduced the speaker.

Election of club officers for the ensuing year will be held at the luncheon on Wednesday, November 17th. A. L. Burney of Aberdeen and Charles J. McDonald, Sheriff of Moore County head the ticket for president. George Moore of Southern Pines and John F. Taylor of Pinehurst will run for vice president, and Larry Miner for reelection as treasurer. The ticket lists sixteen candidates, of which seven will serve on the board of directors.

Keen interest is expected to be shown in this election.

NEGRO DIVISION HEAD NAMES CHAIRMEN

The Rev. J. R. Funderburk, chairman of the Negro Division of the Moore County War Bond Committee, has named co-chairmen in the various schools and towns who are to sell bonds every month.

Names of the chairmen together with the amount each sold in the Third War Loan drive follow: Schools—Haw Branch, Mrs. Ollie S. Harrington, \$50; Long Leaf, Mrs. J. Barrett, \$50; Bellview, Elizabeth Blalock, \$50; Academy Heights (Pinehurst), S. E. Cureton, \$75; Eastwood, Mrs. Edna B. Taylor, \$50; Berkely, (Aberdeen), J. H. Floyd, \$75; Cameron, G. L. Turner, \$75; W. Southern Pines, P. R. Brown, \$50; Mt. Zion, T. C. Jackson, \$100.

Towns—Pinehurst, Mrs. Gladys Caldwell, \$75; Rev. S. L. Brown, \$25; Jackson-Hamlet—Rev. E. B. Neloms, \$25; G. H. Dawkins, \$50; Mrs. Annie R. Rose, \$50; Rev. Z. D. McRae, \$25; Mrs. Annie R. Rivers, \$100; Nathan Foster, \$225.

Southern Pines—Charles Boggan, \$100; T. R. Goins, \$50; J. W. Bethea, \$25; C. H. Strickland, \$125; John Lytch, \$75; D. E. Wilson, \$25; Rev. E. B. Lipsey, \$75; Mrs. Loretta Hines, \$75.

Carthage—Mrs. Dayte Blue, \$225. Aberdeen—Mrs. George M. Lashley, \$125; W. H. Byrd, Sr., \$50. Vass—Sam McCall, \$25. Glendon—Robert L. Foushee, \$25. Total, \$2,150.

Plane Crash Kills 14

Fourteen officers and enlisted men were killed and four injured as the result of the crash of a transport plane at Camp Mackall last Friday, according to information released by the public relations office. One North Carolinian was killed, Capt. Joseph C. Utter of Jackson Springs, whose wife, Mrs. Cornelia C. Utter, resides there.

KILLED IN ACTION



LT. MARSHALL C. McOMBER

Husband of Local Girl a War Casualty

Lt. Marshall C. McOmber, who was married to Miss Frances Council of Southern Pines last February 28, was killed in action in the Sicilian invasion on July 10, according to information received by Mrs. McOmber Saturday night.

Lt. McOmber was born March 12, 1913 at Cardston, Alberta, Canada, the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. McOmber who now live in Power, Mont. After graduation from high school he attended the University of Idaho, and enlisted in the Army in June, 1939. After serving in San Antonio, Texas, and Fort Benning, Ga., he was transferred to Fort Bragg, where he served with the 504th Parachute Infantry, 82nd Airborne Division. He was promoted to first lieutenant last November, and went overseas in April of this year.

In addition to his wife, who has recently returned from a visit to his relatives in Montana, Lt. McOmber is survived by his parents and several brothers and sisters.

GRAY LADY CORPS

The Gray Lady Corps is an entirely new service of the Moore County Chapter of the Red Cross. Its formation has been requested by the Red Cross unit at Camp Mackall. The course will take about two weeks starting November 15th. The corps then should form an important adjunct to the regular program of the hospital by attempting to fill the need of hospitalized servicemen for "diversional recreation and altruistic service."

Due to transportation difficulties from the four towns in the county to Camp Mackall the Red Cross will allow an active member of the Motor or Canteen Corps to enroll in the Gray Lady course and work as such on completion. She will receive personal credit in hours worked in only one of the corps but will at the same time be amply rewarded herself by the service she gives in the other, says Mrs. G. H. Whittall, Chairman.

Everyone who has received a Gray Lady form is requested to fill it out and return it by November 10 to Mrs. Whittall.

WANT TO HELP?

Hearing by radio a touching appeal for used warm clothing and blankets to relieve the suffering of children and older persons of Greece stripped of their possessions by the Germans, a local woman has volunteered to see that donations get to the collection center in Raleigh. Anyone having clothing which they wish to give to this cause is asked to leave it at THE PILOT office no later than Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 13.

FIRST AID COURSE

Plans are underway for beginning a Red Cross First Aid course in Southern Pines within a few weeks, and those wishing to enroll are asked to notify the Red Cross office in the Bank Building.

IN HARPERS

A poem written by James Boyd, Southern Pines author, appears in the November issue of Harpers Magazine.

Oscar D. Michael, Local Taxi Operator, Is Fatally Stabbed Tuesday Morning; Assailant Thought to be Negro Soldier

EXHIBITION MATCH

Byron Nelson and "Jug" McSpaden, the two foremost golfers of the United States today, will give an exhibition match at the Pinehurst Country Club Saturday, November 6, at 2:00 p. m. A collection will be taken for the benefit of the Pinehurst Soldiers Lounge and Pinehurst Civilian Defense.

