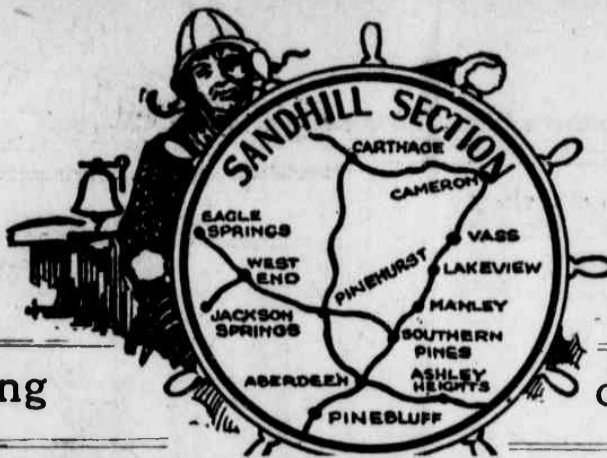


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Saturday Primary Settles Congress, Solicitor Nominees

SEES CIVIC CENTER AS IMPROVEMENT TO BUSINESS AREA

Will Tend To Stabilize Values; Beautify Town, Says Mayor Stutz

BUT SLIGHT TAX RAISE

In a statement to The Pilot Mayor D. G. Stutz of Southern Pines this week states his position in regard to the acquisition by the town of the property on West Broad street immediately adjoining the postoffice.

"I believe," says Mr. Stutz, "the voters should become acquainted with the following facts in considering the purchase of the proposed Civic Center.

Such a commercially desirable property will not remain on the market long, it will have to be bought now.

"In a town with an assessed valuation of \$2,500,000, the fourteen hundred dollars needed each year to finance the purchase can have very little effect on the tax rate.

"With a slight expenditure for cleaning up and placing benches, the park will, on purchase, become immediately available as an attractive and natural gathering place for both residents and visitors.

Stabilize Values

"Taking it off the market will tend to stabilize values in the business section. This section is at present ample for our needs and is being steadily developed for an eye-sore to a credit to the town. If one side of the postoffice is thrown open to commercial building, it will not be long before the same thing occurs on the other side. There will be a displacement of values and a running to seed in business blocks less fortunately placed, to the detriment of the town's general appearance and the hardship of some property owners.

"The peak of the town's bonded indebtedness will reach its height in 1945. We have bonds maturing in 1938-39 in the amount of \$31,000 and interest of \$29,000. The retirement of bonds from now until 1945 will average about the same except for the year 1945 which will be \$53,000 in bonds; \$20,000 of same are term bonds for which sinking funds are provided. The interest from now until 1945 will average about \$25,000 per year, plus an average bond retirement of \$31,000, or a total of \$56,000.

A five cent increase in tax rate will take care of the retirement of bonds and interest for the proposed civic center if the voters approve the bond issue.

