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## County Tourney Resumes Tonight At Carthage Gym

By JOEL STUTTS

After an interruption of two nights because of snow, play in the 36th annual Moore County High School basketball tournament resumes tonight (Thursday) at the Carthage gym.

Southern Pines boys play their first contest of the tourney in tonight's opener, against Aberdeen at 6:30.

The tournament opened here Friday, with games continuing Saturday and Monday nights at the local gym.

Capacity crowds, exciting action and increasing interest marked the first three days of tournament play at Southern Pines. Favored teams, based on how they finished in final season standings, came through with wins with the exception of the Farm Life boys' victory over Westmore in the first round action.

The remaining tournament schedule:

Thursday Feb. 28:

6:30 Southern Pines vs Aberdeen (boys).

7:30 Farm Life vs High Falls (girls).

8:30 Robbins vs Farm Life (boys).

Friday, March 1:

6:30 Vass-Lakeview vs Robbins (girls).

7:30 Carthage vs High Falls (boys).

8:30 Carthage vs Farm Life - High Falls winner (semi-finals—girls).

Saturday March 2

6:30 Robbins-Farm Life winner vs Southern Pines-Aberdeen winner (semi-finals—boys).

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## Red Cross Opens County-Wide Fund Drive This Week

The Moore County Chapter of the American Red Cross tomorrow (Friday) joins in a nationwide campaign for members and funds.

In proclaiming March as "Red Cross Month" President Kennedy states "For one hundred years the Red Cross has been a symbol of hope and help to those in need. Wherever war or disease or disaster have struck, the Red Cross has been there to ease the burden of human suffering."

The Moore County Chapter, chartered in 1915, has always been geared to assume responsibility locally and in the state and nation, according to Mrs. Audrey Kennedy, volunteer executive director of the chapter since the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941. The records of the Moore County Chapter reveal that since then the Volunteer Services have aided more than 4,000 servicemen and their families in this county. Several thousand more persons

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## Dr. McLeod Reopening Office Here Friday

Dr. Vida C. McLeod, local physician, is reopening her office at 155 E. New Hampshire Ave. tomorrow (Friday).

The office has been closed since July of last year while Dr. McLeod was convalescing from surgery.

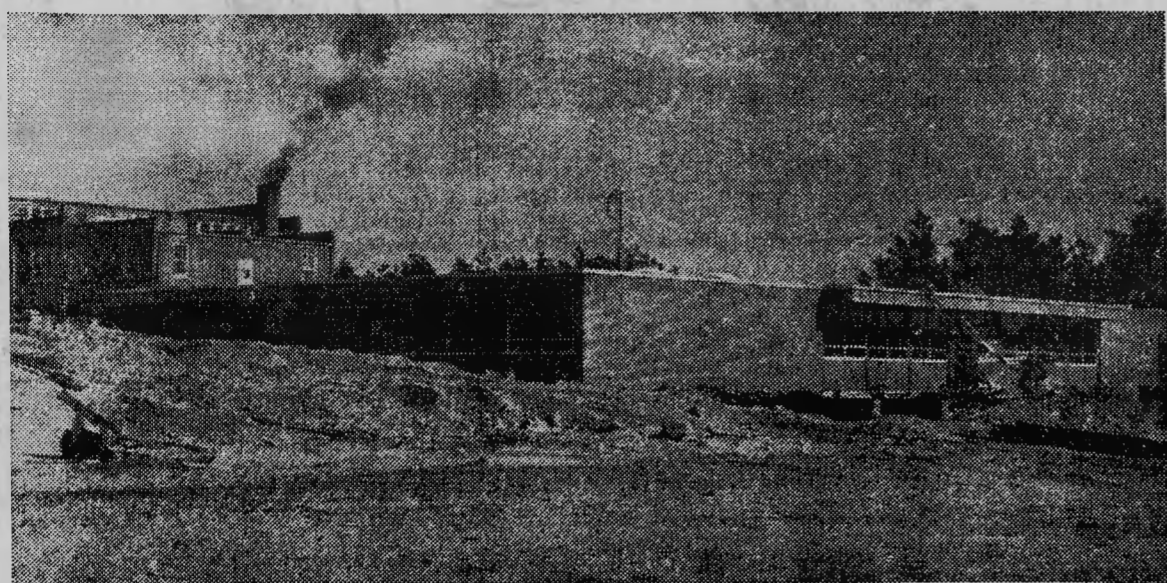
## ATTACKS DOG, LUNGES AT DOOR

### Fox Killed In Town Found Not Rabid

A grey fox that attacked the family dog at the W. Lamont Brown residence on E. Indiana Ave. Sunday afternoon, and was later shot and killed by Police Chief Earl Seawell, was not rabid, a check of the head in state laboratories at Raleigh showed Monday.

