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## Community Center Shows Impressive Record For First Month's Activity

### Varied Services Boon To Citizens, Soldiers and Winter Visitors

Thursday of this week, December 6, 1945, marked the first month's operation of the Southern Pines Community Center, whose varied and growing program is offering increasingly valuable service to the grade school and teen-age groups, to visiting soldiers, to older members of the community, and to winter visitors.

Operating in the Civic Club building under auspices of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce and with Mrs. Irene Donovan serving temporarily as director, while on leave from the U. S. O., the Community Center has become, first of all, the social and recreational headquarters for the teen-age group. At present, hours at the center are from two until six in the afternoon. In providing for those of high school age a gathering place and supervised facilities for dancing, record fests of popular and classical music, games, and general social activity, the center is now answering a long felt need in the community.

Success of the project in connection with this group is that the young people are given a large share in responsibility and, with guidance, plan their own activities. Opening of the Community Center immediately caught the interest of teen-agers, who responded by electing officers for organization of their own: Robert Straka, president; Sue Hall, secretary; and Chan Page, vice-president. A first dance proved highly satisfactory and a schedule of dancing classes has since been arranged, with lessons on Monday afternoons for grade school students and on Wednesdays for those of high school age. Instructors are Miss Jacqueline Worsham, Mrs. R. I. Slarks, John Prizer and Davis Worsham.

Ping pong, checkers, and even chess, have been widely popular. Interest in the latter game has been fostered through the able assistance of Mrs. W. E. Cox, an excellent chess player. In recent ping pong competition, the boys' championship was won by Robert McClellan, the girls' by Gay McClellan. A tennis tournament is planned for the future, with equipment available at the center.

It is planned, later, to transfer some of the game facilities to the basement, allowing for more space for other groups within the community. In the past, tourists have used the reading room, which has also been utilized for bridge. A bureau of information has been established by the Chamber of Commerce, a service widely appreciated by the winter visitors.

The Center is also carrying on the work of the former U. S. O. and plans to do so as long as there are soldiers in town.

First month's operations show that the center is performing a fine service. The impressive figure of 1132 is given as the number of times civilians have used the center, counting, of course, all children as well as adults. Servicemen have registered there 367 times during the month and tourists 174 times. Fifty-five rooms have been located for transients by the service, mostly for soldiers and their wives, and suitable employment found for four soldiers' wives.

Successor to Mrs. Donovan as director will be Mrs. Eugene Shaefer, the former Sarah Wiley, who has been assisting Mrs. Donovan and is thoroughly familiar with the work as well as with the town and its various problems, having lived here until her marriage. She is the daughter of Mrs. R. E. Wiley and the late Mr. Wiley, former mayor of Southern Pines.

### VISIT IN BADIN

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Davis and Misses Ethel and Germaine Davis, of Carthage Route 3 went to Badin Sunday to see W. H. Davis, who is recovering from a leg injury sustained when he was struck by a hit-and-run driver the day before Thanksgiving. He is now able to walk with the aid of crutches.

## FOR SALE

Thirty-two \$25.00 bonds.  
Twenty-five \$50.00 bonds.  
Twenty \$100.00 bonds.  
Ten \$200.00 bonds.  
Two \$500.00 bonds.  
One \$1,000.00 bond.

These bonds are at Gene Stevens' office. If not purchased they will have to be sent back to the Treasury Department, a confession of failure on the part of the people of Southern Pines.

Failure, all round. Failure to understand the vital need they represent; failure, as well, to show that good business sense on which our men have often prided themselves, the sense to see a good thing and make a good deal.

The big figures on the thermometer represent only a small portion of our people. Where are the rest whose purchases of these twenty-five and fifty dollar bonds we need? Come on, folks, wake up. Stop at the E. C. Stevens office and buy your bonds.

## Many Delegates At Road Builders Convention Here

More than two hundred and fifty delegates were registered at the Pine Needles Inn Friday morning as the annual convention of the Carolina Road Builders Association got underway. Delegates were greeted at the opening session Friday afternoon with an address of welcome by Mayor L. V. O'Callaghan.

Prior to the highly successful business session Friday, a golf match was played on the Pine Needles course, an initial opportunity for delegates from the various sections of North and South Carolina to become acquainted.