The Town's Future

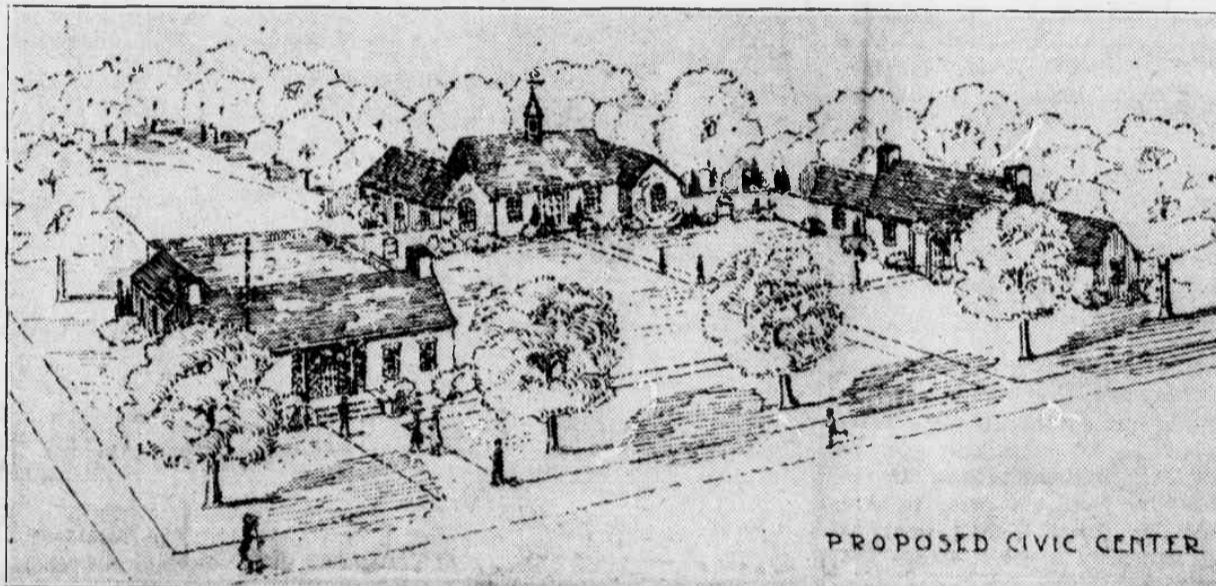
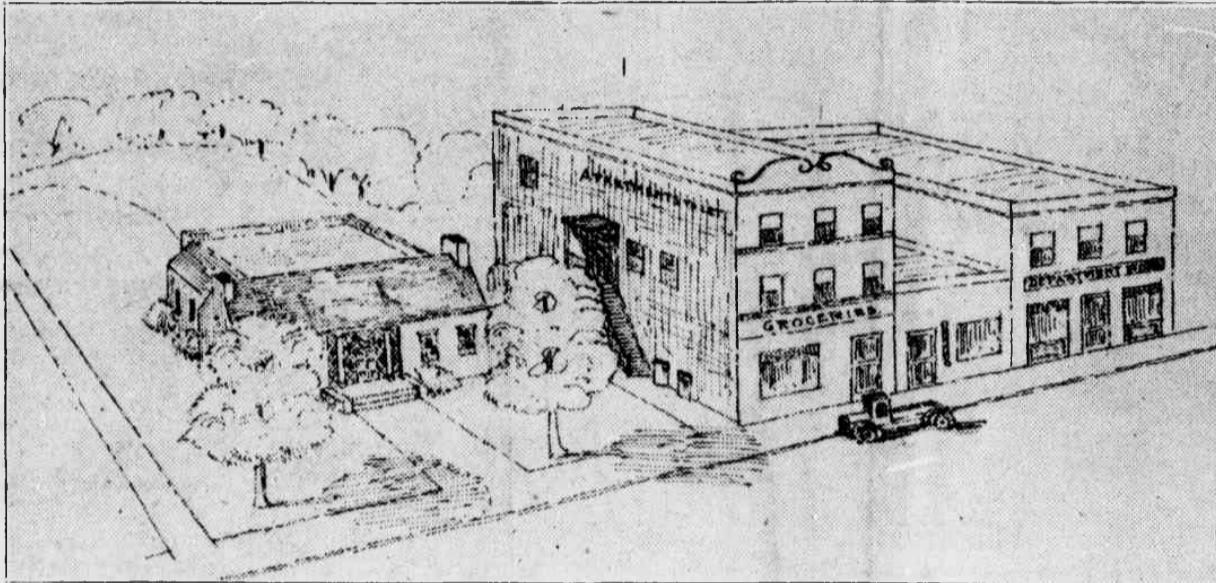
"In general, it seems to me a good time to ask ourselves what kind of town we want to have. There are all kinds of resorts, from Coney Island, on one hand, to White Sulphur Springs on the other. Some of our people feel that we should go after the over-night tourist business, other (Please turn to page eight)

LAWN PARTY SUPPER AT MISS PIERSON'S RESIDENCE

The Reliance Club, which is the Business Women's organization of the Church of Wide Fellowship, invites one and all to a supper party to be given on Miss Catherine Pierson's lawn, Highland Road, Friday evening, July 8, at 7:00 o'clock. Tickets at 50c for adults and 35c for children will be on sale at Miss Pierson's Shop in the Bank Building. The committee asks that tickets be reserved in advance so that ample provision can be made for all. They say there will be an added attraction in the way of some entertainment during the evening and the menu will be delicious.

The proceeds will go toward the redecoration of the Ladies' Parlor at the Church. Any one requiring transportation may call Mrs. Peepick 5042, before Thursday noon. In the event of rain, the supper will be served the following evening at the same place.

Park and Civic Center—or Stores Beside Postoffice?



One of two things will happen to the land adjoining the Post Office on the north, viz:

1. It will be split up into business lots and the erection of stores or other commercial buildings will follow, or
2. It will be bought by the town, improved immediately as a park, and eventually as a Civic Center.

