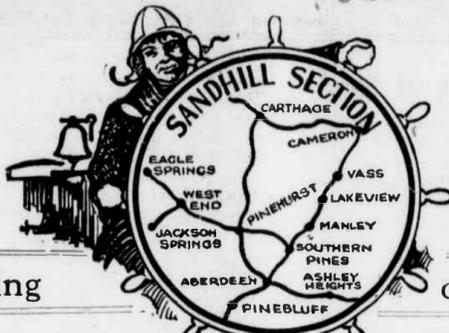


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FIVE CENTS

BUDGET ADOPTED; NO-TAX INCREASE IN SOUTHERN PINES

Estimated Expense of Town for Period Ending June 30, 1936 is \$68,145

BONDED DEBT \$568,000

The Board of Town Commissioners of Southern Pines at its regular meeting Wednesday night adopted the Town Budget for the period beginning July 1, 1935 and ending June 30, 1936 with a gross estimated income of \$68,145.78 based on the same rate as last year, \$2.65. The estimated expense of the Town for the period is as follows:

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| Serial Bond Fund | \$19,275.95 |
| Term Bond Fund | 9,520.00 |
| General Fund | 36,432.55 |
| Municipal Parks and Building | 1,262.50 |
| Maintenance Mt. Hope Cemetery | 700.00 |
| Deficit Fire House Building Account | 954.78 |

\$68,145.78

The Town ended the fiscal year June 30, 1935 with a total bonded indebtedness of \$568,000. During the period from July 1, 1935 to June 30, 1936 the Town will pay out \$31,000 in the retirement of bonds, and interest in the amount of \$32,365. In addition to the amount set up under serial and term bond funds toward the retirement of bonds and payment of interest, \$16,300 will be paid from the water Department and \$2,536.04 will be paid from special street assessments and \$15,733.01 will come from special sinking funds set up during past years.

During the month of August the Town paid up in full \$13,000 of the above mentioned bonds and interest in the amount of \$8,000 which came due September 1st. \$8,000 of this amount was for Sewer and Water Bonds of 1905. The rest was for serial bonds.

The Rev. Edward F. Green, representing the Southern Pines Bird Club, urged the passing of an ordinance requiring the owners of cats to keep them confined or on leash or to put collars with bells on them. The matter was referred to the Law and Ordinance committee for further consideration.

Davidson Will Case to Be Heard in February

Contest Over Estate of Former Elva Statler, Hotel Heiress, Postponed

The Elva Statler Davidson will case, by far the most important case scheduled for trial in the September term of Superior Court, in which three litigants are contesting the validity of Mrs. Davidson's last will and testament which assigns her entire estate, estimated at \$500,000, to her husband, H. Bradley Davidson, Jr., of Washington, except for two minor bequests, has been continued to the February term of court. A crowded docket prevented the hearing of the case in the current term.

The contestants assert that undue influence was exerted in securing the will of the young heiress who died of carbon monoxide poisoning in the garage of her Pinehurst home early in February of this year.

SEVEN DIVORCES GRANTED IN SUPERIOR COURT HERE

Seven divorces were granted on the opening day of Superior court in Carthage this week in the following cases: Rittie Lucas versus P. P. Lucas; Cleecie Brown versus Carl Brown; Jasper N. Thomas versus Ren McQuoid versus Lucy Wilson versus William F. Ray; Mary M. Patterson versus R. E. Patterson; Le. McQuoid; Marian W. Warner versus Douglas W. Warner.

SCHOOL BOOKS ARRIVE

A large supply of school books for rental to Moore county school children has been received by the County Superintendent, and these are being distributed from the gymnasium in Carthage.

Hunting Seasons

Next Few Weeks Will See Openings For Game and Birds

Hunting seasons are beginning to open in North Carolina. Some of those of interest to huntsmen generally are as follows: squirrels, open in 20 odd far western counties September 15, close December 16; opens in piedmont and east October 1, closes January 15; doves, opens September 21, State-wide, closes January 5; deer, opens October 1, closes January 1, except earlier opening in group of eastern counties; opossums and raccoons, with dogs, beginning October 1, trapping November 1; quail, rabbits and wild turkey, opens Thanksgiving Day, closes for turkeys January 31 and quail and rabbits February 15; migratory waterfowl, opens under federal regulations November 20, closing December 19; it is unlawful to bait waterfowl or use blinds, boats or other floating devices more than 100 feet from the shore.

