

What's that thing
on top of the new VFW post
home and who made it? Story
on page 8 tells all about it.

THE PILOT

Hunting season
is now in full swing in the Sand-
hills. For a feature on hunters
and hunting, see page 23.

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MR. McKEITHEN HONORED — As directors and officials of Moore Memorial Hospital look on, Wilbur H. Currie, senior member of the board of directors, (front, right), presents to Edwin T. McKeithen of Aberdeen a silver tray, recognizing Mr. McKeithen's 29 years of service to the hospital as administrator and purchasing agent, before his retirement in October. Mrs. McKeithen was a guest of honor, with her husband, at the annual dinner meeting of the hospital's directors last week. She stands at left. (Hemmer photo)

Shooting of Air Rifles in Town To Be Prohibited

The Southern Pines town council Tuesday night planned adoption of an ordinance prohibiting firing of air rifles and BB guns within the town limits, following due advertisement and public hearing.

The motion was made by Councilman J. D. Hobbs, who said that nuisance and danger caused by air rifles had been called to his attention "by several citizens and one child." He cited several recent incidents: the near-breaking up of a service at the First Baptist church caused by rifle-popping boys and barking dogs on a squirrel hunt close by, the breaking of several windows in a home, the firing at Girl Scouts by some boys in the town park.

Other incidents were contributed in the discussion, in which BB guns were added as of equal nuisance and danger when used by unskilled hands in congested areas.

It was brought out also that many other North Carolina towns have adopted ordinances against them.

It was suggested that parents contemplating giving such "toys" to their sons at Christmas be forewarned of the ordinance through publicity, though possession will not be illegal and guns may be taken outside the town limits for use.

The town attorney was instructed to prepare the ordinance for advertisement, setting the date of the public hearing. It will be at least 30 days before it can be adopted.

Mail Here Tops Previous Peak

Bulk of mail and receipts at the Southern Pines post office on Monday broke the record set during one day of the Christmas season last year, Postmaster Max Rush reports.

Flow of outgoing mail has been steady, he said, but urged patrons to have all Christmas cards in the mail this week or early next week.

Except for Monday's peak, incoming mail has been fairly steady, too, but the postmaster looks for a flood of packages and cards when railroad schedules, disrupted by blizzards in the north, get back to normal.

The post office will be open until 5 p. m. Saturday, Mr. Rush said, but on the Saturday before Christmas, December 24, it will close as usual at 12:30 p. m.

Benefit Dinner-Dance Set Saturday Night

A dinner-dance to help defray medical expenses of a lodge member will be sponsored by the Southern Pines Moose Lodge at the National Guard armory Saturday night.

Dinner will be from 6 to 8 and dancing will begin at 9. During the dinner hours, plates will be prepared to be taken out by persons who cannot remain at the armory for the meal.

A TV set will be given away during the first dance intermission.

PILOT TO BE OUT EARLIER

To insure a full week-end holiday for its staff, *The Pilot* plans to publish earlier on Thursday of next week, December 22. Publication will be on Thursday, but earlier in the day.

Correspondents and advertisers are asked therefore to have their copy in a day earlier than usual. No classified advertisements will be accepted after 9 a. m. Thursday.

Holiday Parties Planned for Kids By Elks and VFW

Annual Christmas parties for children, sponsored by two local organizations will be held this week-end.

At the Southern Pines Country Club, the Elks lodge will be host from 2 to 5 p. m. on Sunday, with Santa Claus and refreshments for all on hand. Transportation will be provided for those who need it by calling OX5-9911.

All former features of its Christmas parties will be repeated by the John Boyd Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at the post home on New York Ave., opposite the post office. Also inviting all children of the community, the post will have Santa, plus free rides on ponies and a fire truck, along with refreshments, starting at 2:30 p. m. Sunday.

On Saturday afternoon, at the West Southern Pines High School gymnasium, the West Southern Pines American Legion Post will give a children's Santa Claus party, from 1 to 5 p. m., also with refreshments. Children through the first and second grades are invited.

Sponsor for this event is the Southern Pines Elks Lodge.

Christmas Cheer Collection To Be Made on Saturday

Members of John Boyd Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be on the streets Saturday, receiving contributions to help finance the Christmas Cheer program for needy families.

The VFW effort, in which about 75 food baskets, as well as toys and other items, are distributed, is part of the county-wide program that coordinates Christmas giving to families whose need is certified by the Moore County Welfare Department.

A. O. Monroe, Jr., chairman of the VFW program this year, this week urged public generosity in helping fill food containers in grocery stores, in leaving toys at the VFW post home to be repaired, and in sending in cash contributions for food purchases to "VFW Christmas Fund," Box 226, Southern Pines.

