

Opportunities Are Given To Enhance Legion, VFW Will **Christmas Joy By Sharing With Needy Share Military**

Aid Is Sought For **Distressed Families**

Good Response Noted, Much More Needed

The true Christian spirit of Christmas giving still exists strongly in Southern Pines. Evidence of this has been given in the ringing of the phone at the home of Col. D. L. Madigan, Christmas chairman of the Council of Social Agencies, following an appeal in The Pilot last week on behalf of some cases of true need in this community.

"There have been a number of calls," Colonel Madigan said. "Offers have been made of food, clothing and toys. These will be collected and distributed where they are needed the most — but we still want more, much more." He has received from the welfare department this week, he said,, the names of more than 80 persons of Southern Pines, Manly and Niagara who face a Christmas of distress and privation, unless the more fortunate come to their aid

Many need bedclothes, includ-ing warm blankets, and all sorts of household articles, he said.

The appeal is made again this week: in your Christmas joy, do not forget the needy. Often a very little help means the difference between despair and hope. (Continued on Page 5)

Rotarians Plan Ladies' Night **On January 2**

Plans for the annual Ladies' night of the Southern Pines Rotary club were discussed at the

Rotary luncheon meeting, held at Pope's restaurant last Friday, Maj. Gen. Paul R. Hawley as with January 2 set as the tenta-tive date. medical chief the first of the year, and Col. Ulm Z. Bowie, assistant Lodge Master

director in charge of construc-Lloyd T. Clark, president, ap-

A REMINDER

Of course you are using your Christmas Seals-Christmas mail wouldn't be Christmas mail without it—but have you remembered to send your money to the campaign chairman for them?

P. T. Kelsey and A. B. Patterson, chairmen for the Seal sale in Southern Pines, say returns are coming in pretty well but many seal recipients have not responded to the appeal.

It's a pretty busy time with everyone, they know thatbut don't be too busy to slip your gift of cash or a check in that return envelope and mail it today. Proceeds of the Christmas Seal sale furnish the chief support of the Moore County Tubercular as-sociation, which for many years has done a marvelous work in prevention of tuberculosis and care for its victims. Keep the good work going—send in your gift be-fore Christmas.

Delegation Visits VA Officials On Hospital Behalf

cials are well and favorably acquainted with the Sandhills, and tion time. are giving this section its due meed of study in connection with nation was accepted and Com- As one E choosing a site for the proposed mander C. S. Patch, Jr., appoint-1,000-bed neuropsychiatric hospi- ed Bob Arey temporary quarter-tree outside, and picked out a a to be built "somewhere in North Carolina," was the impres-sion gained by a Sandhills dele-gation visiting Washington last weekend. weekend. `

The delegation visited Dr. Paul B. Magnuson, who will succeed **Joe C. Thomas**

Duties To Dead Ceremonial Ritual Will Honor All Alike

The John Boyd post, VFW, and the Sandhills post, American Legion, will cooperate in the conducting of military funerals for war dead of this area brought home from foreign cemeteries, it was decided by both organiza-tions meeting this week.

Funerals of both white and Negro servicemen brought home for burial will be conducted with all due ceremony by representatives of both, or veterans belonging to both posts.

The motion, adopted by the VFW post in regular meeting at the clubroom Monday night, was carried before the Legion post in session Tuesday night at the Le-gion hut, where it was also unanimously carried.

Both posts also received with expressions of deep regret the news of the imminent loss of one

of their most active members, Jack Reid, commander of the Legion post and quartermaster of leave for Toledo, O., next week.

which Commander Reid presided, the members voted not to accept

commander until the regular elec-

Boys and girls will leave school today (Friday) with a

hop, skip and jump, for with the ending of the last class Christmas holidays begin. In Southern Pines, they will last until Monday, January 5; children of the county schools will return December 29

HOLIDAY

In Southern Pines, most stores and business offices, also the bank, will close not only Thursday, Christmas day, but Friday as well, re-opening for business Saturday morning. Grocery stores will be open till late Tues-day and Wednesday evenings, and a number of other retail establishments will maintain late hours starting Saturday night.

