

In and Out of Town

Mr. and Mrs. Hill McCollum and daughter, Sarah Johnston, of Leaksville and college spring vacationers John McCain of the UNC Medical school, Miss Jane Todd McCain of Agnes Scott and John Reagan of Columbia Presbyterian seminary, Decatur, Ga., left last week after visiting Mrs. P. P. McCain.

Mrs. J. B. Gifford, Miss Mabel Williams, Miss Carrie Proctor, and Miss Bertha Bennett enjoyed a two-day trip to Wilmington a few days ago. They visited the Orton Plantation, motored around beautiful Greenfield lake and found many places to interest them.

Mrs. Edward O. Koprivner and baby Sue are visiting relatives in Akron, Ohio.

Mrs. C. H. Colleston is recuperating at her home from an operation which she underwent at Moore County hospital. Her daughter, Mrs. Fletcher Moore, who had been here since the middle of the month, returned to her home in New York last week end.

Miss Gussie Cameron of Raleigh spent a week end here visiting her sisters, Misses Mary and Rebecca Cameron.

Women's College students here from Greensboro to spend the spring holidays with their families were Misses Peggy Phillips, Janet Menzel, Betty Baucum, Betty Cook, Catherine Sitterson and Peggy Jean Cameron. Miss Cameron attended a house party at Myrtle Beach with college friends over the week end before coming to Southern Pines.

Mrs. E. W. Marble and daughter Fae Elizabeth were in Rockingham shopping recently, and from there they went to Cheraw, S. C., and joined the Garden Pilgrimage, visiting beautiful old homes, colorful gardens and historic places. Last week they were in Fayetteville on Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben W. Smith of Sanford and H. C. Cameron of Olivia were recent visitors of Mrs. W. J. Cameron at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cameron.

Mrs. Elsie Smith and Miss Harriet Wallace of Freeport, N. Y., were guests at Magnolia Lodge several days last week.

Mrs. Edith Moore has returned to Cambridge Springs, Pa., after spending some time at the Belvedere hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Honeycutt and children, Skippy and Janie, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Cameron in Asheboro overnight Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Lee left Tuesday for their home at Gibson, Md. They have leased their home here for a year to Mr. and Mrs. C. L. White of New Bern. Mr. White is connected with the Geiger Chemical company at Aberdeen.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Reams returned home Monday from a week's trip. Mrs. Reams visited friends in Boston, and Mr. Reams attended a paper convention in New York, joining her in Boston Thursday. The boys, Claude, George and Tom, accompanied them to Richmond, where they spent the time visiting their grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pleasants and children, Julian and Rodney, returned to Washington, D. C., on Wednesday of last week and returned Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan S. Ray visited in and Mrs. Dan S. Ray III, in Burlington Friday. Mr. Ray, who recently underwent an appendectomy at the Laurinburg-Maxwell hospital, was able to return to his work as news editor of The Burlington Exchange, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Benson were called to Woodleaf Saturday because of the illness of his father, A. Benson. Mrs. Benson returned Sunday, but Mr. Benson remained until Tuesday, at which time his father's condition seemed somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Parker spent at weekend at Cherry Grove, S. C. with Mr. Parker's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Parker. Miss Betty Flinchum visited at on College during last weekend. James Prim, driving home from Charlotte Wednesday, brought his sister, Mrs. Ruby Dees, that city, to spend the night at the Prims here and attend the Elks' barbecue.

Miss Barbara Pierce, of Boston, daughter of Postmaster A. Garland Pierce, spent several days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Pierce at their home on Weymouth road.

Dr. G. G. Herr and his daughter, Miss Siegler Herr, had as their guests for several days last week, Dr. F. W. Herr, and his daughter, Mrs. Gloria, of Waterbury, Conn., also Mrs. F. W. Herr, and young son, Francis 3rd, of New Orleans. They stopped over their way from New Orleans Waterbury, where Mrs. F. W. Herr, Jr., and her son will visit a while.

Alexander Crane of the school design at State college, Raleigh, and Mrs. Jacques Busbee Steeds were dinner guests Sunday evening of Mr. and Mrs. L. Ives at Paint Hill Farm.

