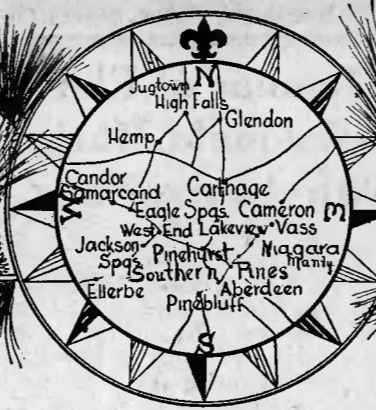
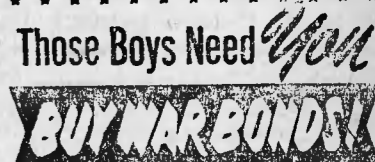




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Chamber of Commerce To Operate Civic Club As Community Center

To Serve Soldiers, Civic Groups, and Winter Visitors

The newly organized Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce met in conjunction with the Rotary Club, at the latter's weekly luncheon at the Country Club, last Friday, to hear the guest speaker, Ed Cherry, National Chamber of Commerce vice-president, and to consider one of the most important propositions to come before the town in many years.

Introduced to the gathering of thirty or more men and women guests by A. S. Newcomb, the speaker, after a brief explanation of the Chamber of Commerce organization, entered a plea for individual club and member participation in the affairs of the nation. Through the recently established "national affairs committee," Mr. Cherry said, C of C. members could make known to their congressmen their wishes about pending legislation, and in this way help to mould public opinion. He also urged that Town Meetings be held where such questions as social security, matters involving labor-management cooperation, the guaranteed annual wage, full employment, could be discussed, and suggested that opportunities be seized whenever possible, for personal contact and conversation with individual congressmen.

Upon the conclusion of the speech, the meeting adjourned to consider the suggestion made by John Ruggles, vice-president and the president, Reuben C. DuBose, that the Chamber of Commerce assume the running of the Civic Club as a community center. Explaining that the U. S. O. was irrevocably committed to with-

Col. Stewart Wood At Moore General

Wainwright's Staff Officer Joined By Family In Mountains

Sandhills readers of General Wainwright's Own Story thrilled to the name of Colonel Stewart Wood, which appeared in the seventeenth issue of this serial account.

"Especially asked for by MacArthur," writes General Wainwright, in his description of the attempted rescue of key personnel by two Navy planes, "was Col. Stewart Wood, a well-trained staff officer, who was my assistant chief of staff for intelligence and who had a fine knowledge of Japanese."

Friends of Col. Wood's wife, who has lived in Southern Pines during the last hard years, will recall the exciting day when she received news which seemed to confirm this story of the rescue of her husband from Corregidor. It was followed tragically a short while later by the news also given in this part of General Wainwright's diary, of the wreck of the plane which carried Col. Wood and some twenty others, and their capture by Japanese forces.

Col. Wood, who was a prisoner of the Japanese until V-J Day has recently returned to the United States. He arrived at the General Hospital near Asheville last week, where his wife and boys joined him. The Woods will remain in the mountains during his period of convalescence and will then, it is hoped by their many friends, return to Southern Pines, to receive the warm welcome which the colonel's heroism and his wife's courage and lovely personality have earned for them. Not to mention two of the best boys in town.

NEW TELEPHONE DIRECTORY IS NOW IN PREPARATION

The Central Carolina Telephone Company has in preparation its new telephone directory for the coming season. The publication will list new subscribers and changes of numbers and addresses. The local office will appreciate prompt notification of any proposed change in present directory listings.

HOME AGAIN



LT. JAMES S. MILLIKEN JR.

Lt. Milliken, who recently returned to Southern Pines for his three months furlough, has received his discharge from the army.

