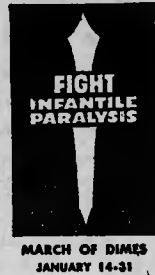


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## American Veterans Committee Appoints James Boyd, Jr. and Spenser Of S. C. Southern Representatives

### Fifteen Members Enroll To Start Local Chapter

The American Veterans' Committee, World War II's fast-growing and vigorous veterans' organization, this week appointed James Boyd Jr. co-representative in the South. S. R. Spenser, Jr. of Columbia, S. C. is the other representative for the Southern states.

Boyd early recognized the AVC as the nearest answer to what returning veterans want: an organization that will take active interest in the future of this world, of their nation and their community, and thereby give them a continuing voice in that for which they fought.

The AVC is now headed by twenty-five-year-old Charles G. Bolte, author of "The New Veteran", radio speaker and recent guest on popular "Inform on" (Continued on Page 5).

## Tie-Ups For First and Second Honors In Golf Play Here

### Five Under Par Leads In First Amateur-Pro Tourney at Mid-Pines

Amateur and pro golfers from clubs throughout the State thronged the Mid Pines course here on Monday as Clarence Owen, Martinsville, Va. pro, and his amateur partner, M. E. Nelson, of Martinsville—netting five strokes under par, 32-35-67—tied with pro Johnny Palmer, Badin, and partner Jack Snuggs, of Albemarle, for top honors in the first amateur-professional tournament of the season. Carding for the Palmer-Snuggs combination was 34-33-67, as the two teams finished low from among a field of 60 golfers.

With tie-ups seemingly the order for the day, the Pinehurst team of Harold Calloway and N. Kennedy posted a 32-36-68 to draw for second laurels at four under par with Johnny Palmer and D. T. Wolf, of Badin, who turned in a 34-34-68.

Cash prizes were awarded to winning pros, while amateurs received golf merchandise.

Summary of the scoring: Fred Baroni, Pittsburgh, and Tom Black, 35-33-70. Charles Farlow, Greensboro, and David Cox, 35-35-70. Bill Suter, Southern Pines, and Mack Alspaugh, 33-37-70. Roy Grinnell, Southern Pines, and Jack Carter, 35-35-70. Johnny Cappello, Pine Needles, and Joe Pipa, 35-36-71. Palmer Maples, Pinehurst, and Robert Sides, 34-37-71. Earl Estridge, Badin, and J. Snuggs, 34-37-71. George Corcoran, Greensboro, and P. Humphrey, 36-36-72. F. H. Welch, Salisbury, and J. McCones, 35-38-73. Myron Barrett, Pinehurst, and R. A. Hunter, 36-37-73.

## Gray Ladies Needed

The good work accomplished by the Gray Ladies of the Moore County Chapter of the Red Cross, has "boggled down." With officers at Fort Bragg hospital calling for help, the chapter, in recent days, has been unable to provide the assistance requested.

The schedule calls for six Gray Ladies, two days each week, Monday and Friday, to serve at the Fort Bragg Hospital from 2 p. m. until 4:30 p. m. Mrs. Arthur Joisted, chairman of the county chapter, is eager for Moore to return to the schedule requested. Recently, only two Gray Ladies from Moore have been helping at Fort Bragg.

A new class for Gray Ladies will start in mid-February. Information may be obtained by calling County Chapter headquarters, Southern Pines 8571 or Southern Pines 6181.

## FOR SIT-DOWNERS

Three nice places to sit and enjoy yourself, with or without the exercise of the brain, (depending on taste, not to mention said brain) are: The Thistle Club Saturday afternoon bridge-and-tea parties at the Country Club; Bridge-fight starting at 2:15.

The Civic Club afternoon get-togethers: The next one, February 11th, on politics, with Mrs. J. M. Guthrie, candidate for the lower house for Moore County, the speaker.

The Library, where you can read anything from Thomas Wolfe to the Elsie Books, (OR even The Pilot) or just simply sit and enjoy the lovely room. Designed by Aymar Embury, it was voted by a visiting library committee, not long ago, one of the most attractive small libraries in the country.

## Directors Appoint Committees For Moore Co. Hospital

### W. L. Currie Heads Executive Board For Coming Year

The Directors of the Moore County Hospital have announced standing committee assignments for the year 1946.

Wilbur H. Currie, of Carthage, is chairman of the executive committee; other members are Mrs. James Boyd, Gordon M. Cameron, Paul Dana, Col. George P. Hawes, Jr., John M. Howarth, George H. Maurice, Mrs. M. G. Nichols, G. C. Seymour, and Richard S. Tufts. The executive committee meets on the third Wednesday of each month.

