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LARGE TOBACCO INTERESTS LEASE WAREHOUSE HERE

South Carolina Operators Take Five-Year Lease to Enter Local Market

BELIEVE IN ABERDEEN

Three of the largest tobacco warehousemen of South Carolina have taken a five-year lease on the warehouse operated here last season by J. N. Warren and will enter the Aberdeen market this fall.

J. R. Williams, A. B. Edwards and O'Dell Lewis of Mullins, S. C., are operators of the "Brick Warehouse" in that town and are reported to be among the largest operators in the state. They were most enthusiastic about Aberdeen as a tobacco market and as a town when they visited here recently. They look upon Aberdeen as having a big future in the tobacco field, and hope to become permanent fixtures in this territory.

The lease was made with the Aberdeen Warehouse Corporation and runs for five years.

This move gives Aberdeen two large tobacco warehouses operated by prominent men in the industry, and goes further to enhance the value of the town as an important market.

J. N. Warren, proprietor of the Warren Warehouse, which operated in the local field last season, will not be back this year, it is understood.

The B. B. Saunders Warehouse which has so successfully operated here in the past will be "on the job" as usual, and Mr. Saunders anticipates a most successful season.

Aberdeen is ideally situated to take care of the tobacco industry in this section, and that the future holds much in store for the town as an agricultural market there is no question.

Aberdeen Elects New Mayor Next Tuesday

Aberdeen will elect a new Mayor as successor to G. C. Seymour, together with a new Board of Commissioners at the annual election next Tuesday. The polling place will be the Aberdeen Hotel. The nominees of the Town Caucus were as follows: For mayor, Dan I. McKeithen.

For commissioners, G. C. Seymour, J. R. Page, J. D. McLean, H. McC. Blue and M. M. Johnson.

FUND CAMPAIGN ASSURES NEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

The campaign for the additional funds necessary to assure the immediate placing of the contract for the new Pinehurst Community Church has met with such decided success that only the completion of the architect's plans now stand in the way of construction, it was announced yesterday.

The Rev. Murdoch McLeod told The Pilot that, although the fund is by no means complete, large contributions have come in since the start of the campaign, and the contract will be let almost immediately. Further funds will be needed before the final coat of paint is applied to the finished structure, he said, but he and others interested in the new church anticipate a continuance of the gratifying flow of contributions.

M. C. REYNOLDS DIES AT HOME IN EAGLE SPRINGS

After a residence in Moore county of almost 35 years, M. C. Reynolds died at his home in Eagle Springs last Friday night in the sixtieth year of his life. Mr. Reynolds first came to Eagle Springs from Richmond county in 1895 to run a peach orchard belonging to K. M. McDonald. He established himself as a farmer and storekeeper and was throughout his life a loyal citizen of Eagle Springs and much esteemed by his fellow townsmen.

Services were held Sunday in the Methodist Church of Eagle Springs. Mr. Reynolds is survived by his wife and son, Marvin Reynolds.

R. N. Page Defends County Against Attack by Burt

Brands as Anarchistic Author's Position Regarding Enforcement of Prohibition

Editor, The Pilot—
The communication signed by one of your associate editors, my friend, Struthers Burt, in last week's paper, sounds a strange note. Particularly does it jar following so closely the speech of the President before the Associated Press last week, upon law observance.

Let's see what it is all about: Two weeks ago The Pilot carried an editorial with all the earmarks of having been written by Bion Butler, commending Charlie McDonald, sheriff of the county, for diligence in the enforcement of the law. It matters not what law, that is beside the question, for McDonald upon assuming office was sworn to enforce all laws, and being Charlie McDonald he did not cross his fingers when he took that oath.

If what Mr. Burt says about the manufacture and sale of liquor in Moore county is true, then certainly the more need of a sheriff like Charlie McDonald. He assumes that this question of the enforcement of the prohibition laws is a matter of partisanship and that he and you should pick out the laws that should be enforced, at the same time making out a list of them that should not be, and this latter list Charlie McDonald and other enforcement officers should keep their hands off. Where does Mr. Burt or anyone else under the American flag get this strange doctrine?

He says in one sentence that those wanting these laws enforced in Moore county are in a minority, and in the next, "if the prohibitionists of Moore county had the moral and social courage to try to make Moore county actually dry they could go out tomorrow and make it dry—for a week anyhow, for there isn't one of them that doesn't know where whisky is being made and in quantities."

