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AUTHORIZE WORK ON EXTENSION OF PENNSY. AVENUE

Southern Pines Commissioners
and Chamber of Commerce
Launch Program

TO AID UNEMPLOYMENT

One of the most important schemes undertaken in Southern Pines is that by the Chamber of Commerce and the town commissioners to further improve the landscape and street conditions of the village. The town council has authorized two major projects, largely as a supplement to the unemployment movement, the village furnishing a certain fund, and the Chamber of Commerce working with M. G. Nichols, in providing a further fund contributed by individuals, for carrying on the work and reducing the number unemployed.

The first piece of work is the beginning of the widening and planting of May street, which is the Federal highway through town. From the northern margin of the town out near Manly, teams and tools are widening the street to its full width of 80 feet. On both sides of the hard top road dirt is to be removed to full width of street, park and sidewalk, and this work is well under way. Then it will be planted by the commission having that job in charge, largely with dogwoods, hollies and other ornamental trees, including many pines. This work is in line with that scheme which the Chamber of Commerce has been working on for a time along with the town commissioners. A considerable force of hands has been busy for several days and more will be employed as long as money comes in to pay the bills. The effect is already to be seen, and when the job is done May street, which is the state and federal highway through Southern Pines will be one of the most attractive village streets in North Carolina.

Short Cut to Pinehurst

But this is not the limit of the work mapped out. At a council meeting last week the town commissioners arranged to put engineers on Pennsylvania avenue to extend it to the border of the village and connect with the extension through West Southern Pines straight out the Pennsylvania avenue line to a point on the Midland road in the neighborhood of Elsie Keith's house, or perhaps to a new road that will parallel the Midland road just back of the strip of 1000 feet lots laid out some time ago. This will afford a short and direct cut from Southern Pines to Pinehurst, and fit in with the map Rassie Wicker has recently drawn for the further harmonious development of all that territory between Pinehurst, Knollwood and Southern Pines, with roads and property lines to suit the topography of the whole area. Southern Pines will take care of a portion of the Pennsylvania avenue development in its area and the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce and private contributions in behalf of the unemployed will add to the work done. This will be followed probably by other work in that region, and provide the basis for a decided change in that whole neighborhood. It will also create considerable activity in employment in the whole section.

SENATOR JOHNSON ASKS PROTECTION OF FORESTS

Senator Murdoch Johnson of Aberdeen introduced two bills in the State Senate during the past week. Senate Bill No. 86 is titled: "To prevent mortgagors from cutting timber on mortgaged land without written consent of mortgagees." His Senate Bill No. 87 reads: "To abolish law requiring registrars to provide copies of registration books, though not prohibiting the making of copies by those who want them."

SHRINE BALL FEB. 27

The date for the annual Shrine Ball of the Sandhill Shrine Club, always one of the big social events of the winter season, has been set for Friday evening, February 27th, at the Pinehurst Country Club. Donald Ross is chairman and John Fitzgerald vice-chairman of arrangements for the ball.

Aberdeen to Establish Community Center in Old McKeithen House

Local Societies Incorporate Under
Name of Community
House Association

The long felt need in Aberdeen for a community center is about to be filled through the organization of the Community House Association, Incorporated. Aberdeen has long been without any center of activity for its civic affairs, a place for holding meetings of any size, for the entertainment of the Kiwanis Club at its weekly luncheons, etc., and the announcement of the acquiring of the old Neill McKeithen House will come as good news to the citizenry. This house is located near the corner of South street and the new Laurinburg road.

A meeting of representatives of the several organizations of the city was held at the home of Mrs. W. A. Blue on Monday night, January 19th, at which time plans were discussed for the selection of a so-called Community Center. A proposal was received from Dr. A. H. McLeod at that time, whereby he agrees to lease the Neill McKeithen residence, one of the oldest houses in Aberdeen, to the organization for one year, with privilege of renewal. The terms call for the organization to alter the house to suit its needs, and to keep it in repair. Dr. McLeod agrees to reimburse the organization for all expenditures on the premises in the event the property is sold at some later date.

Society Incorporated

It was necessary that the organization be incorporated, and the name, "Community House Association" was chosen. Six organizations were represented at the meeting at Mrs. Blue's residence, the Aberdeen Book Club, the Stay-a-While Club, the Junior Order, the Knights of Pythias, Masons and the Parent-Teachers' Association.

