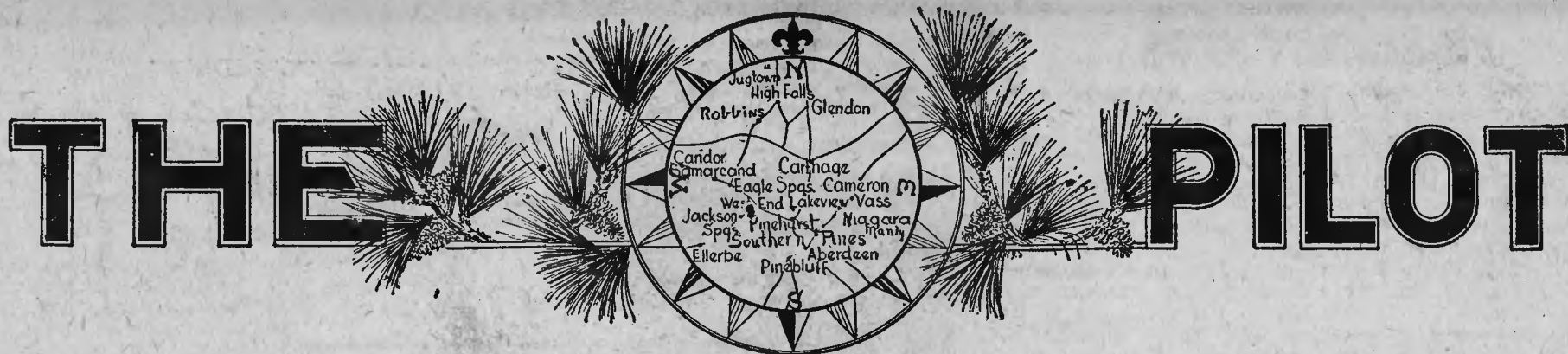


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PRICE TEN CENTS

USAFAGOS-Town Group Confer On Mutual Problems

Cooperation Asked In Setting Up File On Housing

Both staffmen and students of the USAF Air-Ground school want to know Southern Pines better, enjoy its events more—and particularly, many of the staff, both officers and airmen, want to find homes here for their families and are having a hard time doing so.

Any real estate dealer or private individual having a home or apartment for rent, or knowing of one, is asked to phone the Billeting Department at the Air-Ground school. A card file is to be set up there, and every effort made to bring renter and landlord together, to the satisfaction of both.

These were some of the problems discussed, with one solution reached, at a meeting of members of a local committee with members of the school staff at Highland Pines Inn Wednesday afternoon.

Lt. Col. J. J. Daunt, Jr., new executive officer, led the meeting for the Air-Ground School staff. W. Lamont Brown, chairman of the local committee which worked to keep the school here during the past few months, continued as chairman of the committee, in its new form to secure improved relations between the school and community.

Others of the military attending the meeting were Col. A. K. Clark, deputy commandant; Major Allan Shaw, squadron commander; Capt. Albert R. Howarth, school adjutant; Capt. Dave Callaway, food service and transportation officer; and Lt. William J. Ryan, squadron adjutant, personnel officer, and past billeting officer.

Members of the community, besides Chairman Brown, were L. (Continued on Page 8)

Judge Susie Coming

The August criminal term has been set back from the week of August 8 to August 15—and Judge Susie Sharp is coming at last.

The lady jurist was scheduled to come to Moore for a special term of superior court two years ago, but the term was called off and she did not come. Her visit of next month will be her first to Moore county.

Resident Judge F. Don Phillips was slated to preside over the August term, but will be on vacation and Special Judge Sharp has been assigned to the job in his place.

The one week's postponement was made at the instance of District Solicitor M. G. Boyette, as in the setting up of a completely new schedule following the judicial redistricting of July 1, the Moore term was found to be in conflict with one in Richmond county.