The chairman expressed appreciation for money, toys and other donations already made. In pointing out needs of families around the county at Christmas time, Mrs. W. B. Cole, county superintendent of public welfare, gave two examples this week of the sort of family that needs help and encouragement. She said:

"The father of six children, ranging in age from six to 13 years, is in prison and will not be (Continued on page 8)

FORUM TONIGHT

Julien Bryan, travel lecturer, will show his new color film, "Moscow to Samarkand," picturing a trip in the Soviet Union, at the first meeting of the Pinehurst Forum tonight (Thursday) at 8:45 p. m. in the Pinehurst Country Club. Attendance is limited to contributing Forum members and their guests.

Council Praises Industry Group's Efforts for Town

A report on activities of the Southern Pines Industrial Committee, presented Tuesday night to the town council at its December meeting, won the council's warm approval and the adoption of a resolution of endorsement and confidence.

Norris L. Hodgkins, Jr., chairman of the industrial body, said that "while we have not secured new industry during 1960, we have done our best to see that the two who settled here in 1959 were made happy, and they have expressed themselves as satisfied in every way."

These were Fletcher Southern, which doubled its size this year after starting operations in 1959, and Trimble Products, Inc., which began production early this year in the new plant built the year before.

The committee has worked with the county industrial group, also with industry-minded citizens of neighbor communities, and its members separately or as a group had a hand in securing the Watson-Williams Co. for Pinebluff and Standard Trucking Co. for Aberdeen.

There has also, he said, been a constant following-up of leads and exploring of possibilities, along with the maintaining of contacts with the State Department of Conservation and Development. On a recent visit there, (Continued on page 8)

Winter Hits But Not With Snow

Temperatures running down into the teens earlier this week and below freezing last night brought winter into the Sandhills, but up to today, this area had been spared the heavy snowfalls that have hit wide areas of the nation.

Biggest effect here of the blizzards in the North has been in railroad service, with trains running up to six and seven hours late. This has delayed Christmas mail from the North.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Pupils in the Southern Pines schools will start their Christmas holidays at the close of school Friday, December 16 and will return to classes on the morning of Thursday, December 29. Supt. Luther A. Adams reminded the public today. He said the shortened Christmas vacation makes possible a longer holiday period in the Spring.

The Pinehurst and county system schools are following another schedule for Christmas vacation which begins at the end of school on Tuesday, December 20, with classes resuming Monday morning, January 2.

Churches Schedule Events for Christmas Season

Throughout Moore County, churches will be holding Christmas programs and services, many of which begin Sunday, December 18, with various events running through Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day.

Following are events of the season that have been listed by the churches of Southern Pines:

First Baptist Church, the Rev. Maynard Mangum, pastor: Friday, December 16 — Choir Christmas party at Howard Johnson's Restaurant, 7:30 p. m. Sunday, December 18 — White Christmas in the Sunday School (gifts for needy), 9:45 a. m. Regular worship service, 11 a. m. Program of Christmas music, 7:30 p. m. Carolling Caravan at 8:30 p. m.

Tuesday, December 20 — General W. M. U. Christmas party, 8 p. m. Saturday, December 24 — Candlelight Carol Service, 7:30 p. m. Sunday, December 25 (Christmas Day) — Christmas sermon, "Prophecy Fulfilled," at 11 a. m. service. Student night at Christmas (college and senior high school students in charge), 7:30 p. m. Open house for students at the pastorium, 8:30 p. m.

Emmanuel Episcopal Church,

the Rev. Martin Caldwell, rector: Wednesday, December 21, 7 a. m. — Communion service and breakfast for men and boys of the church. Thursday, December 22 — Episcopal Young Churchmen (young people of the church) will sing carols at various places in Southern Pines, time not listed, but singing will start early in the evening.

Friday, December 23 — Episcopal Day School Christmas program in afternoon. Saturday, December 24 — Family communion for parents and Church School children, 4 p. m. Holy Communion, 11 p. m. Sunday, December 25 (Christmas Day) — Holy Communion, 11 a. m.

Brownson Memorial Presbyterian Church, Dr. Cheves K. Ligon, pastor: Sunday, December 18 — Special Christmas worship service, with special music and Christmas sermon, "A Sense of Wonder," 11 a. m. White Christmas candle-lighting service, "The Star Still Shines," with presentation of food gifts for the needy; Cherub, Youth and Chancel Choirs, at 5 p. m. Young people to go carol singing, 6:30 to 9 p. m., at various places in town.

