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## FARMERS WILL HOLD MEETING IN CARTHAGE

Tobacco Growers of Three Counties Will Meet Sept. 16 to Discuss Plans

### GREEN TO BE HERE

Farmers of Moore, Randolph and Montgomery counties are scheduled to meet in Carthage on next Tuesday morning, Sept. 16th, from 9:00 to 12:00 o'clock, for a tobacco meeting which will be conducted by W. S. Green, educational representative of the Federal Farm Board.

The plan, according to E. H. Garrison, county farm demonstration agent, is for an educational meeting wherein a tobacco cooperative association will be discussed and the farmers informed as to what they may or may not expect such an association to do. This meeting will not be in the nature of a sign-up meeting, but if the people, after hearing the discussion, want a co-operative tobacco association, follow-up work will be done. Farmers of these three counties are urged to attend and to influence their neighbors to be present.

This meeting follows a conference held in the high school building in Aberdeen on Thursday of last week, at which time representative men including county agents and vocational teachers from some seven or eight counties heard Mr. Green discuss the whole tobacco situation as it relates to production, outlook information, the mistakes of the Tri-State Tobacco Association, what cooperative marketing can and cannot do and what the Federal Farm Board can do to help the farmers. Interest in this meeting was so keen that it was deemed wise to have Mr. Green carry his message to other groups, and if the farmers decide that they want a new tobacco cooperative association, they will be asked to suggest what they want put into the marketing contract and their suggestions will be given full consideration.

## Lawyers and Laws Discussed by Kiwanis

Murdoch Johnson Makes Out Good Case for His Craft at Weekly Meeting

The Kiwanis Club at its meeting at the Country Club in Southern Pines Wednesday, listened to Murdoch Johnson, who told about lawyers and law. Murdoch seems to have an acquaintance with a rather varied collection of the men of justice, and he confessed for several of them. Then after shriving them he said that with the exception of a limited number of shysters and ambulance chasers, who ought to be at some other work the remaining 99 per cent were all right, and that the way to deal with the lawyers is to retain a good one by the year, follow his counsel in your business deals and have him keep you out of court and out of litigation, for, he says, a lawyer would rather keep his clients out of court than go to the court house with all its costs and contention. He made a right good case for his craft.

Then he told of the evolution of our code of laws, starting with old Hammurabi, six thousand years ago; with the Greek Lycurgus, Solon, Justinian, not forgetting Moses, and leading to the Great Charter by the English King John, which is the base of our laws today. Murdoch says we have too many laws, and that all the money a lawyer earns goes to buy new books with new laws.

Next week the constitution will receive attention of the Kiwanis club.

## SPENCER ADDRESSES LEE COUNTY REPUBLICAN CLUB

Colin G. Spencer spoke to the Republican Club of Lee County in the ballroom of the Wilrik Hotel, Sanford, on Monday night, September 8th. The Republican Club is to hold another meeting on Monday, September 15th in the Wilrik Hotel in Sanford at which time Vice-Chairman, Mrs. Juanita Gregg Wynne will speak to the club.

## Judge Way Suggests Scheme of Regional Planning for Sandhills

STATE FAIR BOOSTERS  
WILL VISIT ABERDEEN

The State Fair Boosters, on their annual advertising tour throughout the state, will visit Aberdeen on September 25th, according to information received by Mayor Henry Blue from the Secretary of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce. They expect to arrive at 2:15 o'clock in the afternoon. The Boosters, who formerly traveled by train, will this year make their trip in four busses, and will be accompanied by the State College band.

## Women Are Active in Local Party Politics

Mrs. Charles Urges that Large Delegation Hear Bailey Monday

With the opening of the Democratic senatorial campaign in Carthage next week, the Moore County Democratic Executive Committee is getting warmed up and is putting on its armor preparatory to waging an aggressive fight. More and more are the women being recognized in political circles and local Democrats, in perfecting their organization, were quick to realize the wisdom of bringing in the fresh thought and sane judgment of the women voters.

That the ladies are awake to their opportunities and conscious of the responsibilities resting upon them is shown by the active part they are taking in the work of the organization, and the time may be coming when the men's names will be in the back ground not only on the social pages but in the political columns as well.

The Moore County organization has two prominent women on its executive committee, Mrs. G. A. Charles of Aberdeen as vice-chairman, and Miss Bess McCaskill of Carthage as secretary.

Mrs. Charles says: "We are looking forward this year to a large Democratic vote in Moore County. I especially want to urge a large delegation of men and women voters of Aberdeen and vicinity to hear Hon. Josiah Bailey, who will address you in Carthage at the courthouse Monday, September 15th, at 2:00 p. m."

