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TEN CENTS

## Mrs. J. M. Guthrie Of Cameron May Go Into Politics

### Leading Moore Lady Seriously Considers Standing For House

Citizens of Moore County will be much interested to hear that Mrs. J. M. Guthrie of Cameron is seriously considering running for the state legislature.

Mrs. Guthrie's candidacy will be welcomed by all who care for the good of the county, for she knows this section and its needs as not many of its citizens do. She has lived here all her life and her forebears before her, back for six generations. Her father, the late H. P. McPherson of Cameron, served on the board of county commissioners for twenty years and, from childhood, Mrs. Guthrie heard about county problems. As she grew up she took her place in the life of the county, assuming many positions of responsibility in the Red Cross, Maternal Welfare work, T. B. Committee work, and in many matters pertaining to county relief.

Educated at Woman's College and Shenandoah Conservatory of Music, Mrs. Guthrie taught school in Mecklenburg County for four years, and on her return, took an active interest in the schools of the county. She has had business experience, working in the office of the tobacco warehouse in Sanford and, since her husband's death, has managed the farm. She is a member of the Grange and is on the AAA board. During the first world war, she served as a yeomanette at the Navy-yard in Washington.

"I have served", Mrs. Guthrie says, "on so many boards that were trying to get the state to help with something. I feel I would like to be on the other end, to be in a position to represent Moore County and to work for the needs of the county in the most effective way."

It would seem that Mrs. Guthrie was eminently fitted for the position she is considering and it is likely that many in Moore County will endorse her candidacy.

## W. S. Boswell In Wednesday Crash, Injuries Serious

Serious injury in a motor accident was incurred by W. S. Boswell, farmer of Carthage, route 2, early Wednesday afternoon as the car which he was driving collided with a truck on highway 15, approximately a mile out of Carthage. Boswell was taken to the Moore County Hospital immediately following the accident.

In Carthage yesterday, Sergeant W. B. Kelly of the State Highway Patrol described the mishap as having taken place as Boswell, driving in the direction of Sanford, allegedly attempted a sharp turn left and met the truck in collision. The truck was owned by P. T. Neathery and driven by James Hale, both of Halifax. No official information was available on Thursday as to the speeds at which the vehicles were moving.

A report from the Moore County Hospital today described Boswell's injuries as severe and his condition as remaining highly critical.

## "NO HORSE OPEN SLEIGH!"

No sleigh bells were jingling as the W. F. Smith and Roy Hendrick families, who live on adjoining farms up the Carthage Road, breezed into Vass last Thursday, but the group was just as jolly as any that ever went sleighing in regulation style.

In the mood for some winter sport, they hitched a tractor to two tobacco sleds, the two families piled in, and to town they came over the glassy slick road.

## VARIETY

Is the spice of life . . . Oh Yeah?

Then we all are so spicey it hurts. Morning temperature one day last week was so low snow was falling and folks were wishing they had a pair of skis. By afternoon the thermometer said: 80 degrees, and water wings were in demand. Take it away!

## Blue Teams Lose Twice To Strong Pinehurst Squads

### Basketeers Meet West End In Tilt At Home Tonight

by Jack Bilyeu

In a court meeting which local basketball fans were termed an upset, the high school five of Southern Pines, hitherto undefeated in three starts, bowed to a strong Pinehurst quintet away from home Tuesday night by a score of 23 to 17. With the tilted tied up 13 all at the half, marking a hotly contested game with a minimum of scoring, Pinehurst came through in the later periods to rack up 10 additional points for victory over the blue team. With few fouls committed by either team in the first two quarters, the second half, however, proved a roughshod affair.

A dark horse aggregation which two weeks ago defeated Aberdeen by only one point, the Pinehurst team, nevertheless, displayed unsuspected prowess and a fast, rangy outfit which remained in control of the ball for most of the evening. Dominating the court was the home team combination of Currie and Thomas, Pinehurst center and forward respectively, who between them scored 21 of all points for the victors.

Missing several scoring chances in the first half, the team from Southern Pines fired a number of wild shots throughout the evening, frequently losing possession of the ball beneath the basket. Highest scorer for the locals was forward Chan Page with 5 points.

