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TEN CENTS

Newcomb Cites Progress of State in Kiwanis Talk

Leonard Tufts Was Active in Road Improvement, He Said

Arthur S. Newcomb, veteran real estate and insurance broker, made a very interesting address to the Sandhill Kiwanis Club at its weekly luncheon Wednesday at the Southern Pines Country Club, on the progress of North Carolina and the Sandhills.

After reminiscing a bit, Mr. Newcomb stated that North Carolina made very rapid progress between 1918 and 1928, and is now one of the foremost states in the union. He declared the Road Program, under the Bickett administration, and the eradication of hookworm were the two outstanding achievements; continuing, he stated North Carolina has more spindles in operation than any other state in the union. He credited Dr. C. Windell Styles, of Wilmington, and Walter Hines Page with outstanding achievement in the campaign against hookworm.

He referred briefly to the building of sandclay roads in Moore County, pointing out that Leonard Tufts, of Pinehurst along about 1907, built the first sandclay roads in and around Pinehurst. He was instrumental in bringing about our present highway system under the Bickett administration, a system which ran from county seat to county seat under the direction of Frank Page. Prior to this time Mr. Tufts had held several public meetings in Pinehurst in the interest of better roads.

The speaker was presented by Eugene C. Stevens.

Paul Butler, chairman of the Committee in Support of Churches and their Spiritual Aims, reported his committee is making plans to have some members of the Kiwanis Club give talks to the various county institutions. He stated Friday, February 16th, would be Day of Prayer.

John F. Taylor, of Pinehurst chairman of the Underprivileged Child Committee, advised his committee is offering its assistance to Miss Pauline Covington, county welfare officer.

Dr. T. A. Cheatham inducted into membership Stanley Austin and Buster Doyle, of Southern Pines.

Betterley Resigns From Town Board Patch Is Appointed

The Town Board, at a meeting Wednesday night, reluctantly accepted the resignation of Commissioner H. J. Betterley, who for some time had been wanting to give up the office on account of his health. Mr. Betterley had been a valuable member of the Board for several terms.

Charles S. Patch was appointed to fill out the unexpired term. A lifelong resident of Southern Pines and thoroughly familiar with local conditions, Mr. Patch is considered a wise choice for the place.

BAPTIST RADIO HOUR

Dr. C. Roy Angell of Miami, Fla., will be the speaker on the Baptist Hour Sunday morning at 8:30 o'clock. His subject will be an Old Testament sentence, "Is it nothing to you?" This program may be heard over WBIG, Greensboro, and WPTF, Raleigh.

REPORTED KILLED

Staff Sergeant James H. Cook was killed in action in the invasion of Luzon on January 16, according to news from the War Department received by his wife, Mrs. Rula Cook, who is making her home with her mother, Mrs. William Tyner, in Pinebluff.

Pharmacy Leaders Are Honored for War Bond Sales



Pharmacy leaders from throughout the State are shown as they gathered at Chapel Hill recently to receive honor certificates from the North Carolina Pharmaceutical Association for outstanding war bond sales during the Sixth Drive. Total sales by North Carolina drug stores during the Drive amounted to more than \$4,000,000, half of which was in "E" bonds.

First row, left to right, Mrs. E. A. Brecht, Chapel Hill; J. Floyd Goodrich, Durham; Allison James, Greensboro; W. A. Gilliam, Winston-Salem; W. J. Smith, Chapel Hill and Mrs. J. C. Jackson, Lumberton.

Second row, left to right, Miss Gertrude Gerrard, Durham; Dr. M. L. Jacobs, Chapel Hill; Richard C. Scharff, Madison; William Buffalo, Jackson; Mrs. D. A. Blue, Jr., Southern Pines; Mrs. J. T. Overton, Southern Pines, and Mrs. Laura Brown, Greensboro.

Third row, left to right, W. B. Gurley, Windsor; Mrs. W. B. Gurley, Windsor; L. A. Wharton, Giblister, Chapel Hill; John Moorhead, Durham; Mrs. Lister, Chapel Hill; John Moorhead, Durham; Mrs. A. L. Fishel, Winston-Salem; Mrs. Dan Compton, Greensboro and W. H. Adair, Roxboro.