It is proposed to throw most of the downstairs of the house into one large assembly room where larger meetings may be held, where the Kiwanis Club may be entertained, and so on. Kitchen equipment will be provided for serving meals. Upstairs will be lodge rooms for meeting of various local societies. Some of the expense of upkeep will be met by the rental of the main assembly room and the lodge rooms from time to time.

Milton Brewer Dies After Long Illness

Former Member of The Pilot
Staff One of Best Known
Men in Moore County

One of the best known and most popular residents of Moore county, Milton Brewer, of Vass, passed away at the home of his brother, Stacy Brewer, in that village Wednesday night. He had been ill for the past year, spending some time in the Moore County Hospital.

Milton Brewer was born in the Hemp section of the county 53 years ago, son of Alex and Lena Brewer. He served for several years as an engineer on the old R. & C. Railroad, now the Moore Central, and was with the Aberdeen & Rockfish R. R. for a time. Later he became superintendent of the Carthage Water Works, serving there several years. When Stacy Brewer started The Pilot in Vass ten years ago, Milton joined him and played an important part in the upbuilding of this newspaper. He remained with The Pilot until about a year ago when his health would no longer permit active, steady work. He made his home at the Aberdeen Hotel after The Pilot moved here, and went to live with his brother at Vass after his retirement.

Ever interested in affairs of the Sandhills, Milton Brewer made enduring friendships throughout the length and breadth of Moore county, and leaves a host of loving friends to mourn his going. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at his brother's home, the Rev. C. A. Lawrence officiating. Burial was at the Presbyterian cemetery in Carthage, Mr. Brewer having been a member of the Carthage Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are two brothers, Stacy Brewer of Vass and Murphy Brewer of Rochester, N. Y., and one half-sister, Mrs. John Brown of Hemp.

Forest Fires

Many Have Threatened Serious
Damage in Section
During Past Week

The continued spell of sunny weather, though pleasing to the golfer, the horseback rider and those down from the north to evade the winter, has started an epidemic of forest fires in the vicinity. Men were up all one night this week fighting threatening flames in the vicinity of Pinebluff, and other fires have been seen and reported from other sections of the county.

All of which prompts another reminder: Be careful of your cigarettes and matches. It doesn't take much to start a fire which may result in thousands of dollars' worth of damage.

PHYSICIANS SCORE PLAN TO ABOLISH N. C. HEALTH DEPT.

County Medical and Dental Societies
Aroused Over Brookings
Recommendation

APPEAL TO LEGISLATORS

Recommendations for the abolishment of the State Department of Health contained in the Brookings report which Governor Gardner recommended to the General Assembly for serious consideration prompted the Moore County Medical Society and the Moore County Dental Society to go on record as unqualifiedly opposed to such action, and resolutions to that effect have been sent by both these organizations to the county's legislative representatives at Raleigh.

Meetings were held early this week at which time the resolutions were drawn up and unanimously passed. The physicians and dentists here can see nothing to be gained by the abolishment of the State's health department, inasmuch as the department is principally maintained by the State Medical Society and is not a loadstone on the treasury. The Brookings report, in recommending the consolidations of many State departments, suggested that the Health department work be placed under the Department of Education. The local societies maintain that the Department of Education has all that it can do to properly run the schools of the state, especially in view of the new law whereby the State takes over six months operation of schools entirely, and also holds that medical work throughout the state is of sufficient importance to be retained under a competent board of health under competent medical men.

MRS. W. J. WADSWORTH DIES AT AGE OF 70

Mrs. Mollie Cole Wadsworth, wife of W. J. Wadsworth, well known Moore County citizen, died at her home near Carthage Saturday night, January 24th, after a long illness. Mrs. Wadsworth was 70 years of age. She was a woman of fine character, who had long held a position of affection and respect in the minds of all who knew her.

The funeral was conducted at the Carthage Presbyterian Church on Monday, January 26th, by the Rev. W. S. Golden and the Rev. J. H. Bufaloe, and was attended by a large gathering of her friends. Burial was in the Presbyterian Cemetery at Carthage.

MRS. WADSWORTH JOINED EUPHRONIA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FIFTY YEARS AGO.