Mysteriously, the fox did not leave the Brown yard after it was separated from the dog, a beagle named "Ford." It lunged against the front door when the door was opened slightly by Mr. Brown, but remained in front of the house until the arrival of Chief Seawell and Patrolman A. J. Benner.

The animal had been observed earlier Sunday afternoon on Old



## West Side School Unit Near Completion

"Unit A" of the West Southern Pines High School—the low building in the foreground of this photo—is nearing completion on the school campus off W. New York Ave. In the background at left is the present crowded, outmoded and condemned two-story high school building. Grading around the new building has not been completed.

Contained in Unit A will be four

classrooms, language laboratory area, two business rooms, projects room, custodial room, book storage room and toilet facilities. Total cost is \$110,000.

Funds for Unit A were appropriated by the Moore County commissioners in 1961 and 1962 from school capital outlay funds. Construction of Unit B and C is expected to begin this summer,

following allocation of capital outlay funds for fiscal 1963.

In Unit B and C will be classrooms, vocational and shop areas, science laboratories, library, multipurpose room, guidance office and administrative office for the principal.

Hayes-Howell and Associates of Southern Pines are architects for the project. (Pilot photo)

## Fulton Lewis III To Speak Saturday At Auditorium

Fulton Lewis III of Washington, D. C., will speak at Weaver Auditorium at 8 p.m. Saturday, sponsored by the Thomas Jefferson Chapter of Young Americans for Freedom. The public is invited.

Young Americans for Freedom is a conservative youth group of which Lewis is national field director. The Thomas Jefferson chapter is headed by Bill Wicker, Aberdeen High School student.

Son of the radio commentator, Fulton Lewis, Jr., Lewis has lectured at many colleges and has made nation-wide television and radio appearances.

As research director for the House Committee on Un-American Activities, he saw student demonstrations during the committee's San Francisco hearings in 1960 and later was narrator for the widely shown film, "Operation Abolition," based on those demonstrations.

Personal invitations to Lewis's talk, sent to many residents of the area, state that he will discuss "the differences between the philosophy of conservatism and liberalism."

Adults whose names appear on these invitations are: Mr. and Mrs. David A. Drexel, Gen. and Mrs. Ira T. Wyche, James E. Harrington, Jr., Dr. E. M. Medlin, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Bonsal, III, Mrs. Donald Parson, Wallace W. O'Neal, Dr. J. C. Grier, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Ewing, Mr. and Mrs. Reid A. Page, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Sibley, John J. Greer, Mrs. Franz H. Krebs and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Thompson.

## RUBINOFF TO APPEAR

"Rubinoff and His Violin," nationally known concert attraction, will appear in Southern Pines on April 3 in a benefit performance for the Southern Pines Rotary Club's scholarship fund, the Rev. Carl Wallace, club president, said this week. Details will be announced.

## UPCHURCH STILL MISSING

No further information about Bill Upchurch of Highfalls, missing since his truck was wrecked on the Deep River bridge at Highfalls February 9, has been obtained, according to the county sheriff's department at Carthage. Bad weather has prevented further search for his body in and along the river which has already been combed for miles on the supposition that Upchurch may have been thrown into the river at the time of the wreck.

## HOLIDAY INN TO OPEN SOON

The new Holiday Inn and Byron Nelson Restaurant, just south of town on No. 1 highway, are expected to open soon, it was announced this week by Charles J. Thomas, manager of the Inn, and Jack Gilmore, restaurant manager. A formal grand opening will be held later.

The 67-unit Holiday Inn and the large restaurant will employ a staff of more than 40 persons, all hired locally, with some already at work. D. G. Castro of Aberdeen is head chef at the restaurant. Mrs. Peppi Leland will be hostess there. C. S. Patch, Jr., will be night auditor at Holiday Inn.

The entire property was purchased, while still uncompleted, from the contractor, E. L. Wynn of Richmond, Va., by Byron Nelson & Associates of Petersburg, Va. Mr. Nelson has spent considerable time here recently, actively supervising completion work.

## Sandhills Trail Rides Scheduled For March 14-16

The annual Sandhills Trail Rides, divided this year into three divisions, have been announced for March 14, 15 and 16, sponsored by the Town of Southern Pines and conducted under auspices of the Moore County Hounds.