The son of Dr. James S. Milliken, Lt. Milliken graduated from the local high school and, in May, 1942, from North Carolina State College, where he took the R. O. T. C. course in electrical engineering, winning a commission as second lieutenant. After further training in radar at Camp Murphy, Florida, he sailed from San Francisco in August, 1942, to Hawaii, the first stop on his way to the Pacific Theater of Operations. While overseas, during the next three years, he saw action at Midway and Guam, taking part in the raid on Wake Island which won him a commendation for meritorious service in supplying vitally needed radar information. He went to Guadalcanal as a specialist in radar and was returned from there to Hawaii to serve as instructor in the Radar School of the Signal Corps attached to the Air Corps. Promoted to first lieutenant, he acted as executive officer of the school, until his return to the States.

Mid Pines Opens November Third

In a setting of pines, deep in with the fairways of the golf the Sandhill Country, Mid Pines, course as a lawn, opens November 3 for the second season under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cosgrove.

With the end of gas rationing and the lifting of travel restrictions Mid Pines will be the site of many gay gatherings this coming season. Several meetings and conferences have been booked for November and early December with many former guests returning for the season. Among those to be present at the opening will be Mr. and Mrs. Richard Chapman, both well known golfers; Mr. and Mrs. Karl Scheidt of Stratford, Pa., Dr. R. Lane of Charlotte, M. Peterson of Springfield, Mass., Thomas MacFarland, Worcester, Mass., and Wayne Billings, Worcester, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Von Schlegel of Pinehurst have planned a large bridge and dinner party for friends, and many other local luncheon and dinner parties are scheduled for the fall season.

Southern Pines Plays Here for Eastern State Championship Nov. 7

Southern Pines will play Bethesda High School here Wednesday afternoon for the Eastern North Carolina six-man football title. The winner of this game will play the winner of the western North Carolina title for the State championship.

Bethesda is a large consolidated school in Durham county, and has been playing six-man football for several years.

When superintendent Philip Weaver and Coach A. C. Dawson learned that the Blue and White would play Bethesda for the Eastern title, they immediately began negotiations to get the game played in Southern Pines. Bethesda wanted the game played

War Fund Drive Goes Over Top In Southern Pines

Town First in County To Pass Goal. Barnum Praised As Chairman

"Who is the feller carrying the ball?" someone asked looking at the little green football field in the Barnum, Inc. window.

"Don't you know?" said the genial joker beside him. "It's Paul himself. If ever a man put something over in a big way, he has this United War Fund Drive. He sure deserves a lot of credit."

Paul would be the first to pass that credit on to the team which has lined up behind him: the townspeople and out-of-town friends of Southern Pines. For Southern Pines is the first town in Moore County to go over the top in the United War Fund Drive, according to reports from the County Chairman, Sheriff McDonald of Carthage. With the quota of \$3,000.00 raised by the end of last week, the town went on and, as Chairman Barnum said, "kicked that extra point after touchdown" with about a thousand more dollars.

Several of the other towns of the county are not far behind Southern Pines' record, proving that despite all the talk about whether America is willing to "feed Europe", or isn't, when it comes to the point, Americans just don't hold out when there is a real need for help.

McAuliffe Speaks At Joint Meeting Of Kiwanis Clubs

Maj. General of Bastogne Fame Advocates Strong Army, Navy

By Howard F. Burns

Major General Anthony C. McAuliffe, commander of the 101st Airborne Division and hero of Bastogne who said "Nuts" to the German surrender terms at Christmas 1944, addressing the Sandhills and Raeford Kiwanis Clubs Wednesday, advocated a strong Army and a strong Navy as the best means of avoiding future European conflicts. He asked for compulsory military training.

The General, a pleasing speaker, described briefly the misery and death of war, when his troops were completely surrounded by the famous Elite German Panzer Division. He paid high tribute to his men, the sergeants, corporals and privates, who stood the brunt of the battle that raged from the 19th to the 26th day of December.

Garland McPherson Opens Office Here

Garland McPherson, certified public accountant, has recently announced the opening of an office in the Hart Building for the general practice of his profession and will specialize in State and Federal taxation.

