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PRICE TEN CENTS

Two Wrecks Cause Injury To Nine Persons On US 1

Local Woman Seriously Hurt In Head-On Crash

Two accidents on US Highway 1 Sunday and Monday sent a total of nine persons to local hospitals, most of them seriously hurt. Both accidents involved two vehicles, one of which had gotten entirely over into the left lane and smashed head-on, or virtually so, into the other.

Below Aberdeen

Eight of the injured, including two four-year-old girls, resulted from a collision of two out-of-state cars at 4:45 a. m. Monday near Batchelor's Service Station, two and three-quarters miles below Aberdeen. Eddie Brown, 50, Negro, of Philadelphia, Pa., northbound in his 1954 Mercury, told the investigating patrolman later that he had leaned over to wipe off his child's face as she sat beside him in her mother's lap, and did not realize he had swerved from his lane until too late, Miss Mildred Jeffers, 39, driving south in a 1954 Oldsmobile, tried to cut to the right when she saw the other car directly ahead but couldn't avoid the crash. The cars hit almost head-on, both were spun partly around and halfway out of the lane.

Injured in Brown's car were his wife Bertha, his child Belinda, and his mother Mrs. Lucy Brown, of Newark, N. J. Mrs. Elizabeth Hampton and her child Carolyn, also of Newark, Miss Jeffers and (Continued on Page 8)

Carthage Youth Struck, Killed

By Kinsman's Car

Clayton Taylor, 16-year-old Carthage Negro, was killed Tuesday night near the John Hall Presbyterian church when struck by an automobile driven by Sam Taylor, a relative of the youth.

Patrolman J. S. Swaim, who investigated the fatality, said that Sam Taylor told him he was rounding the curve at the Tommy Tyson store when he saw Clayton standing in the road. He tried to dodge him, but was unable to do so, according to his story.

The impact of Taylor's Buick is said to have knocked the youth from the road into the churchyard.

The youngster was dead on arrival at the Moore County hospital. He suffered a broken neck, brain concussion, broken arm and leg.

His mother, Sylvia Taylor, said her son was on his way from the show when he was fatally injured. The accident occurred about 11 o'clock.

Taylor, the driver of the car, was placed under bond of \$5,000 on the charge of careless and reckless driving resulting in death with a preliminary hearing set for Saturday before Judge J. Vance Rowe.

From Pilot's Roving Correspondent: Mrs. Boyd Visits In French Home

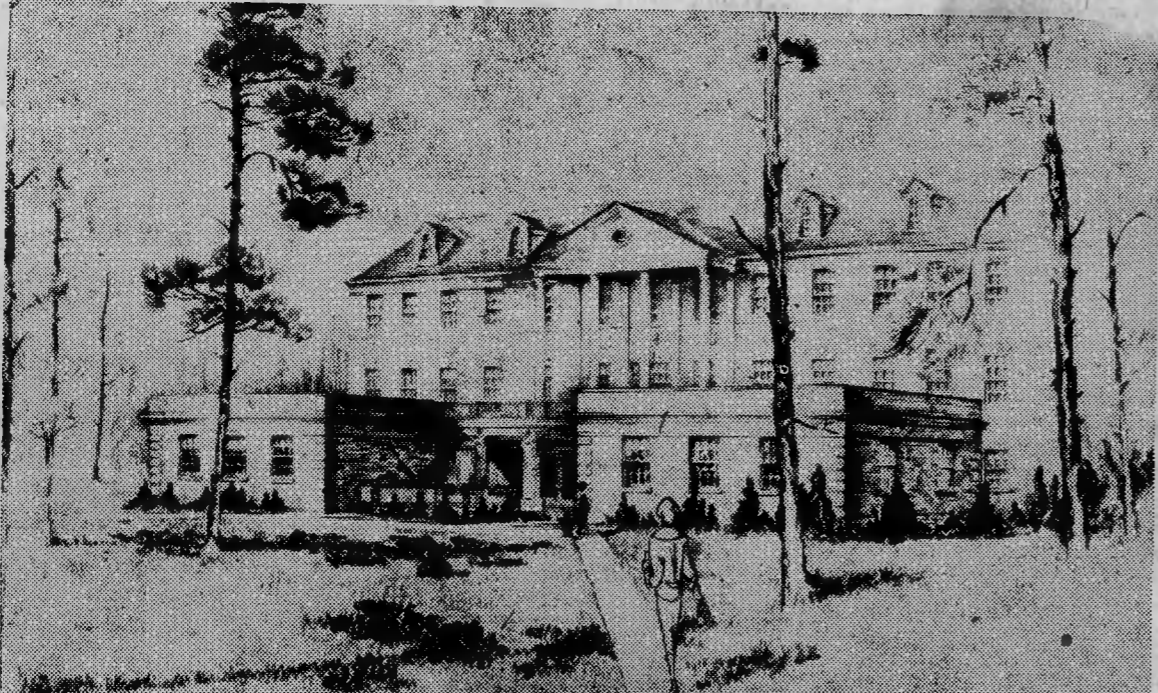
In such a lovely trip as mine through France, it is hard to try to decide which of the many experiences was "the high spot."

