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## Many Families Face Bleak Christmas Unless Those More Fortunate Share

Chairmen Listed  
Heading Welfare  
Dept. Program

The Moore County welfare department, in cooperation with volunteer chairmen in various community organizations, is again reminding citizens of their less fortunate neighbors—at a time when Christmas makes their plight even sadder.

The John Boyd post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, has again this year undertaken chairmanship in Southern Pines to help channel some Christmas cheer into lives otherwise pretty bleak and barren.

Lions clubs have undertaken chairmanship of the Christmas Cheer collection in the communities of West End, Vass (and Lakeview), Cameron and Pinehurst (Mrs. Foster Kelly, co-chairman).

M. B. Pleasants is chairman for the Aberdeen community; Carl Scoggin, Robbins; E. H. Mills, Pinebluff and Addor; Newland Upchurch, Highfalls and Putnam; Mrs. M. E. Street, Glendon and Hallison.

In Carthage (as elsewhere), direct contact may be made with the welfare department. Cooperating are the American Legion auxiliary and also the Jaycees.

Christmas cheer chairmen in each community accept donations of food, clothing, toys, fruit and cash, and distribute these where they are most needed, aided by Mrs. Walter B. Cole and her staff of the welfare department.

The files of this department contain many cases of need, both white and Negro—families barely holding together, but managing to make out pretty well except when Christmas reaches out to wring their hearts. Many of these families have children who, like all children everywhere at Christmas, are looking forward to something special on that magic day.

## Vast New Projects Reported In Works At Fort Bragg

A multi-million dollar utility and grading system for Fort Bragg was announced this week, with prospects of another vast project upcoming in the not-too-distant future.

Low bids totaling \$2,690,412.50 were received from two Fayetteville contracting firms, Grannis-Sloan and Loving-Cline, for clearing and grading 176 acres of forest land, mostly rough terrain, on which a troop housing area will be constructed later. Roads will be built and water and sewer lines installed.

This project is expected to pave the way for the other, which is expected to exceed \$20 million in cost. Bids are expected to be received January 13 to provide 45 new barracks buildings and other Army utilities.

The barracks buildings will be three stories high, each having a capacity of 225 men. Other units will include a regimental headquarters, pump house, oil and gas station and concrete walks.

The project for which bids were received Tuesday is reported from the Wilmington office of the U. S. Army Engineers to be the largest of its kind on the military reservation since World War 2. Col. C. R. Brown, who opened the bids, expressed gratification in that they were nearly a half million dollars below the government estimate.

Whether or not the projects are tied in with recent activity in Hoke county which has stirred interest around here was not revealed.

Army Engineers have been surveying large tracts of Hoke land outside the reservation, and have sought legal information as to title searches, condemnation proceedings, etc. A Raeford attorney revealed that he had been approached to serve for the Army in respect to land transactions.

Solely on the evidence, a huge expansion of the reservation, or the setting up of some other kind of authority requiring much land is being planned. Army chiefs, however, are keeping mum.

## BUS SCHEDULE

As a help in getting the new bus station at Little Motor Co. started, The Pilot presents the following schedule of current departure times:

Leaving Southern Pines:  
For Pinehurst, Biscoe, Asheboro, High Point, Winston-Salem and points west — 9:23 a. m., 2:11, 5:31 and 8:26 p. m.

For Aberdeen, Raeford, Fayetteville — 10:52 a. m., 3:26 and 8:43 p. m.

For Aberdeen, Hamlet, Rockingham, Wadesboro, Charlotte — 4:17 p. m.

For Sanford, Chapel Hill, Durham (through bus to Durham, change at Sanford for Raleigh) — 8:58 a. m.

George B. Little, Sr., agent, will not have information available as to when buses get there, only when they arrive at and leave Southern Pines. He will, however, work out routes for persons buying tickets here.

## At Long Last — Southern Pines Has Bus Station

Southern Pines has a bus station again, after five years in which a bus station has been one of the community's most conspicuous lacks.