Knows of No Skills
I want to go on record as being one citizen of the county who does not know of a single place in the county where it is being made. If I did I would tell McDonald just as quickly as I could get him over the telephone, just as I would tell him of the whereabouts of the murderer of Chief Kelly, if I knew.

Is it the business of the citizens to band themselves together in an organization to enforce the law against murder, burglary, theft or arson? What do we elect a sheriff for if not to enforce the law?

Mr. Burt is all wrong. He has no right, nor has any other citizen to say what laws he will observe or which of them he will not. Mr. Hoover is eternally right when he says it is the duty of all good citizens to observe and support all the laws. Anything short of this is anarchy. Certainly no man advocating the breach of law, or the non-observance of it can claim good citizenship.

HOPES MR. BURT WON'T SECEDE FROM THE UNION

Dear Mr. Editor—
They say it "ain't nice" to answer articles you see in the papers. After seeing Mr. Struthers Burt's article in last week's issue of The Pilot in regard to prohibition, liquor "guzzlin'," etc., I ain't nice, if you want to call it that. Mr. Burt seems to have a prohibition complex and is considerably "hipped" on the subject. Being one of the best informed men in America, one of our noted writers, living in different parts of the United States every year, he has no doubt discovered some plan whereby we can remedy ourselves of this "damnable affliction."

There's no doubt that prohibition is a problem but while it is a problem, it is also a law. When a good sheriff of our county goes out to enforce a law it seems very commendable that The Pilot should encourage

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Shop Talk

It's just happenstance that makes Mrs. Robert N. Page the Goddess of Fortune for The Pilot's future in Aberdeen.

There's a tradition in the newspaper business about the first line set on the linotype machine when a new newspaper plant is christened. Our big Mergenthaler linotype, the first linotype machine ever set up in Aberdeen, was put in commission Friday afternoon last, and the operator, Frank Thomas, started to work on the piece of copy on top of the pile.

The tradition is that you will have success if no error appears in the first line of type and that much of that success will be due to the person whose name is first set on the machine. The first name happened to appear in the first line, and it was Mrs. Page's. There was no error in the line.

It was just happenstance, but The Pilot can think of no one it would prefer to have sponsor its success than Mrs. Robert N. Page.

The Pilot's move also brings to Aberdeen the first cylinder press ever set up in the town. This press prints four pages of The Pilot at a time. We print on Wednesdays and Thursdays, and you are cordially invited to drop into the new building and watch the operation.

The population of Aberdeen will increase some fifteen souls by The Pilot's move to town. O. D. Park is superintendent of the plant and expects soon to bring his large family here from Greensboro. Dan Ray, who makes up the paper after Linotyper Frank Thomas gets it in type, will bring his wife and son over from Lakeview. Milton Brewer, advertising and job printing solicitor and handy man about the house, is about to move over from Vass. T. W. Irvin, advertising manager, is already here. Miss Laland Frye, office manager, is coming directly. Mr. Butler, who belongs to the whole county, says he'll be here most of the time, but "guess I'll have to sleep out on the farm, Buddy." This is also our difficulty for the present.

Among the first visitors in the new building were Mayor G. C. Seymour, Frank Shamberger, J. McN. Johnson, Murdoch Johnson, Arch McKeithen, Roy Rosser and Jerry Healy.

We have spent this week getting settled. It takes a lot of time to move where machinery is involved. Next week will be the big "Aberdeen Number" of The Pilot, with special feature stories of Aberdeen's founding and growth, its importance as a railroad center, its place in the tobacco and peach industry of the country, its industries and shops, its organizations of a civic and social nature, its schools and churches—its future.

And Aberdeen has a real future, individually and as a link in the chain which makes up the whole ever-growing community known as "The Sandhills."

Let us grow together, for the common good.

—N. C. H.

BECK OFF TO RALEIGH TO TRAIN STATE POLICE

Rufus Beck, former Aberdeen night patrolman, now a lieutenant of the recently organized state police, spent a few days in town after his visit at Harrisburg, Pa., where the officers of the new police force were instructed in the methods used by the Pennsylvania state constabulary. Beck goes from here to Raleigh to instruct others appointed to the force.