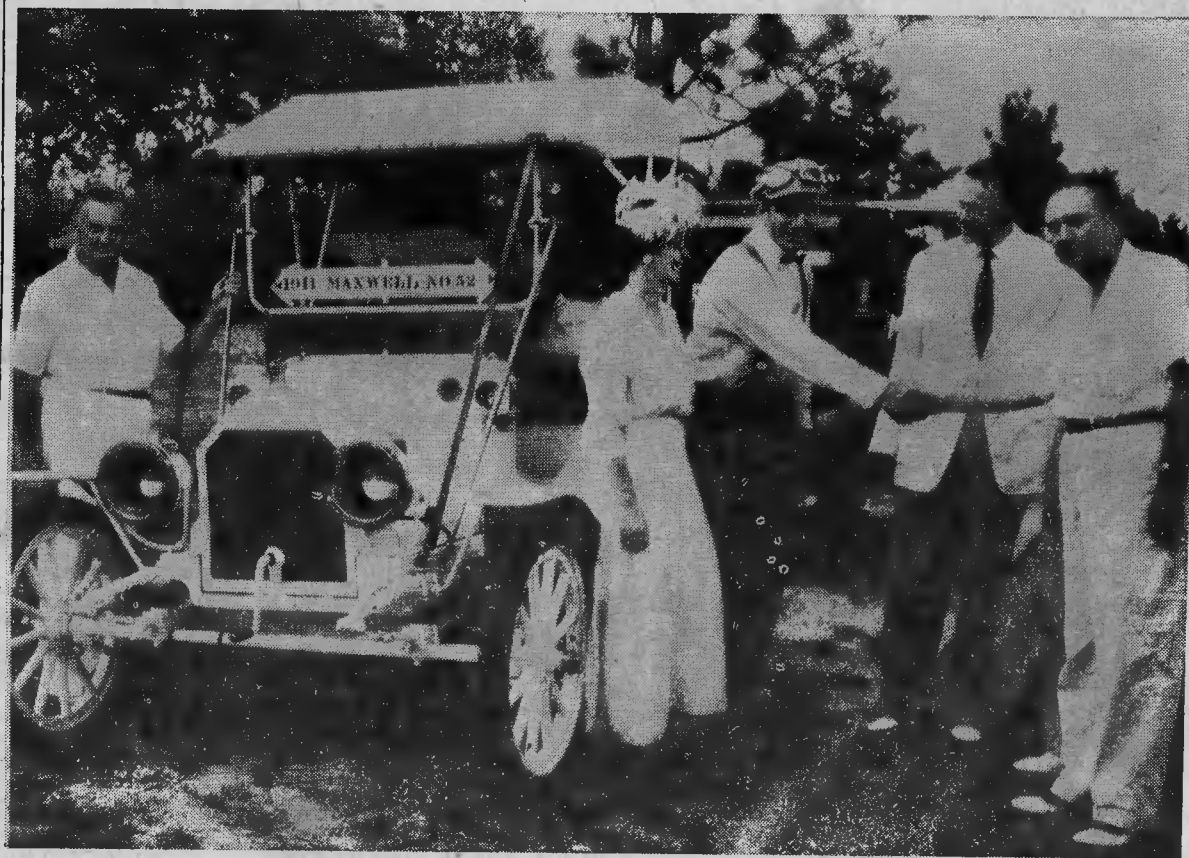
Mrs. Boyd Enjoys Home Life Among Pleasant, Hospitable Folk of France

In last week's Pilot, a letter from Mrs. James Boyd, editor of this newspaper, who is travelling in Europe with friends, told of her stay at the Chateau de Chaban, near St. Leon sur Vézère in the Dordogne region of France where there are said to be more than a thousand chateaux, largely owned by residents of French cities who spend their summers in this isolated and somewhat primitive region, enjoying the simple pleasures its country life affords. Mrs. Boyd herewith writes more about her visit in the Dordogne.

It was a rare experience staying at Chaban. One had a chance to feel the real life of the French people and to get the feel of the country.

The French people are apparently not given to hospitality in the way of the British or Ameri-

Horseless Carriage Tour Reaches Town For Week-End



Straight out of the year 1911, the Jack Southernlands of High Point are greeted at the city limits by Harold Collins, left, and E. Nolley Jackson, right, for the Chamber of Commerce, and Mayor Voit Gilmore for the town. The 1911 Maxwell won the trophy for best two-cylinder car. (Photo by Emerson Humphrey)

Softball League Playoffs Will Begin Next Week

The Adult Softball League, which has become the biggest feature of the summer recreation program, is heading into the final stretch. Regularly scheduled games end Tuesday night, with Shaughnessy playoffs starting Wednesday—doubleheaders all.