The Pilot will go to press two days early next week, so the staff may enjoy a Christmas holiday.

Living Christmas

If you've had any trouble getting that Christmas feeling in the VFW organization, who will your bones, drive along South May street and take a look at the At the Legion meeting, over Elks' club Christmas tree.

Sparkling with brightly colthe members voted not to accept ored Christmas lights, glittering his proffered resignation, but to with tinsel, the living Christmas. Veterans Administration offiwas planted last Wednesday by the board of governors of the

> As one Elk tells it, the membeauty at the nursery. But when the time came to cut it, the ques-tion arose, "Why cut it, use it once and let it die? Let's have a Christmas tree that will grow and be beautiful for many Chrismases to come."

> So the tall tree with its gracefully spreading branches was planted on the lawn, where it will stand year after year, to

> > By Howard F. Burns

Churches Will Hail Joyous Season With Special Services and Music

Happy Christmas For Guye Franks

It's going to be a fine Chistmas; tra visiting day - usually, it's for little Guye Fanks Womble. only Wednesdays and Saturdays. Santa Claus will come to visit They are glad their little fellow Santa Claus will come to visit him right in the hospital, like at home; his mommy and lyzed left leg has been kept from daddy, and big brother Joe will withering, through the hospital be there. He'll have smiling specialists' and nurses' devoted friends all around him, and plenty care.

of attention, for he's a real hospi-They're mighty thankful, too, tal pet. He likes it there, at the Gastonia Orthopedic, and after tile Paralysis Foundation, whose almost two months feels right at help has made all this possible— It will be a happy Chirstmas in guite probably saved him from a nome.

a different sort of way for his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wom-ble, of Southern Pines, who, with to the Womble family, and espe-

their other son, Joseph Everett, cially to little Guye Franks, from aged 12, will spend Wednesday many, many friends here in and Thursday with Guye Fanks, Southern Pines whose hearts are who is two. They're glad of an ex- with them. Episcopal. The Congregational and Baptist churches will present cantatas, or choral pageants, with

Cpl. T. C. McFarland, Jr., Killed In Germany, Is Buried At Mt. Hope

LEGION BALL

The annual American Le-

gion Christmas Charity ball will be held this year for the first time since the war caused abandonment of this brilliant event of the holiday season.

It will be held the evening of December 26 at the Southern Pines Country club. Sheldon's All-Girl orchestra of Richmond, Va., has been secured for the event. Bingo in the cardroom, as well as dancing, will be an entertainment feature.

Many of the ranking mil-itary of Fort Bragg and vicinity are expected to attend. according to the Legion committee in charge, as well as holiday visitors of this resort section. A list of distinguishpatro

First Southern Pines Man To Be Brought The body of Cpl. Tryan C. Mc-

Around the grave stood other Baptism of infants will be held young men, wearing their army after the morning worship at 11 and navy uniforms—boys whom the chances of war brought home ception of members December 28. alive, now honoring the dead; There will be no services on also friends and relatives of the Christmas day.

slain youth, including his mother, A Christmas program for the whose first audible sobs were Sunday school, with a Christmas torn from her by the soft notes tree, will be held in the church of taps on the air.

basement at 7 p.m. Monday. At St. Anthony's The annual Nativity Mass will The body of Corporal McFarland arrived Tuesday afternoon The annual Nativity Mass will by army ambulance from the be sung at St. Anthony's Catholic Charlotte Distribution center, on church in the first hour of Christthe last lap of the long journey mas, beginning at midnight of home from Henri Chappelle cem- Christmas eve. There will be cometery in Belgium. It was accom- munion, as there will be also at the Christmas Day masses, at 7, 8 and 10:30 a.m. Father Herbert Harkins will be the celebrant.

From Foreign Grave

Children, Adults Unite In Reverence Christmas, great feast of the Christian year, will be marked by the churches of the community,

Christmas Story

In Two Cantatas

To Be Re-Told

ach in its own special way. Some will hold special services Sunday and on Christmas day, others will follow their usual schedules, betokening the season only with special music and

themes of joy. Midnight service will usher in the newborn Christmas day at two churches, the Catholic and full choir.