Fourth row, left to right, J. G. Beard, Chapel Hill; Edward A. Brecht, Chapel Hill and I. B. Squier, Greensboro.

Fifth row, left to right, J. T. Overton, Southern Pines; J. C. Jackson, Lumberton and Dean Tainter, Marion.

SERVICE OFFICER



MRS. LOUISE CLARKE

The office of the Veterans' Service Division of Moore County has been opened in the courthouse in Carthage to serve veterans, their widows, orphans and parents. This office is open Monday through Friday from 9 to 12-1 to 5 and on Saturday from 9 to 12 only, with Mrs. Louise W. Clarke in charge.

The four American Legion Posts of Moore County jointly sponsored Mrs. Clarke for county service officer and the county commissioners, acting on the recommendation, appointed her as a full-time paid service officer with full recognition having been given by Veterans' Administration.

It is the earnest desire of this office to render, free of cost, every possible assistance to veterans, their widows, orphans or dependent parents and to advise with them concerning their "Rights and Benefits" under World War legislation that has been, or may be, passed by Congress.

There have been 161 cases handled in this office since its opening five weeks ago. These cases have included Claims for Pension, Insurance, Vocational and Apprentice Training, Death Gratuity and Back Pay, application for Hospital Care, Jobs, Loans and Education, as well as assistance with special problems.

While the majority of these claims have concerned men and families of World War II, there have been several World War I, Spanish American, and one Civil War case.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Used toothbrushes taken to Red Cross Headquarters in Southern Pines will go to Camp Mackall where the plastic in the handles will be reused by the Army.

World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer will be observed at 3:30 p. m. Friday, Feb. 16, at Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church with all denominations coming together for this annual service which is sponsored by the United Council of Church Women and observed around the globe. Leaders hope for a large attendance.

The President of the American Legion Auxiliary requests that all members who can attend sit together in a body.

Capello, Partners Lead in Pro-Am Tournament Play

Johnny Capello, pro at the Pine Needles Club, and his amateur team consisting of Father G. F. McAdams, Father J. J. Henry and Father J. C. Farrell flashed around the tricky Mid-Pines Club Wednesday afternoon to post a net 32-36-68 to take the lead in the series of five pro-amateur golf matches to be played over the courses here and Pinehurst. Harold Calloway, Pinehurst Country Club pro, and his team consisting of M. Von Schlegel, J. G. Voorhess and W. C. Pluckett trailed by one stroke with a 38-31-69.

Capello and Father McAdams teamed well from start to finish to take the lead over the eight pro-amateur teams that made up the field. The second round of play will be at the Pinehurst Country Club next Wednesday.

Summary of the Mid-Pines Club round:

Johnny Capello and Father McAdams, Pine Needles, 32-36-68.

Harold Calloway and W. C. Pluckett, Pinehurst, 38-31-69.

Henson Maples and Jammie Bone, Pinehurst, 37-34-71.

Bert Nichols and J. J. Hunter, Pinehurst, 34-37-71.

Roy Grinnell and Jack Carter, Southern Pines Country Club, 36-35-71.

Bert Weatherspoon and Arthur Atherton, Southern Pines, 34-38-72.

Roy Bronsdon and P. S. P. Randolph, Mid-Pines Club, 37-37-74.

Jim Nicholls and Karl Andrews, Pinehurst, 37-39-76.

BANK CLOSURES FOR HOLIDAY

The Citizens Bank & Trust Company of Southern Pines will observe Washington's Birthday, Thursday, Feb. 22, as a holiday.

DEAN OF PRINTERS



W. C. WICKER

William Cleveland Wicker, who died suddenly at his home in Aberdeen a few days ago, was owner of the Dixie Printing Company and the dean of Sandhill printers. His wife will continue to operate the business.

Forces Are Lined Up for Red Cross War Fund Drive

Chm. J. B. Edwards Names Three More Community Chairmen

J. B. Edwards, Moore County chairman of the Red Cross 1945 War Fund drive, has named additional community chairmen to complete the set-up in the county.

This week Mr. Edwards has added Roy Grinnell, Southern Pines, with a quota of \$1,000; J. W. McMillen, Pinebluff, with a quota of \$900, and J. B. Edwards, Lakeview chairman, with a quota of \$1,600, to his list of community chairmen.

