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Operation Gyroscope Brings 3,100 Men To Camp Mackall



WELCOMED HOME—Sgt. Shelly Griffin, 39, only Southern Pines resident to arrive with the 187th Regimental Combat Team at Camp Mackall, gets a big smile from his four-year-old daughter, Shelia Fay, as his wife, Mrs. Dorothea Lewis Griffin, watches with interest, at their home, 915 W. Vermont Ave. He arrived at 3:30 a.m. Friday, after leaving Japan between 9 and 10 a.m. Wednesday. The paratrooper is a veteran of 13 years of Army service, including combat in Europe in World War 2.

(Pilot Photo)



VOLUNTEERS AT WORK—Sandhills ladies volunteering to serve refreshments to soldiers landing at Camp Mackall are shown here passing out doughnuts and coffee early Sunday morning to troops just off a plane. Left to right: Mrs. McKee Kastner, Mrs. Bruce Warlick, Mrs. T. T. Hayes, Jr., Mrs. C. S. Patch, Jr., and, in background, Miss Geneva Hall. See other pictures, page 4.



AMAZING PLANE—Gigantic size of the C124 Globemasters that ferried the 187th into Mackall from Japan is seen here, compared with the men pouring from the parted front of the shining silver plane. Man in white shirt is dashing up to take a picture. This scene was repeated every few hours as the Globemasters landed some 3,100 men, who were taken to Fort Bragg in busses, from early Friday morning until mid-morning, Sunday.

(Pilot Photo)

THINKS IT'S GREAT WAY TO TRAVEL

Local Paratrooper In From Japan On History-Making Airlift Flight



His family were expecting him Saturday and were planning to go to Camp Mackall to give him a big welcome when he got off the plane, but Sgt. Shelly Griffin, big paratrooper from the 187th Regimental Combat Team, flew in from Japan on a plane that landed early Friday morning. But he got the welcome anyway, when he came back to the modern brick home he and his wife, Dorothea, own in West Southern Pines.

Sgt. Griffin and Sgt. 1st Class Lawrence Sherrick, Jr., of Cameron, Route 1, were the only 187th men from this immediate area, so far as The Pilot can discover. Sgt. Sherrick, who could not be reached for questioning this week, is a motor sergeant in headquarters.

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Moderate Chance For PGA Project Here, Mayor Says

Southern Pines has a "moderate chance" of getting the headquarters of the Professional Golfers Association of America, Mayor Voit Gilmore said this morning on his return from the meeting of the executive committee of the organization at Detroit.

The mayor left here Monday night for Detroit by air, accompanied by Harold Collins, member of a committee working on the PGA proposal, and Mr. Col-

PILOT EDITOR IN EUROPE

French Country Life Described

(Mrs. James Boyd, editor of The Pilot, is in Europe with friends. She sends the following letter from France.)

This letter is being written in Avignon, on one of the principal towns in the southern part of France called Provence.

On the high rocky hill around which the town nestles, in a wide curve of the river Rhone, stands the great pile of the fortified palace of the Popes; down below, its broken span reaching out into the stream, is the old bridge—le Pont d'Avignon—where the ladies and gentlemen in the old song used to dance and sing.

We have come to Provence from Paris which we left just two weeks ago. As I look back on the journey, a delight from the start, certain things stand out.

First of all, the rich farming

Old Cars Will Be Displayed

The fourth annual Horseless Carriage Club tour, composed of 71 cars all more than a quarter-century old, will start arriving in Southern Pines Friday afternoon a little past 4 o'clock.

This will be the terminal point of a two-day, 250-mile tour. The antique vehicles and their 150 owners and passengers will be here for a full weekend of business, festivities and displays.

A public exhibit of the cars will be held at the school athletic field Friday night, with each owner, in official costume, in attendance on his own old model. No car of a year later than 1927 is eligible for the tour, and the oldest is 52 years old. Many extinct makes are included.

The Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce is preparing a royal welcome. The cars will be met outside of town by a police escort and officials of the Town and

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PARADE ROUTE

Old cars arriving with the Horseless Carriage Club will roll through town on a parade route shortly after 4 p.m. Friday.