Entry applications have been sent to horse owners over a wide area, to be returned to the Town Information Center, where complete information and applications can be obtained.

The three divisions are:

Division A—A 100-mile endurance ride extending over the three days, 40 miles on each of the first two days and 20 miles on the last.

Division B—A 50-mile pleasure ride, 15 miles on each of the first two days and 20 miles on the last.

Division C—A junior event for riders under 21, 20 miles on the last day (Saturday).

A sterling silver trophy and three ribbons will be presented in each of the three divisions.

Further details will be announced next week.

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## Girl Scout Group Votes For Merger Into New Council

The Central Carolina Girl Scout Council, in a meeting held Monday night in the Fellowship Hall of the First Presbyterian Church at Sanford, voted to become a part of the proposed 19-county Carolina Pines Council.

Mrs. George H. Leonard Jr., of Southern Pines, first vice president of the council, presided over the meeting due to the illness of Mrs. J. M. Caddell of Sanford, council president. The invocation was given by Sherwood Brockwell Jr., of Southern Pines.

Under the proposal the Bright Leaf, Central Carolina, Cumberland County and five "one county" councils would be merged into one council.

During the meeting the proposed merger was discussed at length. It was explained that under the proposed program there will be opportunities for more types of camping, better use of volunteer services, less duplication in sending out materials and no duplication in executives' salaries, according to proponents of the move. One central office will be established and then camps can purchase wholesale supplies, it was stated.

A film strip was presented which further interpreted the movement which is a part of a nationwide trend to offer Scouting to more girls, save funds and have a better quality program. Following the discussion Mrs. Jones Harrington, of Sanford, development chairman for the council, presented the motion and the proposed merger received a majority vote.

The other councils involved are holding similar meetings to vote on the proposed merger.

Counties affected are Lee, Moore, Chatham, Harnett, Person, Granville, Vance, Warren, Orange, Franklin Durham, Wake, Johnson, Bladen, Robeson and Scotland.

## Plans Announced For Antiques Fair

A full quota of dealers is assured for the annual Antiques Fair to be held at the National Guard Armory, March 20, 21, and 22, it was reported last week at a meeting of the Moore County Historical Association, the sponsoring organization.

Mrs. Alice Bodine, in charge of the fair project, said that all available spaces at the armory are taken by antiques dealers from several eastern and southern states. The exhibits will be open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day. A food committee again will sell refreshments.

The Antiques Fair, a successful event for several years, is the chief fund-raising project of the Historical Association.

Postcard notices about the event, to mail to interested persons, can be obtained from Mrs. Bodine.

## RICHMOND COUNTY BILL PROPOSED

### Will Moore Try To Quit District?

Ears were pricked up in Moore County today at the news that a bill transferring Richmond County out of the Eighth District and into the Seventh had been proposed by a Senate Committee in Raleigh, with this town's Senator W. P. Saunders making the motion.

The Eighth District, which includes Moore County, was gerrymandered before the last election to include populous Mecklenburg County and the big city of Charlotte, a move favored by few in Moore who have not hesitated to point to the Democratic losses in the past election to justify their judgment.

As this county's J. Hawley Poole said at the time: "The rearranged Eighth District was supposed to be the whale that would swallow Jonas, but instead Jonas swallowed the whale." Mr. Poole, from West End, represented the county in the legislature for several terms.

Opinion among Democratic political leaders in the county seems to be rather unanimous that Moore ought to begin thinking other counties more nearly its

about this move made by Richmond, with a view to following suit.

W. Lamont Brown, chairman of the Moore County Democratic Committee, was in Raleigh yesterday and talked with Representative H. Clifton Blue, Senator Saunders, and others.

"They are certainly considering this," Mr. Brown reported, "and there seems to be a good deal of support for such a move on the part of Moore." But the county man cautioned that the situation needed careful handling. "Moore County was pushed into this Eighth District largely against our will and it turned out the way many thought it would. Now we want to be sure, before we make a move, that it is the right one," Mr. Brown said.

Southern Pines's Mayor John Ruggles expressed himself as favoring such a move. While agreeing with Mr. Brown's opinion that the matter should get careful thought, he said he felt certain that Moore would do better to be in a District with Winston-Salem presiding.

## Area Residents Receive County Tax Valuations

Residents of McNeill Township, which includes Southern Pines, have been receiving new 1963 tax valuations on their real property, from the office of Mrs. Estelle Wicker, county auditor and tax supervisor, during the past week.

