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R. L. CHANDLER RESIGNS FROM SCHOOL BOARD

Forced to Give Up Post Due to
Pressure of Own Business Affairs

SERVED FOR 15 YEARS

At the close of the scheduled monthly meeting of the members of the School Board of Southern Pines, on January 6th, their long time secretary, Ralph Chandler resigned, his retirement from office to become effective following the next regular meeting February 3rd. The dismayed members of the board refused to accept the resignation, making every effort, including an offer of increased pay, to sway Mr. Chandler from his determination, but in vain. He called to their attention the ever increasing demand upon his time, until school affairs were taking most of his evenings, and many Sunday afternoons, and encroaching upon his own business hours until the combined duties were becoming entirely too onerous.

Mr. Chandler has been a member of the Board since 1921, and secretary since 1923, and in that period of time has filled an exacting position with unfailing courtesy to the public, and strict attention to the unceasing detail involved in carrying on the duties of the office. His fifteen years of service to the board, and to the citizens of Southern Pines, have also been of development and expansion for the school system. From a small staff serving the needs of the then comparatively small number of pupils, the board now commands the services of a teaching staff of 17, for nearly 500 pupils, plus the increasing enrollment in the West Southern Pines school.

Members of the board have freely voiced their regrets over the approaching loss of their most efficient secretary.

Civic Club Bridge-Tea An Attractive Affair

Given at Home of Mrs. J. H. Andrews on Weymouth Ridge Friday

The Civic Club bridge-tea which was given Friday afternoon at the Weymouth Ridge residence of Mrs. J. H. Andrews, was a very beautiful occasion. Twenty tables were filled with guests for bridge, and many club members who do not play bridge dropped in at four for tea.

The dining room was reserved for the tea hour, and the beautifully appointed table was presided over by Mrs. Andrews, the hostess, and Mrs. Edward A. Campbell, mother of the president of the Civic Club.

The patronesses for the party were Mrs. J. C. Musser, Miss Florence Campbell, Mrs. Levis Pitzer, Mrs. George Case, Mrs. Bowdoin Plummer, Mrs. Edgar McCord, Mrs. Walter Ives, Mrs. Preston Kelsey, Mrs. M. Louise Henderson, Mrs. J. J. Warren, Mrs. E. A. Tracy, Mrs. Chester Tracy, Mrs. Arthur W. Merrill, Mrs. M. H. Turner, Mrs. Robert Skinner, Dr. Isabel Graves, Mrs. P. P. Pelton, Mrs. E. Morell, Miss Anna Post, Miss Ida Robinson, Mrs. E. C. Eddy, Mrs. Hugh Betterley, Miss Birdilla Bair, Miss Nora Hafez, Mrs. Pottle, Mrs. Meserve, Miss Julia Mowry, Mrs. Francis C. Robertson, Mrs. Deucher, Mrs. Milliken, Mrs. Betterley and Miss Erma Fisher.

SOUTHERN PINES GIRLS' AND BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM LOSE

Southern Pines girls' and boys' basketball teams met defeat at Wadesboro on Tuesday night. Playing on the Southern Pines girls' team were Mildred Powell, Edith Matthews and Mae Belle Ward, forwards, and Jane Musser, Louise Blue, Catharine Newton and Sara Barnum, guards. Wadesboro won 30 to 18.

PLANS FOR NEW P. O. BUILDING ARE APPROVED

Chamber of Commerce Invites
Citizens to Open Meeting
For Discussion

WORK STARTS IN MARCH

At an open meeting sponsored by the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce Tuesday afternoon at Jack's Grill, the newly completed plans for the proposed Southern Pines Postoffice building were inspected and approved.

President Shields Cameron had previously announced that the meeting would be an open one and that anyone who cared to attend and express an opinion on the subject would be most welcome and his invitation was enthusiastically accepted.

Postmaster Frank Buchan presented the plans to the meeting and explained them in detail. Then Shields Cameron called for an expression of opinion from the assembled meeting and the plans were unanimously accepted.

A resolution of approval, thanks and appreciation was voted to each and every citizen whose assistance has made the acquisition of this new building possible and special copies of the resolution were sent to the following:

Mrs. H. A. Page, Jr., for establishing the contact with Architect Aymer Embury, II, and to Mr. Embury for the plans submitted and finally accepted.