CELEBRATE 145TH ANNIVERSARY OF BETHESDA CHURCH

Fine Program Arranged For Home-Coming on Sunday, Sept. 29

REV. R. L. McLEOD SPEAKER

Aberdeen's Old Bethesda Church will celebrate its 145th anniversary on Sunday, September 29th, with its annual home-coming and appropriate exercises. Preparations are being made for one of the largest crowds in the history of the congregation, and the committee has been busy for some time to assure a day long to be remembered for those who journey from near and far.

The preacher of the day will be the Rev. Robert L. McLeod, of Winter Haven, Florida, a grandson of the old church. Mr. McLeod is a son of R. L. McLeod of Maxton and a brother of Dr. W. Guy McLeod of Southern Pines. Dr. Alex McLeod of Aberdeen is his uncle. He is reputed to be an excellent speaker, and will make the home-coming address on the morning's program.

Dinner, picnic style, will be served on the historic church grounds at noon, and the afternoon's program will take the form of an "I Remember" hour, with "old timers" of the congregations of the past recalling "the good old days." All former members and friends of the church are cordially invited to attend the 145th anniversary celebration, bringing their lunches with them and making a day of it.

403 ENROLL AS CAMERON SCHOOL OPENS FALL TERM

Cameron School opened on Wednesday of last week. The Rev. C. H. Durham of Carthage conducted the devotional and also gave some good advice to the pupils. County Superintendent of Schools, H. Lee Thomas explained the book rental system, and told of the high ideals he had for the school.

Prof. Lowry made a fine talk to teachers, pupils and parents. He particularly emphasized the fact that he wanted his pupils to be happy in their school life.

Enrollment was, for High School, 101; for Grammar grades and Primary, 302; grand total, 403.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS TO BEAUTIFY OLD BETHESDA

Owing to lack of funds and the withdrawal of relief forces from such work, the Bethesda Cemetery Association is calling on lot owners and friends of the cemetery to aid in putting it in the best possible condition before the Home-Coming on September 29th. M. H. Folley, head of the association, urges all owners to clean up their lots and the walks adjoining, and others interested to send contributions for other necessary work.

7 HURT WHEN CARS COLLIDE ON MIDLAND ROAD

Mrs. Lester Wilson of Chapel Hill Suffers Broken Shoulder Blade; Others Cut

THREE IN M. C. HOSPITAL

Mrs. Lester Wilson of Chapel Hill suffered a broken shoulder blade and back injuries and six others were cut and bruised as the result of a collision of two automobiles at the entrance to Judge William A. Way's Carolina Greenhouses on the double road between Southern Pines and Pinehurst around 4:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Wilson, who is connected with the botanical department of the University of North Carolina; Walter Lane Barksdale, a student there, and James Lovling of Spartanburg, S. C., are in the Moore County Hospital as the result of the accident. None are in serious condition.

Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Lovling and Barksdale were on their way to pay a visit to Judge Way and look over the orchid greenhouses when the accident occurred. Lovling at the wheel turned off the double road into the road which leads to the greenhouses just as a Ford driven by Otis Poole of Jackson Springs and occupied by Mr. Poole's son and two women approached the crossing. The Ford hit the other car, a Chevrolet, amidships, breaking all windows and damaging it otherwise.

The occupants of both cars were rushed to the hospital, by ambulance, and those in the Lovling car, the more seriously injured of the accident victims, remained there for treatment. The others were released after having their cuts dressed in the accident room. The Lovling car was taken to the Pinehurst Garage, the Poole car to Jackson Springs.

Mrs. Wilson is the wife of Lester Wilson, professor of English at the University. Mr. Lovling is a collector of rare specimens of orchids and other flowers and plants.

COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION ON SEPT. 29

The Moore County Sunday School Convention will be held in Hemp School Auditorium at Hemp on Sunday, September 29. This is the annual County Sunday School convention and is especially planned for all those interested in the Sunday Schools of all denominations. The program as scheduled for this year calls for a three-session convention beginning at 9:45 a. m. and continuing through afternoon and night sessions. Between the morning and afternoon sessions there will be a fellowship dinner on the grounds, and everyone is asked to bring a basket lunch.

EIGHT-DAY MEETING AT ABERDEEN BAPTIST CHURCH

A special meeting has been announced to begin at the Aberdeen Baptist Church next Sunday, September 22nd. This meeting is scheduled to continue eight days, running through September 29th. No day services are planned except for the two Sundays. There will be services every evening next week beginning at 7:45. The public is cordially invited. The pastor, the Rev. E. M. Harris, will preach. The music will be under the direction of Mrs. W. T. Huntley.

