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## Churchill Too Reactionary for Post-War England, Fl. Lieut. Prizer Says

Four years ago Edward Prizer, then in his junior year at the University of North Carolina, left Chapel Hill to enlist in the RCAF. Today Flight Lieutenant Edward L. Prizer (which rank is comparable to captain in the American AAF), son of Mrs. E. Levis Prizer, is home on leave with a moustache, a pipe, and a polite way of refusing to discuss his aerial adventures with the fighting Canadians.

There are certain changes which are evident at once in the old-young aviator, changes you'd expect in a 19-year-old boy who's grown into a 23-year old man. Nor have things at home remained the same. His 'little' brother, John, has shot right up to 16 years and the vicinity of six feet. When Edward first got home and John met him at the door, it took him quite some time to believe that his kid brother was no longer a kid. And his sister is now Pvt. Catherine Prizer, Air WAC, stationed at Gowen Field, Idaho.

Having spent a good part of the past two years in England, Lieutenant Prizer has a deeper understanding of British news than most Americans. He said that Churchill's defeat was not as great a surprise to Englishmen as it was to Americans.

"Churchill was too much of a reactionary to remain at the head of the English government in its post-war planning. England needs a leader to work out planned economy for her, which is the only way the nation can survive," he added.

**Two Million Homes**  
He mentioned that two million homes were needed at once to replace the residences bombed by the Germans in the winter of 1940. "The way Churchill had things planned, only 200,000 could be built annually at which rate it would have taken the country 10 years to realize its pre-war housing standard."

Lieutenant Prizer emphasized that English industries were obsolete, "because investors place their money in foreign companies where they net huge profits while the machinery and mining methods in their local mines are as old as the Industrial Revolution."

He was stationed in Newfoundland and Cape Breton during the early years of the war. He was particularly impressed by the regressiveness of Newfoundland. "The population is made up almost entirely of illiterate fishermen, and even the capital, St. John, is backward. Of course, there are the few palatial mansions of the wealthy class. It's hard to conceive of a social stratification any more clearly defined than it is there."

After January, 1944, Edward was stationed in England, then France, Belgium, and Holland. For a year and seven months, except for occasional leaves in London and once in Paris, Lieutenant Prizer was part of the European War.

He ran sky interference for the American and British invasion forces on D-Day, June 7, 1944. He helped make the headlines in the daily papers that finally on VE-Day wrote finis to one phase of the world conflict.

**Likes Belgians**  
Of all the countries in which he was stationed, he considers Belgium the most pleasant. "The people are so eager to do something for you. I know of one family that had saved a bottle of cognac for a special occasion, but once when there was a group of soldiers in the house, they brought it out and shared it happily. And even if they have only a small amount of food, they clean out

### EVENTFUL TRIP

Pfc. Ray Hayes arrived in Southern Pines Saturday to spend a 30-day furlough with his mother, Mrs. Edna Hayes, after an eventful trip. In Sacramento, Calif., he went into the U. S. O. and was given a ticket, which he dropped in the specified box. Shortly thereafter it was announced that his ticket bore the lucky number, which meant a free telephone call to his mother. While waiting for a train in Chicago, he was interviewed by a staff photographer for one of the city dailies, who took his picture for the next day's paper.



FL. LT. EDWARD PRIZER

## Open House To Be Held Aug. 27 at Vass Teacherage

School Board Asks All Patrons of Vass-Lakeview School to Attend

The Vass-Lakeview School Board will hold open house at the teacherage from 8:00 to 10:30 Monday evening, August 27, in order to give all patrons of the Vass-Lakeview School and other interested people of the district an opportunity to inspect the teacherage and to meet their friends for a social hour and refreshments.

The building, which is located next to the Vass Methodist Church, was purchased last summer for use as a teacherage, but possession was not gained until shortly before school opened, leaving little time to make the needed improvements. This week the rooms are being painted and the Board hopes to have everything in good shape by the school opening on August 30.

The teacherage is the property of the school district, and it is hoped that a large number of patrons will take time off to inspect the attractive house which is to be the home of at least five of

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## Fraser Knight On Missing Sub

Lt. Cmdr. Fraser Sinclair Knight, husband of the former Eleanor Barron of Southern Pines, is missing in action at sea, the Navy Department has notified his wife here.

Commander Knight was an officer aboard the submarine USS Bonfish which the navy revealed Saturday "was overdue from patrol and presumed lost". There were 85 officers and men aboard.

The only son of Mrs. Knight of Salisbury and the late Floyd Livingston Knight of Jacksonville and Miami, Commander Knight was married December 29, 1942, to Miss Eleanor Barron, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Connor Barron of Southern Pines. Mrs. Barron is living with her family here.