Mrs. Wicker said today that notices of 1963 tax valuations have been sent to property owners throughout the county, with the

exception of Sandhills Township (which includes Aberdeen and Pinebluff) and Mineral Springs Township (Pinehurst and West End).

Sandhills Township valuations should reach property owners early next week, she said. Mineral Springs notices are expected to go out within the following week.

The valuation appearing on the notice received by property owners is 60 per cent of the "appraised current market value" placed on the property by professional appraisers during the county-wide re-appraisal conducted over the past two years.

Mrs. Wicker said that many property owners do not seem to realize that the tax rate, which has been \$1.75 per \$100 of property valuation, will be lowered for the 1963 tax year. The county commissioners have not yet set this rate, but there is assurance from the tax supervisor that it will be drastically reduced below the past level, since property valuations, at the 60 per cent of market value rate, run considerably higher than the former valuations.

The tax valuation notices being received by property owners state that "any reasonable complaint" must be filed with the tax supervisor by March 15, for presentation to a board of equalization and review.

Mrs. Wicker said that property owners making a complaint are first given an opportunity to look over the detailed record of each appraisal which is filed on a large card in her office and to talk with a representative of the appraisers. If not satisfied, the property owner can then carry his complaint to the commissioners sitting as board of equalization and review.

She said that not over 50 property owners, of the thousands who have been notified of valuations so far, have asked for a formal review of their valuations, although many others have made inquiries about their appraisals.

If description or ownership of property on notices is incorrect, the tax office should be notified at once, the tax supervisor said.

## PAID EXECUTIVE?

### Merchants Plan To Investigate Reorganization

Meeting at the municipal center Monday night, members of the Southern Pines Merchants Council unanimously decided to call a meeting with local industrial and business leaders, to discuss possibility of reorganizing the group as a council or chamber of commerce with an executive secretary.

E. Earl Hubbard, chairman of the council, said there was general agreement—on the basis of the council's record in the past year—that goals of the council cannot be accomplished with volunteer leadership alone.

With support by industry, he said, it is thought that a budget large enough to permit employment of a professional executive could be set up.

Representatives of the Merchants Council expect to discuss its future with the town council at the next town council meeting March 12.

About two dozen persons attended the Monday meeting.

## Bright Sun Clears 3 Inches Of Snow

Snow that started falling late Tuesday afternoon blanketed this area with about three inches by Wednesday morning when the temperature dropped to a low of nine degrees above zero.

All three school systems in Moore County were closed Wednesday but reopened this morning after a bright sun all day yesterday cleared snow and ice from most roads and streets. About an inch of snow was left on the ground in protected places.

Ice forming under the snow made driving hazardous early Wednesday but only shaded spots on less-used streets remained icy by last night. Town workers spread sand on slippery places on town streets early Wednesday.

Town crews started clearing streets Tuesday night and most streets were cleared of snow by noon Wednesday.

Despite the exceptionally cold weather this winter, this was the first snow of the season.

## Credit School

### To Be Conducted March 11 & 12

Bankers, merchants, credit managers and others in Southern Pines, Aberdeen, Pinehurst, Carthage, Robbins, Vass, Cameron, West End and Pinebluff will be given an opportunity to participate in a short course in Consumer Credit to be held here March 11 and 12, according to an announcement by C. Gilmer Parrish of the Credit Bureau of Moore County which has offices here.

Conducting the school will be Sterling S. Speake, instructor in consumer credit and collections, of the International Consumer Credit Association, St. Louis, Mo. Approved credit and collection procedures used by bankers, retailers and medical people will be described and discussed.

Topics to be discussed in the course include: problems affecting credit, credit applications, credit interviews, investigating and evaluating the applicant, accepting and rejecting the applicant, credit policies, credit sales promotion, collections and other procedures. Classes will be held from 7 to 10 o'clock each evening at the Southern Pines municipal building.

An I. C. C. A. certificate will be awarded all persons passing the optional examination. A small enrollment fee is the only cost to the enrollee. Further information may be obtained by calling the Credit Bureau of Moore County.

## THE WEATHER

Maximum and minimum temperatures for each day of the past week were recorded as follows at the U. S. Weather Bureau observation station at the W. E. B. studios on Midland Road.

	Max	Min
February 21	62	39
February 22	34	13
February 23	44	14
February 24	52	28
February 25	57	26
February 26	45	13
February 27	36	9