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KIWANIS ADDRESSED BY JUDGE HUMBER

Official Tells About the New
Moore County
Court

At the meeting of the Kiwanis club Wednesday at the Highland Lodge in Southern Pines Judge George Humber talked to the gathering about the new recorder's court established a couple of months ago. The court has held one session, the first Monday of May, and disposed of nearly twenty cases. Three or four times that many have come onto the docket since then, and the next court will have a full week's business.

The judge referred to the working of the court, its ability to afford a speedy trial for the accused, and the advantage that comes from quickly disposing of a criminal charge while it is before the people. He said that cases are now pending in the superior courts where men charged with criminal offense are waiting two or three years for trial, and that in such a case evidence is lost, interest is lost, and the influence of speedy trial and determination of the innocence or guilt, with the attendant punishment, are lost.

Judge Humber told the club that he did not imagine the cost of the court would lessen the county's expenses materially, but he thought the prompt handling of the cases before the new court would impress those who might be offenders with the promptness and certainty of punishment, and in that way be such a deterrent of crimes to give the county a great return for all the costs of the court.

He also dwelt on the relations of the judge toward the people of the county, and toward the enforcement of the law and the relations of the law and the offender. His attitude toward the criminal was that of the thoughtful judge seeking to prevent crime and to warn men away from the wrong road rather than that of the vengeful dispenser of punishment on the head of the man who has made the mistake of running against the law. But in weighing out justice toward the criminal he claimed the backing of the citizens of the county, a willingness to give testimony, a readiness to uphold the hands of the court, which can do nothing without public sentiment and aid, and as a guarantee of his good intentions he promised the club members that if they ever came before him he would be like the darky candidate for coroner who promised to serve his supporters to the best of his ability if their votes elected him and he had occasion to act on them in his official capacity.

The judge made a hit with the club, which is a little partial to him any way as he is the first head of the new court, which is practically a creation of the effort of the club, for Kiwanis started the movement that has brought the whole thing about.

To give variety to the meeting a spelling match was arranged. Judge Way, Leonard Tufts, Dr. Cheatham
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SUNDAY SCHOOLS HOLD CONVENTION

Association Meets in Vass
Methodist
Church

On last Saturday evening at the Vass Methodist Church the first session of the annual convention of the Moore County Sunday School Association was held, with Mr. W. B. Graham, county president, in charge of the meeting. Seven Sunday schools were represented at the opening meeting, and many more joined in on Sunday. Mr. D. W. Sims, General Superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, and Miss Flora Davis, Associate Superintendent, were present and brought

messages of vital interest at each meeting.

On Saturday evening Miss Davis took for her subject, "Three in One." She mentioned the three groups in Sunday school work, the children, the young people and the adults, and dwelt mainly on the subject of getting the third group into the Sunday schools, giving as ways of reaching them the organized Bible Class, the Home Department and Parents' Training department. Mr. Sims spoke on "The Weak Link in the Sunday School," saying that the children and adults had been pretty well provided for, but that the department for the young people was the weak link. He quoted some startling figures on the number of crimes committed by young people between the ages of fourteen and twenty, and drove home the importance of looking after the work among this class.

On Sunday morning Miss Davis made a splendid talk on "The Wide-Awake Sunday School." She discussed the things that such a Sunday school has and does. It has an adapted building, an active Workers' Council, and a competent corps of teachers and officers. It increases membership, trains for service and leads its pupils to Christ. At the conclusion of her talk, Mr. Sims asked Miss Davis to accompany the children of the congregation to the assembly room down stairs for a story-telling period, in order to make room in the main auditorium for the crowd that had assembled. He then spoke on cooperation, discussing the four kinds
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IN FAIR BRAZIL

The Woman Auxiliary will present the pageant "In Fair Brazil" at the Presbyterian church, Vass, on Thursday evening, May 28th, at 8:00 o'clock. The public is cordially invited. An opportunity to contribute to missions will be given at the close of the program.

AN EDUCATIONAL TRIP TO WASHINGTON

A Five-Day Tour Given Readers
of The Pilot For a Little
Work and No Cash

The Pilot has arranged for a remarkable tour to Washington, D. C., on September 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8, which is open to all readers and who become readers, the expenses of which will be taken care of by the paper in exchange for a little work that can be done by anybody. Several of the state have joined in this movement, the purpose being to secure for the people a desirable educational outing to the Nation's capital, especially for high school children and the younger folks who are out of school and who have never been to Washington or who desire to go there again and have time and facilities to see the points of interest in the city.

