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TEN CENTS

## Drive For Funds to Combat Cancer Is Now Under Way

**David Ginsburg Is County Chairman; Johnson Local Head**

April has been designated "Cancer Control Month" by an Act of Congress and throughout the nation State and local branches of the American Cancer Society are conducting their first major fund raising campaign.

Unless the present cancer rate is checked, 17,000,000 Americans now living are going to die of cancer. Last year cancer killed 165,000 Americans—60 percent more people than died of all contagious and infectious diseases combined, including infantile paralysis, tuberculosis, typhoid fever, malaria, scarlet fever, and others.

Heretofore women of the country have been working through the Women's Field Army for the control of cancer, but this year the men are joining the forces in a concentrated effort against this common foe.

David Ginsburg of Carthage is Moore County chairman, and a number of local chairmen have been named and quotas assigned, but the organization is not complete.

Chairmen and quotas, as reported to this paper, are: Robbins, W. P. Saunders, \$125; Carthage, David Ginsburg, \$125; Pinehurst, Mrs. I. T. Wyche, \$125; Southern Pines, Morris Johnson, \$200; Aberdeen, H. Clifton Blue, \$150; West End, J. F. Sinclair, \$75; Cameron, Mrs. J. M. Guthrie, \$50; Vass, C. P. McMillan, \$50; Pinebluff, Glendon, Eagle Springs and Jackson Springs, \$25, each.

## Mrs. Simpson Dies Wednesday Night

**Funeral Will Be at Brownson Memorial Church Friday P. M.**

Mrs. Lillian Haver Simpson, 63, widow of Dr. Maxwell G. Simpson who died last December 30, passed away Wednesday night in Miss Chase's Convalescent Home, where she had been since her husband's death.

Funeral services will be held in Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church at 3:00 p. m. Friday, and the body will be sent to the Moravian Cemetery at Staten Island, N. Y.

Mrs. Simpson had been a winter resident of Southern Pines for a number of years and through her participation in the life of the community had won many friends. She was the first teacher of the Beginners' Class of Brownson Memorial Church and was interested in every phase of church work.

## Jernigan, Wiggs Open New Office

C. W. Picquet has leased the office formerly occupied by A. S. Newcomb in the Theatre Building to Paul Jernigan and William L. Wiggs who will occupy it jointly as insurance agents. Mr. Jernigan represents the Occidental Life Insurance Company of Raleigh, N. C., and The Hospital Care Association of Durham, and Mr. Wiggs is and has long been local agent of the Durham Life Insurance Company of Raleigh, N. C.

These gentlemen are both well and favorably known in local insurance circles and their new office will be of great convenience to both them and their clients.

## WHITTINGTONS BUY HOME

The Stevens Agency announces the sale by John Ormsby of the old Hamlin house, corner of Maine Avenue and Bennett Street, to Mr. and Mrs. James B. Whittington of Southern Pines, who plan to improve the property before occupying it. Several other sales are pending.

## NOT RUNNING

Mayor W. Duncan Matthews informed THE PILOT Thursday morning that he is not a candidate for reelection to this office, which he has held for the past four years.

## Nation's New President



HARRY S. TRUMAN

Having earlier expressed his intention of carrying on the foreign and domestic policies of the late Franklin Delano Roosevelt, President Harry S. Truman, in an address to the armed forces of the United States, quoted the immortal words of Lincoln to indicate his sentiments and to describe his hope for the future: "With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphans—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves, and with all nations."

## Chaplain Watts of State Prison Is Rotary Speaker

A very fine address by the Rev. L. A. Watts, chaplain of the North Carolina State Prison in Raleigh, featured Friday's meeting of the Southern Pines Rotary Club, which was held at the Country Club with President Tucker G. Humphries presiding. The Rev. Mr. Watts who formerly held a pastorate in Carthage, spoke on "Juvenile Delinquency."

Alton Blue, Jr., was Junior Rotarian for the week. Philip Weaver and Louis Scheipers of Southern Pines were guests of Mr. Humphries. Visiting Rotarians present were Homer Robinson and Harold Small, of Augusta, Me.; W. S. Stinchfield of Skowhegan, Me., and Harold Calloway of Mt. Pocono, Pa.

