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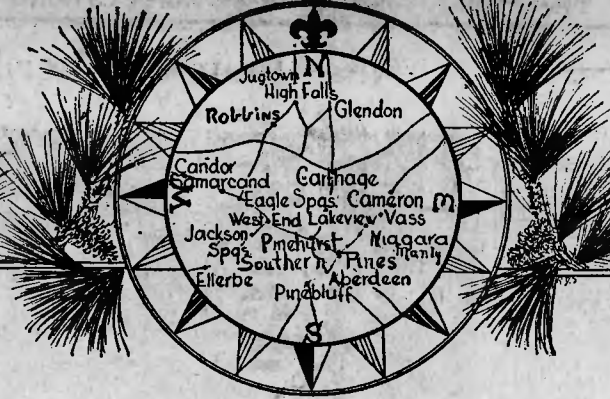
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Paul C. Butler Elected Chairman Of District Scouting For Third Term

Regional Executive Praises Work Of Volunteer Leaders

Paul C. Butler of Southern Pines was unanimously elected for a third term as chairman of the Moore County Boy Scout district at the annual meeting held at the Carthage hotel in Carthage last Friday night.

The entire slate recommended by the nominating committee received the unanimous vote of the district meeting, which was attended by representatives from all sections of the county.

Others elected were I. C. Sledge of Pinehurst, vice chairman, Atwood Whitman, Glendon, commissioner; A. L. Burney, Southern Pines, advancement chairman; George Dunlap, camping; Rev. Lamar Jackson, Southern Pines, leadership; Dr. R. M. McMillan, health and safety; N. L. Hodgkins, finance; N. W. Wellman, publicity; Lamont Brown of Pinebluff and W. D. Campbell of Southern Pines, members at large.

Dobson Speaks

Following the election of officers, W. A. Dobson, of Atlanta, Ga., regional scout executive was presented as guest speaker, to deliver an address of impressive sincerity on the place of the volunteer leader in the Boy Scout program. "The spirit of volunteerism is the golden thread that runs through the scout organization," Dobson declared.

Without a high quality of leadership the Boy Scout program would be feeble and ineffectual, he said, instead of a vital and powerful force for good among the young boys of today.

Though only one out of four boys in the country are Boy Scouts, the proportion is much higher among the boys who step out in paths of distinction, Dobson said. For illustration he informed the group that seven out of 11 All-American football players were former Boy Scouts; that practically never are Boy Scouts found among the lads brought to court as juvenile delinquents or even as random lawbreakers; and that in every community the Boy Scout has become known as a lad to be respected and trusted, and to be watched for his promise as a future leader.

Chairmen Report

Reports were made by W. D. Campbell, district commissioner, who commented on increasing interest in scouters' events and better attendance at scoutmasters' council meetings; A. L. Burney, extension, who said that a five-year plan of growth and progress growth noted in the Cub Scout program; N. L. Hodgkins, finance had been almost entirely completed in two years, with special program; N. L. Hodgkins, finance chairman, who reported a \$1,000 gift from W. D. Campbell for a special use, and a balance of \$1,521 in the bank at the close of the district year.

Chairman Paul C. Butler presided, and a welcome was given W. D. Sabiston, mayor of Carthage.

Homecoming At Old Bethesda Draws Large Crowd To Hear Noted Speakers

A large crowd of members and former members, as well as friends of other churches and faiths, visited Old Bethesda Presbyterian church Sunday, for special services and events marking the annual Homecoming day of the historic church.

The pews of the old wooden building, no longer used except for special occasions, were filled for the morning sermon delivered by Dr. Walter L. Lingle, president emeritus of Davidson college, eminent scholar and historian.

On the text, "All things are of God," from Second Corinthians, Dr. Lingle based a sermon envisioning predestination as "God's eternal plan."

Rev. C. W. Worth, pastor of the Aberdeen church which is the present home of the Bethesda congregation, presided over the service. Rev. J. O. Long of the Aberdeen Methodist church pro-

Southern Pines Postmaster Exam Deadline Oct. 14

Open competitive examination for the postmastership of Southern Pines was announced by the United States Civil Service commission this week, with the closing of business, October 14, as the deadline for the filing of applications.

No special written examination, with applicants required to report at a specific time and place will be held, according to the announcement.

Instead applicants will be rated on their business or professional experience, education and other qualifications, as revealed in their application papers.

In order to be eligible for the examination, an applicant must be a United States citizen; must have actually resided within the delivery of this post office, or within the town of Southern Pines, for at least one year preceding the deadline date; must be in good physical condition, and within certain age limits, which may be waived in certain cases of veteran preference.

"The commission is not interested in the political, religious or fraternal affiliations of any applicant," the announcement said.

