chairman of the event.

pected for the six races, and

three of those will be Walsh-

owned horses, ridden by Michael

Nine horses will be featured in

Faced with a continuing

on Monday agreed to ask the

school system to use \$250,000

from its unrestricted fund

balance to meet school expenses

between now and the end of this

admitted that it is considering

combining some jobs as a cost

Later in the day the board

The board also voted to ask

county financial boat, by another

By Tuesday, however, there

was some question whether the

schools or the college would

Robert E. Lee, superintendent

of the Moore County Schools,

denied that the school system has

cash flow, but this money is

needed to pay our bills from

Lee said the school system

"That sounds like a lot of

spends about \$900,000 monthly

for payroll and other expenses.

money," Lee said. "But it isn't

when you consider the size of our

operation. We have a \$20 million

budget, we have 1000-plus

employes, and own \$40 million

property on 20 sites.
"If they take that much money

away from us, I'm not sure our

needed to pay salaries, for which

the system is later reimbursed

by the state and federal

governments, and to meet other

expenses. He explained that

the system will need to spend

large sums in the summer for

painting and other maintenance

work which cannot be done

during the school year. He added

that the system occasionally

needs money on hand to pay

unexpected expenses, such as a

sudden shortfall in food service.

Lee said the cash flow money is

checks would be good."

month to month," Lee said.

"We do have what we call a

fiscal year.

saving measure.

could legally do so.

any "surplus" money.

a \$15,000 purse, and ten horses

the Pepsi-Cola Sandhills Cup with Stoneybrook.

Tree City



CLYDE AUMAN HONORED - Former Rep. T. Clyde Auman and his wife Sally listen with appreciation to the words of Betty McCain, former state Democratic chairman, at a dinner honoring Auman Thursday night.-(Photo by Florence Gilkeson).

# Auman Roasted, Toasted--With Over 500 At Dinner

BY FLORENCE GILKESON more than 500 people turned up at Moore County people and jokes, The honoree bobbed about the Sheraton Convention Center some on the Republicans and ad trouble finding him at the former legislator.

nong the guests as if they were to pay tribute to T. Clyde Auman, eaches, and sometimes his hosts peach farmer, humanitarian, and It was a light-hearted occasion

Finding anyone was a major marked by anecdotes about the dertaking Monday night when legislature, peach orchards, and

### Auman finally quipped that "I've decided it's more fun to lose than Board Puts Clincher dinner, it was a case of suffering from too much success. The In Communications arrangements, had no expecta-

The motion passed over the

protest of the two Democratic

delay until members of the

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the board.

vited accepted.

for the program, everyone brought chairs into the main

was a disaster, just wait till we

get through with you tonight," joked the master of ceremonies,

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attorney James R. Van Camp.

At Home

Just to make sure the county action taken at the March 16 nergency communications epartment was really dead, the oore County Board of Comissioners on Monday knocked it commissioners, who asked for a own and stomped it good. volunteer fire and rescue groups Again on a 3-2 vote, the board

oted to abolish the department,

can present additional facts to is time in an apparent effort to ose any loopholes left in the

Miss Stinson Recipient Of Junior Builders Cup

unior Builders Cup and cholarship to Suzanne Stinson, aughter of Mr. and Mrs. homas Stinson of Whispering

The award was presented to ceremonies conducted at the

The Kiwanis Club of the annual Picquet Festival held this andhills has awarded the year at North Moore High School Friday night. Miss Stinson will graduate from Wallace O'Neal Day School this spring and plans to attend Princeton University. Invitations to nominate a Man Dies

candidate were extended to all roughton, chairman of the mior Builders Cup Committee. Christian Academy: Big Oak

The Price of the Serving Moore County: Big Oak

Christian Academy: Big Oak



PRESENTED CUP - Suzanne Stinson of Junior Builders Cup by Howard Broughton.—(Photo by Judi Kelly).

# 40,000 Are Expected Here For Races At Stoneybrook ding to Frank Brawley, vice- are expected in the \$6,000

Stoneyborok, sponsored by Mr.

Other sponsors are Vision

Center, Inc.; Joseph M. Bryan

Jr. of Sandy Lane Farm;

Pinehurst Hardware and Supply

Co., Inc.; and the Friends of

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Lee, who said the state

recommends a cash flow of five

statements made at the

Monday meeting was Dr.