CITIZENS VOTE IMPROVEMENTS FOR SO. PINES

Enthusiastic Meeting Recommends Progressive Program to Incoming Commission

VOTE TO ACCEPT PARK

Acquisition of Piney Woods Park, the paving of South Broad street from Massachusetts avenue to the city line, the paving of two additional blocks east on Massachusetts avenue, additional curbs and gutters for unpaved streets and the extension of water main were recommended to the incoming Board of Commissioners of Southern Pines at a citizens' meeting held at the Civic Club in Southern Pines Tuesday night.

The citizens passed unanimously a motion to issue bonds in the needed amount to cover the program of improvement recommended at the meeting.

It was the largest and most enthusiastic citizens' meeting held in Southern Pines in a long time, and there was no doubt left in the minds of any present that the people of the town want Southern Pines to progress rather than stand still. The sentiment seemed almost unanimous that the tax rate was secondary to future development, that a stand-still program was not the people's desire.

Figures submitted by Ralph Chandler and Roy Pushee, of the committee of the Chamber of Commerce, which investigated the town's financial condition, failed to frighten the gathering despite the fact they showed that over a period of sixteen years the town's fixed expenses would average close to \$90,000. This average was based upon the required principal, interest and sinking fund to care for bond retirements over the sixteen-year period, plus operating expenses based upon the 1928 budget.

Would Retire Debt

Roy Pushee showed that the town would be practically out of debt if it maintained its present rate of operation and borrowing expense over the sixteen-year period when that period expired, provided the tax rate was slightly increased or the added property valuation amounted to sufficient to produce additional revenue at the present rate. The Chamber of Commerce committee recommended an increase in the rate from the present \$2.15 per \$100 to \$2.40 as being the best guarantee against a greater jump becoming necessary later on. The meeting, however, did not go on record regarding the rate.

The offer of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Millen, Jr., of five acres of the Piney Woods estate for a village park was enthusiastically received and Hiram Westbrook of the Chamber of Commerce committee appointed to look into the cost of meeting the terms of the gift reported that \$1,200 would probably cover it.

Paving So. Broad St.

Howard Burns reported that \$4,000 would cover the cost of paving South Broad street, some of which would come back to the town from abutting property owners. The cost of paving two additional blocks on Massachusetts avenue was put at \$1,700, two-thirds of which would be paid by property owners along the street. Curb and gutter costs are met by property owners, but the town advances the money and pays the cost of street intersections. No figures were given on the cost of water main extensions.

The new Board of Commissioners, to be chosen at next Tuesday's election.

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BUSY DAYS FOR COUNTY COLLECTOR OF TAXES

J. D. McLean, county tax collector, has been the busiest man around these parts in some time. The last minute rush to pay county taxes ahead of publication of the delinquent tax list kept J. D. bent over his desk signing slips all week. He's threatened with writer's cramp, he says.

So much money has poured in on Mr. McLean during the week that Charlie McDonald hasn't dared leave the building to hunt up those stills Struthers Burt talks about.

HONORED



LEONARD TUFTS

Mr. Tufts Carries Out Dreams of His Father for Pinehurst

Mechanically Inclined, Changed His Career Upon Death of James Tufts

INFLUENCE WIDESPREAD

BY BION H. BUTLER

To those not well acquainted with Leonard Tufts it is the impression that Pinehurst is a big business enterprise, and that he is the head of the organization, and that his aim is to increase his wealth and prestige as a successful business man. But while in a moderate degree this is true, back of the fact that he has been working to make Pinehurst a financial success is a far greater ambition, that of carrying out the dreams of his father, James Tufts, founder of Pinehurst, and make the community a place wherein people may live with greater comfort and happiness than they find in most other parts of the country.

Leonard Tufts was born in Medford, Middlesex county, Mass., June 30, 1870. His father was James W. Tufts, his mother, Mary Clough, of an English stock that had for many years carried on in Massachusetts, with a fair degree of prosperity and accomplishment. The boy was reared amid an atmosphere of plain tastes, comfortable financial conditions, not too rigid discipline, but with due regard for energy and industry as applied to those things to be done, and with an upright view of life and the relations of man to man. The boy acquired the habit of persistent reading, and after passing through preparatory school he landed in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, for his inclination was in the direction of mechanical production, and when he built his present home in Pinehurst he established a shop where he might work a little at the forge or the bench, or otherwise.

