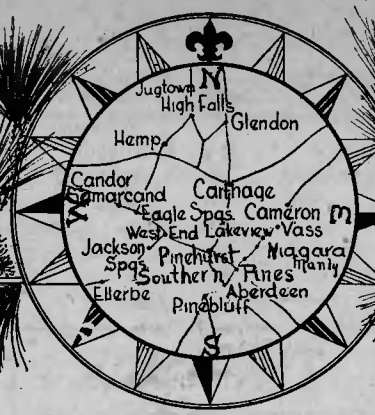




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Aberdeen Citizens Discuss Formation Of Another Bank

Circulating Petition Asking Withdrawal Of Pinehurst Branch

From Aberdeen come reports as to the outcome of the banking difficulties. It appears that for some time many of the citizens have felt that the present situation was unsatisfactory. While the officials in the local branch of the Bank of Pinehurst have been in every way cooperative, they have no control in matters of policy, which originates with the main office.

Recent developments have caused the feeling about the bank to come to a head and leading citizens have been meeting to discuss remedial action, and to sound public opinion and formulate plans. It is felt that Aberdeen would be better served by a national bank than by a small local institution and with this in mind the State banking authorities have been consulted.

A petition requesting the Bank of Pinehurst to withdraw its branch in order that the citizens of Aberdeen may make plans to get another bank established is being circulated among the business men of the town. Decision on the next step must await further information.

New Sales Bring Welcome Residents

Of interest to those considering the post-war future of Southern Pines are four real estate transfers recently reported by the Barnum Realty Company. Each signifies an interest in the business and cultural aspect of the community which augurs well for future development.

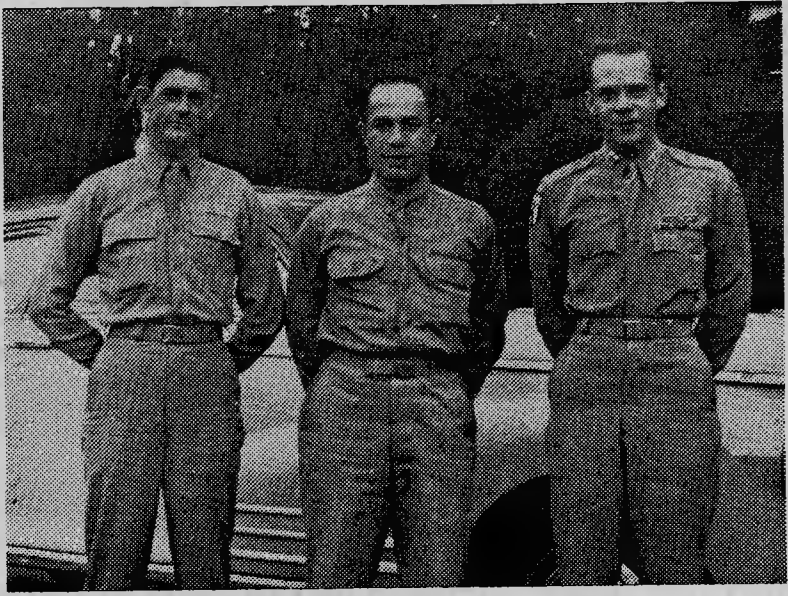
The first sale is that of the property known as Skyline Cottage and the eighteen acres adjoining, located on Highway No. 1 north of Manly. This property, which was originally developed by James B. Swett, has been for the past years owned and operated as a tourist home by Mr. and Mrs. Arch Coleman who have now sold it to Paul R. Staples of Charleston. Mr. Staples, who has acted as estate manager of plantations in and around Charleston, plans to start a similar project here, using the extensive property for his nurseries.