Raymond A. Stone, president of

Stone expressed dismay over a

In a statement issued this

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**Phone Rate** 

Hike Given

It will be at least two weeks

before rate increases can be im-

plemented here by Carolina

Telephone and Telegraph Com-

A three-member hearing panel of the North Carolina Utilities

Commission issued an order Fri-

day granting the telephone com-

pany authority to increase its in-

trastate operating revenues by

This is approximately three-fourths of the \$25.5 million in-

crease requested by the company

in its application to the commis-

sion last August. The company

has indicated that it may return

to the commission at a later time

with another rate increase re-

district, told The Pilot that a new

rate schedule must be worked out

\$18,398,691.

Approval

comment attributed in a daily

newspaper to Kai Nelson, the

Sandhills Community College.

Also taking exception to

to 10 percent at all times.

Fifty-seven horses are ex- and Mrs. Werner B. Thiele.

Schools Targeted

In Budget Crisis

financial crisis, the Moore audits school finances, "looks

County Board of Commissioners over our shoulder," according to

Sandhills Community College to new county finance officer, about

help bail out the troubled the college's financial reporting

practices.

The horses are out of the paddock and walking toward the

The bugler plays "Call to the

Races."

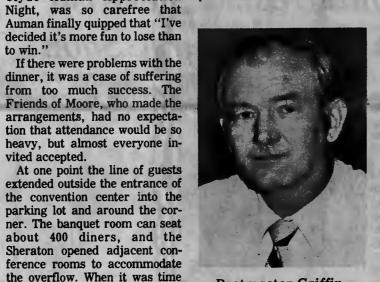
Spectators stop chatting with their friends, take bites of chicken and sips of their drinks and (most of them) crane their necks to see the horses. Stoneybrook.

For Sandhills residents and for thousands of others around the state and country, the annual Stoneybrook Steeplechase held at the Walsh farm on Youngs Road, is an event long-anticipated. One of the first rites of spring.

Fashion parade. Cocktail party. And, oh yes, the horses... For the seven children, 27 grandchildren and one greatgrandchild of Mr. and Mrs.

Michael G. Walsh, the event is a family reunion, hard work, a time to see some of the country's best horses compete in the steeplechase.

A sell-out crowd is again exmany at the honoree's goodpected this year, which means The night, officially named T. there will be upwards of 40,000 Clyde Auman Appreciation spectators here Saturday, accor-



Postmaster Griffin

### Griffin "If you think the last campaign Is Named Postmaster Auman, the West End farmer

Peter A. Bernard, Jr., Sectional Center Manager-Postmaster of Fayetteville, has announced the appointment of James C. Griffin as the new Postmaster at Southern Pines, effective Saturday, April 4.

Griffin, 46, a native of Perquimans County, has been the A Southern Pines man died Postmaster in Farmville since Thursday afternoon when he April, 1978 and has been employed by the U.S. Postal Service apparently dropped a cigarette he was smoking in bed and for the past 16 years.

caught the bed on fire, Coroner Postmaster selections for offices of this size are made on the A.B. Parker reported. Holly Faison, 41, of 1153 W. basis of merit from a list of qualified candidates submitted to New Hampshire was found on the the Regional Management Selecfloor of his bedroom near a window at about 2 p.m. when tion Board. The board, composed Southern Pines Fire Department of a representative of the United States Civil Service Commission, responded to the fire call. Parker ruled that cause of a Postal District Manager and two postmasters, selects and death appeared to be smoke recommends to the Postmaster inhalation. Parker said Faison

had no contusions or bruises, but General the best qualified person that there were some third for appointment to each vacancy. Griffin began his postal career degree burns on the body. The bedroom door in the in 1965 as a distribution clerk and Faison house had been closed carrier in the Elizabeth City Post when the fire broke out, and Office. He transferred to the Rocky Mount Post Office in 1972 there was no damage to the house other than smoke in the as a distribution clerk. In 1973, he was appointed postmaster at bedroom and the burnt bed. Southern Pines Fire fighters Merry Hill. In 1975, Griffin was stayed at the fire for about an appointed Postmaster at Colum-

An administrator, a course arceremonies Monday night, June chitect and three outstanding 1, at the Southern Pines Elks players are the first honorees Club. chosen to be inducted into the They were chosen from an

Ross, who died in 1948, both of revealed the results of the voting Pinehurst, and living players at a press conference Thursday Estelle Lawson Page of Chapel at Forest Oaks CC. He said the Hill, Billy Joe Patton of Morgan- Hall will be established at Seven

original list of 35 nominees in

Illegal Trash Dumping Is Problem

by the company before the rates can be implemented. He predicted that the changes will be relatively minor for customers in (Continued on Page 14-A)

