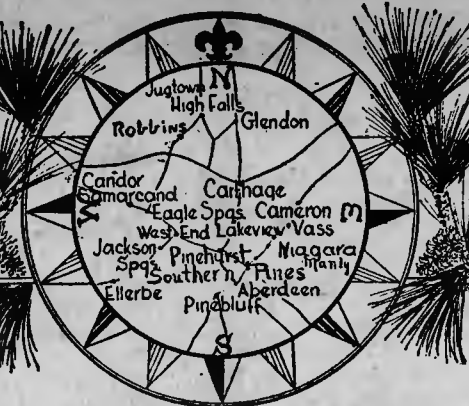


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## March Of Dimes Quotas Same As 1949; Butler Re-elected Polio Chapter Head

### Chairman Blue Is Dinner Host At Hotel Charmella

Community workers of the National Infantile Paralysis chapter in this polio-conscious county, fully aware of Moore's great contribution to the National Foundation, joyfully accepted the same county quota as last year, with the expressed resolution of doubling the \$7,360 total was done last year.

H. Clifton Blue, of Aberdeen, campaign chairman of the March of Dimes for the seventh successive year, was host at the dinner meeting, held at the Hotel Charmella, Vass.

Election of chapter officials retained Paul C. Butler, of Southern Pines, to the chairmanship for the sixth year, with Ralph G. Reed, of Robbins, as assistant chairman. Mrs. Eldon S. Adams, of Carthage, was elected secretary, and C. H. Bowman, of Southern Pines, treasurer.

Twenty-six chapter officials and chairmen, practically all members of the board of directors, attended the meeting, which served as starter for the Moore campaign, January 16-31. Figures presented by Mr. Hodgkins in his annual report showed that during 1949 Moore county received \$7,300.19 as its share of the year's March of Dimes, in \$2,000 spent last year.

### CHAIRMEN

Chairmen for the Glendon community for the March of Dimes have been announced by H. Clifton Blue, county chairman, in addition to the list of community drive leaders published last week. They are Mrs. June Harrington, of Carthage, assisted by Henry Phillips and Mrs. O. D. Parks. Mrs. Leon Wylie, Pinebluff, and Mrs. Barney Kirk, Rose-land. First reports of the drive are that "the going is tough"—tougher than last year. No community has yet reported going "over the top."

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### SPEAKER



DR. SWALIN

## Symphony Leader Wants To Bring Music To People

### Tells Kiwanis Of Plans For Sandhills Concerts

"Music is the world's only international language. We ought to use it to help us solve some of the world's problems."

Thus, in brief impressive words, did Dr. Benjamin F. Swalin, director of the state symphony orchestra lay before his audience, the Kiwanis Club, meeting at the Highland Pines Inn, Wednesday, his faith in music and his belief in the possibility of peace in our time.

The director was introduced by Kiwanis vice-president Voit Gilmore who is also the head of the Sandhills Music Association. "He is a great musician and also a great businessman," said Mr. Gilmore, telling how Dr. Swalin had built up the orchestra, appearing before the legislature to plead successfully for funds for the institution, and how he took it on a yearly tour which, this past year, had included 130 concerts.

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## One Arrested In Connection With Bakery Break-In

### Three More Entries Effected Saturday, With Small Success

The arrest of Hubert Wade, of West Southern Pines, Monday afternoon is believed to have solved at least one recent break-in, said Chief C. E. Newton, reporting at the same time three more which occurred in the business district Saturday night.

Wade, who is about 21, was found to have fingerprints matching those found on a piece of glass broken from a window at Howard's bakery the night of Friday, December 23. About \$30 was taken from a cashbox at that time.

In a hearing before Justice D. E. Bailey Tuesday, Wade denied the entry. Probable cause was found, however, and he was bound over to the criminal term of superior court to be held at Carthage next week. Bond was set at \$1,000, which he failed to make, and he was lodged in Moore County jail to await trial on charges of breaking and entry, larceny, and receiving. He has a local record of misdemeanors, Chief Newton said.

The December 23 entry was one of three within five weeks at the bakery, the first occurring December 3 with loss of about \$20, and the third last Saturday night. Each time, a window or windows were broken at the back of the store. Night police discovered the latest break-in soon after midnight and called M. L. Howard, proprietor. A check revealed boxes pushed about inside in an apparent search for cash, but none had been left there and nothing was found to be missing.

Within a couple of hours, two more business places were discovered to have been entered, the Carolina Power and Light company's district office and the Colonial store. A hacksaw was found to be the only thing taken at the CP&L. This was used to make entry into the Colonial store on the same block, then left at the scene along with a chisel.

The hacksaw was identified by J. L. Roberts, of the CP&L, as his personal property, which he had left at the office. At the Colonial store, the thief broke open the back door to find that he still had to cut his way through the heavy wire wall of an unloading compartment. This was done, and a determined effort made to break open a safe. The combination dial was knocked off the safe, which was considerably damaged but did not yield. Howard L. Hoffman, store manager, said several dollars was missing from a cash register.

It was a busy night for Night (Continued on Page 5)

## Educators' Group Surveying Moore Schools This Week

A survey of Moore County schools by a state planning committee was scheduled to be held yesterday (Thursday) and today, according to word received by H. Lee Thomas, county superintendent of schools.