Two residences to change hands are the Milton Engstrom house on Ridge Street, sold to Emerson Humphrey, and the Margaret Gage house at the corner of Indiana Avenue and Weymouth Road which has become the property of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Maynard of Charlotte. Both of these sales bring to the community people of substance and standing who should contribute much to the cultural life of the town. Mr. (Continued on Page 5)

POLIO CASE

Donnell Garrison, the four-year-old daughter of Mrs. Thelma Garrison, West End R. F. D., was taken to the Moore County Hospital on June 5. Diagnosed as polio, the case was transferred the next day under the direction of the physician, Dr. Francis L. Owens, to the Polio Clinic at the Charlotte Memorial Hospital. While there is little doubt as to the diagnosis, the Charlotte Clinic has not yet sent an affirmative statement.

THREE MUSKETEERS



The three soldiers pictured above figured prominently in a recent Pilot article as dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Buchan. They are Alec Cameron, Ralph Gacomo and Jim Swett of Southern Pines.

Baseball Team of Southern Pines Has Good Season

High School Wins Seven Games Out of Eight In County Ball

(Contributed)

The local, High School baseball team concluded its season play Friday, losing to Rockingham at Rockingham. In the won and lost column, the season must be considered as a successful one for Southern Pines racked up 9 wins against 5 losses. The way newcomers developed and creditable filled vacancies was one of the season's bright spots.

With only six letter men on hand; Worsham, Page, Neal, Mann, Hall, and Gray, Coach Dawson had to start experimenting with untried material to field a team for the opener against Vass. Page was the only pitcher among the letter men. To strengthen the mound, Hall, a better than average catcher, was taken from behind the plate and Neal brought in from the outfield to take over the catching duties. With plenty of poise but lacking in experience, Hall, relying on a fast ball, soon proved the wisdom of this initial move. But to bolster strength at the plate, Pitchers Hall and Page took over at other posts when not on the mound.

Opening the season against Vass the team had Mann the "old reliable" at third, Worsham and Gray the keystone combination, and Alton Blue, a newcomer, at first, Harrington, a new-arrive, Page and Maples, another new man, in the outfield, with Hall on the mound. Hall showed (Continued on Page 10)

Aides Win Thanks Of Hospital Board

The following letter was received on Tuesday by Miss Birdilia Bair, chairman of Volunteer Nurse's Aides of the Moore County Red Cross Chapter of Moore County.

Dear Miss Bair:

I take pleasure in advising you of action taken by the Directors of the Moore County Hospital at a recent meeting, and citing below the Resolution as unanimously adopted:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

RESOLVED:

That the President and Board of Directors of the Moore County Hospital wish to express their profound gratitude to the members of the Nurse's Aide Corps of the Moore County Chapter of the American Red Cross, who have rendered such invaluable, unselfish and devoted services to the Moore County Hospital for more than three years since the first class was graduated on April 3, 1942; and desire to convey through Miss Birdilia Bair, Chairman of the Nurse's Aide Corps their deep appreciation for the faithful and efficient work performed by these Nurse's Aides; and have authorized the recording of this Resolution on the Minutes of the Moore County Hospital, Inc.

Sincerely yours,
Paul Dana, Secretary,
Moore County Hospital, Inc.,
Board of Directors.

Mrs. J. R. Page of Aberdeen Dies At Moore Co. Hospital

Was Leader in Civic Affairs of State and County

Mrs. J. R. Page died in the Moore County Hospital Sunday night, following an illness of several months.

Myrtle McAulay Page, the daughter of the late Angus and Augusta McAulay, was born in Thomasville on October 21st, 1869. She was married to J. R. Page of Aberdeen in Rockingham in 1890 and came to the Sandhills to live at that time. She immediately became interested in the public welfare causes which, during her entire life, she supported with the vigor and enthusiasm of her active and generous nature.

Since 1916 she served as chairman of the Moore County Public Welfare Board until a few months ago when she resigned due to ill health. She has served on the board of directors of Samarcond Manor since its founding in 1917.

Throughout the years she has been a loyal and staunch supporter of the school. She had helped to establish policies and principles at the school and had given unstintingly of her time and energies for this cause. She will be remembered as the "mother" of Samarcond Manor. In 1943 Mrs. Page was appointed to the unified board of control for the five correctional institutions in the State to serve on the executive committee for Samarcond Manor.