### Tufts, Ross, Ward Named County has issued 335 building of the projects has remained little permits for projects estimated to changed, the result of price in-To CGA's Hall Of Fame

newly-formed Carolinas Golf

ton, and E. Harvie Ward Jr., of Lakes CC, near West End, where

Iall of Fame. balloting by members of the Administrator Richard S. Carolinas Golf Reporters Assn. Tufts, who died last Dec. 16 at 84, Jack Horner of Durham, and golf architect Donald J. secretary-treasurer of the group,

Foxfire, a native of Tarboro, will Pete Tufts is a co-owner.
he enshrined in appropriate (Continued on Page 16-A)

legal, and legal, dumping sites. asking Moore residents to 7:30 p.m. in the Town Council his office, or the office of Floyd vironmental health division of the

health department. "If you don't know their name, alerted to take action against get the license number, or the name of a company on the door of

AT STONEYBROOK - The horse looks over the fence in the bright sunshine on the eve of the annual Stoneybrook Races at the Mickey Walsh farm. Upwards of 40,000 are expected for the big day on Saturday.—(Photo by Glenn M. Sides).

### Redistricting Hearing Set Here Thursday Night

public hearing on Huskins, Senator Helen R. Congressional redistricting will be held in the Memorial Room of the Kennedy Building at Sandhills Community College Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Senator Robert B. Jordan III will serve as chairman of the

Other members of the Legislature expected to attend Stan Stone, commercial include Rep. Ralph P. Edwards, manager for the Southern Pines Rep. Dennis A. Wicker, Rep. J.P.

Marvin and Senator Glenn R. Jernigan. The hearing here will be in

relation to redistricting the Third, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Districts. Moore County is in the Eighth District. Senator Marvin and Rep. Huskins are the chairmen of the

Congressional Redistricting Committees of the Senate and the (Continued on Page 5-A)

### \$17 Million In Building Permits Issued In Moore

County has issued 335 building of the projects has remained little cost \$17,092,000. Of this number, creases in most segments of the 249 permits were issued for construction of new homes.

Building Inspector Elwin Blue told The Pilot that new construction has generally kept pace in the past eight months, although there was the usual slowdown during the winter months.

The number of permits has dropped slightly in the past two

Since the first of July, Moore years, although the dollar value economy.

> Blue expressed the opinion that many people are making the decision to go ahead with building projects because of indications that building costs will continue to climb, rather than the reverse. In February 33 building per-

mits were issued, including 27 for (Continued on Page 16-A)

# THE PILOT LIGHT

HEFNER--Eighth District Congressman Bill Hefner, D-NC, will hold an old-fashioned town hall meeting Thursday, April 16 in Southern Pines.

Elvin Jackson, of Carthage, Hefner's District Administrator, said the meeting will begin at chambers at 145 S. East Broad

Hefner is also scheduled to tour

the Milliken and Company Plant in Robbins at 9:30 a.m. Friday April 17.

He will meet management and employes at the plant. Officials of Milliken plan to present Hefner a rug with the design of the North Carolina state seal.

The public is invited to attend the town hall meeting in Southern Pines.

Hefner said, "I want to hear what the citizens of Moore County have on their minds at the meeting. I'm going to listen and not give a speech.' Hefner is also scheduling town

meetings in April in Hamlet and Salisbury.

WALKER--At the Clyde Auman Appreciation Dinner here Thursday night State Senator Russell Walker told the people of Moore County that it looks like Samarkand Manor and McCain Hospital will be spared (Continued on Page 16-A)

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Whispering Pines is presented the Kiwanis

## BY FLORENCE GILKESON the illegal dumping sites in

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longer euphoric, for this is a alike. dump, not a legal dump, but "Are we bringing tourists into private property which has been our community to show them this misused by industry, business, trash?" asked an angry Coolidge

and individuals. This particular location, of all Moore County Board of Commis-

Against the blue sky on a clear Moore County, represents a parday, the pines mark their delicate ticularly gross irony, for one mile outline, but here the beauty of the away is the county landfill, which is open five and a half days a When the eye strikes the week and is available free of ground, the atmosphere is no charge to individual and industry

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Thompson, a member of the

sioners, during a recent tour of il- Moubry last week went on record

Trash collection is becoming a cooperate by keeping their eyes major problem in some areas of open and reporting violators to the county, and the county is threatening to take people to Dunn, head sanitarian, in the encourt to make a point. Both the sheriff's department and the county inspectors have been violators of the county's stringent

sanitation ordinance. County Administrator Larry a truck," Moubry said. "We'll

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