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Planes, Guns and Tanks Will Roar Once More At Bragg Army Day

Public Is Invited Parades and Bands In April 6th Show

With the wartime blanket of security restrictions now lifted, plans are underway at Fort Bragg for a general "Open House" to which the public is cordially invited on Army Day, April 6.

Buildings, barracks, and mess halls will be thrown open for general inspection; and the public will at last be permitted to examine at first hand the various types of weapons and equipment now used by the Army. Demonstrations and detailed explanation will accompany showing of the weapons and special equipment.

Of particular interest to civilians will be the showing of the self-propelled 240 mm (9 1-2 inch) howitzer; the recoilless 57 mm and 77 mm rifles which can be fired from the shoulder; flame throwers, and the heavy tank.

With gas rationing no longer in effect, tanks, tank destroyers, and jeeps will be available to those interested in being taken for a ride.

A feature of the demonstration arranged for public interest will be the processing given to each man when he is discharged from the Army. This entire procedure will be displayed at the Personnel Centre, and an actual ceremony will take place at which time discharge certificates will be presented to discharges.

This phase of Saturday's big military show will acquaint civilians with the extensive process of "getting out of the Army", and includes checking of records, counseling, and examinations.

For the air-minded, various types of military aircraft will be displayed at Pope Field, with crew members on hand to discuss the planes, armament and bombing equipment with visitors. Airborne equipment, including parachutes, radios, and special airborne weapons will be shown at the Army Ground Forces

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Medical Head of V. A., Visiting Here, Describes Plan For Veterans' Care

The Sandhills was favored with a distinguished visitor this week in the person of Dr. Paul Magnusson who, with his wife, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ives at their Paint Hill Farm. Dr. Magnusson, who is from Chicago and a leader in the field of bone surgery, is now heading the medical end of the Veterans Administration under General Omar Bradley.

Dr. Magnusson described the trip which brought him south as a pioneer venture in the field of medical administration. He is visiting the leading medical schools and universities of the country to tell them about the new plan inaugurated by the Administration and to enlist their help. According to him, one of the greatest handicaps from which the Administration has suffered has been the difficulty of securing the services of the highest type of physician, because of the instinctive aversion of the medical profession to anything which resembles organized, or what they have come to call "socialized", medicine. Dr. Magnusson has entire sympathy with this point of view, agreeing thoroughly with those of his profession who deny the possibility of good medical practice under lay administration, and fear the dangers of bureaucratic control. He believes that the plan which he has worked out for the Veterans Administration answers the objections of the medical profession and also assures the best possible care for the veteran.

The plan, of which he is the originator and which he is now en-

PROCLAMATION

Governor R. Gregg Cherry, in a proclamation making April the cancer control month in North Carolina, recently called upon citizens of the state to support the humanitarian work of the North Carolina Division of the Field Army of the American Cancer Society.

"Cancer," states the proclamation, "is the most feared of all diseases and its control is a great public health problem. . . Only through coordinated and adequately financed research can there be ultimate hope of conquering cancer."

Playmakers Plan Spring Production

"Village Playmakers" is the new title adopted by the "Little Theater" group of Southern Pines at a recent meeting held in the high school reception room and attended by an enthusiastic gathering, it was announced here this week. The change of name for the organization of local players was one of several suggestions received by letter from the "Little Theater" of Raleigh.

Both the letter and the suggestions followed the visit of Mrs. E. J. Austin, president of the players in Southern Pines, to discuss future plans with the director of the Raleigh organization. Members of the "Little Theater" ("Village Playmakers") here have been invited as guests of the "Little Theater" in Raleigh for the play which the latter are presenting the last week in April.

At the meeting here last week, plans were gotten underway for the first local production, to go forward under the direction of Mrs. Dwight Hoskins and Mrs. P. W. Choate.