## GRADUATES



**2ND. LT. JOSEPH W. HARRISS**  
Joseph W. Harriss was graduated from Advanced Bombardier School, Big Spring Army Air Field, Big Spring, Texas, on Thursday, April 5, with the rank of second lieutenant in the Army Air Forces. Lt. Harriss, brother of Barrett Harriss of Southern Pines, is a graduate of the local high school.

## CHRISTIAN JEW SPEAKS

Dr. E. S. Davidson, a Christian Jew who spoke in the Baptist Church here last Sunday night on the subject, "The Jewish Problem and Its Only Solution," was heard with interest by a large congregation. Dr. Davidson dealt with his subject in an illuminating way and his hearers left with a clearer understanding of the Jewish attitude. A generous offering for Jewish missions was given.

## RABIES

A. J. Bobbitt who resides on Route 1, Aberdeen, had a cat which was thought to be affected with rabies a few weeks ago. Its head was sent to Raleigh and a positive report was received. About four weeks later a calf on his farm became ill and after growing worse for several days died last Saturday. Doctors who studied its symptoms feel that undoubtedly death resulted from rabies.

## HOME FROM WAR



**PFC. RALPH GACOMA**  
Pfc. Ralph Gacoma arrived in Southern Pines Saturday to spend a 45-day furlough at home after serving overseas since 1942. He was wounded last October and was awarded the Purple Heart, but he is now feeling fine, and is happy to be back in Southern Pines.

Pfc. Gacoma has seen action in Africa, Sicily, France, and Belgium, where he was surrounded by Germans for ten days at Christmas time. He took part in the D-Day invasion of Normandy. He brought back with him a German flag which he captured.

Pfc. Gacoma, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Notargiacomo, left his native Italy at the age of ten years and with his parents came to Southern Pines a number of years ago. In 1941 he received his citizenship papers at Greensboro and obtained permission to shorten his name.

## ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Davis and Miss Ethel Davis, of Carthage Route 3, attended the funeral of their uncle, John W. Kiker, near Wadesboro Saturday.

## Currie Discusses Legislative Acts At Kiwanis Club

**Tribute Is Paid to President Roosevelt By W. D. Sabiston**

**BY HOWARD F. BURNS**  
Wilbur H. Currie, member of the House of Representatives from Moore County, in an address to the Sandhills Kiwanis Club Wednesday at the Southern Pines Country Club, gave a brief resume of some of the more important bills which came before the recently adjourned General Assembly.

He pointed out that one of the most important problems the General Assembly had to face was what to do with the State surplus, and to provide appropriations for increased State expenses.

He declared the first step taken was the authorization of payment of the General Fund debt in the amount of \$51,000,000, and the setting up of a post war fund in the amount of \$20,000,000, of which \$5,000,000 was earmarked to be used for the young men and women returning from the armed services. The Medical Care Bill he termed as very important, declaring there is a big need of doctors and hospitals in this State. Although the appropriation is small, it will mean more hospitals.

The State appropriation for the next biennium is the largest in its history, with an appropriation of \$131,000,000 plus \$80,000,000 for highways, he said, an increase of twenty and one-half millions over that of the preceding biennium. The increase will go largely to charitable and correctional institutions, including such important work as repairs to hospitals. The school appropriation of \$89,000,000 is an increase of \$10,000,000 over that of the past biennium, and \$35,000,000 more than that of 1939-41. Higher salaries of teachers and higher education account for a large part of this increase. Mr. Currie thinks these appropriations must be curtailed when normal times return.

He declared we have a definite responsibility in helping to fit our young men and women into the economic life in the State upon their return from the fighting fronts, and that the Legislature (Continued on Page 8)

## Legion Auxiliary Expects Large Sale

Poppies will be worn in Southern Pines Saturday, April 21st, to honor America's soldiers killed in action in two World Wars. The little red flowers will pay tribute to those men who have died for their country in the present war and to those who fell 27 years ago in France and Belgium among the swaying poppies. The money that is received for the flowers will be used to aid the afflicted veterans of both wars and their families.