And it is silly, too. Comparisons haven't much sense to them after all. So much depends on the mood, the weather, even the company.

If I had to choose, perhaps I would put first the evening standing in front of Notre Dame in Paris, looking up at the two brave towers against the stars.

Then I think of the talks with people everywhere, the sudden warmth of understanding that springs like a spark between you, perfect strangers until a moment ago. I think of the winegrower near Vouvray as he described with precision the methods of his trade. I think of the expression on the finely chiselled face of Mme. Cazeilles at the Chateau de Chaban, as, sensing sympathy in her

Architects' View of Planned Hospital Alterations



MOORE COUNTY HOSPITAL, front view, as it will appear following completion of a \$450,000 addition and alteration program which will add much new service space, and bring the capacity up to 135 beds.

USAFAGOS Gains

Local Cooperation On Rental File

A good response was received last week to the request of the USAF Air-Ground Operations school that local people cooperate by phoning in word of available houses and apartments.

About a dozen calls came in with such information, it was learned at the school. A card file has been set up and the townspeople are asked to keep the calls coming in—also to let them know when a place is rented, so the file may be kept up to date. Calls should be made to the Billing Department.

Not only real estate dealers but private individuals, those handling their own property and others with knowledge of available rental units, are asked to keep the school posted, to help them solve housing problems for both officer and enlisted personnel.

The request was made at a meeting of a local committee week before last with USAFAGOS staff officers, to help straighten out some mutual problems. That of finding housing was the most pressing. While the committee believed there were units available, without any central agency to list them there was no way to bring renter and landlord together.

Another request was for information concerning local events in which the officers and men, and their families, can participate—social, entertainment, sports or whatever; also for nice places in the vicinity where they can go out to eat, dance, etc. This is for the officer-students who come in each week, as well as for the permanent staff.

Notices of such events, or places, will be posted on a bulletin board.

A strong desire was expressed for use of a swimming pool—not a lake, but a sanitary, constructed pool, such as the personnel and (Continued on Page 8)

ALL-STARS WIN!

Moore County Little League All-Stars won their first game in the district playoffs, defeating the Concord Nationals 7 to 1. The game was held at Hickory Wednesday night, postponed from Tuesday. They were to play again today at 4:30.

Bobby Kelly of Carthage pitched the winning game and Jimmy Carter of Southern Pines made a home run with bases loaded.

Previously, the All-Stars had turned aside Norwood, winning there 5 to 3 last Thursday afternoon. Carter was pitcher, and won his own game with a three-run homer in the fifth inning.

Softball League Championships Slated Next Week

The first doubleheader of the Shaughnessy playoffs of the Adult Softball League saw Holiday's Chicks wham the Hill Top Jokers 21 to 6, while the Air-Ground School won by default over the Catholic Laymen.

With some of their men out of town, the Catholics couldn't get enough together for a team and had no choice but to forfeit the game.

They say, though, they'll have nine men tonight or bust, for the same teams are due to battle it out starting at 7:30 p.m., with 2 out of 3 as their objective. If the Chicks and the Airmen win again, (Continued on page 8)

Three New Polio Cases Reported In Moore County

Three more Moore County children have been stricken with polio and are in N. C. Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill, it was learned this week from Paul C. Butler, chairman of the Moore County chapter, National Infantile Paralysis Foundation.

This brings the county's total this year to four, as one child was stricken in June. All cases are reported "mild," Butler said. None had received the Salk vaccine.

Taken to Chapel Hill last Friday were Nancy Faye Barber, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Barber of Carthage Rt. 3, and Eugene Harris, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Harris of Carthage RFD. The Harris boy is a Negro.

Carried there Monday, July 18, was Brenda Carol Boroughs, aged three, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elcoe Boroughs, live at Jackson Springs.

Joseph Melvin Garner, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Garner of between Aberdeen and Pinehurst, who was taken to N. C. Memorial hospital June 9, returned home after about 10 days' stay and is reported getting along nicely. Assistance has been rendered by the Moore County polio chapter in all the cases, and it stands in case of further need.