Among the "Village Playmakers" who have extensive experience

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Hunt Teams And Pets Top Interest In Colorful Event

Dinah's Tricks Charm Judge; Puppies, Goats, Hen Vie For Prizes

by Howard F. Burns

William McCullough riding General Trouble, owned by Stonebrook Stables of Southern Pines, set the pace to capture first place in the class for hunt teams before the large number of spectators who surrounded the hunting course at the Southern Pines Country Club in the annual pet and horseshow here Sunday. In the team was Sir William, a bay gelding ridden by Miss Kathleen Walsh, and Clifton's Ferry, ridden by Miss Roberta Frye.

Second place went to the team captained by Miss Jean Overton, up on Star Dust, with Miss Faye Caddell riding Silver, and Miss Hannah Walsh on Zebula. Mrs. James Mechling, taking the lead on Henry's Dream, was awarded third place, along with Grey Mist ridden by Dwight W. Winkelman, Jr. of Syracuse, N. Y., and Junebug Tate of Pinehurst, riding Smoky, a six-year-old black gelding.

Miss Kathleen Walsh riding Sir William was winner of the blue ribbon over nine entries in the class for open jumpers. Zebrula, a buckskin, owned and ridden by Miss Hannah Walsh of Southern Pines, was second and Smoky, with Junebug Tate up, was third. Dinah, a trick Dalmatian entered by Mrs. James Mechling, captured first class over fifty entries in the annual pet show, with Bobby Priest's pet white goats as runners-up. Awarded third prize was David Atherton's Great Dane.

The mule team polo, captained by Morris Johnson of Southern Pines, scored four goals in the polo match over the team captained by Miss Phyllis Faircloth of Southern Pines.

The show concluded with an exhibition of plantation horses presented by Mrs. C. W. Clark of Farmington, Me.

The judge was B. A. Tompkins, Vice President of the Bankers Trust Company of New York. Mrs. Tompkins judged the pets and Mrs. James Boyd judged the children's horsemanship. The ribbons were presented by W. F. Angen, wife of Lt. Col. Angen of Elizabeth, N. J.

NEW LOCATION

The Theodota Shop, managed by Miss Katherine McDonald, is moving from the rear of the Barnum offices to a new location in the Citizens Bank Building, formerly occupied by the Carolina Gardens.

A Pledge

TO: Honorable Clinton P. Anderson Secretary, Dept. of Agriculture Washington, D. C.

The undersigned pledge themselves to comply with the request of President Truman's Famine Emergency Committee to conserve food in order to send more to the hungry abroad. We Shall:

PREVENT waste of bread: use less bread at each meal; substitute potatoes and oatmeal for bread and use fruits and other desserts instead of pastries and cakes.

USE less wheat cereals and other wheat products.

SAVE fats and oils by using meat drippings; serving fewer fried foods and going easy on oils and salad dressings.

GROW Victory gardens.

WATCH our garbage pails and not waste food.

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

THE PILOT respectfully and earnestly suggests that its readers sign this pledge, send it to the Secretary of Agriculture, and then take up an extra hole on that belt, and carry it out.

SIGNS

"Ask and it shall be given you; seek and ye shall find." The Pilot asked for signs, and lo, signs appeared! Everywhere in and about Southern Pines, on dangerous corner and speedy highway: "Speed limit 25 miles per hour." Cometh also . . . (ahem!) a new traffic light on The Pilot's own corner. Selah!

Flyer For Resort Line Here Awarded British D. F. C.

Comrades Lend Medals To Major Walker For Appearance At Embassy

Draped with borrowed medals last week was Major Talmadge E. Walker of Resort Airlines, Inc., of Knollwood Airfield here, as he received the British Distinguished Flying Cross in ceremonies presided over by Lord Halifax, British Ambassador to the United States.

Major Walker, known to his comrades as "Dixie", was not so long ago commander of the 27th Troup Carrier Squadron of the Army Air Force. Like many another hero, Walker was Johnny on the spot in combat, but a trifle careless about the numerous decorations he had received. Along with Admiral Spruance and a hundred or so other American officers and enlisted men, the Major was to show up at the British Embassy in uniform with full complement of medals. And the medals just weren't forthcoming.