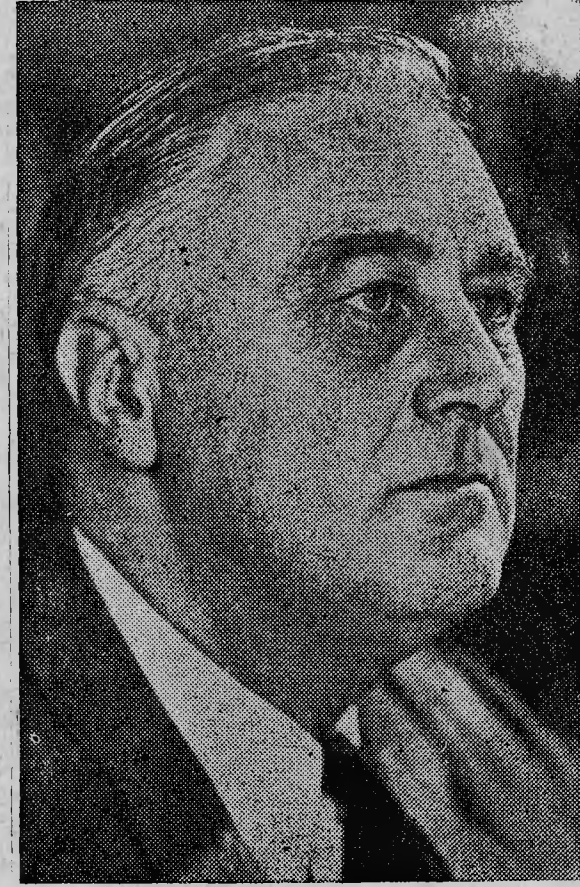
Preparations for the observance of Poppy Day have been made by the Sandhills Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary here under the leadership of Mrs. Dan McNeill, unit president, and Mrs. Hassell, unit poppy chairman. Volunteer workers from the Auxiliary will be on the streets of Southern Pines all through the day offering the veteran made poppies for sale.

This year it is expected that more Americans than ever before will wish to wear the poppies as a salute to the dead soldiers and their bereaved families, and as a financial aid to the living but disabled soldiers and their needy families.

## POPPY DAY APR. 21



## Great World Leader



FRANKLIN DELANO ROOSEVELT

Shocked and saddened at the death of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt on April 12, Sandhills residents joined sorrowing fellow citizens throughout the nation in doing tribute to their great leader. Flags were lowered to half staff. Business houses were closed during the funeral hour Saturday. Solemn-faced groups sat quietly around radios to listen to memorial broadcasts, while others made their way to churches for meditation and prayer. Saturday afternoon a service was held at the Church of Wide Fellowship here. In Carthage a union service was conducted at the Baptist Church during the funeral hour. At Emmanuel Church Sunday a memorial message was spoken by the pastor, and in other churches special prayers were offered.

## ERNIE PYLE KILLED

News of the death of War Correspondent Ernie Pyle, who was killed in battle at 9:15 p. m. Tuesday Eastern War Time, was heard here with deep regret Wednesday. Pyle several times narrowly escaped death while reporting the European war, but was instantly killed by an ambushed Japanese machine-gunner on Ie Jima, a 10-mile square island west of Okinawa.

## ACCEPTS CALL



REV. SAMUEL J. ERWIN

The congregation of the First Baptist Church of Southern Pines last Thursday night extended a call to the Rev. Samuel J. Erwin for the coming year, which he accepted.

The Rev. Mr. Erwin has served this church for the past six months, and during that time much progress has been made. Twenty-eight members have been added to the church roll, a men's class has been organized and is doing splendid work, the Woman's Missionary Society has been created and now has two circles. Additional baptismal equipment including an electric heater has been installed at a cost of \$200, and a nursery for the care of small children of mothers desiring to attend services has been added.

## 9TH AND 4TH WIN

For their outstanding work in the United National Clothing Collection, the ninth and fourth grades of the Southern Pines Schools will be guests of the local Rotary Club at a movie party this evening (Friday). The ninth grade averaged 20.3 pounds of clothing per pupil and the fourth, 14.4.