Mr. Edwards and Mrs. M. C. Clark of the Department have been informed by the Red Cross that their co-chairman, Alton Clark, is retreating from action in Belgium. Mr. Edwards, a medical advisor and member of the Army, is in Pinehurst, and will speak on Feb. 21.

TO SPEAK

The Rev. J. B. Edwards, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Lakeview, will speak at the Memorial Church following the church service at Gammon on Feb. 21.

Felix Addor, 85, Dies in Fire That Burns His Home

Was Head of Early French Colony That Settled at Addor

Felix Addor, head of a French colony that settled at Addor many years ago, lost his life early Sunday morning when his home was destroyed by fire. Mr. Addor, who was around 85 years of age, was alone at the time, the colored man who stayed with him being away for the weekend, according to the report.

Acting coroner Hugh P. Kelly empaneled a jury D. E. Troutman, A. F. Troutman, John McLean, Dan Mangum, N. L. Van Boskerck and D. B. Fletcher to investigate the tragedy, and they found that Mr. Addor came to his death by being burned up in the house, with no evidence of foul play.

In bygone years Mr. Addor operated a dance hall and cabins, the group of buildings having the appearance of a little village. With the destruction of his home by fire all that remains of the former set-up is a number of chimneys.

Mr. Addor had many friends throughout the Sandhills who were shocked and grieved to hear of his tragic passing. A son, Henry Addor, survives.

Sandpipers Plan Big Barn Dance for February 22

Woody Hayes' Orchestra to Play; Prizes For Best Costumes

The Sandpipers, men's golfing organization of the Southern Pines Country Club, will sponsor a barn dance on Thursday evening, February 22, at the Southern Pines Country Club. Music will be furnished by Woody Hayes and his orchestra and dancing will be from 9:00 to 1:00.

Prizes will be awarded for the most original costumes. However, those attending the dance are not obligated to wear special costumes.

The Entertainment Committee invites all to attend and make this a gala affair. The dance is a forerunner of a series of special entertainments to be sponsored by the members of this organization for the pleasure of local people and visitors.

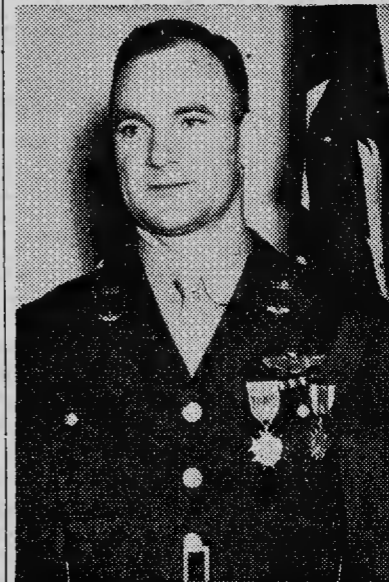
MISSING IN ACTION



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DECORATED



—Official Photo USAAF
COL WILLIAM P. FISHER

For exceptionally meritorious conduct and extraordinary achievement in the performance of outstanding duties during service in China, Colonel William P. Fisher of Southern Pines, N. C. has been awarded the Legion of Merit, and Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished Service Cross, and the Air Medal. The presentation was made by Brigadier General Lauris Norstad, Chief of Staff of the 20th Air Force.

Colonel Fisher's father, Rev. Park W. Fisher, makes his home in Sanford. His wife and children are now with him in Washington, D. C., and his mother, Mrs. Elinor Fisher, is in Southern Pines. Excerpts from the citations read as follows:

"Award of Legion of Merit: For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service as commanding officer of a bombardment group 2 November 1943 to 19 October 1944. Under his dynamic and brilliant leadership this group was an extremely potent weapon against the Japanese."

"Award of the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished Flying Cross: For extraordinary achievement in aerial flight. Between 3 November 1943 and 24 August 1944 he flew 207 combat hours from bases in China and India. In these flights made through adverse weather and over rugged poorly mapped terrain, he has exhibited outstanding aggressiveness and leadership in a constant determined effort to inflict the maximum destruction and damage upon enemy installations, supplies, fuel dumps and river and ocean-going vessels."