At the time of her death she was a member of Priest Hill Presbyterian Church. Her parents were B. H. and Margaret Short Cole, a well known family in Moore county. She leaves to mourn her, her husband, six sons and three daughters, besides her brothers and sisters.

REYNOLDS TOBACCO HEAD TO VISIT SOUTHERN PINES

Mrs. Bowman Gray, of Winston-Salem, has arrived at the Highland Pines Inn to be with her mother, Mrs. B. M. Lyon and her brother Philip Lyon, of Ottawa, Canada. Mr. Gray, president of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, is expected soon to join them. Mrs. Lyon had as a luncheon guest Tuesday Mrs. M. G. Lollin, also of Winston-Salem.

EDWARD SLOAN MARRIED TO MISS EVA RICHARDSON

Announcement was made last Sunday of the marriage on August 2d last at Cheraw, S. C., of Edward Sloan of Aberdeen and Miss Eva Richardson of Jackson Springs, both well known throughout the Sandhills. Mr. Sloan is the son of S. E. Sloan and connected with the Freeman Furniture Company in Aberdeen, and Mrs. Sloan is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Richardson and for the past two years has held a position with Jabaly, a ladies' wear shop in Pinehurst.

SEES SALE TAX TO RAISE FUNDS FOR N. C. SCHOOLS

Senator Murdoch Johnson Believes
Legislature Will Levy
on All Commodities

ECONOMY STATE KEYNOTE

Senator Murdoch Johnson of Aberdeen, home for the week-end from his legislative duties at Raleigh, thinks the Legislature is likely to adopt a general sales tax on all commodities to take care of the State's support of the six months school term and to relieve land taxes.

"Some method of providing income for the State's taking over six months of the school term throughout the state must be found," Senator Johnson said, "and it seems likely now that money will be drawn from a sales tax on every commodity. We passed the six months school bill in the Senate last week and it will, in all probability, pass the House this week."

Mr. Johnson said the ten per cent salary cut recommended by the Governor in his message to the Legislature would also be adopted with little doubt.

The new Senator from Moore county has not been idle since leaving for Raleigh. He was one of the sponsors of the bill to memorialize Congress to pay the soldiers their war service certificates at this time rather than fifteen years from now when they become due and payable under the present law.

"This legislation, if passed, will turn loose in North Carolina about \$26,000,000," he said, adding that this amount is sorely needed in North Carolina just at this time.

Mr. Johnson fathered the memorial to Congress seeking legislation looking toward the postponement of Federal Farm Loan and Joint Stock Land Bank mortgages.

Asked what he thought the new Legislature would accomplish during his two months in Raleigh, the Senator said:

"There is no doubt but that the temper of this Legislature is to reduce expenditures all along the line, to cut out useless offices and duplications and to relieve agriculture of the heavy burden of taxation which it bears."

Busy Golf Schedule at Southern Pines

Two-Club Tournament and
Tombstone Event on Next
Week's Program

Golf events scheduled for next week at the Southern Pines Country Club included a special nine-hole tournament, open to men and women, when the entrants will use but two clubs, making their own choice. This will be played Wednesday, February 4th.

Saturday, February 7th, a Tombstone tournament will be held, one at eighteen holes and one at nine, also open to men and women.

Thursday, February 12th, will be a special holiday event, a mixed foursome and an eighteen-hole match.

Robert Skinner of Wilmington, Delaware, made an exceptionally good score in the putting contest held last Saturday when he shot a 21 for the twelve holes. Mrs. Allen Fink of Pittsburgh was low for the women with a 23.

HORSE SHOW ANNOUNCED FOR MARCH 31, APRIL 1

Charlie Picquet announces that the annual Pinehurst Horse Show will be held on March 31 instead of April 1st this year, with the usual number of classes but with more entries in sight than ever before. James G. Marshall and Louis Haight, prominent New York horse show judges, have been invited to judge the classes. Mr. Marshall and Mr. Haight judged here last year.

RACES NEXT WEDNESDAY

One of the best race meetings of the year is scheduled for next Wednesday, February 4th at the Pinehurst track, with a full program of equestrian specialties as a sideline.