### SAVE PAPER

"Save your waste paper" is the instruction from Paul Butler, chairman of the local Salvage committee.

"Whether it will be needed or not is uncertain at present," he added, "but we do know they want waste fats and no doubt all the paper you have too, so don't throw it away. Look in the Pilot next week for the announcement of collection-day and additional information."

The local Boy Scout troop is doing a fine job in making these paper collections, according to Mr. Butler. He didn't have exact figures on how many pounds the boys had collected, but they have received the Eisenhower medal which specifies that 1,000 pounds must be collected by every boy in the troop, which would make at least 20,000 pounds collected. "The Southern Pines troop was first in the county to receive this medal, and one of the first in the Boy Scout Council, which includes nine counties," he ended.

## \$10,000 Bequests Made to Hospital and Church Group

Benefactress Was Mrs. Bertha Hale, Pinehurst Resident

Bequests of ten thousand dollars each are made to the Moore County Hospital and to the Pinehurst Religious Association under the will of Mrs. Bertha F. Backus Hale, who died at her home in Vermont on July 5.

Mrs. Hale and her late husband, Edwin Worthington Hale, were winter residents of Pinehurst for many years, and had always been generous supporters of church and philanthropic activities.

Mrs. Hale's original home was in Cleveland, but she had recently divided her time between her Pinehurst cottage and her residence at Old Bennington, Vermont.

Paul Dana, Treasurer of the Moore County Hospital, in speaking of the gratification felt by the directors over the splendid bequest, emphasized that, aside from its practical helpfulness, it constitutes a valued expression of confidence and good will.

## Local Team Snows Visiting Golfers

The Southern Pines Country Club golf team was host to the team from Laurinburg on Wednesday, August 15.

The two teams had met the previous week on the Laurinburg course in a match that resulted in a tie score, but this time the locals, having the advantage of the home course and having some of their star players who were unable to compete the week before, snowed the visitors under to the tune of 25 1-2 to 4 1-2.

Ten fourball matches were played with individual matches being scored as follows:

Weaver-Dawson	1 1/2
Robertson-Morris	1 1/2
Carter-Atherton	3
McCoy-Warren	0
Alspaugh-Keith	2
Young-Rogers	1
Herndon-Humphrey	3
Lynch-Love	0
Hatch-Wiggs	3
Fleming-Epps	0
Burns-Weatherspoon	1 1/2
Dunbar-Buchanan	1 1/2
Wisler-Maples	3
T. Gill-Phillips	0
Harris-Worsham	3
McLean-Bateman	0
Davis-Grubb	2 1/2
Sanders-Hudgins	1/2
Kitchen-Grey	3
Williamson-Gill	0

Robertson and Morris of Laurinburg tied for the low medal honors with 74 each. Phil Weaver had the low score for the locals with a 75.

Southern Pines golfers will play a match with the Rockingham team on Wednesday, August 29, at Rockingham.

## Complete Faculties for County and City Schools Are Announced

**COUNTY**  
Faculty members of the Moore County schools which will open on August 30, have been announced by H. Lee Thomas, county school superintendent.

They are as follows:  
Carthage High school: W. C. Poe, principal, Eula May Blue, Meade Seawell, Ruby Allen Hough, Rebecca Turner, Valeria McCrummen, Effie Gilchrist, Annie Ruth Barringer.  
Carthage Grammar School: Hilda Blue, principal, Frances H. Adams, Mattie Kate Shaw, Ruth H. Tyson, Mrs. S. F. Cole, Myrtle Crews Poe, Doris M. Stewart, Janie M. McLeod, Kathryn Bryn, Elise High School, Robbins: J. W. Puckett, principal, Virginia B. Pierson, Mattie Lou Hardy, Martha S. Wheless, Margaret Kinlaw, Robbins Grammar School: E. Carl Brady, principal, Beatrice M. Kinlaw, Minnie Maness, Bessie M. McLeod, Effie McG. Wil-

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## IN GERMANY



PFC. W. P. SHORT

Pfc. William P. Short, 19, son of Mrs. D. A. Short and the late Mr. Short of West Vermont Avenue, is with the 69th Infantry Division now stationed in Germany. It was this division that first joined with Russian troops in May, 1945. He attended Southern Pines High school, enlisting in the United States Army shortly after his 18th birthday. He went overseas soon after completing his basic training, was first in England, and then in Europe with the infantry.

## Lakeview Man Is Found By Railroad Seriously Injured

D. F. McKay Thought To Have Been Struck By Fast Night Train

A note was thrown from the Silver Meteor at it passed through Southern Pines about 1:30 a. m. Monday, stating that the engineer thought he saw a man lying by the railroad track in Lakeview.