Frank Shamburger, of Aberdeen, is chairman of the committee on finance, which also includes Mrs. James H. Andrews, Paul Dana, H. Frederick Lesh, and Kenneth B. Trousdell. The committee on construction is headed by George M. Maurice, of Eagle Springs, who will be assisted by vice-chairman Col. George P. Hawes, Jr., Mrs. Paul Dana, John M. Howarth, and John F. Taylor.

Preliminary sketches for an expansion of the hospital plant are now being prepared by architect Walter W. Hock, of Charlotte. When ready, these sketches will be submitted to the full Board for further consideration.

Eric Nelson, of Pinehurst, directs the committee on maintenance. His fellow members are M. C. McDonald, Jr., and L. V. O'Callaghan.

The important committee on professional relations has Richard S. Tufts as chairman. His associates are Jackson H. Boyd, Struthers Burt, Wilbur H. Currie, and G. C. Seymour.

Arthur S. Newcomb, of Southern Pines, is chairman of the committee on public relations. Other members are Mrs. James Boyd, Edward J. Burns, Paul Dana, and John Fiddner.

The full Board of Directors holds four state meetings a year, in February, May, October, and December. Special meetings of the Directors are called when necessary.

## AUXILIARY MEETING

The February meeting of the Moore County Hospital Auxiliary will be held on Wednesday, February 6, in the living room of the Nurses Home, at 10:30 a. m. The President of the Hospital, S. Donald Sherrerd, has been invited to speak on the topic, "Suggestions for Auxiliary Work."

## Landmark for Many Years



The C. T. Patch Department Store building, shown above, closed its doors on Wednesday in respect for the death of its owner, C. T. Patch. The leading mercantile business of this section, the establishment has always stood for those high standards of diligence and integrity typified by the life of its founder.

## John Boyd Butterfly And Moth Collection Given To State Museum

Last week Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Boyd took up to the State Museum in Raleigh the collection of butterflies and moths made by their son, John Boyd, assisted by his brother Alexander, during his boyhood here.

The young scientist, who lost his life serving on a destroyer in the Battle of Tulagi in November 1942, had started the collection when he was only nine years old, in 1930. Beginning close to home, he was seldom seen outdoors without his net, and spent a large part of his time, in good weather hunting for butterflies and moths which were then mounted in trays and kept in his little work-room on the top story of the Boyd house. Here he worked on rainy days as he grew older, studying, classifying, and mounting the specimens. When he left to enlist in the Navy, the collection was known far and wide among experts as the most complete private collection of North Carolina and Virginia lepidoptera in existence.

Actually, it contained, besides specimens from these two home states, insects from California, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado and many from Florida. Wherever he went, John took his net and boxes and went hunting.

One day in 1933 he and his brother were exploring the swamp below the Bowers farm. They came on an insignificant-looking creature, but the scientific eye spotted it immediately for something unusual. Correspondence with other experts developed considerable skepticism, until word suddenly came that many of the same tribe had appeared in the Dismal Swamp of Virginia, John's being the first ever to be found in North Carolina. Scientists, young and old, among them the Boyd brothers, converged on the

Real Estate Sales; S. R. Richardson With Agency Here

Word comes from the E. C. Stevens Real Estate and Insurance Agency on West Broad Street that S. B. Richardson, formerly Mayor of Southern Pines for several terms, recently concluded his work for the U. S. Post Office and has joined the Stevens agency. In the real estate business in Southern Pines for a number of years in the past, Richardson is well qualified to handle transactions of all kinds: farms, vacant lots, and residential and business property.

The announcement comes from Richardson this week of the sale of 4 plots of land, formerly owned by Dr. Charles A. Richardson of Closter, New Jersey. These plots are located on the north side of Midland Road, between Southern Pines and Pinehurst, and adjoin the property of W. C. Fowles on the west, having a total frontage of 800 feet and a depth of 1,000 feet, about 18 acres. The purchaser has not disclosed his plans for the tract, but it is believed the purchase was made for development.

## Stimson House Burns Tuesday

"Don't want any sympathy!" said Fred Stimson, but his many friends were giving him plenty just the same.

The cause of it was the fire which destroyed his farm-house about 2 miles northwest of Niagara on Tuesday. And if that isn't reason enough for sympathy we would be glad to know what it. Starting in the bed-room while the family and guests were at lunch, the blaze was out of control before it was discovered. Some furniture was saved, but the house was a total loss. Because there was no telephone, the fire company was not called.

The house was insured for a small amount. Contrary to rumors, which flew thick and fast, no other buildings were involved.

## Carthage Citizens Trying To Improve Freight Service

Carthage citizens are still hoping to improve the freight delivery situation in their town.

