**THURSDAY, MAY 17, 1956** 

## **County Dog Pound, Started Just A Year Ago, Proving Good Investment In Rounding Up Stray, Diseased Dogs**

## **Operation Is One** Of Two In County Self-Supporting

After little more than a year's operation, the Moore County dog pound seems to be firmly established as a going concern.

W. H. Barber, who operates the pound, said this week that the operation has gone along so far "without a hitch. We feel," he said, "that the pound has more than proven its worth, not only in getting more dogs registered on the tax books, but by making more people conscious of the ter rible problem of stray dogs we used to contend with."

The pound was started in March last year at the county home, which had been closed a few months before. Barber, who with his wife had formerly ope-oted the home, was put in charge of the pound and directed to clean up the county of all stray dogs. At that time there were some three to four thousand dogs listed for tax purposes.

Today, there are between six and seven thousand dogs listed and the income derived from the sale of county tax tags will more

than pay for the operation of the pound. Along with the airport, the pound is the only self-sup- long it will take to capture the system. porting agency of the county. dog. In the meantime, he can in-

Barber constructed four confect other dogs." crete runs adjacent to an old corn crib back of the county home. He was advised by Dr. C. C. Mc-Lean, a veterinarian who maintains offices between Pinehurst the various towns throughout the and Southern Pines, as to the county have been a constant help two children live in the central nice dog, they're welcome to ham Street. proper type of permanent shelter to him. Before the pound was section of the main building and, come to the pound and pick out J. A. Lang, Jr., of Washington, and runs to build.

"We have what is considered when a dog was running loose very good quarters fo rthe im- was to shoot him. very good quarters for the im-The biggest problem of that

take excellent care of the ones procedure was the fact that the here. Usually there are between policemen never knew whether 10 and 15 dogs, mostly mongrels, or not they were shooting a rabid here at any given time, though dog and, as it quite often happenwe have had as many as 20 at one ed, whether they were doing time. The dogs that we pick up away with a dog that someone are kept here a minimum of 10 really wanted. days, the length of time required "With a pound, you don't run

by law, and we make every effort into that sort of thing," Barber to find the owner. If the owner said. "We have a definite procecan't be found, either because he hasn't missed his dog, or, as is the 10-day waiting period gives us an case most of the time, because he | opportunity to examine the dog just doesn't want the dog any- for any disease that he may have more, we then have the dogs put transmitted to other dogs, and it to sleep by a veterinarian."

also gives us plenty of time to Barber said that many people find an owner, if there is one." visited the pound, some of them | It is standard procedure of all looking for their lost dogs and pounds in the state to send a susothers looking for maybe a nice pected rabid dog's head to a puppy. "You'd be surprised how state-operated laboratory in Ra-



Stray dogs at the Moore County pound, located on the Car-Stray dogs at the Moore County pound, located on the Car-thage-Southern-Pines road, gather at the door as Warden W. H. Barber's son, Larry, gets ready to check the water supply. The dogs are kept three or four to the run during the length of time they stay there. (Pilot phroto) be infected. But, if a dog is run-ning loose and gets bit by a rabid fields have been planted with

ously. He takes calls anytime and a decision by the Board of Comwill go anywhere in the county to missioners as to the final dispopick up a stray dog. Policemen in sition of the facilities. Barber and his wife and their

CARTHAGE NEWS

By MRS. ALONZO BLUE daughter, Mrs. Mary Snipes, in Sanford.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Parks were son Gregory of Greensboro and Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Young Allen and Parks' sister and brother-in-law, urday. Pamela of Rowland were week-Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Upchurch, in end guests of Solicitor and Mrs. Robbins. M. G. Boyette.

Miss Ann Eller and guest, Miss Mary Frances Ross of Flora Mac-Mr. and Mrs. Bill Blue and sons of Fayetteville were guests of Mrs. Norman Carter Sunday. donald College, Red Springs, spent the weekend with Mrs. E.

A. Eller. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Vest and

George Prevost from Lakewood, with his brother, Charlie Prevost. Mr. and Mrs. Jake Hurwitz,

baby of Sanford spent Sunday with Mrs. Ed Maness. O. U. Alexander is in Charlotte for a week's visit to relatives. Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hunt of High Point and Miss Ruth Tyson of more, Md., Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh were Sunday guests of their mother, Mrs. L. P. Tyson. Mrs. W. G. Caldwell was in Cheraw, S. C., with her sister,

Dr. and Mrs. Marshal Ginsburg Mrs. Essie Green of Highfalls spent last Thursday with Mrs. D. Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and

Mrs. L. A. Lawhon, who has been ill for several months, is convalescing at the home of her Mrs. R. G. Ridge and daughter of

tion, act as caretakers.