Mr. McPherson served with the Marine Corps during the recent war holding the rank of captain and was stationed at Camp Lejeune for many months acting as fiscal advisor and camp auditor. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and a licensed accountant in this state.

at night in Durham, on the Durham High gridiron, which is neutral territory and offered the possibility of a large crowd and the additional advantage of attractive gate receipts. Mr. Weaver and Mr. Dawson got the consent of Bethesda to play the game here by offering a flat guarantee, and paying the expenses of two officials who will come here to handle the officiating.

Preparations are being made to handle the largest crowd in Southern Pines sports history. Pinehurst is being contacted to see if their bleacher seats can be had for this game. The bleachers ordered some weeks ago by the high

LEADER DIES



HUGH J. BETTERLEY

Hugh J. Betterley Ex-Commissioner Dies Wednesday

Services to be Friday At Emmanuel Church At Three O'clock

Hugh James Betterley, one of the leading citizens of Southern Pines, passed away Wednesday night in the Moore County Hospital, following an illness of several months. The announcement of his death, while expected, nevertheless came as a shock to the community in which he had played such a leading part and where his friendly, courteous manner had won him a host of friends. He was keenly interested in life, in young people, in the affairs of his home town; his gallantry during his illness was an inspiration to all.

Funeral services will be held in Emmanuel Church, Friday afternoon, at three o'clock, the Rev. F. Craighill Brown officiating. Burial will be in Bethesda Cemetery.

Hugh Betterley was born in Brattleboro, Vt. on November 29th, 1882, the son of James N. and Abbie Miles Betterley. Following his graduation from Norwich University, Northfield, Vt., in 1906, he went to the Philippines in the employ of the government and was one of a group of young engineers who built the gun emplacements on Corregidor. Coming to Southern Pines in the winter of 1910-11, he married Miss Katherine Healy Swett, daughter of Dr. W. P. Swett, and, for the next few years, was engaged in engineering projects on the West Coast. At the outbreak of World War 1, he enlisted in the army and saw action overseas, serving as a captain in the 301st Engineers, A. E. F. Returning to Southern Pines in 1922, Mr. Betterley started the Southern Pines Warehouses on the corner of Connecticut Avenue and West Broad Street and a year later built the present extensive plant at the lower end of town. Within the next five years he was in charge of the building of several residences in and around Southern Pines: among them the Skinner, Cady, Phillips and Howland

IF . . . !

Sticking to the theme of public service, the Chamber of Commerce chooses as its first undertaking, the operation of the Civic Club as a community center . . . IF! . . . the people of the town want it.

The Chamber will go ahead with the scheme for a month, during that time they hope that everybody in town who is interested, who has any ideas or any criticism of the idea, will write in. In other words, kick now, folks, while the kicking is good.

And, Volunteers, will you register immediately? The Center will require a sizeable staff of you. It is hoped that many who have served with the U. S. O. and Red Cross will go on with our own young people's clubs and other civic groups.

So, folks, register NOW your approval or disapproval so that your Chamber of Commerce can do what you want it to do about this community center idea.

Stevens Announces Chairmen, Quotas for Victory Drive

School Rally Day Here Postponed to Friday of Next Week

County Chairman Eugene C. Stevens this week announces the full list of chairmen and quotas in the Victory Loan Drive, in which loyal citizens throughout the county will unite to meet the county's quota of \$446,000.