St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Father Francis M. Smith, pastor: Saturday, December 24 — Midnight mass, preceded at 11:45 p. m. by singing of carols and blessing of a creche presented to the church by Arthur C. Reed. The schola (choir) will be composed of children of St. Anthony's School. Sunday, December 25 — Mass at the usual hours, 8 and 10:30 a. m.

Southern Pines Methodist Church, the Rev. R. C. Mooney, Jr., pastor: Tonight, December 15 — Concert by High Point College choir, 7:30 p. m. Sunday, December 18 — Regular service at 11 a. m. Christmas pageant, "When the Light Shone,"

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Former Town Manager, Wife Killed In South American Airplane Crash



CONGRATULATIONS — Voit Gilmore, left, is congratulated by R. F. Hoke Pollock, on behalf of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, as Mr. Gilmore receives the club's Builders Cup for his community services over many years. (Humphrey photo)

Voit Gilmore Receives Builders Cup Awarded by Sandhills Kiwanis Club

Voit Gilmore of Southern Pines was awarded the Sandhills Kiwanis Club Builders Cup for 1960 at the annual ladies night banquet held last Friday night at the Carolina Hotel in Pinehurst.

He was the 27th recipient of the award, which is given to that Moore County citizen, who, in the opinion of the special committee,

Dr. W. C. Neill Heads Ministers

Dr. W. C. Neill, pastor of Bethesda Presbyterian Church, Aberdeen, was elected president of the Sandhills Ministerial Association for 1961, at a meeting of the group at the Church of Wide Fellowship here on Monday. He will succeed the Rev. Carl Wallace, pastor of the Church of Wide Fellowship.

Other officers elected are: the Rev. U. S. LeVerette, pastor of Faith Presbyterian Church, Aberdeen, vice-president; the Rev. R. D. Spear, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Aberdeen, secretary; and the Rev. Z. D. McRae of Pinehurst, treasurer.

The officers will be installed in January. The Association includes white and Negro ministers of the area. At the Monday meeting, members heard Mrs. W. B. Cole of Carthage, Moore County superintendent of public welfare, describe the operation of the welfare department in this county.

nas contributed most toward building up the county "without thought of personal gain." It came as a surprise to the 100 Kiwanians and their ladies. The identity of the recipient is never revealed until the last moment, and R. F. Hoke Pollock kept the audience in suspense as he ticked off the accomplishments of the individual, winding up his speech by spelling out the name, first in sign language, then in Morse code.

A former mayor of Southern Pines, a director of the Moore Memorial Hospital, president of the Sandhills Area Development Association, member of the State Board of Conservation and Development, former president of the North Carolina Travel Council, Gilmore was cited for these and other efforts toward the building of a better county and state. In accepting the award, Mr. Gilmore, who had just returned from a trip to the Antarctic, said, "I love this community very much and will continue to do my best for such wonderful people and such a wonderful state."

Other awards presented were the "Past Presidents' plate," this year given to Richard Tufts of Pinehurst, who was president of the Club in 1956-57, and to the outgoing president, Ralph Chandler of Southern Pines. Lawrence Johnson of Aberdeen, master of ceremonies for the affair, pointed out that the award to Mr. Chandler was significant for this year marks the 36th anniversary of the chartering of the Sandhills Kiwanis Club, but the award to him was the first time that the son of a former president of the club also had served as president, his father, R. L. Chandler, having been president in 1938.

Out-of-town guests of the Kiwanis Club were: (Continued on page 8)

Jaycees Seeking Nominations for Top Young Man

The Southern Pines Junior Chamber of Commerce has named a committee to seek the outstanding young man of 1960 in this community, according to Dr. Joe Currie, Jaycee president.

The secret committee, composed of distinguished citizens, is canvassing churches, businesses, clubs and other organizations to determine which young man, 21 through 35 years of age, has contributed most to the community during the past year.

Nominations for the award may be made by any one. Blanks are available from any Jaycee.

The Distinguished Service Award winner will be revealed and honored at the annual "Bosses' Night" banquet to be held during National Jaycee Week, January 15-21, 1961.

Deadline for nominations is December 28.

The award is presented for leadership and service. The nominee need not be a member of the Jaycees. Entries will be judged on accomplishments during the calendar year 1960.

Decision of the judges will be based on contributions to the community welfare during the year; evidence of leadership ability; and evidence of personal or business progress.

Nominating questionnaires should be returned to P. O. Box 314, Southern Pines.

Signature Not On Dossenbach's Ad

The signature line, "Dossenbach's — Always A Saving," was inadvertently omitted from the Christmas sale advertisement of Dossenbach's furniture store, in Aberdeen, appearing on page 13 of today's paper. The Pilot regrets the error.