Names of the three qualified applicants rating highest will be submitted to the Postmaster General for the choice of one, with confirmation by the senate as the final action.

Application Form 10 and Instruction Forms 2213 and 2223, containing detailed information (Continued on Page 5)

McDonald Injured As Car Overtakes

N. N. McDonald, of Aberdeen, sustained painful injuries in an accident on Highway 1 Monday morning, when his car went out of control about a half mile this side of Lakeview, ran up a steep embankment at the side of the road and fell back down, turning over and pinning him beneath.

Highway patrolmen, working fast for fear of fire—which fortunately did not eventuate—secured a wrecker from Southern Pines at once. The car was lifted from the unconscious man and he was taken by ambulance to Moore County hospital.

His injuries were found not to be serious, and he was discharged late the following day.

The cause of the accident was believed to lie in the steering mechanism of the car. The car was considerably damaged, principally on the right side.

McDonald is construction superintendent of the county work crews building the new Vass school. He was headed south when the accident occurred.

Picnic Dinner

Following the service a long table placed beneath the trees on the church grounds was laden with good things to eat brought in many bounteous picnic baskets. Col. Frank M. Thompson asked a blessing over the meal.

J. Talbot Johnson, Homecoming Day committee chairman, presided over the program held during the afternoon, at which Dr. Henry G. Bedinger, president of Flora Macdonald college at Red Springs, spoke in the absence of Dr. Charles G. Vardell, president emeritus, who was unable to attend.

Dr. Bedinger praised the families who had played a part in the history of Bethesda and the community, notably the Pages, He gave especial praise to the late Walter Hines Page and Mrs. Flora Shaw Page.

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C OF C MEETING

The annual meeting of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Community building at 8 p. m. Tuesday, with election of a new board of directors as the principal project.

Only active members may vote, though all interested persons are asked to attend, said President John S. Ruggles.

Fifteen new directors are to be chosen from a slate composed of 15 new nominees and the present board, as follows: new nominees—W. L. Brown, George C. Burns, W. S. Bushby, Jack F. Carter, John E. Cline, Henry Graves, L. T. Hall, W. B. (Chick) Holliday, E. Nolley Jackson, A. Ray McDonald, C. W. Picquet, George Pottle, S. B. Richardson, R. L. Sugg, Katherine Wiley; present directors—Lewis C. Burwell, H. N. Cameron, L. T. Clark, Reuben C. DuBose, Jean C. Edson, Erma Fisher, A. A. Howlett, L. D. McDonald, Joe Montesanti, Jr., Garland McPherson, J. T. Overton, R. F. Hoke Pollock, A. C. Reed, John S. Ruggles, Philip J. Weaver.

Partnership And Other Business Changes Recorded

A change in management of the Broad Street Drug store, one of Southern Pines' oldest businesses, was announced this week, as L. T. Talton and Joe Montesanti, Jr., completed a transaction by which they purchased the interest of the third partner, C. V. McMillan.

The drug store was started in 1904 in the building now occupied by Welch's Gift shop in the Belvedere hotel. It was operated by various partners and was bought about 1905 by Robert E. Wiley. Wiley operated it until his death in 1922.

A Mr. Moore from Wilmington bought it from Mayor Wiley's heirs, operated it for a few months, then sold it to Robert L. Hart. Soon after taking over the proprietorship Hart built a new home for the drug store, the one it has occupied since, directly across the street from the old, on the northwest corner of Broad and Pennsylvania. The move was made in 1926. A succession of partnerships operated the store from then on.

In 1925 Albert Bretsch, registered pharmacist, came to Southern Pines from Raleigh and became a partner in the enterprise with Cliff Johnson in 1941. He later sold his interest to Johnson but remained as pharmacist.

In 1945 the partnership of Montesanti, Talton and McMillan was formed. This added to the store staff another registered (Continued on Page 5)

Changes Noted On Newspaper Staffs

Some changes have been taking place in the local newspaper world, and The Pilot has new names and faces to present to its friends.

Bert Premo, of the advertising staff, left this week to resume partnership in the Premo and King Printing company, located at Mt. Gilead before the war but now to be situated at Troy. The business has been in suspension for about six years, since both partners, Premo and Ernest King, of Troy, entered the armed forces.

Premo served more than four years with the army air forces, most of the time in England. Mustered out in September, 1945, he joined the Pilot staff in May, 1946.

He and his wife, the former Winifred Morley of Cornwall, England, will continue to live at the Gertrude apartments here. Premo will be in charge of sales for the Troy printing firm.

He is being succeeded on The Pilot by Clyde G. Council, who has lived in Southern Pines for a number of years, 14 of them as a member of the sales force of (Continued on Page 5)

Blue and White Scores Fabulous Win Over Elon

Alert Play Keeps Southern Pines On Unbeaten List

Showing a complete form reversal from last week's point-after-touchdown margin over Currie High (played at Greensboro, score 13-12) Southern Pines High rode behind sparkling line play to a 35 to 0 win over Elon College High here Wednesday afternoon.