Some of the towns have both men and women chairmen; in others, the leadership is left to the women, who have as their county chairman Mrs. N. L. Hodgkins of Southern Pines. The complete set up is as follows; the first amount in each case representing the overall quota, the second, the "E" quota:

Southern Pines: Paul Jernigan, Mrs. Philip Weaver—\$124,880; \$66,640.
Pinehurst: Col. George P. Hawes, Jr., Mrs. I. C. Sledge—\$102,580; \$54,740.
Aberdeen: G. C. Seymour, Mrs. W. T. Huntley—\$62,440; \$33,320.
Carthage: M. G. Boyette, Mrs. E. S. Adams—\$62,440; \$33,320.
Cameron: Mrs. Pete Phillips—\$4,460; \$2,380.
Robbins: W. P. Saunders, Mrs. W. P. Saunders—\$75,820; \$40,460.
Pinebluff: Mrs. Ethel R. Edwards—\$2,230; \$1,190.
Vass: W. E. Gladstone, Mrs. H. (Continued on Page 5)

Halloween Brings Hilarious Fun To Southern Pines

Goblins, Witches, Shady Characters Cut Loose at Rotary Party

The Rotary Club opened the town to the goblins last night, and the fun that resulted set a precedent for Halloween parties that will be hard to beat.

The evening started with a costume parade and the crowning of the King and Queen, Gene Stevens and Jeanne Dickerson Pollock. The royal pair did their best to lend dignity to the occasion but the spirit of the witches was too much for even their majestic rule, and the evening soon waxed hilarious.

At the stands, manned by stalwart Rotarians, apple-bobbing, pie-eating, dart-throwing and bingo were in progress, each stand surrounded by a ring of delighted spectators. Ray Bethea won the pie-eating contest in the record time of one minute and forty-seven seconds, emerging triumphant with pie streaming from eyes, ears, nose and mouth, not to mention hair. In the Lucky Number contest Mrs. May Hendricks showed that the fates were on her side, and, for the boys, Bob Spurgin delightedly carried off a small rocker donated by the Lloyd Furniture Company.

The Costume Contest was a real test for the judges, there were so many knock-out rigs to choose from. Prizes went to Alma Lay Clark and Betty Joe Tew for the Prettiest Pair, to Robert Henderson for the Most Original, to David Page, the Most Grotesque. Katherine and John Weatherly were two Halloween devils, Diana Gorman, a young clown, (Continued on Page 8)

What Happened On The Circus Lot Before The Band Started To Play

"Circus coming!" was the shout that went up last Saturday morning, and before you could say "Jack Robinson" there wasn't a boy in town: every last one of them was out on the ball-field.

There, the big wagons were rolling majestically in, to come to a halt and disgorge an amazing collection of circus gear and circus folks. Trained dogs, fluffy all of them, with tails that curled high and handsome and little pert faces, poured out of one wagon, to yawn and stretch, yap snootily at the town dogs that came to see and then curl up on the warm sun. Beauty sleep, they seemed to say, was necessary before the arduous and astoundingly clever

Pinehurst-Southern Pines Airport Opened by Resort Airlines, Inc.

Company Will Run The Knollwood Field For Sandhills Section

SILVER STAR

Mrs. T. C. McFarland of Southern Pines has been notified by the Adjutant General that she will receive the Silver Star Medal awarded posthumously to her son, Cpl. T. C. McFarland, on March 9 for gallantry in action. The medal will be presented by Col. Hathaway at the Post Chapel, Camp Mackall, at 2:30 p. m. Friday, Nov. 2. Mrs. McFarland has received the Bronze Star Medal awarded her son February 28 for heroic achievement.

Blake Is Bound to Superior Court in Death of Johnson

Manslaughter Charge Is Result of Recent Car-Wagon Accident

As a result of an automobile-wagon accident near Lakeview on September 27 in which Sandy (Pete) Johnson, colored, of Vass was fatally injured, J. R. Blake, young white man of Lakeview, was arraigned in Moore County Recorder's Court Monday on a charge of manslaughter, with Lillie Johnson, wife of the victim, the prosecuting witness. Blake waived a hearing in this court and was bound to Superior Court under bond of \$500.

Blake drove his car against the back of Johnson's wagon, which was said to have been unlighted, around 11 o'clock on Friday night and Johnson died in Moore County Hospital the following Sunday. Johnson's young daughter, Dossie Lee, and James Williams were injured and the mule was killed.

