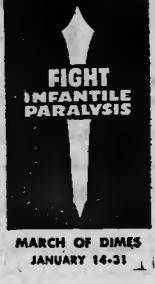
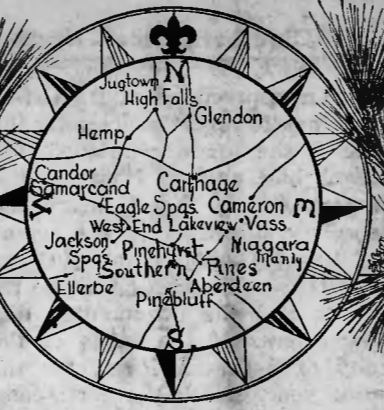




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Walk-Out of Moore Central Railroad Workers Saturday

Freight For Carthage Delayed Week Thru Alleged Inefficiency

The stalling of freight service between Cameron and Carthage via the Moore Central Railroad became a source of concern, last week, to numerous merchants in the Carthage vicinity. With stocks already depleted a number of retailers in the county seat were anxiously awaiting delivery of freight shipments due more than a week ago. Carthage businessmen stated on Monday that their shipments were then in the freight depot at Cameron, to which point they are delivered by the Seaboard Airline.

Aggravating the already unsatisfactory situation was the walk-out on Saturday of freight handlers and other personnel, resulting from the failure of the Moore Central line to pay off its employees at that time. Late in the morning on Monday, however, the payroll was met with checks drawn upon the Moore Central Railroad. Displaying the check with which he was paid off, one employee stated that in recent weeks the line had paid off with checks upon the Carthage Weaving Company.

Both the Textile plant and the railroad are owned by Van Buren Sharp of Pinebluff. The Carthage Weaving Company was engaged during the war in filling government contracts, but for several weeks past has not been in operation. When questioned by a reporter late in December, the owner of the plant stated that its reopening was dependent upon the receipt of materials. The Moore Central Railroad was purchased by Sharp several years ago, when the line was in a state of bankruptcy, for a reputed forty-eight hundred dollars. Sharp was not available for interview at his office in the textile plant earlier this week.

For years past, the rail line from Cameron to Carthage has served to connect the county seat with the main line road. Although transportation by motor freight has in more recent years supplemented the railroad, the latter is still an integral factor in the economics of the town. There have been complaints on the part of many citizens that, under the present ownership, the railroad has not been maintained so as to give adequate service to the public. It is reported that the present operation of the road is to be a subject for discussion by the town commissioners of Carthage in the near future, with a view to bringing the matter before the Public Utilities Commission in Raleigh.

Mishap To Convoy Blocks Highway

There was quite a tie-up on May Street, here, at 9:30 Sunday morning when a convoy of trucks and trailers of the service company of the 8th Infantry Regiment, 4th Division, went awry. The 'convoy,' which was in charge of Lt. R. L. Rosne, was driving south from Camp Butler. Failing to keep alignment, one truck overrode the trailer of the truck ahead of it. Swerving to the left it finally brought up against the telegraph pole in front of the school. The following truck ran up over the curb, but came back safely onto the highway.

The resultant traffic tie-up, well handled by state trooper, Kelly, assisting the local force of Newton and McDonald, was cleared up within an hour. There were no injuries.

CLOSING DATE

"Chick" Holliday, manager of Holliday's Restaurant, announces that in the future the restaurant will close on Mondays, rather than on Tuesday as in the past.

SHHH!

A whisper swept the female population of Southern Pines this week, swept them right out into the street. . . ladies all going in one direction. Some glided forward as if filled with a deadly purpose, others affected an airy indifference, strolling nonchalantly along; most of them just hurried. But one and all they glanced over their shoulders and catching sight of another pursuing dame, put on speed.

They converged on Mrs. Hayes' Shop where, glaring balefully at their rivals in the race, each popped inside.

What was the magic whisper that had galvanized the ladies into action? Guess. It sounded to us like: SNOLYN.

Mrs. Loys Smith In Fatal Accident Last Monday Night

Woman Killed As Car Overturns On Road From Charlotte

Thrown to the ground by the momentum of the car in which she was riding as it overturned, Mrs. Loys Smith, 47, of Smithville, Mo., and Pinehurst, died almost instantly on the Albemarle Road at about 8:15 last Monday night. Mrs. Benna Kirk Barbour, driver of the car, suffered only slight injuries, and was resting at her home in Pinehurst on Tuesday.