Garden Tour Brings Hundreds Here To Revel In Southern Pines Charm

Springtime provided two golden days for the scheduled garden tour of the Southern Pines Garden club, and beauty-lovers from all over the state took advantage of them—far more, in fact, than had been anticipated.

So successful were the Monday and Tuesday events that the tour was extended to Wednesday afternoon, for late comers and store employees unable to attend earlier. Though the crowds were reduced, the procession of admiring visitors continued until an estimated 400 persons had toured the dozen beautiful homes and gardens on display.

While many were Southern Pines and Pinehurst residents and visitors, the majority came from other towns, as far as Charlotte on the west and Kinston on the east, and numerous visitors from other states were in the touring groups.

Following green arrow markers, they went from the Trousdale garden to Paint Hill Farm, to the Littlefield and Barnum gardens; the garden of Mrs. Katherine McColl, the D. W. Winkelmann home and grounds; and the E. C. Stevens home; "Loblolly," home of the Harry M. Vales, and the W. D. Campbell home and grounds; Weymouth, the Boyd home; Pickering, home of the Harold A. Collins, and Mrs. Audrey K. Kennedy's Seven Stars—all drew gasping breaths of wonder from their admiring guests as vista after gardened vista opened before them.

Lingered Late
The gardens, filled with azaleas, with new dogwood blossoms just flowering out against the long leaf pines, had many differences too, and each exerted its special charm. Fragrant, sunlit, colorful and gay, they made unforgettable pictures and many visitors lingered late for full enjoyment.

The Shaw House was hospitable headquarters for the tours, filled with bustle and chatter as the guests poured through the small quaint rooms. Luncheon and tea were served and on Tuesday especially, facilities were strained to the bursting point.

At the Shaw House and each place on the tour, Garden club members and their friends were gracious hostesses. The Ives, Winkelmann, and Boyd homes were open to the guests and at Paint Hill Farm, cosy old-fashioned cabins beautifully restored, Mrs. Ernest Ives served refreshments in keeping—old-fashioned gingerbread.

Tour Assistants
At the Shaw House, ladies on duty included Mrs. W. C. Deady, Mrs. Walter Harper, Miss Helen Butler, Miss Ellen Maurice, Mrs. Jane Towne, Mrs. Virgil Clark, Mrs. C. A. Smith, Mrs. Judith Ilsey.

At the gardens and homes were Miss Laura Kelsey, Mrs. Fraser Knight, Mrs. F. B. Howland, Mrs. B. F. Kraffert, Mrs. Wallace Irwin, Mrs. Lamont Brown, Mrs. John Beasley, Mrs. R. E. Rhodes, Mrs. R. W. McMillan, Mrs. J. R. Marsh, Mrs. Heizmann Mudgett, Mrs. Reed Healy, Mrs. J. B. Sweet, Mrs. L. T. Avery, Mrs. P. P. McCain, Mrs. Constance Richards, Mrs. Norris Hodgkins, Mrs. Ernest Morell, Mrs. John Dundas, Mrs. Charles Covell, Mrs. George Leonard, Mrs. Charles Crowell, Miss Harris and Mrs. Annabelle Pearson.

The committee in charge of this most successful project consisted of Mrs. W. D. Campbell, chairman, Mrs. Ernest Ives and Mrs. E. C. Stevens.

New Robbins Veep And Family Here
New residents for Southern Pines are Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Grant, who have taken a home on Highland road following Mr. Grant's transfer here from Red Springs by the Robbins Mills, Inc.

Mr. Grant, manager of the Red Springs unit of the Robbins Mills for the past several years, has succeeded W. P. Saunders, new president of the corporation, in the vice presidency. His office will be at the Aberdeen mill, where the main offices were moved from Robbins recently.

Mr. Grant is from Mebane, in Alamance county, and is a graduate of Davidson college. His wife, the former Miss Elizabeth Pomeroy, is from the nearby town of Graham. They have a daughter, Betty, aged two.

They are Presbyterians and Mr. Grant at the time of his move was president of the Red Springs Rotary club.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS
I wish to announce that I am a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds of Moore County, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

R. E. BENNETT.

Huge Throng At Barbecue Despite Chilly Weather

No report could be made in time for this week's paper on proceeds of the giant Elks' barbecue held Wednesday night.