Mrs. Page was active in the women's work in the Presbyterian Church of her Presbytery and Synod. From 1923 to 1927 she was president of Fayetteville Presbytery in 1928 was vice president of North Carolina Synodical, in 1930 was elected secretary of Christian social service in the Synodical of North Carolina, in 1936 was given a life membership of Fayetteville Presbytery. She served in many offices in the Bethesda Auxiliary. She was on the board of regents for Barium Springs Orphanage.

For many years in Aberdeen Mrs. Page operated "The Old Spinning Wheel" a woman's exchange which came to be a show-place in the Sandhills for tourists as well as the natives.

Mrs. Page is survived by one daughter, with whom she lived, Mrs. Frank D. Shamburger of Aberdeen; two sons, Lt. Comdr. J. R. Page, Jr., of Charleston, S. C., and Reid A. Page of Aberdeen, and one sister, Mrs. J. K. Wood of Asheboro.

Funeral services were conducted at the home in Aberdeen Tuesday at 4 p. m. by her pastor, Dr. C. H. Storey of the Bethesda Presbyterian Church. Interment was in historic old Bethesda Cemetery one mile from Aberdeen.

BOND SALES

Cold weather pinched the pockets of Moore Co. patriots this past week and bond sales were the least of any so far.

The County report shows about 44 percent of the overall quota bought, amounting to \$269,218.15, and only thirty-five percent of the E-bond quota passed, or \$137,490 worth of E bonds sold.

Individual towns' figures are not yet in, but Southern Pines has passed its overall quota with \$211,128.75. The E bond quota is still about \$30,000 short with \$77,406.25 E-bonds sold.

Aberdeen reports on the bonds sold for the month of May: E-bonds \$12,000 and total sales \$18,000.

Mrs. Hafer's Pupils To Give Recital This Week

On Wednesday afternoon, June 13th, at four o'clock the pupils of Mrs. Claude Hafer will give a piano recital at the Jefferson Inn.

Mrs. Hafer, who has always been interested in the cause of music in the Sandhills, has done much through her classes to educate the children of this section in the great masterpieces of music. Her pupils are thoroughly grounded in the fundamentals and show, as well, a keen appreciation and understanding of their chosen field. Among them are the children of many residents of Southern Pines and the neighboring countryside.

Class of 29 Marks 21st Graduation At Pinehurst High

Scholarships Given To Leaders In The Graduating Class

The graduation exercises of the Pinehurst High School took place in the school auditorium on Friday evening, June 1st, in a dignified ceremony in which the twenty-nine members of the senior class were given their diplomas by John F. Taylor, chairman of the School Board. Five of the graduates were five year students.

The principal speaker, The Reverend W. A. Pate of Jonesboro, was introduced by the Reverend R. L. Prince. Mr. Jones' address centered about the thought: "more than conquerors."

Scholarships were awarded to the following: Gladys Garrison, valedictorian; Frances Campbell, Home Economics; Dorothy Cheney, Science; Flora Ellen Cameron, French. The Tufts Loyalty Medal went to Nancy Campbell, and the American Legion Award to Dorothy Westcott. Mrs. A. J. Clow presented prizes for the highest average: first, to Gladys Garrison and second, to Dorothy Westcott.

Richard Smith, acting president in the place of Bill McCaskill now serving with the navy in the Pacific, presented gifts from the seniors to Mr. Harbison and Miss Ida M. George and Miss Margaret Fischel, home room teachers, and to the mascots. The Seniors also donated \$85.00 to the school toward the purchase of a movie projector.

The program continued with music from the glee clubs under the leadership of Mrs. Dobbs. The boys sang "On Great Lone Hills" from "Finlandia" and the girls, "Land of Hope and Glory" by Elgar. Miss Eloise Wicker was the accompanist.