ORGANIZE ADULT CLASSES IN COMMERCIAL SUBJECTS

Citizens of Southern Pines who are interested in enrolling in the adult courses in commercial subjects are requested by Superintendent Webster to meet in the high school auditorium next Monday afternoon, September 23, at four o'clock. Beginners classes in Shorthand, Bookkeeping and Typewriting will be offered this fall. Mrs. Ruth W. Warner, teacher of commercial subjects in the Southern Pines High School, will instruct the classes. Students enrolling will be charged a fee of \$2 per month in advance, or \$12 per year. The course will last for a period of eight months.

Head Vass Evangelistic Campaign



MISS CAROLYN HOSFORD

Much interest is being manifested in the approaching evangelistic campaign, which is to begin in Vass on this Sunday evening with a union service in the Vass Presbyterian church, and continue with services each evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Vass Methodist church with the pastor, the Rev. L. M. Hall, bringing the messages and with Miss Carolyn Hosford, evangelistic worker, here to direct the music and aid in the women and children's work.

Miss Hosford has worked from coast to coast and in Canada during her twelve years in evangelistic work, ministering to both large and small fields, and she is said to be a wonderful director and organizer. She is also a soloist and a saxophonist of ability.

While Mr. Hall has never had Miss Hosford in one of his meetings, he has visited other churches where she was laboring, and was deeply impressed with her power of leadership. Her work with groups of children is said to be outstanding, and a feature of revivals where she labors is a pageant which never fails to be an outstanding event.

The Rev. Mr. Lawrence will preach at the Presbyterian church on Sunday evening, this being his regular appointment, and Miss Hosford will be there to direct the music. This arrangement has been made in order that there may be no conflict in the services, and the entire community is invited to worship in this union service, as well as in the services to follow at 7:30 p. m. in the Methodist church in succeeding days.

Application Blanks For Drivers' Licenses Here

Will Be Granted Free of Charge Until November 1st, Without Examination

Application blanks for licenses under North Carolina's new driver's license law may be obtained now from Chief of Police Gargis or various garages in Southern Pines, from garages in Aberdeen and the Pinehurst Garage in Pinehurst.

Operators license will be granted free until November 1, after which date they will be \$1. Applicants will then be required to take an examination, too.

Several hundred applications have been filled out during the past few days. The blanks may be completed either before a highway patrolman or a notary public, but no fee is charged when they are filled out and sworn to in the presence of a patrolman.

All applications when filled out will be mailed back to the Division of Highway Safety, in Raleigh, of which Arthur Fulf is director. If they are approved, they will be run through a photographic machine and the photostatic copies will be mailed to applicants as their drivers' licenses.

NEW DEPARTMENT STORE OPENS HERE TOMORROW

B. C. Moore & Sons, who operate 21 department stores in the two Carolinas, will open tomorrow, Saturday in Aberdeen in the store formerly occupied by the Ladies' Style Shop, next door to the Bryan Drug Store. This will be the first so-called "chain" department store in either Aberdeen, Pinehurst or Southern Pines. Mr. Myers of the Moore company has been here all week arranging for the opening. The firm will employ local clerks throughout. Mr. Myers said yesterday. The Moore company enjoys a splendid reputation in all those cities in which it operates.



THE REV. L. M. HALL

200,000 LBS. OF TOBACCO SOLD ON FIRST DAY HERE

Poor Grades Keep Price Average Down Throughout the Middle Belt

GROWERS FILE PROTESTS

So much tobacco of an inferior quality has appeared on the floors of the two Aberdeen warehouses during the first week of the season that prices have fallen well below the average of a year ago and below expectations. Farmers as a whole have been considerably discontent with the situation, but those who have brought in good tobacco have received as high prices as they did last year. The buyers report most of the crop they have seen here so far as stringy, light and of poor grade generally.

More than 200,000 pounds were sold on the Aberdeen floors on the opening day, Tuesday, both warehouses being filled with offerings. The price averaged slightly below 20 cents. The average on Wednesday fell to 16 cents, and yesterday was 17.22 cents.