Miss Judy Tucker, operator, passed out the word and in a matter of minutes Section Master Campbell of Manly and his crew rushed to the scene in the Seaboard motor truck, where they found D. Fairley McKay, a Lakeview resident, lying about four feet from the railroad tracks approximately 150 feet south of the crossing. Thinking that he was dead, they didn't attempt to move him, but W. J. Sessoms, a member of the Southern Pines police force who reached there soon after

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## TO CLOSE OR NOT TO CLOSE

There was a good deal of confusion in Southern Pines Wednesday and Thursday over just what stores would close and for how long. The Governor's Proclamation Tuesday evening asking that all offices and places of business that could close without undue inconvenience do so didn't relieve the agitation either.

All businesses were closed Wednesday with the exception of Hayes' Sandhill Bookshop which opened for a while in the morning and evening, and Pope's cafeteria which had announced Wednesday

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## Southern Pines Joins Nation in Making Merry At News of Victory Over the Japanese

### FALSE ALARM

Southern Pines was a-tired with excitement Sunday night when around 9:30 the local fire siren began ringing, proclaiming Victory over Japan Day.

But before folks had a chance to get out their horns, hoorahs, and happiness, the siren was hushed, and eager fingers turned on radios in time to hear the nation-wide announcement that a mistake had been made, that V-J Day was not yet a reality.

The fire department had received the message over the radio and immediately started the siren, but seconds later when the news was proved erroneous, the siren was stilled to await the real and final Victory Day.

### Postal Receipts Dwindle as Camp Mackall Decreases

With the 13th Airborne Division due to return to Camp Mackall after an absence of over half a year, it's interesting to note just what changes have been brought about in Southern Pines by their absence and how much a full camp increases local business.

One of the best records of growth of a town and its volume of trade lies in its post office, and the Southern Pines Post Office with the Camp Mackall postal branch under its jurisdiction keeps a close check on increasing or decreasing population through its stamp sales, money orders and fee collections.

Compiled on a quarterly basis, the most recent quarter for this year is the April-May-June period which shows a tremendous decrease as compared with the same period of the previous year. Stamp sales in the 1945 quarter amounted to \$11,629.60, a sizable sum until compared with the \$23,810.86 of the 1944 quarter, and the same quarter in 1943 measures still several thousand greater.

The number of money orders issued during these months in 1945 was 6,230, amounting to \$104,513.09 in cash, in comparison to 13,486 money orders in 1944, totaling \$358,293.64 that year.

In fee collections probably the greatest discrepancy occurs, the \$671.46 of 1945 adding up to around one-fifth of the 1944 figure of \$2,910.68.

Busiest period in 1944 was the January-February-March quarter, doubling the April-May-June quarter in some instances. The total for the calendar year, 1944, was: stamp sales, \$92,060.85; number of money orders issued, 57,548; amount of money orders, \$1,737,792.32; and fees, \$10,351.71.

### ALL POINTS WEST

If your ear has been cocked lately, you've probably noticed that the Seaboard doesn't come through town blowing its fog-horn whistle, quite as often as it once did.

The trains that used to come through town, numbering 50 daily, have been cut down to 35 according to the local depot. Passenger trains are running about the same with 16 trains daily, eight going north and the same number south-bound. The cut-down has come in freight cars, and the reason given is that most shipments now are east and west since all eyes are focused on the blue Pacific and the lands beyond.

### GRAND JURY APPROVES COUNTY INSTITUTIONS

The Grand Jury of the Superior Court which convened in Carthage August 13, submitted a clean slate for county institutions in their committee reports this week.

The County Home and County Jail were found in good condition, and the Court House was satisfactory with the exception of two windows in the Draft Board Office which need new cords. All bills presented to the Grand Jury were returned as true bills except one which was continued due to absence of witnesses.

### VICTORY SERVICE

There is no better way to celebrate the coming of Peace than to find your way to the house of God and raise your voice in a prayer of thanksgiving that the last shot has been fired, that the last boy has been killed, that the war is over and peace is here.

The Church of Wide Fellowship cordially invites the community to its Victory Service at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. There will be special music and the pastor will preach upon the theme: "They Shall Not March Again."

### Synopsis of New Town Budget and Rulings Presented

Livestock Housing in Town Results In Insistent Complaints

On page two of this issue will be found a synopsis of the 1945-46 budget for the Town of Southern Pines, also amendments to the town ordinances relating to "Public Nuisances" and "City Planning and Zoning."

The new ruling regarding nuisances makes unlawful the construction of housing for any livestock within the town limits at a distance closer than 100 feet to the nearest point of any residence.