The columns are those now marking the front entrance, which later will give onto a new sun-deck for patients. New construction shown will be on the present ground-floor level. The wing at right will contain administrative and secretarial offices, a large canteen and public telephones. In the left wing will be the general business offices—admissions, processing of patient records, book-keeping, office manager, cashier's window, also a large walk-in vault for storing hospital documents, patients' valuables etc.

Between the two, and connecting them, will be the spacious new lobby, with the new front entrance. Here will be the information desk, telephone switchboard, restrooms and other service features for the public.

These additions will permit conversion of the present lobby and business offices into space for eight new beds for adult patients, two equipped for isolation purposes, for those having communicable diseases.

At the rear the present central wing will be expanded to accommodate the new emergency suite on the first floor, the new pediatric ward with 24 children's beds on the second. A new building will contain the boiler plant and laundry. Conversion of present space will provide for centralized, coordinated laboratory facilities, enlarged housekeeping department, etc.

The new construction will be of the most modern type, equipped in keeping. Additions will be architecturally in harmony with the present building, of red brick with granite trim. With preliminary plans approved by the State Medical Care Commission, detailed specifications are now being worked out by the architectural firm of George Watts Carr of Durham. Ground is expected to be broken in December.

Formal approval of the plans by the State Medical Care Commission means that half the funds will be provided by the Federal government, 14.4 percent by the State, to be added to about \$160,000 which has already been locally contributed.

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Moore county had a winner in state 4-H competition, also a second and a third place winner, at the annual State 4-H Club Week held last week at Raleigh.

Taking part in the state competitions were youngsters who had previously been their county winners, then won in district contests, so that the state first place winner had in actuality won out among representatives from all 100 counties of the State.

Such a one was Gurney Brewer, 17, of the Westmoore 4-H club, adjudged best of six district winners in the tractor maintenance contest. Judged by experts, the contest involved a quiz on tractor use, maintenance and parts; an operational test on an obstacle course, forward and in reverse; and a test on "belting in" the tractor.

Brewer, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Brewer, (Continued on Page 8)

Superintendents Release Data On Town, County School Openings

Town Schools Open Sept. 7; Teachers Listed

Schools of the Southern Pines district will open Wednesday, September 7, Supt. Amos C. Dawson announced today.

He reported a nearly full complement of teachers engaged for the Southern Pines high and elementary schools. Only one more third-grade teacher is to be appointed, and it is expected that the list will be completed by the end of the week.

The roster for West Southern Pines is still incomplete and will be announced later.

Exactly half of the elementary staff of 20 in Southern Pines will be new. The high school staff of eight includes just one newcomer, Miss Vira A. Rodgers of High Point, a recent Womans College graduate and vocational home economist.

Serving both schools will be two new teachers, Mrs. Sara W. Hodgkins, who taught third grade last year but this year will teach music in all grades; also Mrs. Neva F. Campbell, a University of North Carolina graduate from Murfreesboro. Mrs. Campbell will be the new librarian, succeeding Miss Aline Todd, who resigned to teach in Mecklenburg near her family.

In the elementary lineup a familiar face will be missed, Miss Bess McIntyre, fourth grade teacher, on the school staff for the past 17 years, has resigned for health reasons. She is expected to return next year.

Three Teach Music

The music department will be the strongest the school has ever had, served by three accomplished directors, one full-time, two part-time. Lynn Ledden will continue his direction of the band, also teaching high school science. Mrs. Hodgkins, who taught music and directed the glee club at Pinehurst before her marriage brought her to Southern Pines two years ago, will teach public school music in the elementary grades and choral work in the high school. Assisting in the choral program will be Roger Gibbs, in addition to his duties as eighth grade teacher.

Mr. Gibbs, a native of Greensboro and graduate of Elon College, sang with the well-known Elon College Choir throughout his college career and later, when he was serving as field secretary and director of admissions at Elon. He came to Southern Pines in June to take charge of the choir and church school of the Church of Wide Fellowship, and is also in charge of the church during the pastor's summer leave. He is at present directing the Daily Vacation Bible school.

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WARNING

Magazine subscription salesmen are forbidden by law to peddle their wares in Southern Pines, and any violations should be reported to the police at once.

In view of an incident of this week (see story below) Police Chief C. E. Newton this week reminds citizens of this protection, and asks their help in eliminating what is usually a nuisance, and frequently a danger.

Persons victimized by the crews who stayed here a short time Wednesday should report the matter to Chief Newton, as they seem also to have committed fraud, forgery and possibly other crimes.

