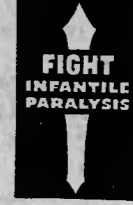




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Currie Explains Negative Vote On Teacher Pay Bill

Favors Salary Raise In Line With State's Ability To Pay

Southern Pines backers of the teachers pay raise issue, eagerly scanning the news to hear how their representatives had voted regarding the bill introduced in the first session of the legislature were disturbed to learn that, whereas Representative H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen had favored the bill, Moore County's senator, Hon. Wilbur H. Currie, had voted against it. Local disappointment was increased by the fact that under the leadership of John Ruggles, sixteen citizens, representing as many interests in town, had sent the senator a telegram on Sunday urging him to support the bill.

The Pilot telephoned Senator Currie in Raleigh to find out exactly what prompted his action and is glad to correct the impression received that the senator is against the teacher-pay raise. This, he stated, was far from the truth.

"I voted against this amended bill," said Currie, "because it did not meet the requirements. For instance, under such a flat percentage raise, a high school principal would have received a higher salary than a superintendent; B grade teachers, in some cases, would have gotten more than some of the A grade teachers." Currie said that the general sentiment was in favor of what the bill was trying to do but it was important that it be done right. Therefore, he said, realizing that if defeated the bill would go back to the committee for study and clarification, he and many others voted against it.

For Salary Raise

"I want it clearly understood," the senator said, "that I am for raising teachers' salaries to the fullest amount commensurate with the state's ability to pay. When the proper bill is submitted, I shall vote for it. I believe that this course will result in the teachers receiving, for this six months' emergency, even more than they would have under the defeated bill, and I am confident that a properly executed measure will pass both Senate and House."

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Citizens' Bank Has Record Year

The Citizens Bank and Trust company of Southern Pines has marked up 1946 as its most successful year, with new high records in deposits, loans and other items handled, according to the report of N. L. Hodgkins, president, at the annual stockholders meeting held at the bank Tuesday at 3 p. m.

Loans to veterans under the G. I. Bill of Rights, mostly for homes but also for small businesses, amounted to \$90,000. Much counsel was also given veterans, for their guidance in making wise investment of their resources and energy, and to help them in sound business policy.

Mr. Hodgkins praised the work of the staff, and expressed his gratitude to the members of the board of directors, who have given freely of their time for meetings for loan and policy decisions.

All board members were re-elected to serve during 1947: John C. Barron, Howard F. Burns, William D. Campbell, Norris L. Hodgkins, and John M. Howarth. An organization meeting of the directors Wednesday morning resulted in election of the following officers: N. L. Hodgkins, president; C. Carlton Kennedy, cashier; Ethel S. Jones, assistant cashier.

Gets Post Abroad



E. H. LORENSON

Ernest Lorenson Going to Germany

Ernest H. Lorenson, accountant here for the past 19 years, is packing up his things this week and saying farewells preparatory to sailing next Tuesday.

For Germany, where he will have the position of senior accountant with the special services division of the War department.

His appointment came indirectly as the result of his application more than a year ago for a post with the military government in Europe. He was notified December 29 of his appointment, and a letter from the War department this week advised him to be ready for travel orders.

A telegram Wednesday advised him of the sailing date, January 21, and he will leave for New York.

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Teams Continue Victories With Pinehurst Wins

In a double bill at Pinehurst Monday night the boys and girls basketball teams of Southern Pines took both games, the girls winning 41-38 and the boys carrying off with their game 32-17.

The girls' win over the slightly favored Pinehurst team was a spectacular contest all the way, and in doubt to the final whistle. Trailing at the quarter 6-9 the Blue and White had a 23-23 tie at the half. Coming back in the third quarter, the struggle between the two teams became so fast and furious that the lead seasawed four times, and was tied up twice, but Southern Pines held a third quarter margin 32-29, and were never ahead although Pinehurst twice pulled up with only a field goal needed to tie up the game. For the first time the Blue and White team clung as a unit, with accurate passing and shooting, and brilliant floor play by the guards to win out. Cameron with 20 points, followed by Ward with 19, and Cheney with 14 and Lewis 13 for Pinehurst were the high scorers.