Southern Pines has always encouraged the ownership of horses, but in recent months a number of people in the residential district have built stables on their town property, resulting in numerous complaints to the Town Board from nearby residents. These insistent complaints have made it necessary for the Board to take this action, Howard F. Burns, Town clerk, reveals.

Certain regulations in regard to stables inside the Town limits have been laid down, a violation of which carries with it a \$25 fine.

This year's budget estimates upkeep expenditures for parks and streets some higher than did last year's, but according to Mr. Burns this is accounted for by the difference in the price of materials and labor. The Town now has to pay 45 and 50 cents per hour for labor which it formerly obtained at 20 and 25, he disclosed.

### Purchase of Two Homes Announced

A sale of importance was completed this week when Mr. and Mrs. Fred Chappell became the owners of the dwelling on Ridge Street, owned and occupied for the past 24 years by Mr. and Mrs. David S. Packard and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chappell, formerly of Robbins, where Mr. Chappell is manager of the Standard Mineral Company, have sold their home there and will henceforth live here.

The Packards have moved to Pinebluff where they lived before coming to Southern Pines.

The sale was consummated by A. S. Newcomb of the E. C. Stevens real estate agency. Mr. Newcomb has also sold for Mrs. Robert Strite her dwelling at Lakeview, formerly the winter home of Miss A. Louise Rickler, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Clark of Riverside Drive, N. Y. The Clarks will move here around September 1.

The Chappells and the Clarks are typical of a large number who have purchased real estate in this vicinity of late to make the Sandhills their permanent home.

### County Principals Meet in Carthage

An important meeting for all principals of Moore County schools will be held at the high school in Carthage today, H. Lee Thomas, county superintendent, has announced. The meeting will be held from 10 a. m. until 4 p. m.

### Prayers of Thankfulness Mingle With Shouts of Children

Children were shouting in the streets, confetti was flying everywhere, horns were blasting... Victory Day had come at last, and Southern Pines was celebrating it just as fervently as New York or London or San Francisco.

Tuesday afternoon had been discouraging Radio commentators spoke suspiciously of Japan's delay to answer the President's last message "as 1,000 Allied bombers continue to patrol the sky above Tokyo, their bomb shafts full but unused."

The thought that maybe peace wasn't just around the corner threatened as weary businessmen returned to their homes that evening, as housewives who had been sitting hopefully by the radio all day began preparing dinner.

Then around 6:45 p. m. news came in that a message from Japan had been received, that the President would reveal its contents to a press conference at 7 p. m. Dinners stopped as families clustered around the radio for the long-awaited report. And then it came. Japan had accepted unconditionally the terms of the Potsdam conference.

Further news continued but the listeners sat, numb, and unable to grasp what the announcer had said. A hushed silence lay over Southern Pines for around 15 minutes, and then all havoc broke loose. People beat pots and pans loudly or pressed the horns of their cars or just ran out in the yard screaming, doing anything to relieve the dreadful tense that had collected in their bones through the days of waiting.

And then started the pour-in on Broad Street, as people, anxious to share with others this moment of unspeakable happiness, joined on the main street, some walking, some riding. Youngsters were everywhere, seeming to reap the fullest joy at the peace announcement, for wouldn't their dads and brothers be home soon? Mr. Hayes cleaned out his stock of confetti to distribute among the children who grabbed it wildly and continued their celebrating.

And down the street came the fire engine loaded with women and clearing the way with its shrieking siren. Firecrackers, saved especially for this day of days, went off and some one lit a smoke bomb down by Page's Garage.

Then began the exodus from Broad Street, led by the wailing fire truck, and followed by almost every car in Southern Pines to form the blowingest, happiest parade this town has ever seen. One local man who joined in the parade of 1918 as a small boy smiled. "These kids will never forget this day. Southern Pines on V-Day, 1918, is the most vivid memory I have."

And in some places people knelt in prayer. Church doors were thrown open and the celebration took on a quieter strain as a thankful people knelt to pray for those who had fallen in battle, to pay homage to all who had fought, to thank God that the war was over, and to hope that their children need never know another war.

### THE SHORT OF IT

Immediate termination of the rationing of gasoline, canned fruits and vegetables, fuel oils and oil stoves has been announced by the OPA with the ending of the war.

Price Administrator Chester Bowles said that meats, fats, and oils, butter, sugar, shoes, and tires will stay on the ration list "until military cutbacks and increased production bring civilian supplies more nearly in balance with civilian demand."

"Nobody is any happier than we in OPA," Bowles said, "that as far as gasoline is concerned the day is finally here when we can drive our cars when we please, wherever we please, and as much as we please."

And girls, the nylons will soon be back on market too, it's reported, as soon as civilian production can get underway.