The coming special election on July 19th will decide which of these two uses of the land the people of Southern Pines consider to be in the best interests of the town. Make up your mind, register either July 2nd or July 9th and vote on the 19th.

BIG DAY AT VASS ON FOURTH WHEN WOODMEN GATHER

U. S. Senator, Lieut.-Governor and Varied Sports Feature Program

July Fourth bids fair to be a red letter day in the history of Vass and Woodcraft in the Sandhills. Indications point to a tremendous throng attending the celebration to be staged in the little village of some 700 population by the various Woodmen of the World camps in the Sandhills. To start the program Monday morning, a Woodmen parade will take place through the town, led by a band, at 9:00 a. m.

At 9:45 the float parade will take place. Fifty dollars will be awarded the most beautiful float or decorated car in this parade. Judges for this event will be chosen from the visiting celebrities.

At 10:30 the speaking will take place with U. S. Senator Robert R. Reynolds delivering the principal address. Other speakers on the program will include Lieut.-Governor W. P. Horton, State W. O. W. Manager T. E. Newton, Charles D. Hines of Greensboro, and James E. McAbee of Kinston, one of the state's foremost orators, who will act as master of ceremonies.

At 12:00 luncheon will be held at the hotel for the speakers, visiting celebrities and newspapermen attending. Others may secure lunches at the various stands throughout the town.

Afternoon Program

The first event on the program in the afternoon will be the watermelon battle which will take place in front of the Stutz-Taylor and McDermott stores at 1:00 p. m.

Next on the program will be the foot races at 1:30. There will be two (Please turn to page four)

County Maternity Welfare Group Completes 2nd Successful Year

"The query, 'Am I My Sister's Keeper,' is being answered in the affirmative by an ever increasing number of Moore county women who are showing their interest in improving conditions under which their children by giving of their time in active service through the local Maternity Clinic Committees," says the report of Mrs. Wilbur H. Currie of Carthage, chairman of the County Committee in maternal welfare. "It is due to the loyalty and initiative of these women coupled with the dependable and efficient services of the Public Health staff and the excellent co-operation of all our county doctors, that the Moore County Maternity Welfare Committee was able to make such a report of progress as that appearing in The Pilot for May 8, in the editorial captioned 'Mother's Day.' It is with the purpose of 'giving honor to whom honor is due' that Mrs. James Boyd of Southern Pines, vice chairman, and I as chairman of this committee, wish here to bring to the attention of the people of Moore county the names of those who have served so unselfishly in our fight for better babies and healthier mothers. The following, we know, have served well; that there are yet others of whose activities we have not been informed, we are certain. We commend and thank them all.

"The local chairmen of the first six Clinic committees, upon whom fell the burden of starting the clinics under the direction of Miss Margaret McQueen, the maternity nurse, who began our work two years ago were as follows: Mrs. Edwin McKeithen, Aberdeen, where the largest clinic was at first held before being taken to the Moore County Hospital in May of last year. She was supported by Mrs. James Swett in Southern Pines, Mrs. Walter MacNeille

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Burgin and Deane Camps Optimistic on Eve of 2nd Balloting For Congress

Liquor Clean-Up Six Rounded Up by Federal and County Officers Near Southern Pines

Alcoholic Tax Unit officers from Charlotte, Moore county A. B. C. enforcement officers and Moore county officers staged a general bootlegging clean-up this past week in the vicinity of Southern Pines with the net result that four men are in jail at Carthage and two others are being held on bond for trial on September 6th in the Federal court at Rockingham.

Last Friday afternoon Ray McBride, white, and Roy King, colored, were arrested at a still near the Evergreen schoolhouse on the Moore-Hoke county line with 50 gallons of rye mash in their possession. Later the officers apprehended Tommy Cleggett, white, alleged owner of the still, McBride and King are held in jail and Cleggett is free on \$500 bond.

On Friday evening the officers arrested L. S. Jessup of Vass on a charge of manufacturing, selling and transporting liquor. This is Jessup's second offense and he posted \$2,000 bond.

On Wednesday of this week Will Goins and Barney McCrimmon, colored, were taken into custody for manufacturing and selling liquor and both men are in jail at Carthage because of inability to raise bond.

Officers say that this is only the start of a concentrated drive to wipe out bootlegging in Moore county.