With her statements verified by the county police, Mrs. Barbour vividly described her plight as, blinded by approaching headlights, she lost control of the car. Hurling from the car as it left the road, Mrs. Smith was crushed to death beneath the wheels. The machine continued to skid for some distance, overturning finally in a ditch. Failure of the approaching car to dim its lights, Mrs. Barbour said, caused her to lose control and run off onto the shoulder of the road.

Scene of the accident was the Albemarle Road near the Clear Creek School. After a day's shopping tour in Charlotte, the two women were returning to Pinehurst in a car, a 1941 Chevrolet, rented for the occasion. The car was badly damaged. Pending efforts to get in touch with relatives of the deceased in Missouri, the body was taken to the Douglas and Swing funeral home in Charlotte.

Mrs. Smith, a widow, whose husband died in Missouri more than a year ago, had been a member of the staff at the Dunes Club for some time past. Mrs. Barbour stated that, though the two women were friends, she knew very little concerning Mrs. Smith's relatives in Missouri. Mrs. Barbour is the operator of Kirk's Beauty Shop in Pinehurst.

"JOLLY ROGER"

T Sgt. Harold Tate, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Tate of Southern Pines, was discharged at Fort Bragg on December 6, and is now at home with his parents. Sgt. Tate was in the army for thirty-one months, and served overseas in the Pacific theatre with the 90th—"Jolly Roger" Bomb Group for one year. Among the scattered corners of the Pacific in which Sgt. Tate served are the Netherlands East Indies, the Philippines, New Guinea, and Iwo Jima.

Kiwanis Plaques

During his recent furlough, Daniel A. Blue, Jr., received the first of the handsome plaques awarded by the Sandhills Kiwanis to members in the services of their country. Last week Captain Leland McKeithen became the second recipient so honored. Awaiting presentation are plaques for Carl G. Thompson, Jr., and George London.

Clifton Blue May Be County's Next Representative

Aberdeen Editor Believes Public Opinion Favorable

H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen, editor of the Sandhill Citizen and himself a leading Sandhill citizen, is contemplating exchanging the typewriter and pastepot of his present vocation, for the lectern of the halls of government. Maybe he even intends to change shirt-sleeves for a black frock and let his hair hang down over the back of his collar.

Anyway, whatever his future garb or attitude, it is great good news to hear that there is every likelihood that Clif Blue will be Moore County's next candidate for the state legislature.

While not entirely ready to commit himself with a definite announcement, Blue has been canvassing sentiment and feels that the general enthusiasm expressed for his candidacy indicates that he would have the people behind him in his campaign.

"I would not want to run," he said, "unless I felt that the people wanted me. I believe in the sound judgement of the people of Moore County. I have been encouraged lately, when talking to folks here and there, to find all in favor of the idea. The good will of the people is essential to a candidate, not only to get elected, but to do a good job afterwards."

Blue indicated that the next few weeks would probably bring a definite announcement on his part of his political stand and intentions.

Pinebluff Citizen Killed Instantly In Motor Crash

J. D. Adcox, long time resident of Pinebluff, was killed instantly and his son-in-law, E. J. Adams, Senior, was badly injured, when the car in which they were driving was struck by a bus near Fuquay Springs. While details of the accident are not definitely known, it is thought that the bus which was passing a wagon, pulled out suddenly forcing the Adcox car off the road.

The funeral service for Mr. Adcox will be today, Friday, January 11th, at the Pinebluff Methodist Church at 11 a. m.

Mr. Adcox, who was elderly and has suffered for several years from a bad heart, was the father of seventeen children. At the time of his death only his wife and his daughter, Mrs. Virginia Adcox Boyette, were at home.

Adams, who is said to have been at the wheel of the car, was severely injured and is now in a serious condition in the Moore County Hospital. Knowledge of the details of the accident will probably have to await his recovery.

Temporary Resignation

J. A. Smith, for many years head of the Shaw Paint and Wallpaper Company in Southern Pines, has gone to Florida on doctor's orders, and will take an extended rest from his duties, for the time being. He hopes to be able to return to business later on. Meantime, his place is being ably filled by Joseph W. Williams, who comes to Southern Pines from the Norfolk, Va., branch of the company.

NOTICE

During the prevalence of influenza every one is requested not to visit patients at the Moore County Hospital unless the visit is clearly necessary. Less contact with outsiders means less chance that patients will develop influenza. Moore County Hospital, Inc.