## Long Term Schools Report Good Opening

1600 White and 400 Colored Children in These Schools. Charter Schools Also Open

The long term schools of Moore County opened their doors for the reception of pupils on September 1st, 2nd and 8th, and include Cameron, West End, Pinehurst, Eureka, Jackson Springs, Eagle Springs, Putnam, Glendon, Roseland and Ingram Branch. The enrollment of 1600 white and 400 colored children in these schools show a healthy increase over last year's opening date. When the short term schools open on October 13th, 1800 additional white and 1200 colored children are expected to enter, making the total county school population reach 5000. Aberdeen, Carthage and Vass Charter Schools have opened with large enrollments, while the Southern Pines Charter schools are looking forward to an equally auspicious opening on Sept 15th.

## PRITCHARD TO SPEAK IN CARTHAGE, SEPT. 25

The Honorable George M. Pritchard, candidate for U. S. Senator of North Carolina on the Republican ticket, will speak in the Court House at Carthage, at 8:00 o'clock p. m. on September 25th. Mr. Pritchard has been making an impressive campaign throughout eastern North Carolina, and it is believed that the Court House will be filled when he speaks in Carthage. Mr. Pritchard has several admirers in the county and every where he has been he has made a very favorable impression. On September 26th he will speak in Troy.

## Unity of Action Needed that Whole Section May Be De- veloped Harmoniously

Bion H. Butler  
Judge Way suggested a scheme the other day that is worth consideration by the entire Sandhills community from Little River to Drowning creek, and from Fort Bragg to West End. His remark was prompted by the announcement that the Midland Farms would probably this fall respond to the desire for rural locations by putting on the market some of their lands between Pinehurst and Knollwood. The judge has several hundred acres adjoining the southern tract of the Midland land, and also adjoining the large acreage that Burrell White has bought, and the big holdings of D. J. Ross and others, and his notion is that it would be a good plan for all these folks to get together and follow a project that has been undertaken in the vicinity of Philadelphia. This project is in the hands of an organization called a Regional Planning company, and its job is to propose a plan for the development of the entire area under its jurisdiction, so arranging that every step on every tract of land shall be taken with regard to the harmony of the whole area involved.

Surveys Already Made  
The Judge has had a topographical survey made of his territory. Mr. White has also provided a similar study of his lands. Midland Farms have a pretty good map of their property. Knollwood close by and the Barber estates have made surveys. Much of all the land for miles is fairly well mapped, and all of it could be properly designated in suitable maps to join with that which has been covered. "Then," said Judge Way, "If we would all get together and have some man like Ross, or anybody else capable, plan some roadways through the whole combined body of the several possessions, so that when I try to do something with my land it may fit in with White's holding, or Ross's, or the Midland land, and that we may not sell a chunk here or there, hit or miss, that might spoil the land adjoining, or that might not fit in with what the other would do, we could have one of the most intelligent regional improvement influences that can be planned."

The judge further said that this idea ought to be carried through the entire Sandhills, so that instead of each separate spot being an inharmonious unit in a jumble of aimless growth it might be a coordinated factor in a fine, big, intelligent community creation, and working out the intelligent plan that could make of this part of North Carolina a magnificent big park, with sports and amusements, fine homes, everything fitting in with everything else, Knollwood and Weymouth and Pinehurst and Southern Pines, and all the rest from the duPont property to the Tompkins purchases, all tying up with each other, and making the finest thing of its kind imaginable.

Good Property Scarcer  
A little bunch of fellows the other night in Southern Pines were discussing The Pilot's guess that the building movement meant much more activity ahead than has taken place in the past, and one predicted that we are about to enter into a new phase of land ownership. Heretofore the idea has been to sell land to newcomers for the sake of selling the land. But we have about reached a place where the thing is to help the newcomers buy some land if they want to make homes in the Sandhills, and with the realization that not a great deal of land remains to be bought close in to the centers. This situation was fixed as a permanent restriction when the government bought 122,000 acres for Fort Bragg. It has been growing more acute of recent years and was brought to a climax last spring when the Tompkins interests bought 2,200 acres from Knollwood, cutting out the last big available holding that could be had. Watson and White added to the tenseness of the condition, and where to buy another big tract now would be hard to say. The time has about arrived when lands should no

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## LOCAL SCHOOLS STARTED WORK ON WEDNESDAY

Enrollment in High School Exceeds that of Last Year

### BUSINESS COURSE POPULAR

The Aberdeen Schools opened on Wednesday morning, Sept. 10, with bright prospects for an outstanding year's work in all departments. Supt. N. E. Wright is again at the head of the schools, and he has secured a faculty of well-trained and experienced teachers. County Superintendent H. Lee Thomas was present on Wednesday morning and addressed the high school pupils at the chapel exercises.