The following received diplomas: Winifred Black, W. M. Christie, Jr., Edith Cole, Jr., Katie Dobs, Katie Frye, Edward Garner, Virginia Garner, Gladys Garrison, Ruth Gilliland, Dorothy Graham, Helen Hartsell, Arlene Kennedy, Frances Livengood, Bill McCaskill, Elsie Ann McKenzie, Louise Morrison, Frances Shaw, Dorothy Cheney, Dorothy Westcott, Nancy Campbell, Richard Smith, S. R. Ransell, Jr., Mable Ritter, Helen Sheffield, Mary Frances Smith, Roy Smith, Dorothy Sullivan, James Welch, Edna Yorborough.

Mrs. Leary Buys Land In Knollwood

A real estate transaction of considerable importance was closed last week when Mrs. Ruth A. Leary became the owner of the dwelling on Fairway Drive at Knollwood, formerly owned by F. H. Robinson of Southern Pines.

This property comprises a large lot bordering on the Pine Needles golf course on which are a dwelling, garage and servants' house, originally built by C. L. Austin for the firm of Olmstead and Austin, and sold by them to Mrs. Janet Beiscoe Fuller who lived there with her family several years until she moved to Florida.

The new owner a former resident of Carlisle Gardens, Lockport, New York, has already taken up her residence there with her family after having had the buildings thoroughly renovated, and the dwelling redecorated and newly furnished. They have for some time occupied the Stewart place off Midland Road near Pinehurst.

The sale was made by A. S. Newcomb of the Stevens Real Estate and Insurance Agency.

INJURED IN RUNAWAY

W. J. Allen, aged resident of Vass, was badly cut Monday when his mule, hitched to a hay rake, ran away with him. Full details of the accident are not available as Mr. Allen was alone when it occurred. He is receiving hospital treatment.

SALE CONFIRMED

Sale of the Moore Central Railroad to Van B. Sharpe was confirmed by the Moore County Superior Court last week.

PRINCIPAL SPEAKER



H. E. STACY

The principal speaker at the Commencement Exercises of the Southern Pines High School, on June 12, will be H. E. Stacy of Lumberton, N. C. One of the leading attorneys of the state, Mr. Stacy has served on the Governor's Commission on Education, and is now a member of the State Board of Education.

Air Raid Alarm Goes On Rampage

Bushy Braves Banshee To Silence Siren In Southern Pines

Saturday night and Southern Pines had settled down. The gusty wind had died away, the rolling thunder, the lightning, and the pelting rain had ceased, even the racket of the seaboard was missing when the eerie wail of a siren and then another cleft the welkin. Rising, falling, dying out only to begin again, the sirens wailed on and on, while babies cried, women shivered and strong men queried "Fire?" "Train wreck?" "Escaping prisoners?" The answer to these and other questions, is, that once again crossed wires set in operation the air raid alarms located on the hill and in West Southern Pines.

Up on Massachusetts Avenue, the crowd gathered. Gas rationing wasn't going to stop any enterprising soul from being in on the excitement. Answering the siren's scream, roar for roar, the fire truck, with the Mayor in charge, wove up the street between the parked cars and came to a stop beside the telegraph pole. Searchlights were turned up to the white box atop it, whence came the unearthly wails. "Now," thought the crowd, "something is going to happen." There was a general stir and everyone stood back.

But nothing did happen. It appeared that the Siren had the Fire Department baffled just as much as everyone else. On and on it wailed and shuddered through the air. People stood with their fingers in their ears, but nobody went away. Not until that banshee was finally silenced would the crowd go home.

The silencer finally appeared in the shape of tall efficient W. S. Bushy. Borrowing a ladder from the fire truck he approached the pole. The Spirit had (Continued on Page 5)

WIND AND HAIL DO DAMAGE IN VASS

Vass was struck by a heavy windstorm between seven and eight o'clock Saturday evening, and considerable damage resulted. Approximately half of the roof of the residence of J. B. Norton was folded across the other half, making it necessary for the family to leave home. Shingles were blown from a number of houses, and several small sheds were turned over.