The committee, consisting of educational experts from Duke and the University of North Carolina, headed by Dr. A. M. Proctor, dean of Duke's school of education, will make recommendations concerning uses of state school bond issue funds allotted the Moore County school system. The amount of \$376,458.83 has been allocated for the county schools, for new construction, improvements and repairs. The only catch is, the expenditures must be approved by the state board of education. The county school board's plans, submitted to a state survey panel last November 17, was rejected by the panel, which ordered a survey of its own.

Recommendations of the county board provided for the preservation of existing high schools, and the consolidation of the small elementary schools for Negroes into two large schools, one for the east side of the county and one for the west. Indications are that considerably more consolidation than this will be recommended by the state board.

## These Boys Are Winners of Scouting's Proudest Honor



New Eagle Scouts: from left, David Bailey, Southern Pines; Jimmie L. Smith, Pinebluff; Samuel Poole, West End. (Photo by Humphrey)

## Moore Scouts Undertake Reforestation Project; Troop Prizes Offered; Three Eagle Badges Are Won

### Sandhill Veterans Open 4th Drive For Nurse Scholarship

The Sandhill Veterans, meeting at the home of Bill Henderson Saturday night, received word that their first annual nurse scholarship campaign will start paying off in about six months, even as they made plans for the start of their fourth one February 6.

Miss Leatrice Simpson, of Lakeview, who entered nurse training in September, 1947, as the Veterans' first scholarship winner, will return to Moore county next August to begin her service in her home county, as a full-fledged registered nurse.

Each year, through a unique collection campaign, the Sandhill Veterans of Southern Pines, Pinehurst and Aberdeen amass nearly \$1,000 to further this strictly Moore County good health project. From applicants among senior girls of the county's high schools, a board of selected judges chooses the one who, in their opinion, is best suited for nursing—and one who, without such a scholarship, would not be able to realize her ambition of becoming a nurse.

Girls chosen so far are Leatrice Simpson, who is preparing to graduate at High Point Memorial hospital; Betty Teeter, of Jackson Springs, in her second year at Charlotte Memorial hospital; and Betty Cleaver, of Pinehurst, who entered Rex hospital, Raleigh, in September, 1949.

Letters will start going out February 6 from the Sandhill Veterans, who number only about 16 young men, asking the aid of Moore citizens in this worthwhile project. Tom Shockley is campaign chairman this year.

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## Capital Cases On Full Calendar Of Criminal Court

### Judge Phillips Will Preside Next Week

A murder case, a rape case, waylaying and robbery, manslaughter, larceny, breaking and entering and various forms of assault appear on the crowded docket for the criminal term of superior court, set to open at Carthage Monday morning.

Hon. F. Don Phillips of Rockingham, resident judge of the 13th judicial district, is scheduled to preside for his first court session in Moore since his reelection to the bench in 1948.

The grand jury will face a warrant docket of 23 bills, of which the latest, a breaking and entering, larceny and receiving case, was added at Southern Pines Tuesday afternoon with the JP trial of Hubert Wade, Negro.

The trial docket contains 36 cases, of which attorneys say it will be a physical impossibility for the court to reach more than a fraction.

On trial for murder will be Thomas (Buster) Dunlap, Negro, who allegedly shot to death another Negro, Archie Gillespie, at West End last May 28.

John Albert, Army man living in Southern Pines, is slated to face trial for rape, on charges brought by Martie Buchanan last December.

Harry E. Flack, of Southern Pines, will face three charges of waylaying and robbery. Victims are listed as H. J. Blue, Thomas (Continued on page 5)

## Hospital Campaign Knows No Holidays

Despite the usual absorption in Christmas shopping and giving during the holidays, the Moore County Hospital Fund drive did not go through the slow-down strike anticipated for that period. More than \$5000 was added to the fund during the holiday weeks.

This was the gist of a letter sent to the press and chairmen of the drive by the over-all chairman, General Ira T. Wyche, this week. General Wyche followed up his statement of the holiday success with an announcement that an intensive drive for the remainder of the building funds would be made during February.

"The drive will be started on the 13th of February and will continue with increased vigor through February 28th," he said, "when the active soliciting will cease. We hope by that time to have reached every family and adult citizen of Moore County."

The chairman said that he wished to stress the point that if the full amount of the fund was not raised it might be necessary, he believed, to charge more for hospital services in order to liquidate the debt incurred, a move which, he trusted, would not become necessary.

General Wyche held a meeting of his area chairmen last week, at which plans for the February drive were discussed. A careful survey of the county was made, with various areas, not yet approached, marked for intensive effort. It is expected that the local chairmen will call their teams together within the next two weeks to review the situation in their sections, to date, and plan for the coming wind-up of the campaign.

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## Father Is Jailed, Charged With Beating 10-Months-Old Baby

At Moore County hospital this week a 10-months-old baby girl, Rebecca Searcy, slowly began to get better after being in critical condition for a week. Her skull was fractured and one arm was broken. Bruises showed on her head and body and her fever was still high. However, Wednesday night an attending physician said, "I believe we're going to be able to pull her through."

In Moore County jail the baby's father, Clinton Searcy, about 25, of Cameron, Rt. 1, was held on a charge of assault and battery with intent to kill. No bond was allowed pending outcome of the child's injuries.

Little Rebecca was taken to the hospital more dead than alive about a. m. Wednesday. As soon as the sheriff's office opened that morning Mrs. Searcy was there to swear out a warrant for her husband's arrest.

To Deputy Sheriff A. W. Lambert the young mother told a grim story. Her husband had come in the night drinking, she said. The baby was in her crib, walking about near her side. As he came near her the baby started crying and, said Mrs. Searcy, he picked her hard (Continued on page 5)