In the boys game Harrington was high scorer with 11 points, and Yarborough, Pinehurst's opposing center, was high scorer for his team with 11 points.

The lineups: Southern Pines girls, Ward, f, Cameron, f, Hall, f, Caddell, g, Guin, g, Schaefer, g, Substitution, Brown, Pinehurst girls, Cheney, f, Lewis, f, Frye, f, Campbell, g, Morgan, g, Hunt, g. Southern Pines boys, Harrington, c, York, f, Maples, f, Matlocks, Grey, guards. Substitutions: Southern Pines, Scheipers, McCall, VanCamp, Sledge, Arnette, Hodgkins, Culler, Baker, Avery, Kennedy, Calloway.

Pinehurst boys, Yarborough, c, Morgan, f, Currie, f, Veno, Corbett, guards. Substitutions, Frye and Bristow.

Postal Inspectors Give Postoffice Good Rating In Yearly Inspection

Pilot Follows Behind, Inspects Office, Folks, Reports: "Good Work!"

The annual inspection of the Southern Pines postoffice was made last week by a team of three government inspectors and the local office was given a rating of 85.5 percent.

As this is the first year that the rating has been made in percentages, accurate comparison with past years is impossible. Last year the rating was "excellent." This year the office was penalized 5.5 percent by a last year's charge, marked "failure to correct irregularity," which had it been corrected would have made this year's rate 90.5. It appears that when the postoffice was upped from second to first grade in 1944 certain forms called for in the change were not available: this slight technical oversight accounted for the slight "irregularity" listed.

While the inspectors were calling on the postoffice, the Pilot called on the postmaster at his home. This was the first time in many years that Postmaster Buchan had missed being on the job when the inspection was made, but illness, which has



P. F. BUCHAN

kept him away for several weeks, prevented his being present.

"I'm not worried," the postmaster told the Pilot, "not in the least. But inspection time always adds to the work. I just hope those folks are not being bothered."

Trusty Crew

By "those folks", Frank Buchan (Continued on Page 5)

Education Board To Present Final Estimate of School Building Needs

More study on the part of the board of education concerning Moore county's present school building needs, with a specific and exact appraisal of all costs, is needed before final decision can be made by the county commission concerning a special bond issue election, the commissioners decided at a meeting January 9, following the petitioning for such an election by a group of citizens three days earlier.

Accordingly, they have fixed Tuesday, January 28, at 2 p. m. as the time for a meeting with board of education members, at which time final estimate findings of actual school needs of the

county will be made, as the basis for the amount of bonds whose issuance may be approved or disapproved by the Moore County electorate.

Announcement concerning the meeting was made by Gordon Cameron, chairman of the county commission, who said that the exact determination of all needs was necessary, not only for the amount of the bonds but that all legal requirements might be fulfilled. It was the advice of U. I. Spence, county attorney, that some of the needs as outlined before the commissioners require a majority vote, and these must be determined separately.

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VFW Will Open Veterans' Club

The local post of Veterans of Foreign Wars will open a Veterans' club, for recreation of post members and of all resident and visiting veterans, it was announced this week by John H. Stephenson, post commander.

The club comprises the entire second floor over Straker's poolroom on West Broad street, with two spacious rooms, and will be managed by John Butry of the local post. It will be under direct supervision of the post's board of governors, in accordance with post by-laws, which call for orderly conduct of the club at all times with eviction of offenders. VFW members are entitled to all club privileges, and other resident veterans may secure them on payment of dues of \$3.50 a year, while transient veterans and those from nearby towns and bases will be welcomed without charge.