Speakers at the convention will be: J. J. Callaway, president of the Manufacturers' Division of the national association, and Congressman Joseph W. Robinson of Utah.

A feature of the convention is to be the annual banquet Saturday evening, with the Honorable Jennings Randolph, member of the House Roads Committee, as the principal speaker.

## Mrs. Williams Dies Wednesday

Heard with much regret here was news of the death of Mrs. Lawrence Drake Williams, which occurred early Wednesday morning in the Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem, where she had been receiving treatment for about a month.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2:00 p. m. today (Friday) at the First Baptist Church in Southern Pines, by the Rev. S. B. Irwin, and members of the American Legion Auxiliary, in which Mrs. Williams was long an active worker, will take part. Burial will be in Mount Hope Cemetery.

A daughter of the Rev. Myron M. Adams of Raleigh and the late Annie Jennings Adams, Mrs. Williams was born in Allston, Mass., on January 19, 1897. She had resided in Southern Pines or nearby Niagara for 22 years, during which time she had been active in the life of the community. She rendered fine service in the Baptist Church as organist and as choir director.

Surviving are her husband, who is field director for the Red Cross, stationed at Laurinburg; two sons, L. D. Williams, Jr., a captain in the Army, and Curtis Williams, USM, Guam; one daughter, Mrs. Ernest Bennett of Berlin, N. H.; her father; a sister, Mrs. J. Fred Stimson of Southern Pines, and a brother, M. G. Adams of Raleigh.

### AT HOME

"Junebug" Tate who is serving with the U. S. Navy in Norfolk, spent the weekend at home in Pinehurst.

Holland Shaw of Pinehurst, who has been serving with the Marines in the Pacific, is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Robert F. Shaw.

## High School Fives In First Practice Session This Week

### Large Squads Prep For Sanford Opener Here Night of 14th

by Jack Bilyeu

Basketballers of Southern Pines High School got underway officially this week, with initial practice sessions called on the gymnasium floor for both the boys' and girls' squads. Coach A. S. Dawson and Miss Aline Todd, though not over-optimistic, expect to bring their respective squads around into fair shape for the opening game here Friday night, December 14th. In a joint curtain-raiser, the Blue and White pits itself against the boys' and girls' quintets of Sanford High School, a class B. aggregation.

Last year under Coach Dawson's tutelage, the boy's five racked up an enviable record of 17 consecutive wins, and 23 wins altogether, with 7 losses. In the Eastern District finals the locals lost out to Red Oak by one point, scored in a heartbreaking last thirty seconds.

With five letter men returning, three guards and two forwards, as many reserve holdovers who saw action last year; and a total squad of twenty-six men at present, Dawson is expecting, off the record, an improved club. Major loss, however, will be last year's stellar John Neal, outstanding center. Ted York, newcomer, has looked good as Neal's replacement, but is meeting competition. Lettermen are Page and Worsham, forwards, and Prizer, Gray and Mann, guards. Reserves with experience are R. Harrington, Maples, D. Cameron, McLeod and Blue. Remainder of the squad is as follows: Arnette, Andrews, Thompson, J. Cameron, Achtermann, McClellan and Raymond; Sledge, Calloway, Kennedy, Spring, Avery, Hodgkins, Culler, Clark and Reiner. The present squad represents sixty per cent of boys enrolled.

With the girls' squad, Miss Todd has only three letter girls returning from last year's combination, which was jinxed throughout with illnesses. These are Nellie Ward and Audrey West Brown, forwards, and Jean Shaefer, guard. A veteran at forward, Nellie Ward when in best form hits the basket from almost any angle. Last year, however, her play was at times erratic. Among promising candidates are Jean Murphy, with good possibilities as a forward. Patricia Caddell, in school elsewhere last year, has speed and handles the ball well. Peggy Cameron and Ruthie Kleinspehn are experienced reserves at guard from last year. Coach Todd's problem at present, however, is to find a center replacement for Sara Cox, out of school through illness.

For the first time next Friday night, fans will view the basketballers in action from new bleachers recently installed in the school gymnasium, seating upwards of three hundred, and a capacity crowd of students and town supporters is anticipated for the seasonal opener.