This line play spelled the difference between the two teams, as time after time with the Christians in scoring territory, the hard charging Blue and White forward wall, paced by Baker and Bennett, smothered the Elon passing attack and ground game.

Although trailing 27 to 0 at half time, Elon had made a good game of it, driving to the Blue and White nine-yard line, and again to the 11 in the second quarter. But with its first goal to go, the Christians failed at the line and, trying to pass, they were rushed hard and Southern Pines took the ball on their 21.

On the Blue and White 11 again, an Elon flanker was intercepted by Gene Maples, left end, who galloped the distance for a Southern Pines touchdown.

Pass Intercepted

Elon threatened twice in the second half, going to the Blue and White's 19 and 30, but were held again on their own 30 after blocking Sledge's punt. Hodgkins then stopped a drive by intercepting Fogleman's long pass.

Southern Pines' first touchdown started from their 22, with Mattocks and Andy Page teaming up for a first down to the 38. Mattocks then, fading far back, pitched a perfect strike to Jim McCall, who took the ball (Continued on Page 5)

Accident Victims Buried Friday At County Churches

Funeral services were held last Friday afternoon at two rural churches for three young men of Moore county, killed in an automobile accident between Robbins and Carthage Wednesday afternoon.

Large crowds attended the services honoring the boys, two of them veterans, whose car went into a fatal skid on Highway 27 in a blinding downpour of rain.

Services for Paul Neulan Hussey, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hussey of Robbins, Rt. 2, were held at 2 p. m. Friday at the Smyrna Methodist church, conducted by Rev. W. J. Underwood, with burial following in the church cemetery.

Surviving, besides his parents, are six sisters, Mrs. Robbie Brower of Steeds, Rt. 1; Mrs. Nora Kennedy and Mrs. Pauline Garner of Robbins; Mrs. Radie Lucas and Mrs. Flora Borders of Greensboro and Mrs. Viola Navy of Asheboro; three brothers, Fentress Hussey, of near Robbins, Graham Hussey of Robbins and Branson Hussey of Steeds, Rt. 1.

A double funeral was held at Needham's Grove church at 3 p. m., conducted by Rev. Mack Welch, for the two other accident victims, both of them veterans of World War 2. Military honors attended the burial in the church graveyard.

Survivors of Garland Hussey, 20, are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hussey of Steeds, Rt. 1; three sisters, Mrs. Robert Webb of Franklinton, Betty and Shirley of the home; four brothers, Archie, Sherman, Jerry and Bobby of the home.

George Clinton Ward, 22, was the third accident victim. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Artemus Ward of Steeds, Rt. 1; four sisters, Mrs. B. M. Robertson and Mrs. Wilfred Brown of Greensboro; Alice, a student at High Point college, and Hazel of Raleigh; four brothers, Cecil (Continued on Page 5)

Autumn Resort Season Is At Hand; Hotels To Open

With the weather growing rapidly autumnal—cool nights, and days bathed in sunshine like golden wine—this resort town is taking on a pleasant air of anticipation.

The sowing of winter rye, the laying of new pine needle walks and drives, clearing up of woodlands and the painting and redecoration of houses all over town, presage the presentation of Southern Pines' prettiest face to the winter residents who will soon be arriving, and the hundreds of golfers and other guests expected during the fall and winter season.

The Mid Pines club will open October 22, it was announced this week. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cosgrove, managers, are already in residence, with Roy Grinnell on hand to take charge of the shop, and the full staff is on hand. Painting and renovation are going on throughout the building, and the golf course has been freshly planted in Italian rye. A good number of reservations for the opening and all through the winter are on hand, it was reported.

The Pine Needles club will open about November 15, and renovation and planting are going on out there, too. Emmett Boone, manager, is expected in a week or two, with the staff assembling shortly thereafter.

The Park View, which has been open all summer except for the dining room will open the dining room on or about November 20. A number of reservations are on hand, it was reported, from year-to-year guests and new visitors also, and redecoration has been under way for some time.

Phones do not answer yet at the Hollywood but painters have been busy this summer, both inside and outside, and Manager Pottle is expected shortly, it is understood.

The opening of the Highland Pines Inn November 1, with extensive preparations therefor, has been previously announced AT PINEHURST

Pinehurst begins its 53rd year today (Friday) when the Holly Inn, the resort's original hotel, opens its doors.

While the Holly will have the field to itself it will not be for long, as the other hotels will be opening before the month ends. The Manor hotel, under new ownership, will open October 20, under the resident management of Rudolph W. Schrader, who operates the Mount Everett Inn and the Egremont Tavern in the Berkshires in Massachusetts. The great Carolina hotel is due to open October 25; and the popular Berkshire hotel November 1.