Buses started stopping Tuesday at the Little Motor Co., on West Broad at New Hampshire avenue. George B. Little, Sr., has taken on the ticket sales agency, and is also handling and despatching bus express, giving schedule information and performing other duties in conjunction with the new station.

James York, of Asheboro, division manager of the Queen City Coach company, and V. H. Batts, with the company's traffic department at Fayetteville, were in town Monday helping the new station get off to a good start. They expressed themselves at being highly gratified at having a regular station again in Southern Pines, and added, "The people of Southern Pines will always find us most cooperative, and we hope to get back the regular bus patronage which may have been dissipated in the past few years."

Mr. Little has taken the agency on a trial basis, it was revealed, in addition to working with his son, George B. Little, Jr., in the operation of the service station and body works.

The station offers plenty of space for passengers to wait outside, or inside if the weather is bad. There are, however, no regular waiting rooms just for bus passengers. "We are doing this more or less just for the accommodation," said Mr. Little. "If it works, out okay—I'm glad. If it doesn't, they'll have to find some other solution."

The bus station was established for some years during and after the war in an annex to the back of the present Little Motor Co. building, then occupied by McNeill's Service station. It had to vacate this space in 1947 and later that year was established for a short time at another service station south of town. This was too far from the downtown district and proved unsatisfactory.

Since that time the situation has been rated as "a disgrace." Various methods of handling it were found, none of them good. No one was found who was willing to give the station a home, and the coach company could not be persuaded to build one. "The returns do not justify it," the bus company said then, and they still say it.

For the past few years buses have stopped beside the post office, where passengers have had to wait outdoors in all kinds of weather. The Chamber of Commerce police department and some of the hotels have accommodated by keeping schedules on hand and giving out information on times of arrival and departure.

The Chamber of Commerce and also the town board have conferred with bus company officials from time to time, with no satisfactory arrangement resulting.



... for unselfish personal service, without thought or hope of personal gain . . . (Pilot Staff Photo)

## Mrs. Way Is Awarded Builders Cup By Sandhills Kiwanis Club At Banquet

A gentle, smiling, gracious lady with silver-white hair, was awarded the Sandhills Kiwanis Builders Cup at the club's annual banquet and ladies' night, held last Friday evening at the Pinehurst Country club.

Mrs. William A. Way, who with her husband, the late Judge Way, founded the Carolina Orchid Growers, Inc., and attained national eminence in the field of orchid growing, was presented the handsome silver cup for which the standards were set 26 years ago. It is given "from time to time to the man or woman of Moore county who, by unselfish personal service, without thought or hope of personal gain, has contributed the most to the upbuilding of Moore county."

The Builders Cup is Moore's highest public service award. Only twice before has it been given to a woman. Some years, if no one is deemed worthy, it is not given at all. Secret Well Kept

Identity of the person to be honored was kept a close secret until the time of presentation. The selection was made by a committee headed by Paul Dana of Pinehurst. Garland McPherson of Southern Pines, made the presentation speech.

He kept the secret well, almost until the moment he placed the cup in the hands of Mrs. Way, by referring to her throughout as a "medical doctor."

Since Mrs. Way retired from practice at the time her husband retired from the bench, when they moved to Southern Pines from Philadelphia more than 30 years ago, few here know that she is a physician. She was Dr. Edith Waldie, a graduate (1905) of the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania.

This doctor, said Kiwanian McPherson in his speech, had "long been interested in the health and welfare of Moore County citizens, the betterment of its hospitals and (Continued on Page 4)

A page of five photos make up the presentation of Project 3, entitled Park and Recreation Facilities. These include the swimming lake north of town, the town tennis courts and a view of the school band on the football field. Besides the Knollwood lake, the lake for West Southern Pines residents is included.

Project 4 is the Bishop plant, entered to show the community's interest in encouraging industrial development in the area. Last on the list come the two school buses, as additions to the schools' athletic facilities and also of use in the summer recreational program.