## Clow's Gift Shop Adds Children's Department

A Toy Department, located in the room formerly used as Civilian Defense headquarters, is now being operated in connection with Clow's Gift Shop in Pinehurst, with Miss Elsie Thomas in charge. Many things to delight children are attractively displayed.

Mrs. Della Macon and Miss Louise Shaw are assisting Mrs. Clow in the gift shop this season. Mrs. Percy Allen, who worked there for thirteen years, has moved to Greensboro.

### JOINS HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Miss Mary Swett of near Cameron joined the Moore County Health Department staff the first of the month, taking the place of Mrs. R. T. Grissom, public health nurse in Moore County for the past five years. She, with her family, will move to Jonesboro to be nearer the work of her husband, the Rev. Mr. Grissom.

Miss Swett was in the out-patient department of Moore County Hospital before giving up her work there several months ago to care for her mother, the late Mrs. J. P. Swett.

## "COMMANDER"



FLOYD MULHOLLAND, Y2-c

Commanding for one day the Japanese crew of what is supposed to be the biggest submarine in the world was the recent thrilling experience of Yeoman 2-c Floyd Mulholland, a tale which he recounts in an interesting letter to his mother, Mrs. Lenora Mulholland of Southern Pines. He writes from Sasebo, Japan:

"You can start calling me 'Commander', now. I went out today on a boarding party to bring six submarines into the harbor. Perhaps you have read about the I-402. It is supposed to be the biggest submarine in the world and I was her commander for a day. What's more, I was the only American on it.

"With the aid of my Jap language book I gave orders to the crew. At first I thought the 402 was supposed to follow another boat that had an officer aboard, but plans were changed and I took the 402 in first. We were only about 10 miles at sea. It was raining so darn hard that I had to rely on compass bearings to find the harbor. We steered around the various craft anchored in the harbor and brought her alongside the Emyale on the first approach.

"The Division Commander came aboard and wanted to see the officer that was supposed to be on the first sub. He just about fell over the side when I told him that I brought her in by myself. It really was a lot of fun."

## Annual Meeting Of Scout Leaders

At the Carthage Hotel on December 3, the Reverend Nixon Taylor of Durham spoke before a gathering of forty-three scout masters and troop committeemen from eleven towns in Moore County, included within the Occaneechee Council. Subject of the address was the importance of parental influence and guidance in the lives of the young.

Towns represented at the meeting, declared the first annual meeting of Moore County Scoutmasters and Committeemen, were Aberdeen, Southern Pines, Pinehurst, West End, Manly, Vass, Robbins, High Falls and Carthage. Officers newly elected at the session to serve through the year 1946 were Paul Butler, Southern Pines, district chairman, and Fred Monroe, West End, vice-chairman. Operating committee heads are to be announced at a later date. Representatives from Southern Pines were Paul Butler, Phillip Weaver and N. L. Hodgkins.

## Dr. Milliken Better

Friends of Dr. J. E. Milliken of Southern Pines will be glad to hear that he is responding well to treatment. Dr. Milliken entered the Moore County Hospital Wednesday, suffering from a heart attack.

### 1946 NASH ON DISPLAY

Cecil Robinson, the Nash dealer for Southern Pines, and James Simons, attended a luncheon for Nash dealers of the southeastern district at the Ansley Hotel in Atlanta on Wednesday, December 5. Before returning, each dealer was presented with a new Nash automobile to take home for a public showing. Cecil Robinson is greatly enthused over the 1946 model Nash, which he believes will prove to be the best car that Nash has built.

## Council Will Aid Needy Families at Christmas Time

### Local Welfare Group Asks Toys, Clothing, Cash Funds for Cause

With the approach of Winter and the Christmas season, the Southern Pines Council of Social Agencies is now going ahead with plans for a period of accelerated activity. Concurrent with the holidays will be the annual program for providing needy families in Southern Pines and West Southern Pines with food, clothing, and other necessities.

Prior to last year, provisions for Christmas had been supplied to those in need of them through the direct distribution of baskets. This system has proved unsatisfactory, however, due in part to the fact that some baskets were misdirected and others were never received at all. Last season an improved arrangement was worked out by the council for the distribution of special purchase drafts to the heads of the families in question. These drafts were honored by local places of business for the stated amount, and the bills were in turn paid with the funds collected by the council. In an interview Monday Mrs. J. H. Towne, executive secretary, stated that this same arrangement, shown to be fully as economical as the distribution of baskets, and far more satisfactory, would be employed again this year.