The club will be open till midnight every night, from 1 p. m. on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays, and from 5 p. m. on other days. Chrome-framed lounge furnishings of modern design and comfort have been ordered from army surplus, game devices are on hand and it is planned to acquire a piccolo later, and to hold dances. Beer and soft drinks will be sold.

The VFW post will hold its regular meetings at the clubrooms, on the first and third Mondays of each month, and there will be a bulletin board for post activities.

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Local Historians Hear Shaw House Nears Completion

Tea Room Scheduled To Open For Guests Within Two Weeks

The Moore County Historical Association met at the Library Tuesday night for the first gathering since November. Twenty-eight members were present, among them most of the directors, and three delegates from the High School's Eighth Grade, as guests of the society.

The evening's agenda included reports by the various committees, several leading to discussions of interest. Mrs. Ives, secretary, described the meeting of the State Society for the Preservation of Antiquities in Raleigh which she had attended with George Maurice, one of the organization's vice-presidents, his daughter, and Mrs. L. T. Avery. The Moore County group had come home the proud bearers of a two hundred dollar donation, but Mrs. Ives reported a sad failure. The lady members had been far outshone as to garb. "I saw the same ladies at all three meetings," stated Mrs. Ives, "I wore the same black dress, but every one of them appeared each time with a different dress, hat, shoes AND bag."

The report of Miss Ellen Maurice's committee brought out the fact that Mrs. Paul Sutherland's dancing class, for which the Highland Pines Inn had loaned the

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Miss Walton Sends Legislature News

A message as we go to press:

"Miss Gertrude Walton, who did work for The Pilot in Southern Pines last fall, is with the Associated Press in the Senate. At a meeting of the press, radio and photographers covering the General Assembly, held Tuesday morning, she was elected secretary of the group. Congratulations, Trudy!"

H. CLIFTON BLUE.

News of the legislature came this week to The Pilot from Gertrude Walton, young reporter who was on The Pilot staff in the summer of 1945 and for a time last fall, and who is now with the Associated Press in Raleigh, covering the Assembly sessions.

Miss Walton may write a Raleigh column for The Pilot, bringing news of capital city color and activity direct to her friends here.

This week she summed early legislative activities, with the

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Handy Fire Spotted By Madam Fireman

Eating while the kitchen burned was the experience of the patrons enjoying a late breakfast at the Royalton Pines Lunch Monday morning; only the kitchen didn't really burn, thanks to Mrs. Frank Kaylor's sharp eyes. Glancing out the window of the Firehouse at about 9:15 a. m. Monday, Mrs. Kaylor saw smoke billowing up from the furnace room in the rear of the Olive restaurant. She called to Fireman Frank who, without more ado, rolled out the truck and went to work. The spray from the hose and water thrown through the inner door by Walter Olive quenched the flames almost before the fire alarm ceased its clamor.

In the front restaurant, breakfasters went placidly on with their hot cakes and ham—and, demonstrating that more than dubious saying that what you don't know doesn't hurt you.

Origin of the fire, which caused little damage, is attributed to the ignition of a wooden partition by the overheated furnace.

Polio Drive Under Way Community Quotas Given

Scouter



PAUL C. BUTLER

Paul Butler Wins High Scout Award At Raleigh Meet

Other Honors Go To Moore County Scouts and Scouters

Paul C. Butler of Southern Pines, now serving his fourth year as Moore County chairman of Boy Scouting, was honored at the Occaneechee Council meeting at Raleigh last Thursday night by the Silver Beaver award, highest award in volunteer scouting, given only for long and outstanding service.

This is the first Silver Beaver award ever made to a Moore County scouter, and in Mr. Butler's case recognizes more than 20 years of service to the program. Starting as a Scoutmaster in Liberty, Randolph county, he worked with the program in both Chapel Hill and Winston-Salem, then, moving to Southern Pines in 1935, became county advancement chairman. He served in this capacity for six years, 1935 to

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Horse Show Here Features Jumping

The Horse Show committee, under the chairmanship of Louis Scheipers, announces a program of jumping and horsemanship classes to be held at the show ring on the Southern Pines Country Club grounds this Sunday afternoon.