Expenses of the tour of these well-known professionals is being borne by the Crawford McGregor and Canby Company of Dayton, Ohio.

ASSUMES DUTIES



REV. THOMPSON E. DAVIS

The Rev. Thompson E. Davis, with his family, arrived this week to assume his duties as full time pastor of Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church. He will conduct his first service in this capacity at 11 o'clock Sunday morning.

The new minister and his family came to Southern Pines from Calhoun, Ga., where he was pastor for five years. They are occupying the house at 80 South Ashe street, which was recently purchased by the church for use as a manse.

Pinehurst Druggist Dies of Pneumonia

J. I. O'Brien, Native of Lowell, Mass., Had Resided in Sandhills 34 Years

J. I. O'Brien, 62, for around 34 years a prominent resident of Pinehurst, died of pneumonia at 3:00 p. m. Sunday in the Moore County Hospital following an illness of a little more than a week.

Funeral services were conducted at the Sacred Heart Church, Pinehurst, by his brother, Father Dennis O'Brien, assisted by Father John A. Brown of Pinehurst and Father H. A. Harkins of Southern Pines at 10:00 a. m. Wednesday and burial was in Mount Hope Cemetery, Southern Pines.

Pall bearers were George Veno, Ed Veno, True Cheney, Bill Dunlop, Emerson Humphrey, A. P. Thompson, Rassic Wicker and Clarence Edson, all of Pinehurst, and Sgt. Jerry Ashton, now stationed at New Orleans, La.

Mr. O'Brien had successfully operated O'Brien's Pharmacy during the greater part of his residence in Pinehurst and was one of the town's best liked men. A native of Lowell, Mass., he was married to Miss Florence Roy of Chelsea, Mass., who survives.

Other survivors include a brother, Father Dennis O'Brien of Newton, Mass., and two sisters, Miss Angela O'Brien of Lowell, Mass., and Sister Stanislaus O'Brien of Massachusetts.

CULDEE INGATHERING

The annual ingathering at Culdee Church will be held Saturday, November 13, beginning at 2:00 o'clock and the event is expected to attract a large gathering. There will be a sale of cakes, candies, canned goods and farm produce for the benefit of the church, after which a chicken supper will bring the day to a satisfying close.

Popular Member of Fire Company Found Dying in West Southern Pines

Friendly Oscar D. Michael, a man without a known enemy, died supposedly at the hands of a negro assassin, clad in an Army uniform, at two o'clock Tuesday morning, victim of a murderous attack so deadly in its effect as to leave just time for the fated man to gasp: "Call an ambulance and police, I'm stabbed to death," before he expired from the effect of fifteen wounds.

Yates Poe, standing by the police station, saw a negro accost Michael at the corner of New Hampshire Avenue and Broad Street, heard a price quoted for transportation to West Southern Pines, and saw the car pass the station. Within ten minutes the station received a call from James Bethea, a respected citizen of that section, who having heard a call ran out just in time to see Michael fall near his hedge and hear his appeal for aid. He called for the Powell ambulance which driven by James Worthington raced to the scene and then to the Moore County Hospital but the unfortunate man was pronounced dead upon arrival. Cash in the amount of \$54 had not been taken from his pocket.

Chief Newton's calls were immediately transmitted to all nearby towns and Army posts with the result that Michael's car was found in the yard of the colored school at Sanford by James Coleman, a member of the State Highway Patrol, a few hours after its abandonment by the murderer. Chief Newton, Police- man Irvin Morrison and Sheriff C. J. McDonald were met there by members of the State Bureau of Investigation, who found a number of fingerprints on the car.

Immediate cooperation was afforded by Chief of Police Paul Watson of Sanford and officers at Army posts, who put in operation a rigid search of all returning soldiers. At this writing no further progress has been reported by the authorities, although every effort is being made to apprehend the murderer.

A resident of the Sandhills for twenty years, Michael has lived in Southern Pines for at least twelve years. When called into the Army in November 1942, he sold his business, the Southern Pines Garage, and when rejected for overweight, returned and resumed a taxi service wherein he was acclaimed by patrons for his careful and courteous attention to their comfort. A member of the Southern Pines Fire Company for the past ten years, he had been company captain for some time prior to his death. He was also a member of the J.O.U.A.M., and of Southern Pines Lodge 484, A.F.&A.M. and a leading member of the Men's Bible class of the Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Born at Lexington, N. C., in 1897, the son of M. S. Michael, he is survived by his father, a step-mother, four brothers, E. D. of Southern Pines, C. A. of Southmont, N. C., C. L. of High Point and J. A. of Carthage; a half brother, Herman of High Point; three sisters, Mrs. Beulah Wafford of High Point, Mrs. Elsie Von Cannon of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Mrs. G. W. Seratt of Southmont, and a half sister, Miss Besse Michael of Lexington.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Tucker G. Humphries in the Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church at 11 o'clock Thursday morning before a congregation which included members of the family, friends, acquaintances, representatives of the City, Police Department, a body of his comrades of the Fire Department and the Masonic Lodge. The flower crowned casket was borne from the church between the lines of his comrade firemen and Masons.

ARMY, NAVY TEST NOV. 9

Candidates for the Army Specialized Training Program and the Navy College Program V-12 are reminded that tests will be held at 9 a. m. Tuesday, November 9, at the local high school.