Likens Dimes Drive to War on Axis



Chief of Staff Dwight D. Eisenhower endorses the March of Dimes conducted January 14-31 by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis as a "fighting tribute" to the memory of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Said General of the Army Eisenhower:

"There will be no question of the response from every American who understands the urgency of the appeal. In our country infantile paralysis remains as one of the scourges that we must strive to eliminate, and I am certain that the fighting services and all veterans and civilians will unite in helping to defeat this enemy just as they did in gaining the victory over the Axis in the field."

Lt. Walsh Brings Hunters Here For Sandhills Season

Two of the finest hunters belonging to James T. Duffy, Jr., of "The Gleann," York, Pa., have been shipped from the well-known Duffy stables to Southern Pines for the winter season. Clifton's Glory, a grey six-year-old, winner of numerous blues and championships throughout the Northeast, may well cause local horsemen to sit up and take notice. Second of the two horses, which are being boarded at Mickey Walsh's Stoneybrook Stables, is Kay's Beret, a young horse with an exceptional record as a hunter and fine promise for an outstanding name in future seasons.

The horses are being ridden and schooled by Lt. and Mrs. E. R. Walsh, III, daughter and son-in-law of James T. Duffy. Mrs. Walsh, the former Sheila Duffy, is a familiar figure at the many Pennsylvania and Maryland shows and her husband, an ardent horseman, schooled and showed horses in New England and the Midwest before the war.

Early Winners In Pinehurst Field Trials Announced

With the twenty-ninth annual running of the Pinehurst Field Trials well underway, the names of the winning dogs for the first three events on the card were available on Wednesday. Drawings for the various stakes beginning on Sunday, January 6, many sportsmen and a large field of entries were on hand to participate in competition held over the trial grounds in Pinehurst.

First place in the Amateur All Age held on Monday was Flak, whose name, with that of the owner, John A. Rush of Jacksonville, Fla., will be engraved on the "Shore Memorial Trophy," the latter eventually to become the property of any owner whose dogs are winners in this event for three consecutive years. Delivery Boy and Dockler's Sports Peerless, owned and handled by Louis M. Bobbitt of Winston-Salem, president of the Pinehurst Field Trials Club, were judged second and third, respectively.

Winner of the Amateur Derby, (Continued on Page 5)

Truman Shows Tragic Lack of True Leadership In Speech To Soldiers

President Truman's angry criticism of the insubordinate G. I. in Manila has shocked the nation even more than the disgraceful incident which evoked it. Suddenly assuming his role of commander in Chief, the president has out-brassed the brass.

Are his Battery D. days so far behind him that he has forgotten what soldiers are like?

There is nothing wrong with these young men. They are the younger brothers of the men who won the war. They are expected to fight, too, and were ready for what might come. Instead, they sat in idleness, in a hideous climate, surrounded by a ruined town and countryside, accomplishing nothing, while they were tantalized with promises of a swift return. It was entirely wrong, but was it any wonder that, when the promises were suddenly revoked, their patience snapped and discipline went by the boards?

Bad discipline means bad officers; it means a bad policy, badly administered. Instead of blaming the G. I. the president should have blamed their commanding officer who allowed morale to get so low. But most of all, he should have blamed himself. For, in the final analysis the blame rests squarely on his shoulders and those of his cabinet.

While giving lip service to a peace policy necessitating large occupational forces overseas, President Truman allowed the army, encouraged by a few fool congressmen out after votes, to inaugurate a system of demobilization which made that policy unenforceable. The present chaotic state of affairs is the result.

The situation is deadly serious. While sympathizing to the utmost with the soldiers, we cannot deny that their behavior has brought about a national disgrace. Furthermore, it has furnished the op-boards? (Continued on Page 5)

New Development Near Country Club Started by Former Moore County Man

Plans Made for Attractive Project

Three Houses Now Under Construction by Reinecke; Others Later

GET A RISE?

Astounding to some. . . but not to us. . . was the sight on Broad Street Wednesday morning, of two local gentlemen, standing in the middle of the railroad tracks, picking up armfuls of bright, shiny fish.

How did the fish get there? Well, why not? They were on the seaboard, weren't they?

Sudden Death of Paul T. Barnum Is Blow To Sandhills

Loved Citizen Of Southern Pines Was In Good Health Friday

The Sandhills was deeply shocked at the sudden death of one of Southern Pines' best known and much loved citizens, Paul T. Barnum. Taken seriously ill about eighteen months ago, Mr. Barnum appeared to have entirely recovered, and was in good spirits and apparently in good health on Friday when, as usual, he was at his desk in his office on East Broad Street. Death came to him, in his sleep, the following morning, January 5th.