Jumping classes will predominate, with Green Hunters leading off. Working Hunters follow, over the outside course. Bareback jumping will bring thrills for the gallery, while the feature of the day will be as usual, the Knock-down and Out class. This item on the program has always produced some fine performances and can be counted on as sure-fire railbird appeal.

Horsemanship for children under eleven provides the encouragement for the young beginners always given here, while the program closes with a potato race.

NEW TITLE

When a lady can sit up in the window of the firehouse and spot smoke pouring out of the back-door of the restaurant near by, not to mention get her fireman husband there before the alarm stops howling, seems as if she deserved some recognition.

The Pilot respectfully makes the suggestion that the Southern Pines fire department confer on said lady the honorable title of Fire-mam, with three hip, hip, hoorays.

Butler Is Chairman In Southern Pines, With Goal of \$850

Southern Pines' share of the county quota of \$3,680 for the 1947 March of Dimes is \$850, and leaders hope to double these amounts, it was announced following a meeting of community chairmen at Aberdeen last Friday evening.

The drive to raise funds to fight infantile paralysis got off officially under way January 15, and will continue through January 30. Quotas for all county communities were announced by H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen, county campaign chairman, at the supper meeting held at Lloyd Hall inn.

Community chairmen and quotas are: Aberdeen, Raymond Wicker, \$500; Pinebluff, Mrs. W. R. Griffin, \$100; Pinehurst, Frank McCaskill, \$500; Jackson Springs, Rev. R. R. Ramsey, \$100; Eagle Springs, Mrs. C. C. Underwood, \$40; Southern Pines, Paul C. Butler, \$850; Robbins, Miss Sallie Green Allison, \$500; Lakeview, Mrs. Ben Cooper, \$25; Addor, Mrs. Henry Addor, \$10; Cameron, W. C. Stephenson, \$100; Vass, M. M. Chappell, \$150; Westmore, J. C. Phillips, \$50; High Falls, Thaddeus Frye, \$75; Farm Life, T. H. Lingerfeldt, \$20; Niagara, D. D. Cameron, \$20; Carthage, Edward J. Burns, \$500; West End, J. F. Sinclair, \$150.

The county quota is the same as last year, when \$6,325.03 was

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Faye Caddell Is Injured In Gymkhana Event

In what might have been a very serious mishap, Faye Caddell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth A. Caddell of Southern Pines, was thrown from her horse in Sunday's Gymkhana at Pinehurst and knocked unconscious. Luck was with her, however, and she is now once more hale and hearty.

The accident occurred in the Ribbon Race at the close of the afternoon's program. Faye, riding her mare, Silver, was chasing a boy down the ring, trying to pull the ribbon from his shoulder. Coming up the ring was another racing pair. The two met head on with a crash that was heard inside the nearby Carolina and brought guests running to see what had happened.

Thrown from Silver, who did not fall and sustained only a slight scratch on a fore-leg, Faye fortunately fell clear of the melee. She was picked up unconscious and rushed to Moore County Hospital where three doctors, Drs. Owens, Bowen and Pishko, examined her and took X-rays. The report was: severe concussion but no fractures. The plates were then sent to Duke for a double check.

Meantime, Faye, who is 14 and frail in build, was put to bed and remained unconscious till nearly 10 that night. By the next morning, however, she was sitting up and demanding breakfast, and by Wednesday was able to return home.

However, when Faye said maybe she'd go fox-hunting Thursday morning with the Moore County hounds, Mother Caddell said maybe she wouldn't; not for just a few more days.

Faye has received a bouquet of lovely roses from her class, the ninth grade, and friends have poured in to congratulate her on the lucky escape. Her accident has had repercussions among the elder horsemen, too, who are wondering about whether these gymkhanas may not be too dangerous a sport.