Last week, Thursday, a group of leading merchants met with B. Van Sharpe, owner of the Moore Central Railroad, to see if, between them, something could be worked out to improve the service. The meeting was held in a most cooperative spirit and various plans were discussed. Sharpe stated that the 40 pound rails now in use by the road were too light and had buckled, and that he was trying to secure 70 pound rails to take their place. Thus far he had been unsuccessful in his attempt to lease the heavier rails from the Seaboard.

After considerable discussion, a committee of three was appointed, consisting of Herbert Poole, Charles Sinclair, Jr., and J. Flinchum, to meet with the mayor and the town board and see what help could be obtained. One suggestion was that the town buy the rails and the railroad then lease them from the town, another, that the commissioners lend their influence to Sharpe's endeavor to lease the rails directly from the Seaboard.

At the meeting which ensued only the first two members of the committee were present and their efforts met with little success, the town board with one or two exceptions appearing to feel that the matter was not one of concern to the board.

Disappointment is being generally expressed that no progress had yet been made in a situation equally disturbing to all concerned, the merchants, the owner of the railroad, and many in Carthage who regret the apparent lethargy of the authorities in the face of this civic need.

## GOOD SENSE

"If the government's reports are right, industry in general can afford substantial wage increases. If the reports are wrong, management should offer some substantial proof to support its claim."

## C. T. Patch Dies In Forty-ninth Year In Southern Pines

### Respected Leader In Business And Civic Affairs Passes

With the death of Cephas Taylor Patch on Tuesday morning, following several weeks confinement in the Moore County Hospital, passed one of the few remaining pioneering business men of the early days of Southern Pines. Oldest in point of age, as well as continuity in business, Mr. Patch had celebrated the 49th anniversary of his mercantile career in the present store building scarcely more than 100 feet distant from his original establishment.

In these years, numbering almost half a century, Mr. Patch had seen the compact little town of a few hundred inhabitants grow in size and population, and as a member of the town government he had done his part in this steady upbuilding. He served three terms as a City Commissioner, a number of years as Chairman of the Sinking Fund, Chairman of the School Board, Director of the Citizens Bank and Trust Company. He was a Mason and Knight of Pythias.

Born in Walden, Va., March 19, 1887, he commenced his mercantile career at an early age, working for a time at Broken Bow, Neb. From there he moved to Boston, where he was the representative of a large wholesale house. Marrying Clara Sumner in Hudson, Mass., in 1896, he came to Southern Pines in January of the following year, and purchased the Tarbell merchandising business and store on West Broad street. As the business expanded he built, in 1909, the main part of the present store, and, in 1927, the new brick addition on the site of the old Citizens Bank building.

Funeral services were held in Emmanuel Episcopal Church at four o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the Rev. F. Craighill Brown officiating. The body was taken to Durham for cremation, final interment to be beside his wife, in Mt. Hope Cemetery, on Friday afternoon. A Masonic service will be held.

Survivors are: a son, Charles S. Patch, and a daughter, Mrs. Anna Patch Blue, a brother, James M. Patch of Southern Pines, a sister, Mrs. Anna Ordway Cabot, Vt., a half sister, Mrs. Charles E. Gorse, of Middle Grove, N. Y.; seven grandchildren, Charles S., Cephas T. II, Richard, and Hazel Eleanor, the children of Charles Patch; and Daniel E., James S., and Clara Anne, the children of Mrs. Blue.

## Amateur-Pro Golf Tourney Set For Country Club Here

The tournament for amateur and professional golfers staged at the Mid Pines Club last Monday, with play following the metropolitan plan, is slated for duplication at the Southern Pines Country Club on Monday, February 4, announced club manager Billy Wilson today.

In bringing the tournament to the Southern Pines course, Billy expects to attract numerous golfers of talent, including the majority of those in the field at the Mid Pines recently. Anticipated is the return of the amateur-pro combinations tying for first and second honors in competition last Monday. As before, each professional golfer will have three amateur players.

No green fees will be charged, but amateur contestants will pay an entry fee of \$5.00, all of which goes into prizes. Awards will consist of cash prizes for professionals and golf merchandise for amateurs.

## Grand Jury Report Shows County Institutions In Good Shape With A Few Reforms Definitely In Order

### DIME MARCHES ON!

The March of Dimes is going to go on in this state till February 8th. Not the first parade that got hit by bad weather, but one of the biggest, and one of the worst weathers, too . . . grammar or no grammar.

Because of schools being closed in lots of places and folks holding up like the proverbial ground-hog, we'll be behind in our polio fund-raising drive. So . . . let those Dimes March On!