Congressman J. Walter Lambeth for his interest and energy in seeing to it that the design of the building should meet the wishes of the citizens.

Postmaster Frank Buchan, for the convincing arguments and statistics of income and operation that he submitted to the Postoffice Department and which were the deciding factors in obtaining the allocation to Southern Pines.

Mr. A. B. Yeomans, for his time and energy spent in conferring with government departments regarding the building.

At the conclusion of the meeting Mr. Buchan informed the Daily News that bids will be advertised about February 1st and that actual work on the building should begin sometime early in March.

John T. Armstrong Dies in Pennsylvania

His Wife Was the Daughter of
the Late Mr. and Mrs.
John Chilcott

John T. Armstrong died at his home in Brookville, Pa., last Wednesday, January 13. Mr. Armstrong was a prominent coal operator of western Pennsylvania. He was also associated with one of the railroads of his state and bank director in Brookville. The Armstrong family had been coming to Southern Pines for nearly fourteen years. Mrs. Armstrong will be remembered as the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Chilcott who maintained a winter home here for a number of years. After the death of the Chilcotts, the Armstrong family were guests at the Southland Hotel. Mr. Armstrong occasionally came with a party of friends for several weeks of golf at Pinehurst and Southern Pines.

Surviving are his wife, and a daughter Mrs. Paul Truman and small son Thom. Mrs. Truman, the former Frances Armstrong, was married in the Pinehurst chapel.

THOROUGHFARE CLOSED

A neat and assuredly not gaudy fence, now bars the traffic way to the lots directly opposite the postoffice, long used as a thoroughfare and entrance to the rear of the stores on West Broad street. Erected Monday by E. V. Perkinson, by the order of the owner of this 160 feet of frontage on Pennsylvania avenue, a little opening adjoining the Eddy building, has been left for the use of pedestrians.

Public To Hear of Unemployment Insurance Act at Meeting Tuesday

To Speak Here



MRS. J. B. SPILLMAN

"Mawnin' Jedge" Jottings from Criminal Term of Superior Court at Carthage This Week

"Feed them all out of the same spoon; make it certain, but not too long," is the method of meting out sentences advocated by Judge Wilson Warlick, who is presiding over the "big term" of criminal court in Carthage this week. The Judge appears to be adhering to this method with a fine disregard of the financial standing or race of the criminals appearing before him.

"What is a 'piccolo dance?' inquired Solicitor Rowland S. Pruette of a witness, and his tone indicated that he was really seeking information. It seemed that a "piccolo dance" had figured if evidence previously given. With the help of the Judge, it was made clear that it was a dance where music was furnished by a "piccolo," a kind of music box into which nickels are dropped.

A visiting attorney in court Tuesday who made a fine impression both by his appearance and conduct was a Mr. Alexander of Kannapolis. It was later learned that he is a Moore county product, a nephew of W. F. Alexander of Vass and Oswald Alexander of above Carthage.

One could easily imagine that Henry Van Porter of Amos and Andy fame was on the witness stand in a case tried this week. He was gentle looking, wore glasses and had his hair slicked back, and in the opening words of his testimony clip- (Please turn to page 8)

Sunday Movies At Pinehurst Next Week

Carolina Theater to Present
The M-G-M Road Show Picture
"Romeo and Juliet"

The management of the Carolina Theatre in Pinehurst takes extreme pleasure in announcing that, on Sunday, January 31st, it will present, for one day only, the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer road show masterpiece, "Romeo and Juliet."

There will be a matinee at 3 o'clock and an evening show at 8:20 and for this engagement, the following scale of prices will prevail:

Evening performance — Boxes \$1.65, Main Floor, \$1.10 and .83. Balcony, .55.

Matinee—Boxes, \$1.10. Main Floor, .83, Balcony .55

EUBANKS- HUNT

Miss Margaret Hunt and H. L. Eubanks were united in marriage at Sanford, Fla., on January 12th. Miss Hunt was well known in Aberdeen where she has made her home with her sister, Mrs. Dock Byrd for some time, and Mr. Eubanks held a position with the Mountain Ice plant here last summer.