After defeating the Carthage girls last week, the sextet coached by Miss Aline Todd went down before fast opposition in Tuesday's preliminary with the Pinehurst girls winning 46-28. Mainstay of the Pinehurst offense was the combination of Hunt, tall and speedy forward of three seasons' experience, and center Sally (Continued on Page 10)

## War Records of West Southern Pines Veterans Show Fine Service

by James Boyd Jr.

From time to time The Pilot has run articles on the experiences of returned white servicemen of his community. However, to date, no effort has been made to describe the fine job our Negro veterans have done.

The following brief survey is an attempt to tell the story. It is inadequate: far more is needed to do justice to the men and their records. It is also, certainly, incomplete; for there are sure to be many whose names have been left out, due to the inaccessibility of some of the men. The Pilot would welcome further names and information.

A break-down of the survey shows that of the 23 veterans listed, 8 were in combat outfits, 4 were with engineers, 5 were truck drivers, 6 were in various service units.

### The List

JOHN ALLEN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Allen, entered the army in December, 1942. He received training as an infantry signalman at Ft. McClellan, and was first sent to Alaska, then to Europe where he participated in the Central European campaign. At this time he was attached to the 561st Co., 512 Inf. 3rd Army. John was discharged as a PFC in November, 1945. He now

## March of Dimes



Here's five-year-old Donald Anderson of Pineville, Ore. The spirited little fellow whose inspiring victory over infantile paralysis keynotes the 1946 March of Dimes, January 14-31, conducted by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Standing in front of the March of Dimes poster showing him during and after his illness, Donald puts on a little toy gun-play for the photographer.

## - HELP -

Let's Go . . . Digging . . . Down in our pockets for dimes to speed more little girls and boys on the road to health with this little fellow on the left . . . Into our closets for some pants to put on this youngster on the right. . . not to mention a shirt without holes and a couple of sweaters.

## Victory Clothing



He's trying to do a good job with that old broom. but he's mighty cold. Hard to work when you're half frozen . . . and so small. What can we spare that he can wear?

## Capt. Frank Moran Noted Writer Adds Red Cross Meeting Given Medal for Skill Under Fire

Captain Frank T. Morgan, nephew of Mrs. Thomas Barron, and Mr. Barron, of May street, Southern Pines, has been awarded the Bronze Star for meritorious service during the German campaign. Presenting the medal was Major General William R. Schmidt, commander of the 76th Division.

"As assistant regimental surgeon for the Third Battalion, 417th Infantry Regiment," read the accompanying citation, "Captain Moran demonstrated outstanding proficiency in the fulfillment of his many and varied duties . . . On February 11, 1945, he accompanied a group from regimental headquarters across the Sauer River into the Siegfried Line and on his return aided in bringing back a group of walking and litter cases under intense enemy fire."

A further performance of duty for which Captain Moran received much credit was the establishing, during the initial phase of the crossing of the Sauer River, of an aid station at Echternach, Luxembourg, where in spite of constant enemy fire, casualties were skillfully treated and rapidly evacuated.

Captain Moran, who enlisted (Continued on Page 10)

## Noted Writer Adds Red Cross Meeting Here To Represent Eighteen Chapters

THIS HUMBLE TOKEN By Glenway Westcott

Now we have the victory, and we are somewhat ashamed because a hundred million human beings elsewhere in the world are in worse misery than ever. But we, in spite of our intense war effort and tragic sacrifice, are comparatively well-off.

This also frightens us a little. For the supremacy of our army and seapower and air-force has not netted us anything except the respect of the other nations. It is a kind of advantage that we cannot idly relax and depend upon; it may be dissipated and lost in a few months or a year or two. We are afraid that, in their suffering, they will conclude that we are egotistical and unimaginative, hypocritical and callous. There is not likely to be any real pacification of the world if they do.

History is woven of wondrously fine threads, minor matters, such as this: the contribution of a decent suit for a man to go to work in, a warm sweater for a tuberculous student, a woolen blanket for a dying old lady or an undernourished child. We are not a very proud nation; we do not know all the international answers; we are not filled with ambition or inspiration to rule the world. But, as we ourselves know, we are kind. This Victory Clothing Collection gives us a chance to prove it.