Moves to Pinehurst

But the fates tell many of us what we are to be, and although the young man joined his father's organization, the American Soda Fountain Company, and contributed some important inventions to the production of the output, the death of his father in 1902 brought him in his early thirties into possession of Pinehurst, and his dreams changed overnight.

Not long before acquiring Pinehurst Leonard Tufts had married

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LOCAL CITIZENS APPOINTED TO SAMARCAND BOARD

New members of the board of managers of the State Home and Industrial School for Girls at Samarcand were named Monday afternoon by Governor Max Gardner.

Those appointed were: Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey of Charlotte; Lionel Well of Goldsboro; Gilbert Stephenson of Winston-Salem, and Dr. W. A. Stanbury of Durham. Members reappointed were: Dr. Delia Dixon-Carroll of Raleigh; Mrs. J. R. Page of Aberdeen; Mrs. W. N. Everett of Rockingham; Leonard Tufts of Pinehurst, and E. T. McKeithen of Aberdeen. All terms expire on April 29, 1933.

The new members were appointed in compliance with the act passed by the last General Assembly increasing the members of the board from five to ten.

LEONARD TUFTS IS HONORED BY KIWANIS CLUB

Unanimously Chosen for Cup Annually Presented Builders of the Sandhills

DR. CURRIE IS SPEAKER

By a unanimous vote, Leonard Tufts was the recipient of the cup annually presented by the Kiwanis Club of Aberdeen to the man who has done most for the Sandhills during the previous year. The award was made at the annual ladies' night meeting of the club last Friday evening at the Pinehurst Country Club. The Rev. Murdoch McLeod of Pinehurst, in a gracious speech, presented the trophy, and it was accepted for his father by Richard S. Tufts, Mr. Leonard being unable to be present.

The occasion was a most pleasant one. Besides the award to Mr. Tufts, the feature of the evening was the speech of Dr. Archibald Currie of Davidson College, who talked on how well America had followed the mandates established for it by the framers of the Constitution and the need for continuance of following in the footsteps of our forefathers.

Quoting the preamble of the Constitution he stated that we have as a nation "insured domestic tranquility," which he gathered to mean cordial relationship between states; "provided for the common defence, promoted the general welfare and secured the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity," but he stressed the importance of two other words of the preamble, "establish justice." More should, can and must be done in the establishment of justice, Dr. Currie stated.

Mrs. Seawell Speaks
President Murdoch Johnson of the Kiwanians called upon Mr. Cheatham for the invocation when the dinner guests had been seated around the horseshoe table in the ballroom of the club. John Bloxham led two verses of America. Robert N. Page, "Mr. Bob" to all Kiwanians, spoke words of welcome to the ladies, to which Mrs. Herbert F. Seawell of Carthage responded, commending the Kiwanis Club for its part in the upbuilding of the community.

In his presentation speech Mr. McLeod told of the splendid work which Mr. Tufts had done in carrying on the great work started here by his father, James Tufts, some forty years ago. He particularly commended the Master Farmer movement initiated by Mr. Leonard and which has been so successfully carried out for the past few years by the Kiwanis Club.

Richard Tufts, in accepting the handsome silver trophy, said that nothing had ever pleased his father more than the announcement of his selection for the honor conferred upon him, and he read a letter from Mr. Tufts in appreciation of the gift.

Songs and stunts were interspersed throughout the dinner, and dancing followed until after midnight.

Other recipients of the Kiwanis Club's annual cup have been John McQueen of Lakeview and Bion H. Butler, editor of The Pilot.

Richardson, Stutz for So. Pines Mayor

Politics are seething in Southern Pines. There are two tickets to be presented to tonight's caucus, one headed by S. B. Richardson, former mayor; the other by Town Commissioner D. G. Stutz. These two will be offered in nomination for the mayoralty preparatory to next Tuesday's election. Various names are to be presented for the town's Board of Commissioners, some slates including many of the present commissioners, others eliminating certain ones of them. Excitement is keen, and tonight's caucus is expected to draw a capacity house.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shamberger last evening entertained the "Nite Club" at dinner and bridge at their home in Aberdeen.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harrington entertained the "Ace of Clubs" at the Southern Pines Hotel last evening.