"Award of the Air Medal: For meritorious achievement in flying more than 100 combat hours as pilot of heavy bombardment aircraft in China, Burma and Indo-China from 3 November 1943 to 25 February 1944. On 11 January 1944 he led the first heavy bombardment raid made against an especially vital Japanese base. Despite bad weather and to and from the target and heavy ground fire over the target area, he led the formation on a successful low-level bombing run. Heavy damage resulted to enemy installations and none of our planes were lost. Colonel Fisher's achievements have been in accordance with the fine traditions of the American military service."

GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. L. L. Carpenter, editor of the Biblical Recorder, State Baptist publication will speak from the pulpit of the First Baptist Church here Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock. Dr. Carpenter was formerly at Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

RETURNS TO OFFICE

J. B. Edwards, ticket agent in the board office here resumed his duties this week after having been out on account of illness the week before Christmas.

One Thousand Spectators Surround Horse Show Ring at Southern Pines Country Club for Sunday's Gymkhana

Col. Dickinson Judges and Miss Stearns Presents the Ribbons

BY HOWARD F. BURNS

One thousand spectators surrounded the horseshow ring and hunter course Sunday afternoon to see Renown, a five year old chestnut gelding, owned by Mrs. Dwight W. Winkelmann of Syracuse, New York, brilliantly ridden by W. O. Moss, M. F. H. of the Moore County Hounds, capture the blue ribbon in the feature class for middle and heavy weight hunters run over a picturesque one-half mile hunting course of panel fences. Stalstown, a seasoned hunter, entered by Stonybrook Stables of Southern Pines, with the veteran trainer, Mickey Walsh, up, won second place in the field of seven hunters. Prince, a dark bay gelding owned by the Mile Away Stables of Southern Pines, with Mrs. Ace Parker up, was third.

The thrill on the amateur card was in the class for amateur riders, which was marked by a number of spills in which Father Tait of Southern Pines and several soldiers from Camp Mackall put on a show of their own. Black Giant, a bay mare, owned by Mickey Walsh and ridden by Miss Bobby Frye of Washington, student at Notre Dame Academy, led a string of thirteen entries to win the blue ribbon in this class. Blackstone, an aged gelding owned by Louis Scheipers of Lawrence, Mass., with Sgt. Michael Garone up, was second. Mountain Echo, an entry from Mile Away Stables, with Corporal Andy Hammond in the saddle, was judged third.

Mrs. W. O. Moss riding Golden Wood, a trim chestnut gelding, was awarded first place in the class for light weight hunters run over the outside course. Sail On, owned by Ann Cannon Reynolds of Palm Beach, Fla., with Petty Officer Junebug Tate up, ran at close second in the field of eight hunters. Dunkirk, a four year old, entered by the Mile Away Stables, and ridden by Mrs. Moss, was third.

Gold Star, owned by Mickey Walsh and ridden by his young daughter, Miss Joan Walsh, cleared the bars at five feet to break a tie in a jump off for first place. Prince, owned and ridden by Mrs. Moss, took second place out of twelve entries. Sail On, with Petty Officer Junebug Tate up, was third.

Miss Ann Pearson, young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Pearson of Southern Pines, was awarded the blue ribbon out of thirteen entries in the class for children's horsemanship. Elaine Johnson of Southern Pines was second. Miss Edith Caddell, also of Southern Pines, was third.

In the potato race, a novelty event, a team captained by Petty Officer Junebug Tate won by a score of 12-2 over the army team captained by Corporal Andy Hammond of Camp Mackall.

Col. O. A. Dickinson, a retired army officer, judged. Miss Allene Stearns of New York presented the ribbons. Invocation was made by the Rev. Tucker G. Humphries, pastor of the Congregational Church.

PUZZLED

Miss Leila McBride, secretary to Judge J. Vance Rowe, is puzzled as to what to do with a souvenir which a friend, Pvt. M. M. Saunders, member of a tank destroyer outfit, sent her from overseas. She doesn't feel that she can display it publicly for her friends to admire; fact is, they might not admire it if she did. The souvenir is a German banner some six by twelve feet in size, made of red cloth, with a large white circle in the center upon which is a black swastika.