Formal opening exercises will be held at the grammar school building at 9:00 a. m. and at the high school building at 10:15 a. m. on Monday, Sept. 15th. Prominent speakers will be present to address the pupils and patrons of the schools, and Mrs. Reid Pleasants, who is at the head of the music department, will furnish special music.

Supt. Wright is well pleased with the opening day's enrollment. In the high school, 121 pupils, more than were enrolled during the entire 1929-30 school year, were present, and 258 grammar grade children began their work in the Aberdeen school, while Pinebluff, where a section of the primary work is carried on, is yet to be heard from.

A commercial department has been added to the schools, with Miss Effie Butler as teacher, and the enrollment has already gone beyond the number expected for the entire year. Fifteen high school graduates have signed up for the course, as have twenty-one pupils from the tenth and eleventh grades, making a total of thirty-six. This course is open to anyone desiring to take it, whether of school age or not.

The high school boys are very enthusiastic over their football playing, and the opening day saw thirty-one out for practice.

All of the colored schools of this district will open next Monday, and the Aberdeen school will have a high school department for the first time.

## Bankers Will Again Meet in Pinehurst

Executive Committee Decides on Local Resort at Meeting in Goldsboro Wednesday

The executive committee of the North Carolina Bankers' Association, of which W. E. Stroud of Goldsboro, is president, held their regular annual meeting in the directors' rooms of the Wayne National Bank of Goldsboro, at 10 o'clock this morning. Sections from Bryson City to Goldsboro were represented. The committee is composed of representatives of the ten banking groups of the state and of officers of the association.

Current affairs of interest to bankers were discussed by the committee. Pinehurst was chosen for the 1931 convention of the association which will be held early in May. Unless special meetings are called, the committee holds only two meetings a year. This is the first meeting of the committee since Mr. Stroud was named association president at the 1930 meeting held in Pinehurst.

Mr. Stroud is vice-president of the Wayne National Bank.

## Pinehurst Teachers Given a "Pounding"

The social affair of this week was the surprise "pounding" and informal reception given the faculty of the Pinehurst school at the Teacherage on Monday evening. This was sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association and was a big success, both from the standpoint of stocking a pantry and the social hour as well. Owing to lack of room at the Teacherage the party was transferred to the basement of the Community church where an evening of fun, music and refreshments was enjoyed.

## Versatile Ministers To Unfold the Humanity

Marvin Caviness and His Wife Unselfishly Devote Their Time to Complex Task of Meeting the Needs of County's Dependents

Bion H. Butler  
Down through a bit of woods the road opened on a small clearing. A man in blue overalls was raking the ground. When we approached it was seen that he was cleaning the grass away from a group of perhaps forty or fifty graves, each with its small foot-square marble head stone, each lined up along side of the others, symmetric, and plainly all related in some way. It was the cemetery at Moore county's home for its aged and financially dependent wards of misfortune. "That new one?" and Marvin Caviness inclined his rake toward a recent mound. "Old Isaac Freeman. Old negro. Around Manly for years and years. Probably 82 or 85 or around there. Yes, that row colored. These rows white."

Old Isaac Freeman, an aged darkey who was old when I first knew him, a friendly old chap, of wide acquaintance. Typical of the derelicts of humanity. Marvin Caviness doing what he can of salvage. Not abandoned. All but two or three with that small marble marker telling the name and year of death. And the sexton looking after their final home there under the shadow of the pines and the oak trees. Sexton, undertaker, homemaker, farmer, herdsman, missionary, friend, companion, advisor, everything about that home from the day of the arrival of the guest until the general roll is called. A man can think a lot of things in a short time with such a stage setting.

A Busy Woman  
I went with Marvin Caviness back to the house. His wife sat on the verandah sewing. She, too, has a varied job. She is housekeeper, nurse, cook, baker, mother superior, comforter, heaven only knows what in a household that includes the infirm, the senile, the mentally unbalanced, and the responsibility and the task wholly on her shoulders. I did not think much of the members of that home. Their situation is tragic enough, but it is slowly and steadily working out its termination—the group down by the pine trees where I found Mr. Caviness—but all the tasks, day by day and night after night, in sickness, in death, in that mocking state that corresponds to health in the more fortunate, Mrs. Caviness has her hands full.