The cost of the entire trip from the time of leaving home until the return will be paid by The Pilot. The excursionist will be asked to do some work in the way of securing new subscriptions or extending those already on the rolls, the details of the plan being told to any one who cares to make the effort. One or two active persons in each community in the county can by this plan provide a highly interesting and educational outing for themselves by a small amount of work, and the party going from the state will be interested and interesting group of sight-seeing travelers. The plans will be perfected in a few days when further announcement will be made.

ONE MORE DAY TO LIST TAXES

On next Saturday, May 23, will be the last day this year in which to list your taxes; after that date the Tax List for Vass and community will be closed. Attention is also called to the fact, that failing to list will result in your being severely penalized.

PRINTER OF KANE, LATER A PRIEST

In the South He Does Good Work
Among His People And Then
Comes Untimely Death

(By Bion H. Butler in Bradford,
Pa., Herald)

Possibly more than a quarter of a century ago to the Leader newspaper office in Kane, Pennsylvania, came a slender lad who announced that he wanted to be a printer. The editor knew the young chap, Jimmie Kavanaugh as a likely boy and after a few questions a deal was made whereby the young chap was engaged to sweep the office, wash the rollers, fold papers, learn the boxes in the type case and those various other primary features of the mystery of printing. That chapter of the story was soon told. Jimmie Kavanaugh had come from good old Irish stock and was properly brought up by a proper mother. He made a dependable apprentice and a dependable printer and the editor figured he had a dependable young man growing into the business. Then one day Jimmie Kavanaugh came into the office with a surprise. The newspaper after all was not the field in which he desired to serve mankind. He had been talking to the priest and he was going to school to prepare himself to enter the church.

Not Very Robust

Jimmie Kavanaugh was not very robust as a boy nor was he more so as a young man. It was believed the milder climate of North Carolina would be better for him than the severe winters of the North. So he came to Belmont, North Carolina, the center of Catholic influence in a large portion of the South. The young fellow was a gentle and kindly soul who made many friends. He progressed in his studies and finally was advanced to his official capacity in the church. One day some friends from the neighborhood of Kane, in Pennsylvania, were visiting at my house and on the street in Southern Pines I noticed coming toward us the new Catholic priest. He had been recently assigned to our section and this was my first glimpse of him. I was surprised to see one of the women of our party look at him, then hold out both hands and start toward him, exclaiming "Why Jimmy Kavanaugh, where in the world have you been all these years, and where did you come from and what have you been doing?"

I could not remember whether I knew Jimmie Kavanaugh or not as a boy in the printing office, although about his day there I was editor of a morning paper in a city close by. But a number of people that I had known came to Southern Pines and Pinehurst and because we talked shop and about the papers we had been familiar with and the country we had left up there, one of the warmest friendships I have ever known grew up between the young priest and me and to me he was never anything but Jimmie Kavanaugh.

Met Old Friends

He came to my house often, for of
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DOUBLE DROWNING NEAR GOLDSBORO

Former Moore County Man
and Daughter
Victims

The news of the death of Fred Thompson and little five-year-old daughter, Julia Mae, of Goldsboro, has brought sorrow to the entire community. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson and little daughters and Mr. Joe Thompson of this place, who was visiting them, went out Sunday afternoon for a drive, returning by Stevens' mill pond. The little girls spied a boat, and began begging their father to take them for a ride. He finally consented, and left Mrs. Thompson and his brother in the car.

Julia Mae, according to the ac-

count given afterward by Helen, aged 7, suddenly reached for some object she saw floating in the water, lost her balance, and fell into the water. Her father plunged in after her, the force of his leap knocking Helen out of the boat. She managed to get back into the boat and was saved. Mr. Thompson swam about twenty feet, then disappeared from view.

Mrs. Thompson and Mr. Joe Thompson knew nothing of the accident until he decided to investigate as they were staying longer than he had expected them to stay. When he reached a place where he could see the boat, he was horrified to see only little Helen, clinging to a bush to keep the boat from floating on. She told him that her daddy and little sister were gone. Mr. Thompson had to go about a quarter of a mile to procure another boat, and when he reached the child, she collapsed.

Scores of men worked all night trying to recover the bodies, but it was about the middle of the day Monday before they were found, clasped in each others arms.

The funeral was held in Ramseur Tuesday afternoon, and was attended by a great crowd of sorrowing friends and relatives.

Besides his wife and daughter, Mr. Thompson leaves his mother, Mrs. Bryant Thompson, of Cameron; two sisters, Mrs. W. D. McCraney, of Vass and Mrs. W. D. Hunter, of Goldsboro; and seven brothers, Rev. B. C. Thompson, of Mt. Gilead; G. W. and H. L. Thompson, of Hamlet; Roby Thompson, of Aberdeen; A. K. and J. M. Thompson, of Vass and E. B. Thompson, of Cameron.