The series—made possible by the spotlights installed by the community last September—has been drawing close to 1,000 spectators per game. Those of the week just past were no exception. Collections taken up at the games have been averaging about \$16 per game, it was learned this week from Irie Leonard, League manager. Total proceeds will be applied on the purchase of new bleachers.

Last Thursday, the Hill Top Jokers edged past the Colonial Furniture Co. 18 to 16, and the Air-Ground School mauled the CP&L 13 to 10, to maintain their top standing in the League.

Tuesday night Hollidays Chicks punished the Catholic Laymen 11 to 5, to move from third into second place. The program featured also an exhibition game by two ladies' teams, with Mrs. Woodell's All-Stars beating the Hill Top Jokers 11 to 5.

Tonight and next Tuesday night, games rained out earlier will be made up, ending the regular series. Tonight's doubleheader will be Hollidays Chicks vs. Air-Ground School, and Colonial Furniture vs. Lions Club.

STANDINGS			
Team	W.	L.	Pct.
USAFAGOS	5	0	1.000
Hollidays Chicks	3	1	.750
Cath. Laymen	3	2	.667
Hill Top Jokers	3	2	.667
CP&L Co.	2	4	.333
Colonial Furn	1	4	.200
Lions Club	0	4	.000

Strange Procession Out Of Yesterday Chugs Into Heart Of Southern Pines

DRIVE CHAIRMAN



DR. C. C. McLEAN

McLean Will Head Boy Scout Fund Drive In October

Dr. C. C. McLean, local veterinarian, has been appointed Fund Drive chairman for the Moore district, Boy Scouts, in the annual campaign to be held in October, according to announcement made this week by Brig. Gen. Pearson Menoher, chairman of the Moore District committee.

Dr. McLean has headed the district finance committee during the past year, and was its representative at the Oconeechee Council's annual budget-planning conference. A total budget of \$147,420 was set for Council operations in 1956, with proportionate shares to be raised by each of the 12 counties in the Council during the October drive.

A steering committee for the (Continued on Page 8)

Town May Discard Hydrant Charges; Protests Heard

Means Sought For Town Ownership Of All Water Lines

Southern Pines' ancient fire hydrant charge may be on its way out, and so—if any fair and legal means can be found—may be the headaches arising from private-line ownership by out-of-town water consumers.

The town council, meeting informally Wednesday night, found not a single voice, not even among its own members, raised in favor of the \$50 a year fee for each out-of-town fire hydrant, assessed against home owners within 1,000 feet.

A full-scale discussion, public hearing and possible action were set for a meeting to be held Thursday night of next week, by which recommendations are to be presented by the town manager.

The manager was asked by Mayor Gilmore to work out with the town attorney, if possible, some system by which the town could secure complete ownership of all lines and hydrants now privately owned, reimbursing the owners from future taps until their investment is paid in full, in cases where this has not already been done.

New Policy Now

Much of the problem is a hold-over from far in the past. Present water and sewer line policy adopted last year forbade the attaching of any privately-owned line to the town system. Out-of-town lines, privately financed, must now be dedicated to the town, which repays original costs out of fees charged for subsequent connections.

The fire hydrant fee was established five years ago at \$25 a year. It was raised to \$50 some five years ago. Original cost of the fire hydrant, and its connection, is also paid by the out-of-towners.

Town Manager Tom E. Cunningham called the meeting to ask, he said, that a definite policy be set in regard to the hydrants and the collection of the fees.

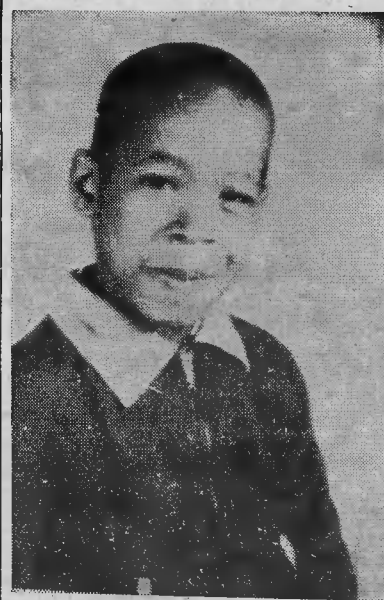
Many Not Paying

With the establishment of the contract basis with individual home owners, more and more out-of-town residents of the community had ceased to pay the fire hydrant charge.