I did not ask Marvin Caviness what keeps him and his wife there. I knew it was not money, for I had already learned that his wage is \$160 a month for himself and his wife, with \$40 additional, for a helper who gets \$30 for such work around the place as a helper can do, and the other \$10 for a helper in the kitchen for such help as that will buy for Mrs. Caviness. With the benefit of this \$40 worth of help as noted these two care for the home, for the population of at present 25 persons besides themselves, carrying on everything, farming on such a scale that food supplies are grown in large quantities, grain and feed enough for the mules, the cattle, the hogs, the chickens and the household. All the house work, all the odd jobs about the place, comforting the sick, feeding them, washing them, nursing them, burying them, answering their complaints at midday, at midnight, at five o'clock in the morning, no limit to the day's work, to the week's work, to the year's work, milking the cows; cutting the wood, making the clothes, and keeping the place clean and decent and cheerful and sanitary and in shape to satisfy the grand jury and the commissioners and the citizen—with a few possible exceptions.

Fine farm crops, fine pair of mules, a dozen or so of fine hogs, four fine cows, corn in the crib from last year and considerable to sell from year to year, cow peas for seed and to eat, garden stuff, fruit. For several years the place has given Marvin Caviness a certificate of efficiency. As you drive past on the road you see that a farmer is at work there. It is Caviness. As you go about the buildings you note care in their keep. Caviness and his wife. Shrubbery

about the place, and flowers, things gathered up. Third successive crop of corn for the table since spring came. Second crop of tomatoes turning red as the first crop is about gone. Collards, cabbage, onions, peanuts, and a field of sweet potatoes that helps to keep the potato supply up from one crop end to the next. Marvin Caviness says he is not a farmer—doesn't have time to farm. But he has one of the best farm exhibits of the county, and one that pays. He is not a boarding house keeper—doesn't have time to run a boarding house, but he has two dozen boarders, all ages and color. Isn't an undertaker, but he is called on to officiate three or four times a year or more, and by himself, and as hospital steward and in every other capacity associated.

Does a man do those things for money? Not very many men could do them at all, and not very many women would do what Mrs. Caviness does. They are a combination that is a marvel of fitness for the place they fill. They might be paid for farming, or for housekeeping, or for looking after the sick, or for caring for the dead, or for the innumerable things they do severally, but nobody was ever paid in cash for the humanitarianism, the fathering and mothering and the task of making as nearly pleasant as possible the gray road that goes down into the Valley of the Shadow for these old people who are there on their last steps of the fading journey.

A county home is a problem of civilization. I have no solution to offer. It may be that some of these days we will do these things better, or maybe worse. But as long as we do them as we do, and as long as Marvin Caviness and his cheery-faced wife sit in authority, and as long as they work day and night, year in and year out for the comfort and the care of their human flotsam it is an honor to every man who goes by that institution to at least in his mind doff his hat to this pair, and to repeat to himself that text which carries the assurance that "whosoever shall give to one of these a cup of water only shall in no wise lose his reward."

The Lord of Hosts lays on some men an acceptance of responsibility against which there is no question of how much the reward. That responsibility says—"go to the last sheep," and further instruction adds—"and there abide." The acceptance of the task and the faithfulness with which men carry it out in specific cases is one of the marvels of the infinite.

## School at Southern Pines Starts Tuesday

Elementary Pupils to Report at 8:30 A. M. Tuesday and High School Pupils Wednesday

The Southern Pines school will open for the term of 1930-1931 Tuesday morning, September 16th, the elementary school pupils at the same hour reporting at 8:30 and the Wednesday morning. Pupils who are entering the first grade will report to room 1 on the opening day, and pupils who are transferring from other schools must be registered in the office of the superintendent before being assigned to classes. Superintendent Allen's office will be open Friday and Saturday afternoon of this week. Last year over sixty pupils were registered in the first grade and the enrollment for the school for this term is expected to be well above four hundred. The staff will be about as last year with the exception of a teacher for the commercial course to take Miss Stone's place. Mrs. Gordon Brown and Miss Emily Mae Wilson will have the first grade; Miss Ruth Davenport, second grade; Miss Mary Montgomery, third grade; Mrs. Frank Gibbons, fourth grade; Mrs. Wade, fifth grade; Miss Anne Willis, 6th; Miss Anne Huntington, 7th, while the high school will be in charge of Superintendent W. F. Allen, Mr. Frank Gibbons assisting with Miss Pauline Miller and Miss Anne Ford.