*Mrs. Spillman, State Commissioner, To Address Open Meeting Here

SPONSORED BY CHAMBER

Under the auspices of the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce a discussion of the workings of the Unemployment Insurance Act will be given Tuesday noon by Mrs. J. B. Spillman, who is State Commissioner in charge of the administration of the law in North Carolina.

Tuesday is the regular luncheon meeting of the Chamber of Commerce directors, but on account of the widespread interest in the new law the luncheon meeting will be an open meeting to which all interested residents and visitors to the Sandhills are invited. On account of limited space those desiring to be present for the luncheon are asked to make reservations by Monday night with Vice-President Earl Merrill at the Sandhill Drug Company or Bob Hart at the Broad Street Pharmacy.

North Carolina's Unemployment Insurance Law is modeled after the National Act and will be of interest to those visitors from out of the state as well as residents. Mrs. Spillman is a very interesting speaker, and prior to being appointed Commissioner was State vice-chairman of the Democratic party.

The Chamber of Commerce directors will meet immediately after the public meeting for the election of officers for 1937.

A special committee of ladies will entertain Mrs. Spillman during her visit to Southern Pines.

Kiwanis Meeting At Carthage Wednesday

Dr. J. I. Neal Elected to Membership; Carthage Pastor Makes Talk

The Kiwanis Club held its regular Wednesday luncheon at the Presbyterian Log Cabin in Carthage with twenty-four members turning out for the meeting.

Dr. W. S. Golden, pastor of the Presbyterian church made the address. His subject being "The Presidency of the United States." He pointed out the strong hand of God has had in the shaping of history of the world. He stated some people make much of nobility and titles of Europeans, but we in the United States have much to be thankful for in having a President elected by the people rather than the monarch form of government as now prevails in Europe.

The speaker was introduced by Judge Herbert F. Seawell of the Carthage bar.

Preceding the address Dr. J. I. Neal of Southern Pines was elected to membership.

CHURCH OF WIDE FELLOWSHIP WOMEN TO HOLD SEWING MEET

The Women's Society of the Church of Wide Fellowship will hold a sewing meeting Monday, January 25, at 3:00 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Clarence Durgin, corner of May street and Connecticut avenue. These meetings, which will be held every two weeks in preparation for the Pre-Easter Sale of March 10, are sponsored by Group III of the society, under the leadership of Mrs. Durgin, Mrs. H. S. Knowles and Mrs. C. L. Austin. All those who are thimble-minded are particularly invited.

The regular meeting of the Society will be on Wednesday, January 27, at 3:30, in the Church Parlor. The program will be presented by Group I, Mrs. E. Levis Pitzer and Mrs. R. F. Potts, leaders.

Group III further announces a Silver Tea, on Wednesday, February 3, at the home of Mrs. John Haines. Ruth Burr Sanborn will read. The public is invited.

THE FILLING STATION THIEVES ARE SENTENCED

Found Guilty of Taking Slot
Machines From Aberdeen
and Southern Pines

TRIO GET 12 MONTHS

"Buster" Hall, Fred Engleheim and Tommie Louis, white youths of Burlington, were in Superior court found guilty of breaking and entering the Bluebird Filling Station in Aberdeen and Clark's Garage in Southern Pines and stealing slot machines.

In one case, they were given twelve months, each, in jail to work under the supervision of the State Highway and Public Works Commission, and in the other, prayer for judgment was continued for three years.

A fourth man, who is alleged to have been a party to the crime and perhaps the leader, as he is much older than the others, has not been taken.

Shoes given Fred McLaurin by the State of North Carolina while he was serving a term which he was released on November 11 led to his arrest on January 1 on a first degree burglary and larceny charge in connection with the beating and robbing of old "Uncle" Harry Troy, 77-year-old colored man who resides alone near Pinehurst. Fred and his alleged accomplices, Ed Adams and Lonnie Thorn, were co-defendants in the case.

According to the evidence, Fred and another colored man went to the home of the aged man about 1:30 o'clock on New Year's morning to get some liquor. Later in the morning, Fred, Ed and Lonnie were riding around and Fred had the others to let him out of the car near Troy's home, telling them he would be back in about ten minutes. Some twenty minutes later, he returned with blood on his collar, pants and hand and asked that they stop at the nearest branch. He gave each of them \$2.00.