George Blue's brick building next to the hotel, the original home of THE PILOT which is now W. E. Gladstone's agriculture workshop, had the windows of one side and one section of the glass front blown out. The hon- or roll of service men, erected by the Vass Woman's Club, snapped off at the ground.

A number of trees were badly damaged. An ancient oak in the front yard of the A. Cameron home now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Tyson was broken off a few feet above the ground and narrowly missed falling on the house.

Much crop damage from hail is reported from nearby farms.

Ten Nurse's Aides Graduate and Win Caps At Moore Co.

Third Class Since Jan. To Complete Red Cross Course

Since the first of the year twenty-one nurse's aides have taken the Red Cross training course and received their caps. This marks the greatest number trained consecutively since this service of the Red Cross was started in Moore County.

The first class to graduate was composed entirely of young women from Southern Pines, many of them army wives. Flossie Blake, Adelaide Gaffney, Selma A. Greenbaum, Laurine R. Henderson, Mary H. Johnson, Barbara McLaren, Barbara Riley, Jessica Stevens, Marjorie Young, and Barbara Young made up the class which completed training on February 27th. Of this class only one aide is working. This is Mary H. Johnson; and of Miss Johnson, Miss Cook, the head nurse, says: "She is one of the best and most faithful aides we have."

On February 26 another class started, composed of Betsy Allport and Martha Blackmore of Aberdeen, Joanna Barrett, Mary C. Barney, Helen H. Johnson, Emily J. Quinto, and Elizabeth Smith of Southern Pines, and Helen Cole, Catherine C. Hennessee, Pauline Lewis, and Edith Peternick of Pinehurst. This class graduated on April 3. Mary Barney and Martha Blackmore are listed as regularly working on the wards since graduation.

On Saturday, June 2, the last class received their caps. Taught by Mrs. Mary Page Johnston of Aberdeen, this class came, except (Continued on Page 10)

Tucker Humphries Addresses Seniors in Carthage Finals

Jane Lewis Wins Valedictory Medal; Other Prizes Are Awarded

On Friday evening, June 1, the Rev. Tucker G. Humphries of Southern Pines delivered the address to the graduating class of Carthage High School in the high school auditorium.

Mrs. Herbert Seawell, Sr., presented the valedictory medal to Jane Lewis, the salutatory medal to Phyllis Inman, and the loyalty medal to George Wilcox, Jr. Mrs. George P. Thomas presented music medals to Catherine Currie, Hazel Ann Adams, Johnny Beasley, and Patricia Thomas. W. C. Poe, principal, awarded certificates to twenty-four pupils from the eighth grade.

County Superintendent H. Lee Thomas presented diplomas to the twenty-two high school graduates: T. M. Frye, senior class president; Margaret Barber, Katie Dowd, Virginia Dowd, Margaret Ann Felton, Dora Ann Fields, Mildred Garrett, Clarine Glisson, Phyllis Inman, Mary Katsos, Jane Lewis, Louise Muse, Wilma Jeanne Park, Marguerite Wallace, Mary Epps Wallace, Margaret Wicker, Bion Brewer, Jackson C. Key, Vernon Marsh, J. L. Riley, Jr., Charles Sullivan, Jr., and George Wilcox, Jr.

Kiwanians Hear Fine Address On Better Lighting

M. H. Hicks, commercial sales manager for the Carolina Power and Light Company, made a very interesting talk to the Sandhills Kiwanis Club at its weekly luncheon Wednesday at the Holly Inn, Pinehurst, on "The Science of Better Lighting."

The speaker presented charts showing the handicaps of children in the public schools and the number of failures due to poor lighting, in comparison with class rooms that are properly lighted.

Col. George P. Hawes of Pinehurst and M. C. McDonald of West End were inducted into membership of the club by J. Talbot Johnson.

Mr. Johnson spoke briefly on the very poor standing North Carolina made, and especially Moore County, in the physical condition of men examined by the Selective Service Board.