## Seven Injured In Wednesday Wreck South of Lakeview

### Speeding Sedan Alleged Cause of Near-Tragic Crash

Seven persons sustained injuries in the collision of two Ford sedans a mile south of Lakeview on Highway 1, near the Skyline Airport, at 4:45 p. m. on Wednesday. Driving north on the return to their home in Burlington, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Mintz—with Mrs. Mintz' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Lynch—suffered multiple lacerations as their car was struck and knocked off the road by a second sedan in which were four negroes. Occupants of the second car, whose names were still unavailable Thursday, were travelling south. They were said to be from Jonesboro.

Mr. and Mrs. Mintz, taken to the Moore County Hospital for treatment, were discharged after a few hours. The three negroes, one of whom was reported to have sustained several broken ribs, were removed to Sanford.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynch, bleeding from numerous cuts, though their injuries were less serious, for a time remained on the scene. Lynch, driver of one of the cars, asserted that the negroes' car had been travelling at about 80 miles an hour. It has been alleged, also that the negroes were drinking.

Both sedans were demolished, the negroes' spare tire having been driven in through the back of their car, it was stated.

## Polio Is Topic Of Kiwanis Speeches At Weekly Lunch

Clifton Blue, Chairman of the Infantile Paralysis Drive, addressing the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, at its weekly luncheon Wednesday at the Southern Pines Country Club, gave some interesting statistical facts regarding Infantile Paralysis. Mr. Blue informed the club that the first known case of Infantile Paralysis was in the year 1894 in the State of Vermont. The first epidemic of the dreaded disease came in 1916 and centered in New York State. He declared that in 1944 there were nearly 20,000 cases in this country in which approximately 1,100 people lost their lives. Between 1916 and 1943 there were 2,259 cases in North Carolina of which ten were in Moore county. During this period of time in 1944 the state had 859 cases of which six were in Moore County. Continuing (the Editor of the Sandhill Citizen pointed out that in 1934 the state raised \$15,041.64, in its fight against Infantile Paralysis. In 1945 the total amount raised in the state amounted to \$517,211.00, of which Moore County raised a little over \$6,000. The county drive of this year is set at \$3,680 and since the county now has its own chapter it can retain one-half of the proceeds.

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## Armstrong Endorses Recommendations To Commissioners

The Grand Jury of Moore County, made up of 18 representative citizens of this section, finished its assignment last week and handed in to the presiding judge, the Honorable Frank M. Armstrong of Troy, its report and recommendations. A copy of the report which appears below, has been issued to each of the County Commissioners, for their information and possible action.

The Jury, which made visits to the County Home, Samarcand Manor, the Prison Farm, the County Jail, and which inspected the Court House in Carthage, spent considerable time examining both the physical plant and the administration of each institution. Recommendations made by them appear below in the report and embody, besides suggestions for repair work and painting, a plea for an overhauling of the system of some of the record-keeping in the County Clerk's Office in Carthage.

Judge Armstrong accompanied the report to the commissioners with a letter in which he pointed out that similar recommendations in the past had in some instances, not been carried out, and asked that a report of action taken, in line with this report, be sent to him. His letter follows the Grand Jury report.

## GRAND JURY REPORT

January 21, 1946, Term. To Honorable Frank A. Armstrong:

We the Grand Jury submit the following reports and recommendations:

All Bills presented to the Grand Jury were acted on as follows:

Three Bills were continued because the witnesses had not been subpoenaed and were, therefore, not present, one Bill was returned as not a true Bill and all others were returned as true Bills. Some painting has been done in

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## Eighteen Chapters Meet To Organize Red Cross Drive

The Southern Pines Country Club served as a meeting place for eighteen Red Cross Chapters, last week, Tuesday, when the Moore County Chapter acted as host to the neighboring communities, with the subject of the meeting: the coming War Fund Drive.

Red Cross officials from national and regional headquarters spoke to the representatives outlining the elaborate preparations being made to raise the 1946 national \$100,000,000 quota.

A quota of \$20,400 has been assigned the local Chapter in the 1946 Fund Campaign in March. A. L. Burney, retired Aberdeen merchant, now residing in Southern Pines, is county Chairman. Last year the county's quota was \$39,200, a sum which the generous people of the community passed long before the deadline, and raised to \$50,000.

Red Cross is stressing the importance of post-war service. Most eloquent plea at Southern Pines meeting was made by Miss Lacy H. Darter, of the U. S. Naval Hospital at Pensacola, Florida. Miss Darter said that service men in hospitals do not want to be "forgotten men," and that the Red Cross provides their widest association with the civilian life to which they are eager to return.

Fund Chairman Burney announced the following quotas and chairmen for Moore: Carthage, \$1,500, Rev. W. L. Warford; Pinehurst, \$7,000, W. Leland McKeithen; Aberdeen, \$1,600, J. B. Edwards; Southern Pines, \$6,000, John S. Ruggles; Knollwood \$800, (chairman to be assigned).