That it was indeed "massive, colossal and gigantic," however, cannot be disputed. Estimates of the size of the crowd ranged from 5,000 to 7,000 people. They came and came and came, from miles around—in fact, after the 1,963 pounds of barbecue and 1,000 pounds of slaw had all given out, they kept coming.

A downpour of rain all morning, with rapidly falling temperature, had indicated a reduction in the anticipated crowds, so plans to increase the amount of food were not carried through. The hosts, therefore, serving at five tables, found themselves caught short, to their embarrassment. An offer to refund the 50 cents paid for supper was made via loudspeaker, but nobody put in a claim.

The site of the barbecue had been changed from Memorial field to the town showgrounds, which are lighted, and the huge crowd milled around inside the riding ring, apparently having a good time despite the cold and the lack of edibles for late arrivals.

John Ormsby, chairman, said a report would be made on the "take" for the floodlights fund as soon as the cash can be counted and all bills paid.

Commissioners Praise Work Of Miss McCaskill

The county commissioners, in regular session at Carthage Monday, informally spoke their regret to their faithful secretary, Miss Bess McCaskill, that she is declining to run for reelection to the office of register of deeds, and expressed their commendation of her long and efficient service.

An effort to persuade her to change her mind met with a smile and gentle rejoinder, "I think I ought to give someone else a chance."

Business of the day included: Appointment of H. G. Poole, former board of education member, to the county board of public welfare for a three-year term, succeeding Earl McDonald. Other members are J. B. Edwards of Aberdeen and E. Carl Brady of Robbins.

Granting of two licenses for beer sales, to Colonial Stores, Inc., and Stitzer Hotel corporation of Southern Pines.

Receipt of a letter from George S. Coble, Sixth District highway commissioner, approving eight of 10 roads recommended for addition to the county system (for maintenance only) and disapproval of two.

Appointment, in joint meeting with the board of health and board of education, of L. L. Marion to succeed himself for a three-year term on the county

PUNCH, BROTHERS

Saturday afternoon, April 29, should see some hustling and bustling in and out of business places here, as visitors go from one to the other with punch tickets in their hands.

Having his ticket punched inside not less than 10 places will entitle the holder to a handsome prize.

This will be a feature of the state Alcoholics Anonymous convention to be held here that weekend. Each convention visitor will be given a punch ticket, and Saturday afternoon will be left free for downtown expeditions.

With 500 to 800 men and women expected to attend, a lively time is foreseen in the business section. All members of the Sandhill Merchants association are being invited to participate, paying \$5 toward the cost of the prizes.

Business Property Changes Hands

Property fronting 234 feet on South West Broad street, between the Newton home and Dantes restaurant, was purchased this week by L. H. Cherry, Jr., of Southern Pines and C. B. Campbell, vice president of the American Trust company of Charlotte.

The new owners say they have no immediate plans for development of the tract, bought from Harold A. Collins, but that they have already been approached on several projects and will consider which among them will be in the best interests of the community.

Mr. Campbell, who was originally from Aberdeen, but has been in Charlotte a good many years, has had other business dealings with Mr. Cherry in Charlotte but none before in Southern Pines.

This is one of several recent real estate transactions of interest to local business.

John Mare, of New York City, vice president of the Sandhills Community Broadcasters, has purchased business property here though what he plans to do with it has not been revealed. Nothing for the present, at least, except continue to rent it to George Napoloulos, who has a beer business there. The building is the historic old Central hotel on West Pennsylvania avenue, sold to Mr. Mare by its owner, Joe Montesanti.

New business prospects are seen in the purchase by Bill Bowman, of Aberdeen, of two lots on U. S. 1 South, diagonally across from, and slightly north of, Station WEEB. The lots were purchased from A. B. Sally and Mrs. Frank Maples respectively, and give Mr. Bowman a frontage of 200 feet on the highway. He said his plans are not ready for announcement, but that he expects to build there soon.

Pinehurst Firemen Hold Dance, Contest Friday

The Annual Benefit dance and Queen of the Sandhills contest of the Pinehurst volunteer fire department will be held Friday, April 14, from 9 p. m. to 1 a. m. in the Pinehurst high school gym.