If we write letters to attach to what we contribute, let us say simply this—We are dismayed by victory, and humble about it, with so much to be done before it can be called peace. We will not forget the innocent victims of the war. These old clothes are a token.

## B. J. Simonds Announces Sale Of The Ellington

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Simonds announced last Friday that they had sold The Ellington, apartment house on Connecticut avenue, to W. W. Snow of Lumberton. The Simonds, well-known residents of Southern Pines, have owned The Ellington for twenty-six years, and during that time passed their winters here. They left Southern Pines last Saturday for St. Petersburg, Fla., where they will remain for the next three months.

As was their custom during their many years of residence here, Mr. and Mrs. Simonds will return to Wells Beach, Me., for the summer, continuing to operate the "North Carolina Stand" there. Every summer at the northern beach Simonds displays a colorful and representative stock of pottery, fruits, preserves, and other items from Carolina.

## Red Cross Meeting Here To Represent Eighteen Chapters

At a regional meeting of Red Cross chapter heads from Moore and seventeen adjoining counties, to be held at the Southern Pines Country Club on Monday, January 28, plans for the annual Red Cross Fund campaign will be discussed. The yearly drive will be underway here early in February, Mrs. William J. Kennedy, director of the Moore County Red Cross Chapter, said yesterday.

As hosts, officials of the Moore County Chapter are expecting to entertain from sixty to seventy guests representing the various counties in the southeastern area. Principal speaker at the luncheon planned for the country club on Monday will be Mrs. Francis P. Simerville, regional director. Also expected is Miss Mary Phillips, Red Cross general field representative.

Colonel George P. Hawes, Jr., of Pinehurst, Moore County chapter chairman, will preside at the meeting.

## Mid Pines To Hold First Amateur-Pro Tourney of Season

Of outstanding interest among current golfing events will be the first amateur-professional tournament of the winter season in the Sandhills, slated to get underway on the course at the Mid Pines Club, on Monday, January 28. The tournament, under direction of Frank Cosgrove of The Mid Pines, is expected to attract numerous professional and amateur golfers of talent. Play will follow the metropolitan plan, each professional having three amateur partners.

Green fees are not in order, but amateur contestants will pay an entry fee of \$5.00, all of which goes into prizes. Awards will be (Continued on Page 10)

## Illness Keeps C. T. Patch Away From Store

Once more a patient in the Moore County Hospital, C. T. Patch is still absent from his office at the store, where he is greatly missed.

A yard-stick of the age of this little town is the realization that this is the 49th year of the existence of the Patch Department Store. Though its shelves hold the most up-to-date in mechanized, there is a homey quality about the place that is most appealing. The salesladies have most of them been there for some time, while the proprietor himself was always to be found in his office.

His many friends hope that Mr. Patch will soon be well enough to return.

## Southern Pines Warehouses Bought by Ellis and Von Schlegell Veterans of World War II

### New Owners To Keep Present Set-Up And Develop New Lines

Cheers for the town force which made such a good quick job of cleaning the snow and ice off the main streets of town under the charge of Street Superintendent Norton. It was a hard job, well done. It made the streets passable in record time.

It also, incidentally, provided an inspiring spectacle for hundreds, we would judge, of fascinated onlookers. Included in the crowd were observed, at one time or another throughout the day, all the town commissioners, the town clerk, both policemen, all citizens, leading and otherwise from this side of the creek and the other, and various members of the elite of Pinehurst, Aberdeen and the adjacent countryside.

(The latter in Southern Pines that day, obviously, because of the complete impassibility of streets at home . . . Don't shoot, boys, don't shoot! We didn't mean it!)

## Old Buchan Store In Manly Goes

The old red store across the tracks at Manly is coming down. This old landmark of the section has been sold by its present owner, Mrs. Arthur McNeill, and the lumber will be used again, part for the additions at the Ernest Ives and Malcolm Kemp cabins, and the rest to be saved for future use. The work is under the supervision of A. B. Yeomans.