Episcopal Church

At Emmanuel Episcopal church, a midnight service, with commun-ion and the singing of carols, will begin at 11:35 pm Christmas eve. A communion service will be held at 9 a.m. Christmas day.

Brownson Memorial

At Brownson Memorial Presbyterian church, vesper services, with Christmas music by the Farland, Jr., the first of Southern choir, will be held at 5 p.m. on Pines' war dead to be brought home for burial, was committed Sunday after Christmas. Held

to his native soil in Mt. Hope cem-etery Wednesday afternoon, be-of the church, the service will

neath the longleaf pines whose present the hallowed music loved needles glistened in the December by all, under the direction of Mrs. D. E. Bailey.

pointed Rev. Tucker G. Humphries chairman of the Ladies' had been made by Rep. C. B. Night committee, with Morris Johnson, Al Howlett, Garland Deane and Ernest M. Aiken, of nual election held at the lodge whole town to enjoy.

committee members.

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Rev. Robert Megaw, of Ridge- gles, president of the Southern warden; Herbert J. Dietenhofer, they busied themselves about this field, N. J., was presented by Pines Chamber of Commerce; junior warden; R. L. Chandler, pleasant job. Don Jensen as speaker for the day Joe Garzik, representing local Sr., treasurer; Lloyd L. Woolley, to give an eloquent and informa- veterans' organizations; J. J. Mar- secretary. tive talk on poetry and poetic shall, representing veterans' orvalues in daily living.

ganizations of Rockingham; and He spoke in particular of the Raymond Wicker, of the Aber-Scottish poet, Robert Burns, and deen Chamber of Commerce. read several of his poems. Along Though Dr. Magnuson is with these, the speaker offered known for his stand that VA hosa plea for more poetry, and bet- pitals should be built as near as ter music, on radio programs, the possible to a medical center, he average of whose quality, he said, expressed to the visitors his percan be much improved. sonal enthusiasm for the aSnd-

Joseph R. Brawson and John hills, with which he is familiar Vitale, of Youngstown, O., were through several visits, and in guests of Will Wiggs, and visiting Rotarians were T. Arthur Mc- Whether or not their charms Laren, Toronto, Can.; Fred would outweigh the advantages A. B. Sally and Dr. R. G. Rosser, state sanatorium is badly in need tion. Kurz, Yonkers, N. Y., a past ser- of a large city, he would not say of the Oxford Orphanage Fund of additional beds to meet the device member; Clyde Craft, One- at this stage. He did say, how- Collection committee, showed mand that is being made for hosonta, N. Y., and Rev. Robert Me-gaw, Ridgefield, N. J. (Continued on Page 5) that the collection, taken annu-(Continued on Page 5) that the collection, taken annu-ally by lodge members between He pointe

Glee Club Gives Candlelight Concert

Of Christmas Carols From Far Lands

lodge. The simple, devout songs of group at the end of the room. Christmas in many lands, as hand- Supt. Philip J. Weaver offered a ed down through the years, form- prayer at the opening of the proat the meeting. ed a program in the true spirit of gram.

Elections were also held this the season as presented at the "O Come, Emmanuel," from the month by the York Rite bodies, Community center Wednesday 13th century French, was sung by meeting at the lodge here Decemevening by the Southern Pines a trio composed of Barbara Guin, ber 8, at which time J. W. Caus- Dr. William F. Hollister. Louise Weatherspoon and Ruth ey was elected high priest. H. J. High school glee club.