Coy Tucker and his Orchestra, from New Orleans, will play for the event, coming direct from an engagement at Langley field, Virginia. This notable band is now on a tour of the south, appearing in some of the foremost night spots, hotels and ballrooms.

The Queen of the Sandhills contest is open to all young ladies of Moore county, with some handsome prizes awaiting the lucky girl. Last year Miss Dot Hunsucker of Robbins, sponsored by Elise High school, was crowned queen, with Miss Susan Page Swearingin and Miss Bobbie Dean Phillips of Aberdeen as runners-up.

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hurst, and Carlton C. Kennedy, of Carthage. Miss Ethel Davis, incumbent, is believed also to be seriously considering offering to keep the job.

J. W. "Bunch" Sheffield, of Eastwood, is the latest to file in opposition to Sheriff C. J. McDonald. C. H. Bennett of Carthage has been in the field for some time. Mr. Sheffield, a navy veteran 33 years old, is owner and operator of the Eastwood Trading company. Before entering the service he worked for the A & P store here, and was manager of the store at Pinehurst.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Irvin of Harrisburg, Pa., are visiting their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Irvin.

Guests of the Rev. and Mrs. R. L. House are Mrs. House's mother and grandmother, Mrs. T. G. Hyatte and Mrs. W. B. Baker, both of Newport News, Va.

McCain

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Pines Mrs. McCain lived for many years at N. C. Sanatorium, where first her father, Dr. L. B. MacBrayer, and then her husband, the late Dr. Paul McCain, held the office of medical superintendent. She is a director of the Sanatorium, whose post office was renamed McCain two years ago in memory of her husband.

She is actively interested in young people and their education, is a member of the board of trustees of Woman's college, Greensboro, and was on the trustees' committee of the Greater University appointed by Governor Scott to select the new president.

She has served as president and in other important offices of the Fayetteville presbyterian, and has long held the cause of Flora Macdonald, a Presbyterian institution, close to her heart.

In 1948 she headed the Flora Shaw Page Memorial Fund campaign in the presbyterian for the renovation and furnishing of a corridor of rooms at Flora Macdonald.

Mrs. McCain was elected "North Carolina Mother of the Year" in 1946.

From 1940 until 1944 she was State Democratic vice chairman.

Locally, Mrs. McCain served in 1943 as president of the Moore County Hospital auxiliary, is currently president of the Moore County Maternal Welfare association, and two years ago assisted in the organization of the civic-minded Southern Pines Garden club and served as its first president.

She has been active in the work of the Moore County Tuberculosis association, an organization of whose national body her husband was president.

Many other accomplishments stand to the credit of this lady, of which she would probably rate as the most important the raising of a fine family of boys and girls. One son, Paul, lost his life in the war; the other, John, is a medical student at the University of North Carolina. A daughter, Lillian Irene, is a full-fledged doctor and is married to another Dr. Wilbur McFarland, a UNC alumnus. Another daughter is Mrs. Hill McCollum of Reidsville and the youngest, Jane Todd, is a student at Agnes Scott.

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the pulpit.

Sunrise Service
For members of all churches, the Easter Sunrise service of the Moravian church, observed since pre-Revolutionary days, will be broadcast from 6 to 7 a. m. over WEEB. This will come direct from the Moravian cemetery by courtesy of Station WSJS, broadcasting over an eight-station network. Opening with the words, "He is risen!" spoken by Bishop Kenneth Pfohl as he comes from his house on the Salem College campus, the celebration proceeds along the path through the flower-decked cemetery, to antiphonal music by the Moravian band. As dawn breaks, prayers of gladness in the Resurrection are held on a grassy hillside. Thousands annually attend the service.

NOTICE

The Board of County Commissioners will receive sealed bids for one 1948 Chevrolet Station Wagon, on Monday, May 1, 1950, up to three o'clock in the afternoon. The right is reserved to reject any and all of these bids. This Chevrolet Station Wagon is stored at the Riddle Service Station, Carthage, N. C. Bids should be sent to the

COUNTY ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE

Carthage, N. C.