The store was one of the last of the old buildings of these parts. It was built by John Buchan, uncle of the present Southern Pines postmaster, about seventy-five years ago. At that time Manly was a thriving community, the shopping center of the whole section. Because it was on the main line of the railroad, goods were sent in by whole carload lots, and people came there from even as far away as Fayetteville to shop.

It was the center of the turpentine and lumbering district. The lumbermen were a rough crowd and used to surge into the little town Saturday nights and kick up quite a row. Estimates of the number of bar-rooms, carrying on a roaring trade, vary from seven to thirteen. Whatever the number, they contributed to give Manly the "short life and the gay one" that was its destiny. For when the turpentine was all used up and the trees all cut down, life in the settlement dropped back to the old quiet ways. The paint on the old store began to peel, and saloons were pulled down to make room for hog-lots and chicken houses. And the inhabitants heaved a sigh of relief, we may imagine, if also of some regret that the gay doings were no more.

The old store remained in the Buchan family, and was run by Frank until his Uncle died. Then it was sold to the Bass family of Virginia, from whom Mr. McNeill bought it.

The boards of which it is built and the floors and shelving are all of heart pine, wide and beautiful. Though sad to see old landmarks go, it is good news that the old wood will once more be used to house Sandhills' people and that its beauty will be preserved for future generations.

## TWO COMING

Two Moore County men are returning from the Pacific aboard the same ship, the U. S. S. Talladega. They are Pfc. Harry L. Klabatz and T/5 Charles V. Johnson, both of Southern Pines. The ship is bringing home 1,922 high-point veterans scheduled for early discharge.

Announcement has been made of the sale of the Southern Pines Warehouses to Col. John T. Ellis, Jr. and John B. Von Schlegell, both of Pinehurst. This business, which was owned and operated by the late Hugh Betterley for many years, was placed on the market a short time ago by his wife at the figure of \$45,000.00.

The original business was one of the first of the kind in this section and was conducted by W. J. Stuart, located opposite the freight station. Mr. Betterley bought out Mr. Stuart and moved the building to the present location at the southern end of town in 1923. Since then, the business has grown steadily in size and importance in the development of the community.

The new owners plan to carry on in the same location. Both are veterans of the last war. Col. Ellis, who is president of the company, took a major part in planning the strategy of the invasion of Southern France and was a passenger in the first glider to land there, while Von Schlegell, the treasurer, was a member of the Eighth Air Force and completed many missions over Germany. Though comparative newcomers to the Sandhills, both are full of enthusiasm for the section and plan to locate here permanently.

With the assistance of the present employees, the new owners plan to enlarge the business and add several new lines of merchandise. While admitting that stocks are difficult to obtain nowadays, they said that they believe that their contacts with various large manufacturers should prove helpful in overcoming that present handicap.

The sale will be of great interest to all who have watched the Southern Pines Warehouses develop under the management of the former owner, and many will wish to join in the sentiments expressed recently by Mrs. Betterley when she said she was glad the business would continue and wished the new owners all good luck in their enterprise.

## McDonald Reports War Fund Success

Final report of the United War Fund Drive, as made by the county chairman, C. J. McDonald, shows that the county raised a total of \$12,076.46. Of this amount Sheriff McDonald reports that \$9,635.07 was sent to the War Fund office in Raleigh, \$2,316.39 to the Boy Scouts of Moore County and that \$135.00 was paid for advertising, stenography, travel and other campaign expenses.

In congratulating the people of the county on their splendid support of this cause, Sheriff McDonald said:

"I wish to take this opportunity to thank each and every person in Moore County for taking part in this campaign, and especially the chairmen of the different committees who did so much (Continued on Page 10)

## ABERDEEN BENEFIT DANCE

A benefit dance for the March of Dimes, national drive in the fight against infantile paralysis, has been scheduled for the Aberdeen Community House on the evening of January 31, R. C. Fields, Aberdeen polio chairman, announced this week. Tariff for pre-sale tickets available at Aberdeen drug stores is \$1.00, with ladies to be admitted gratis to the affair. Excellent music will be provided and a large attendance is hoped for. Dancing will last from 9:00 until 12:00 p. m. Chairman appointed in charge of arrangements is Raymond Wicker of Aberdeen.