Entering Southern Pines from the north, the tour will proceed along May street (US 1) to Massachusetts avenue, then from Massachusetts to Broad, and north on East Broad to Vermont. Crossing the railroad there, it will drive south on West Broad to the ball park.

Advertising Of 1954 Taxes Set 60 Days Earlier

By direction of the county commissioners, advertising of tax liens on property for which 1954 county taxes have not been paid will begin 60 days earlier this year than has been customary.

J. Douglas David, Moore tax collector, said this week that the past due taxes will be advertised during September and that, if they are not paid, tax liens on the property will be sold the first Monday in October.

Formerly, unpaid taxes were advertised in November and sold the first Monday in December.

The change brings Moore County's practice more nearly in line with that of most counties. Some other counties move the procedure up another 30 days, advertising in August and selling in September.

In regard to personal property on which taxes are due, such as automobiles, Mr. David said he is being compelled to collect by garnishing wages and rents and attaching the property. He urged all persons who owe taxes on personal property to pay them immediately.

Air Force Signs New One-Year Lease For Highland Pines Inn

State Aid, Plans For Hospital Both Given Approval

Federal Approval Expected For Moore Hospital Expansion

Preliminary plans for the \$450,000 addition and alteration building program at Moore County hospital have been approved by the board of directors, T. R. Howerton, administrator, said this week, and the George Watts Carr architectural firm of Durham is proceeding to prepare working plans and specifications. Approval was also given to the plans by the State Medical Care Commission.

Verbal approval of money for the big project was received some time ago from the State Medical Care Commission and this week formal approval was announced by Dr. John A. Ferrell, the commission's executive secretary, at Raleigh.

While the approval is subject to concurrence by the U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Mr. Howerton said that such approval is anticipated soon. The Federal government will provide half the money for the project, the State 14.4 per cent, leaving the rest, or 35.6 per cent to

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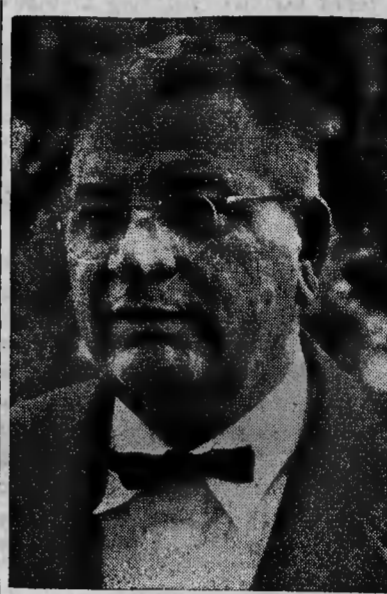
Area Spokesmen Oppose Plan For New Route I-A

Delegations from Sandhills towns united with others along US Highway 1 at a hearing held at Raleigh Tuesday afternoon, in vigorously protesting a proposed "I-A" route which they said would siphon off a large part of the tourist traffic.

Representatives of the Town and Chamber of Commerce of Southern Pines, along with others from Aberdeen and Pinebluff, were among some 200 persons representing all but four affected towns, assembled in protest in the sweltering-hot Highway Building auditorium.

Highway Commissioner Emmett Robertson of Goldsboro, presiding, called the roll of towns,

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DR. ROSSER

Dr. R. G. Rosser, Vass Physician, Succumbs At 74

Dr. Robert G. Rosser, 74, prominent Vass physician, died Sunday morning at the Pinehurst Convalescent Home after a lingering illness.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. Tuesday from Mt. Pisgah Presbyterian Church near Broadway, conducted by his pastor, the Rev. Grover C. Currie, and the Rev. Leighton Black McKeithen, Presbyterian minister of Fayetteville. Music was by the Matthews quintet of Sanford.

The Rev. Mr. Currie paid tribute to Dr. Rosser's life of unselfish service to humanity, to his patience during his own illness and to his strong faith.