In conjunction with the school authorities, who are kept closely in touch with the state of community welfare through daily contact with children, the council will again investigate and pass upon each proposed case individually. Amounts for which the drafts are drawn will be based upon the size and needs of the respective families.

The council is now soliciting funds. Checks should be drawn to the Southern Pines Council of Social Agencies and should be mailed to the treasurer, Mrs. Howard Butler, Southern Pines, North Carolina.

Donations of clothing and toys will be welcomed. Clothing should be sent to the Southern Pines and the West Southern Pines schools for distribution. Toys are being received at the local fire station.

Further information concerning the Council of Social Agencies and its work may be obtained by contacting any of the following officers and members: Morris Johnson, president; Miss Birdilia Bair, vice-president; Mrs. Howard Butler, treasurer; Mrs. J. H. Towne, executive secretary; Miss Katherine Wiley, secretary; Mrs. James Swett, and Phillip Weaver.

## Christmas Opportunities

The Moore County Welfare Superintendent will be glad to furnish information concerning needy families to any who wish to spread a bit of Christmas cheer in their own communities by providing gifts or Christmas baskets. Mrs. Cole has a list of the needy families and of Moore County children now in training schools, who would appreciate being remembered. Call 44, Carthage, collect.

## Pilot Editor Attends Conference On Bomb

The Nation Associates' Conference was held in the Hotel Astor in New York, Saturday and Sunday of last week. Attending as a delegate from North Carolina was Mrs. James Boyd, Pilot editor, who will give next week an informal report of the proceedings. The subject of the conference, addressed by leading scientists, writers, statesmen and industrialists, was "The Challenge of the Atomic Bomb." Delegates attended from twenty-four states.

### BABY WINDOW

In the window of the bank in Aberdeen is an attractive display of photographs of babies who have become owners of bonds during the Victory Loan Drive, together with a Cradle Roll of Honor and a Junior Roll of Honor.

## Victory Loan Drive Is Gaining But E-Bond Sales Still Lag Behind

### LOOK OUT!

Fort Bragg authorities stated today that due to field artillery firing on the Fort Bragg reservation all roads and trails leading into the area bounded on the North by Manchester Road, on the East by Lamont and MacRidge Roads, on the South by Chicken and Plank Roads, and on the West by King Road, will be closed to all military and civilian personnel and traffic from December 8th to 19th, inclusive.

(Query: Does that mean we can still drive to Bragg along the Manchester Road, without being konked? Lawd knows . . . or the Army. If you can just find out.)

## Kiwanians Hear President Of Indian College

Dr. R. D. Wellons, president of the State College for Indians at Pembroke in Robeson County, addressed the Sandhills Kiwanis Club at its weekly luncheon at the Southern Pines Country Club Wednesday, advocating a United Nations organization to adjust world affairs in an effort to avoid future wars. He declared that in order for the organization to succeed, we must be willing to "break the shell," give up some of the old traditions, and find a way to bring the nations together.

Dr. Wellons, who prior to 1942 was head of a college in India, gave a brief history of the Indian College at Pembroke. He stated that from 1835 to 1885, there were two school systems in North Carolina, one for white students and the other for colored. In 1885 the General Assembly of North Carolina established a third system for Indians and in 1888 a small school was started in Robeson County. In 1939 the State College at Pembroke was opened and is now doing splendid work under the direction of Dr. Wellons. There are at present 18,000 Indians in the community, and six high schools.

The speaker was introduced by Paul Butler, chairman of the program committee.

## Eight Men Called For Induction December 11

Eight Moore County white men have been notified to report at Fort Bragg on December 11 for induction. In the list are Harold Vernon Marsh, Carthage, R-2; Harold Alexander Connell, Carthage, R-1; Thornton Maness Frye, Carthage; Joshua David Matthews, Carthage, R-3; Robert Cornelius Morrison, Southern Pines; Arby Davis Caviness, Robbins, R-1; James Ernie Milton Holyfield, Vass, R-2; Sandy Junior Simmons, West End.