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Far and Near," the program of 22 sang a solo, "No Candle Was and E. E. Smith, of Raeford, com-songs featured little-known carols There, and No Fire," by Lehmann. mander. L. L. Woolley and R. L. Next week from the Czech, Flemish, English, An "echo choir," Mildred Weath-German, Austrian, Dutch and erspoon, Betty Lane Dunn, Joe treasurer, were also elected to eve, will not be held. French, along with the well-loved "O Come All Ye Faithful," "Joy to the World" and "Silent Night." (Christmas Hymn" and "Silent eral lodges of this section are

A half dozen numbers were Night," in an arrangement by members. sung by the girls' ensemble of 10 Franz Gruber, which closed the

voices, others by the full glee club program. of 20 girls and eight boys, who, A true, sweet soprano voice was in their choral vestments in the revealed in the solo singing of candles and a sparkling Christ- the Appalachian mountains, "I in the school auditorium instead sey, president. mas tree, presented a picture of youthful dignity and charm. Wonder as I Wander," and French song, "O Holy Night."

Entered Singing

candles, to take their places in a

with whom appointments Joe C. Thomas was elected blossom out each Christmas with master of the Southern Pines Ma- the gay lights and other trappings

sonic lodge, No. 484, at the an- of the season—a tree for the Pierce, Russell Lorenson, Julian Southern Pines and Washington, hall Monday evening, with other And it is reported that no one Tadlock and himself (Clark) as accompanied the delegation, officers for 1948 elected as fol- can enjoy it more than did the which consisted of John S. Rug- lows: Marshall G. McRae, senior Elks who trimmed the tree, as

Willis Speaks On

The choice of Woolley as secretary was a reelection—in fact, one of many reelections, for he is Sanatorium Needs winding up his 20th year of service to the lodge in this post.

Chandler has also held the office of treasurer for many years. Other lodge officers are ap- intendent of N. C. Sanatorium,

ally by lodge members between He pointed out that there is a

Thanksgiving and Christmas, is very long waiting list, and many proceeding excellently, and that of the patients are from families a number of generous donations who reside in crowded living have been made by friends of quarters.

the orphanage among both mem- Dr. Willis was followed on the bers and non-members of the program by Dr. T. A. Cheatham

of Pinehurst, who told of the Master J. W. Causey presided splendid work the Moore County Tubercular association is doing in its seal drive to stamp out tu-

The speaker was introduced by

Jack Younts, manager of radio Called "Christmas Carols from Russell. Peter Meyers, baritone, Dietenhofer illustrious master, station WEEB, was inducted into

Next week's luncheon meeting,

SANDHILLS EXCHANGE The Sandhills Woman's Excnahge, after a busy pre-Christ-Monday, December 29. It will be cemetery.

open until 5 p. m. Wednesday, softly lit auditorium, against a Mildred Weatherspoon in the ted on Christmas at the Our Lady December 24, according to anbackground of evergreens, tall hauntingly beautiful carol from of Victory school, taking place nouncement by Miss Laura Kel- Rt. 2; three sisters, Mrs. Howard the assemblage joined in the sing- ones. At 4 p.m. Christmas eve,

> large crowd which is expected. en for specialties during the clos- Moore of the home. five brothers, Low mass with communion will ed weekend and the purchasers Melvin, Winton, Vernon, Cole- of Aberdeen, in his uniform of a articles they have ordered.

being made up.

Tickets may be secured through the patronesses or members of the Legion committee in charge, their number limited by the facilities of the Country club.

Christmas Dinner Dance At Club To Be Gay Event

Dr. Henry Stuart Willis, superof holiday pleasure is the Christ- casket was placed against a back- Bailey, Elmer Andrews, Roland pointive and will be named by addressing the Sandhills Kiwanis Master Thomas following the in- club at the Southern Pines Coun-the Southern Pines Country club a spray of white chrysanthemums stallation, which will take place try club Wednesday on the sub- at 7:30 p. m. Saturday, Decem- tied with red and blue ribbons. at the first meeting in January. Reports by Frank H. Wilson, North Carolina," declared the in three bars, is being directed Moore County Historical associa-tion.

> floor show, with dancing to the Before the service Mrs. C. R. the following will have singing music of 'Tommy Matthews' or- Mills, organist, played "Going parts in solo, duet, trio or quartet chestra from Charlotte, and a Home," and Misses Mildred and form: J. B. Gifford, Mrs. T. K. "mystery prize" event, all under Louise Weatherspoon sang "Pre- Gunter, Jr., Misses Mildred and the suave guidance of Edgar cious Memories."