Members of Southern Pines Masonic Lodge No. 484 served as active and honorary pallbearers. Attending in a body were the members of Magnolia Chapter 26, Order of the Eastern Star, of Southern Pines, who served as flower bearers and whose officers conducted impressive graveside rites. Burial was in the church cemetery.

The body lay in state at the church for an hour before the services, which were attended by

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LEO AREY IMPROVING

Leo Arey of Aberdeen, who has been quite ill, is reported to be improving at Moore County Hospital where he has been a patient for three and a half weeks.



TENNIS AWARDS—Kenneth Tew, center, president of the Sandhill Junior Tennis Association, awarded trophies to winners and runners-up in girls' events of the tournament sponsored by the Association. With him are, left to right, Julia Blake and Janie Haney, both of Belton, S. C., Lillian Bullock of Southern Pines and Pat Harvey of Thomasville. (Photo by Humphrey)

Visitors Cop Tennis Championships

Trophies of the Junior Sandhill Invitational Tennis Tournament were distributed over a wide area in both Carolinas as final events were held Saturday and Sunday.

Only two remained in Southern Pines—the runner-up trophies won by Lillian Bullock in junior girls' singles and doubles. Defending champion in singles, Lillian lost her twice-won trophy to Janie Haynie of Belton, S. C., current scholastic champion in her State and one of the finest tennis players ever to be seen on the local courts. The 17-year-old Palmetto State lass holds third ranking in the State.

The girls' championship also went to Belton, as Julia Blake defeated Judy Fitzjohn of Charlotte, North Carolina girls' champion. Both girls are 13. Janie and Julia

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Rental Lower, Improvements Made At Hotel

Rep. C. B. Deane, Eighth District Congressman, announced in Washington Wednesday that a new lease between the Air Force and the Stitzer Hotel Co. has been signed.

Under the agreement, the US AF Air-Ground Operations School will remain at the Highland Pines Inn here through June 30, 1956—one year from the expiration of the former lease.

While the exact terms of the new lease were not revealed, the new annual rental is less than annual rental under the two previous two-year leases, according to information from the hotel company.

The new lease provides for furnishing the same services as were furnished under previous leases, including light, heat, water, linen, room service and maintenance of grounds and buildings.

It has been known for some time that negotiations for a new lease have been going on between Charles Stitzer of Southern Pines, president of the hotel company, and Air Force officials, and that Congressman Deane has played a prominent part in these negotiations, with the aim of keeping the school in Southern Pines. Commandant of the school is Brig. Gen. Daniel W. Jenkins.

With a permanent staff of about 130 officers and airmen, many of whom live here with their families, and a monthly payroll of about \$90,000, the school is a major factor in the economy of this community. Efforts to keep the school here have been carried on by town officials, Congressman Deane and his secretary, John Lang of Carthage, as well as rep-

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Program On Salk Shots For Moore Not Yet Decided

Anti-polio vaccine is available now for administration of the second shots to all Moore County children who had their first shots in May, but whether the second shots will be given at this time, or postponed until the opening of school, has not yet been decided.

Dr. J. W. Wilcox, county health officer, said he has not yet ordered the vaccine from Raleigh, and if it can continue to be stored there would prefer to leave it until September. A mass injection can be handled much better at that time, the health officer said. He sees also a possible danger in administering the vaccine at what is normally the height of the polio season.

However, he said, many parents are very anxious to have their children receive the second shots as soon as possible, and if enough of them make their desires known to him he will see if a part of the Moore County shipment can be made, so the shots can be given to these children at the county health center.

He said it would be impossible to attempt to round up all the children at this time, because of transportation difficulties from

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BOB SMITH WINS COUNTY TOURNEY

Bob Smith of Pinehurst has defeated M. E. Greer of Southern Pines, 2 and 1, for the Moore County golf championship. The match, like others throughout the tournament this year, was played over the Pine Needles Country Club course.

In the first flight, James Collins beat Jack Carter. Winners in four other flights were announced last week.

More than 50 golfers from throughout the county took part in the tournament.

The champion, runner-up and all flight winners received prizes. The event is staged annually by the Moore County Golf Association of which Harry Davis of Carthage is president.