So Major Lewis C. Burwell, president of the Resort Line, which plans to operate air tours around America this summer, and others of the be-medalled flying staff, most of whom had served with Walker, went into a huddle to pool their decorations and make up what was needed. From one flyer came the D.F.C., from another the American Distinguished Medal, while someone else threw in the air medal.

In the end they sent Dixie winging his way to Washington fully adorned. The boys were proud of their tall, quiet comrade, and a little envious too, perhaps. For bestowal of the British decoration, the empire's highest award for flyers short of the Victoria Cross, is an honor rare for any member of a foreign army. The citation accompanying (Continued on Page 5)

April 13 Heralds Annual Poppy Day

Once again on Poppy Day, April 13th, the members of the American Legion Auxiliary will dedicate their best efforts to distribution of memorial poppies to the citizens of Southern Pines, the chairman of the auxiliary announced. It is one of the ways in which all may pay tribute to, and keep faith with, those who died in the nation's service.

"The wearing of the poppy has become a silent pledge, renewed each year, that the people of America have not forgotten the responsibility they have been given by their fighting men of both wars," said the chairman, Mrs. Des Pland. "Many of these men have given their lives or their health for us, and it is with deep gratitude to them that we set aside a date on which to honor them and assure them that we remember our promise."

On Poppy Day the poppies will be offered for sale on the streets of Southern Pines and Pinehurst. It is hoped that by evening everyone will be wearing one. There is no fixed price.

TEMPORARY LOCATION

The Backers' Carolina Gardens have been moved from the bank building to a temporary location in the former B. J. Simonds store, now the Smith and Gouger Building, which adjoins the Sunrise Theater.

Flora Macdonald College



The Clans Gather At Red Springs In May To Celebrate Semi-Centennial Of College And Honor The Forty-Five

by Kate Stewart

This year marks the two hundredth anniversary of The Forty-five, the last tragic defeat of Charles Stuart on the Battle of Culloden Moor, bringing in its wake years of suffering to Scotland. It is also the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Flora Macdonald College, the small college at Red Springs, noted all ways for the excellence of its teaching and the high quality of its graduates.

Fifty years ago, when Flora Macdonald's beloved leader, Dr. C. G. Vardell, undertook to start the college he had four acres of land and \$4,000 of borrowed money. He has lived to see his college grow in excellence and in beauty, to see thousands of young girls graduate with well-rounded educations. His knowledge and love of flowers has resulted in the college's having one of the loveliest gardens in North Carolina, stretching along the banks of the nearby creek, in spring a glory of bulbs and azaleas where there used to be an impenetrable swamp. Now, at eighty-six, Dr. Vardell is conducting a campaign to raise the endowment necessary for membership in the Southern Association of Colleges.

The semicentennial celebration at Flora Macdonald College, will culminate on Tuesday, May 7, when the Honorable Angus Macdonald, Premier of Nova Scotia, will make the principal address at four o'clock. Representatives of universities and colleges in North and South Carolina will take part in the academic procession on the front campus. The International Clan Donald and Saint Andrews societies from the United States and Canada will be represented.

The importance of close international relations will be strongly emphasized when the people of this section join in honoring the great Scottish heroine, Flora Macdonald of Skye, who came to live in North Carolina. In the (Continued on Page 8)

Kiwanians Hear Commissioner Of Highway District

Dr. Henry Jordan of Cedar Falls, Highway Commissioner from the Sixth Division, addressing the Sandhills Kiwanis Club and members of the Board of County Commissioners, Moore County, at its luncheon at the Wednesday, stated that although serious consideration was being given to the secondary roads of North Carolina, contracts were being let for the building and improving of the primary roads of the State.

He explained that the primary system carries 82 percent of the traffic, as well as receiving 82 percent of the revenue for highway maintenance. He pointed out it is very necessary, that due to the alarming number of accidents on our public highways, improvements first be made in the primary system of roads.

Continuing, Dr. Jordan informed his hearers there were less than two hundred contracting firms in the state of North Carolina and it was impossible to get to the secondary roads system as soon as the highway department would like. In conclusion he predicted a tremendous road building program for 1947, and stated that it would take several years to complete the secondary road system.