Services were held Monday, January 7th, at three o'clock, in Emmanuel Church, the Reverend Craig Hill Brown officiating. Active pall bearers were: N. L. Hodgens, C. P. Everest, John S. Ruggles, Clifton Johnson, L. V. O'Callaghan, J. C. Leech. A Masonic service was conducted at the grave, in Mt. Hope Cemetery.

Honorary Pallbearers were: Drs. J. P. Bowen, J. P. Chester, J. S. Milliken, and W. C. Mudgett and Messrs J. D. St. Clair, Frank Shamburger, Albert Bretsch, Harry Vale, Eugene Stevens, C. S. Hayes, Charles McDonald, Frank Buchan, Duncan Matthews, R. N. Page, Jr., Sam Richardson, Louis Scheipers, David Sutherland, James Swett, George Moore, and J. G. Humphries.

Stores in town were closed during the service as a mark of respect.

Born November 24th, 1891, the son of Samuel A. and Sarah Anderson Barnum, in Allentown, Washington Co., Pa. Paul Thurman Barnum went to Kiski. (Continued on Page 5)

County Ration Board Service Moves to Raleigh

On January 31st, the Moore County Ration Board will go out of existence. The office in the Court House where, during the past month, what remained of the work has been carried on, will close and, from now on, all rationing will be handled by the District office in Raleigh. This includes the handling of applications for sugar stamps which have been lost or damaged, as well as those from special consumers who require additional sugar for any reason.

The Board wishes to emphasize the fact that the Price Control Board is a separate organization and has nothing to do with the sugar rationing program.

Thompson to Speak

Carl Thompson, Jr., staff member of Radio Station WBIG, in Greensboro, formerly of Southern Pines, is among those scheduled to speak at the hearing on the minimum wage legislation to be held in Durham at the City Hall on January 12th. The hearing is sponsored by both the AFL and the CIO through committees in Durham, High Point and Burlington, and by the North Carolina Committee of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare.

The first building development since several years before the war is under way in Southern Pines.

On the lots that stretch from Ridge Street to Country Club Drive on Indiana Avenue, D. A. Graham, lumber man of Ruffin, S. C., has started three small houses. Purchase of the land itself from the former owners, E. W. Reinecke of Fayetteville and Dr. Sloan of Charlotte, was made through the Barnum Agency not long ago, and plans were soon drawn up. On the advice of the late Paul Barnum, the firm of Reinecke & Co. builders were employed, lots surveyed by James Swett and building sites determined.

Plans for the three houses now under construction show them to be similar in size, the floor plans calling for three bed-rooms, a bath, living-room, dining-room, and kitchen, but in details of appearance the houses will vary. One will be of brick veneer, one of clapboards and one shingled. Each is about 32 ft. by 30 ft. in overall measurements.

These houses now being built are the first in the development. Graham plans to build others as the demand increases and materials become available, and when interviewed said the present houses would probably be the smallest in the project. "The frontage of these lots is 84 feet, with a depth of 120," he said. "Most of the others will be a hundred or more feet and correspondingly deep and the grounds will be landscaped. This is a fine situation," he continued, "and we aim to keep it so and make it one of the most attractive sections of the town."

Rentals and sales in the development are in the hands of the Barnum Agency.

The owner and promoter of the project was born and bred in Moore County, having spent all his early days in Vass, where his sisters still live and where his brother, W. B. Graham, was an executive of the cotton mills until his death in 1939.

Top Musical Fare To Be Offered By Forum Next Week

The accent will be on youth at the Country Club next Thursday evening when the Pinehurst Forum presents two young concert artists in a long recital. They are Barbara Troxell and Paul Matthen who will give a varied program of songs from their extensive repertoire.

Miss Troxell is a lyric soprano whose voice has been described as "a warm lyric soprano with a dramatic tinge at the top." She graduated from Pennsylvania State College and afterwards was awarded a scholarship to study with Mme. Elizabeth Schumann at the Curtis School of Music, from which she was graduated in 1942. She has been soloist for two seasons at Duke University, guest artist of the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra when they presented Debussy's "Blessed Damselle," soprano soloist with the Dessoff Choirs and the National Orchestral Association, singing the Mozart Mass in Carnegie Hall, New York, and the Brahms Requiem in the New York City Center in 1944. This coming summer she has been engaged by the great Sir Thomas Beecham to sing in the Mozart Opera Festival to be held in Mexico City.

Paul Matthen, a member of the music faculty of Bennington College, is a pupil of Friedrich Schorr, distinguished Metropolitan Opera baritone, and has appeared before many concert audiences throughout the east, in Car-

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