The warrant specifically charged Blake with operating an automobile carelessly and recklessly while under the influence of intoxicants and with killing Sandy Johnson and wounding Dossie Lee Johnson and James Williams. Beecher Brown of Robbins, (Continued on Page 5)

Hamlet Man Buys Local Drug Store

Graham Culbreth, proprietor of the Culbreth Pharmacy, Hamlet, N. C., has purchased from Dr. Clement Byrd the long established and well-known Southern Pines Pharmacy, taking possession this week.

Mr. Culbreth recently sold his Pharmacy in Hamlet, following seven years of successful business there.

The Southern Pines Pharmacy was established in 1922 by the late Dr. H. E. Thrower and continued under his management until his death in 1937. At that time Mrs. Thrower sold the business to Earl Merrill who operated it for several years eventually relinquishing control to Howard F. Fox.

Under his management the pharmacy prospered until the owner joined the army at the outbreak of the war, when it was sold to Clement Byrd, who has been in charge for the last two years.

The Culbreths are well-known in the Sandhills, Mrs. Culbreth being the former Loula Eastwood, daughter of the late Jack Eastwood of Lakeview.

The Sandhills district now has its own airport.

The Knollwood Army Airfield has been acquired by Resort Airlines, Inc., renamed Pinehurst-Southern Pines Airport and was opened for use yesterday, November 1, with complete repair services, gasoline supplies and hangar accommodations for private planes.

Major L. C. Burwell, formerly commander of the 207th Troop Carrier Squadron, U.S.A.A.F., in the China-Burma-India theatre, is president of the new company, with his brother, Lt. Commander Clayton L. (Teddy) Burwell, former international tennis star, and an officer aboard the aircraft carriers Independence and Bennington, as secretary-treasurer.

Major Burwell announces that he has gathered together a staff of six former airforce officers as pilots and instructors. The standing of all the pilots who will handle planes at the airport is high, for all of them meet the stern requirements for pilots on the national commercial airlines, having over 2000 hours of transport flying piece to their credit. Major Burwell has established his home in Southern Pines and Lt. Commander "Teddy" Burwell expects to live with his family in Pinehurst.

The new airport is on the direct, north-south beacon route of Eastern Airlines and will be able to run a feeder service to the three nearby Eastern Airlines airports at Raleigh, Greensboro and Charlotte, thus bringing the Sandhills within easy reach of main line plane service.

Major Burwell states that he will have, for service to any point, a fleet of three twin-engined four-passenger Cessna planes as well as three other light planes for local taxi service and for instruction purposes.

The Pine Needles Opens Officially On November 14th

Following the annual convention of the North Carolina Independent Telephone Association which is expected to attract 200 members and guests to The Pine Needles on November 12-13, the hotel will open officially for the winter season on November 14. The Pine Needles will again be under the management of Emmett E. Boone, who will be assisted by last year's staff and several members of the pre-war organization in maintaining the excellent service and friendly atmosphere which have contributed to the hotel's past success.

Indications are that the fall and early winter season will be a busy one as several conferences have planned meetings during this month and next, and long-term reservations have already been made by many former guests, it has been disclosed.

SALE OF ED'S CAFE

The announcement has been made of the sale of Ed's Cafe by the former owner, Louis Bazakis, to W. B. Holiday. The building will be renovated and opened for operation as soon as the work is completed.

Holiday, who has been working for the Edwards Aircraft Company at Sanford for the past eight months, was formerly employed by the Shaw Poultry Company. He comes from Jamestown, N. C.

NEW CHEVROLET

If you want to see what the new Chevrolet looks like . . . and from all accounts it is a beauty . . . you are invited to visit the Mid-South Motors in Aberdeen this Saturday, Nov. 3, at which time O. Leon Seymour will have one on display.

AGENTS' CONFERENCE

County Farm Agent E. H. Garrison, Jr., Assistant County Farm Agent W. G. Caldwell, and County Home Agent Flora McDonald went to Raleigh Monday to attend a conference of farm and home agents which will run through Saturday.