## F. Shelby Cullom Joins Staff of Fayetteville Bank

F. Shelby Cullom, vice president and cashier of the Bank of Pinehurst, has accepted a position with the Branch Banking and Trust Company in Fayetteville, directors of the Pinehurst bank have announced. For the present Mr. Cullom will continue in his Pinehurst position, spending two days a week there, and there will be no change in the personnel or organization of the bank. Under Mr. Cullom's direction the bank has grown from an institution with \$1,250,000.00 in resources to one with \$4,500,000.00. Mr. Cullom, his wife and son will continue to make their home in Pinehurst.

## ON SUBMARINE



CEPHAS T. PATCH, TM 3/C

Cephas T. Patch, 2nd, TM 3/C, the only native Southern Pines boy in submarine service, arrived Saturday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Patch, and his grandfather, C. T. Patch. He will be here until May 21.

Volunteering for submarine service in August 1943, Cephas left at once to begin his training. He is now attached to the USS Sinback and in his months of duty has been all over the Pacific.

## PURCHASE HOME

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith have recently purchased from Mrs. Gladys V. Millen "Green Gate" cottage on Illinois Avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter F. Harper have bought "Norbury Cottage" on Kensington Road, formerly owned by Mrs. Millen. The new owners have already taken possession.

## 30 White Men of County Called for Induction April 27

**Sixteen Negroes to Go to Ft. Bragg for Examination Today**

Thirty white men from Moore County have received their call to report at Fort Bragg next Friday, April 27, for induction, one of whom, Samuel Frank Maples, is from Southern Pines. Sixteen colored men will go to Fort Bragg today, Friday, for preinduction examinations. The complete lists follow:

- April 27, White—  
Aberdeen—Archie Ray McDonald.  
Cameron — Jesse Raymond Wood.  
Carthage and routes—Claude Albert Campbell, Posey Eugene Wall, Joseph Mark Bibey Albert Eugene Seawell, Charles Willis Mashburn, Richard Martin Bauhn.  
Eagle Springs Route 1—James Marvin Jackson, Ralph Onzy Sanders.  
Gastonia — Robert Hansen Beck.  
Highfalls—Odis Efling Hussey, Joseph Edison Kennedy.  
Jackson Springs Route 1—Howard Bert Clayton, Everette Earl Moore, Jr.  
Pinebluff — Eutice Haywood Mills, Walter Beketee Salmon.  
Pinehurst — Franklin Doris Frye.  
Robbins and Routes—Clarence Roland Moore, Fred Norman Garner, Carson Lennie Maness, Curtis Welch, Raymond Norman Webb, Charlie Penn Phillips, Robert Edgar Cockman, Dempsey Russell Hussey.

Southern Pines—Samuel Frank (Continued on Page 8)

## Boston Physician Addresses County Medical Society

**Dr. Lahey, Adviser to Navy, Tells of Medical Advances**

Dr. Frank H. Lahey, former president of the American Medical Association and head of the Lahey Clinic in Boston, addressed the members of the Moore County Medical Society and their guests at a meeting held on Monday evening in the Nurses' Home of the Moore County Hospital.

Dr. Lahey spoke on new aspects of medicine and surgery which are being developed in the care of our armed forces overseas. As advisor to the Navy in the planning and installation of hospitals preliminary to offensive operations such as Iwo Jima and Okinawa, Dr. Lahey has recently con- (Continued on Page 8)

## Captain Gorham Wins Decoration

Captain Fordyce Gorham has recently been awarded the Bronze Medal, his wife, the former Priscilla Coleman has been informed.

Capt. Gorham received the following citation:

"For heroic conduct in action on 17 September 1944, one-half mile northwest of Grave, Holland, Captain Gorham S-2, 504 Parachute Infantry, dropped by parachute in the vicinity of OVER-ASSETT. He proceeded immediately toward the regimental objective at Grave bridge to effect an early reconnaissance of this key crossing. He passed through isolated enemy groups, and came under intense small arms and 20mm fire as he approached the bridge and entered upon it. When he had completed reconnaissance of the bridge itself and the location of nearby gun positions, he withdrew to pass on the information to the main body of troops. This prompt and courageous action by Captain Gorham was instrumental in effecting immediate seizure of a most important objective before the enemy could destroy it. Its possession permitted British armor to cross the Maas River without delay."

Mrs. Gorham returned to her home in New York last week after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arch Coleman, at Skyline, Southern Pines.