INSTALLATION SERVICES

A Commission of Fayetteville Presbytery composed of Ministers M. D. McNeill, R. A. McLeod, C. H. Rowan and Elder A. B. Cameron will install Rev. D. McD. Monroe at Vass, Union, and Lakeview, Sunday, May 24. Rev. C. H. Rowan will preach at Vass at 11 A. M.; Rev. M. D. McNeill at Union at 3:30; and Rev. R. A. McLeod at Lakeview at 8 P. M.

PREPARING FOR ROAD BUILDING

Contractors Expect to Start
in Two or Three
Weeks

The contractors who will build the road from Southern Pines to Vass are making their preliminary arrangements, and it is expected that between the first and the middle of the coming month they will begin active work. The State Highway commission has opened an office in Southern Pines, and are ready to start staking out the paving work as soon as the contractors call for working detail. The original intention was to build from Southern Pines to Lakeview, but two or three citizens of Vass brought to Frank Page's notice the fact that it would be a good scheme to include Vass along with Lakeview in the paving project, and it has been so ordered. The pavements will come to the cross roads at the Keith garage, or perhaps to the top of the hill above the old school house depending yet on some conditions connected with character of the road and of material affecting the construction of the oiled road that is to continue from the end of the pavement. But in either event Vass will have a good road to Southern Pines, and in the oiled road a good road to Sanford.

The question of detours between Vass and Southern Pines has been looked into by the Highway force at Southern Pines, and a good way out presents itself. The old road past Niagara will be used from Southern Pines to Max Backer's orchard and from there the detour will probably be by Sweetheart lake and down the new road toward Vass, cutting into Lakeview by the new road there. From Lakeview the old road to Vass is an excellent detour. It is the desire to keep the road open to Lakeview during
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PINEHURST FINANCE CORPORATION WORK

Concern Has Put Out Nearly
Two Thousand
Dollars

The Pinehurst Finance Corporation is not as old as the big round world, but in its brief existence it has been doing a good work in the Sandhills community. So far it has placed around \$200,000 in loans, and is now getting in shape to help out with the relief of some of the long time credits that have been troubling the folks of this neighborhood. The corporation is officered by John R. McQueen, president, Leonard Tufts, vice-president, James Barber, vice-president, George T. Dunlop, vice-president, I. C. Sledge, secretary, Talbot Johnson, treasurer. The board of directors includes the officers and F. W. Voncannon, O. H. Stutts and N. L. Gibbon. The office is in the Bank of Pinehurst building at Pinehurst, and the corporation has friendly relations with the bank. The paid in capital is \$150,000. The chief object is to relieve the frozen credits of the Sandhills, and the method is by taking care of those loans the banks do not want to carry because they run for a longer term than the banks are permitted to tie up their funds.

The concern had its origin about a year ago with Stutts, Sledge and Gibbon, who figured that it would be a wise idea to devise a plan to get outside money into the Sandhills on some basis that would make it available for longer terms than banking rules allow. They enlisted Mr. Barber and the others, and with the enlarged number and the increased financial strength they have reached a point where the corporation is in position to interest money from other sections and place it in the Sandhill country, with the time of payment running so long that there is no danger of recall of the money without ample notice and opportunity to care for it. Banks are expected to make their paper thirty, sixty, or perhaps ninety days. The new corporation will offer loans on six months, nine months, a year or two years, with a monthly payment to extinguish the loan if desired, the purpose being to help the borrower to have time enough to turn around comfortably, but likewise to get his account retired in reasonable period, and to keep the money afloat as broadly as possible.

The corporation does not mean to undertake banking business, but to supplement the work of the banks by taking from them paper that would run too long to be desired for banks to carry, and allow the banks to confine themselves to the short time work. Where satisfactory paper is outstanding for a period of months and the holder desires to realize on it such paper will be acceptable to the corporation. Its relations are such with men of means in other sections of the country that it expects to be able to secure funds to handle a considerable amount of money, and to place it
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J. W. PHILLIP DIES SUDDENLY AT MANLY

Was Working in Field—Born at
Carthage and Educated at
Union Home School

(M. A. P.)

Our town was shocked and saddened by the sudden death of Mr. John W. Phillips, Saturday morning about 9:00 o'clock.

Mr. Phillips was working in the field near his house, when it was noticed that he had fallen. When help reached him he was dead.

Mr. Phillips was in his sixty-fifth year. He was born March 21, 1861, at Carthage. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Phillips. His education was received at old Union school.
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