ABERDEEN STARTS LIONS CLUB WITH BARBER AS HEAD

Second National Service Organization Launched in Sandhills This Summer

17 CHARTER MEMBERS

A third national service club came to the Sandhills this week, the second to locate a chapter here within the past two months. Rotary International formed a club in Southern Pines during May. Kiwanis International has had a club in Moore county since 1922. Now comes a Lions Club to Aberdeen.

The club was auspiciously launched at a banquet at the Aberdeen Hotel on Tuesday evening, with J. E. Natler, national organizer whose writings appear each Sunday in the Chicago Tribune, as the principal speaker. The banquet was sponsored by the Sanford Lions Club under the direction of the district governor, Charles A. Lane of Sanford.

Seventeen new members of the Aberdeen club were present, as well as a large delegation from Sanford. The Rev. E. L. Barber was elected president, J. D. McLean, first vice-president, C. L. Guion, second vice-president; C. J. Johnson, third vice-president, T. S. Melvin, secretary. Directors, Knox Matthews, A. K. Pennington and A. C. McDonald; tall twister, L. J. Dawkins, and lion tamer, Dan Farrell. This club will meet twice a month, each first and third Friday evening. The charter night will be observed on the second Friday night in August, at which time lions from all parts of the state will attend and another banquet will be served.

OFF FOR WEST POINT

J. D. Sitterson, Jr., of Southern Pines left on Wednesday night to report at West Point as a cadet in the United States Military Academy, to which he was recently appointed by Representative Walter Lambeth.

Deane Followers Claim 5,000 Majority for Candidate.—Burns, McKeithen Confident

POLLS OPEN ALL DAY

Polls will be open from sun-up to sun-down tomorrow, Saturday, throughout Moore county for the second primary elections to determine the Democratic candidates for Representative in Congress from the 8th Congressional district, and Prosecuting Attorney of the Recorder's Court in Moore county.

The candidates are:

FOR CONGRESS

William O. Burgin of Lexington.
C. B. Deane of Rockingham.

FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

E. J. Burns of Carthage
W. A. Leland McKeithen, Aberdeen and Pinehurst.

Mr. Deane was high man of five candidates in the primary on June 4th, with Mr. Burgin second. Deane polled 13,268 votes, Burgin 12,721. With 19,674 other ballots divided between Roland Beasley of Monroe, George R. Ross of Jackson Springs and Giles Y. Newton of Gibson, Mr. Burgin called for a second primary.

Mr. McKeithen led Burns in the first primary by 632 votes, with the third candidate, J. H. Scott of Carthage trailing with 878 votes. Mr. Burns called a second primary in the belief that much of the Scott strength would go to him in a runoff election. McKeithen is confident, however, of repeating his first primary victory.

These are the only two contests to be determined tomorrow. Those who voted in the first primary should make every possible effort to vote in the second, that the will of the electorate may determine the choice for two important offices.

Both Optimistic

Both the Deane and Burgin camps are optimistic. Both candidates have been working hard. A report from Rockingham says that close observers there freely predict Deane will emerge with a majority of not less than 5,000, despite the "tremendous efforts" being put forth by the Burgin cohorts. Mr. Deane has just returned from a trip through the northern part of the district and is well pleased with his reception.

Burgin's campaign managers write The Pilot that they are not discounting the Deane strength but feel that their candidate will be selected, basing their optimism on securing the heavy Beasley vote throughout Union county for Burgin.

The voting places are the same as in the first primary. Those eligible to vote in the first primary are eligible to vote tomorrow.

Around 50 of the political leaders from all parts of Moore county met in the Community House in Aberdeen Thursday night in an informal Deane get-together.

Voluntary supporters testified to the big majority Deane is to receive in Moore county tomorrow in his race for Congress. The feeling is that he will carry every precinct, and at least 70 percent of the total vote.

Mr. Deane was also present—and in expressing his appreciation for the support given him, he brought a most encouraging report from the other eleven counties of the 8th District. That master prognosticator from Rockingham, I. S. London, estimates the district majority will be not less than 5,000. The general feeling is that Deane will win—the size of the majority being the only question.

Frank Buchan of Southern Pines acted as chairman of the meeting, and called on various ones for expressions. Frank Shanburger, Mayor of Aberdeen, stated that he was glad to have our next Congressman at the meeting.

No real advance notice of this (Please turn to page four)