The other Pinehurst hostelry, the Pine Crest, is expected to begin operations about the same time.

During the summer a number of improvements and changes have been made. The main lobby (Continued on Page 5)

Firelane Plowing Set For October By County Crew

A new plow and tractor have been received by the Moore County fire control crew, capable of better and faster work than the old plow, and Forest Fire Warden Ernest W. Davis said this week the crew wants to plow as many firelanes as possible for Moore County farmers and woodland owners during October.

Application should be made by phone, visit or postcard to the county fire control tower—phone number 7043—or to Davis' home phone 6021. The work will be done in the order in which requests are received, except that when the plow and tractor are in any given community the crew will try to get at all the work ahead of it in that particular section. Thus it will be a help to get applications in early, Warden Davis said.

The new plow, to be manned by Assistant Warden W. G. McCrimmon and helpers, plows a lane seven feet wide. The old plow made only a four-foot lane. The cost is \$5 per mile.

Last year more than 500 miles of firelanes were plowed in the county and in numerous instances these were responsible for the saving of many acres of timberland when fire broke out, said Davis.

Last spring's worst fire, which ravaged 1,200 acres between Knollwood and Pinehurst, was stopped at last only by the firelane which Pinehurst, Inc., had had plowed about the resort town, he declared. Other fires around West End and Aberdeen were given credit for putting the brakes on fires which had gone out of control.

Warden Davis works with the land owner in plotting the firelanes to provide maximum protection at danger points. A double lane is sometimes recommended though in many cases the single lane will do.

The warden explained that after October the fire season begins, and crews will be busy working on fire suppression, with the building of firelanes having to take a subordinate place.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Two birthdays are saluted by The Pilot this week—that of the Sandhills Funeral home, operated by A. Bynum (Pat) Patterson. This week celebrating the seventh anniversary of its opening in October, 1940, and the Sandhills Drug company, celebrating its 13th.

Old Coal Mine To Be Reopened In Sandhill Area

Raleigh Corp. Starts Clearing For Operation

An enterprise that may mean a broad new industrial development for this section began recently when the newly formed Raleigh Mining corporation began the reopening of the Deep River coal field, which lies in Lee and Chatham counties and the northern part of Moore County.

Old equipment at the entrance near Cumcock was torn out, to make way for new, and plans are being made by widening the 28-foot-square hole to 80 square feet in preparation for mining operations.

John S. Marshall, of Pennsylvania, vice president and treasurer of the new corporation, will remain at Cumcock as resident manager until, he said this week, "the Carolina slope is producing a quota of at least 1,400 tons a day."

The 1,000-foot sloping tunnel will be completely restored, he said.

Butler is Associate Howard N. Butler of Southern Pines is Marshall's working associate and secretary of the mining company, which is an offshoot of the Walter A. Bledsoe company of Terre Haute, Ind., one of the nation's largest mine operators.

Butler this week was quoted as saying that the coal has been found to be satisfactory for both domestic and commercial use, and could be converted by coke plants into coal tar from which other products may be manufactured.

Former Operations

The present equipment of the mine remains from former unsuccessful attempts on the part of Carolina Coal Mining Company, which sank the hole in 1921; and Coal Products Inc. which moved here in 1941 leaving in 1944. Both miners blamed their failure on lack of luck and money.

However, Bledsoe and Company, fourth largest coal producing firm in the U. S., has been lucky with every mining venture up to date and reportedly has the funds.

The Carolina slope tunnel is located about one and a half miles from the older historical Cumcock shaft of the Deep River field, more than 400 feet deep. Now flooded, this shaft was dug prior to the Civil War by slave labor but never was able to operate profitably.

to third class, which rating it has at present. It carries a salary of \$2,500 a year, with an allowance of a little more than \$1,700 for clerical work.

Chappell, a farmer and clothing salesman, has long been active in Vass civic and political affairs.

Plans Under Way To Assist VA Team To Choose Mackall Site For Hospital

Discussion of two impending representatives of the Chambers of Commerce of all Sandhills towns promoting the project; that a map and descriptive matter are being drawn up according to the request of the Veterans' Administration.

Authorization was given for an enlargement of an aerial map of the Camp Mackall area, also requested in a letter from J. E. Harris, chief of the requirements division, VA real estate service, which Secretary Herrmann Grover read to the board of directors.

Harris also wrote: "While the number of acres described is to a considerable extent dependent on the location and the nature of the terrain, it is expected that in all probability between 250 and 300 acres will be required. The site should be readily accessible to the city and sufficiently rolling to afford satisfactory drainage. It should be located near a medical center, or in or (Continued on Page 5)