\$5,000 Goal is Set for Fund for the Unemployed

"Give and Take"
Donations To Aid Unemployed
Come Back To Town in
Civic Betterment

By Bernice Kenyon Gilkysen

The Southern Pines Committee on Unemployment and Relief, which came into being almost overnight and acquired an office and a group of voluntary workers under the chairmanship of M. G. Nichols, is an organization to be proud of, for it is doing some remarkable things.

To date 239 unemployed people, men and women, have applied for work at the office, and have been registered on the records. Most of the people are colored, but a few are white, and all are in great need. The committee is doing everything it can to create work for them to do, and has now undertaken two ambitious projects, in reality town improvements, which are already providing work for a large number of men.

You may have noticed the grading and filling which are being done along the edge of May street (Federal Highway No. 1) in the direction of Manly. This is entirely the Committee's undertaking, and when the brush is all cut back and the grading and making of sidewalks finished, then the Southern Pines Chamber of Commerce is going to bear the expense of planting it to trees and shrubs, so that before long it will be one of the most attractive approaches in the state. Another piece of work you may have noticed is that being done to extend the lower end of Pennsylvania avenue, connecting Southern Pines with West Southern Pines and, by direct route, with Pinehurst. The town is spending \$1,200, to lay the culverts for the new strip of road, but the Committee on Unemployment is doing all the filling and making of the road, and paying for this work, as well as for the improvements on May street.

Ninety Put to Work

Ninety men altogether are employed on these two jobs. They work in three two-day shifts of thirty men each, and each man is paid two dollars a day, and when necessary he is given

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Money to Serve Double Duty of
Providing Jobs and Beautifying
Southern Pines

ORGANIZATION COMPLETE

Five thousand dollars is the goal set by the Committee on Unemployment and Relief in Southern Pines for its dual-purposes campaign. These funds are to serve the public in two ways: providing jobs for the unemployed and carrying on the city's beautification program. Donors will furnish relief on the one hand, and see their money come back to them in civic improvements on the other.

The Finance Committee, on which are representatives of all church and civic organizations in Southern Pines, met Wednesday night at the Southern Pines Country Club and formulated plans for the campaign. "Constructive Charity," is the slogan. In a statement issued to the press the committee says:

"The committee is now fully organized and has vigorously developed its plans for employment and relief and believes it has already accomplished favorable results and only needs the whole hearted support of Southern Pines to not only relieve the existing distress but to increase the beauty and utility of the city's streets, parkways and lands.

"Briefly stated the committee's program is:

1. Maintain an office for registration of unemployed and urgent relief cases.
2. Investigate such applicants as may seem necessary.
3. Relieve urgent cases of distress with food, medicine, medical advice, nursing or such attention as is necessary in the opinion of committee on relief.
4. Supply employers with labor on request.
5. Canvas the town for temporary employment.
6. Endeavor to increase employment through new buildings and cleaning up or planting vacant lands.
7. Help to beautify and improve the city by:
 - (a). Supplying common labor to the street department for street and parkway improvement.
 - (b). Supplying labor and small pines for planting the water shed of our water supply.
 - (c). Supply labor and teams to the city for the extension of Pennsylvania Avenue through to West Southern Pines.
8. That the committee through the treasurer pays for the common labor and small pines supplied to the city.
9. That the Committee on Employment shall give preference to the extension of Pennsylvania Avenue and work on the parks and streets in developing our plans and be guided in the amount of labor supplied by the amount of funds available for wages.

"The Committee requests that our citizens refer all applicants for charity to its office in the Bernstein Building where an immediate investigation will be made and prompt and proper relief be given worthy cases. The Committee also requests that everyone who possibly can do so aid it by giving employment to a workless man or woman if only for a few hours, and to ask the committee to furnish such help.

"Please mail checks or cash to George W. Case, treasurer."

DR. LONG OF ATLANTA TO PREACH HERE ON SUNDAY

Dr. R. C. Long of Atlanta, Georgia, is to preach at the Presbyterian Church in Aberdeen this coming Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock. There are said to be few stronger men in the Presbytery of the south than Dr. Long, a man who brings an attractive and forceful personality to the pulpit. His Sunday evening will be a timely one in which he will treat of the causes and cures of financial depression. The subject is: Stewardship of Time, Interest and Money.

A general invitation to all in the community is extended to this opportunity to hear Dr. Long Sunday evening.