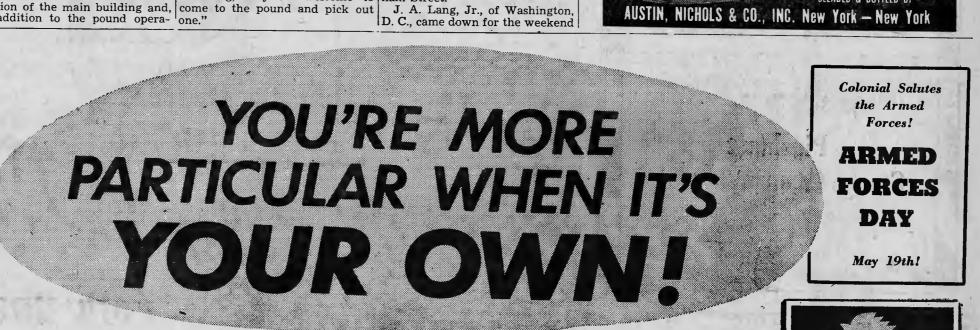
Sunday.

H. Parks.

ning loose and gets bit by a rabid fields have been planted with self-supporting. Within the next day with his parents, Mr. and fox, there is no telling just how grain to be used by the prison year or two, we hope to have all Mrs. J. R. Kelly

dogs in the county properly reg- Mrs. Curtis M. Muse joined Mrs. The money derived from the istered and vaccinated, although James Cowan in Burlington last lease is being used to help with it seems impossible to make the week for a trip to Pennsylvania Barber takes his job quite seri-the upkeep of the home, pending a decision by the Board of Com-We are asking the public's co-With friends. We are asking the public's co-

operation in helping to rid the con, Ga., is visiting her brother, county of the rabies threat. In J. A. Lang, and Mrs. Lang until the meantime, if anyone wants a June 1 at their home on Rocking-



and spent Sunday with his sister, ly Sunday.

Mrs. Howard Gardner. Miss Carolyn Hall of Goldsboro Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Clayton of spent Sunday with her mother, Wilson and Mrs. Ethel Watson Mrs. H. J. Hall.

and Mrs. Annie Teague of San-ford were supper guests of the Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Golden Sat-Mother's Day guests of Mrs. W. R.

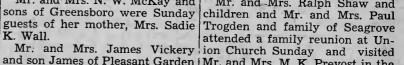
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shaw and

Mr. and Mrs. James Vickery ion Church Sunday and visited and son James of Pleasant Garden Mr. and Mrs. M. K. Prevost in the Ohio, spent the last two weeks visited Mr. and Mrs. John R. Kel- afternoon.

Clegg. Mr. and Mrs. N. W. McKay and attended a family reunion at Un-

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who have been here for several days visiting her sisters, Mrs. M. Wainer and Mrs. Eli Ginsburg, returned to their home in Balti-GREAT M. Gesben motored down for the weekend to take them home. Mrs. Gesben is the former Julia Hurwitz, who was reared in Carthage. Mrs. Eli Ginsburg. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lineberry and children of Mebane, Mr. and High Point, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. W H I S K E Y Baxley and family of Newport 86 PROOF 70% Grain Neutral Spirits

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many people come out," he said leigh for a complete examination. "On Sundays there seems to be The results of the examination regularly during the week." The pound will give a dog to spread of rabies.

anyone who asks for one, proviwhich is very small, and have the during the past year. dog listed for taxes. The owner Occasionally Barber has to apmust also have the dog vaccina- pear in court-usually before the ted against rabies.

neither the county nor myself have their dogs vaccinated. If have anything against dogs," he convicted, owners face a minisaid. "We feel that by picking up mum fine of \$10 plus costs. stray dogs, some of whom have gone wild by being on the loose said, "we are having a systematic too long, we are greatly cutting check of all dogs in the county down the chances for an out- and the owners of those that say that most rabies is carried by will be asked to register them. foxes. And, occasionally, squir- If they refuse, they will be rels and cats have been known to brought to court and prosecuted.

more people than any other time, are usually available within a although we have visitors pretty few days and gives officials time to set up safeguards against the Barber said there has only been ding they pay the board bill, one case of rabies in the county

Justice of the Peace-to prose-"I would like to emphasize that cute owners who have refused to

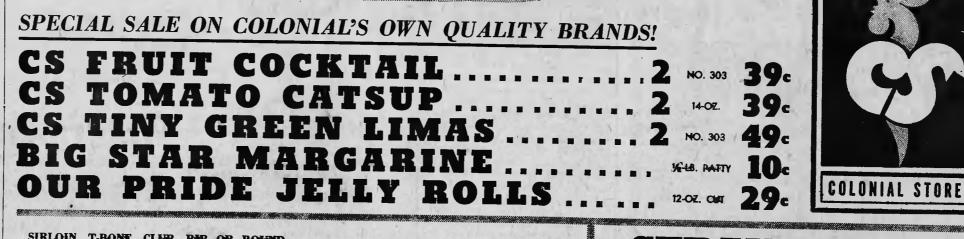
"Starting this month," Barber break of rabies. Veterinarians haven't been registered for taxes

DANTE'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT Southern Pines Closed Monday Open 5 p.m.

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This is the only real way we can keep check of the estimated 9,000 dogs in the county and will, we feel. cut down greatly on the possibility of a rabies outbreak." The county home property, about 85 acres, has been leased to



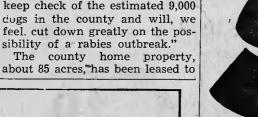
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