### RETURNED FROM OVERSEAS

Henry Peternick has arrived from overseas and has joined his wife, of the Pinehurst school faculty. They have leased an apartment in Southern Pines.

Carlisle D. Johnson recently received his discharge after several years' service with the Airborne Ferry Command, and is visiting his mother, Mrs. Lee Smith, at Barbour Cottage in Pinehurst.

Billy Carpenter, SK 3-c, arrived at his home in Pinebluff Saturday for a thirty-day furlough, having spent the past seventeen months with the Navy in the Pacific.

### ATTENDS MEETING

Miss Maida Jenkins, tax supervisor for Moore County, went to Chapel Hill Thursday to attend a two-day statewide meeting of tax supervisors.

### REENLISTED

Sgts. James, John and Walter Patrick, all of the Army Air Corps, are spending a number of days of their respective reenlistment furloughs with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Patrick of Pinebluff.

## Few Large Purchases Boost Resort Quotas, Public Indifferent

Pinehurst and Southern Pines have exceeded their quotas on overall bond figures, but are still behind on purchases of E-bonds. Other parts of the county report difficulty in even meeting the overall quotas, the figure for the county through December 3 being only 55% raised and, in E-bonds, only 37%.

Chairman Stevens, discussing the current stage of the drive, attributes the public's indifference to a lamentable lack of imagination. "It's typical of Americans, unfortunately," he said, "to forget something the minute it's over. In this case the need is not over, but it seems to be hard to convince people of the fact. We still have several million men under arms, we have wounded pouring home on every ship, we have past obligations to fulfill, but try to get people to see it..."

Questioned as to the apparently good showing of Southern Pines, the chairman pointed out that, as it happened, \$80,000.00 of the amount came from just two purchasers; without those two sales Southern Pines would be way below its quota instead of way above it. And, of course, the chairman added, the important purchases, from the standpoint of inflation, are the E-bonds, which are still below their quota figure. He added that the Treasury Department does not list a quota as filled unless it includes the E-bond as well as the overall quota.

The smaller purchase of bonds of low denomination are the ones lacking in these figures, showing that the public is not getting behind this drive. Though workers have done their best, and though prosperity and purchasing power are soaring, the investments which will keep the country on an even keel and pay its debts of honor to our servicemen, are not being made.

Canvassers for the Women's Division in Southern Pines, under Mrs. Phillip Weaver, have been making a house-to-house drive, and report purchases of over \$5,000.00 on Monday, with Tuesday's efforts equally successful. Of the group, Mrs. Hoke Pollock has raised over \$3,000.00 and Mrs. Lawrence Grover almost as much. Others making the canvass, besides those listed in The Pilot last week, are: Mrs. Paul Van Camp, Mrs. C. N. Page, Mrs. J. J. Spring, Mrs. Levis Prizer, Miss Florence Campbell, Mrs. W. F. Angen, Mrs. H. J. Menzel, M. S. Page Choate and Mrs. Jack Priest.

Most recent figures for Southern Pines are: Overall: \$198,542.00, (quota: \$124,800.00), E-bonds, \$47,611.25, (quota: \$66,640.00).

Aberdeen is close to its overall quota and Pinebluff, selling entirely E-bonds, has sold \$1518.75 against a quota of \$2230.00.

### Christmas Cantata

Under the direction of Mrs. H. V. Carson, the Sanford Choral Society, sponsored by the Sanford Music Club, will present a Christmas cantata, "The Coming of the King," by Dudley Buck, Sunday, December 9, at 4 p. m. and at 8 p. m. in the Sanford Presbyterian Church. The public is invited.

### UNITED EFFORT NEEDED

Mrs. Cole, Moore County school attendance officer, is asking the cooperation of teachers, principals and parents in keeping the children in school regularly. She asks that teachers notify parents of their children's absence by letter or by a visit, before reporting to her. School attendance is still a problem, Mrs. Cole says, and she is eager to cooperate in seeing that these children receive an education.

### MARTIN MOTOR COMPANY DISPLAYS NEW BUICK

Object of many longing looks and much favorable comment is the new 1946 Buick now on display in the show room of Martin Motor Company in Aberdeen. Dr. P. J. Chester is to be the owner of this first new Buick to reach the Sandhills.