All over the Middle Belt, opening on Tuesday, prices were discouraging to the tobacco growers with a result that mass meetings were called in various parts of the state, protests filed with everybody from Secretary of Agriculture Henry A. Wallace down to county agents. An attempt is being made to have the AAA do something about bolstering the prices. The big buying companies say on their own behalf that they are paying all the tobacco which is coming on the markets is worth, and that they can use only a limited quantity of this quality. They are willing to pay, and are paying, good prices for the kind of leaf they want.

In some instances in the state petitions have been sent the Governor asking a temporary holiday pending some action to boost prices. Sanford was among the petitioners.

MRS. MATTIE SMITH BRYAN WEDS CLAYTON L. GUION

Mr. and Mrs. Marter Benjamin Smith of Sante Fe, New Mexico, announce the marriage of their daughter, Mattie Lou Smith Bryan, to Clayton Lloyd Guion in the Baptist Church in Aberdeen last Sunday morning, September 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Guion are well known in Aberdeen where Mrs. Guion has made her home for several years and where she was at one time a teacher in the Aberdeen High School. Mr. Guion is the popular manager of the Bryan Drug Store.

After a motor trip to northern points Mr. and Mrs. Guion will be at home in Aberdeen.

NEW NOVEL BY MISS SANBORN

A new novel by Ruth Burr Sanborn of Southern Pines, "Murder on the Aphrodite," was published this week and has been meeting with a ready sale at the Hayes' bookshop.

TRAVEL AGENCY EXECUTIVES TO BE SHOWN SANDHILLS

Pinehurst and Southern Pines on Itinerary of 2,000 Mile "Sales" Journey

SEEK ALL-EXPENSE TOURS

The Sandhills will be the host next month to executive heads of outstanding travel agencies operating all-expense travel tours aggregating more than \$150,000,000 annually. Plans have been completed by The Carolinas, Inc., the Southeastern Hotel Men's Association and the Carolina Motor Club to take these men on a 2,000 mile tour of the two Carolinas, to last 11 days, the purpose being to interest them in this section and to influence them to send more tourists this way during the winter season. The tour will begin in Greensboro October 14th and terminate on the 24th in Charlotte. The schedule is not completed, so just what date they will visit Pinehurst and Southern Pines is not known.

In addition to the travel executives, editors of leading newspapers and publications, have been invited to make the tour. Acceptance to date indicate that approximately 50 persons will make the trip.

Carolinas Neglected

"Without doubt this tour arranged by the Carolina Motor Club and The Carolinas, Inc., is the greatest thing that has ever been attempted to develop tourist travel to the Carolinas," E. H. Spence of Greensboro, chairman of the hotel associations board, said. "Millions of dollars annually are spent by northern and eastern travelers through the purchase of all expense tours from recognized travel agencies in those areas, but the Carolinas have not been getting their share of this business although we have the greatest varieties of resorts nearest the great centers of population."

"This is the first time a group of travel agency executives has been taken for a tour of the Carolinas with a view of showing them what we have, that they may develop all expense tours similar to those now widely advertised attracting visitors to other parts of the nation," C. W. Roberts of the Carolinas Inc., said.

"It is conservatively estimated that as a result of this trip tourist travel in the Carolinas can easily be increased more than \$100,000,000 within the next five years. This is the first outstanding effort that has been made to merchandise Carolinas attractions on a wholesale scale."

Mr. Roberts left Charlotte Tuesday, accompanied by L. L. Froneberger, Jr., chief travel counselor of the Carolina Motor Club, to go over the entire route of the tour and complete arrangements. Definite times will be allotted for arrivals, departures and points to be visited. On the tour some of the executives will travel by bus and others in their private cars.

JOSEPH EDWARD SYLVESTER OF SOUTHERN PINES TO WED

News of the engagement of Joseph Edward Sylvester, son of Mrs. Joseph Edward Bernstein of Southern Pines, to Miss Frances Virginia Marx of No. 1175 Park avenue, New York City, was received here this week, the announcement having been made by the bride's parents in New York on Tuesday. Mr. Sylvester, who has spent much time here, is a graduate of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore and attended the University of Berlin in Germany. He is a member of the brokerage firm of May & Herzog in New York. His father was the late Joseph Bernstein, former president of the Citizens Bank & Trust Company of Southern Pines.

WRENN AMONG FIRST 20 IN TEST AT STATE COLLEGE

Clem Wrenn, Jr., of Southern Pines, member of last spring's High School graduating class, made an A in his English placement test at State College this week, which means he was among the first 20 pupils of the 760 who took the test.