The speaker was introduced by Leon Seymour of Aberdeen. Dr. T. A. Cheatham inducted into membership Ralph L. Chandler, Jr. and Jack Tesh.

Revival Of Spring Horse Show At Pinehurst, Apr. 13

Major equestrian event of the coming week will be the Spring Horse Show revived at Pinehurst under the auspices of the Sandhill Horse Show Association, slated now to go underway at 1:30 p. m. for the full afternoon of April 14, it was announced this week by David W. Roberts, secretary of the organization.

This major entertainment feature is to be staged at the Pinehurst Race Track, and will comprise a full program of open stakes for three and five-gaited fine harness and walking horses, hunters, and jumpers.

Four horse races have been scheduled for the afternoon, including a special half-mile open flat race, an eighth mile sprint, a race for horses never before having competed on the turf, and, as a strikingly novel feature of entertainment, a highly orthodox mule race with colored riders. Special classes will be offered for amateur riders.

Entries for the show will close on April 6, and should be sent to Secretary Roberts, from whom all details of the events can be obtained.

Judges for the hunters and jumpers will be George P. Mahoney, of Baltimore, Md., race commissioner of the State of Maryland, and Harry H. Hess, Hohokus, N. J., who will judge the three and five-gaited, fine (Continued on Page 5)

Dr. Arnold Wolfers Of Yale To Speak At Forum April 11

Last Meeting Of Year Brings Outstanding Speaker To Sandhills

The Pinehurst Forum presents next week, as the speaker on its final program, a man who is not only a leading authority of the things that occupy most minds these days, namely: international affairs, but is also a fascinating speaker. He is Dr. Arnold Wolfers, of Yale, and he will speak on "Europe's Struggle For Survival."

Though shortages and financial and social disruptions resulting from the war have to some extent upset the even tenor of American life, it is difficult for anyone not a close student of the subject to realize the utter ruin war brought to Europe, to victor and victim alike. Nor is it easy to understand how the ramifications of the European destruction inevitably affect America and the rest of the world.

For this reason the speaker at the Country Club on Thursday next, Apr. 11, deserves a capacity audience.

Dr. Wolfers is, or has been, associated with an impressive list of organizations in his field. He was special adviser and lecturer (Continued on Page 5)

Drive In County By League For Crippled Children

April 1 marked the opening of the twenty-fifth annual sale of Easter seals for the benefit of the North Carolina League For Crippled Children, with Mrs. Walter B. Cole of Carthage as Chairman of the drive in Moore county. This campaign, from which fifty percent of the proceeds will remain in the county, will continue until Easter Sunday, April 21. The goal for Moore County is \$1,000.00.

During the past twenty-five years, the North Carolina League For Crippled Children has developed a wide variety of interests, all centered around the idea of benefiting children crippled at birth, by disease, or by accident. Children handicapped in these ways are eligible for any of the many services of the League which may prove beneficial.

These services include hospitalization and treatment at the hands of recognized pediatric and orthopedic specialists; transportation to and from hospitals, clinics, and schools; special "bed-side" teachers for children confined to bed in orthopedic hospitals; and the purchase of crutches, braces, special shoes, wheel chairs, and other appliances and aids.

Moore County raised over \$700.00 in last year's drive, of which almost \$400.00 remained in the county to be administered locally. This money has been used to provide home care, transportation, artificial limbs, corrective shoes and braces for handicapped children.

A large part of the amount has been devoted to the boarding school expenses of a boy who has been discharged from an orthopedic hospital, but who is still unable to attend public school.

Bakery To Open

R. W. Howard, recently discharged from the Navy with the rank of ensign, will open a bakery in Southern Pines on April 11, in the location formerly occupied by the Sandwich Shop, it was learned here this week. Howard volunteered his services to the Navy exactly three years and nine months ago as an apprentice seaman. In his new business venture, he will be assisted by Mrs. Howard, his wife, and his father, M. L. Howard, who has a background of eight years experience with the United Bakery Company of Lexington.