

Mrs. Bell Enters Suit For \$170,000 Against Airlines

Mrs. Peggy Kirk Bell, nationally known woman golf pro, has filed a \$170,000 suit against Eastern Airlines and T. A. Latta, an Eastern Airlines pilot, for injuries allegedly sustained nearly three years ago, which she said have seriously affected her golfing career.

Mrs. Bell and her husband, Warren Bell, are owners and operators of the Pine Needles Country Club and Lodges here.

In a complaint filed in Moore County Superior Court at Carthage, Mrs. Bell alleges that on January 4, 1960, she and her young daughter boarded Flight 784 at Greensboro-High Point airport, with permission of the stewardess, in order to help a departing guest get properly seated on the plane for her flight to Cleveland, Ohio.

Before the departure of the plane and on a signal from the stewardess, the plaintiff states that she and her daughter started down the loading ramp. While they were still on the ramp, she claims, the pilot started up the engines of the plane, causing a powerful and sudden rush of wind from the engines which knocked them off to the concrete loading area.

Mrs. Bell says she landed on her left shoulder, dislocating, bruising and damaging it, necessitating considerable medical treatment since that time, with the prospect of undergoing surgery later; that she believes the shoulder to be seriously and permanently injured; that she was forced to cancel tournament and golf instruction engagements and has had to change her golf swing, besides undergoing much pain and suffering.

She alleges that her injury was directly due to the negligence of defendant and its authorized agent, pilot Latta, in that he failed to determine that there was no one on the ramp who might be injured before starting up the engines; that he neglected and failed to give plaintiff any warning he was about to start the engines; and that his action was in violation of FAA rules and regulations which prohibit starting up a plane before all persons other than maintenance and airport personnel have cleared the area affected.

Mrs. Bell claims that her activities as a golf professional "have been greatly curtailed" and that, during 1960 alone, she lost an estimated \$14,400 in income as a direct result of the injury.

However, she is asking recovery of only \$11,400 for loss of earnings, along with \$820 in doctor and hospital bills, and \$150,000 "for pain and suffering."

JUDGE McCONNELL

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Judge McConnell.

Judge Phillips, who was elected to his third eight-year term in 1958, gave health as his reason for resigning. He was formerly solicitor for this district, and has served continuously since 1940 except for a leave of absence at the close of World War II, when he was one of the U. S. judges at the Nuremberg trials in Germany.

Judge McConnell was expected to return from Raleigh to his home here this (Thursday) afternoon.

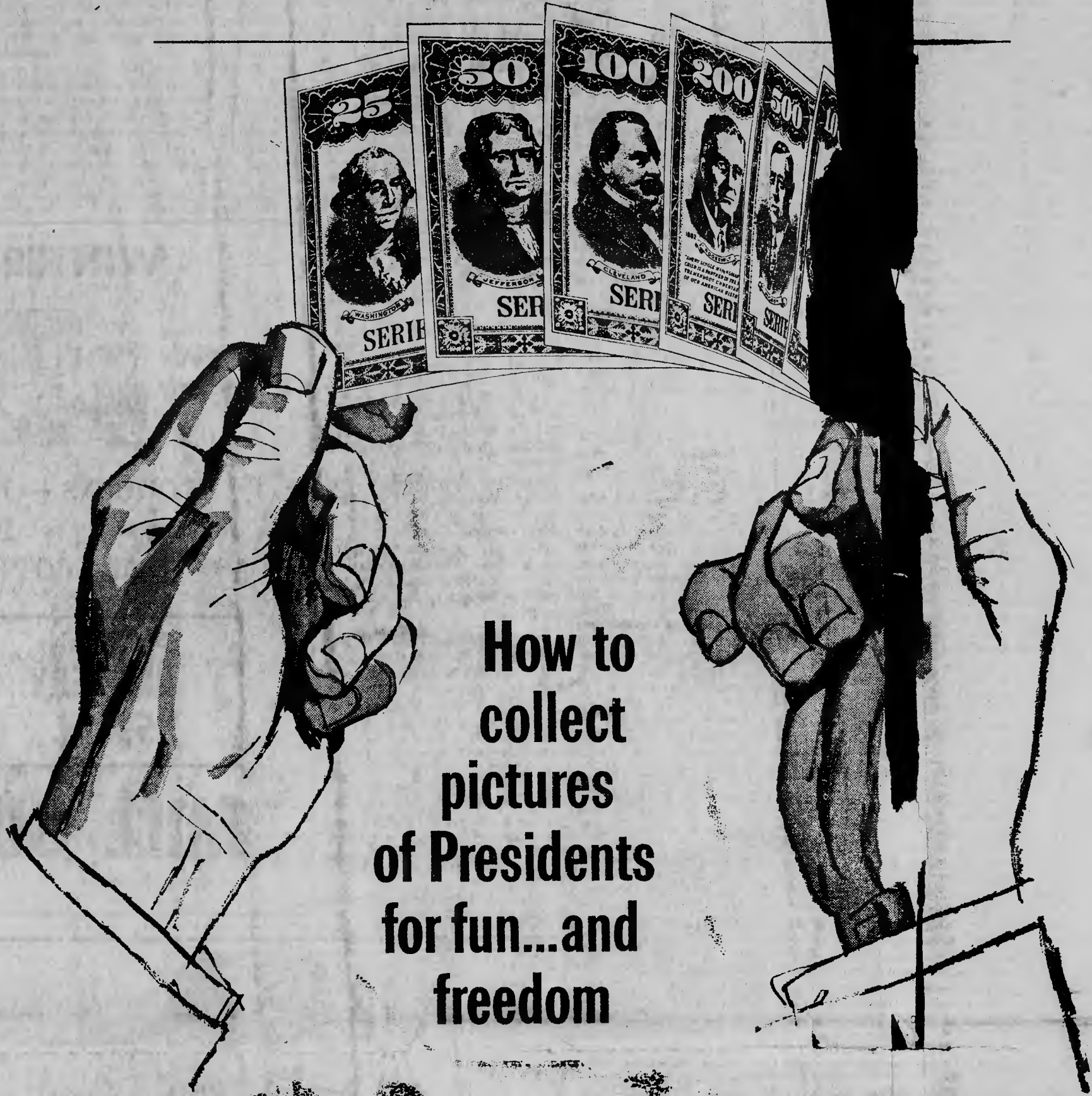
He will return to Raleigh next month for at least one other occasion of importance to Moore County and the Sandhills. He will swear in Rep. H. Clifton Blue of Aberdeen when, as is expected, the Moore legislator is elected Speaker of the House following the convening of the General Assembly on Wednesday, February 6. This will be a historic occasion in the life of the State as well as Moore County, as it will coincide with the opening of the new State House which has been under construction for the last two years. A large delegation from Moore is expected to attend.

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