The "Green River" ordinance on house-to-house magazine peddling is named for a town which was the first to devise a watertight law. It has been tested all the way up to the U. S. Supreme Court. There is no permit of any sort which can be given anyone to supersede the "Green River" law.

Magazine Crews Descend On Town With Phony Story

A group of phony magazine salesmen visited Southern Pines briefly Wednesday but came up against local laws, were caught in some lies and are believed to have swiftly departed.

The group comprised about 11 men in all, some white and some Negro, working both sides of town.

The leader and a helper visited the police station seeking a permit to sell magazine subscriptions, but were informed by Chief C. E. Newton that Southern Pines has the "Green River Law"—an ordinance tested in the Supreme Court forbidding such sales in residential areas.

Some time later he received a report that two men of the crew had visited the home of Emory Smith, Jr., at approximately the same time the other two had been visiting the station.

Mr. Smith came home at lunch time to find the visitors there, with his son, Emory Smith III, flourishing a permit which, they had told the 18-year-old youth, was a "federal permit" superseding local laws. To the father they showed another permit signed with the name of A. E. Rhinehart, (Continued on Page 8)

County Supt. Thomas Notes Pupil Assignments

H. Lee Thomas, superintendent of Moore County schools, this week issued a statement concerning the opening of the schools (September 1) and the assignment of students.

All will attend the schools they went to last year except those from Hoke county who have been attending the Aberdeen school, and those of Moore who have been going to school at Biscoe and Star. These will attend school in their own counties. Other Hoke children must be paid for.

The statement follows:

The Moore County Schools will open for the fall term of 1955-56 September 1.

Owing to the crowded conditions, all the schools will operate in 1955-56 on a segregated basis as in the past. All buildings will be filled to capacity and there will be no vacant seats to receive transfers.

Children to be entitled to enrollment in the Moore County public schools for the year 1955-56 must have passed the sixth anniversary of their birth before October 1, 1955.

All children entering Moore County Schools for the first time must present a birth certificate. All children residing in Moore County, and expecting to attend Moore County schools in 1955-56, are assigned to the same schools attended in 1954-55.

Children residing along the borders of Chatham, Lee and Harnett counties will be mutually exchanged as in the past.

Children residing in Moore county and attending schools in Montgomery county in 1954-55 are assigned to the Moore County school located in the district in which they reside.

Children residing in Hoke County near Aberdeen, who attended the Aberdeen and Berkley Schools in 1954-55, are requested to enroll in the Hoke County school system. Such children have been assigned to Hoke County schools by Hoke County authorities.

Children residing in Little River Township, Hoke County, and attending Moore County schools in 1954-55, are assigned to the same schools in 1955-56, provided Hoke County makes provision for buses for their transportation and pays Moore county for furnishing them building and other facilities.

All children are required by law to be vaccinated for the prevention of smallpox before entering school.

Problems in connection with the children from other counties who have been attending Moore County schools—specifically the 176 who have been crossing the county line from Little River township, in Hoke county, to the Vass-Lakeview district—were brought up Monday before the Moore County commissioners in regular session at Carthage.

John McCrummen, Vass-Lakeview principal, asked the commissioners for their cooperation in easing the situation, both for the sake of the large number of children involved, and the school and community.

The commissioners and board of education had previously set a fee of \$36 per child, plus transportation, to be paid by County if the children are to keep on attending Vass-Lakeview schools.

Hoke hasn't answered the proposition yet, and McCrummen was perturbed at what would happen if they decided against paying for the children—a matter of \$6,336, based on last year's number.

Coming so close to the opening of school, when teacher contracts have been signed and arrangements already made for the normal student body, the loss of the children to the school could bring on numerous complications, McCrummen declared. It could cost as many as five teachers.

The possibility that, lacking a school of their own, and separated from the main body of Hoke by the Fort Bragg reservation, the children might be lost to Harnett county's nearby Olivia schools should be considered, was the principal's view.

He had no information as to whether Harnett would even accept the children, or on what basis, but the likelihood appeared as a complicating factor.

Little River patrons definitely want their children to come to Vass-Lakeview, in the community which has always been their nearest trading and civic activity center, McCrummen declared.

Should Organize

The commissioners said they felt the solution lies with the Little River people, and asked McCrummen to do all he could to help them organize in a way to express their will to their own county and school officials.

They said the \$36 fee—or \$45, without transportation of their own—had been set by the two boards in all fairness after figuring the actual cost per child to Moore County taxpayers. Broken down, it represents \$15 per child (Continued on page 8)