> indicate that this will be one of Lamar Jackson, pastor, reviewed Cordon, Ned Bushby, L. L. Woolthe high spots of the Christmas the dead soldier's brief, signifi- ley, S. B. Richardson, William Week festivities.

Three Singers

Some exceptional talent has in September, 1940, serving with broadcast over WEEB. been secured for the musical pro- the Ninth division, 84th Artillery, gram, according to Mrs. Ernest Battery A; sent overseas in Octo-Ives and Mrs. James Boyd, chair- ber 1942, to take part in the inmen, including Miss Elsie Up-

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Pfc. James H. Moore Has Military Burial

Funeral services with full mili-

mas season, will close for the miles north of Robbins, at 1 still, and know that I am God,

Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Moore of Robbins, Advace food orders will be tak- Hussey of Robbins, Rt. 2, Remella diers."

bins, Rt. 2.

panied by Sgt. George D. Fogle, of Fort Bragg, as guard of honor.

Funeral Service At 2 p.m., Wednesday the fu-

neral service was held at the Baptist church, conducted, jointly according to military ritual by members of the VFW and American Legion posts, with L. D. McDonald, Jr., in charge.

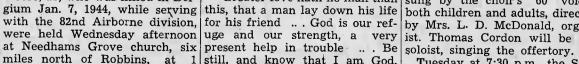
Sgt. C. Dunford and Cpl. J. W. Bledsoe served as color guard, and as honor guard inside the

ground of flowers, at their center Bower and John Calloway.

Songs and music by way of Jack Reid and Sgt. Joe Garzik. other than full chorus numbers, Ewing as master of ceremonies, After the opening prayer Rev. Jean and Irene Olive,

my action March 9, 1945.

Scripture Reading



God of Jacob is our refuge . . .

They entered singing, bearing reading of the second chapter of be held in the church at 10 a. m. will be told where to call for the man and Clyde Russell of Rob- navy chaplain, gave the closing servance at the Christian Science (Continued on Page 5)

At Baptist Church

At the Baptist church, the highest hour of the season will be at the 11 a.m. worship hour Sunday, December 21, when the choir will present a Christmas cantata, "The King Cometh."

The service will be preceded at 10:45 by a preparatory interlude of carols by a brass choir com-An event filled with promise church, where the flag-covered Hodgkins, Peter Grinnell, David

"The King Cometh," a cantata in three parts, is being directed J. T. Holder, Sgt. Fred Hall, Capt. Jr., will be the reader, and in Louise Weatherspoon, Misses Thomas cant lifetime story: born Febru- Dale, J. L. Jackson and Mrs. L. ary 16, 1925; entered the service T. Hall. The program will be

Congregational Church

The Chuch of Wide Fellowship will mark the opening of the holy vasion of North Africa and of season with a Christmas cantata Sicily; transferred to England, and the Service of Carols and then aiding the invasion of Lights, to be held Sunday even-France; pushing on with the First ing, December 21, beginning at 8 army into Belgium, into Ger- o'clock. This is the loveliest sermany, there to be killed by ene- vice of the church year. The cantata, "The Shepherd's Story," by

Florence Morse Kingsley, will be "Greater love hath no man than sung by the choir's 60 voices, gium Jan. 7, 1944, while serving this, that a man lay down his life both children and adults, directed by Mrs. L. D. McDonald, organwere held Wednesday afternoon uge and our strength, a very ist. Thomas Cordon will be the

Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., the Sun-Christmas weekend, reopening o'clock. Burial was in the church The Lord of Hosts is with us; the day school will present a Christmas program. There will be carol By special request of the fam- singing, the giving of gifts and a ily, made for them by the pastor, visit from Santa for the little Garner of Pinehurst, Mrs. Lucille ing of "Onward Christian Sol- the pastor, Rev. Tucker G. Humphries, will hold his annual party for the prison.

church, except in lesson theme.

MIDNIGHT MASS

Midnight mass will be celebra-

a of the church to accommodate the Niel Bailey gave a reverent Christmas day.