The booklet, which is the work of Mark King, promotion expert, is the conception of John Ruggles, chairman of the Fiher Carolina Committee, with E. A. Tucker as co-chairman. It was felt that such a presentation of the town's bid for the CP&L contest prize would carry great weight with the judges, as showing the progressive spirit of the town. Two hundred and fifty copies of the booklet are being printed in the belief that they will be bought locally as promotional material.

Members of the Fiher Carolina Committee include representatives from most local civic organizations.

## "Conditional Stop" Now On Schedule For Silver Comet

Streamliner Debarks Those Arriving From Washington, N. Y.

The Silver Comet, fast Seaboard Air Line New York-to-Florida streamliner, was due to make its first scheduled stop in Southern Pines Thursday at 11:36 p. m.—provided someone was aboard who wanted to get off.

The stop, a concession made by Seaboard officials last week to local interest and demand, is rated as a "conditional" one. That is, if no one wants to get off, it flashes past as before.

Local citizens this week were expressing themselves as delighted even over this half-way measure, and hoping business would eventually justify the stop so it would become a regular one.

Tickets for Southern Pines via Silver Comet will be sold only in Washington and points north, according to information reaching the passenger station staff here this week. None will be sold at Raleigh, only other stop in North Carolina (except Hamlet, the junction and shops). Nor may passengers board the train at Southern Pines to go south.

For persons coming to Southern Pines or Pinehurst from more northerly points, however, word of the conditional stop is good news. The Silver Comet leaves New York City at 12:30 p. m., Washington at 5.

The trip will offer time and comfort advantages even over flying, for which Raleigh must be the southbound terminal point of the main lines for the Sandhills area.

Seaboard officials announced a further improvement of interest to Sandhills-bound travelers. The Palmland is being augmented by the addition of two new and modern Pullman cars, with "roomettes."

The changes went into effect with the adoption of the winter schedule Thursday.

The Silver Comet stop was announced by Seaboard officials following several conferences held with Jack S. Younts, president of the Sandhills Community Broadcasters, Inc. (WEEB) of Southern Pines. The radio station has campaigned vigorously in editorial broadcasts during the past two years for a streamliner stop here. Scripts and also tape recordings have been sent to the Seaboard.

Last week a conference was arranged here at which Mr. Younts voiced strongly the sentiments of the resort towns that they were due such a consideration, in view of the large number of visitors from the north. That these numbers are increasing, and that they were enduring discomforts in attempting train trips, were among the facts cited by Mr. Younts, who had accumulated an impressive number of figures.

He reported meeting with a highly cooperative spirit, and appreciation of the local position on the part of the Seaboard chiefs—clouded, however, by the pressure (Continued on page 8)

## Christmas Lights Are Turned On Downtown After Fast Fund Drive

DIRECTOR



ROBERT SHAW

## Shaw Chorale Here In Concert Saturday Night

The program of the Robert Shaw Chorale, appearing in concert at 8:30 p. m. Saturday at Weaver auditorium, will range from the solemn and sacred to the gay and exuberant.

Tender melodies of Brahms and the lilting charm of a Viennese operetta will be offered by this famous and unusual group combining the best features of both chorus and orchestra.

In one way only are the five parts of the program (in five different languages) alike—all are far off the beaten track. The Chorale, renowned through NBC network appearances and Red Seal Victor records, makes a specialty of avoiding the trite in its concert repertoire.

This is true even of the encores. On the first visit here in 1951 the Chorale made so delightfully free with popular songs that the audience simply would not let them quit. Local concert goers will remember how, after the sixth encore, young Director Shaw faced them to demand, "Haven't you got homes?"

In tomorrow night's program, first offering of the season for the Sandhill Music association, the first group will consist of three parts of a five-part work, Sacred Service, by Ernest Bloch, today's foremost composer of Jewish music. Ranging from melancholy to exultant, the Service offers several very fine male solos.

The second part will consist of three of Brahms' loveliest, though lesser-known, lieder, played by Pianist John Wustman.

Three old French songs set to orchestral music by Debussy make up the third portion, sung by a solo quartet of two male and two female voices.