"Uncle Troy had a pistol and I had to do it," McLaurin was quoted as saying.

Testimony was offered telling of the blood-soaked bed where the old man had been beaten over the head with a bottle, and of money being scattered from the bed through the kitchen window, through which the robber jumped, in his haste falling on his knees.

Tracks alongside the house showed clearly the imprint of a metal plate such as the State places on convict's shoes for use in shoveling. McLaurin was arrested. His shoe fitted the track exactly. On his knee was found an abrasion which the State sought to show was the result of the fall from the window.

The solicitor asked for a verdict of guilty of breaking and entering and larceny instead of a verdict of first degree burglary, which carries with it the death penalty. The case was in the hands of the jury at the time of this report.

Julius Ingram, colored, was given eighteen months on the roads for (Please turn to page 5)

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS OPEN FOR UNSKILLED LABOR

The U. S. Civil Service Commission announces an open competition examination for the position of unskilled laborer for filling vacancies in the custodial service, Postoffice, Pinehurst, N. C., the usual entrance salary being 50 cents an hour.

Application for this position must be on file with the Manager Fourth U. S. Civil Service District (Washington, D. C., not later than February 9th, 1937.

Competitors will not be requested to report for written examination, but will be rated on their training and experience.

Full information and application blanks may be obtained from the Secretary, Board of U. S. Civil Service Examination Post office, Pinehurst, N. C.

SLOT MACHINE RACKET PLAYED BY McKELWAY

Machines Dissappear Following
Sunday Sermon; Asks Civic
Bodies to Stop Gambling

'KEEP OPERATORS SCARED'

Anticipating Superior Court Judge Warlick's arrival in Carthage for the January term of the Criminal Court and sounding a note last Sunday that was echoed emphatically Monday by Judge Warlick, the Rev. A. J. McKelway, at the Community Church in Pinehurst, scrapped his regular Sunday sermon and delivered instead a scathing blast directed against slot machine owners and leasers in Moore county and in Pinehurst and Southern Pines in particular.

This past Monday morning there was not a single slot machine to be found in localities where, heretofore, they have abounded, and Mr. McKelway, commenting on this situation, said:

"Why? Simply because the Grand Jury meets for a session of the Superior Court before which, if these slot machine operators come, they would be tried by a jurist known for his competence.

"In the past, inferior courts have decided in favor of these operators and ruled that slot machines were not gambling devices, but apparently they are not so impressed with that notion that they care to gamble on it before a Superior Court bench."

Rev. McKelway went on to state that it was quite probable that these machines would be returned to their stands following the adjournment of the court and that, when that happened, the community would again become a "wide open gambling resort." "There is an answer, however," he reminded his congregation, "These operators are scared now. Keep them scared."

"The way is not closed with the adjournment of the Grand Jury," he continued. "Your District Solicitor is empowered, upon the presentation to him of evidence of flagrant violation of the law, to petition your Superior Court Judge to call a special meeting of the Grand Jury, which may in turn take such action as to cause the indictment of offenders and have their cases tried before the next term of the Superior Court."

"From every source of information available to me, I am led to believe that our County Board, our Sheriff, our County Solicitor and our County Attorney and the public opinion in the county are all overwhelmingly opposed to the conditions which have become intolerable and notorious.

"I propose," Mr. McKelway said in closing, that it is your high privilege as parents, as self-respecting and community-respecting citizens, as representatives of the one organization which alone stands for righteousness above every consideration, to let it be known that illegality, the jeopardizing of your community, and of your children, will no longer be tolerated, and that evidence of law infringement will be placed in the proper legal hands.

"You do not need any organization for that sort of action. You can form groups of mothers, of fathers, or any sort of interested group of citizens. Existing organiza-

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SOUTHERN PINES SENIORS PLAN ATTRACTIVE PROGRAM

The Senior Class of the Southern Pines High School will enjoy having former students and friends as their guests at the assembly hour Friday, January 29 at which time they will present Dr. Edgar Long in a program of dramatizations of scenes from, As You Like It, Macbeth, The Tempest, and the Merchant of Venice.

The Glee Club will sing two of the favorite lyrics form the Shakespearean plays, Who is Silvia and Hark! Hark, the Lark.