Also, some hydrants were in (Continued on page 8)

Council Approves Plan For Highway 1 Bypass

DROWNED



CHARLES McCALL

11-Year-Old Boy Drowned Tuesday In Woods Pond

A little Negro boy, who yielded to temptation to visit an "old swimming hole" in the woods on a hot summer day, was drowned Tuesday afternoon when the pond proved deeper than he was aware.

Charles McCall, 11, disappeared beneath the water in a spot seven or eight feet deep, in a pond so isolated that it was 45 minutes before rescuers could reach the scene. Resuscitation efforts then proved futile.

Charles was one of five youngsters who went from West Southern Pines to the lonely fishpond on the grounds of the Sandhill Lumber Company at Manly, located in deep woods behind the lumber plant fronting on US Highway 1.

When the boy, who could swim only a little, went under the water, his brother, Melvin, 16, said he "tried to get him out" but couldn't, and with the others of the group—Carl, Robert and Thomas Terry, aged seven, eight and 10—ran to seek help.

They reached the home of Mrs. James Hill, about a half-mile distant, and from there Melvin phoned his grandmother, Mrs. Stuckey, in West Southern Pines. She called his mother, Eva McNeill, employed in the home of Mrs. Max Forrest, and Mrs. Forrest called city police.

Mrs. Hill alerted Mrs. L. F. Garvin, of Manly and others, and more calls came to the police. Chief Newton called a physician and ambulance, picked up the respirator at the fire station and was on his way.

Within a short while firemen, divers, the ambulance, and also the mother, were at the scene. Some of the rescuers had trouble finding the lake—so isolated that few people even knew it was there. It is a private fish pond owned by Everett Black of the Sandhill Lumber Co., and located behind the home of his son Norman. Neither of the Blacks knew the children were swimming there.

The rescue effort was further delayed by the fact that the boys who had been with Charles had run home, and no one knew even the approximate spot where he (Continued on Page 8)

Service Roads Give Access To Every Property On Route

Right-of-way men from the State Highway Commission office at Raleigh last week began their negotiations with property owners along the new US Highway 1 bypass route, and the town council okayed the bypass plan through town.

The council gave its final approval through its executive, Town Manager Tom E. Cunningham, after he had worked out several local problems of a minor nature with Commission officials. The plan will now go before the Bureau of Public Roads for approval, looking toward inclusion in the August contract-letting.

The plan, still only a general one, differed only a little from the engineering plan posted at the courthouse last January for public inspection. The difference lay in the problems locally worked out, to see that access was provided by service roads for all individual properties along the way, and the definite specification of two overpasses and one underpass for the new highway, on the portion of approximately two miles within the city limits.

The overpass at Midland Road, and underpass at Pennsylvania avenue, will be standard type grade separations with four ramps, providing access and egress from both north and south. The Midland Road overpass, which Cunningham described as "a beautiful job," is the more complicated of the two because of the intersection at that point with NC 2 and 22 from Manly.

An overpass will also be provided at Morganton road, in the form of a similar grade separation, but with only two ramps, for southbound traffic leaving the highway. Access for northbound traffic was not considered necessary, as there is an entrance for this traffic just a few hundred feet south.

Cunningham said "about 23" houses will have to be moved, the cost for each to depend on the size of the house and the distance it will have to be moved from the right-of-way. Each will be moved to the nearest available, satisfactory, and similar, site. In some (Continued on Page 8)

Britt Injured In Accident At Lumberton

Haynes Britt, of 560 North Ashe street, was painfully injured when his car was struck by another, overturning three times, at a street intersection in Lumberton Tuesday afternoon.

The local man, who has an accident-free record in many years of driving, was on his way home after attending the meeting of the Fayetteville Presbytery in Lumberton when the collision occurred. He is a patient in Robeson General hospital there.

Britt sustained four broken ribs, and a severe shaking-up. The car, which belonged to his daughter Miss Ethel Blue Britt, was badly damaged. The driver of the other car was reported to be unhurt.

"Horseless Carriages" Parked On Athletic Field Present Picture Of Automotive Evolution