Spanish carols compose the fourth part of the program, selected from a group new to the (Continued on Page 4)

## SELL-OUT?

They may have to hang out the Standing Room Only sign at the Robert Shaw Chorale concert Saturday night.

Tickets are selling so fast, reports Mrs. Paul Barnum, who heads the sales committee, that there will be precious few to sell at the door if the rush continues.

Those desiring to insure attendance at the performance of this world-famous musical attraction may still buy seats from the Barnum agency on Broad street, or through local ticket sales or through local ticket sales chairmen in each county town: Pinehurst, Mrs. Stuart Cutler; Aberdeen, Mrs. Lawrence Johnson; Robbins, J. A. Culbertson; Carthage, Miss Rozelle Williamson; West End, Mrs. M. C. McDonald; McCain, Dr. William Peck.

## Window Displays Shine Brightly In Seasonal Harmony

The Christmas lights went on Tuesday night in Southern Pines—after several days in which it looked as though there would be none.

The twinkling many-colored lights, strung along both sides of Broad street from Pennsylvania to Connecticut avenue, bore witness to a community spirit just as glowing.

When the news came out last week that the Chamber of Commerce had no funds to put up the traditional lights, a few dismayed merchants put their heads together. The upshot was, Mrs. W. B. Holliday and J. T. Overton undertook the job of soliciting the needed funds.

The Bushby Electrical company said they would do the job for \$200—\$100 to put them up, another \$100 to take them down. Mr. Holliday and Mr. Overton each underwrote half of this cost. That left the electricity to be paid for, and Mayor Page said the Town would attend to this.

Monday morning, Mrs. Holliday took one side of Broad street, and Mr. Overton the other, nabbing every merchant they could find. As word got around other merchants and businessmen, some of them far out of the lighted area, sought them out to add their contributions. Though there were two \$10 donations (from Leroy Lee, who gave to each canvasser) most were from \$1 to \$5. Within a few hours the entire amount had been made up.

The Chamber of Commerce made its long wires and hundreds of bulbs available, and the Bushby crew started stringing them up. Some of them were turned on Monday night, Tuesday evening, the full panoply of color shone forth, making it truly a bright Christmas.

In accompaniment, store windows blossomed out over the weekend with gay seasonal displays. The colored lights went on under the eaves of the Welch Gift shop, brightening that block for which wiring has not yet been provided.

Though the customary method has been followed of stringing the lights on the street side of Broad, rather than on the parkway trees as the Chamber had planned earlier, window-shoppers on these December evenings declare "Southern Pines has never looked prettier for Christmas."

The Chamber of Commerce had previously offered merchants the (Continued on page 4)

## Service Teams

## In Double-Header Monday Night

A double-header, featuring four strong, fast teams, will be open to the public at the Southern Pines school gym Monday, starting at 7 p. m.

The Southern Pines Guardsmen, sponsored by the local National Guard battery, will meet other Guardsmen from the battalion headquarters at Red Springs.

Sanford Guardsmen will play the USAFAGOS Airmen, from Highland Pines Inn.

The Airmen and local Guardsmen showed their skill for the first time last Monday, before a fairly large, enthusiastic crowd at the gymnasium. The Guards stayed ahead all the way, until the final quarter, when the Airmen spurred ahead to win 30-24.

High scorers for the Airmen were Airman 1/c Unwin, with eight points, and S/Sgt. Layel, with seven; for the Guardsmen, Sgt. 1/c Buck McDonald and Ray Schilling, four each.

The games, being held this month, on Monday nights, constitute a warmup period for a league which will go into operation early next year, composed of the Airmen, Carolina Hotel employees and National Guard teams from four or five towns.

## Woodruff "Most Valuable Player"



David Woodruff, right, receives the Milliken Memorial trophy at the Elks banquet for the football squad Friday night. Lennox Forsyth makes the presentation, in behalf of the John Boyd post, VFW. David also won honorary captaincy. Story crowded out, will appear next week. (Pilot Staff Photo)